

## NEWS 2014

The last 12 months has seen us downsize, with a shift in focus to producing the ultimate saddle animal with trainability. With this vision we purchased broodmares who are true to type, with outstanding movement, and have come from top saddle performing pedigrees.

With the downsizing of the stud we unfortunately had to let one of our most successful matron broodmares go Melody Park English Rose. Rose has been our most successful mare to date giving us 9 foals which have gone on to win Horse of the Year titles and been very successful children's show mounts.



I would like to congratulate the Bufton Family in Victoria on the purchase of this outstanding mare that is in foal to Maximus of Astral. I am sure Rose will become a valuable member of their stud and will produce some amazing foals.

Melody Park Ruby Rose who I believe will be a force to be reckoned with in the Large Galloway Ring has been sold to Skye Curtain. This filly is so beautiful going, she just sits up and floats. I wish Skye and her lovely daughters the best of luck with Ruby and I am so excited for their saddle debut.



This year's showing has been quiet with the retirement of Rathowen Summerhayes and Rothwell Mysterious Ways to the broodmare paddock. Melody Park Precious Jewel has given us great enjoyment and shown only a handful of times as a yearling for Champion Riding Pony Filly / Mare at the Riding Pony State Show and 2nd in a very strong Riding Pony Under 2 y/o Class at Sydney Royal 2014. She is a super going filly and very elegant, making her a fantastic saddle prospect. Other Showing News, Melody Park Heavenly Pearl has had an astounding year! Pearl was Maximus's first foal and is a superstar with 4 National titles (EA and SHC) in the last 4 years! Some of this year's major wins claimed: Working Hunter Adelaide Royal, EA Nationals Champion large hunter pony, Childs Show Hunter Grand National, 2014 Grand Nationals Champion Large Hunter

pony, EA awards night 2013 Pony of the year (open ponies inc). Thank you to Jess Stalling and the Parker family for giving Pearl every possible opportunity to excel since her purchase in 2005. Melody Park Dancing Queen was sold to the Bufton Family and continued her winning ways. This combination has excelled in the Children's Classes and was Top 10 Large Pony at 2014 Barastoc with placing's at Sydney Royal. Kaesbrook Gladiator (Maximus of Astral), owned by the Lord Family, recently joined the hunter ring. His debut as a hunter has certainly been with a bang! Kaesbrook Gladiator (Maximus of Astral), owned by the Lord Family, made his debut as a hunter claiming R/up Large Hunter Galloway at ENSW HOTY and the Open Heavyweight Galloway at Canberra Royal.

