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LA GRANGE NEWS



Two year olds walking home after exercise

Welcome

I would like to thank you all for your patience. It has been a frustrating start to the season to say the least but I am pleased to report that there is light at the end of the tunnel. Recent scopes have been much better and we have started the horses back in fast work. Let's hope we have a few winners soon! ContentsFuture PlansPower PlateThe Snow Fairy Love StoryTwo Year Old FocusPictures of the MonthStaff Profile

Ed Dunlop

Future Plans



Island Remede and Lynsey Williams

Island Remede

Island Remede made a pleasing start to her three year old campaign when finishing fifth at Lingfield in their Oaks Trial, where she was beaten two and a half lengths. It was really encouraging to see her run well, especially with the horses health being under a cloud. Unfortunately she had an awful draw, which probably cost the filly a place. Island Remede's sporting owner, Mr Ian Quy, is considering a tilt at The Investec Oaks in June. The filly has come out of her race very well and will come on again for her run. We will be hoping for some luck and lots of rain in June.

Mubaraza

Mubaraza is another horse that has been running well since our horses have fallen ill. This five year old gelding by Dalakhani, ran a brilliant race on his first outing this year at Ripon over two miles, finishing second behind the subsequent Chester Cup runner up, Angel Gabrial. Mubaraza finished fourth in The Chester Cup putting up another great performance. He will be freshened up before being aimed at some of the top staying Handicaps and will follow a similar schedule to last year, taking in The Ascot Stakes and The Northumberland Plate. He seems to be a very consistent horse and deserves to pick up a big prize this year.



Mubaraza and Parwaz

Power Plate



Moises The Power Plate Man!



Machiavelian Storm enjoying herself

Horsepower Plate

We have recently installed a power plate specifically designed for horses. Power plates have been used in human medicine for more than forty years and were first used by the Russian space program in the 1960s to offset bone loss in space. Vibration therapy seems to reduce pain, improve flexibility, and increase range of motion, muscle coordination, balance, and stability. Clinical trials have shown the vibration therapy stimulates nitric oxide and MMP (Matrix Metalloproteinase) which are both vasodilators (widening of blood vessels). The power plate increases circulation, bone density, muscle mass and can promote faster healing as well as reducing swelling and inflammations.

Ed is currently running a trial with a number of our two year olds, to see if it does help increase muscle mass and bone density. Our horses that use the Horsepower Plate, average three to four sessions a week, for ten to twenty minutes at a time. Moises is the man in charge of the power plate and he says the horses really seem to enjoy and relax on the plate, with many falling asleep!

We feel this is a great addition to our facilities here at La Grange and hope our horses can reap the benefits from this exciting new technology.

The Snow Fairy Love Story

We all know what a fantastic career Snow Fairy had, winning eight out of her twenty one starts, six of which were Group 1s. But are you aware she is also a matchmaker?

Snow Fairy's illustrious career took her all over the world and with that, her rider, Lynsey Williams (back then her surname was Hannah) went everywhere with her. After Snow Fairy's superb wins in the English and Irish Oaks; a foreign campaign was mapped out which took Fairy, Lynsey and Robin to Japan. A few other English trainers had runners in Japan and a rather lanky legged, blonde haired chap called Olly, from James Givens vard, had caught Lynsey's eye! The lanky one was riding Dandino for the Lincolnshire based Given and he had also taken a shine to Lynsey. Snow Fairy went on to win in Kyoto while Dandino failed to score at Tokyo. Dandino was shipped back home and that could have been the end of the brief encounter but as fate would have it. James Given sent Indian Days over to Hong Kong, which was also Snow Fairys next destination. The Lanky one made his move and the relationship soon blossomed! Yet again Fairy won and yet again Olly's horse made little impression but the trip was more than Olly could have ever hoped for.

Four years on, Olly and Lynsey Williams were married in St Lucia and have just celebrated their first wedding anniversary and have also recently announced they are expecting their first child!

Snow Fairy has a lot to be thanked for !!!!





Two Year Old Focus 2014

Verismo

(Hurricane Run – x Cross Current) Colt Owner: Mr B Andersson

Verismo was purchased at the Baden-Baden Yearling Sales and is out of an unraced mare by Sakhee. He is a good looking son of Hurricane Run who still has some maturing to do.

"This colt was purchased by Peter Doyle, on behalf of Benny Andersson. He is very much a horse for the latter part of the year and moves extremely well."



Rock Lobster

Polydus

(Rock Of Gibraltar - x Missy Wassie Gal) Colt

Owner: Mr Noel Martin

Polydus was bred by Mr Martin and is the first foal of Missy Wassie Gal who is by High Chaparral. His sire, Rock Of Gibraltar, won ten of his thirteen starts and has produced over fifty Group winners worldwide.

"This colt has thrived in recent weeks and will shortly be ready to do some fast work. He moves well but will probably be one for 7 furlong races."



Verismo

Rock Lobster

(Bahamian Bounty - x Reeling N Rocking) Colt

Owners: Mr M Mitchell, Mr G Lowe, Mr A Allison, Mr P Milmo , Mr M Silver & E.A.L. Dunlop

Rock Lobster is a tall, scopey individual who moves very well. His dam, Reeling N Rocking, won four races over seven furlongs and was placed seven times.

"I bought this colt at Doncaster because I loved the way he walked. We have been lucky in the past with Bahamian Bounty, most notably with Fareer who won at Royal Ascot. He is another one for the latter part of the season."



Polydus

Alan Turing

(Exceed and Excel - x Maggie Lou) Colt

Owner: Mr W J Gredley

Alan Turing is a solid looking individual who was bought at the Craven Breeze Up Sales. His dam, Maggie Lou, won first time out, over five furlongs as a two year old; so on paper he should be very sharp.

"This is a horse that Mr Gredley bought at the Craven Breeze ups. He is a strong, powerful individual, who has a good temperament. We have pressed on with him and started to do fast work."





Alan Turing

Naizah

(Tamayuz - x Etizaaz) Filly

Owner: Mr Hamdan Al Maktoum

Naizah is a lovely natured filly who goes well and looks fairly forward. Her dam won a listed race and was second in the Prix Vermeille (Group 1) over one mile four furlongs.

"This filly is a half sister to a horse I trained called Munaddam, who won a Stakes race for us. She is a strong, powerful, good looking filly, who goes well at this stage."

Naizah

Seaworthy

(Sea The Stars - x Night Fairy) Filly

Owner: Sir Thomas Pilkington and Mrs Sonia Rogers

Seaworthy is a very well bred filly who is closely related to the John Oxx trained My Titania, who won a Group 3 as a two year old and is favourite for the Irish 1000 Guineas. Seaworthy is also a full sister to Stars So Bright who won first time out this year, beating some nice types.

"This is a filly who recently arrived with us having been broken in, in Ireland. She is related to My Titania, who by the time this has reached you, could have won a classic!"



Seaworthy

Pictures of the Month



Oliver Peslier giving the low down on Amazing Maria's gallop



Two year olds



Spring clean!



A pick of grass



Cantering down to the Limekilns Gallop





Spa day

More Beau gleaming



Robin is back from his travels!





Happy staff!

BEATRICE AURORE IN FOAL



Aurore **Beatrice** joined La Grange Stables when Ed's father, John Dunlop, retired in 2012. She had some fantastic form at Group class level, winning The Prix Chloe (Group 3) at Chantilly for John Dunlop as well as finishing second in The Longines Lydia Tesio (Group 1) in Capannelle. Beatrice joined us as a five year old and ran four times finishing fourth in The Duke Of Cambridge Stakes (Group 2) beaten less than a length. Beatrice's last run of her career was in Ovrevoll, Norway, in The Marit Sveaas Minnelop (Group 3) where she thrilled Ed and her owner, Mr Andersson by finishing second, a length behind Mr Anderssons other runner, Berling. Winning this race was a dream come true for Mr Andersson and to have the one/two made it even more special.

Beatrice has been scanned in foal to the mighty Frankel and we look forward to seeing her offspring in the future!

Staff Profile: Rashid Saeed

Rashid, whose nickname is Rash, was born in Karachi, Pakistan in 1980. Rash is from a racing family and his father was a jockey in Pakistan and Dubai. Rash has a wife, Rizwana and a two and a half year old son, Azan, who live in Karachi. Having left school at the age of 15, Rash opened a telephone booth shop in the city.



After 6/7 months of trading he decided to close the shop and follow in his brothers footsteps and head into the racing industry. Rash learnt the ropes of general yard duties, working for small trainers in Karachi. A lack of opportunities in Karachi, led Rashid to make the brave decision at 18, to leave the family home and move to Dubai, to join his elder brothers at Ismail Mohammed's yard. He worked for Ismail for 3 years and then moved on to England to work as yardman for Mark Tompkins. Six months later he fancied a change and joined team Dunlop in 2008 and has been a yardman with us ever since.

Rashid's most successful horse he has looked after is Native Khan. Native Khan won The Craven Stakes (Group 3) before heading to the 2000 Guineas where he finished third behind the mighty Frankel. He ran a fantastic race in The English Derby finishing fifth, beaten two and a half lengths behind Pour Moi. "The Derby was my favourite race with Native Khan. It was a dream to have a horse there; I was very excited that day!" Rashid's favourite horse he looks after now is Island Remede (pictured above). He is excited about her run in The Oaks and is hopeful she can win a big race for him this year.

Rashid's main hobby outside of racing is cricket. Rash and fellow workmates, Ash and Faisal, play with friends at the pitch by the Rowley Mile racecourse and the team are hopeful they can join a local league. It has been reported that Rash is rather handy with a bat!

Eight To Follow Update

Sir Anthony Pagewood, an owner here at Ed Dunlop Racing, is currently leading the competition with 35 points.

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