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2024 Inter Dominion winner is ...us

Well how exciting was that! A great series for both the pacers and the trotters but to be blunt, really poor stakes (particularly in the Heats and for the trotters with \$150,000 for an Inter Dominion Trotting Final just shocking) compared to other flavour of the week events. That is a mark against those running the industry, but did not detract from the spectacle of the series with some brilliant drives in the pacers Final from winner **Don Hugo (Art Major USA)** and second placed **Minstrel NZ (Rocknroll Hanover USA)**. Given the barrier draws, the driving accolades go to Deni Roberts on Minstrel NZ.

Don Hugo won two Heats which is testament to his ability, with Minstrel winning one, and a top second – he needed to place in the final round of Heats to get to the final after a gear mishap had him running 400m last in the middle Heat. Third in the Final was evergreen millionaire **Max Delight (Bettors Delight USA)**.

Don Hugo is out of the unraced **Cinco Amigos NZ (Bettors Delight USA)**, a half sister to top racemare **Cyclone Kate NZ (Mach Three CA)** 1:50.3 \$341,723. Cyclone Kate is the dam of classy WA raced mare **Cyclone Charlotte (Bettors Delight USA)** and 2024 Golden Slipper winner **Cyclone Jordy (Art Major USA)**. Obviously the Bettors Delight/Art Major cross goes nicely with this family. This is a very deep family with some great horses - the granddam of Cinco Amigos is a full sister to champion racehorse and sire **Courage Under Fire (In The Pocket USA)** and his lesser known but highly credentialled full brother **Advance Attack NZ**.

Don Hugo is an entire who should have a few more successful years racing, to add to his \$1.5 million in stakes. In winning he set a track record of 1:50.5 over the 2300m, with a 3rd qtr in 26.1.



Don Hugo (3) Luke McCarthy wins from Minstrel NZ (11) Deni Roberts

Bad luck for first round Heat winner **Cantfindabettorman NZ (Sweet Lou USA)** the first emergency for the Final (he missed the final following poor placings in rounds 2 and 3). He made up for it by winning the Consolation, which actually earned him more stakes than 4th place in the Inter Dominion Final. Coming 2nd in the Consolation was **Perfect Stride NZ (Bettors Delight USA)**, the full brother to champion Chicago Bull NZ, validating the form for the Final.

Bad luck also for top point scorer **Captains Knock (Captaintreacherous USA)** (2 wins and a 3rd) who was caught up with locked wheels early in the race, wrecking any real chance of a good outcome. Also adversely impacted in this incident was **Nerano NZ (Tintin In America NZ)**. The only mare in the race **My Moonlite Dream NZ (Always B Miki USA)**, who did an incredible job to get to the Final with no barrier concessions, suffered a flat tyre during running and after leading early, finished last.

Equal second top point scorer (with Don Hugo) in **Dangerous (Sweet Lou USA)** was caught behind a tiring runner and finished 5th.

Tact McLeod NZ (Sweet Lou USA), who was scratched on the eve of the series with a hoof abscess, will remain for some of the big races including the Bendigo, Ballarat and Hunter Cups next year. He compensated for his scratching with a win in a minor race on Inter Dominion Final night, with WA bred **Arma Einstein (Renaissance Man)**, now trained by Jason Grimson, coming 2nd in his first eastern states start –good effort!

In the Trotters Inter Dominion Final it was a clean sweep to the exciting **The Locomotive (Muscle Mass USA)** showing a clean pair of heels throughout the series. He set a track record at Bathurst on night 2, running 1:55.6 over the 1730m. He has been impossible to catch once he gets to the front. In winning in 1:55.3 he beat his own track record and has now won at his last 8 appearances.

Like Don Hugo, The Locomotive is a 4yo entire. Other than his sire Muscle Mass, The Locomotive is pacing bred. His dam **La Cooacaracha** TR1:58.5 \$428,911 was the first in the family to be a trotter, and she was an exceptional trotter. Her sire **Safely Kept USA** was a champion racehorse and sire who had a propensity to produce some top class trotters along with champion pacers. La Cooacaracha was a 5 times Group 1 winner and dual Inter Dominion Heat winner and other than The Locomotive, has produced the winners of over \$1 million in stakes, both pacers and trotters. La Cooacaracha stems from 5 generations of Australian breeding through sires Kentucky USA, Royal Dollar, Sheffield Globe and Radiant Robert.

Bring on the next Inter Dominion which may run with just two heats? What would have been the impact of that in the 2024 series? Well, Minstrel would have been an emergency for the Final, not running in it.

The horses can manage the 3 heats. It gives them a chance to recover from one bad result/barrier. They are either racing or track working. However, they shouldn't be expected to travel significant distances in between heats as well.



Trainer driver Brad Hewitt and The Locomotive – winners are grinners

2YO, 3YO, MARES and WESTBRED OPPORTUNITIES

2YO	Races programmed to the end of December The first 2YO race in 2025 is scheduled for 27 January at Pinjarra \$35,000 Western Crown Classics are currently rescheduled to 7 February
3YO	Races programmed to end December The first 3yo race in 2025 is on 7 January, with races scheduled weekly
Mares	Qualifying Heats for two separate series commence 14 and 20 January. Check program



Successful WASBA AGM 29 Nov at Gloucester Park

We would like everyone to welcome our new Committee member Joanne Scotney. With a background in marketing, health and welfare, as well as being part of our breeding industry, Joanne will provide some valuable support in a range of activities. You can speak to Joanne and any of our Committee members when on track or at other times. Contact details for our Committee members are at the end of the Newsletter as well as on the WASBA website.

Life Membership of WASBA was awarded at the AGM to Denise Trobe, who has made a tremendous difference to the performance of WASBA over a number of years, as well as assisting greatly with on track presentations, feedback from industry, fund raising – in particular through our annual Stallion Raffle – Facebook support and a myriad of other activities.

We welcome Denise to a very special group of people who have made a difference to our industry.

Mister Smartee very smart

While the 4yo Don Hugo was running in the Inter Dominion, the other 4yos were running in the \$200,000 Golden Nugget in WA. The winner in a very strong performance after breezing was **Mister Smartee NZ (Always B Miki USA)**.

Since arriving in WA in February 2023 Mister Smartee has won 14 of 16 starts. Apart from an unplaced run in the 2023 WA Derby, Mister Smartee's only other loss was to **Minstrel NZ**, who has just run second in the Inter Dominion to Don Hugo. So the form line is very good. Before arriving in WA he had two New Zealand starts for a win on protest and a second – both involving locking wheels. One of the horses he beat was **Aroda**, the winner of the 2024 Redcliffe Gold Cup and 3rd in the 2024 Group 1 Rising Sun.



Gary Hall Jnr and Mister Smartee on their winning way in the Golden Nugget

From a breeding standpoint some would say there is nothing special about Mister Smartee, other than him being by Always B Miki. For starters, his unraced dam is by the top racehorse but unsuccessful sire Stonebridge Regal USA (Artsplace USA). His second dam Lento NZ 1:56.4 \$272,110 was a successful racemare and broodmare, but by the unsuccessful sire Peoples Blue Chip USA (Most Happy Fella USA). His 3rd dam

Orbell was 100% colonial bred, being by Patron Score NZ out of non winning Light Chase NZ by Good Chase NZ. Patron Score NZ however belongs to the family of one of New Zealand's best maternal families in Tactics, and Light Chase belongs to a gem of a family that has produced innumerable \$200,000 plus earners and some of New Zealand's best from yesteryear including Master Musician, Venus Serena, and top Australian Royal Gaze. Lento herself is a full sister to the dam of Bellas Boy NZ 1:52.0 \$437,564.

So you could say that Mister Smartee is a product of his colonial female line and clearly in his very early career demonstrated some exceptional talent that belied what some might look for in his sires and broodmare sires. Some of the best horses that ever raced would never have been born if their breeder had only bred what was fashionable at the time.

Breeding and foaling

Don't forget to register for Harnessweb if "you" are a managing owner and are foaling this year. There is now an online process available, but you can still do the paper form if you want to take that extra time and effort.

Register the foal within the first month (check the rules for your state but usually the first month is much cheaper) of birth.

You can use the link [here](#) if you need to apply for a Harnessweb account. Its very handy to have an account as it allows you quick access to the details of all the horses you are involved with, on a single page

A YouTube online tutorial covering the online foal registration process can be accessed [here](#). If you are struggling with all this you can contact RWWA or your state body. If you are a WASBA member we will try to assist you.

The RWWA fee structure is available from the Industry Essentials tab on the <https://racingwa.com.au> page, or this link [here](#).

All Westbred progeny earn Bonuses in 2YO and 3YO races less than \$22,000, for first to 4th place AND receive \$500 on their first race start. Westsired progeny can earn more, with a double win Bonus of \$5,100 to \$10,200, depending on the stakes tier, on all 2yo and 3yo races under \$22,000. Check details, including bonuses for horses older than 3yo winning for the first time in their career [here](#).

APG WA Yearling Sale in March

The online catalogue is available from the APG website, or you can click [here](#). There are 180 lots available and some are out of our very best racemares, Oaks winners, multiple Group 1 winners etc and full and half siblings to Group 1 winners.

Yearlings by the very best sires in the world are available in the WA Sale, as well as some first time sires. If you want Westbred, no problem as they are all Westbred. If you want Westsired for that double win bonus, they are also available. For information on the Westbred Bonus payments, click [here](#).

The Sale is on 2 March at the Magic Millions Sales Complex, Middle Swan. Hardcopy catalogues will be available soon.

Snippets from the USA and Canada.

☑ Every year the Meadowlands runs a Toys For Tots Christmas drive, where everyone can donate new, unwrapped toys for kids in need. Its one of the many initiatives that US tracks run in support of local communities and charities, and its very visible to the public who support it whole heartedly, coming on course to support kids and to meet some of their favourite sports stars who are their to thank those who donate. The event is also supported by the US Marines. The toys are then distributed to the kids and families. How good is that! Lots of good will for a little effort from clubs. There are certainly clubs that could lift their game in this area.

Another event run by industry in North America is the holiday craft event run by the Harness Racing Museum and Hall of Fame. Kids can make crafts, create Christmas ornaments, play games and ride on a one horse sleigh!. Each child receives a toy. Where are these communal events in WA/Australia?

☑ Every year the Burke stable has an annual reduction that includes some of their better 3yos etc to make way for the new stars of the sport. The horses being sold are no slouches, with **Canigetaloulpoup (Sweet Lou)** race timed in 1:48.4 joining an illustrious mare –My Girl EJ (Sweet Lou) 1:48.1 \$1,458,040 who sold for \$758,000 at a previous sale – heading off to new owners. Canigetaloulpoup is going to see Huntsville, while My Girl EJ is at this stage going to continue to race next season.

Another to go under the hammer was 4yo mare Always B Naughty (Always B Miki) 1:48.2 \$611,629, purchased by real estate tycoon and trainer Greg Luther who purchased 3yo colt Amazing Catch (Walner) for \$1.85 million at the recent Harrisburg Sale as well as a weanling full sister to **My Girl EJ (Sweet Lou)** and **Lou's Pearlman**. Luther also owns **Captaintreacherous** stallions **Catch The Fire** and **Captain Kirk**

Also going to a new home is 3YO Breeders Crown champion filly trotter **Allegiant (Tactical Landing)** 1:51.1f \$1,356,448 who sold for \$925,000 to Sweden's Eagle Riding AB at the NA Standardbred Mixed Sale.

☑ WA raced **Typhoon Banner NZ (Bettors Delight)** was victorious in the \$250,000 MGM Grand Prix Pacing Series Final at Yonkers on a sloppy track, the last major open stakes event on the North American harness racing calendar for the year. Typhoon Banner, Coaches Corner (Always A Virgin) and Seven Colors (Stay Hungry) were the winners of the 3rd leg divisions leading to the final. In fact the final consisted of 8 horses, with 5 of the 8 being NZ or Australian bred including Typhoon Banner and 2 other New Zealanders, and Australian bred Whats Stanley Got and My Ultimate Byron. The win was his 25th and took his stakes to \$467,000 in North America.



Typhoon Banner NZ winning the \$250,000 Final

☑ **Roll With Joe**, the full brother to Bettors Delight, is moving to Minnesota. Roll With Joe is the sire of likely US Horse of the Year, **Twin B Joe Fresh** 1:47.3, \$2,686,716. Roll With Joe was a champion racehorse himself, winning the Meadowlands Pace, Battle Of Brandywine, Messenger Stakes, the Somebeachsomewhere, and an elimination of The Little Brown Jug (second in the final) and being named the 2011 Dan Patch 3YO Pacing Pacing Colt Of The Year in 2011. He was also second in the North America Cup elimination and final, and The Breeders Crown final.

☑ Blue Chip Farms has 2 new stallions for the coming year – **Captain Albano (Captaintreacherous)** 1:48.1 \$1,564,253 and **Winners Bet (Walner)** Tr1:49.3 \$1,326,821. Captain Albano is the winner of the Adios Pace, Little Brown Jug and most recently won the \$267,960 Progress Pace at the 1000m Bally's Dover track, convincingly defeating most of the seasons top 3yos. Winners Bet won the Breeders Crown Open Trot and joins his fully booked grandfather **Chapter Seven**.

Blue Chip Farms also stands pacing sires Cannibal (Sweet Lou) American Courage (American Ideal) 1:47.4 and Shadow Play (The Panderosa) 1:47.4. In a reverse shuttle, Blue Chip Farms are also offering limited services to **Bettors Delight** by frozen semen, with him permanently located in New Zealand!

☑ The big boys headed to the \$325,000 FanDuel Open Pace Championship at the Meadowlands, with 6yo entire **Abuckabett Hanover (Betting Line)** driven by Dexter Dunn being the comfortable winner in 1:48.1 from another warrior in Ruthless Hanover. Abuckabett Hanover has now won \$833,000 for the season and lifetime stakes over \$2 million. Abuckabett Hanover was purchased by his ownership group in 2022 for \$534,000, so haven't they done well.

☑ The owners of Abuckabett Hanover are also the new owners of two times Fillies Breeders Crown champion **My Girl EJ (Sweet Lou)** - purchased for \$758,000 – and were pleased with her first start for the new group, a second place to champion millionaire mare **Twin B Joe Fresh (Roll With Joe)** in the 2024 \$150,000 Fanduel Championship for the Fillies and Mares. Twin B Joe Fresh won the 2023 FanDuel, becoming the first 3yo filly to beat the mares in the history of the race. My Girl EJ has \$1.45 million in stakes to show for her 14 wins and 13 places from just 30 career starts.



☑ Not surprisingly 4yo mare **Twin B Joe Fresh** remained number 1 ranked horse in the final Hambletonian Society Poll for the year. Ten of her 11 wins for the season were Grand Circuit. She remained on top for 21 weeks with Nijinsky the only other horse ranked 1 during the year. The retired Jiggy Jog S was 2nd in the rankings, followed by Maryland (Chapter Seven), Captain Albano (Captaintreacherous), and 2yo filly Chantilly (Big Jim) in the top five. Chantilly was unbeaten in 9 and earned \$560,000 but was not paid up for any of the big races. Twin B Joe Fresh has now won 30 of 40 lifetime starts and has stakes over \$2.33 million.

☑ For the 2yos boys on Fanduel night there was the \$382,000 Governors Cup, with Dexter Dunn again featuring as the winning driver with **Captain Optimistic (Captaintreacherous)** who was placed in the Metro Pace and just outside the top 3 in the Breeders Crown.

For the 2yo girls it was a tribute to a great filly with the \$338,000 Three Diamonds. Breeders Crown winner **Miki And Minnie (Always B Miki)**, driven by Dexter Dunn, cemented her status with a record equalling win in 1:49.2. A homebred filly out of a **Roll With Joe** mare, she has earned over \$800,000 in her first season of racing.

☑ FanDuel night also saw retirement ceremonies for some of the season's greats – **Legendary Hanover (Huntsville)** 1:46.2 \$1,088,681, winner of the Meadowlands Pace and Cane Pace, **Sig Sauer (Muscle Hill)** 1:49.3, \$1,151,312 Breeders Crown winner, **TCl (Cantab Hall)** 1:50.4 \$1,831,072 2023 O'Brien winner and **Karl (Tactical Landing)** 1:50.3 \$2,046,066 2023 Breeders Crown and Dan Patch winner and 2024 Hambletonian winner, as well as Captain Albano and Winners Bet.

☑ Coming Australia's way is a bunch of international drivers including ex New Zealander **Dexter Dunn** and **Yannick Gingras**, the top money earning drivers in North America. If you have a chance to watch them in the Ladbrokes Ultimate Driver Championship at Albion Park in February, make sure you do. Dexter Dunn hasn't driven in the southern hemisphere since 2018 and since going north has driven over 2200 winners and been the Dan Patch Driver of the Year four times. Gingras is Canadian born, has driven over 9000 winners in North American and is a US Harness Racing Hall of Fame inductee as well as being twice Dan Patch Driver of the Year. Of course they will be competing against 8 other top drivers including Sweden's Bjoon Goop who will probably be driving pacers for the first time, as well as Carter Dalgety, Nathan Dawson, Angus Garrard, Kate Gath, Gary Hall Jr., Brad Hewitt and Pete McMullen



☑ Top 3 finishers for 2YO sires are **Captaintreacherous**, **Huntsville** and **Sweet Lou**, all above \$3 million in earnings, but close up is **Downbytheseaside**, with first season sire **Papi Rob Hanover** punching above his weight and in the top 5 on stakes earned. On average earnings, **Cattlewash** is the addition to the list.

For the 3yos, its champion **Bettors Delight** on top from Captaintreacherous, Sweet Lou, Huntsville and Always B Miki. American Ideal, Downbytheseaside, Captain Crunch, Tellitlikeitis and Betting Line round out the top 10. Just outside the top 10 is **Bettors Wish**, but he leaps to the top on average earnings with just 39 foals.

Chapter Seven is insurmountable for both 2yo and 3yo trotters, on both stakes earned and average earnings.

☑ What else do they do in the northern hemisphere? They have retirement ceremonies for those horses that will be compulsorily retired, they have pick 5s offering huge payouts and proving very popular along with 20c pick 6, they have corgi races. They have a Fanduel Championship which is both invitational and points based. They have happy hours, cheap drinks etc. They do a lot of things to engage with the community and draw people to the track.

And elsewhere....

☑ After suffering his first defeat in New Zealand and only his 3rd loss for the season, Just Believe has returned to Australia to recover from some injury concerns. His stablemate **Better Eclipse (Betterthancheddar USA)** remained in New Zealand and enjoying what he probably thought was a romp in the paddock in his first start on a grass track, won the \$25,000 Methven Cup. He couldn't quite overcome his 30m handicap in the \$55,000 Franklin Cup and ran a close 4th, and he will be aimed at the \$250,000 Auckland Cup to be run on 31 December



Oscar Bonavena (Majestic Son) who inflicted the only defeat on NZ soil on Just Believe, took out the trotters version, setting a race and track record on the grass surface of 1:57.5, the same time as Bettor Eclipse. It was also his 3rd win in the event and his 4th win on a grass surface.

☑ In welcome news for Victorians, they have their \$7,000 First win Bonus for 2yos and 3yos returned, with money reallocated to the Vicbred Scheme from some feature races as well as an increase in some fees. The Bonus will be \$5,000 for 4yos and \$2500 for 5yo and over.

☑ With the Inter Dominion results in favour of **The Locomotive (Muscle Mass)** and the unbeaten exploits of **Keayang Zahara (Volstead)** it might even be hard for champion trotter **Just Believe (Orlando Vici FRA)** to retain his well earned crown as the king of trotting. Keayang Zahara added the \$500,000 The Ascent, the \$137,500 New Zealand Oaks and the \$200,000 New Zealand Derby, all in dominant fashion, to her CV. We can see a new invite to the Elitloppet 2025 coming up, and at the same stage of their careers, they are probably a little better than Just Believe, with the latter coming into his best as a 6yo. Its interesting that pacing sires feature in the breeding of both The Locomotive and Keayang Zahara, and in particular **Kentucky (Tar Heel)**.

Also making it hard for selection of (Australian) Horse of the Year, if you add in **Swayzee (Rock N Roll Heaven USA)** and his half brother **Leap To Fame (Bettors Delight USA)**, as well as Inter Dominion winner **Don Hugo (Art Major USA)**. Each one has very strong claims. Leap To Fame won the Miracle Mile, Hunter Cup and Blacks A Fake, Swayzee won the New Zealand Trotting Cup for the second time and Don Hugo won Eureka.

☑ Having a "bonzer year" is **Rock N Roll Heaven USA**, who apart from Swayzee in New Zealand also sired the winner of their new race, the \$200,000 Christian Cullen. The newest race for 4yos was won by Rakero Rocket. Run over around the same distance as the Golden Nugget and about the same time of year, it was just the 14th

start for the 4yo (he started his career with 2 starts as a 3yo), who defeated Merlin (3rd) and Don't Stop Dreaming (4th) so the field did not lack in quality. A special treat for everyone on course was the presence of 30yo Christian Cullen himself, who had a few track runs to "get in shape". Christian Cullen was and is a legend, beating every champion of his day including Holmes DG and Iraklis, and going on to be an incredible sire. It is such a puzzle that like some other really great sires, he was not able to produce a siring son of the same ilk.

☑️ Leading 2yo pacing sire in Australia this year is **Sweet Lou USA**, followed by **Captaintreacherous USA**, **Always B Miki USA**, Art Major USA and Bettors Delight USA. First season sire **Poster Boy** is seventh on the list and obviously leads the first crop sires. Also doing very well is another first season sire in **Stay Hungry**, who is 9th on the main list.

For 3yos the leading sire is also **Sweet Lou USA**, with **Art Major USA**, **American Ideal USA**, **Always B Miki USA** and **Bettors Delight USA** all with over \$1 million in stakes. Next on the stakes list is trotting sire **Volstead** who also has \$1 million in progeny earnings for his 3yos who include Keayang Zahara, whose Australian earnings are \$267,000 (the \$397,000 won in New Zealand isn't included).



Keayang Zahara winning the inaugural \$600,000 The Ascent for 3yos

On the overall list as it stands, its **Bettors Delight USA**, **Art Major USA** and **Sweet Lou USA**, with the first two close enough to each other at around \$10 million to change the order between now and the new year.

☑️ The New Zealand Slot races The Race by Grins and TAB Trot have been renewed for 2025 and scheduled for 4 April. With the 3 year term completed (won in 2022 by Self Assured, 2023 Copy That and 2024 Merlin) for The Race, both races are looking for new Slot Holders. In a wise move, Harness Racing New Zealand is adding to its support (not tapping breeders) and reducing the price of the slots to \$60,000 for the \$1 million The Race and \$40,000 for the \$650,000 TAB Trot. The races are guaranteed for one year, with slot holders having first right of refusal for 2026. Winning stakes is 42%.

☑️ Proving to be better than her elders, the only filly in the field **Duchess Megxit (Sweet Lou)** ran a sensational final 800m, justifying her race favouritism and winning the Group 1 Queen of Hearts at Alexandra Park. It was her 2nd Group 1 in a fortnight (she won the Group One \$225,000 New Zealand Oaks at Addington at the end of November) but first in an open race.

☒ In perhaps a shock move, New Zealand is banning greyhound racing from July 2026. In between times they will be working to rehome 2900 greyhounds. The decision to ban the racing was due to the "persistently high number of dogs being injured and euthanized. Obviously they didn't check the vets and Dogs Refuge Homes to look at the thousands of pet dogs that aren't injured, old or suffering and yet are put down every single year.

☑️ Also in New Zealand (aren't they doing a lot for the industry over there!) is proposed changes to the Racing Industry Act 2020 which will give TAB NZ exclusive rights to online racing and sports betting in New Zealand. This will stop the millions disappearing annually to offshore betting operators. They are going through a revival at present with a 12% increase in weekly wagering customers and 16% on total turnover.

RECENT MEMORABLE MOMENTS

- ♣️ Almost a trio of wins for grandma **Cerebrano NZ** – two winners for **Innocent Eyes** (Caliente and Cordero) and a winner for **Shes Innocent** (Goodfellaz).
- ♣️ Back to the winners circle for **Galactic Star NZ**, the oldest winner for the month. Has been a great horse for his connections, racing at top level over a long period of time.
- ♣️ Just like her dad My Hard Copy NZ. The last 400 for **Copy Cat Queen** in the 3yo fillies was 26.74.
- ♣️ Timing is everything. **Mister Smartee NZ** on top at the right time to win the \$200,000 Golden Nugget.
- ♣️ Timing is everything, when you are announcing changes to race programs...
- ♣️ Oh the despair – **Minstrel** with a gear malfunction in his second heat in the Inter Dominion. Ran 3rd in the final heat to make it through to the final, but would not have made it with a 2 Heat system.



BREEDER OF THE MONTH – November 2024

The Breeder of the Month award goes to a different WA bred horse each month. Previous (horse) winners are not eligible for later WA Breeder of the Month awards. You must be a WASBA member to win a Breeder of the Month Award. All other breeding awards are open to all WA breeders.

We don't normally award a Breeder of the Month to a full sibling to a previous Breeder of the Month. However, this Westbred mare won a Wagin and Gloucester Park midweek race when resuming in September, won a metropolitan level race in October, ran second in a Wagin Stand from 80m and then won at Narrogin from the 70m Stand. Overall she has won close to \$150,000 in stakes.

Congratulations to our **Breeder of the Month for November**, trainer, part owner and breeder Bianca Ashcroft for the win by 6yo mare **Fleur du Maquis (Betterthancheddar USA** out of **Shattering Roxey** by **Shattering Class**) at Narrogin.



Fleur du Maquis (8) coming through the middle in her October win

Fleur du Maquis is the 3rd foal and 3rd winner from her metropolitan winning dam **Shattering Roxey** (Shattering Class) 2:01 9 wins \$46,143. Fleur is a full sister to Triple Brie 1:56.4 who also won over \$100,000. Shattering Roxey won 4 in a row in 2011, and she is out of a good race winning dam **Miss Brizmac NZ (New York Motoring)** 2:00.3 10 wins \$56,211 Miss

Brizmac produced 4 winners from 4 foals including **Class Mate (Golden Greek)** 2:00 29 wins \$161,549. Golden Greek was one of the top Australian sires and he is also the sire of Shattering Class.

Shattering Class was a \$5,000 Yearling Sale purchase by the late George Ashcroft. In a 10 year 189 start career, Shattering Class won 62 races (52 at Gloucester Park) and had 39 places for more than \$811,000 in stakes. Some of his more notable victories included three Celebrity Miles, a Fremantle Sprint, four J P Stratton Cups, four James Brennan Cups, two BOTRA Cups, a Tooheys Mile in Newcastle, two August Cups, a Marathon Handicap, two Winter Cups, a Lord Mayors Cup, a WA Trotting Media Guild Cup, a Battle of Bunbury Final and a close fourth in the 1999 Miracle Mile at Harold Park behind Holmes D G. In 1999 Shattering Class won 14 consecutive races, all at Gloucester Park. He retired in 2003 to stand at stud.

Congratulations to part owner, breeder and trainer **Bianca Ashcroft**, and **Fleur du Maquis**.



WINNERS - WA BASED SIRES NOVEMBER 2024

There were 13 WA based sires represented by winners during November 2024 with an excellent 46 winners of 47 races. Finishing with a flourish is leader Fly Like An Eagle with 11 winners of 11 races, followed by Follow The Stars with 9 winners of 9 races, closely followed by Rock N Roll World (8 winners of 8 races).

The season tally has a clear winner - **Fly Like An Eagle** (47 winners of 94 races), with **Follow The Stars** next (40 of 70). Also doing well is Rock N Roll World (25 winners, 52 wins) with just the 2 crops racing.

Eight Westsired progeny enjoyed the benefits of the newest Westbred Bonus element – \$500 bonus for the first lifetime start – and they each received a minimum of \$650 on that first start.

There was an amazing 14 Westsired progeny with their first career win – including first time starters 2yo **Fly She Can** (Fly Like An Eagle) who won over \$15,000 in bonuses for the month, and 5yo **Alta Prince** (Alta Christiano NZ). Other first time Westsired winners were 2yos **Agent Andy** and **Girl Of Brightness** (Advance Attack NZ), Lucky Copy (My Hard Copy NZ), **Shes All Go** and **Shoobees Double** (Shoobees Place USA), 3yos **Code Name Elliot**, **Fly Eaglerose** and **Lucy Victoria** (Fly Like An Eagle), **Count Boscar** (Follow The Stars), **Miss Uneek** (My Hard Copy NZ) and **Marledie** and **Yo Adrian** (Rock N Roll World USA). Just Like Hot Rod last

month, Shoobees Double received the First Win Bonus but not the standard Westbred Bonus because her first career win was in the \$30,000 2YO Fillies Westsired Classic!.

Capturing two wins in the month was **Sukhovoy Windstorm** (Renaissance Man).

The November Westbred Bonus payments (including First Win and First Start) for Westsired progeny were \$211,000, for an 11 month tally of \$1,388,000.

There were 49 races run at premium metropolitan meetings in November 2024, with Westsired progeny winning 5 races. Excluding the successful mare (covered under her own Fillies/Mares section they were:

- ♠ **5yo High Price - Alta Christiano NZ o/o Harriet Price NZ (Grinfromeartoeat USA)** breeders A Merrington, M Howden. Four places and two 4ths from his previous 6 starts then started at 5/1 from 5, settled midfield 3 wide with Stewie McDonald on board before moving forward and getting cover in the one one with 1200 to go, on a good hold coming up to the bend before moving 3 wide at the top of the straight, taking the lead at the 50m to win the \$21,000 Pace by 1.7m in 1:57.6, last qtrs 28.6 and 28.9;
- ♠ **3yo Jimmy Rocks - Rock N Roll World USA o/o Arkndeliver (Live Or Die USA)** breeder Allwood Stud Farm, Five places from his last 7 starts then started favourite from 2 with semi regular driver Stuart McDonald, flew out to take the lead easily over the 2536m journey, stepped up the pace with 1000 to go, shot away just past the 400m, easily held the field at bay in the run home and won the \$21,000 3YO Derby Consolation by 7.8m in 1:59:2, last qtrs 28.8, 28.5 and 28.4. Earned \$24,000 for the win including bonuses, which was better than running 3rd in the Derby;



- ♠ **7yo Longreach Bay - Renaissance Man o/o Back In The Black (Armbro Operative USA)** owner breeders Peter, M King and Barbara Pellick. Has won a tidy \$138,000 before starting favourite from 2 with Trent Wheeler returning to driving duties, raced to the lead from the barrier then slowed the pace, withstood a mid race sizzle, in control down the back, looked susceptible at the top of the straight but had plenty in hand and went on to win the \$9,360 Pace by 4.6m in 1:57:2, middle qtrs 28.1 and 28.6
- ♠ **4yo Horse Travelban - Fly Like An Eagle o/o World Peace (Blissfall Hall USA)** owner breeder Bob Fowler. Resumed in October and has done enough to be 3rd favourite inside back line, Kicked up to keep his spot behind the race leader, even time first half, Stuart McDonald took advantage of the leader skipping away in the back straight to move into the opening, moved into the clear at the top of the straight to tackle the leader, moving away at the 50m to win the \$9360 Pace by 4.5m in 1:56.1, last qtrs 27.9 and 28.9

Total stakes won by Westsired progeny in November 2024 was \$516,000. For the 11 month season Westsired progeny have received \$5.5 million including bonuses.

WESTBRED WINNERS – NOVEMBER 2024

Another month of over \$300,000 in bonuses is a good result, with the November figure being \$359,000 in bonuses including 18 first time starters - each receiving \$500 First Start bonus regardless of where they finished - making a total of \$125,000 paid out for the season in first time starters.

This means that 46% of the 2yo crop have raced and 28 horses aged at least 4yo have commenced a racing career this year. Additionally 62% of the (2020) 3yo crop have raced.

Westbred winners in November 2024 produced one of our best results in terms of number of wins, with 106 winners of 111 races (57.5% of total races). It's also a top 5 result in percentage terms.

There were 36 sires represented by winning Westbred progeny, with local sires on top - **Fly Like An Eagle** (11 winners of 11 races), and Follow The Stars and **Rock N Roll World USA** (both 9 winners of 9 races). The best of the outside sires was American Ideal USA with 5 winners of 6 races.

Fly Like An Eagle (48 winners of 95 races) has scooted clear in the season tally for Westbred winners, with outside sire **Sweet Lou USA** (31 winners, 84 wins) next best. Follow The Stars, American Ideal USA and Rock N Roll World USA are the remaining stallions in the top 5 for the season.

There were 20 horses winning for the first time in November – for the full season there has been 202 first time winners. This included the 14 Westsired progeny, with the remaining Westbred First Time winners being:

- 2yos **Its Maa Time** (Captain Crunch USA), **Prince Of Tribeca** (Soho Tribeca) and **Ti Sento** (McWicked);
- 3yos **Drive Line (Betting Line USA)**, **Hurricanehope** (Sportswriter USA) and **Sheza Sassy Lassy** (Vincent).

Five Westbreds won 2 races each in the month – including two of our first time winners Ti Sento and Hurricanehope. Additionally **Caliente** (American Ideal USA) and **Mister Piccolo** (Betterthancheddar USA) were dual winners along with Westsired Sukhovey Windstorm.

Westbreds won 12 of the 16 2yo races run in November 2024, with 55 of the 63 2yo starters being Westbred. This is substantially higher than the previous 2 years (both for Westbreds and overall starters) which suggests it can be productive to race the 2yos at the end of the season for their winning chances (remembering 9 of the wins were a first career win). Races are still available for 2yos to the end of the year. For the season there have been 194 2yo starters (169 Westbred) which exceeds the figures for the previous 2 years.

Westbreds won 21 of the 26 3yo races run in November 2024, as well as 11 3yo and over races. In total 3yos won 48 races. The number of 3yo starters in November 2024 (131) was identical to the previous month and although lower than November 2023, the total 3yo starters for the season to date is marginally higher than the same period in 2023. This is the final few months in which 3yos can earn bonuses and this is very important as it sets them up for continuing their racing careers. Westbred 3yo starters for the season are up by 13.

A welcome increase again (to 472, including 293 Westbreds) in the 4yo and over starters was recorded in November 2024. For the season ending November 2024, 675 Westbreds in this age group have raced, out of a total of 1070. As a comparison, the number in this age group that raced in 2023 was 1086.

In November there were 13 races restricted to horses at least 4 years of age, making a total of 129 races that this group was eligible to race in, on an age basis. Westbreds in this age group won 67 (52%) of the races for this age group. Wins for the age group included 51 by 4yos (27 Westbred), 37 5yos (19) and 20 6yos (11 Westbred). There were 10 wins by Westbreds older than 6yo.

For the season so far the 3yos average a win every 6.8 starts, 4yo and over horses average is 10.2 starts.

For the month there were 19 Westbred wins including 5 Westsired and another 4 fillies/mares. Additionally, the \$35,000 Pinjarra 4YO Classic and the \$30,000 Country Derby added to the tally, both winners with trainer driver Aiden de Campo. Excluding wins by fillies mares and the previously covered Westsired premium winners, the remaining 12 winners were:

★ ♦ **5yo Alcopyny - Betting Line USA o/o Kurious (Sportswriter USA)** part owner breeder Kevin Keys and R Gaunt, What a good boy he is. Over \$250,000 before this race, started 3rd favourite from 2 with Ryan Warwick on board, driven through to take the lead under challenge, even time first half before stepping it up down the back, headed coming off the back, fought back to be in front at the 50m and win the 2536m \$31,000 Pacing Cup Consolation by 4.3m in 1:59:1, last qtrs pretty slick at 27.8 and 27.8;



Ryan Warwick with a winning drive on Alcopyny

- ◆ **8yo Alta Rhett - Alta Christiano NZ o/o Justlikechocolate (Live Or Die USA)** breeder David Stringer. Third start since resuming in October, started inside the back row at 13/2 with Hall of Fame driver Gary Hall Jnr, was quickly off the rails from the barrier to settle one by one, two back at the bell and between runners, swung 4 wide at the 400m and running home strongly, 4th and 4 wide but looked the winner at the top of the straight, drew clear at the 50m to win the \$19,000 Pace by 2.3m in 1:58.0, last half 58.6;
- ◆ **6yo Bellezza Nera - Rock N Roll Heaven USA o/o Elena S NZ (In The Pocket USA)** owner breeder Oz-West Pacing. A metro level winner last month, then 3 starts later with Dylan Egerton-Green on board started (wow) at 71/1 from 7 in a wide open race, restrained and settled 4 on the pegs, solid pace early with a 28.8 2nd qtr before getting off the pegs at the 400m, pushed and interfered with a runner coming to the home turn before racing 4 wide into the straight to grab the lead at the 100m to win the \$19,000 Pace by 4.5m in 1:56.0, last qtrs 28.8, 27.8 and 29.2;
- ◆ **6yo Caliente - American Ideal USA o/o Innocent Eyes (Safely Kept USA)** breeder part owner Tarsao Investments Pty Ltd. A win and 4 places from his last 6 starts then started 2nd favourite from 2 in the 2503m stand, hopped a bit but got going and soldiered to the lead, poured the speed on down the back, well clear into the straight and a good win in the \$21,000 Stand by 6.6m in 1:59.1, last qtrs 27.7 and 29.3 and a double for Chris Lewis;
- ◆ **8yo Cordero - Western Terror USA o/o Innocent Eyes (Safely Kept USA)** breeder Tarsao Investments Pty Ltd, Does seem to pop up from time to time and this was his biggest win. Started from 1 at 41/1 with Kyle Harper on board. Absolutely scooted out of the barrier to retain the lead and wait for the favourite to go around him, didn't move until the top of the straight when he whipped out and surprised the favourite by chasing and grabbing him near the line, winning the \$31,000 FFA by a nose in 1:56.6, last qtrs 28.3 and 28.2. There is a saying about it not being over until somebody sings;
- ◆ **5yo Goodfellaz - American Ideal USA o/o Shes Innocent (D M Dilinger CA)** breeder Debra Lewis. The second winner in a row starting favourite from 3, leading and winning. Resumed in October, 3rd run back was beaten for speed from the barrier but Chris Lewis persevered and went to the lead, advantaged by a tiring breeze horse but well in front into the straight and an easy win at a solid clip in the \$19,000 Pace by 5.9m in 1:55.5, last qtrs 28.2 and 27.7;
- ◆ **6yo Hillview Bondi - Somebeachsomewhere USA o/o Maid For Life (Safely Kept USA)** breeder part owner Lisa Bendotti. Won a metro race in September then no luck with the barrier since, then started second favourite from 1, Kyle Symington showed his intentions early and held the lead, fast 28.7 first qtr with the favourite caught 3 wide, the next half wasn't much slower, didn't have any friends out there for the entire race and showed great heart to hold the lead and win the \$25,000 Pace by 2.4m in 1:54.9, last qtrs 28.4 and 29;
- ◆ **4yo Horse Insta Gator - Huntsville USA o/o Topless Beach Girl (Art Major USA)** breeders Mike, Sharon and the late Ian Howie. A quiet achiever with \$75,000 in stakes. Two wins in September this prep. Started 2/1 favourite with trainer driver Jocelyn Young, had a look first before going to the front with 2 laps to go in a solid 36 lead, tickled along in a 28.7 2nd qtr, had the field stretched out at the 400m and raced away to win the \$21,000 L8/9 Pace by 13.3m in 1:54.5, last qtrs both 27.9;

◆ **4yo Magnus Victor - Sweet Lou USA o/o Benjor Maddy Lombo (Perfect Art USA)** breeder Mike Howie. Solid effort again this season with almost \$50,000 before starting at 15/2 from 3. Went out hard from the barrier to take the lead, close to even time first half, Trent Wheeler had him in full stride down the back, rounded in front and had enough in the tank to maintain his advantage and win the \$19,000 Pace by 1.6m in 1:56.0, last qtrs 27.2 and 29;





- ◆ 3yo **Menemsha (Sunshine Beach o/o Falcons Gem NZ (Falcon Seelster USA)** breeder Karnup Racing Pty Ltd. Brought up his 2nd win of the season after 4 consecutive placings including a 2nd in the WA Derby. Started odds on favourite from 5 over the 2692m, held back at the start then moved around the field to be leading with just over 2 laps to go, set a solid clip throughout to run under 29 for the last 3 qtrs, went on to an 8m win in the \$30,000 Country Derby in 1:56.7, last qtrs 28.7, 28.5 and 28.0;
- ◆ 4yo **Sorridere - Sunshine Beach USA o/o Smile With Me NZ (McArdle USA)** breeder part owner Oz West Pacing, with trainer driver Aiden de Campo started in 1 as 2nd favourite, held the lead with the favourite sitting on his back, set a slick pace throughout, held on for a meritorious win from the race favourite in the \$35,000 Pinjarra 4YO Classic by a head in 1:56.4, last qtrs 28.2 and 27.8; and
- ◆ 5yo **Whatarethodds - Betting Line USA o/o Generally Outspoken NZ (Mach Three CA)** breeder KTC Bloodstock and Kevn Charles, quality gelding who has had his issues. Started 3rd favourite from 6, immediately dropped back from the barrier to settle 3 back in the moving line in a solid lead, swept up 5 wide coming to the turn and a patient drive by Kyle Symington to just get the nose in front near the line and win the \$19,000 Pace by a head in 1:54.9, last qtrs 28.2 and 27.9. A driving double for Kyle.



For the 11 months of the season, connections of WA bred progeny have received \$19 million including \$15.6 million in stakes, with the balance in bonuses (not including Epona bonuses).

How did the **FILLIES AND MARES GO (November 2024)**

In November 2024 there were 62 wins (32.0% of races) by fillies and mares, with 58 individual winners. It's nice to go even higher, but it is the 5th successive month with at least 60 wins, taking the season average to 31.6%. We still have some ground to make up on the national average (33.5%).

The November result this year is the best result for the month since November 2015 (for the number of race wins), which means the last 2 months have been collectively the best ever for the timeframe. Wins included 34 at the \$9,000 level, and 12 metropolitan, FFA or Group level.

While the results are positive they are coming off a very low historical base. We will work constructively with the new handicapping system commencing January 2025 to improve these results to their rightful level.

Westbred fillies/mares accounted for 42 of the 62 wins and \$523,000 in stakes (out of a total of \$881,000 won by fillies and mares), plus \$218,000 in bonuses.

To the end of November, fillies and mares have won 638 races, over \$8.2 million in stakes plus for the Westbred fillies and mares, \$1,614,000 in Bonuses.

Leading winning sire for fillies and mares for November 2024 was **Sweet Lou USA** (8 individual winners) then **Fly Like An Eagle** (7 individual winners). The season leaders are **Sweet Lou USA** (25 winners of 74 races), **American Ideal USA** (20 winners, 42 wins) and **Fly Like An Eagle** (24 winners, 37 wins). Others in the top 6 are **Alta Christiano NZ** (29 wins), **Betterthancheddar USA** (28 wins) and **Bettors Delight USA** (26 wins).

Amongst the fillies and mares there have been 115 first time starters for the season, and 92 with their first career win. A brilliant result for First time winners in November, with 13 fillies taking home the rewards of their first career win – 2yos **Girl Of Brightness** (Advance Attack NZ), **Its Maa Time** (Captain Crunch USA), **Fly She Can** (Fly Like An Eagle), **Ti Sento** (McWicked), **Lucky Copy** (My Hard Copy NZ), **Shes All Go** and **Shoobees Double** (Shoobees Place USA), 3yos, **Fly Eaglerose** and **Lucy Victoria** (Fly Like An Eagle), **Miss Uneek** (My Hard Copy NZ), **Marledie** (Rock N Roll World USA), **Hurricanehope** (Sportswriter USA) and **Sheza Sassy Lassy** (Vincent).

Two of our first time winners in November were also dual winners in the month – 2yo **Ti Sento** and 3yo **Hurricanehope**.



Opportunities for fillies in November 2024:

- 2YO – there were 9 wins by fillies – including 3 in open races – from 16 2yo races. Fillies provided 29 (46%) of the 63 individual 2yo starters.
- 3YO – fillies won 13 of the 26 3yo races including 7 open 3yo races. They also won another 9 races for 3yo and over. Of those 22 wins, 18 were by Westbred fillies. The 3yo fillies contributed 61 (47%) individual 3yo starters, and a couple more races for the 3yo fillies would be a good approach.

Mares won 31 races in November 2024, lower than the previous 3 months and unfortunately well down on November last year. There was around 20 less mares racing at this time compared to November last year which no doubt is contributing to the lower results. A more holistic approach needs to be taken for the racing calendar to ensure mares continue to be sought after for racing and breeding after they reach the age of 4. More mares racing encourages better returns for everyone. The new program does include more barrier preferences to mares, so that is a good start for the new handicapping system.

Fillies and mares won 11 (22.4%) of the 49 races run at Gloucester Park premium meetings. There was also a win in the 2YO Westsired Fillies Classic, run for the first time at Bunbury instead of Gloucester Park.

We will continue to repeat that the program should deliver 3 filly/mare winners per 10 race program at premium meetings. This is the minimum required to encourage ownership and racing of 50% of the foals born every year.

Winners included 2yo **Ruai NZ (Sweet Lou USA)** who won a \$21,000 2YO Fillies Pace, 4yo **Aardiebytheseaside NZ (Downbytheseaside USA)** won a \$27,000 Fillies and Mares FFA and won the premier mares event, the \$150,000 Westral Mares Classic, 4yo **Penny Black NZ (Sweet Lou USA)** won the \$23,000 4YO Classic Consolation. 5yo **Steno (Sweet Lou USA)** won the Group 2 \$100,000 Norms Daughter and 5yo **Montana Glory NZ (Always B Miki USA)** won a \$21,000 Fillies and Mares.



The remaining 5 WA bred filly/mare winners at premium meetings were:

- ♥ 3yo **Atlantic Gem - Downbytheseaside USA o/o Bettors Gem (Bettors Delight USA)** breeder Karnup Racing Pty Ltd, nice filly having a very successful 3yo season with nearly \$90,000 in the bank. Started favourite from 3, very fast out to go straight to the lead, had the field under control coming off the back and clear into the straight, a moment of concern from Kyle Symington nearing home but always the winner of the \$21,000 3YO Fillies Pace, by 1.9m in 1:57.4, last qtrs 28 flat and 27.5;



Atlantic Gem, another one for Kyle Symington

- ♥ 3yo **Nase Vira - Alta Christiano NZ o/o Sovereign Faith NZ (Live Or Die USA)** owner breeders Oz-West Pacing, P Morris, P Eaton, P Richards. Lightly raced filly with a previous season win in October. Started favourite from 3 and with trainer driver Dylan Egerton-Green strode to the front from the barrier, kept the pace below even time for the first half, raced clear down the back, raced right away in the straight to win the \$21,000 3YO Fillies by 17.1m in 1:55.0, last qtrs 28.3 and 28.5
- ♥ 4yo **Our Sandy Shore - Sunshine Beach USA o/o Winter Strike NZ (Bettors Delight USA)** owner breeders Karnup Racing Pty Ltd. Related to Mister Smartee NZ (granddam a full sister to Bellas Boy NZ). In a purple patch winning 4 of her previous 5 starts including 2 in each of the previous 2 months. Waited a bit then loped to the front from 5, close to even time first half before Maddison Brown stepped it up down the back to be over a length clear, briefly under pressure on the bend but straightened up in the clear and held up well to win the \$23,000 Fillies and Mares by 3.3m in 1:57.0, last qtrs 28.5 and 29;



- ♥ **3yo Xceptional Arma - American Ideal USA o/o Arma Xpress (Artiscape USA)** owner breeders Liam O'Connor and Jim Currie. Brilliant 2yo from last season who is looking for success this season. Not helped by starting from 9 at 19/1, settled last in the moving line in a fast 36.4 lead and solid first half. Driver Maddison Brown made her move in the straight and 3 wide one back with a lap to go, moved 4 wide and mowing down the leaders at the 400m, swept home wide and finished strong to win the \$21,000 3YO Fillies Pace by 2.8m in 1:56.2, last half 59.8; and
- ♥ **5yo Wonderful To Fly - Fly Like An Eagle o/o Not Now Delilah (Allamerican Ingot USA)** breeders Kevin and Annette Charles, close to \$800,000 in the bank. Slow to get the win this prep but back to her best. Started inside the back row at 7/1, got out well but had to settle for 4 on the pegs with the leaders sizzling in 35.2, extricated off the pegs by Shane Young with 500 to go, found a 5 wide run in the straight but had lengths to catch the leader, a whirlwind finish to grab the tiring leader near the line and win the \$25,000 Pace by 1.6m in 1:56.1, last qtrs 28.6 and 28.8. Top drive to find a way home.

The number of fillies and mares racing (212 in November) has picked up slightly compared to the previous month (208) with solid results for fillies. However the number of mares racing continues to be lower than in previous years. We are looking to new initiatives in the racing program, and feedback from you about how the program can be made better. There are some early opportunities in January, so take a look.

Westbreds increased their total share of the female racing population to 81% in November, with 93% of 2yo fillies, 79% of 3yo fillies and 79% of mares. Fillies and mares contributed 31% of the 658 overall starters.

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The **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** has been scheduled for **late January 2025**. Meetings are scheduled monthly on the last Wednesday of each month, except on specific occasions and over the Christmas New Year period. If you would like to raise any issues or make comment, contact a Committee member or:

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