



EL BORRACHO WINS AGAIN



Since last month's newsletter, El Borracho has clocked up another two wins! He has been such a legend and is so consistent, having been placed in the first four in twenty out of his twenty-four starts for us. He gives his owners so much fun and rarely runs a bad race. His first win this month came at Sedgefield over hurdles: he got taken-on leaving the back straight and then looked beat jumping the last before putting his head down and battling all the way to get up on the line. His second win came at Warwick, back over fences where he carries 10lbs more than over hurdles. The small number of entries encouraged us to run him, and he put in an impeccable round of jumping taking a length out of his rivals at every fence to go on and win, hard held.

Monte Igueldo wining at Worcester this month gave me a huge amount of pleasure. He is a beautiful, scopey horse who we have always had high hopes for. However,

he hasn't had things easy so to see him overcome his complications and win so convincingly on his first time out this season, and against some strong rivals, was fantastic. He is still inexperienced, so we look forward to him showing further improvement as his career progresses.

We then headed to Sedgefield and Southwell and we were delighted to have an across the card double on the day which takes us to 19 winners for the season, Gouet Des Bruyeres won at Southwell under Toby Wynne and Lucky Lover Boy under Fergus Gillard recorded his sixth win since joining us, at Sedgefield. We also had Cawthorne and The Questioner running and they ran great races to both finish second.

We have also had a lot of placed horse so couldn't be happier with the form that our select team of summer horses have shown.

NATIONAL RACEHORSE WEEK (NRW)



We were delighted we could be a part of NRW which is a brilliant initiative that enables the general public to get a sneak peek behind the scenes of racing and to gain an understanding as to the amount of work and care that is invested in the horses on a daily basis.

With the passing of The Queen, we decided to postpone our event by a day at the last minute. We were therefore probably a bit down on numbers but were delighted to welcome around 250 people to the yard. We are so proud of our business and it was a pleasure to be able to show off our set up and what we do to a largely local audience. With demonstrations from our vets, horse dentist and farrier, everyone seemed to have a really good day out.

Where They Are Now? **ROR Special**

As you can see from these photos, these former Stockton Hall racehorses have all found lovely homes having retired from racing. Miss Tara Moss is loving show jumping whilst Artic Road and Grand Courer are both enjoying life as all rounders, doing a bit of everything; Grand even got to go to a prom!!











YARD TRIPS

We enjoy arranging trips to racing related places for owners in general or specific syndicates. We have done a few recently including a trip to Yorton Stud, near Welshpool, where they have a large roster of stallions (including the very popular Gentlewave) as well as plenty of black type mares.

David Futter and George Stanners gave us a lengthy tour of the amazing farm that has a wonderful history; having been a Victorian model farm in the 1850's, it has some large, imposing buildings that have been tastefully converted to house all the horses. It was very interesting to see another side of the racing industry and learning all about their youngstock and breeding programmes. I am really keen to start a broodmare syndicate in the future and this is something I have started working on.

Another more recent trip was to Newmarket, where twenty five owners joined me for two full days of excursions. We visited Weatherbys HQ to meet my uncles, Johnny and Roger Weatherby, and hear about the history of the Stud Book and the administrative side of racing. From there, we went to The Jockey Club Rooms in Newmarket where we stayed and enjoyed a tour of the paintings as well as a delicious dinner. The following morning, we headed to George Scott's yard for a really informative tour before watching his horses working on the gallops. As it was the first day of the Cesarewitch Meeting, we rounded off the trip with a very good lunch and great day's racing at Newmarket.

I will continue to do these trips so keep an eye out on Racing Manger or email me and I will note your interest. There are so many different aspects to racing that can be great fun to see and learn about.





Staff Profile - Cai Williams (Head Lad)

- 1. Where did you grow up? Marford, Wrexham.
- 2. How did you first get interested in horses?

Watching the Grand National as a kid at my Nan's – it was always a highlight of the year and really grabbed my attention.

3. How did you get interested in racing, and where did you start working in racing?

I was a bit lost when I left school and wasn't sure what to do at university, so I swapped lectures for the bookies!

4. What was your first job in racing? I started working at Donald McCain's at 18 and really wanted to be a jockey. I was there for 6 years but just couldn't quite get going.



5. What do you enjoy most about your job?

I love riding work and seeing the horses win. One of my best days was winning a point-to-point on one of the yard favourites, Go on Chez.

- **6. Most challenging aspect of the job?** Hay fever, rain and early mornings.
- 7. If you could change anything within the industry what would it be?
 Better support for staff in terms of welfare and financial support when injured.

THREE TO FOLLOW COMPETITION

Simply select three horses from the yard for the chance to win tickets and hospitality to Bangor on Dee races for four people. The competition will run from the 1st October to the 1st May and I will post regular leader boards.

Our list of horses can be found on Racing Manager and on our website.

- · 10 points for a win
- 5 points for second
- 3 points for third

Highlight one horse as your bonus horse which will score double points. All entries to be emailed to

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