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NSW ‘fly the start’ in the *new season*

THE NEW RACING SEASON IS ONLY JUST UNDERWAY BUT ALREADY NEW SOUTH WALES HAS ‘SHOWN ITS HAND’ AS TO ITS INTENTIONS FOR THE YEAR

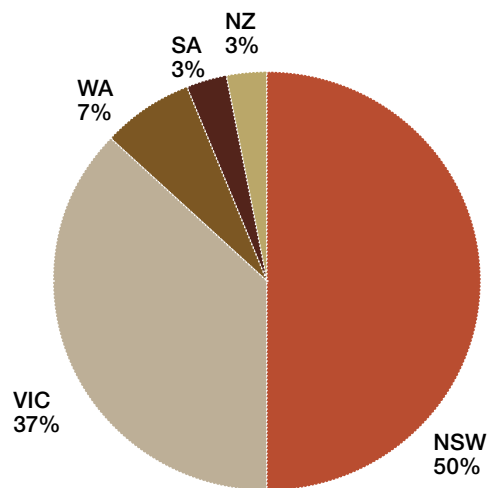
NSW-trained horses have literally ‘flown the start’ this season recording 50% of the winners (current as at 29 August 2009) in Black Type races to date.

To win any race is a fantastic experience for an owner – leading your horse into the winner’s stall to the cheers from the crowd – all the accolades associated with winning, but to win a Black Type race is something very special indeed.

The graph (current to 29 August ‘09) shows NSW with 50% of the winners; a great start to the season! As you can imagine there would be some very delighted owners out there, very pleased to be included in this statistic.

Our congratulations to the owners of all the Black Type winners and indeed, to all owners who have had winners so far this season. The chart on the right with the breakdown of wins is also impressive – see the next graph.

As at 29th August only one Group 1 race had been run and it was success for NSW and to NSWROA member Sheikh Mohammed with the Peter Snowden-trained Denman. Denman (Lonhro-Peach) recorded his second Black Type success for the season in the Gr 1-STC Golden Rose having saluted in the Gr 3-STC Run to the Rose earlier in the month.

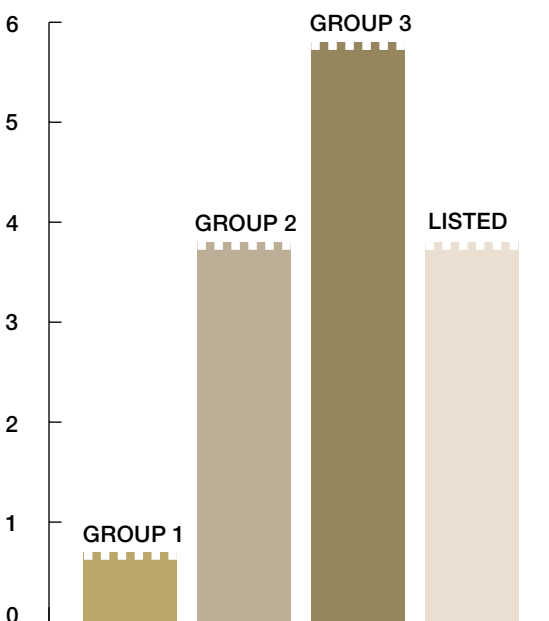


BLACK TYPE WINNER BY STATE TRAINED IN – CURRENT TO 29/08/09



ABOVE: NSWROA members dead-heat in the Group 2-Premiere Stakes with Mentality (orange) and Kroner (black & white checked cap) hitting the line locked together

NSW also has a perfect record at Group 2 level to date having scored at all four races held. Those winners were Predatory Pricer (MRC J J Liston Stakes), Mentality (D/H STC Premiere Stakes), Kroner (NZ) (D/H STC Premiere Stakes) and Trusting (AJC Warwick Stakes).



There were six Group 3 winners for NSW out of the 10 events conducted to date. The winners being Teasing (STC Missile Stakes), Shellscape (AJC San Domenico Stakes), Denman (STC Run to the Rose), Deer Valley (AJC Silver Shadow Stakes), Rarefied (AJC Up and Coming Stakes) and Friday Creek (STC Concorde Stakes).

And finally, NSW has recorded four Listed Race wins to date (out of 14 events held) with Moti (NZ) (AJC Toy Show Quality), Swift Alliance (AJC Show County Quality), Emperor Bonaparte (NZ) (STC Premier's Cup) and Madame Pedrille (STC Sheraco Stakes).

NSWROA members are also off to a flying start in the Black Type arena having recorded 10 wins to date. Those winners (in alphabetical order) are:

CARRARA (Elvstroem-Crystal Sprite) owned by Frank and Sally Tagg and trained by Tony Vasil in Victoria, took out the Listed-Mitchell McKenzie Stakes at Moonee Valley. Carrara took his record to three wins (two at Black Type level), a second placing and 2 third placings from six career starts.

BREAKDOWN OF NSW TRAINED BLACK TYPE WINS – CURRENT TO 29/08/09

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DENMAN (Lonhro-Peach) owned by Sheikh Mohammed and trained by Peter Snowden, was successful in the Gr 1-Golden Rose Stakes and the Gr 3-Run To The Roses, both at Rosehill Gardens. Denman has only faced the starter 6 times for 5 wins and a third placing.

FIRST COMMAND (Commands-River Serenade) co-owned by Laurie Macri and trained by Lee Freedman in Victoria, scored in the LR-The Heath at Caulfield. First Command has the impressive race record of 6 wins from 7 starts and this is his first Black Type success.

KRONER (NZ) (Viking Ruler-Monroe Magic (NZ)) co-owned by Dato Tan Chin Nam and trained by Bart Cummings, dead-heated in the Gr 2-Premiere States at Rosehill Gardens. Kroner has recorded 7 wins (including the Group 2 and 2 Listed Race wins), 2 second placings and 2 third placings from 17 career starts.

MENTALITY (Flying Spur-Synaesthesia (USA)) co-owned by Mr M and Mrs G. Crismale and trained by Michael, Wayne and John Hawkes, dead-heated in the Gr 2-Premiere States at Rosehill Gardens. Mentality has recorded 8 wins (all at Black Type level including 3 at Group One level, 3 at Group Two level and 2 Listed Race successes), 6 second placings and 3 third placings from 34 career starts.

MOTI (NZ) (Don Eduardo (NZ)-It's Spring Again) owned and bred by Gooree Pastoral Company and trained by Gai Waterhouse, saluted in the LR-Toy Show Quality Handicap at Royal Randwick. This was the first success at Black Type level for Moti who takes her record to 6 wins and 2 second placings from 11 race starts.

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RAREFIED (Commands-Subtle) owned by Sheikh Mohammed and trained by Peter Snowden, was successful in the Gr 3-Up and Coming Stakes at Royal Randwick. Rarefied has now recorded 3 wins, a second placing and a third placings from only 7 career starts and this is his first success at Black Type level.

SWIFT ALLIANCE (Don Eduardo (NZ)-Visual Emotion (USA)) owned and bred by Gooree Pastoral Company and trained by Gai Waterhouse, took out the LR-Show County Quality Handicap at Royal Randwick. Swift Alliance has only faced the starter 6 times for 5 wins and a second placing and this is his first success at Black Type level.

TRUSTING (Tale of the Cat (USA)-Legible (NZ)) owned by Patinack Farm Racing Syndicate and formerly trained by Jason Coyle, saluted in the Gr 2-Warwick Stakes at Royal Randwick. This is the first Black Type success for Trusting who has only raced on 4 occasions for 2 wins and a second placing.

In addition to these Black Type triumphs, NSWROA members recorded a further 64 winners throughout NSW in the month of August.

Those wins were at Albury, Bathurst, Canberra (2), Canterbury (2), Cessnock, Coffs Harbour, Gosford (4), Goulburn, Grafton (3), Gundagai, Hawkesbury (5), Kembla (9), Leeton (2), Mendooran, Muswellbrook (6), Newcastle (3), Nowra, Queanbeyan, Randwick (8), Rosehill (2), Scone (2), Tamworth (2), Taree (2), Wagga (2) and Wyong.

What a great start to the new season! Very exciting for all involved.

To those of you who are not owners as yet, why not give it a go! You never know, you might be leading in a future winner of the Golden Slipper or AJC Derby!

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