

NEWS FOR APRIL 2009

ACACIA RIDGE ROMANESQUE AND LISA - BRILLIANT RESULTS AT THE SYDNEY ROYAL SHOW

Congratulations to Lisa and Esky on their huge success at the Sydney Royal. To enter the Royal they needed seven wins at seven different shows which they achieved, in Hunter and Breed Classes.

Lisa was especially thrilled with their win the Ridden Warmblood, there was a huge line up, including several FEI horses and Eskie at only five years old managed to pip them all at the post. Fantastic job Lisa!!!

They also placed second in the Hunter Class which included an 85cm SJ course in the workout, third in the Leading warmblood class and fifth in the Young Event Challenge, jumping a 105cm course. Lisa had not jumped since Pony Club and Eskie is a real newcomer, never having jumped when Lisa bought him last April, so this was a very big learning curve for both of them with incredible results.

Romanesque earlier in the month won the Newcomer award at the HOTY in Sydney and has been Champion Hunter at nearly every NSW big agricultural show , his very first outing being in August 2008.

Eskie is a full brother to our stallion, AR BRAVO ROMULUS, just one year younger, but with a lot more miles under his belt, we are still hoping to get Bravo out there strutting his stuff shortly but in the meantime it is great to see his full brother doing so well.

Watch this space!!!







MID SE DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to the stalwart souls who competed at Naracoorte in the pouring rain and howling gale last weekend. We did have a couple of Acacia Ridge horses scratched but the two who stuck the distance and competed managed to finish in the placings.

Well done Elizabeth Hunt and AR Ransom, Ransom has been very lightly worked due to Wendy's unfortunate accident, but with just a couple of rides under his belt in the last month finished a creditable 4th the Preliminary and 6^{th} in the Novice.

Gerry Wellington and AR Rumpole also hung in there through the rain and finished $3^{\rm rd}$ in the Inter 1 and $4^{\rm th}$ in the FEI Freestyle. Congratulations Gerry and Rumpole.