

SEPTEMBER 2018

# SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

## VENCEDORA RETIRES!

Dear valued clients and friends,

We trust you're all happy and well, enjoying Spring with all that it provides, including new born foals. Future champions? We hope.



This is Too Chic with her first filly foal.  
We have named her Too Cute.  
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We have had the great pleasure of having many of my family members up from Victoria staying to enjoy the farm, plus our spectacular city and Blue Mountains.



My neice Melissa and her boys Thomas, Charlie and Jack enjoying a day on the harbour with Lisa Emma and Grace.

With a small racing team, but many on the road to glory, it was another quiet month.

I included in the August news the ones who raced on September one and two. So, not until 20 September do I begin to tell the tale of our three runners on that day.

Hawkesbury was our venue, where after a let up at the local water walker, STRADAZZLE was given the sprint distance of 1300mts to strut his stuff. With an eye-catching run, he did his best work on the line to run fifth. He will race at Kembla 6/10, over 2000mts, more to his liking.

## WE HOPE YOU HAD A HAPPY FATHERS DAY!







Jack having a riding lesson with Emma on Osca.

OUR ANNIVERSAIRE, post her first race, then an excellent trial, was given the opportunity to see how she handled the 1600mt journey. She settled off the pace and came home with a genuine effort. If it weren't for the eventual winner swaying in and out, preventing Annie's clear run to the post, she would have definitely run third instead of fourth. Our apprentice Jockey, Robbie Dolan, returned to scale, impressed with her run and was confident she would win over 2000 mts in the near future. With that remark, Wade soon found a race at Hawkesbury, Sunday 7/10 over 1800.

BANJO'S VOICE had his first start back, introduced by the Bookies as favourite! This came about after his impressive winning trial ten days prior. We live and learn they say, and one lesson hit us on the head. Banjo it seems, likes to settle and not be scrubbed in the beginning, as was done at Hawkesbury. We look back and remember his fabulous first ever race at Kembla, where he settled a very relaxed last. But heading for home he picked up the bit and ran like a shark was chasing him. He ran second by a nose. I rest my case!

LEGISTATION, as I reported, pulled up at Mudgee with an electrolyte imbalance. This problem has been dealt with and he's 100% back on track to race at Hawkesbury Sunday 7/10.

WE waited, and we hoped that Bathurst received a decent amount of rain, 24/9. However, the rain out west missed the race track and VENCEDORA was forced to take on a hard track. While he was not disgraced, he couldn't match it with his opponents in the finish. Veni has won seven races, he's seen his best years of racing and financially we had to weigh up what was fair for Veni and his owners.

Therefore, the decision was made to retire him, especially since there had been an excellent home with top show riders, Natalie Corral and her daughter waiting to give him lots of TLC. He will live not far from us and I for one will look forward to seeing him one day at the Royal Show amongst the crème 'de la crème of the hacking world.



Vencedora and Natalie

Sending Rainbows,  
Dor and Wade



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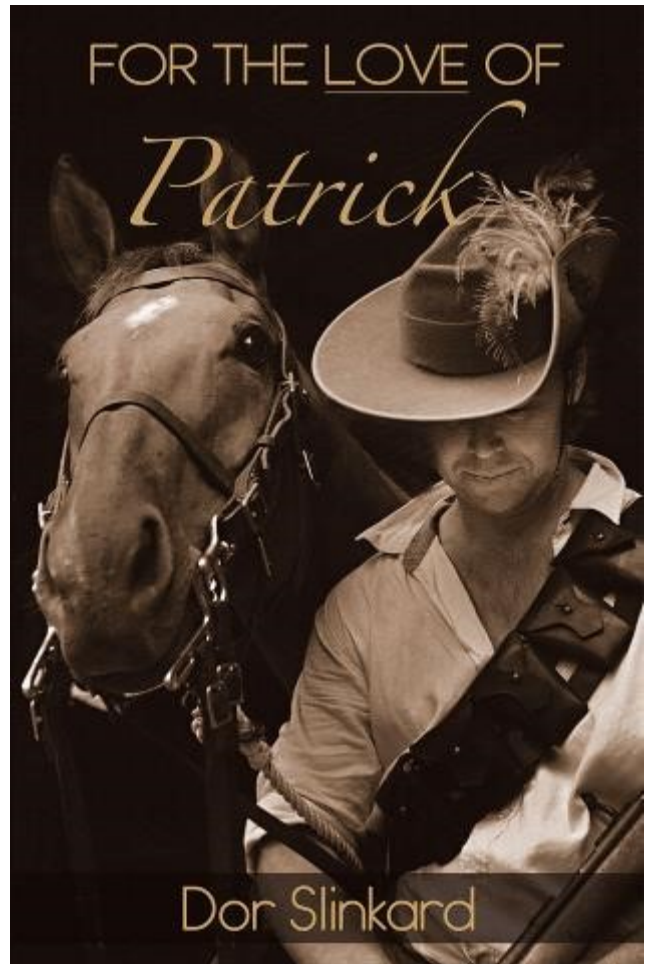
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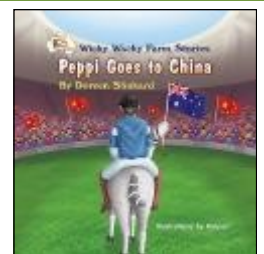
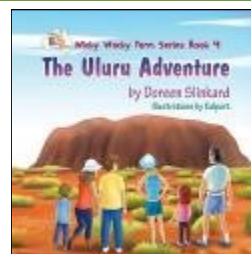
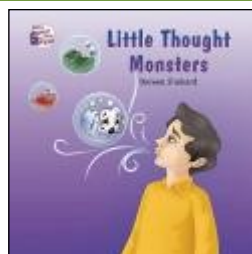
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Denise Doraisamy was born in the Hawkesbury.

Being raised on a farm, then travelling to different places in the world to live, she has a vast pool of experiences from which to weave her stories.

Using a simple vocabulary and an identifiable hero, her books appeal to the 10-14-year-old age group for authenticity and action.

Hugo Blake, her protagonist, writes the tails in his own 13-year-old voice and does all the illustrations, as he aspires to become an artist.

There are five books in the series and the first two are now available at this launch of *Enjoy! Café*, with the other three in the series ready before November.



Dor Slinkard is an unstoppable story teller be it through voice or writing. Inspired by life, especially as a jillaroo in outback Australia and later as a racehorse trainer, her imagination thrives.

Her stories are sure to entertain and most of all make you laugh.

Dor's first published novel, 'For the Love of Patrick,' is an Australian history, family saga. It will be followed by two more stories making a trilogy.

Preceded by her children's series, 'Wicky Wacky Farm,' inspired by living on Windermere Farm, Wilberforce for the past 46 years.

Mick Dawson has had short stories published on the Faithwriters' weekly competition site. On his website, "Mick's Rejects", now deleted, he serialized novels receiving quite a following.

Several podcasts have been published and read on 'Antipodean Science Fiction FM'. Stories include 'The Gift', 'The Final Crusade' and 'A Night in Caliet'.

'A Night in Caliet' was nominated for Best Aussie Short Story in the 2010 Ditmar Awards. Both 'The Gift' and 'The Final Crusade' were nominated in 2013.

He currently writes speculative fiction e-book novels. Two can be found on Smashwords Publishing – 'The Missionary' and 'The Tower of Good and Evil.' At least one more will be added each year.