



Lucky Clover Thoroughbreds Newsletter



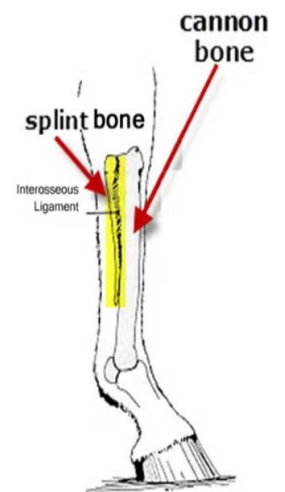
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SHIN SORENESS PUTS COLT BACK IN THE PADDOCK!!

Unnamed Sepoy x Dreamworker colt has gone shin sore after an impressive preparation over the last couple of months. Toby likes the pedigree of this colt and was impressed with the improvement in his work this time in. He will spend 4-6 weeks in the paddock before returning to the stables with an aim to get him to the trials and into his first race.

The shin of a horse is very similar to a human's shin or the front of the cannon bone just below the knee. Too much stress on that shin can lead to soreness. Shin soreness will develop when the front of the bones in the forelegs are subjected to high impact training. Young race horses are most affected due to the galloping at a high speed. This causes distortion and flexion the cannon bones.

Shin soreness occurs when the cannon bone attempts to repair any damage caused by high impact exercise that has overloaded the forelegs. The cannon bones grow new, spongy bone when the bones breakdown. This causes inflammation, swelling and soreness within the front of cannon bones or the shins.



A CALM COOLWEDGE RETURNS

Lucky Clover's first winner Coolwedge has returned to the Edmonds Racing stables to begin her prep to back up her previous successful campaign. The filly looks to have put on some size but also returned in a strange relaxed attitude considering her well known flighty behaviour. The reason for the change in her attitude is unknown, some say it's the royal treatment she received at the Edmonds farm others say it's the new-found confidence from a win and two placings in her last three starts. Whichever it is, the stable staff are ecstatic.



Coolwedge back in the stable



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EPPLAUSE IMPRESSES TRAINER ON TRIAL DEBUT

2-year-old colt Epplause recently ran in his first trial. The result did not display his performance, but the trainers joy certainly did. Toby was extremely happy with the run. Showing some immaturity early the colt settled well into the race before tailing off in the last furlong. Lleyton as he is affectionately known in the stables is now having a break for 4-6 weeks at Newton farm at Biddaddaba on the western side of Tamborine Mountain.



Epplause before his trial



AMORE DANZA SET TO TRIAL

Amore Danza has been toiling hard to get into shape after the long layoff with her abscess. She has been set down to trial in the middle of April. Her wound and subsequent hole in her hoof is all but grown over and she is showing no signs of being hindered by stubborn issue. Getting her to the trials and onto a race will be a welcome relief for her patient owners.



Amore Danza after some recent trackwork

FACT: An adult horse's heart weighs approximately one per cent of its total bodyweight but can vary. Melbourne Cup winner Phar Lap's heart weighed 6.4kgs, whilst that of Triple Crown winner Secretariat weighed 8.2 kgs. The heartrate of a racehorse can exceed 200 beats per minute.



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CHOISIR COLT STARTS THE JOURNEY TO BECOMING A RACEHORSE

The Magic Millions purchase Choisir x Wald colt has recently taken his first steps in what hopefully becomes a successful race career. Currently residing at the Waterford farm, Kolora Lodge he has begun the breaking in process. All reports indicate he is behaving himself and progressing well. He has however broken out in a case of ringworm and Lorraine at Kolora wouldn't allow the paparazzi to take any shots while he had pimples on his face. Lorraine does assure us that it is being treated and he will be back looking his sparkling best very soon



HOUTZEN ARRIVES IN THE UK READY TO TAKE ON THE KING

Superstar mare Houtzen has arrived in the UK after an arduous trek across the globe. With 28 hours in flight time and a 4-hour float ride tacked on to the end, Houtzen was understandably lethargic upon arrival at her Newmarket stables. After a few days she has settled in well and looks to be

enjoying her new surrounds, but that's more than can be said for Toby's son Trent, who is struggling to adapt to the cold weather.

Houtzen will run first up in the King's Stand over 1000m on the 18th of June. Kerrin McEvoy has been booked to ride leaving connections excited as they are busy making plans for this once in a lifetime opportunity.



Houtzen in the UK



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(L-R) Rod Casey (Case's Brother) Hosey and Case
after Houtzen's win in the PJ Bell Stakes

INTERROGATED BY HARGERS

Lucky Clover's Steve Hargreaves asks the hard-hitting questions. This week's suspect is one of the Lucky Clover team members, Chris Casey.

1. Tell me a bit about yourself.

Ex public servant and a short time private enterprise worker. Currently lucky enough to be enjoying a happy retirement doing what I love best – racing a few horses and managing a rugby team at the mighty Easts Tigers

2. What's your Favourite NRL Team?

Don't really have one. I guess the Canberra Raiders as my wife Dinah is a tragic Raiders supporter. I'm a Brumbie supporter in the Super Rugby. (man's game)

3. What's your Favourite Movie?

I'm a big western buff. Hombre is my favourite. Life of Brian for comedy. Drama is Falling Down (great movie, do yourself a favour and watch it). Musical is JC Superstar.

**A white horse walks into a bar and orders a schooner of beer.
"Blimey" says the barman, "do you know we sell a whiskey
named after you" to which the horse replied "What Kevin?"**



4. How long have you been in racing?

My first horse was the mighty Ropanga (won a maiden at Oakey) in the early 70's (John Schneider who has a share in Amore Danza was also an owner). Since then I had a fair few on and off but continuously since the late 80's

5. How many horses over the years?

Not sure I could count them. Other than Houtzen I'd say probably Witches Wonder was my favourite. She was the horse that brought the bulk of the Lucky Clover team together. She was honest and we had a few good days at the track because of her.

6. Who's the best jockey you've seen?

In the early days probably Darby McCarthy, he could really ride. Modern day, Jo Moriera I think. Best jockey who's ridden a horse of mine would be Jeff Lloyd I would say. (or Laura Cheshire ☺)



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INTERROGATED BY HARGS cont.

What's your best moment in racing?

Houtzen winning the Magic Millions is the obvious choice, although Hosey and I had a fairly memorable day when she won the PJ Bell in Sydney. Other than that Vo Rogue winning his last Australia Cup and Meanmi Shadow winning the 1972(?) Oaks. Had a good bet (for me) on both at good odds.

7. What is your long-term goal for Lucky Clover Thoroughbreds?

I just hope we can continue to bring good people into the fold at a very affordable price. So far so good!!

8. Your hairdo has become quite famous... any comments?

No

9. What race would you most like to win with the Lucky Clover group?

A Magic Millions would be great, but any Group race should be our immediate goal.

10. Finally what's special about our trainer?

Where do I start? I think other than his race day reactions (a lot of passion) to bad runs he's a professional who runs a professional operation. As someone who came to the trials last week said, "there is a very good vibe around the stable". The staff enjoy working for him and you can see that in their attitudes and also the results at the track.

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