



Breckon Farms – The Perfect Ten Syndicate



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Hi there

Firstly, a **BIG CONGRATULATIONS on your win with BUBBLED UP** in her Nevele R Fillies Series Heat, at Hororata on the 10th February. It certainly was a very good win and an exceptional time of 1:55.9 on the grass – a NZ Record !!! So, **WELL DONE !!!** After a nice quiet trial **Bubbled Up** was to step up and win her first race as a 3-year-old at only her seventh career start, after racing in most of the major 2-year-old fillies races last season. She ran a great time of 1:55.9 for the mile on the grass - **A FANTASTIC RESULT !!!** This was a great effort, especially after having a setback in her preparation this campaign, having suffered a fractured skull. It was also an excellent drive by Tim Williams, going to the lead from the start and dictating terms, with Bubbled Up finishing well for a nice win. It was Tim's 400th winning drive, so **CONGRATULATIONS to him too !!!**

After racing on 11th January **Gladamare** was to have a little freshen-up before running a nice trial on the 2nd February, pleasing Brent and after a slight hiccup with some hormonal troubles, she is now set to race this Friday, the 15th February. She is in **Race 5**, timed to start at **8.03pm**, the \$12,000 Lincoln Farms Bloodstock Mobile Pace, for Non Winners 2YO & Older, with a Preferential Barrier Draw Based on: Sex (fillies and mares drawn inside colts, geldings and entires), over 2200m. She has drawn well at **Barrier No.1**, in a 12-horse field and will be driven by Brent Mangos. **GOOD LUCK & GO GLADAMARE !!!**

Lovemelikeyoudo has continued to have a few issues on-and-off and is "work-in-progress" as she is described by her training team. She is getting the assistance of a chiropractor and farrier in an attempt to get to the bottom of it, so let's hope that she can get back to trotting as good as they all say she can and get over this issue quickly and be well on her way to making it as a successful racehorse. **Gimme Hope** has been doing strong hopped work for about a month now and is about to step up with speed work and hopefully should be ready to trial in about a month. She has been given every opportunity to make the grade now, so the rest will be up to her. **Tickle Me Pink** is looking great and Tony is really happy with her, even though she is still only jogging, but she is about to step things up and should be ready to trial at the beginning of April. WOW !!! Won't that be exciting ??? **Taylor Bromac** has continued to do well in the paddock and was inspected yesterday by Michael, who has suggested that she will be ready to return to training at the end of the month. Let's hope she is well over all her troubles and ready to go now.

CONGRATULATIONS !!!

Breckon Farms – Six Of The Best Syndicate has another win !!!

Bubbled Up

... wins the \$14,624 Nevele R Fillies Series (Heat 4) Mobile Pace, at Mt Harding Racecourse, Methven, on 10th February 2019

In an excellent time of 1:55.9 (possibly a NZ Record on the grass) to notch-up her first win !!!



This win brought up win No. 6 for the Breckon Farms – The Perfect Ten Syndicate, so **WELL DONE !!!**

The Breckon Farms – The Perfect Ten Syndicate then had a record of 18 starts, 6 wins, 2 seconds, 2 thirds, for \$66,961 in stake earnings.

That's an incredible **55.6%** record of starts in the money, so let's hope it continues to build and ... while not yet as high as some other Breckon Farms Syndicates, it is still a creditable record.



Here is the latest detailed information on your horses, I hope you enjoy the read.

The Fillies.....

Trainer Mark Purdon & Natalie Rasmussen :-

Bubbled Up (American Ideal – Speights Girl)

Following her enforced month off after receiving a kick to her head that fractured her skull, Bubbled Up made good progress through her training at the All Stars Stable and was set to attend the North Canterbury TOA Trials at Rangiora, on the 30th January.

This was in a Non Winners Mobile Pace, over 2000m, where she drew Barrier No.7, in a 9-horse field. She was driven by stable driver Tim Williams.

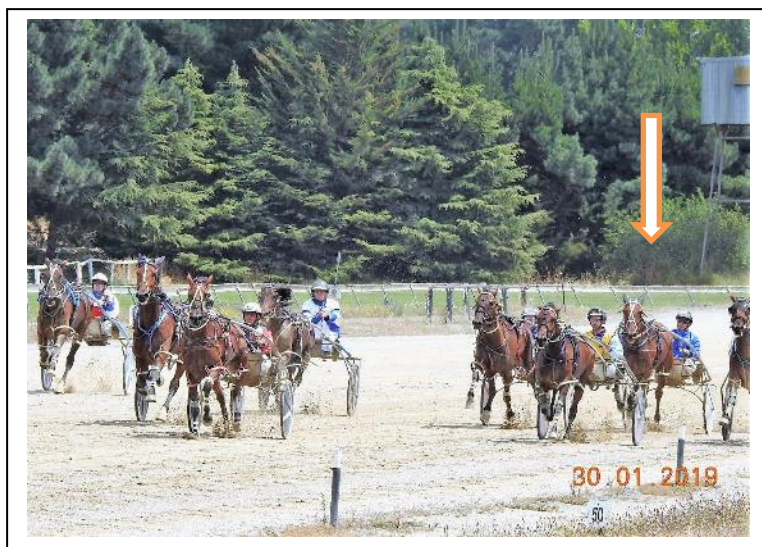
Bubbled Up was eased back off the gate to settle in 5th position, as the field formed a single file. At the post with a lap-to-go there were a few moves made, but Bubbled Up still remained 5-back on the markers as Garta took up the lead.

Down the back the final time Alabama Slammer left the markers in front of Bubbled Up, so Tim moved her up to be 4-back on the inner. As they turned for home Bubbled Up was still 4-back on the markers and up the home straight there were no gaps, so she just ran home nicely under a hold in behind them, to finish back in 8th placing.

The winner was Garta in a time of 2:30.9 (MR 2:01.3), with the last 800m completed in 57.2 and the 400m in 28.5.

Tim said, "I was just concerned it was her first run back, so I wanted to give her an easy run and I knew she would improve off that, so all is good."

Here is a photo that was posted on the All Stars Stable website (Bubbled Up marked with the arrow), with the caption, "THEY WENT A SMART 2.30.2 IN THIS MAIDEN HEAT WON BY GARTA BUT BUBBLED UP WAS ONLY OUT FOR THE OUTING AND TIM HAS HER TUCKED AWAY OFF THE PACE AT THE FINISH" ...



So, as planned, Bubbled Up was to head towards making her return to racing on the 10th February, at Methven.

This was at the Hororata TC Meeting, where she was to take her place in the \$14,999 Nevele R Fillies Series (Heat 2) Mobile Pace, for 3YO Fillies, up to R70 with Conditions, over 1609m. Bubbled Up drew Barrier No.4, in what was to be an 8-horse field after there were three scratchings and she was once again to be driven by Tim Williams.

Bubbled Up made a quick beginning from behind the mobile and crossed the runners inside her easily to take the early lead. She was challenged heading into the first bend by Anamajor, but managed to dismiss that challenge without too much trouble and headed into the back a clear leader.

Bubbled Up ran them along at good speed and heading down the side of the track and approaching the 400m mark, Kotare Yolande moved forward in the parked position to apply a bit of pressure. Bubbled Up led them into the home straight and looked in control, but then the favourite Kendra let down from 3-back in the running line to finish strongly, but Bubbled Up was able to hold her at bay, going on for a very good maiden win, by a ½-length.

Bubbled Up's winning time was a sensational 1:55.9, a NZ Record for 3-year-old fillies on the grass, with the final 800m completed in 57.9 and the 400m in 28.6.

Tim said, "That was a good result. She was getting a bit tired the last bit, but it was a good effort and in good time too."

CONGRATULATIONS on a great win !!!

Notably, this win brought up Tim Williams' 400th driving win, so **CONGRATULATIONS to him too !!!**

And all this after having received a kick to her head that fractured her skull ... **WOW !!!**

Here are some photos taken at Methven by Phil & Glenys Kennard on the 10th February ...



In the Winners Circle



With Tim after her washdown

Many thanks for the photos Phil and Glenys, they are great and most appreciated.

Co-trainer Natalie Rasmussen advised on the 14th February, "She's come through the run super. She's really good and that run should bring her on nicely. She's very full of herself, so we will press on and go to that Nevele R Heat at Ashburton."

So, after her win Bubbled Up is still eligible to race in her next planned assignment, another of the Nevele R Fillies Series Conditioned Heats. This is scheduled to be staged at Ashburton on the 23rd February, so I will confirm this with details when they are available.

In the meantime ...

GOOD LUCK & GO BUBBLED UP !!!

Lovemelikeyoudo (Love You – Regal Volo)

After an extended time out, spelling at Breckon Farms, Lovemelikeyoudo was to head back south and into training.

She spent a month being pre-trained by Stephen Boyd, with no reoccurrence of her previous soreness troubles, before transferring to the All Stars Stable.

Since being back with Mark and Natalie, Lovemelikeyoudo has shown some signs of trouble on and off.

On the 29th January, All Stars Racing Manager, Michelle Neilson said, "She has her days. Some days she feels good and some days she feels like she might be feeling something. It's just very minor and we're keeping an eye on it."

Then on the 11th February, stable employee Tim Williams advised, "We've had the chiropractor look at her. We're just trying to eliminate if there's anything not quite right that might be affecting her. She's work-in-progress. Nat has arrived back home now and will drive her, so you should ring her and get an update on Thursday or Friday."

On the 14th February Natalie reported, "I did drive her on Tuesday and she was just OK. I wasn't really happy with her, so I just changed a few things and she progressively got better on Thursday when I drove her. Her last run was really good; just lovely. So, she's a work in progress. She has had the chiropractor look at her and they found a couple of tinny things wrong, but I might just get the farrier to have a look at her in behind. She's not one to play up, she wants to do it, but she's not trotting straight so she might be hurting in behind. It's a bit of a funny one. The jury is still out. Mark is back here next week, so I'll get him to drive her and see what he thinks. She is still work in progress at this stage, but if we can get her going straight and doing things right, then we will press on."

Hopefully, Lovemelikeyoudo will be able to get through these issues that she is having, with the expert help of her trainers and other professionals and thus be able to continue in her training and progress on to confirm the potential that she has previously shown.



Trainer Mark Jones :-

Gimme Hope (Mach Three – Affairs Are Bettor)

Gimme Hope concluded her extended 6-month spell and returned to training on the 10th December. She jogged for the first month, to increase her fitness, before moving on to her hopped work, initially doing strong work to build her up slowly after such a long time out spelling.

She had developed a little through her jogging stage, but was still very lazy in her attitude, so things would soon step up and hopefully she would too.

Trainer Mark Jones advised on the 3rd February, "The filly is working along and doing enough to just keep her head above water. She is doing everything right, but she only does what she has to, but does what we ask of her, so we will press on. She was out for a long time so she will still be 4-6 weeks from trials."

Gimme Hope has been given every chance to strengthen, mature and develop with the extra time she has had out, so she really does now have to step-up over the next month and keep improving to make it as a successful racehorse.

Let's hope she does and is able to make it to the trials about the second week in March.

Trainer Tony Herlihy :-

Tickle Me Pink (Muscle Hill – Luby Ann)

Tickle Me Pink had an extended 4-month spell at Breckon Farms, to get over her foot troubles and some tenderness through her back, which she completed and returned to training on the 9th January.

She looked great and had grown a little too and immediately started her jogging to increase her fitness. As she has had such a long break in the paddock, she will jog for about 6 weeks and then look to step things up and get more serious in her training.

Stable Foreman Tony Cameron, advised on the 2nd February, "She's just jogging still. All is good. There's been no problem with her foot or anything, so all seems pretty good."

Then on the 13th February Tony Herlihy reported, "I'm really happy with the way she's going. She is only jogging, but is really good. She's not far away from stepping things up. She's probably about 6 or 7 weeks from the trials. She's jumping out of her skin. She came back in good nick, but she's actually put weight on just while she's jogging and she looks really good."

So, it appears that thankfully Tickle Me Pink is back to full health and hopefully she should be ready to trial around the beginning of April, but she may need a couple of runs before she races, so hopefully she will be ready in time for her first major aim, the Group 2 \$60,000 NZ Sires Stakes 3YO Trotting Champs, on the 26th April, on her home track at Alexandra Park.

Then maybe, all going well, she will be looking at a start in the Group 1 \$100,000 Breckon Farms Northern Trotting Derby, on the 3rd May and then the Group 3 \$30,000

Haras des Trotteurs Northern Trotting Oaks, on the 10th May, both of which are also at Alexandra Park. As I have said before, the Derby is also up against the boys, so a final decision on whether she competes in this will be made nearer to the time.

Hopefully, Tickle Me Pink can earn enough stakes to make it to the Group 1 \$125,000 Harness Jewels 3YO Ruby, on the 1st June, at Addington, which once again is a race against the boys, but one she should be competitive in, as she would have been last season, but for a mistake made in the score-up.

Later on, there is racing that could be considered in Australia, including over in Victoria, the Group 1 \$75,000 Seelite Windows & Doors Victoria Trotters Derby, on the 4th August, at Maryborough, the Breeders Crown Heats and then the Group 1 \$80,000 Breeders Crown 3YO Trotting Fillies Final, on the 24th August, at Melton.

All these opportunities will be considered for Tickle Me Pink, as she progresses along and will be confirmed by Tony as he is able to assess how she is handling her 3-year-old racing along the way.

Here's hoping she is able to continue her successful racing career and compete in most or all of these major classic races.

Trainer **Brent Mangos** :-

Gladamare (Mach Three – Delightful Dale)

Having raced at Cambridge on the 11th January, where Brent described her as being lethargic, Gladamare was to have a bloodtest done, which showed no major irregularities, so she was to just be freshened a little before looking to prepare to return to the races.

Brent advised on the 30th January, "If she trials good, she can go on Friday week [8th February], otherwise if she's not quite ready she will have one more trial. She's not that fat, so she should be OK, but we'll make that decision after her run on Saturday. We'll look to have a maiden race first and not put her straight in the Nevele R Heat on the 8th [February]; that would be too tough on her, as there will be some of the nice ones in there. We can always go for that second heat later on [at Cambridge on the 18th April] if she's up to it. Hopefully there will be a fillies and mares race for her when we go."

The first step in her path to return to the races was to have a run at the Auckland Trials & Workouts, at Pukekohe, on the 2nd February.

This was in a Non Winners Mobile Pace, Right Handed, over 2050m, where she drew Barrier No.6, in an 8-horse field. Gladamare was to be driven by Brent Mangos.

Gladamare was eased back off the mobile gate and dropped to the rear of the field at the start, as they settled into single file. She remained there and with a few gaps in the field was some 13 or 14 lengths off the leader at the bell.

Into the back straight the final time and Cool And Calculating made a move into the running line from in front of Gladamare, so Brent was quickly onto her back, but soon after was shunted 3-wide when making a forward move.

Gladamare then had to go around the final bend posted out 3-wide, but she still ran home in good style to finish right in behind them, without having much room and finished in 6th placing, a little over 3 lengths from the winner.

The winner was Express Delight, in a time of 2:37.5 (MR 2:03.6) with the final 800m completed in 58.4 and the 400m in 27.5.

Brent said, " That was good. She went really good. She felt like she's right back to her previous best. I think I might put her in at Cambridge on Thursday. They won't be as strong there and it would be nice to get her off with another win. If you go to Auckland, they're much stronger and if you draw bad it makes it very hard and you can go a good race and only run 3rd or 4th."

Here are some photos taken at Pukekohe on the 2nd February ...

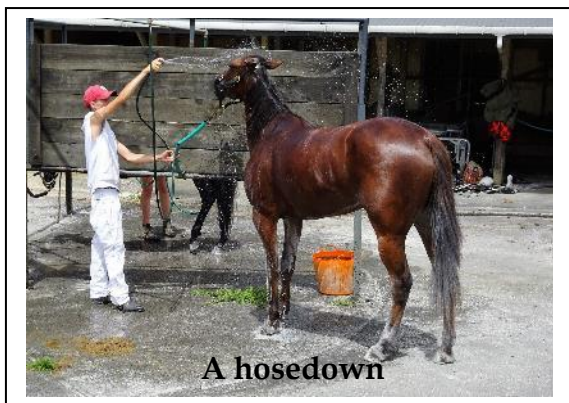




Return



Ungearing



A hosedown



Back from the wash



A young man at work



Head shot

Gladamare was indeed nominated to race at Cambridge on the 7th February, but before Withdrawals closed, Brent decided it was best to withdraw her.

Brent advised on the 4th February, "She hasn't eaten up since the trial. She's not right and not 100% so I've pulled her out. She's a little in season too, which I've never seen in her before so it's probably hormonal. I think it's best that we leave it this week as a race would probably just flatten her, so we will look to race at Auckland the following week [15th February]. She's actually going a bit better that way round at the moment too, so I think that will be best."

So, Gladamare is to race this Friday, the 15th February, at the Auckland TC Meeting at Alexandra Park.

Gladamare is in **Race 5**, timed to start at **8.03pm**, the \$12,000 Lincoln Farms Bloodstock Mobile Pace, for Non Winners 2YO & Older, with a Preferential Barrier Draw Based on: Sex (fillies and mares drawn inside colts, geldings and entire), over 2200m. She has drawn well at **Barrier No.1**, in a 12-horse field and will be driven by Brent Mangos.

Hopefully Gladamare will be competitive up against the boys and it will be interesting to see how she performs. It will be great if she could notch up another win as this race also carries a \$1,500 HRNZ non-winners first totalisator winning stake enhancement that will be paid in addition to the winning stake.

GOOD LUCK & GO GLADAMARE !!!

Trainer Michael House :-

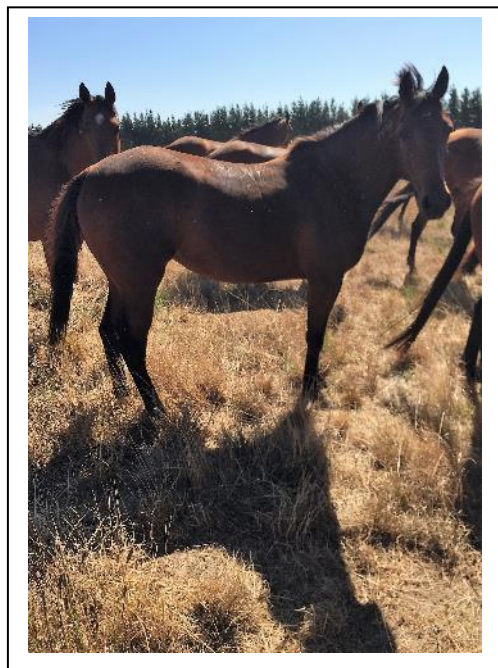
Taylor Bromac (Art Major – Tatijana Bromac)

From previous reports, Taylor Bromac was finally making good progress during her time out in the paddock and it appears that she is now fully recovered from her debilitating condition.

Michael advised last month, that at the end of January he would view Taylor and send some photos and discuss whether she was ready to be brought back into training in February.

On the 14th February, Michael advised, "Taylor is in great shape. I think she is ready to come back to training."

Michael also kindly sent through a photo of Taylor Bromac in her paddock, but did say, "I only took one photo as she kept getting on the wrong side of the sun", but it is great to see her still looking so good. Here is a photo taken by Michael on the 13th February ...



Michael has also sent a video through of Taylor Bromac in her paddock and I will attach this with your email advice for this newsletter, but I hope it doesn't cause problems in sending this as it is a rather large 1.52 KB size file.

After advising Ken Breckon of Michael's comments and suggestion that Taylor Bromac return to training at the end of February, it has been decided that this will indeed happen, so Michael has been advised accordingly.

So, Taylor Bromac will return to work at the end of the month and hopefully she is completely over her troubles and will be able to make a return to the track in due course and get her chance to make it as a successful racehorse.

Footnote:-

If you haven't already read, Michael House entered the record books with seven training wins at Manawatu on Tuesday, the 12th February. This equalled the New Zealand record for the number of training wins by a trainer at a meeting in New Zealand, one which had been achieved four times previously, but Michael was the first one to do it on his own.

Ironically, it was very much a team effort for Michael, who wasn't on course to enjoy his record day. Blair Orange, his usual driver at the Manawatu meetings, drove six of the seven winners – a personal best for him and within one of Tony Herlihy, Dexter Dunn and Doug Watts' single meeting driving record of seven wins.

Michael said a lot of the thanks go to his 'travelling' team of sidekicks, adding "It's a momentous life event, and I can only reflect on it with great pride. But I'm only the name in the book – there is a great team around me that makes this happen. I can't drive all the trucks, I can't gear them all up and in today's case I wasn't even there. I've been driving all around Southland looking at yearlings for the past two days. I haven't even checked in with the team, that's how much I trust them."

Michael also went within a neck and a head of training the entire nine-race card, with Maddisons Desire and Anna Barclay being pegged back late in their races and only just getting beaten.

Michael joins Mark Purdon & Natalie Rasmussen (twice – 2014, 2017), Mark Purdon & Grant Payne (2009) and Roy & Barry Purdon (1993) in the seven-win club.

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Good luck and many more wins to come.

Cheers

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CONGRATULATIONS !!!

You have another winner !!!

Bubbled Up wins the ...

\$14,624 Nevele R Fillies Series (Heat 2) Mobile Pace, at the Hororata TC Meeting at Mt Harding Racecourse, Methven, on the 10th February 2019



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