

Summer 2023 Newsletter

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We have been very fortunate and are very grateful to have been loaned **Clearance** by Joe Blake for this summer season – and how brilliant has he been for us!!

Those who have been able to attend his races at Newton Abbot or watched on the TV his races, will have to agree that he is one gutsy, brave horse – absolutely determined to win!

He has been ridden bravely by Tom Canon on his last 2 outings, either being nudged nearly off the course or trailing, he didn't let us down and came through magnificently.

Last 4 runs he has achieved 3 wins and 1 2nd – pretty good going for any owners, how proud are we!

The last race is on Youtube and you can view it here

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qHt8zwYvNJE



More course joy

The Michael Blake-trained Clearance continued his good form at the track with a second win from his last three starts in the 2m1f handicap hurdle.

The nine-year-old, who also won at the course in June last year, denied Nibras Gold by one and three-quarter lengths.











3 NEW BEGINNINGS

FREEDOM AND WHEAT

AKA: Dommy







Following our heartbreak of Dommy's tendon injury last October, we are delighted to report that his tendon recovered beautifully and in July he left his field (and extreme pampering) with Jon, Allie and Bounty and went back to Sharon and the team at Staverton to continue his rehabilitation.

We are delighted to say that Dommy has chosen his new human and has been rehomed locally where he is absolutely adored by his new owner – and we can understand why. We will keep you updated.....

Michael saying a fond farewell & now happy in his new home

4 x 1st Places 5 x 2nd Places 1 x 3rd Place

We do need to acknowledge what an absolute legend he has been for Racing for a Cause. He has that true racehorse determination and courage to be first. He loved to race, loved to train and loved to win. 10 places $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ over 21 races. Happy retirement you wonderful boy





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BOUNTY PURSUIT

AKA: Bounty



What a complete star this horse has been for Racing for a Cause

He was the flag bearer for the syndicate since its inception and has helped us make donations to lots of charities.

He ran a total of 53 times in the famous Pink and White silks.

He has won incredibly 7 races been second 8 times and third 3 times.

All the jockeys that have rode him have loved him and referred to him as a legend of a horse!

He is a complete gentleman on and off the track and we all love him to bits.





Following his retirement at the end of last year, he spent 6 months with Jon & Allie with Dommy quietly in their field, having a rest and trying to get an eye problem healed. After 6 months the problem was unfortunately not getting better and so the decision was made to have the eye removed. Although it sounds horrendous to us, Bounty took it in his stride and has made a full recovery and has adapted beautifully – so much so that we are delighted to say he has found a new home with teenager Daisie. Daisie and Bounty have spent the summer holidays getting to know each other and he will be going to his new home – only a few miles from Staverton at the beginning of September. We will definitely be staying in touch and will give you updates on their adventures together!!



Bounty post op & with new owner Daisie









Our grateful thanks to Sharon and the SB team matching the boys to the right humans!!



Our prize draw for the Cheltenham Racecourse tickets to Ladies Day in the Club enclosure (worth £200) was won by R4AC member Alice and we raised £730 which was divided between Carmela and the Injured Jockey's Fund.

Thank you to everyone who entered.





FUNDRAISING

With Clearance's win, we are delighted to soon be able to donate some funds to charity. We have had a tough year as a syndicate, some people have dropped out and a few new people have joined, we have had vets' fees for both Bounty and Dom as well as training fees for Clearance.

As well as the donation in February, we have also supported the emergency Syrian earthquake appeal.

Now that Clearance has more than earned his keep, when the funds arrive we will work out what our next donation will be. Carmela is struggling with fundraising during these difficult times and her ongoing physiotherapy is vital to keep her muscles working and keeping her mobile. We will certainly be donating to assist with this.

Following Clearance's win in July, a mysterious donor on the racecourse handed us a cheque for £500 when he heard about our syndicate, to be donated to a charity of our choice – so it is currently winging its way to Carmela – how generous and what a fabulous gesture.



Syndicate membership

We are always looking for new members of our successful syndicate.

We have raised over £14,000 so far....more to be donated

Membership only £50 per month – no other fees.

Please speak to friends who enjoy racing – or might like to get involved in something new.

Always friendly – our aim is to have fun and helps others.

Drop me a line if you think someone might be interested in joining- *Allie* REMEMBER – WE DON'T BALLOT FOR RACE DAY TICKETS!!!







If you would like to get involved in organising or have any ideas for a fundraising event, please get in touch – we'd love to hear from you.

New members always welcome

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If any member would like to visit the stables, please let us know, you are very welcome (especially if you bring carrots & apples)

THANK YOU -

you wonderful people for continuing to support Racing for a Cause with your membership

As always, our thanks to Michael, Sharon and all the team at Staverton who ride, love and look after Clearance.

A special thank you to Michael who has been incredible in his support for Racing for a Cause and Joseph Blake for loaning us Clearance!!

A huge thank you also to Sharon & SB Racehorse Rehoming for sponsoring R4AC

