

Normile News

We wish you a very

HAPPY

CHRISTMAS

and a wonderful

NEW YEAR



News & reports

Christmas 2007

Well it is that time of year again, not only with all the festivities but we are well into the jumping season proper. So far the ground has not got too soft and heavy and there have yet to be any meetings lost due to the cold weather, no doubt this will all change.

We have been lucky enough to have got some really nice new horses in the yard for this season, including Francesco, Strobe, Wise Choice and Mind Your Manners.

English City ran a great race to finish second at Down Royal over two miles earlier in the autumn and has since been stepped up in trip which

seems to really suit him and he seems to be enjoying the extra distance. He has finished a good third in his last two races.

Silver By Nature finished third on his first start over hurdles at Ayr over two and a half miles and then showed a great attitude to make all the running over two miles at Kelso and **WON** in great style. He is a smashing horse to have, he really seems to enjoy his racing and will be a cracking chaser in time. He gives us a huge amount to look forward to.

Strobe was a four time winner on the flat for Jamie Os-

borne over distances up to two miles. He joined us in October and has really taken well to hurdling. He finished runner up to a decent horse on his first start at Sedgefield and was fourth at Musselburgh. He does appreciate fast conditions and in due course will really need at stiff test of stamina. He is a really exciting prospect.

The Saltire Tiger has been well placed over hurdles this autumn and has then been chasing, jumping brilliantly around Wetherby, a really pleasing start. He is really a spring / summer horse who will now have a break.

Royal Citadel recently had her first run over hurdles and, despite being a little novicey early on, ran on well late to finish a very nice fifth. She is only a small mare but she has a huge heart and a very willing nature.



Do It For Dalkey has now had two bumper runs and importantly he learned a huge amount from each run. He is a very big horse who is still mentally quite immature but has certainly shown enough both at home and on the track to give plenty of encouragement.

Wise Choice was bought at Newmarket in the summer and is a lovely horse to have in the yard. He ran a great race on the flat when just being a bit tapped for toe at the end of the race. We got the tactics wrong at Kelso but he still ran a sound race, he is a smashing jumper and will go

over fences in the future.

Francesco, a pretty decent flat horse in France, has won two races from six starts on soft and heavy going. He won over a distance of 1 mile and a half to 1 mile seven furlongs. He is very well related and has some pretty high profile siblings. He is a really nice big horse who should have no trouble jumping hurdles and even fences in time. He has a lovely manner and although we are still learning about him there is a lot to like and even more to look forward to especially as he is only three.

Mind Your Manners is quite possibly the smartest looking chap we have had in the yard for a while (excluding Alan, Steve and Des), not only is he striking in looks but he carries himself in such a nicely balanced way that his conformation is correct. He has been working nicely but only being a three year old will not be over worked and he will tell us when he is ready to run.

Roller La Grange was a bit of a wild two year old colt when he was bought in

France in the summer, but Des has done a great job breaking him in and he has turned into such a nice horse who is a smashing mover. Having been schooling him over hurdles we decided to give him a holiday, to allow him to grow and mature. He is a half brother to a very nice horse so the future looks promising with him.

Heckley Foxtrot a fine big horse who will be a true jumper in time has had one run in a bumper showing plenty of promise. He is due to run soon and has schooled very nicely.

Primrose Time has been leased to The Explorers and is due to run in a bumper this week, and has been pleasing at home. She is a big filly and her future lies over obstacles but she takes her work really well and is a nice type.



p.s Frost now arrived—lost four days racing this week !!!!!

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Visitors are always welcome to the yard to see the horses. Please let us know when you would like to come to visit and we can be sure that there will be someone to see you.

Coming from Perth

Drive through of the village of Glenfarg heading south, after leaving the village take the first turning on the right up a steep hill and take first left through white pillars.

Coming from Edinburgh

Leave the M90 at junction 8, take the B996 to Glenfarg, for two miles, and after crossing over the motorway, turn left at white pillars.

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