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# Welcome to our 7th Open Day here at Thorndale Farm.

We had another great season last winter even though it was one that tested us all weather wise.. it was not a season for top of the ground horses but some of our soft ground team had a great time of it.

I would have to say that Harry Topper pointed the way for us for a great deal of the season. Harry looked impressive when winning his first three chases and went into many notebooks as a horse to follow.

There were many other highlights to last season, Molly's A Diva was special for so many reasons. Firstly for John Perriss, her owner/ breeder. John has been involved with me for over 20 years; ever since he was pinned to the tent pole at one of my Lambourn Open Days by the late Craig Pearman. Secondly John had never won a bumper in all those years, so when Molly won three on the trot including the big Mares' Listed race at Sandown it was hugely satisfying. One must not forget that we thought she might pull up in her first bumper! It just goes to show that home work does not always relate to what you see on a racecourse... Thankfully.

We have a good looking bunch of young horses coming through. Our bumper horses ran well and Such A Legend was certainly interesting when winning under an inspired ride from Ed Cookson at Kempton. Mrs Peachey, Supreme Present, Agent Fedora all won bumpers and the likes of Amazing D'Azy and A Shade of Bay looked good when being placed. Note the latter are all mares.

Our in house Kim Bailey Racing Partnerships had a good season with winners from Midnight Oscar, Savant Bleu and Lion On The Prowl; they also had good places with Midnight Haze, Milord and Silver Eagle. Silver Eagle won twice early this season before heading out to grass.. It does show that joining our KBRP makes racing fun and affordable.

Muldoons Picnic has started to show his potential as has Twelve Roses. We had a fun ride with The Rainbow Hunter, who won at Ascot and then gave us all a great thrill at Aintree when finishing 2nd in this years Grand National... sadly without his jockey! South Stack certainly deserves a mention for being so incredibly consistent winning 3 and being placed 7 times from his last 12 runs.

On the jockey front we will be using Jason Maguire when possible, but sadly he spends too much time up North! Nick Scholfield had a good season with us last winter and I expect the same this time around. Sam Twiston-Davies is also a regular.. when his father allows.. And then we have Ed Cookson, our ever jovial conditional who does so well.

On the staff front Mat Nicholls, who is my head lad and assistant, leads a very hard working team of good riders. Alice Dorman has moved on and we now welcome Seran Sherwood as our new travelling head girl. Kerry Maxwell and Sandie Wilkinson run my office life while a special big thanks to Clare who runs my life.

We move on to this coming winter with some new owners, old owners coming back and many new horses so we have a great deal to look forward to.

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## A SHADE OF BAY

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The Real Partnership

2008 Bay Filly By Midnight Legend out of Pulling Strings

A Shade of Bay is one of Sandra Steer-Fowlers home bred's who came here half way through last season with a view to having a little education before going out to grass. She was very slow to come to hand when we first started but by the middle of March she was beginning to show that she could be a very useful prospect. We gave her two trips to Lambourn and then she made her debut in a bumper at Uttoxeter in the middle of April. It looked a competitive race on paper and it proved to be just that; A Shade of Bay was narrowly beaten by Delta Forty who had previously been second to the mare who then went on to win the mares' listed bumper at Aintree.

A Shade of Bay will start off in bumpers this season to try and win one to increase her paddock value before going hurdling.



## ABLE DEPUTY

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Bill Ives

2007 Bay Gelding By Lomitas out of Island Colony

This time last year we were hoping for a big season from Able Deputy and he made a good start when finishing second, beaten in a photograph at Sandown in a very competitive handicap hurdle. The very heavy ground that we encountered all last season, I believe, bottomed him and he never really fully recovered his form. He did end the season by finishing second at Towcester and third at Kempton in his two runs over fences.

He is rated 122 over hurdles and 120 over fences. He is a great jumper and will carry on his chasing career this season.



## AGENT FEDORA

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Mrs J M F Dibben

2008 Bay Filly By Kayf Tara out of Flora Poste

Agent Fedora arrived here this time last year with us not knowing a huge amount about her. We started off in a mares' bumper at Folkestone in November and although we were not expecting a huge amount we did expect her to run quite well. The ground was exceptionally heavy so Ed Cookson decided to give her plenty of time to creep into the race and past tired horses to get up and win by a length. To show the race was no fluke she ran well again at Towcester in even worse conditions (if that was possible) to finish fourth under a penalty.

We then gave her a breathing operation and one more run in a listed bumper and an educational run over hurdles at Southwell. She has had a summer at grass coming back in looking very strong and will now continue her hurdling career.



## ALMADAN

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A&amp;S Enterprises

2008 Bay Gelding By Azamour out of Alamouna

Almadan is new to us this season having been formally trained by Ferdie Murphy. Almadan looked a promising horse on the flat when running well there in France; he was then purchased to go jumping. He had a few runs up North last season and joins us after a short break with a hurdle handicap mark of 93 which surely gives him every opportunity to win off. He is a fine looking horse who has the size to jump a fence which is something we might well do now that the novice chase rules are changing in October.

**AMAZING D'AZY****5****Mrs Elizabeth Ellis****2008 Bay Filly By Presenting out of Shuil Mavoureen**

Amazing D'AZY is the loveliest looking mare who made her racecourse debut at Fontwell eighteen months ago. She only had two further runs last season where she finished third at Ludlow and second at Lingfield. Being by Presenting and typical of her sire she hates soft ground so we decided to give her a break during the winter with the aim to come back for the Aintree mares' listed bumper.

Unfortunately there were so many entries, because of the awful wet winter we had, she was balloted out and missed Aintree. This was hugely disappointing for us all and the plan was to run again as soon as possible. Sadly quite a few of my horses came down with dirty trachea washes and she was one.

A long summer out at grass has seen her returning far stronger and she is now ready to run over hurdles next month. She is a wonderful jumper at home.

**AZURE AWARE****6****Mr John Perriss****2007 Bay Gelding By Milan out of Lucki Penni**

We purchased Azure Aware in the early part of this year after he had finished second in an Irish point to point. John Perriss, bloodstock agent Aiden Murphy and I had a couple of days in Ireland looking at horses and this is one of the two we came home with.

He made his debut for us in a novice hurdle at Exeter where he finished a most encouraging third to a promising Paul Nicholls' horse, Southfield Theatre. He then proved that this was no fluke when winning a maiden hurdle this season at Ffos Las. Azure Aware was very much bought to go novice chasing and having collected a rating of 120 over hurdles we have the choice of either going straight novice chasing or novice handicap chasing.

**BALLYWATT****7****Mrs Virginia Johnson****2006 Bay Gelding By Kayf Tara out of Lady Arpel**

Ballywatt was a consistently unlucky point to pointer when he was in Ireland and showed great promise without winning. That is what I wrote in the brochure this time last year. Now I can write a consistently frustrating novice chaser who shows great promise without winning! Last season he ran eight times over fences finishing second four times, third three times and fourth once. On the face

of it one should be delighted that a horse runs so consistently well. He is an excellent horse to have in your Five to Follow as he always collects points but has been hugely frustrating for his owner Virginia Johnson and for me as we have failed to get his nose in front so far.

Ballywatt is a fantastic jumper who surely off a rating of 119 MUST win a race and when he does there will be huge celebrations.

**BAY MAX****4****Mr Iain Buchan****2009 Bay Gelding By Fairmix out of Suilven**

Bay Max is the latest of Iain Buchan's homebreds to arrive here at Thorndale Farm. I think this is the third generation of this family I have now trained. Bay Max is a half brother to dear old Ruby Crown who so aptly retired on a winning note earlier this season at Towcester.

Iain has a great understanding of racehorse ownership and is incredibly patient there is absolutely no way that Bay Max will be rushed and we very much hope that he will be ready to run in the spring.

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**BISHOPHILL JACK** 7  
2006 Bay Gelding By Tikkanen out of Kerrys Cross

The On the Bridle Partnership

Bishophill Jack is a bit like Ballywatt and can be described as frustrating but with a huge amount of ability. There is no doubt about it that Nick Scholfield gets on extremely well with this good looking son of Tikannen and Towcester seems to be his favourite track. He won there in November last year but subsequently pulled up on the next three attempts on very heavy ground which gave us the impression that although we thought he would handle it he didn't appreciate it. It was certainly a frustrating time for his owners but Nick was adamant that he would win on him which he duly did this season in May when winning again at Towcester, albeit with the help of a steward's enquiry.

Bishophill Jack has a rating of 108 over fences but desperately needs a galloping track and obviously decent ground. I'm sure you will see him at Towcester again.



**BY THE BOARDWALK** 5  
2008 Brown Gelding By Presenting out of Peripheral Vision

Mr John Perriss

By the Boardwalk was the other horse that John Perriss bought along with Azure Aware on our little trip to Ireland. By the Boardwalk made one Irish point to point appearance where he finished second. The plan was to bring him over from Ireland and run him in the spring but due to a bad scope he never saw a racecourse and we gave him a long summer off.

He has returned looking a completely different horse, showing that the patience of his owner should be well justified. The plan is to go straight novice chasing, this horse has been well schooled and is the most fantastic jumper and we are very much looking forward to seeing him make his debut for us.



**CHARINGWORTH** 10  
2003 Bay Gelding By Supreme Leader out of Quinnsboro Guest

A&S Enterprises

The second horse to arrive here from Ferdy Murphy's. Charingworth is a horse we have met in the past with Buffalo Bob; on that occasion it was to our advantage when Charingworth unseated two from home presenting Buffalo Bob with the race and a decent prize at Ayr. Charingworth is potentially quite high in the handicap with a rating of 127 over fences but he has certainly run some good races on the northern tracks, notably Ayr and Haydock and although we have no firm plans for him as yet, two and half miles around Haydock looks ideal for him. Now it's a question of finding suitable races.

I am delighted to have A & S Enterprises Ltd (Andy Sulin) as owners in the yard and I hope we have a long and happy association.



**ELLIN'S TOWER** 4  
2009 Bay Filly By Kayf Tara out of Lucia Forte

Mrs Julie and David R Martin

Ellin's Tower is by the top English stallion Kayf Tara and out of the decent race mare Lucia Forte who I trained to win the mares' hurdle final some years ago. Ellin's Tower arrived here at the end of last year with a view to getting on to a racecourse for an educational run before going out for the summer. Ellin's Tower had that run in a bumper at Bangor in May where she finished an encouraging fifth and three of the four horses that finished in front of her have won since.

Again she will try and win a bumper before she goes hurdling which would obviously help her paddock value.



**FINMERELLO**

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K Marsden &amp; J P Lim

**2006 Bay Mare by Definite Article out of Belle Magello**

Finmerello has been slightly frustrating as we desperately need her to win a race as being a half sister to two listed hurdle winners in Banjaxed Girl and La Marianne a win would make such a huge difference to her pedigree and her paddock value. She has been placed a few times over hurdles and we are now waiting for the new novice chase rules to kick-in in October so that she can run in a novice handicap chase.

I have always been a fan of Finmerello and although she hasn't achieved what we had hoped I'm sure that fences could make a big difference.

**FLEMENSMIX**

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**2008 Grey Gelding By Flemensmix out of Perfect Mix**

This good looking grey son of Flemensfirth had shown some decent work at home before making his debut in a bumper at Bangor last season. Unfortunately best laid plans went astray as he bolted on the way to the start with Ed Cookson. He ran very green in the race and was still running well when turning in but obviously his earlier exploits had taken their toll.

We have given him a long summer break to get over his run and this season we will be going novice hurdling with him. I am sure what happened at Bangor was a one off and you will see a completely different horse this season.

**GALLERY EXHIBITION** 6

The GFH Partnership

**2007 Bay Gelding by Portrait Gallery out of Good Hearted**

This stunning looking gelding by Portrait Gallery was one of three that Aiden Murphy and I bought at the Brightwells Cheltenham spring sale. Having never come across a Portrait Gallery before we now have three. Gallery Exhibition ran in four point to points in Ireland winning impressively on his third start and then went on to finish third in a winners of one.

He looked a good jumper in his point to points so we will go straight over hurdles. Although his previous owner/breeder/trainer Joe Fogarty did think that he was capable of winning a bumper.

**GRAND MARCH**

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Mrs Julia Baldanza

**2009 Bay Gelding By Beat All out of Bora Bora**

Grand March came to us in November last year with a view to finding out if he had any ability. It took a while for this home bred gelding to understand what racing life was all about which was hardly surprising as he was an orphan foal and bottle reared. We were waiting for some soft ground during the summer and that happened when he made his debut in a July bumper at Uttoxeter.

We were absolutely delighted with his run where he finished third beaten three lengths; both horses in front of him had decent form and he will definitely improve from that racecourse experience. He will run again in a bumper before going hurdling but I'm not a 100% sure on timing as to when.



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**HARRY TOPPER****6****D J Keyte & Tony Solomons****2007 Bay Gelding By Sir Harry Lewis out of Indeed to Goodness**

It is great to have a horse like Harry Topper in the yard. He was a progressive hurdler who turned into a very exciting and progressive novice chaser. His first three starts last season all looked hugely impressive although his latter trips to Kelso and Punchestown rather blemished his copybook with an UR and BD.

There is no doubt that this six year old has a very bright future and now he has to step up in grade and take on the top horses this winter. Schooling sessions with Yogi Breisner will hopefully sharpen up his jumping. He looks a far stronger horse after his summer out and his first potential day's racing could be the Charlie Hall at Wetherby in November. Whatever happens we must have soft ground and his long term future objectives we will determine as the season progresses.

**HIGHRATE****7****Racing for Research Partnership II****2006 Bay Gelding By Presenting out of Hollygrove Cliché**

An interesting purchase by Clare at Doncaster Sales in May. This good looking son of Presenting was formerly trained by Sue Smith and owned by Trevor Hemmings. Highrate is a winner of two races around Hexham. Who knows we might finally be able to find a horse to win at that windy racecourse which will give me a full book of winning racecourses at long last.

Highrate is an ideal syndicate horse as he seems to be able to run frequently.

**KAFFIE****8****Mr D H Morgan & Mr J de Lisle Wells****2005 Brown Mare By Kayf Tara out of Galix**

Kaffie had a disappointing season last year and I think like many of the horses that ran on the very heavy ground that we had all last winter, it just rather bottomed her. She has some really good form over hurdles in the past being a winner of two hurdle races and a bumper and although capable of winning again off her handicap mark of 128 we are likely to go novice chasing with her this winter.

She has always been a fantastic jumper and she had in her youth run in two English Point to points. She has had a wind operation over the summer which could make a very big difference.

**KING'S OPUS****4****Mrs Julie and David R Martin****2009 Bay Gelding By King's Theatre out of Kahysera**

I purchased King's Opus at the Cheltenham breeze up sales last December. I'm a huge fan of the late sire King's Theatre and he is a fine looking example of what he produces. We were never a 100% sure that we would get him on the racecourse last season but we did manage to run him in a bumper at Market Rasen before he went out to grass. He was very green and backward on that occasion but showed in finishing fourth that he has stacks of ability.

King's Opus has really matured during the summer and will now go hurdling this winter. He looks an exciting prospect.

**KNOCKANRAWLEY****5****Kim Bailey Racing Partnership VIII****2008 Grey Gelding By Portrait Gallery out of Hot Lips**

One of the three Portrait Gallery's purchased by Aiden Murphy and I at Brightwells Cheltenham sale in May. Again he is an Irish point to point winner and looked a tough honest prospect when winning. I'm not 100% sure as yet where we will go with him this winter but we will more than likely start off over hurdles, then we can progress to chasing if we need to later. He should give his enthusiastic owners a great deal of fun over the coming season.

**LA BELLE SAUVAGE****6****The Kinnersley Optimists****2007 Chesnut Mare By Old Vic out of Lady Rebecca**

Formerly trained by Venetia Williams, she was here for just a couple of weeks last year when it was decided that she needed a year off. We all know of and remember her dam the late Lady Rebecca as she was one the best staying hurdlers in the country and like Lady Rebecca, La Belle Sauvage is owned by the Kinnersley Optimists.

She has had one run over hurdles when she finished sixth beaten by our Kaffie, prior to that she was second in a bumper at Towcester beaten a head. The plan is to go novice hurdling this season with a view to getting qualified for the mares' series final at Newbury later in the year.

**MAGIC MONEY****5****David Jenks****2008 Bay Filly By Midnight Legend out of Stickey Money**

Magic Money is certainly not the biggest but having said that she is probably not the smallest in the yard. She is a homebred with a very good jumping pedigree, it is important that we try and win a race or more with her to increase her paddock value later in life.

She made her racecourse debut in December in an all weather bumper at Kempton where she ran respectably enough to finish third. We gave her one more run on the all weather at Lingfield which didn't really suit her. She then had an educational run over hurdles at Exeter where she finished fifth before going out to grass. She has strengthened enormously for her month out and has come back a far more mature individual; she will remain over hurdles this winter and certainly looks capable of winning.

**MAX BYGRAVES****10****Mr John Perriss****2003 Chesnut Gelding By Midnight Legend out of Smokey Diva**

Max Bygraves is a real old favourite who is back in the yard having missed all of last season with a leg problem. Prior to that he was a progressive handicap chaser who reached a handicap mark of 133. Max is out of John Perriss' good broodmare Smokey Diva who is has also produced winners in Smokey George and the Listed winner Molly's A Diva.

He is still showing all the same sparkle at home and we have yet to decide whether to start him off in handicap chases or go the hunter chase route.

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## MIDNIGHT OSCAR

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The Oscar Partnership

2007 Bay Gelding By Oscar out of Midnight Light

Having won his bumper at Uttoxeter in March 2012 we thought we were going to have a very exciting season over hurdles last winter with Midnight Oscar. This good looking son of Oscar is very much a good ground horse and after a very encouraging run over hurdles at Ludlow where he finished third, he went to Doncaster four weeks later and won as he liked. We had high aspirations for him after that run but the wet winter did not help. We ran him again back at Doncaster hoping for the better ground only to find it far softer than we expected and this bottomed him. How ever much we tried we were never very happy with him after that but he is one of many that have really changed after a good summer out and will go chasing this season. He is still a horse with a huge amount of potential and fences could be the making of him.



## MILORD

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Kim Bailey Racing Partnership VII

2009 Brown Gelding by Monsun out of Montserrat

It is not often that I buy a horse from a video, and on the recommendation of bloodstock agent Richard Venn, we purchased this German horse very much with a view that if he was good enough he would run at Cheltenham.

The idea was always to try and get him to run in the Fred Winter Hurdle at The Cheltenham Festival. After a marginally disappointing run at Doncaster he then improved to finish sixth at Cheltenham and then again at Newbury finishing third. Having shown improved form he was qualified to run at Cheltenham and his owners had the greatest thrill of their racing lives when finishing fourth.

Milord remains a novice for this season and is more than capable of winning a handicap and I believe will improve for a step up in trip. The saddest thing was that one of his owners, David Hibbert, whose life ambition was to stand in the unsaddling enclosure at Cheltenham was unable to be there and sadly passed away this summer.



## MOLLY'S A DIVA

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Mr John Perriss

2007 Chesnut Mare By Midnight Legend out of Smokey Diva

Molly's A Diva had a season we all dream about. If you had told me this time last year she was capable of achieving what she achieved I wouldn't have believed you. Molly proved to us that what you see at home doesn't necessarily translate to what you'll see on a racecourse.

She started her season off in a bumper at Ffos Las where we felt there was a distinct possibility that she might not even complete the course! She quickly proved us wrong as she won by sheer guts and determination in very heavy ground. She then went to Huntingdon and she duly won again, to our great surprise. From there, we decided to give her an opportunity to run in a listed race at Sandown. With heavy ground and an inspired ride by Nick Scholfield she came home an impressive listed winner creating the biggest thrill for her owner/breeder John Perriss. For all concerned it was a dream come true. She had one further run at Aintree where the ground was fast enough for her and the track too tight.

She goes novice hurdling this winter.



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## POINTS OF VIEW

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Bill Ives

2005 Bay Gelding By Galileo out of On Point

Points of View missed all last season having being kicked on the eye. He started off in May at Market Rasen in a competitive handicap hurdle which gave us the impression that he had retained all his old ability. I then took the gamble that he would see out the extended three miles at Stratford which he didn't. He had his first run back over fences a couple of weeks ago at Southwell where he finished second. This gave us encouragement that it will not be long before he wins another chase off his current rating of 112.



## PREMIER PORTRAIT

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Mrs Penny Perriss

2007 Bay Gelding By Portrait Gallery out of Shesnotthelast

This is the third and last of the Portrait Gallery's that Aiden Murphy and myself bought at the Brightwells Sale at Cheltenham in May. This striking individual, like the other two, was a winner of an Irish point to point and was second twice and placed third once.

It is too early to say whether we will go novice hurdling or chasing but we have the option to do both although I lean towards hurdling as hopefully he will have enough speed to go and do that.



## SANCTUARY

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Mrs Julie and David R Martin

2006 Chesnut Gelding By Dr Fong out of Wondrous Maid

Sanctuary was here last season and just before he was due to run he developed a problem which require three months box rest so he returned home. He came back into training this spring with a view to running over hurdles in September. That he did a couple of weeks ago but I was slightly disappointed with how he ran. We will now assess him to see how we carry on but he ought to win off a rating of 77.



## SAVANT BLEU

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Kim Bailey Racing Partnership III

2006 Chesnut Gelding By Agent Bleu out of Avane III

Savant Bleu has been a bit of a star for us or certainly those involved in Kim Bailey Racing Partnership III. Last season was his first season over fences and he was second first time out when narrowly beaten at Ludlow. From there he went on to win at Fakenham under Nick Scholfield and again was a good second at Newbury. We spent most of the winter trying to pick out respectable ground for him and took a chance at Uttoxeter hoping he would handle the very heavy ground but unfortunately he didn't and pulled up.

He started this season by winning at Wetherby on the first day and then had a break, he has come back in stronger and off his rating of 127 should give his team many more days out and hopefully at some of the smarter racecourses.

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**SILVER EAGLE****5****Kim Bailey Racing Partnership IV****2008 Grey Gelding By Presenting out of Lad Lincon**

Aiden Murphy and I purchased this good looking grey son of Presenting at the Cheltenham sale in May 2012. Although he failed to win his only Irish point to point he did show distinct promise in finishing second. Silver Eagle was never going to have a very busy season last year as we knew he would hate the very heavy ground that we encountered. His two runs were at Warwick where he finished third and at Newbury where he finished second were both very eye catching. We decided

after these two runs to wait for the new season and he along with Savant Bleu and Muldoon's Picnic started the season with impressive wins at Wetherby.

We ran him once more at Uttoxeter where he won again and then he had his summer holiday. He is now back in having had a minor wind operation; we now need to find out if he is good enough to win when upped in grade or off his current handicap mark of 130. He looks to be a very progressive horse but long term, chasing will be his game.

**SOUTH STACK****8****Mrs Julie and David R Martin****2005 Bay Gelding By Alflora out of Mandy Chat**

South Stack has been a bit of a revelation since he has been here at Thorndale. When he first arrived he had to be trained from the field as he had a number of vices that meant that having him in a stable was not a good idea. Bizarrely we left him in the stable one day as the weather was so bad and he just thrived and all his vices just disappeared. He ran twelve times for us last year winning three times,

he was second three times and third four times and went from a rating of 88 to his current rating of 117.

We finally managed to get one run into him over fences last season before he went out to grass. We now have the choice of running over fences or going back over hurdles. He has summered well and we hopefully look forward to another good season with him.

**SUCH A LEGEND****5****The Real Partnership****2008 Chesnut Gelding By Midnight Legend out of Mrs Fizziwig**

A big good looking gelding by the top English sire Midnight Legend. He joined us in August last year with a view to making his debut in a bumper before Christmas. He was showing us an awful lot in his homework and with the atrocious ground conditions of last season we decided to start him off earlier than expected at Taunton in December as we were worried about the worsening conditions of

the ground. He travelled extremely well through the race just getting tired in the last two furlongs and finished fourth. After a short break we headed to Kempton on Racing Post chase day for what is always a very competitive bumper. When the tapes went up Ed Cookson decided to grab the bull by the horns and sent him into such a clear lead that he was never headed, Ed got the fractions spot on.

We took the decision that he should have his summer break after this run. He has now come back in far bigger and stronger and will be campaigned this season over hurdles where he looks to have a very exciting future.



## **SUPREME PRESENT** 5

**2008 Bay Mare By Presenting out of Deep Sunset**

**Lucky Bin Racing & Little Lodge Farm**

Last season was a bit of a wash out for Supreme Present as she really does need genuine good ground. This stunning looking filly started her season in a bumper at Warwick in November which turned out to be a four furlong sprint at the end; she was beaten just over three lengths into fifth. It was then the middle of February before we found any suitable ground for her at Fakenham in a mares' bumper. Unfortunately the track was far too tight for her although she was far from disgraced when finishing third. We decided to stick to the long term plan of running in the mares' final at Aintree. I believe that this mare will have a promising season over hurdles and will be aimed at the mares Novice Hurdle final.



## **THE RAINBOW HUNTER** 9

**2004 Bay Gelding By Rainbow High out of Sobranie**

**May We Never Be Found Out**

The Rainbow Hunter was sold to his current owners at Royal Ascot 2012 and the plan was made to run at Ascot in a chase in November. We aimed him for a handicap chase which he duly won and dreams of a Grand National run began. After a couple of moderate runs on very unsuitable ground we wound up at Aintree for The Grand National where he finished second, unfortunately he was riderless! We then headed to Sandown for the Bet365 Gold Cup but it transpired it was one race too many for him.

The Rainbow Hunter enjoyed his summer break and has come back looking fantastically well. This season we will be hoping to head back to Ascot and who knows we may end up at Aintree again in the spring.



## **THE SCARLETT WOMAN** 4

**2009 Bay Filly By Kayf Tara out of Double Red**

**Mrs Penny Perriss**

What a great name for a horse! The Scarlett Woman was in training with Anabel Murphy last winter and was bought on the recommendation of Aiden Murphy as a nice horse to go on with this coming season. The plan is to start off in bumpers and it would be great if we can prepare her to go to Warwick in November to run in a race that Aiden sponsors in memory of the late George Mernagh. Long term she will go hurdling and we will try and get her qualified for the mares' final at Newbury.



## **TRUMIX** 5

**2008 Bay Gelding By Fairmix out of Indeed to Goodness**

**Kim Bailey Racing Partnership II**

Trumix a half brother to Harry Topper who has been very immature and backward but finally got his act together early in the new year and we decided to let him make his debut in a bumper at Towcester. A combination of very heavy ground and lack of racecourse experience caught him out and it became obvious that he needed to run over hurdles. After a nice introduction at Uttoxeter, he ran a good race at Bangor to finish fourth beaten only seven lengths showing a lot of promise. He had one more run at the end of last season finishing fourth again at Uttoxeter after which it was decided he should have a summer holiday.

This season he will continue over hurdles where we hope he can make use of his handicap mark of 107. He will hopefully give his owners some fun days out.

**TWELVE ROSES****5****Jones, Broughton, Wilson, Weaver****2008 Chesnut Gelding By Midnight Legend out of Minature Rose**

Having won his bumper at Chepstow the season before last we went into last season with high hopes that he was going to be one of our best horses. After finishing third first time out at Wincanton he, shortly after, was found to be suffering from sore shins. We sent him home to let him grow out of the problem which might have been a blessing in disguise as he hates soft ground and that is all we had all winter.

He returned in the spring with a view to starting the new season with a win. We didn't quite manage that as he finished second at Towcester but three weeks later he returned to Towcester and won impressively. After his win he had a break for the summer and has returned a far stronger and more mature horse and surely off a rating of 119 he is capable of winning further races.

**FOR  
SALE****UN ACE****5****FOR SALE****2008 Bay Gelding By Voix du Nord out of First Ball****SHARES AVAILABLE**

I really liked this individual when I saw him at Doncaster Sales. He is a very athletic gelding who has already shown good form when winning a bumper at Lingfield and followed up with a good third at Doncaster under a penalty. He has been well schooled and is a brilliant jumper who should be an exciting horse for his partnership this season.

He will go straight novice hurdling.

**UN NAMED****3****Kim Bailey Racing Partnership****2010 Bay Filly By Kayf Tara out of Nile Cristale**

A stunning, athletic daughter of the top English stallion Kayf Tara. Robert Chugg asked me this summer to go over and view his youngsters that he had going to the sales and although all the horses he showed me were lovely. I totally fell in love with this filly, hence, when she went through the ring at the Tattersalls Derby Sale I bought her.

She has a fantastic pedigree although on the dam side it is totally French. Being involved in a mare like this with her pedigree means that whatever she does on a racecourse can only enhance her paddock value later in life. She will run in bumpers in the second half of this season.

**UN NAMED****3****Mrs M C Sweeney****2010 Bay Gelding By Lucarno out of Fantastisch**

I am absolutely delighted to have John and Monika Sweeney back as owners. This athletic son of Lucarno was in training with Noel Chance at the back end of last season; Noel apparently really liked the horse and the dam was a winner on the flat for the late Sir Henry Cecil and was a winner over hurdles for Alan King.

He looks a sharp enough type to go and run well in a three year old bumper.

**UN NAMED****3****Mrs Julie and David R Martin****2010 Bay Filly By Tiger Hill out of Heart**

Bred by her owners, The Martins, this three year old filly is a half sister to a horse that we had here last year, Sirius Chesnut. We are very much on a learning curve and currently we are not sure as to whether she will stay in training or go home. She looks the type who could run well in a bumper and from a pedigree point of view if we can get her to win one of those that would be great.

**UN NAMED****5****Mr John Hardy****2008 Bay Filly By Tobougg out of Grandma Lily**

This good looking mare by Tobougg is a half sister to five winners out of a mare that won seven herself. She has done a bit of showing before she came here and now we have to find out if she has the ability to go and win a bumper which I very much hope she has.

She certainly has the size and scope to further her career over hurdles or fences and I very much look forward to having a few good days out with her owner.

**UP FOR AN OSCAR****6****The Hon. Mrs Cookson****2007 Bay Gelding By Oscar out of Queen of Harts**

Up for an Oscar is a compact and good looking gelding who started last season over hurdles at Uttoxeter. Having had a nice introduction he went on to finish third at Kempton, before finishing third again in a very competitive race at Southwell. We then went to Aintree where he could not handle the very soft ground so it was decided to give him a short break and wait for the new season and better ground. He won his novice hurdle at the beginning of the season at Southwell before unfortunately falling at the last when looking booked for a good second.

His last run was at Cartmel which was a complete disaster as he didn't handle the track. He will definitely be winning again soon.

**WENLOCKS BOXER****4****Bill Ives****2009 Bay Gelding By Kayf Tara out of Black Collar**

This huge home bred gelding from a good national hunt family was due to run in a bumper at Worcester during the summer but after not being impressed by the ground we decided that being out in the field and having a summer break would be more beneficial for him.

He has come back in having filled out and matured and I hope to have him ready to run in a bumper in October before he goes hurdling. This horse has such a lovely character and always wants to please.

**FOR  
SALE****WEST END****6****FOR SALE****2007 Brown Gelding By Westerner out of Brown Bess**

West End is a winner of a point to point and was second in a bumper at Towcester. He is very much a top of the ground horse, a brilliant jumper and is sure to win races. He comes highly recommended by Nick Scholfield who advised me to buy him having schooled and ridden work on him.

He is now ready to run and anyone buying him will have instant fun and hopefully success. He will go straight novice hurdling.

**WRESTOW LADY****5****Kim Bailey Racing Partnership IX****2008 Brown Filly By Presenting out of Christine's Gale**

Wrestow Lady is a good looking Presenting filly which Aiden Murphy and I bought at the Brightwells sales at Cheltenham in May having won her only start in an English point to point at Mollington.

She is a fine big filly who is doing everything nicely at home. We hope to start off in bumpers in the autumn before running over hurdles where we hope she will do well in the mares series.

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