

# THE CARNIVAL IS OVER... COME ON 2022 SEASON.

Many moons ago Judith Durham and her group The Seekers made a big hit world wide with a song called The Carnival Is Over.

Well we're not sure if everyone at **Llowalong Farms and Northern Rivers Equine** could equate a busy Stud and Yearling preparation season to a Carnival, but whatever we name it, it was enjoyable, very successful and is now over.

In fact planning for the 2022 Breeding season has been under way for a couple of months

It is pleasing to report that the four Stallions standing under the Llowalong banner - Mel Mara, Pastor Stephen, Poster Boy and Soho Tribeca bred 349 mares between them. So a big, big thank you to each and every one of you for your business and support.



## POSTER BOY

the handsome son of Somebeachsomewhere had a brilliant second season at Stud, breeding 140 mares around Australia.

He has let down into a powerful yet still athletic looking stallion. There have been terrific reports on his first crop of foals and we can hardly wait to see his first progeny sell as Yearlings in the early months of 2023.

Of course those foals born and bred in Victoria will be Eligible for the \$12,000 First Win VicBred Colonial Stallion Bonus, which will give them added value when they do set foot on the racetracks of Victoria.

It is crystal clear now that Somebeachsomewhere is the Breed Changing stallion in the Harness Racing world today. There were twelve individual Group One winners last season sired by Somebeachsomewhere and this placed him right at the top of the ladder with Bettors Delight.

Poster Boy remains as the fastest Australian bred son of Somebeachsomewhere and being from an Award winning Artsplace mare, he is well placed to continue the dominance of the Somebeachsomewhere sireline.



## ▶ **SOHO TRIBECA**

it is so refreshing and pleasing to see our very best Australian bred stallions receive respect and support by the Broodmare owners of Australia.

For the second successive season Soho Tribeca has brought up a Century - a Book of 100 plus mares. He did in fact breed 108 mares and the best thing about Soho Tribeca on each breeding day is that he can handle any number of semen orders. He regularly produces enough quality semen to breed 20 or more mares in each ejaculate.

With American Ideal now reaching the veteran stage of his Stallion career, we are hopeful that Soho Tribeca can take over as his leading Siring son in the Southern Hemisphere.



Being the third foal of arguably Australia's greatest Broodmare this Century in Pixel Perfect [now progeny earnings of almost \$2.5 million] won't do his Siring prospects any harm.

The feed back on his first crop of foals, of which there

are 80, is that they are tall and athletically built types with terrific temperaments. In fact many broodmare owners have commented that the Tribeca foals must have been on earth previously as it is so easy to teach them anything new.

## **MEL MARA**

he may not be breeding big numbers but is siring terrific foals and yearlings. His oldest progeny are now Yearlings and there were three of them offered at Australian Yearling Sales earlier this year. Two of them grossed \$38,000 whilst the third was passed in at a bid of \$17,000.

He is a Cam Fella line stallion who possessed blistering speed himself and has the kindest nature and temperament about him. He has certainly passed on his lovely temperament to his



progeny so if his speed transfers as well then we will hearing plenty of those

two words - Mel Mara - into the future. ▶





## PASTOR STEPHEN

the Trotting Broodmare owners of Australia were treated to a smorgasbord of stallions last year - approximately 55 stallions were available.

So it is a great pleasure to report that Pastor Stephen bred 76 mares in his debut season as a shuttle stallion.

This number was exceeded by only one Trotting Stallion - Australasia's leading stallion Majestic Son.

Pastor Stephen was an absolute pleasure to work with and have around, excellent fertility and a stunning individual to boot!



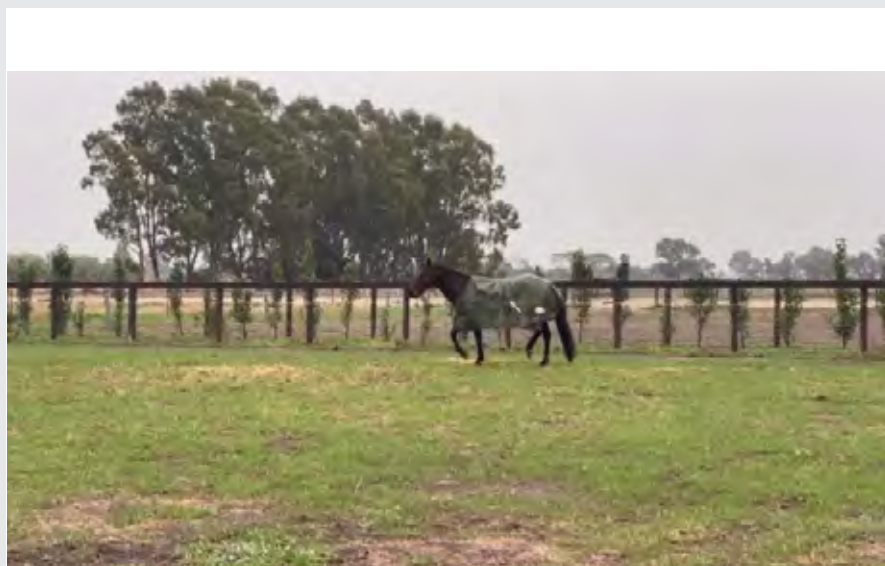
Being a former USTA 2 Year Old Trotting Colt of the Year himself and being sired by an undefeated and Champion 2 year old

in Cantab Hall, there will be big expectations on his first crop to race in Australia... However that won't be until 2024.

## ASTON VILLA

the Award winning dam of Poster Boy is now a permanent resident at Llowalong Farms. She did go through three seasons without producing a foal but in October last year she did foal her eighth colt foal - by American Ideal.

We recently gave her some good news and she celebrated in style - **watch the video clip**. To help celebrate Aston Villa's 18th Birthday - We will let everyone know the good news on the 18th of May!! So keep your eyes peeled for this news release!



[Click image to watch Aston Villa in action.\\*](#)

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