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**ON THE COVER**

Mary Schossow Schumaker’s cover painting, the heartwarming *Mare and Foal*, was chosen as the Bud and Pat Hollowell Memorial Publication Award winner at Equine Art 2018 (see story on page 160). Schumaker, who has had a longtime love affair with both art and horses, states “My art is always evolving; susceptible to the changes in my life and the world around me. My present art is a formulation of several two dimensional styles in various mediums.” The Northwest resident studied art at the Burnley School of Fine Art, University of Puget Sound and University of Alaska. She has received various awards in multiple competitions, including the Northwest Watercolor Society Waterworks Show, Peninsula Art League International Show, Pacific Gallery Artists Annual Show, South Hill Artists Show, Renton River Days and Washington State Fair. She recently received signature membership with the Northwest Watercolor Society. “I paint from the heart and I would have it no other way.”

# **GOLD RUSH DANCER**

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# Second Chances

## Stellar Blue

Sara Vogelpohl, of S. E. Eventing LLC – which is located in Goodyear, Arizona – contacted Washington Racing Hall of Fame breeder Debbie Pabst this past spring about a horse that she and her husband Rick bred at their Blue Ribbon Farm in Buckley.

“I recently found your Facebook page and the ‘2008 foals’ album, and the pictures of Stellar Blue that are included with those pictures. I loved seeing these, as I have owned Stellar Blue since the end of his fourth year after purchasing him through Robert Baze at Turf Paradise. He was sold sound after 39 races and has never had a misstep or lameness since I have had him. In the last five or so years he has blossomed into quite a great event horse! Everyone from my farrier, trainer and vet to strangers loves him at first sight, and he LOVES peppermints. Currently he’s doing training level eventing, 1st level dressage, and schools at jumping shows at 3’3”.

“I chose to continue to compete him under his race name of Stellar Blue, but his barn name has been changed to ‘Donte’ . . . it took me over a month and a long list of different possible names but now I can’t imagine calling him in from turnout using any other name.

“I hope this reaches whomever may remember him as a foal because there is so much that goes into producing a horse from the choice of sire/dam to the first times they are handled, and I am so grateful for all of the time and effort that was put in then so I can have such an amazing horse now.



From scoring his first win as a two-year-old at Emerald Downs in 2010 to participating in 2018 eventing contests, Stellar Blue is yet another prime example of the versatility and athleticism of the Thoroughbred.

“I have attached a handful of pictures of him over the last few years.”

Vogelpohl specializes in eventing, dressage, jumping, behavioral correction, young horses, starting horses, and also offers riding instruction, riding lessons and other resources for those interested in horses.

### Pedigree and Race Record

A son of four-time leading Washington sire Matty G, Stellar Blue began his racing career running for Blue Ribbon Farm #4 as a two-year-old at Emerald Downs where he broke his maiden in a \$12,500 maiden claimer. He would go on to win three other races, one at Emerald and two at Portland Meadows before ending his racing career at Turf Paradise in November 2012 while racing for Karen Kirschner and the late Tom Allen. In his 39 starts he had a 4-5-3 record with earnings of \$29,390.

Stellar Blue is one of 15 foals, 11 runners and 11 winners produced out of \$134,532 earner Lite Nite, a 1994 daughter of 1982 Horse of the Year and Belmont Stakes (G1) winner Conquistador Cielo and 1989 Coaching Club American Oaks (G1) runner-up Nite of Fun.

Through October 30, 2018, Lite Nite’s foals have won 55 races and earned \$531,057. Among her winners are stakes-placed Arrom Bear, Ryan Walt, Arrow Junction and Have’n a Lark. Lite Nite’s final two foals, three-year-old Rene’s Gift and two-year-old My Lite Nite, are both unraced daughters of Atta Boy Roy who were bred by Timothy Donohoe of Dayton. ■



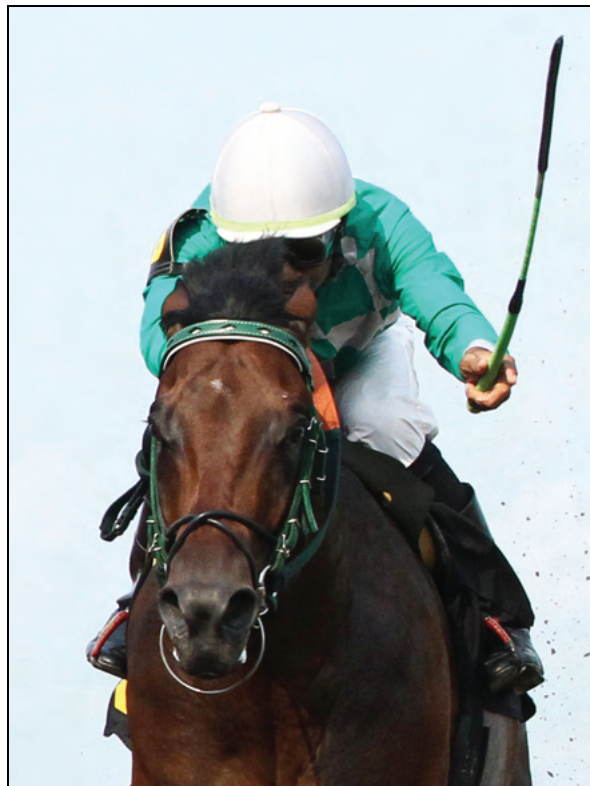
Stellar Blue “Donte” and his happy owner/rider Sara Vogelpohl.

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\$100,000 Minnesota Derby, by a combined 29 lengths.  
He is shown winning the Northern Lights Futurity  
last year at Canterbury Park.



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# 2018 WTBOA Summer Yearling and Mixed Sale Results

*Harbor the Gold colt tops  
sale for \$85,000*

*Will Brewer, as agent, purchased the sale topper (Hip 68), a full brother to two Washington champions, from Neal and Pam Christopherson's Bar C Racing Stables consignment. Brewer, in sunglasses, inspects yearlings with trainer Chris Stenslie, Henry Leong and Marshall Allen.*



*Leading consignor Pam Christopherson (below, at left) and Isla Dodd.*



Knight Raider, another daughter of Tribunal, and from Nina and Ron Hagen's Enumclaw-based El Dorado Farms LLC, was purchased by Tim Bankers for \$57,000.

The fourth highest price at the Tuesday auction was the \$42,000 bid by Keith Swagerty for a ridgeling by Harbor the Gold

consigned through Bar C Racing Stable. Hip 28 is the second foal out of the winning Henny Hughes mare Our Henny Penny, whose first foal, two-year-old Emily's Gold (also by Harbor the Gold), impressively won his first start, an Emerald Downs maiden special weight race, just two days before the sale.

Of the 100 yearlings cataloged for the summer yearling portion of the August 21 venue, there were five withdrawn and 24 that failed to make their reserves (25.3 percent). The \$13,772 average was up 6.6 percent from 2017's \$12,912 and the \$8,000 median showed an 8.84 percent increase from last year's \$7,350.

Hip 101 (Race Day—Head for Home colt), a late entry from the Castlegate Farm consignment, was the lone yearling in the mixed session. He was the third yearling purchase of the day for Bankers, who paid \$29,000 for the dark bay Kentucky-bred. Though not included in the summer yearling session figures, with the addition of this colt

by Susan van Dyke Photos by Kristy Batie

On an August summer day made hazy with smoke from many fires, a few welcome sparks were set at the WTBOA Summer Yearling Sale when Will Brewer, as agent, bid \$85,000 to acquire Hip 68 from the Bar C Racing Stables Inc. consignment. A Harbor the Gold full brother to state champions Del Rio Harbor and Couldabenthewhisky, as well as 2018 Emerald Downs horse of the meet Sippin Fire, the handsome bay colt is out of the unraced Horse Chestnut (SAF) mare Bahati, Washington's broodmare of the year in 2015. Brewer also signed for Hip 94, a Harbor the Gold—Felice the Cat colt from Bar C Racing Stables. With the purchase of the full brother to 2017 Washington horse of the year Mach One Rules for \$17,000, Brewer was the August venue's leading buyer at \$102,000.

Ron Crockett Inc. purchased the highest-priced filly of the afternoon, going to \$55,000 for Hip 82, a daughter of Girolamo out of Courtroom Charmer, by Tribunal, from the Buckley-based Griffin Place LLC consignment. Courtroom Charmer, a half-sister to Washington champion race filly Best Judgement, has already produced five winners, including stakes-placed Cariboo Road.

Hip 6, a colt by Dialed In out of Washington two-year-old filly champion





California horseman Tim Bankers bid \$57,000 to acquire Hip 6 (above), a Dialed In colt out of state champion filly Knight Raider from the El Dorado Farms consignment. Ron Hagen (far right), who owns the Enumclaw nursery with his wife Nina, confers with trainer Tim McCanna.



Bankers became the sale's second leading buyer with \$101,000 spent and a \$33,700 average.

If Hip 101 is added to the mix, a total of 18 yearlings brought a winning bid of \$20,000 or more this year.

Pam and Neal Christopherson's Hermiston, Oregon-based Bar C Racing Stables Inc. was the leading consignor by gross sales with 16 yearlings bringing a \$303,200 total. Their highly successful stallion Harbor the Gold was the leading sire with 13 of his offspring selling for a \$301,500 gross and \$23,182 average. Also, Bar C Racing Stables as agent for Bar C Racing Stables and Melodie Bultena and Doak Walker's Desert Rose Racing LLC topped all sale entities by average (with two or more selling) with their two colts bringing a \$54,000 average.

Sale newcomers Todd and Shellie Nicklos had an exciting first sale, selling their Abraaj—Laurel L filly (Hip 14) for \$22,000 to Halvorson Bloodstock, agent, while their Atta Boy Roy—Smoken Passion

colt (Hip 44) was purchased by Tim Bankers for \$15,000. Both yearlings were handled at the sale by the capable crew at Dunn Bar Ranch LLC.

Complete sales results follow:

1. Riggski, g., Abraaj—In Vitro (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Tim Floyd [Warlock Stables])..... RNA \$2,000
2. unnamed, c., Coast Guard—Irene's Bonus Baby (El Dorado Farms LLC). Bill Greenstein .....\$22,000
3. unnamed, f., Colonel John—Jacolatt (Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, Agent)..... RNA \$9,000
4. unnamed, f., Smiling Tiger—Jadelet (Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, Agent). Benjamin Root.....\$4,000
5. unnamed, f., Coast Guard—Jasmine's Melody (El Dorado Farms LLC) ..... RNA \$14,000
6. unnamed, c., Dialed In—Knight Raider (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent). Tim Bankers .....\$57,000
7. unnamed, c., Abraaj—Knight Weave (El Dorado Farms LLC). James Carlin .....\$18,000
8. unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—La Mariah

(Blue Ribbon Farm, Agent for Tom & Becky Birkliid). Gary and Deborah Lusk

- .....\$4,000
9. Data Dancer, f., Data Link—La Menina (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Larry Romaine). Roddina Barrett .....\$3,500
10. unnamed, c., Desert Code—La Midnite Classic (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Nancy Sorick). Paul Johnson .....\$3,100
11. unnamed, c., Coast Guard—Lady Yodeler (Tall Cedars Farm LLC). Art McFadden .....\$10,000
12. unnamed, f., Sixthirteen—Lah Dee Dah Julia (Moxie Bloodstock, Agent for Rainbow Meadows Farm). Angela Johnson .....\$3,000
13. unnamed, f., Coast Guard—Lasting Kiss (El Dorado Farms LLC). Kirstie Teeter and Tena Birdwell .....\$1,000
14. unnamed, f., Abraaj—Laurel L (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Todd & Shellie Nicklos). Halvorson Bloodstock, Agent .....\$20,000
15. unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Limitless Alex (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC)..... OUT



Hip 82, a daughter of Girolamo offered by Terry and Mary Lou Griffin's Buckley-based Griffin Place, was the top selling filly, going to Ron Crockett Inc. for \$55,000.



Keith Swagerty checks out Hip 28, a Harbor the Gold colt consigned by agent Bar C Racing Stables, which was purchased by Swagerty's Swag Stable and William Gallo's Gallo Stable for \$42,000.

- 16. Appointed Star, f., Atta Boy Roy—Little Cutie (Blue Ribbon Farm, Agent for W. R & Marilyn Wulff, Neuwaukum Run Farm). Sylvia McCready.....\$3,000
- 17. unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Matching Skies (Griffin Place LLC). Alisa and Jeff Cissell.....\$7,000
- 18. unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Miss Pixie (Tall Cedars Farm LLC). Glen Todd.....\$8,000
- 19. unnamed, f., Sixteenth—Miss Salome (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Antonio Mendoza). Chris Stenslie.....\$3,300
- 20. unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Miss Sandra Sue (Blue Ribbon Farm, Agent for Annie Birkliid and Tom & Becky Birkliid)..... RNA \$9,000



*Bred and consigned by Rick and Debbie Pabst's Blue Ribbon Farm, Hip 75, a colt by Abraaj, was purchased by Stan Mak, agent for \$37,000.*

### Top-Priced Yearlings

#### Hip

- 68. unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Bahati (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Bar C Racing Stables Inc. & Desert Rose Racing LLC). Will Brewer, Agent.....\$85,000
- 6. unnamed, c., Dialed In—Knight Raider (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent). Tim Bankers.....\$57,000
- 82. unnamed, f., Girolamo—Courtroom Charmer (Griffin Place LLC, Agent). Ron Crockett Inc.....\$55,000
- 28. unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Our Henny Penny (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent). Swag Stables and Gallo Stable.....\$42,000
- 75. unnamed, c., Abraaj—Brown (Blue Ribbon Farm, Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst). Stan Mak, Agent.....\$37,000
- 92. unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Emmy's Storm (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Grasshopper Racing Stable.....\$32,000
- 63. unnamed, c., Street Boss—Where's Poppa (Castlegate Farm, Dr. & Mrs. Duane Hopp). Kenneth Elison.....\$30,000
- 76. unnamed, f., Munnings—Camille C (Castlegate Farm, Dr. & Mrs. Duane Hopp). Howard Belvoir, Agent.....\$30,000
- 80. unnamed, f., Harbor the Gold—Clever Bird (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Bret Christopherson). Glen Todd.....\$30,000
- 27. unnamed, c., Midshipman—Nushka (Castlegate Farm, Agent). Wally Jenne.....\$25,000
- 78. unnamed, c., Smiling Tiger—Carrabelle Harbor (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Bar C Racing Stables Inc. & Desert Rose Racing LLC). Where We At.....\$24,000
- 2. unnamed, c., Coast Guard—Irene's Bonus Baby (El Dorado Farms LLC). Bill Greenstein.....\$22,000
- 31. unnamed, f., Flat Out—Pledge Mom (Dunn Bar Farm LLC). Mark Dedomenico and Glen Todd.....\$22,000
- 67. Zabracadabra, c., Harbor the Gold—Athina Lee (Crittter Creek Farm, Agent for Ken Miles & Sheridan Jones). Frank Sample.....\$22,000
- 14. unnamed, f., Abraaj—Laurel L (Dunn Bar Farm LLC, Agent for Todd & Shellie Nicklos). Halvorson Bloodstock, Agent.....\$22,000
- 33. unnamed, c., Majesticperfection—Queens Peg (Robert L. Lawrence, Agent for Tom Grether Farms Inc.). Jim Engstrom.....\$20,000
- 43. unnamed, f., Abraaj—Slew Tunes (El Dorado Farms LLC). Howard Belvoir, Agent.....\$20,000

*Hip 92, another colt by the August sale's leading sire Harbor the Gold and raised at the Christophersons' Oregon farm, was purchased by Paul and Lori Heist's Grasshopper Racing Stable for \$32,000.*



- 21. unnamed, f., Gold Aly—Moments in May (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Marble Hill Stables LLC)..... OUT
- 22. unnamed, f., Successful Appeal—Mo'orea Island (Griffin Place LLC, Agent)..... RNA \$29,000
- 23. unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Ms Moscow Mattie (El Dorado Farms LLC)..... OUT
- 24. unnamed, f., Nationhood—Muchas Coronas (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst]). Robert Edward Donnell.....\$5,000
- 25. unnamed, f., Midshipman—My Cozy Angel (Griffin Place LLC, Agent)..... RNA \$15,000
- 26. unnamed, f., Informed—My Red Lady (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Desert Rose Racing LLC). Art McFadden.....\$12,000
- 27. unnamed, c., Midshipman—Nushka (Castlegate Farm, Agent). Wally Jenne.....\$25,000
- 28. unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Our Henny Penny (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent). Swag Stables and Gallo Stables.....\$42,000
- 29. unnamed, c., Shanghai Bobby—Out to Sea (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Claudia Atwell Canouse, Agent.....\$6,000
- 30. unnamed, f., Line of David—Peaceful Nation (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst]). Free Brook Racing.....\$4,000
- 31. unnamed, f., Flat Out—Pledge Mom (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC). Mark Dedomenico and Glen Todd.....\$22,000
- 32. unnamed, c., Atta Boy Roy—Private Fortune (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst])..... RNA \$4,500
- 33. unnamed, c., Majesticperfection—Queens Peg (Robert L. Lawrence, Agent for Tom Grether Farms Inc.). Jim Engstrom.....\$20,000
- 34. unnamed g., Harbor the Gold—Renowned Cat (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). David Israel.....\$14,000
- 35. unnamed, f., Cross Traffic—Royal Snowflight (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Tim Floyd, Kevin Larew & Clarence Pruden)..... RNA \$3,500
- 36. unnamed, f., Abraaj—Satin Bouquet (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent for Horseplayers Racing Club LLC). Jeff Metz.....\$2,500
- 37. unnamed, c., Data Link—Scolara (Moxie Bloodstock, Agent)..... RNA \$9,000
- 38. unnamed, f., Harbor the Gold—Seven Fifty Misty (Robert L. Lawrence, Agent for Tom Grether Farms Inc.). Roy Lumm....\$5,500
- 39. unnamed, f., Coast Guard—She's My Favorite (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent). Mike Pattison.....\$6,000
- 40. unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Silver City Lilly (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Roy Lumm.....\$12,500
- 41. unnamed, c., Abraaj—Silverclaw (Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, Agent). Rachel Hamlin.....\$3,000
- 42. unnamed, f., Dontmesswithkitten—



Two of the three yearlings bringing \$30,000 bids came from Castlegate Farm. Hip 76 (left), a filly by Munnings, who was purchased by trainer Howard Belvoir, agent, and Hip 63 (right), a Street Boss colt signed for by Keith Elison.



Former Washingtonian Terrie Baze (left) journeyed from her Kentucky home base to help Dr. Duane and Sue Hopp with their five-colt Castlegate Farm consignment.



- Sledding Partner (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Marble Hill Stables LLC) .....
- 43. unnamed, f., Abraaj—Slew Tunes (El Dorado Farms LLC). Howard Belvoir, Agent .....\$20,000
- 44. unnamed, c., Atta Boy Roy—Smokin Passion (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Todd & Shellie Nicklos). Tim Bankers .....\$15,000
- 45. Cambria's Empire, f., Empire Way—Special Holiday (Mel & Lori Mellick [Sporting Green Thoroughbreds]) ..... RNA \$9,500
- 46. unnamed, f., Tapiture—Spot On Babe (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent). David Israel .....\$10,500
- 47. unnamed, f., Coast Guard—Starlight Gem (El Dorado Farms LLC). Brenna Loften .....\$2,200
- 48. unnamed, c., Abraaj—Stormin Sweetie (Jenny Webber & Ken Jochimsen). Joe Crawford.....\$4,000
- 49. unnamed, f., Nationhood—Sudden Departure (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst]) ..... RNA \$4,700
- 50. unnamed, c., Nationhood—Sugar Sleet (Blue Ribbon Farm, Agent for W. R & Marilyn Wulff, Neuwaukum Run Farm) ..... RNA \$3,700
- 51. Sunny Ride, c., Clubhouse Ride—Sunpenny (Griffin Place LLC, Agent) ..... RNA \$14,000
- 52. unnamed, f., Include—Sweet Fourty (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst]). Michael Puhich .....\$13,500
- 53. unnamed, c., Jeranimo—Sweet Nellie Brown (Griffin Place LLC, Agent). Andrea

- Ring .....\$6,500
- 54. unnamed, f., Coast Guard—Sweet Swinging Ms (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent). Wally Jenne.....\$14,000
- 55. unnamed, c., Marino Marini—Sweetpea (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent) ..... RNA \$2,000
- 56. unnamed, f., Awesome Again—Tiz a Mistress (Robert L. Lawrence, Agent for Tom Grether Farms Inc.) ..... RNA \$30,000
- 57. unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Tonzabrightness (Robert L. Lawrence, Agent for Tom Grether Farms Inc.). Glen Todd.....\$19,000
- 58. Alotmoreaction, f., Demon Warlock—Trainingat the Bar (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Tim Floyd & Kelly Dougan) ..... RNA \$5,000

- 59. unnamed, f., Smiling Tiger—Trust Nothing (Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, Agent). Sharon Ross .....\$3,000
- 60. Cancale, f., Atta Boy Roy—Val de Saire (Blue Ribbon Farm, Agent for Mullan & Pat Chinn)..... RNA \$14,000
- 61. unnamed, f., Justin Phillip—Vitera (Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, Agent). Loften Performance Horses .....\$3,000
- 62. unnamed, c., Coast Guard—Wave Rider (Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, Agent)..... RNA \$4,500
- 63. unnamed, r., Street Boss—Where's Poppa (Castlegate Farm [Dr. & Mrs. Duane Hopp]). Kenneth Elison .....\$30,000
- 64. Tippy Too, f., Gallant Son—A Tip of the Coin (Mel & Lori Mellick [Sporting Green Thoroughbreds]) ..... RNA \$4,000
- 65. unnamed, f., Nationhood—Artic Mist (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst]). Mort Robbins and Bonnie Baze .....\$6,200
- 66. Lady Azul, f., Dontmesswithkitten—Asuraslew (Lucky Acres) ..... OUT
- 67. Zabracadabra, c., Harbor the Gold—Athina Lee (Crittter Creek Farm, Agent for Ken Miles & Sheridan Jones). Frank Sample .....\$22,000
- 68. unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Bahati (Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Agent for Bar C Racing Stables & Desert Rose



The Hops also sold Hip 101, a colt by Race Day, for \$29,000 to Tim Bankers.



Trainers Michael Puhich (blue shirt) and Glen Todd (to Puhich's left) scope out a few of the 100 yearlings offered in the August venue, including Hip 80 (above right), a filly by Harbor the Gold offered by Bred Christopherson, which British Columbia resident Todd purchased for \$30,000.

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| 69. | unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Basket Copy (Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, Agent for Roche Farms). Anne Wisdom .....                                 | \$10,000     | 86. | unnamed, c., Clubhouse Ride—Da Burn (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC). Felimon Alvarado .....                           | \$15,500     | 96.  | unnamed, c., Abraaj—Firetrail (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC). David Israel .....   | \$3,500     |
| 70. | unnamed, f., Harbor the Gold—Battle Shout (Moxie Bloodstock, Agent for Rainbow Meadows Farm). Mark Malnati .....                                    | \$7,500      | 87. | unnamed, f., Harbor the Gold—Delicious Delight (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Gordon Twilegar .....          | \$10,000     | 97.  | unnamed, f., Ministers Wild Cat—For Real Too (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC). Michael Puhich .....                              | \$4,700     |
| 71. | Angel's Entry, c., Point of Entry—Beautiful Daniele (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Larry Romaine). Larry Romaine .....                       | \$3,800      | 88. | unnamed, f., Demon Warlock—Discreet Miss (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Tim Floyd [Warlock Stables]) ..... | RNA \$3,700  | 98.  | unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Fragrant Harbor (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC). Alisa and Jeff Cissell .....                         | \$7,500     |
| 72. | unnamed, c., Ministers Wild Cat—Bella Campana (Griffin Place LLC). Tim McCanna .....  | \$14,500     | 89. | unnamed, f., First Defence—Dixie Dreamin (Griffin Place LLC). Glen Todd .....                              | \$16,000     | 99.  | Unguarded, f., Coast Guard—Free of Heart (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent for Linda Swanson). John Parker .....           | \$2,000     |
| 73. | unnamed, c., Coast Guard—Betsy's Valentine (El Dorado Farms LLC). Joe Crawford .....  | \$3,100      | 90. | unnamed, c., Karakontje (Jpn)—East Side Charley (Moxie Bloodstock, Agent). Jeff Metz .....                 | \$7,000      | 100. | Rolling Knolls, f., Raise the Bluff—Gold Hills Hoodoo (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent for Just a Dream Stable LLC) ..... | RNA \$9,500 |
| 74. | unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Brookie Girl (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Gary Lusk .....  | \$5,000      | 91. | unnamed, c., Abraaj—Eclatante (Castlegate Farm [Dr. & Mrs. Duane Hopp]). Howard Belvoir .....              | \$3,700      | 101. | unnamed, c., Race Day—Head for Home (Castlegate Farm (Dr. & Mrs. Duane Hopp)). Tim Bankers .....                     | \$29,000    |
| 75. | unnamed, c., Abraaj—Brown (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst]). Stan Mak, Agent .....   | \$37,000     | 92. | unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Emmy's Storm (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Grasshopper Racing Stable .....     | \$32,000     | 102. | Distorted Memo, c., Primal Instinct—Soviet Memo (Vicki Macy & Robert Chapman) .....                                  | No Bid      |
| 76. | unnamed, r., Munnings—Camille C (Castlegate Farm [Dr. & Mrs. Duane Hopp]). Howard Belvoir, Agent .....  | \$30,000     | 93. | unnamed, f., Curlin to Mischief—Enter Back (Moxie Bloodstock, Agent). Jeff Metz, Agent .....               | \$7,500      | 200. | Prime Passion, f., Primal Instinct—Rubies N Ice (Vicki Macy & Robert Chapman). John Parker .....                     | \$1,500     |
| 77. | unnamed, c., Vronsky—Campanita (Griffin Place LLC) .....  | RNA \$33,000 | 94. | unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Felice the Cat (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Will Brewer, Agent .....          | \$17,000     | 201. | Pulfast Past, f., J's R Wild—Hotsie Totsie (Vicki Macy & Robert Chapman). Glen Sellars .....                         | \$500       |
| 78. | unnamed, c., Smiling Tiger—Carrabelle Harbor (Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Agent for Bar C Racing Stables & Desert Rose Racing LLC). Where We At ..... | \$24,000     | 95. | unnamed, c., Munnings—Find Your Spot (Blue Ribbon Farm, Agent) .....                                       | RNA \$29,000 | 202. | Punch It g., Nicalpha—Punch and Beauty (Vicki Macy & Robert Chapman). Kirstie Teeter .....                           | \$1,200     |
| 79. | unnamed, f., Atta Boy Roy—Cascade Corona (Blue Ribbon Farm [Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst]). David Martinez .....                                   | \$2,000      |     |  |              | 203. | Distorted Affair, f., Primal Instinct—Summer Affair (Vicki Macy & Robert Chapman). Tamra Ruther .....                | \$1,300     |
| 80. | unnamed, f., Harbor the Gold—Clever Bird (Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Bret Christopherson). Glen Todd .....                                | \$30,000     |     |  |              |      |  |             |
| 81. | unnamed g., Vronsky—Coletran's Cat (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Tim Floyd [Warlock Stables]) .....  | RNA \$3,000  |     |  |              |      |  |             |
| 82. | unnamed, f., Girolamo—Courtroom Charmer (Griffin Place LLC, Agent). Ron Crockett Inc. ....  | \$55,000     |     |  |              |      |  |             |
| 83. | unnamed, c., Atta Boy Roy—Crafty Diva (Tall Cedars Farm LLC). Jeff Metz, Agent .....  | \$5,200      |     |  |              |      |  |             |
| 84. | Mila Delights, f., Boisterous—Creole Delights (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Prisco Vacca). Jody Peetz .....  | \$12,000     |     |  |              |      |  |             |
| 85. | unnamed, c., Abraaj—Crowning Camilla (El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent). Wally Jenne .....  | \$12,000     |     |  |              |      |  |             |

Wally Jenne (right) signed for Hip 27 (below), a Midshipman colt, also from Castlegate Farm, for \$25,000.





*Hip 78 (left), a colt by Smiling Tiger out of stakes winner Carrabelle Harbor offered by Bar C Racing Stables and Desert Rose Racing, was purchased by Where We At on a \$24,000 bid.*

*An Abraaj filly, Hip 14 (right), consigned by sale newcomers Todd and Shellie Nicklos, was signed for by Halvorson Bloodstock, agent, for \$22,000.*



*A Flat Out filly (far left) from Dunn Bar Ranch was sold to Mark Dedomenico and Glen Todd for \$22,000.*

*Dunn Bar Ranch manager Javier Ruvalcaba (left in cowboy hat) talks with Tim Floyd. The Enumclaw farm served as agent for Floyd and his partners' five-horse consignment.*



*Jim Engstrom purchased Hip 33, a colt by Majesticperfection, for \$20,000 from Robert L. Lawrence, agent for Tom Grether Farms, Inc.*

*Agent Stormy Hull with Hip 67, who he presented for owners Ken Miles and Sheridan Jones. The Harbor the Gold colt brought a \$22,000 bid from Frank Sample.*



*2018 Longacres Mile-winning trainer Howard Belvoir also signed for Hip 43, an Abraaj filly from El Dorado Farms, for \$20,000.*

*The Buyers' Corner was decked out in Seahawks colors and adorned with beautiful flower arrangements compliments of Tacoma Boys*





Left to right: Four-time leading Emerald Downs trainer Jeff Metz, who found champion Citizen Kitty at the 2013 WTBOA Sale. R. E. V. Racing's Roy and Ellie Schaefer have purchased three state champions from the Washington venue, including 2017 Washington horse of the year Mach One Rules. Among the other successful Auburn trainers noted evaluating this year's crop of yearlings were Tom Wenzel and Charlie Essex, the latter who is shown in conversation with three-time leading Emerald rider Rocco Bowen.

Summer Yearling Session Summary and Comparison			
	2017	2018	% of Chg
Number Sold	90	71	-21.11%
Gross Sales	\$1,162,100	\$977,800	-15.86%
Average Price	\$12,912	\$13,772	6.66%
Median Price	\$7,350	\$8,000	8.84%
RNAs (% of total)	27 (23.1%)	24 (25.3%)	
Outs (% of total)	15 (11.4%)	5 (5%)	
High-selling Colt	\$67,000	\$85,000	
High-selling Filly	\$47,000	\$55,000	
Number Nominated	141	101	
Number Cataloged	132	100	



The Homestretch Farm team: Jill Fabulich and her sister Kay Cooper and their husbands Jack Fabulich and Bryson Cooper (above right).

Leading Summer Session Consignors/Agents by Gross Sales (Two or more sold)		
Consignor/Agent	No. Sold	Gross
Bar C Racing Stable Inc., Agent	16	\$303,200
El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent	13	\$169,800
Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent	9	\$103,900
Griffin Place LLC, Agent	5	\$98,500
Castlegate Farm, Dr. Duane & Susan Hopp	4	\$88,700
Blue Ribbon Farm, Agent	8	\$67,700
Robert L. Lawrence, Agent for Tom Grether Farms Inc.	3	\$44,500

Leading Buyers or Agents of Summer Session Yearlings by Gross Expenditures		
Buyer/Signer	No. Purchased	Gross
Will Brewer, Agent	2	\$102,000
Glen Todd	4	\$73,000
Tim Bankers	2	\$72,000
Ron Crockett Inc.	1	\$55,000
Howard Belvoir, Agent	3	\$53,700
Wally Jenne	3	\$51,000
Swag Stables and Gallo Stable	1	\$42,000
Stan Mak, Agent	1	\$37,000
Grasshopper Racing Stable	1	\$32,000
Ken Elison	1	\$30,000
David Israel	3	\$28,000

Leading Consignors (Separate Entities) of Summer Session Yearlings by Average (Two or more sold)			
Consigner	No. Sold	Gross	Average
Bar C Racing Stables Inc., Agent for Bar C Racing Stables Inc. & Desert Rose Racing LLC	2	\$109,000	\$54,500
Griffin Place LLC, Agent	2	\$61,500	\$30,750
Castlegate Farm, Dr. Duane & Susan Hopp	3	\$63,700	\$21,233
El Dorado Farms LLC, Agent	5	\$99,500	\$19,900
Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Agent for Todd & Shellie Nicklos	2	\$35,000	\$17,500
Robert L. Lawrence, Agent for Tom Grether Farms Inc.	3	\$44,500	\$14,833
Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	7	\$96,500	\$13,785
Griffin Place LLC	3	\$37,500	\$12,500
Blue Ribbon Farm, Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst	6	\$67,700	\$11,283
Dunn Bar Ranch LLC	5	\$53,200	\$10,640
El Dorado Farms LLC	6	\$66,300	\$10,383

Leading Sires of Summer Session Yearlings by Average (Two or more sold)			
Sire	No. Sold	Gross	Average
Harbor the Gold	13	\$301,500	\$23,192
<b>Abraaj</b>	10	\$123,700	\$12,370
Smiling Tiger	3	\$31,000	\$10,333
Ministers Wild Cat	2	\$19,200	\$9,600
<b>Coast Guard</b>	8	\$60,300	\$7,538
<b>Atta Boy Roy</b>	9	\$64,700	\$6,856
<b>Nationhood</b>	2	\$11,200	\$5,600

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# Transitioning Mares from the Racetrack to the Broodmare Band



*Good management is required to make this change as easy and stress-free as possible*

*by Heather Smith Tomas*

**M**ost fillies that race eventually become broodmares. This may happen early – if a filly gets injured or for some other reason can't continue in a racing career – or later, after a long, successful career on the track. Regardless of when this happens, there are some important steps between racehorse and broodmare and it takes good management to make this transition as easy and stress-free as possible.

Jeff Danford, broodmare manager at WinStar Farms in Versailles, Kentucky, takes in about 40 maiden mares each year. "Most are coming from the racetrack, and what we do with them depends on what time of year they come to us. We get most of our fillies off the track in late fall or early winter and also buy several at the big November sale at Keeneland. November–December is when we try to decide, on our own race mares, which ones will be running again for another year and which ones we want to retire, to join the broodmare band," said Danford.

Dr. Peter Sheerin, Nandi Veterinary Associates (equine practice with emphasis on reproduction) in New Freedom, Pennsylvania, said the biggest factor regarding the necessary steps when racehorses enter the broodmare band depends on when it happens. "Were they retired in the fall, or purchased at the November sale or the January sale? Are they being retired during breeding season because they are not racing to potential and the owner decides to breed them instead, or do they have an injury and cannot continue to race?"

All these situations will need to be handled differently. "With mares retired in the fall, you have more opportunity to get them let down and into a different routine and introduced into groups they are comfortable with. Racehorses have a routine, and horses thrive on routine," said Sheerin. You should not abruptly change their routine to something they are not ready for.

## Upon Arrival

Bill Tracy, who manages Eureka Thoroughbred Farm near Fredericksburg, Texas, often has mares coming from the track to be bred. "Our procedure, when mares come from the track, is to put them in a stall for a period of time, so we can thoroughly check them for any health problems or lameness," he said.

"Then the first thing we do is take off their hind shoes. Most of them have shoes with toe grabs. We don't like to turn mares out together with hind shoes, or they will injure themselves or each other. Even if you are not going to turn them out with another horse, it's still best to take hind shoes off. If shoes have toe grabs and the mare is running around outside, she could reach up and slice the heel off a front foot. It's just better to have those shoes off," said Tracy.

"We have a veterinarian examine the new mares. If they are lame, we need the veterinarian's input as to why they are lame and what we need to do to deal with this issue. Mares often come from the track with some kind of problem."

When Danford gets a new mare he looks at their weight, their feet and does a general overview to try to determine what to feed them. "This varies a lot, and I also need to see how they respond," he said.

## Settling In

"After we check them over, we try to gradually get them let down and settled in, so they can be safely turned out," said Tracy. "We may have to hand walk them for a few days before we actually turn them out in a paddock, depending on how 'hot' and nervous they are (or how lame) when they come from the track."

The first turnout is in a very small paddock, for a short period of time. "We let the mare bounce around in there, but she can't get up a lot of speed in that small area. We may do a little round pen work, to give her something to do and burn off a little energy. If you just turn them out in a big pasture without prior preparation, they will run – and run into a fence. The smaller the turnout space to begin with, the better."

The next step is to find a buddy for that mare. "It can be a horse in the next pen – a friend they can hang out with. Sometimes a little light sedation can be helpful for that first turnout, to take the edge off nervous energy, so she won't explode. This will depend partly on her soundness, whether she can handle the turnout," Tracy said.

Before you put two mares out together, if possible put them side by side in different paddocks so they can get acquainted first.



Introduce them this way for a short time and gradually increase that time. Then you can put them out together. This can prevent injuries later.

"If you just turn a new mare out with the others, there will be some fighting because they have to redo their pecking order," said Sheerin. Acquaint the new mares to one another gradually or get one new individual gradually acquainted with the mare or mares she will eventually be living with during turnout. If the broodmare band is outside all the time, you should keep the new mare in the barn for a period of time and get her gradually adjusted to her new life.

Often the first major step is just getting them used to being outside rather than in a stall. "This can be a big change for many of them, as is being in a group instead of by themselves. Depending on the farm management—whether broodmares are outside as a group, and fed as a group until they are put under lights in stalls, or whether they are always in stalls at night and going outside just during the day—the transitioning process may be a bit different," Sheerin explained.

They go from spending at least 22 hours a day in a stall (with just an hour or two outside, for training or minimal turnout) to more turnout. Their social situation also changes. "Horses are herd animals," reminded Danford. "While racing they lost that herd effect because they are never turned out in a group. They have to relearn herd dynamics. Many of them have not been in a herd since they were foals and yearlings. I try to ease them into all these things gradually," he said.

"Soon after a new one arrives, I buddy her up with another mare and get those two out together in a small paddock. My goal is to get them to buddy up and be friends, so that later on, when they move out to a field, they have a companion they feel comfortable with. This gives the new mare security and works much better than just throwing her out in a field with ten other mares," Danford said.

The first two weeks, it's mainly just monitoring and watching to see how they do. "I watch their weight, to see if I am satisfied with what I am feeding them and how they

are adjusting. After that they are usually at a point where I feel comfortable with putting them out in a field. I generally do this two at a time. I might take two paddocks and buddy those mares up together so there are four, and gradually step up the numbers. The end goal is to get them all outside, out in the herd," said Danford.

"Even if the transitioning mare will be in a stall part-time, she still needs time to readjust her routine if she'll also be outside in a group," said Sheerin. In the stall she gets fed at a certain time and is not having to fight anybody for food, but when she goes out she'll have to deal with the herd.

"These mares need to establish their place in the group. If you have several mares coming off the track or arriving at the same time, you can put them into their own group. Limit the time they are out, then gradually increase their turnout time over a period of days so they eventually become used to being out however long your normal turnout period is," he said.

If the mares are all out together, make sure the new mares are getting enough to eat. "If they are the lowest ones on the pecking order, do they get chased away from the feed? You might need to feed them in a different paddock or bring them in for feeding, so they don't lose body condition. The goal is to get them transitioned from lean, mean racing machines to mellow broodmares with some body fat," Sheerin explained.

Each facility and mare management program will be a different, so some of these things will be handled differently, depending on how much space and help is available. "The broodmares may be in huge pastures, with run-in sheds and bred when they start cycling on their own in April. Or it may be a confined situation where each mare has a stall and goes in and out and the mares are put under lights with intensive management. The transitioning racehorse will benefit from more management rather than less management, since that won't be such an abrupt change. You'd also be able to identify problems a bit easier/quicker and deal with them faster in this situation since it's more

hands-on and you are monitoring the mares more closely," said Sheerin.

Danford is always looking out for any individuals that might have problems and need a little extra help. "It's not uncommon for a horse to let down and go through a period of depression after coming off the racetrack. They seem more susceptible to many things that wouldn't bother a normal horse as much, such as skin diseases. I see the highest rate of skin disease in horses that just came off the track, versus horses that are already in my broodmare band." The horse coming off the track has gone through a lot of changes and stress, and stress depresses the immune system.

"What they would normally be able to fight off, they are now more susceptible to. Stress also affects reproduction in horses. Reproduction is low priority, and unless you have everything else right, these mares are not going to cycle. I have to get everything else good, before we try to breed them," said Danford.

If the mare or filly is underweight, or fighting an infection, the body will be channeling all its resources toward correcting these issues. "These individuals will not be putting any resources toward getting pregnant until these other things are taken care of."

## Nutrition

Feed is always a consideration, taking time to adjust from the high-energy racing diet. "We don't want them jumping out of their skin, but we don't need to change everything drastically," said Tracy. "If you can find out what kind of feed they were on, feed the same thing for a while, but a little less of it, bringing them down slowly. You can gradually shift from all that energy, vitamins and minerals to a normal type of broodmare ration. We use a 14 percent protein feed, and also plenty of hay, to give them something to eat and something to do in the stalls. This keeps them happier," he said.

These horses eat a lot of concentrate at the racetrack, and Danford tries to back them off it gradually and feed more roughage, so they can go out on pasture. "I try to get maiden mares down to a minimum amount of concentrate. I usually start them all on about six quarts per day, divided into three feedings. Then I make adjustments as I watch their weight. Some will need less and some might need more. We generally feed more in the winter because it's cold and they need more nutrients to keep warm. It requires individual care and monitoring," said Danford.

The lean, extremely fit racehorse is not programmed for fertility and reproduction. "We put those mares under lights before winter, bringing them into the barn the first of December," said Sheerin. "This is when you can increase their feed, especially if you are feeding each mare in a stall, to increase body

## Getting Them Barefoot

"A lot of mares come with shoes from the racetrack and I am trying to get them barefoot," said Danford. "Not every mare can go barefoot, but eventually 90 to 95 percent of them can. This is a major adjustment for them. I pull the hind shoes soon after they arrive, but leave the front shoes on because I want those feet to grow before we pull those off. If we can leave fronts on for a month or two, they can grow a lot of foot, and then they won't be so tender," he said.

"A lot of them are still a bit tender, just because they've been wearing shoes for so long and haven't had direct contact with the ground. Their soles need time to toughen up. We check every mare's feet every day, but with a lot of maiden mares I paint the bottom of their feet with a hoof hardener to toughen the soles," said Danford.

They need to develop a more solid foot and many of them need to grow more hoof. "Thin soles are common on mares that come off the track. It can be especially hard for them during the winter, when they have to walk on frozen ground that's rough and hard. A thin-soled horse can easily bruise when turned outside," he said. ■

condition. You want them in a positive energy balance when it's time to start breeding. Each mare/filly is a little different in her needs. You have to treat them as individuals as much as possible within the management scheme you have. Some are harder keepers and will need more feed," said Sheerin.

### Reproductive Examination and Getting Them Cycling

"Depending on the time of year a new mare arrives, we will have our vet do a reproductive examination," said Tracy. "If it's summer, we just transition them into taking life easy as a broodmare rather than a racehorse. At some point toward fall we'll do a reproductive exam. Mares that come off the track in the fall are not too difficult to transition and manage because you have time to work with them. The ones that are more problematic are those that get suddenly turned into broodmares during breeding season." When that decision is made, you don't have the luxury of time, like you do with a mare that starts this transition a few months earlier.

"For mares that are suddenly sent to be broodmares, in addition to letting them down, you also need to get them cycling," said Sheerin. "If it is February or March, depending on the housing situation they were in as racehorses, they may not have had enough light stimulation and may still be in anestrus and not cycling. Then it's too late to put them under lights," he explained.

"With those mares you may have to consider using hormone therapy to try to get them cycling sooner. If they've been on Regumate or some other form of progesterone while racing, they need some time to get that out of their system. There may be other drugs they've been on that may impact their ability to cycle. This takes time to clear out of their bodies," said Sheerin.

Some mares don't start cycling normally because they are so athletically fit, with no extra body fat. "This is similar to what sometimes occurs in human female athletes,

such as marathon runners. You may also see absence of cycling in race mares that are stressed or over-conditioned and thin. This usually resolves with time (and let-down from racing to more normal activity), but whether it takes a month or six months will vary from mare to mare. Some resume cycling when training stops and the groceries increase and the stress decreases. In a relatively short time they turn around, while others take six months or so to get to that point. By then the breeding season is over, but they will be okay for the following breeding season," he said.

"Some mares appear to be cycling and ovulating normally, but don't get pregnant when bred. Perhaps they were receiving some type of drug or supplement that impacted their ability to become pregnant even though it didn't have much impact on the way they cycled. Or perhaps there is enough residual stress to have a negative impact, since stress has an influence."

Age of the mare will also make a difference in how she will be handled. "We may end up dealing with older maiden mare syndrome and some specific issues that have to be addressed," said Sheerin.

### Teasing

Depending on the time of year and how close it is to breeding season, it is important to tease these mares. "We do a lot of teasing to get these mares more receptive to being bred," said Tracy. "We take our teaser and visit them all, going down the line. Some maiden mares are shy and might need more one-on-one attention. We'll have those mares in stalls and bring the teaser down the alleyway. He stops at each stall, and I like to have someone observing each mare after we leave, because that's often when a shy mare will actually show she's in heat," said Tracy.

"This all takes time and a lot of repetition and effort to get some of these mares transitioned and ready to breed. If a person has a jump stallion (one that will mount the mares but not breed them or can use the

teaser stallion with a cape over the mare), this can be helpful too. Then a timid mare is not totally shocked/scared out of her wits the first time she is bred. That first jump can be very traumatic for some mares," he explained.

"This may entail getting the vet involved again, with a little light sedation and a twitch. This brings up another aspect of transitioning these mares, getting them accustomed to things they may experience, such as a twitch. Knowing that you can get a twitch on a mare is an important thing, just as important as training the young horse to accept a saddle." It's a matter of step-by-step getting the mare accustomed to and at ease with different things – so that it's not all suddenly new and different.

### General Health and History

Danford said there can be a lot of unknowns with purchased mares. "We maybe don't know what the training regimen was or the medicines/drugs they might have been on and are now coming off of cold turkey. We need to be prepared for a lot of things," he said.

"Even nutritional supplements can be an issue. Maybe the trainer thought a certain supplement was beneficial and the mare might have been on it for quite a while and her body is accustomed to having it. Those mares generally stop getting those supplements and medications when they arrive here, and everything changes for them, including the type of feed and hay, the housing and the routine of their day," explained Danford.

"You also want to know the mare's vaccination and deworming history and dental condition," said Tracy. "I like my broodmares in good body condition. Some people think they do better thin than fat, but mares need some fat for reproduction – to breed and to carry a foal," he said.

"We get mares in here that haven't had their vaccinations, haven't been checked by a vet, and may not even have their Coggins test. Many farms have a check list for things they need. The people bringing their mares to the farm need to have those things done. We get all kinds of excuses, like 'We figured your vet could do it,' and that's fine, except that they've brought this mare in here with unknown medical history and they expect me to just drop her into the general population of broodmares. We can't do that. It always makes the breeding farms happier when those mares show up with everything they are supposed to have – signed contract and all," said Tracy. ■

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## First Winter

If a mare arrives at WinStar in the fall, she goes under lights like the other non-pregnant mares. "Putting them in at night, that time of year, is good because most mares coming off the racetrack don't have much hair coat," said Danford. "They might need a blanket, as well as to come inside at night. They may never wear a blanket after that; most of my broodmares grow a nice hair coat for winter and are happy outside," he said.

"There are always a few that need a little extra help, but most maiden mares won't have a blanket, since we are trying to encourage hair to grow. I have a blanket for each horse, however, just in case. If she is shivering, she needs a blanket," Danford explained.

In the barns there is always someone monitoring mares during the day and every two hours during the night, checking all the horses. "The blanket is always there, ready to go. I tell my crews to put it on if they see a horse shivering, and it stays on until morning. Eventually we learn, for each horse, exactly what the point is where they need some help. It might be 30 degrees for some horses. If it gets down to 25, there will be a few others that need a blanket, and so on." The crew learns the horses – when they are fine on their own and exactly when each horse needs help. ■

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# Preparing Mares for Breeding

*The importance of assessing each mare's health, nutrition, body condition and breeding soundness*

by Heather Smith Thomas

To get every mare safely in foal, it pays to start preparing them for breeding well ahead of when you plan to breed them. This means an assessment of health, nutrition and body condition, a breeding soundness examination, as well as addressing any problems early enough to be able to correct them before you try to breed the mare.

## Artificial Lighting

One of the important things for breeders to understand, according to Dr. Ben Espy (equine reproduction specialist in San Antonio, Texas) is that mares are seasonal breeders. They start cycling again after winter anestrus when the days are getting longer in the spring. "Never underestimate the importance of proper lighting when using artificial lights to get mares to cycle earlier. But there are some misunderstandings regarding total length of lighting and the timing of lighting," he said.

"For instance, 14 hours of total daylight is crucial. It requires 14 hours of spectrum-specific artificial UV light. Even though we are artificially lighting the mare, this is still not as good as 14 hours of sunlight. It is a poor second choice to the sunlight in nature," he said.

"We also know that if you add the light necessary to create the 14 hours, it doesn't work as well if you add it in the morning. It has to be in the evening. This is a common mistake; people turn their timers on to add light at the beginning of the day rather than the end of the day," Espy said.

There are a number of different lighting techniques, including what is called pulse lighting. "Some veterinarians have described success using normal daylight and leaving the barn dark at night, and then in the middle of the night the timer turns on the lights for two hours. That seems to be effective, but is a bigger hassle because you have to keep adjusting that pulse of light to match up with your daylight – which keeps changing. It is a moving target. It's not as simple as just leaving your lights on to make your day longer," he explained.

"Another thing people often misunderstand is the length of time it takes to accomplish what you want. In my experience I've found that Thanksgiving is about the time you need to start adding light, because mares need to have some extended daylight by at least December 1. They need at least 60 days of lighting to start cycling. Another



*A significant step in preparing a mare for the upcoming breeding season is an ultra sound exam.*

important thing to understand is that mares will often slip back into winter anestrus if you stop doing the extra lighting in February or March. If you've started them cycling by then with artificial lighting or hormones, it is very important to maintain this regimen or they may stop cycling about the time you are trying to breed them. If people make a decision to light the mares, they should continue this program until the days are actually getting longer in March," said Espy.

Even mares that are pregnant and due to foal in January or February need to have light. "Frequently those mares, if they are not under lights, will foal and then slip back into winter anestrus," he explained.

## Hormonal Programs

"There are hormonal techniques that are frequently used in manipulating mares' cycles. One is a drug called Buserelin. Dr. Walter Zent (one of my first mentors at Hagyard Equine Medical Institute) published some of the earliest data on protocols using this drug. This is a GnRH analog to Deslorelin, the drug used in the old Ovuplant and currently in Synchronate. They're in the same drug class but Buserelin is unique in that most of these other drugs manipulate cycling mares, while research has shown that Buserelin may be able to induce cycling and ovulation if the mare hasn't started cycling yet," said Espy.

"There is another group of drugs that is used for manipulating mares that are in transition between winter anestrus and cycling. During this period the cycles are

often long and erratic and there is no estrus schedule yet."

The follicles are growing and receding, but none of them are maturing to ovulate. The mare is responding to light, but her body has not yet established that its springtime.

"In that group of drugs we have Regumate, which we would put the mare on for seven to 14 days. Some people feel that when you take mares off Regumate they have a rebound effect and will start cycling. Some think that after you remove the Regumate you need to add a prostaglandin to get the mares to cycle – to kick-start the cycling. This is probably the oldest technique to get a mare to complete the transition," he said.

"One thing that many people don't understand is that the use of prostaglandin alone (Lutalise® or Estrumate®) does not work in a transitional mare. These are injections that many people call a 'heat shot' or 'Prostin' shot to 'short-cycle' a mare and start her next heat cycle. This works for a mare in the middle of the breeding season, but if you try it on a mare during January or February it won't work. The prostaglandin requires that the mare has already ovulated (which generally means further into the spring) for it to work," he explained.

"In Kentucky and Florida in the Thoroughbred industry there is another procedure being done, that we call 'P&E.' This is progesterone and estradiol compounded – similar to a human birth control pill, but in an injectable form for the horse. We give this compounded concoction

once a day for ten days after we establish that the mare is transitional, using ultrasound to check her follicles,” he said.

“People have different criteria for when to consider the mare ready for this, but I use the standard that she needs to have at least a 20-millimeter follicle during the time follicles are growing and receding. If you can catch her with a 20-millimeter follicle or larger, then you can use the P&E. In my experience, if the follicle is only 15 to 18 millimeters, the mare won’t respond to the P&E,” he said.

“With ultrasound we can measure, with a caliper, exactly how big the follicles are. In earlier years we had to palpate the ovaries and try to guess the size of the follicles. Now it’s a much more exact science,” explained Espy.

“We put the mares on the P&E concoction for about ten days and on the tenth day give them a prostaglandin shot in the afternoon. About 85 to 90 percent of those mares will ovulate eight or nine days later. This is a great method, as most of them will ovulate 18 or 19 days after the start of this program,” he said.

“This is very convenient and also nice for the mares because they are cycling as a group. You don’t have some that are cycling off schedule and harder to deal with. They can all be in a pasture together and this eliminates a lot of the behavior problems that occur with mares being aggressive or fighting with the mares that are not cycling, etc.”

There are a couple other drugs that some people try. “One is called sulpiride, that’s an older oral drug. I think it was initially used to aid lactation in humans and also as an anti-depressant. It’s a bunch of tiny little pills given orally every day until the mare comes into heat. It may be three weeks or it may be six weeks.

I prefer to use more predictable methods, but some people don’t like to give shots, and the sulpiride may be an option,” said Espy.

“I always emphasize the importance of the ultrasound examination, but it can also be overdone. Most of the calls I get in March are from practitioners who are checking the mares too much. For instance, if a mare is on the P&E regimen, just like for a human on birth control pills, you are manipulating the cycle and there will be some things appearing on the ultrasound that may be confusing. Frequently, when the mare is a week to ten days into the P&E she will start teasing a little. The practitioner will ultrasound the mare and see a developing follicle and some edema, and may get excited and decide that the mare needs to be bred right away. Usually they call me after they’ve done it, asking why it didn’t work,” he said.

“It is important to check mares with ultrasound during their transitional period but it’s also equally important to understand the protocol for the drugs you are using. Once you’ve decided on a drug regimen, the most important thing is to trust that regimen. If you start the P&E and you know that 85 percent or more of those mares will ovulate in 18 days, there is no reason to check your mare ahead of that. I tell people that if the mare starts teasing a little and they are worried and don’t want to miss the cycle, I understand their wanting to ultrasound her, but it’s better to start checking on day 14 or 15. Don’t start checking on day six,” he explained.

“If you’ve decided that a certain hormone protocol will fit with your management scheme and you get started on it, at some point you have to trust the hormone. You should not start switching or bail out in the middle of it, or it won’t work. This is one of the hardest things I have to do, as a consultant, is to talk people into trusting the drug and staying with the regimen, because mares will do weird things during their transitional period. They may tease strongly for two days and then be out of heat for a week, and then tease for a day, and keep you guessing. Though ultrasound is

important, you also need to know when to disregard the ultrasound,” he said.

### Breeding Soundness Examination

It is important to have a good breeding soundness exam for every mare, regardless of age, but the level of concern is generally higher for the older mare. “My exam is the same for every mare. I evaluate external anatomy, body weight and condition of the mare. Is she athletic, thin or fat? Nutrition is crucial if you want her to become pregnant. Reproduction is a luxury; the body takes care of maintenance requirements first, and if the mare is too thin she won’t become pregnant,” said Espy.

“If I am working with a skinny broodmare I immediately give her two strikes; she has less chance for conceiving. If she is clinically ill or has poor appetite or some other problem, she needs to get over that problem before you think about trying to breed her. You could spend thousands of dollars, reproductively, trying to get her bred, and it won’t make any difference,” he said.

“I look at the external conformation of the vulva, whether it is vertical or not, has good tone or is stained with fecal material. Are the anus and vulva in a vertical line or is one sunken in more than the other? These things change with body weight and age.”

He also uses a speculum examination, and believes some critical things may be missed if this part of the examination is skipped. “I surgically prep the vulva and stick a single-use sterile speculum up into the vulva with a pen light and look at the cervix. This is a problem area that many people fail to check. I can evaluate the character of the cervix and see whether it has a tear or fluid draining out of it. There may be irritation if the mare is a wind-sucker. There are many things you can pick up if you check the cervix with a speculum,” said Espy.

“Then I go farther into the mare and ultrasound the reproductive tract and figure out if her uterus and ovaries are appropriate for the time of year. If it’s December and she has a very small ovary and a soft, flaccid small uterus I am not very concerned, but if it’s mid-May and she has small ovaries then I would be more worried,” he said.

“Finally, I do a culture and cytology of the uterus. This gives an idea whether there is any kind of infection – bacteria or fungi. Something might be hiding that you can’t see with just an examination.” This gives a person some time to try to correct a problem ahead of the breeding season.

The entire time he is doing a breeding soundness exam on the mare, Espy is talking to the owner or mare manager, getting details of the mare’s history. “I want to get all the important details. I might ask about her previous foals, the years and time of year they were born, whether she had a colt or a filly. Where was she then? Did she have a uterine infection? Was she flushed after



*Portable ultrasound devices allow for mares to be conveniently checked in their own stalls.*



*Another important step in breeding season preparation is to culture the mare's uterus.*

breeding? Did you infuse her with antibiotics after she was bred? Did she have a fever? Did she ever have a retained placenta? I am gathering important information about health concerns for the mare," said Espy.

"The client might tell me the mare is seven years old and has had four foals and everything is fine, and 15 minutes later tells me that such-and-such was the pregnancy she had twins. That makes me ask how big the surviving foal was when it was born. How was the mare managed – to have had the unfortunate occurrence of twins? I try not to pry too much into peoples' business, but if they can provide the information I need, it makes my job easier. Often the client may not think that a certain detail is important, so they don't mention it. I may ask a question four or five different ways. Sometimes the fourth time you ask the question you get a

different answer and this can help you figure out the mare's actual history," he said.

"Wild horses have a conception rate much higher than the average conception rate for domestic horses. With our domestic horses we are not really helping nature; we are trying to manipulate nature. Horses in the wild do a good job of reproducing on their own." When we have problems it's because we are keeping horses in very unnatural conditions and trying to fool Mother Nature.

"It is possible to do this, but we need to have incredible respect for the limitations we are up against – the mares themselves, the reproductive cycle in general and something as simple as daylight hours," he explained.

#### **General Health and Soundness**

Mares should have adequate nutrition and should be on a good vaccination

program and deworming schedule. Regular foot care is also important so there are no lameness issues. "Foot problems or old injuries can create pain, and pain is well known to affect heat cycles. Something as seemingly inconsequential as foot pain or discomfort might be detrimental to your attempt to breed a mare. There are many examples of mares that had chronic sole bruising or chronic laminitis or foot abscesses and if they are put on simple bute therapy to manage their pain they instantly cycle," said Espy.

If a broodmare is out in the field and getting around okay, the owner may not think about the fact that chronic pain may be a problem. "Maybe the mare has an old injury and has been mildly lame for many years and we don't even worry about it, but then it may become a bigger factor than we realize," he said.

"Perhaps a racehorse gets injured when she's three years old and is retired to broodmare status. I may be looking at her when she's 16. She may have dealt with her injury that happened 13 years earlier, but there may be some residual discomfort that is now keeping her from cycling, especially if she's become more arthritic as she got older. This may be the year that puts her over the edge and the pain is just a little too much, and she is brought to me as an infertile broodmare when all she needs is simple phenylbutazone therapy." ■

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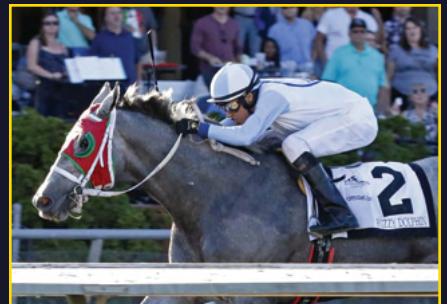
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# WASHINGTON RACING HALL OF FAME

## Howard Belvoir

*A trainer for all seasons*

by Emily Shields

**T**rainer Howard Belvoir is that rare breed of trainer, a true horseman with decades of hands-on success to back up his legend. With nearly 2,100 wins and over \$19.7-million in purses earned, Belvoir was inducted into the Washington Racing Hall of Fame in 2013. His work is on display through the racehorses that have run under his care. Belvoir's 2,000th win came at Emerald Downs on August 14, 2015, with John Parker's Vistarella.

Born in Iola, Kansas on May 13, 1944, Belvoir's family moved to Payette, Idaho, when he was young.

Long before the likes of Red Eye Express, Wasserman and Elliott Bay graced the racetrack, Belvoir was a 13-year-old working with horses over the summer.

"My folks are good folks, but I left home to start work for the Taylor brothers, Troy, Roy and J. D. I jumped on a truck at 13 and went with them to Portland. I never knew who the driver was. And my parents, they

let me do it. These days they would have been outlawed!"

Without cell phones, Belvoir simply did his job, then in the fall caught a train back to school in Idaho. As soon as he turned 19 in 1963, Belvoir took out his trainer's license at Exhibition Park (now Hastings Racecourse) in British Columbia and soon afterwards began conditioning horses at Longacres.

"He always talks about being a trainer for over 50 years," said longtime partner Vicki Potter. "He got his real start at Longacres,

then went through time at Yakima Meadows. When racing here closed (at Longacres in 1992) we shipped to California. He spends the winters in Portland, too."

Owner Harley Hoppe started to fill Belvoir's barn, launching his career. It was Hoppe's wife Teresa who delivered Belvoir's first big break with Red Eye Express.

Belvoir said, "There's been so many good horses, but the one I always remember is Red Eye Express. He was the first good horse I had."



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*Belvoir's first big horse was Hoppe and True's Red Eye Express, who won eight Longacres stakes, including back-to-back Space Needle Handicaps (left) and the Governor's Handicap (above), in the early 1970s.*

### North American Trainer Statistics (1963-September 30, 2018)

Starts	Wins	2nds	3rds	Earnings
16,039	2,112	2,204	2,147	\$19,991,565

At Emerald Downs alone, Belvoir has won 45 stakes races, to rank fourth; had 759 wins (third); and his runners have earned \$8,266,197 (fourth).

Among the other stakes winners Belvoir has trained are (in alphabetical order): Allowance, Battery Limits, Celtic Crown, Champagneandcavier, Courting Seattle, Crystal's Double, Fooled Again, He's Not Bluffin, That Knight, Tusko T and Windsong Maria.

Red Eye Express, a 1969 Oregon-bred son of Philately, won a staggering 22 of 68 starts, including eight stakes in Washington. The \$1,800 purchase went on to earn \$160,356 and put Belvoir on the map as a trainer in Washington.

More standouts came in succession. Multiple stakes winner Table Fifteen was a Washington star in 1989 and 1990, the year he won the Independence Day Handicap. Belvoir's first state champion came with the speedy sprinter Serenity Road in 1992 and



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2008 Washington horse of the year Wasserman was not only trained by Belvoir, but the Longacres Mile winner was bred and owned by him as well. Jennifer Whitaker (far right) was aboard the gelding for his historic win. Belvoir and longtime life partner Vicki Potter accept year-end honors (above right).



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was followed by champion sophomore filly Commercial Choice the next year.

Emerald Express Stakes winner Sundance Circle was a \$52,000 WTBOA sale purchase in 2002. He only started six times, winning three, but Belvoir called him, "one of the best I had. He had problems staying sound when he was young so he didn't get to race much, but he was a real runner." The son of Katowice was voted Washington's best two-year-old colt in 2003.

Belvoir owned Seattles Best Joe in partnership with Hoppe and Dan Corby. That Washington-bred earned over \$150,000 on a \$4,500 investment, even winning a stakes race at Santa Anita. He followed Sundance Circle as Washington's top juvenile male of 2004.

**Wasserman**

And then came Wasserman. The mighty Washington-bred son of Cahill Road was owned, bred and trained by Belvoir, who still

has him in the barn as a stable pony. The hard-knocking gelding won his first two starts in 2005, but did not start winning stakes races until 2007.

Although a popular runner, Wasserman was ten-to-one going to the post in the 2008 Longacres Mile (G3).

Longtime Emerald Downs track



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announcer Robert Geller recalled, "Wasserman was the blue collar champion of Washington racing. From the beginning, his raw talent was matched by a giant heart. I believed in him strongly from the start, but endured some frustration in his early campaigns when it seemed he was a professional place-getter. But in similar vein to his die-hard trainer Howard Belvoir and his best buddy, jockey Jennifer Whitaker, the trio teamed up with dedication and racing savvy to produce a season like no other in 2008, when he swept all before him, including the state's flagship race, the Longacres Mile."

Geller called the action as it unfolded, with Wasserman unleashing a relentless drive

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Belvoir saddled his second Mile winner in 2009 when Lou and Diane Tice's Assessment (above left) won the 74th running of Washington's biggest race. Belvoir then became only the fifth conditioner to saddle a third Longacres Mile victor when Rising Star Stable III's Barkley (above right) won in 2018. Belvoir and Potter, who manages the Rising Star Stable syndicates, celebrate in the winner's circle after the race.

down the stretch to collar True Metropolitan by a neck. “Nothing shall resonate as strongly with me as an announcer as the reception Wasserman received upon his return to the winner’s circle. He had made a habit all season of snatching victory from the claws of defeat and his stakes assault, once fully complete, had been achieved with similar grit and determination. His is a story of perseverance, of endurance and of true racing folklore. I was truly blessed to call him every step of the way.”

Wasserman’s exploits as the 2008 Washington horse of the year earned Belvoir the title of National Small Breeder of the Year from the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA). Just one year later, he won the Longacres Mile yet again with Wasserman’s stablemate Assessment, a graded stakes winner who raced for eight seasons. Belvoir became the first trainer at Emerald Downs to win the Longacres Mile in consecutive years.

In 2010, Belvoir was honored with the Martin Durkan Award, which exemplifies excellence as both a trainer and competitor.

### More Recently

Belvoir is still actively training in Washington, and has several strong runners in his shedrow, including state champion two-year-olds So Lucky (2016) and Elliott Bay (2017) and Emerald Downs champion male Barkley, now five.

“Barkley’s a good horse,” Belvoir said. “I’ve been fortunate and lucky to have a lot of good horses, but you’re only as good as your help. That’s the truth.”

[See 2018 Longacres Mile story in this issue for update on Belvoir’s “good horse.”]

Some of the help Belvoir used (see 2018 Longacres Mile story in this issue) to receive was from son Vann, a successful jockey (he led the rider ranks during Emerald Downs’ inaugural season in 1996) turned successful trainer, who is now on his own in Southern California. The younger Belvoir has won over 550 races since taking out his license in 1996.



Krispy Baite

Belvoir examines a yearling, shown by Kara Toye, at a recent WTBOA Summer Sale. The successful trainer has found eight of his state champions through the WTBOA Sales program.



Training at Longacres in 1994.

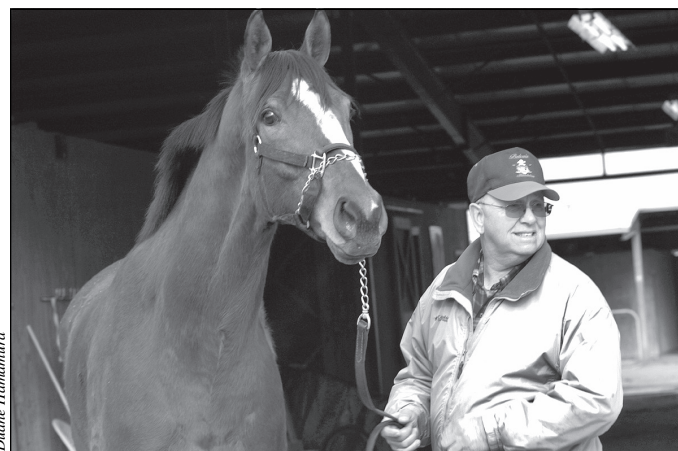
Another son, Heath, is a chartcaller for Equibase, while son Clay works for The Boeing Company.

With his son Vann in California, the elder Belvoir is more than happy racing in Washington. “We have one of the greatest facilities there is,” he said, “with the barn area being really convenient with nice barns.”

Potter joked, “Ninety-five percent of his focus is on the welfare of his horses, with the other five percent being focused on his two dogs. But racing and animals are his passions. His number one focus is the sport.”

“Racing is in my blood,” Belvoir admitted. “Once you get it in you, you can’t ever get out of it.”

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Belvoir and his pride and joy, the nearly \$600,000 earner Wasserman, who won or placed in 19 stakes at Emerald Downs and helped earn Belvoir the title of 2008 TOBA National Small Breeder of the Year.

### Washington Champions Trained by Howard Belvoir

Year	Title	Name
1992	Sprinter	Serenity Road
1993	3YO Filly	Commercial Run
1997	Sprinter	Spite and Malice
2003	2YO Colt/Gelding	Sundance Circle
2004	2YO Colt/Gelding	Seattles Best Joe
2006	2YO Colt/Gelding	Immigration
2008	Horse of the Year	Wasserman
2008	Older Horse	Wasserman
2008	Sprinter	Wasserman
2014	2YO Filly	Ethan’s Baby
2015	3YO Filly	Ethan’s Baby
2016	2YO Colt/Gelding	So Lucky
2017	2YO Colt/Gelding	Elliott Bay

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**to the Gottstein Futurity**  
**for NWRS-eligible horses!** (Awarded in 2018)

## NORTHWEST FACTOR

Winner of the **Angie C. Stakes** and **Gottstein Futurity**  
 and 3rd in the **Barbara Shinpoch Stakes**  
 NWRS purse monies: **\$39,813**  
 PLUS, Gottstein Futurity NWRS monies: **\$22,000**  
 Nominator awards: **\$2,138** Total earnings: **\$87,663**

### For 2019 Northwest Race Series (Foals of 2017 – Yearlings of 2018)

Fees: \$1,000 (\$1,050 non-member) – A one-time payment per yearling if foal was *not* provisionally nominated in birth year.  
 \$300 (\$350 non-member) – Continuing eligibility, if foal was provisionally nominated.

Dam	Sire	Sex (c/f/g)	State Bred	Amount Enclosed
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### For 2020 Northwest Race Series (Foals of 2018 – Yearlings of 2019)

Fees: \$450 (\$500 non-member) – To fully nominate for series of 2020. Starting and entry fees required at time of each race.  
 \$250 (\$300 non-member) – Provisional nomination for series of 2020. A \$300 (\$350 non-member) additional payment will be due on or before December 31, 2019.  
 \$50 – To reserve a non-refundable, non-transferable nomination for a January 2019 sale purchase for series of 2020. Provisional or full nomination fees and horse's identity will be due on or before January 31, 2019.

Dam	Sire	Sex (c/f/g)	State Bred	Amount Enclosed
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**NOTE: Payment MUST BE POSTMARKED no later than DECEMBER 31, 2018**

#### ONE-MONTH LATE FEE EXTENSION PAYMENT AVAILABLE:

Foals of	Due 12/31/18	or	Due 1/31/19
2017 Continuing Eligibility	\$300 (\$350)	or	\$500 (\$550)
2017 One-time Yearling	\$1,000 (\$1,050)	or	\$1,200 (\$1,250)
2018 One-time Weanling	\$450 (\$500)	or	\$650 (\$700)
2018 Provisional Weanling	\$250 (\$300)	or	\$450 (\$500)
2018 January Sale Reserve, One-time	\$50 plus		\$450 (\$500)
2018 January Sale Reserve, Provisional	\$50 plus		\$250 (\$300)

The 2019 Northwest Race Series stakes schedule and allocation of funds will be determined at the January 2019 meeting of the Northwest Race Series committee and governing boards.

Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check Enclosed (payable to WTBOA) OR  Visa  MasterCard

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# The Inside Track

## 2018 Emerald Downs Wrap-up

**S**ippin Fire was voted horse of the meeting, top three-year-old and top Washington-bred as Emerald Downs Racetrack and Casino announced its 2018 season honors. Trained by Steve Bullock, Sippin Fire won a meet-high four stakes and earned \$115,425 for owners How We Roll #4. He becomes only the third sophomore to win horse of the meeting (behind Flying Notes and the filly Youcan'ttakeme) and is the third consecutive Harbor the Gold gelding to win the honor (Sippin Fire, 2018; Mach One Rules, 2017; O B Harbor, 2016 – all products of the WTBOA Sales program).

Rocco Bowen, regular rider on Sippin Fire, topped the 100-win mark for the third consecutive year while becoming the first

jockey to win three straight titles at Emerald Downs. Bowen led in wins (109), stakes wins (six) and earnings (\$1,065,618) and was honored with the best riding achievement award.

Jeff Metz, with 43 wins, won his fourth straight training title, while Blaine Wright led in stakes wins (nine) and earnings (\$787,191). Wright also trained four different 2018 champions who earned five titles – Riser (sprinter and older horse), Reginella (older filly or mare), Bella Mia (three-year-old filly) and Baja Sur (juvenile male).

John Parker and Metz's Saratoga West tied for leading owner with 17 wins apiece, giving Parker his third straight title in that department.

Northwest Factor, upset winner of the Gottstein Futurity, was voted top juvenile filly. Her owners, How We Roll #4, won six stakes and were the meet's leading owners by earnings with \$211,800.

Papa Mambo, the meet's only five-time winner, was voted top claimer. A six-year-old California-bred mare by Papa Clem, Papa Mambo was 5-0-0 in six starts for trainers Manny Ortiz, Candi Tollett and Joe Toye.

H. R. "Pat" Mullens was honored with the top training achievement after becoming the oldest trainer to win a stakes at Emerald Downs at age 91. In fact, he and his partners' Hit the Beach won both the Muckleshoot Tribal Classic and Pete Pedersen Overnight Stakes and two other races for Mullens.

Barkley's thrilling victory over Alert Bay in the \$200,000 Longacres Mile (G3) was voted race of the meeting, and Barkley was also the meet's top earner with \$144,475.

The Martin Durkan Award, which is presented each year to a horseman for "leadership, cooperation, sportsmanship and excellence on and off the track" was given to trainer Vince Gibson. The annual award is chosen by Emerald Downs Director of Racing Bret Anderson and his staff.

Named in honor of Lindy Aliment, a longtime clerk of scales at both Longacres and Emerald Downs, the Lindy Award is voted on by Emerald Downs jockeys and presented annually to a rider for "accomplishment and sportsmanship throughout the meeting." The 43rd winner of this prestigious award was Lorenzo Lopez.

### Atypique Dominates WHBPA/WTBOA Horsemen Helping Horsemen Distance Series

Atypique took command into the last turn and powered to a 3 1/4-length victory in the finale of the \$22,700 WHBPA and WTBOA Horsemen Helping Horsemen Distance Series, a starter allowance for runners three-year-old and up run on September 22. With Julien Couton riding, Atypique ran the 1 1/2 miles in 2:31.21. Debbie Peery trains Atypique for owners Little Barn Racing and Michelle Brasch. The victory capped a fabulous series for

### 2018 Emerald Downs Seasonal Honors

Horse of the meeting.....	<b>Sippin Fire</b>
Top older horse .....	<b>Riser</b>
Top sprinter .....	<b>Riser</b>
Top older filly or mare .....	<b>Reginella</b>
Top three-year-old male .....	<b>Sippin Fire</b>
Top three-year-old filly .....	<b>Bella Mia</b>
Top two-year-old male .....	<b>Baja Sur</b>
Top two-year-old filly .....	<b>Northwest Factor</b>
Top Washington-bred.....	<b>Sippin Fire</b>
Claimer of the meet .....	<b>Papa Mambo</b>
Top riding achievement .....	<b>Rocco Bowen</b>
Top training achievement.....	<b>H. R. "Pat" Mullens</b>
Lindy Award .....	<b>Lorenzo Lopez</b>
Martin Durkan Award .....	<b>Vince Gibson</b>
Race of the meet .....	<b>Longacres Mile-G3</b>
Leading owner (by wins).....	<b>John E. Parker and Saratoga West</b> (17 wins each)
Leading owner (by earnings).....	<b>How We Roll #4</b> (\$211,800)
Leading owner (by stakes wins) .....	<b>How We Roll #4</b> (6)
Leading trainer (by wins) .....	<b>Jeffrey Metz</b> (43)
Leading trainer (by earnings) .....	<b>Blaine Wright</b> (\$787,191)
Leading trainer (by stakes wins).....	<b>Blaine Wright</b> (9)
Leading jockey (by wins) .....	<b>Rocco Bowen</b> (109)
Leading jockey (by earnings) .....	<b>Rocco Bowen</b> (\$1,065,618)
Leading jockey (by stakes wins).....	<b>Rocco Bowen</b> (6)
Leading apprentice jockey (by wins).....	<b>Francisco Orduna-Rojas</b> (12)
Leading horse (by wins) .....	<b>Papa Mambo</b> (5)
Leading horse (by earnings) .....	<b>Barkley</b> (\$144,475)
Leading horse (by stakes wins) .....	<b>Sippin Fire</b> (4)
Leading sire (by wins) .....	<b>Harbor the Gold</b> (36)
Leading sire (by stakes wins) .....	<b>Harbor the Gold</b> (8)



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*How We Roll #4's sophomore runner Sippin Fire, shown here taking the Washington Cup Sophomore Stakes by 3 1/4 lengths, won four stakes at during the season to earn horse of the meet, three-year-old colt or gelding and top Washington-bred honors.*

Atypique, who finished first in all three legs – 1 1/8 mile, 1 1/4 mile and 1 1/2 mile – but was disqualified in the middle leg for interference in the stretch. This last Saturday's victory was Atypique's most convincing yet. Saving ground while stalking Cold Hard Luck through a mile in 1:40.62, Atypique gained control a half-mile from home and pretty much galloped unchallenged to the wire. A six-year-old Kentucky-bred by Tapit—Halfcause, by Giant's Causeway, Atypique is 6-4-2 in 27 lifetime starts with earnings of \$72,774.

The Gold Monkey, by Surf Cat, nosed out Deputy's Command, by Second in Command, for second. Royal Tale, Cold Hard Luck, Private Boss and Tiz Jolie rounded out the order of finish.

The opening leg of the WHBPA/WTBOA Horsemen Helping Horsemen Distance Series, run on August 11, had been split in two divisions (claiming price \$5,000), with Atypique and The Gold Monkey prevailing. Atypique, ridden by Anne Sanguinetti and trained by Roy Lumm, won the nine-furlong race by 3 3/4 lengths in a time of 1:50.91 and was claimed by Bonnie Jenne for Friendship Stable and Frank MacDonald. In the second division, The Gold Monkey, a seven-year-old California-bred gelding ridden by Rocco Bowen and trained by Jeff Metz, ran the 1 1/8-mile distance in 1:50.43 and was claimed by Joe Toye for owner Gary Jensen after his neck win. In fact, four horses – Tiz Jolie, Royal Tale, Intermix and The Gold Monkey – were claimed out of the second division.

Atypique, also finished first, by three-quarters of a length, in the second event in the WHBPA/WTBOA Horsemen Helping Horsemen Distance Series (claiming price \$8,000) run on September 1, but was placed fourth by the stewards after an incident at the sixteenth pole. The \$14,100 race was then awarded to Tiz Jolie, a six-year-old Kentucky-bred gelding by Tiz Wonderful

who races for Rancho Viejo and Lisa Baze and is trained by Robert Baze. Both Atypique and The Gold Monkey were claimed again. Atypique went back to trainer Debbie Peery's barn for Little Barn Racing and Michelle Brasch. Jeff Metz reclaimed his former runner The Gold Monkey for the partnership of Horseplayers Racing Club #327 and Metz's Saratoga West.

### Emerald Downs Final Standings

*April 22 – September 23, 2018 (67 days)*

JOCKEY	Mounts	1sts	2nds	3rds	Earnings	Win %
Bowen, Rocco	467	109	88	75	\$1,065,618	23%
Orozco, Kevin E.	338	71	50	59	\$827,592	21%
Couton, Julien	357	68	68	58	\$836,406	19%
Wales, Gary	414	54	48	61	\$597,235	13%
Flores, Eswan	296	51	44	34	\$560,815	17%
Matias, Javier	221	31	32	33	\$530,859	14%
Zunino, Jose L.	223	25	34	40	\$358,534	11%
Solis, Austin B.	193	23	37	29	\$357,537	12%
Camacho-Flores, Leonel	248	22	32	29	\$320,926	9%
Sanguinetti, Anne	145	21	14	15	\$241,099	14%
TRAINER	Runners	1sts	2nds	3rds	Earnings	Win %
Metz, Jeffrey	181	43	30	28	\$342,881	24%
Wright, Blaine D.	162	41	36	26	\$787,191	25%
Lucarelli, Frank	208	39	44	33	\$527,734	19%
Toye, Joe	139	26	15	31	\$202,859	19%
Gibson, Vince	145	24	25	25	\$232,003	17%
Tollett, Candi	113	21	15	17	\$182,601	19%
Belvoir, Howard	150	18	18	24	\$347,589	12%
Ortiz Sr., Manuel	65	18	12	12	\$202,234	28%
Wenzel, Tom	94	16	14	17	\$281,775	17%
Bozell, Alan	118	15	12	14	\$131,214	13%



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*Atyrique took command of the first (three-race) WHBPA/WTBOA Horsemen Helping Horsemen Distance Series. He is shown here winning the final race of the series.*



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*Karla Pollowitz, who with her husband Jacob race under JK Racing, celebrated her 30th birthday in grand style when the couple's runner Fuzzy Dolphin won the WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings Stakes. Emerald Downs Casino manager Carlo Hunt is shown presenting her the trophy for the gelding's one-length win.*

The industry would like to thank the following horsemen who contributed a \$14,100 total to make this series a go: Vicki Potter, Michael Puhich, Steve Shimizu, Blue Ribbon Farm, Griffin Place LLC, Darrelynn Hallowell, Paul and Lori Heist, Dr. Duane and Susan Hopp, Jody Peetz, Remmah Racing Stable, Dixie Hitchcock, Pat and Mullan Chinn, Neuwakum Run Farm, Michael and Pat Wilson, Chris Stenslie, Jeff Stenslie and Keith Yamaguchi.

### **Weekend Wizard Takes \$10,000 Bonus**

After his runner-up finish in the \$100,000 Getaway Day Stakes, Weekend Wizard earned a \$10,000 bonus for finishing first, second or third in all three legs of the 2018 Northwest Triple, composed of the Muckleshoot Derby, British Columbia Derby and Getaway Day Stakes.

Owned by Riversedge Racing Stables (Norman Castiglione, Okotoks, Alberta), Weekend Wizard ran sensational races while finishing second to Sippin Fire in the Muckleshoot Derby, second to Sky Promise in the BC Derby and second to Yulong Warrior in the Getaway. A three-year-old British Columbia-bred by Rosberg, Weekend Wizard is 4-4-1 in 12 career starts with earnings of \$139,100.

A \$100,000 bonus was offered to any horse sweeping the Muckleshoot Derby, BC Derby and Getaway Day Stakes, but after winning the Muckleshoot Derby the connections of Sippin Fire chose to remain home and run in the Washington Cup Sophomore Colts and Geldings Stakes (which he won). ■

## **Washington-bred of the Week Honors**

Week 14 (July 20-22) **Fuzzy Dolphin** (2016), g., by Harbor the Gold—Silver City Lilly, by Tiffany Ice. Breeder: Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owner: JK Racing. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. Jockey: Kevin Orozco. Won: maiden special weight. **WTBOA Sales.**

Week 15 (July 27-29) **Sippin Fire** (2015), g., by Harbor the Gold—Bahati, by Horse Chestnut (SAf). Breeders: Bar C Racing Stables Inc. and Desert Rose Racing LLC. Owner: How We Roll # 4. Trainer: Steve Bullock. Jockey: Rocco Bowen. Won: Muckleshoot Derby. **WTBOA Sales.**

Week 16 (August 3-5) **Brilliant Bird** (2015), f., by Einstein (Brz)—Clever Bird, by Awesome Again. Breeder: Bret Christopherson. Owner: Ron Crockett Inc. Trainer: Terry Gillihan. Jockey: Javier Matias. Won: allowance/\$32,000 optional claiming (N) race. **WTBOA Sales.**

Week 17 (August 10-12) **This Great Nation** (2016), g., by Nationhood—Great Mom, by Pioneer of the Nile. Breeder: Connie L. Belshay. Owner: Art McFadden. Trainer: Felimon Alvarado. Jockey: Erick Lopez. Won: WTBOA Lads Stakes. **WTBOA Sales.**

Week 18 (August 17-19) **Sleet Afleet** (2016), g., by Atta Boy Roy—Sugar Sleet, by Seattle Sleet. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wulff. Owner: Rising Star Stable III. Trainer: Howard

Belvoir. Jockey: Jennifer Whitaker. Won: Mdn. Cl. \$15,000. **WTBOA Sales.**

Week 19 (August 24-26) **Grinder Sparksaglo** (2011), g., by Grindstone—Cule Flyer, by Matricule. Breeders: Marvin Lynd and Richard Sena. Owner: Richard Sena. Trainer: Robert Baze. Jockey: Julien Couton. Won: allowance/\$40,000 optional claiming.

Week 20 (August 31-September 2) **Money Inthe Starrs** (2016), f., Abraaj—Our Monstarr, by Demons Begone. Breeder: Connie L. Belshay. Owner: Mark Dedomenico LLC. Trainer: Michael Puhich. Jockey: Javier Matias. Won: WA Cup Juvenile Filly Stakes. **WTBOA Sales.**

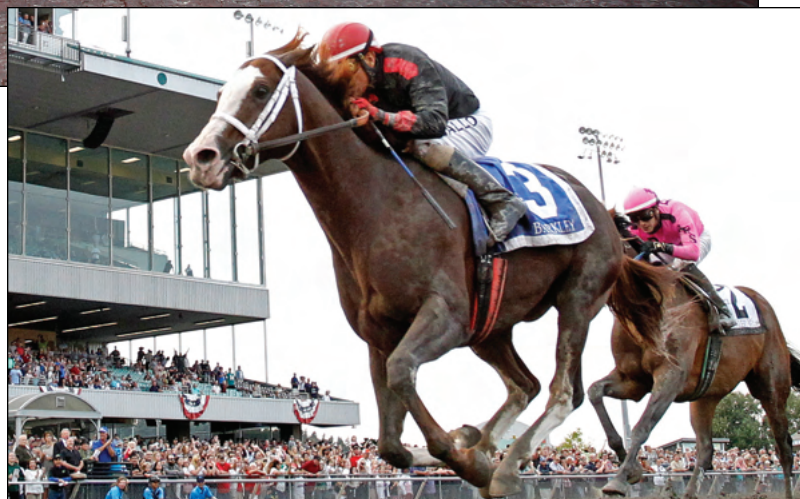
Week 21 (September 7-9) **Fly Far Away** (2013), m., Pleasantly Perfect—Maytown Misstree, by Country Light. Breeders and Owners: Todd and Shawn Hansen. Trainer: Blaine Wright. Jockey: Austin Solis. Won: WA Cup Filly and Mare Stakes.

Week 22 (September 14-16) **Huya** (2013), g., Houseofroyalhearts—Queen Sarabi, by Roar. Breeders: Iron Horse Racing LLC and Candi Tollett. Owners: Drew and Jaime Baker and Todd and Shelli Nicklos. Trainer: Candi Tollett. Jockey: Gary Wales. Won: Cl. \$15,000.



# Barkley Prevails in \$200,000 Longacres Mile

*Trainer Howard Belvoir scores  
third win in historic race*



**B**arkley and his big white face out finished millionaire Alert Bay and scored a 1 1/2-length victory in the 83rd running of the \$200,000 Longacres Mile (G3) at Emerald Downs. With Javier Matias riding at 120 pounds, Barkley charged between Alert Bay and Oh Marvelous Me to gain command past mid-stretch, and drew clear late for the victory. The winner ran the mile in 1:34.93.

A five-year-old Kentucky-bred by Munnings—Numero d’Oro, by Medaglia d’Oro. Barkley earned \$108,900 for his first graded win and sixth stakes victory overall. His career record improved to 9-4-1 in 17 starts with earnings of \$351,800. Howard Belvoir trains Barkley for owner Rising Star Stable III, a syndicate headed by Vicki Potter of Auburn.

For Belvoir, it’s his third win in the Northwest’s premier race, tying him with Jim Penney for most Mile wins at Emerald Downs. Penney, who died last year, is number one all-time with five Mile wins, including two at the old Longacres.

Belvoir said Barkley’s Mile victory ranks among his biggest accomplishments in racing.

“This is way up there, and I might need a parachute to get down,” he said. “This is a good little horse. He was real slow about switching leads today, but once he did the race was over.”

Barkley represents the first Mile win for Matias, a 46-year-old Mexico City native who ranks among the top ten in

*Former KOMO sportscaster and horseman Bob Rondeau presents the trophy to the winning connections of Barkley, winner of the 83rd Longacres Mile: jockey Javier Matias, trainer Howard Belvoir and Rising Star Stable III syndicate manager Vicki Potter.*



virtually every major riding category at Emerald Downs, including 31 stakes wins. His previous best Mile finish was a second aboard Winning Machine in 2012.

“Whenever you have a short field things can happen,” Matias said in a jubilant winner’s circle. “This time I think I rode a pretty smart race, and the horse proved himself today. He won the race.”

Alert Bay, the nine-to-five favorite ridden by Juan Hernandez at 121 pounds, ran a strong race off the bench for trainer Blaine Wright, and paid \$3.40 and \$2.80 for place and show. A seven-year-old California-bred, Alert Bay earned \$39,600 for owner Peter Redekop of Vancouver, British Columbia, and the City Zip gelding is 14-8-4 in 34 lifetime starts with earnings of \$1,292,155.

Oh Marvelous Me, ridden by Julien Couton at 117 pounds, held third and paid \$3 to show. Owned by Todd and Shawn

Hansen of Tenino, Oh Marvelous Me is also trained by Wright. The trainer wound up finishing second and third in the Mile despite his current top gun, Riser, missing the race with injury. Mach One Rules, Kaabraaj and Midwest shipper Conquest Windycity finished fourth, fifth and sixth.

Kaabraaj led early, as expected, setting moderate fractions of :23.47, :46.08 and 1:09.98, but was overtaken by Oh Marvelous Me in the stretch. Straightening into the lane, Oh Marvelous Me, Alert Bay and Barkley were three heads apart, and the stage was set for Barkley’s winning move. While Alert Bay drifted out a tad past mid-stretch, Barkley found his best stride and surged to victory.

Barkley joined Washington Hall of Famer Noosa Beach as the only horses in Emerald Downs’ history to win stakes at the Emerald oval at ages two, three, four and five. ■

# Equine Art 2018

Photos by Kristy Batie

“The Horse . . . and a Whole Lot More”



*The Saddle,*  
by Celene  
Ryan, 1st  
place, Vivian  
F. McMurry  
Memorial  
Award for  
Watercolor.



*Mom and Her Frolicking Filly,*  
by Janice Hoagland, Angie  
Crockett Memorial Best in Show  
Award.

*Two Best Friends,* by Sema  
Cohen, 1st place, Dr. Donald  
& Beverly Turner and Phil &  
Sarah Saitta Award for Acrylic.

The Washington Thoroughbred Foundation, in conjunction with the Washington Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Association and Emerald Downs, was once again pleased to present the Equine Art Show, which took place July 13-15 on the track level at Emerald Downs.

The purpose of the show is to encourage equine artists and to support the arts, in general, as an integral part of all horse-related sports. The annual art show has garnered recognition since its inception in 1980 at the WTBOA Pavilion at Longacres. In 2018, it celebrates its 19th year of continued growth and success at Emerald Downs with nearly 200 pieces were received from artists from across the US.

The show, judged by a respected panel of Northwest artists and/or other knowledgeable professionals, is open to all ages, including children, pre-teen, intermediate and adult divisions. It offers over \$7,000 in prize money, \$750 of which is dedicated to youth categories.

This year's panel of judges was comprised of photographer and equine enthusiast Jacque Adams; Thoroughbred trainer, with a degree in art history and studio art, Sharon Ross; and established artists, specializing in sculpture, Lavonne and George Hoivik. The judges uniformly agreed that they had the challenging, but enjoyable, task of selecting winners from the many outstanding pieces entered in the show.

The coveted Best in Show Award, sponsored by former Emerald Downs' President Ron Crockett and his wife Wanda,

and named in memory of Ron's mother Angie, was awarded to Janice Hoagland for her bronze sculpture entitled "Mom and Her Frolicking Filly."

The Bud and Pat Hallowell Memorial Publication Award, featured on the cover of this magazine, went to M. Schossov Schumaker for her heartwarming piece, "Mare and Foal."

"Grounded," a carved soapstone piece by Dan Michaels, was selected as the Equine Art Purse Trophy Purchase Award and will have the distinction of being presented to the winning owners of next year's Equine

Art Purse, held on the Sunday of Equine Art Show weekend.

The art show is presented under the auspices of the Washington Thoroughbred Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and as such, all sponsorships and/or other donations made to the art show are tax-deductible. All exhibited artwork is offered for sale and a portion of the proceeds supports the many beneficent programs that are funded by the Washington Thoroughbred Foundation.

To see more of the winning pieces or for more information, please visit [thoroughbredfoundation.org](http://thoroughbredfoundation.org).



*Loves Gaze,* by Caly Albery, 1st place, El Dorado  
Farms Intermediate Division.



*Striking  
Gold,*  
by Jean  
Requa  
Lubin,  
1st place,  
The  
Campbell  
Award for  
Oil.



7 Second Ride,  
by Katrina  
Kuivinen, 1st  
place, Jean  
G. Barclay  
Memorial  
Award for  
Pastel and  
Drawing.



Grounded,  
by Dana  
Michaels,  
Equine  
Art Purse  
Trophy  
Purchase  
Award.



Stallion Spin (left),  
by Kristy Batie,  
1st place, Makors  
Finale Award for  
Photography.

Idahorses (below),  
by Robert Sweet,  
1st place, Gordy  
& Connie Jarnig  
Award for Digital  
Art.



<b>ANGIE CROCKETT MEMORIAL BEST IN SHOW AWARD</b>			
Janice Hoagland	Mom and Her Frolicking Filly		\$500
<b>BUD &amp; PAT HALLOWELL MEMORIAL PUBLICATION AWARD</b>			
M. Schossow Schumaker	Mare and Foal		\$500
<i>(plus publication on a cover of Washington Thoroughbred magazine)</i>			
<b>EQUINE ART PURSE TROPHY PURCHASE AWARD</b>			
<b>in memory of Vivian F. McMurry</b>			
Dana Michaels	Grounded		\$250
<b>EQUINE ART COMMITTEE POSTER AWARD</b>			
<i>(for publication on 2019 art show poster)</i>			
Kathy Meyers	Move to Spring Pasture		\$100
Kari Nanstad	Racing Colors		\$100
Celene Ryan	The Saddle		\$100
<b>PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD</b>			
Barbara Meeking	Sturdy Friends	Commemorative Ribbon	
<b>ADULT DIVISION</b>			
<b>The Campbell Award for Oil</b>			
1st Place	Jean Requa Lubin	Striking Gold	\$200
2nd Place	Judy Ryan	Old Friend	\$150
3rd Place	Elena Eros	The Winner	\$100
Hon. Mention	Hilma Josal	Dark Eye Log	\$50
<b>Dr. Donald &amp; Beverly Turner and Phil &amp; Sarah Saitta Award for Acrylic</b>			
1st Place	Sema Cohen	Two Best Friends	\$200
2nd Place	Kathy Meyers	Move to Spring Pastures	\$150
3rd Place	Rosalie Thun	Morning Expectations	\$100
Hon. Mention	Carl Williams	A Quarter to Go	\$50
<b>Vivian F. McMurry Memorial Award for Watercolor</b>			
1st Place	Celene Ryan	The Saddle	\$200
2nd Place	M. Schossow Schumaker	First Pony	\$150
3rd Place	Ellen Grove	Race Day	\$100
Hon. Mention	Tara Choate	At the River	\$50
<b>Doctor Pav Award for Mixed Media</b>			
1st Place	Rosalie Thun	At the Barn	\$200
2nd Place	M. Schossow Schumaker	Running with Ancestors	\$150
3rd Place	Jean Hamilton	Big Winner	\$100
Hon. Mention	Karen Leback	BFF	\$50
<b>Jean G. Barclay Memorial Award for Pastel and Drawing</b>			
1st Place	Katrina Kuivinen	7 Second Ride	\$200
2nd Place	Jeanne Hamilton	Waiting in the Wings	\$150
3rd Place	Debra Cepeda	At Days End	\$100
Hon. Mention	Cindy Baij	The Ghost	\$50
<b>Oak Crest Farm (Jack &amp; Theresa Hodge) Award for Sculpture</b>			
1st Place	Colleen Cotey	Equine Fetus in Womb	\$200
2nd Place	Mindy Colton	Equus Enchanted	\$150
3rd Place	Dana Michaels	Grounded	\$100
Hon. Mention	Randee Crisman	Get Up & Go	\$50
<b>David L. Parks Memorial Award for Objet d'Art</b>			
1st Place	Diane Frederick	Fleet Trio	\$200
2nd Place	Jack Hood	Shoe Art	\$150
3rd Place	Diane Frederick	Racing/Dreams	\$100
Hon. Mention	Susie Heuscher	Running Horse Jar	\$50
<b>Makors Finale Award for Photography</b>			
<b>in memory of Duane Hamamura</b>			
1st Place	Kristy Batie	Stallion Spin	\$200
2nd Place	Tim Bradley	Turn Four Dash	\$150
3rd Place	Liz Bookamer	Discover the Joy	\$100
Hon. Mention	Michael Astudillo	Two Tone	\$50
<b>Gordy &amp; Connie Jarnig Award for Digital</b>			
1st Place	Robert Sweet	Idahorses	\$200
2nd Place	Kristy Batie	Bring Up the Dust	\$150
3rd Place	Tim Bradley	Dawn Run	\$100
Hon. Mention	Cheri Wicklund	Majestuoso	\$50
<b>YOUTH DIVISIONS</b>			
<b>El Dorado Farms Intermediate Division Award (13 to 18 years)</b>			
1st Place	Caly Albery	Loves Gaze	\$100
2nd Place	Morgan Leback	Gentle Soul	\$75
3rd Place	Wendy Ayala	Look for the Horse in the Raindrops	\$50
Hon. Mention	Caly Albery	Gypsy Blue	\$25
<b>Griffin Place Pre-teen/Children's Division Award (12 and under)</b>			
1st Place	Bella Gonzales	Hickory Hills by the Sea	\$50
2nd Place	Monica Guzman	Mom and Me	\$35
3rd Place	Camryn Duty	My Beautiful Bay	\$20
Hon. Mention	Alexis Christenson, Eric Romero Escovar, Bella Gonzales, Daniel Zakar Iyaka, Taylor Mozee, Nedra Lynn Ryder, Riley Sheasley, Paulina Vasquez		\$5 ea.



*At the Barn, by Rosalie Thun, 1st place, Doctor Pav Award for Mixed Media.*



*Equine Fetus in Womb, by Colleen Cotey, 1st place, Oak Crest Farm (Jack & Theresa Hodge) Award for Sculpture.*



*Fleet Trio, by Diane Frederick, 1st place, David L. Parks Memorial Award for Objet d'Art.*

## Meet the Equine Art Show Judges



**Jacquie Adams**, whose family originated in the farm country of Illinois, manifested a love for horses at a very young age. This passion led to a lifetime of involvement in the world of equine photography, art, jewelry, crafting,

show jumpers and the Thoroughbred racing and breeding industry. Since retiring, she has enjoyed spending time with her dog Pumpkin in the sport of nosework.



**Sharon Ross** grew up on the East Coast and attended Western Maryland College. She graduated in 1979 Magna Cum Laude with a degree in art history and studio art. She and husband Larry were married right after graduation. They

spent their honeymoon camping across Canada and in the fall decided to stay on the West Coast.

They got jobs with Bill and Barbara Nelson at their Gunshy Manor and in 1980 went to Longacres Racetrack, where they worked for trainers Martin Kenny and Craig Roberts before going out on their own.

Jerry and Gail Schneider, along with Dave and Pauline Simpson, were their first clients. Among the many stakes winners they've trained are Longacres Mile winners Chum Salmon and Stryker Phd.

The Rosses bought Sunfall Farm, which is adjacent to the Schneiders' Riverbend Farm, in 1984. Sharon designed the house and has enjoyed decorating it with racing artwork and memorabilia.



**Lavonne and George Hoivik** are established artists residing in Tacoma.

Lavonne received her BA from WSU. George graduated from WSU with degrees in Industrial Art and Education. Both later attended Tacoma Community College where they studied sculpture – bronze, stone, clay and wood.

The couple have won numerous awards since 2001 and have had numerous commissioned public art pieces.

Among the couple's joint commissions: City of Tacoma art piece for the NE Tacoma Police Substation (a bronze Native American figure, dressed in cedar bark clothing installed on a large boulder in front of the building); City of University Place (an art piece mounted on the Bridgeport Way Leach Creek Bridge in which various stages of the life cycle of salmon are depicted in bronze and then mounted on a recycled wooden beam); and a six-foot diameter bronze compass for the entry plaza of the new Civic Center for the City of Gig Harbor. ■

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**Jackwain**, b. g. by Kafwain—Music and Me, by Thunder Gulch. Bred by Nina M. and Ronald A. Hagen. Owned by Tim Bankers. Trainer: Manuel Ortiz Sr. Jockey: Erick Lopez. 5 furlongs in :59.25. Track fast. Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 6/3. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus.**



**Sunshine Emily**, ch. f. by Sixthirteen—Roar Baby Roar, by Roar. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owned by R. E. V. Racing and Lucarelli Racing Corp. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. Jockey: Austin Solis. 4 1/2 furlongs in :51.87. Track fast. Earned \$7,480. Mdn. Cl. \$25,000. 6/16. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$1,000 Bonus.**



**Baja Sur**, b. g., by Smiling Tiger—Premo Copy, by Supremo. Bred by John Roche. Owned by John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Farm. Trainer: Blaine Wright. Jockey: Erick Lopez. 5 furlongs in :57.56. Track fast. Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 6/17. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus.**



**Money Inthe Starrs**, dk.b./br. f. by Abraaj—Our Monstarr, by Demons Begone. Bred by Connie Lynn Belshay. Owned by Mark Dedomenico LLC. Trainer: Michael Puhich. Jockey: Javier Matias. 5 furlongs in :57.82. Track fast. Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 6/30. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus.**



**My Grandpa**, gr./ro. g., by Grazen—Creole Delights, by Bertrando. Bred by Prisco and Elizabeth Vacca. Owned by Ron Crockett Inc. Trainer: Tom Wenzel. Jockey: Rocco Bowen. 5 furlongs in :57.89. Track fast. Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 6/30. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus.**



**Lorelie G**, ch. f., by Harbor the Gold—Gilmore Girl, by Matty G. Bred and owned by Dr. Rodney E. Orr. Trainer: Steve Bullock. Jockey: Julien Couton. 4 1/2 furlongs in :52.13. Track fast. Earned \$7,480. Mdn. Cl. \$25,000. 7/1. **WTBOA Homebred Incentive Program (WHIP) \$1,000 Bonus.**



**Bellamagic**, dk.b./br. f. by Demon Warlock—Bella Cavalia, by Cahill Road. Bred by Horseplayers Racing Club, Warlock Stables and Mel Hudson. Owned by Horseplayers Racing Club #277 and Warlock Stables. Trainer: Tim McCanna. Jockey: Eswan Flores. 5 furlongs in 59.98. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$15,000. 7/21.



**Fleet Marie**, dk.b./br. f. by Papa Clem—Crowning Camilla, by Formal Dinner. Bred by Ron McCormick and Ron and Nina Hagen. Owned by Q Stable and Craig Fredrickson. Trainer: Bonnie Jenne. Jockey: Gary Wales. 4 1/2 furlongs in :52.24. Track fast. Earned \$7,480. Mdn. Cl. \$25,000. 7/21. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$1,000 Bonus.**



**Fuzzy Dolphin**, gr./ro. g. by Harbor the Gold—Silver City Lilly, by Tiffany Ice. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owned by JK Racing. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. Jockey: Kevin Orozco. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:05.46. Track fast. Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 7/21. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus.**

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**Mystic Beauty**, ch. f. by Atta Boy Roy—Artic Mist, by Son of Briartic. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Owned by Bonnie L. Baze and Mort Robbins. Trainer: Robert Baze. Jockey: Julien Couton. 5 furlongs in 1:00.19. Track fast. Earned \$4,290. Mdn. Cl. \$8,000. 8/3. **WTBOA Sales**.



**A littlestalk**, b. f. by Demon Warlock—Trainingat the Bar, by Valid Wager. Bred by Warlock Stables, A. Floyd, K. Dougan, M. Hudson and Horseplayers Racing Club. Owned by Warlock Stables, Kelly Dougan and Ya Killing Me LLC. Trainer: Roddina Barrett. Jockey: Eswan Flores. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:05.40. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$15,000. 8/4. **WTBOA Sales**.



**This Great Nation**, b. g., by Nationhood—Great Mom, by Pioneerof the Nile. Bred by Connie Belshay. Owned by Art McFadden. Trainer: Felimon Alvarado. Jockey: Erick Lopez. 6 furlongs in 1:10.84. Track fast. Earned \$23,100. WTBOA Lads S. 8/12. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus**.



**Bluegrass Lily**, dk.b./br. f. by Bluegrass Cat—Irene's Bonus Baby, by Free At Last. Bred by Ronald A. and Nina M. Hagen. Owned by B K L R Stable and Estate of Del Kelly. Trainer: Roy Lumm. Jockey: Eswan Flores. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:05.18. Track fast. Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 8/18. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus**.



**Sleet Afleet**, b. g. by Atta Boy Roy—Sugar Sleet, by Seattle Sleet. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wulff. Owned by Rising Star Stable III. Trainer: Howard Belvoir. Jockey: Kevin Orozco. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:05.01. Track fast. Mdn. Cl. \$15,000. 8/18. **WTBOA Sales**.



**Emily's Gold**, ch. g. by Harbor the Gold—Our Henny Penny, by Henny Hughes. Bred by Barbara Eakin and Shelly Nance. Owned by R. E. V. Racing. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. Jockey: Austin Solis. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:04.29. Track fast. Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 8/19. **WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) \$2,500 Bonus**.



**So Figure It Out**, dk.b./br. f. by Atta Boy Roy—Delete the Browser, by Delineator. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Owned by Homestretch Farms Inc. Trainer: Kay Cooper. Jockey: Kevin Orozco. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:05.01. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$15,000, 8/19.



**Sadie Sue**, dk.b./br. f. by Sixteenth—Barbara O'Brien, by Elish. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owned by Ron Crockett Inc. Trainer: Terry Gillihan. Jockey: Eswan Flores. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:05.30. Track fast. Earned \$4,290. Mdn. Cl. \$8,000. 8/24. **WTBOA Sales**.



**Cats Touch**, dk.b./br. g. by Parker's Storm Cat—Holy Rose, by Touch Gold. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Elwin F. Gibson. Owned and trained by Alan Bozell. Jockey: Jose Zunino. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:05.41. Track fast. Earned \$4,290. Mdn. Cl. \$8,000. 8/26.

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**Imagetminz**, dk.b./br. f. by Harbor the Gold—Jackie's Blingin', by Bertrando. Bred by Tom Grether Farms. Owned by Blaine D. Wright Racing Stables LLC. Trainer: Blaine Wright. Jockey: Julien Couton. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:06.24. Track fast. Earned \$4,290. Mdn. Cl. \$8,000. 9/7. **WTBOA Sales.**



**Rocket Power**, dk.b./br. g. by War Power—Bramalea, by Aldebaran. Bred by Roger J. Hoff. Owned by Jack G. Arnold and Charles D. Essex. Trainer: Charles Essex. Jockey: Rocco Bowen. 6 furlongs in 1:10.51. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$15,000. 9/15.



**Coastal Reign**, b. f. by Coast Guard—Georgetta, by Grindstone. Bred and owned by Les Lynd. Trainer: Alan Bozell. Jockey: Kevin Orozco. 5 furlongs in 58.66. Track fast. Earned \$4,290. Mdn. Cl. \$8,000. 9/21.



**Verynsky**, b. g. by Vronsky—In Vitro, by Demon Warlock. Bred by Tim A. Floyd, James Broussard and Horseplayers Racing Club. Owned by Warlock Stables, Ken Matthews and Roddina A. Barrett. Trainer: Roddina Barrett. Jockey: Patrick Henry Jr. 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:03.66. Track fast. Earned \$4,290. Mdn. Cl. \$8,000. 9/23. **WTBOA Sales.**

## 2018 WTBOA Homebred Incentive Program (WHIP) Bonus Winner



**R**on Crockett Inc.'s homebred Lobaness, a three-year-old Washington-bred gelding by Lucky Pulpit and the first foal out of Crockett's 2012 Belle Roberts Stakes winner Cielator, by Delineator, won a \$25,000 maiden claiming race at Emerald Downs on September 23. With his two-length tally in the 6 1/2-furlong race, the Tom Wenzel trainee earned a **\$1,000 WTBOA Homebred Incentive Program (WHIP) bonus.**

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# Stakes Winners *Washington-bred, WTBOA-sold and/or at Emerald Downs*

## AIKMAN JULIET



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**BARBARA SHINPOCH STAKES**, Emerald Downs, August 12, \$50,000 (\$58,500) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old fillies, six furlongs, 1:10.47, track fast.

**AIKMAN JULIET**, 115, Comic Strip—Roman Juliet, by Roman Dancer (Id)

..... Harry Bettis and Paul Treasure \$30,250  
**Twirling Devon**, 115, Twirling Candy—Just Say Hey, by Rockport Harbor (Fl) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Tim Bankers \$11,000

**Northwest Factor**, 119, The Factor—East Side Charley, by Mr. Greeley (Ky) **WTBOA Sales**

..... How We Roll #4 \$8,250

Margins: 2 3/4, 1, 1 1/2. Also started: Senoradiablo 119 (\$4,125), Money Inthe Stars 119 (\$1,375), Lady Campbell 117 (\$500), Slingshot Mistress 116 (\$500), Sunshine Emily 117 \$500), Fleet Marie 118 (\$500), Divine Dharma 116 (\$500), Probability of Pie 118 (\$500), Invite Me 118 (\$500). Trained by Paul Treasure. Bred by Paul Treasure and Harry Bettis. Ridden by Anne Sanguinetti.

Roberto, by Hail to Reason  
 Red Ransom  
 Arabia, by Damascus

### Comic Strip

Saratoga Six, by Alydar  
 Now That's Funny  
 Tropical Cream, by Creme dela Creme

Polish Numbers, by Danzig  
 Roman Dancer  
 Phalanopsis, by Cormorant

### Roman Juliet

Rahy, by Blushing Groom (Fr)  
 Rahy's Song  
 Really Gone, by Gone West

**RACE RECORD**: 2 wins in 3 starts at 2, \$51,105. Also 2nd Angie C. S.

**SIRE: COMIC STRIP** (1995), by Red Ransom. **G3** SW, 10 wins, 2 to 4, \$965,474. Deceased. Stood in California

### 1st DAM

**ROMAN JULIET** (2007), by Roman Dancer. Unraced. Dam of 2 other named foals of racing age, including **ROMAN BOOS** (g. by Boos, 6 wins, 3 to 6, 2018, \$45,479, Wyoming Downs Thoroughbred Derby, 3rd Chris Christian Futurity).

### 2nd DAM

**RAHY'S SONG** (2000), by Rahy. Winner at 4, \$16,455. Half-sister to **Gracie's Gem** (\$126,030). 1 other foal, 1 starter, 1 winner.

Idaho horsemen Harry Bettis and trainer Paul Treasure's homebred juvenile filly Aikman Juliet impressively won her first start – a maiden special weight race at Emerald Downs on June 16 – by 5 3/4 lengths in a gate-to-wire effort. Finishing

second in that five-furlong race was Northwest Factor, who would take the July 15 Angie C. Stakes by three-quarters of a length over the Idaho-bred filly.

In the two runners' third meeting, Aikman Juliet – as the 13-to-five favorite – won the Barbara Shinpoch Stakes by nearly three lengths with second choice Northwest Factor finishing third. Twirling Devon, who had won a maiden/\$30,000 optional claiming (N) race at Turf Paradise by 3 1/2 lengths in early May, was sandwiched between them. Aikman Juliet's winning time of 1:10.47 in the Shinpoch was nearly two ticks faster than the colts ran the WTBOA Lads Stakes on the same card.

Aikman Juliet was sired by three-time Grade 3 stakes winner Comic Strip, a \$965,474 earning grandson of Epsom Derby (G1) winner and influential sire Roberto. A half-brother to multiple European highweight Lucayan Prince and two other stakes winners, Comic Strip stood in California until his death in 2017. Among the stakes winners he sired was Dominican Republic champion imported sprinter Bamboleo.

Roman Juliet, the unraced dam of Aikman Juliet, is also the dam of \$45,479 earner Roman Boos, a 2012 son of Boos who won the Wyoming Downs Thoroughbred Derby in 2015. Roman Juliet produced a full brother to that winner, named Distinguished, in 2017.

Aikman Juliet's third dam, the 1994 Gone West mare Really Gone, produced four winners, including \$126,030 Louisiana Downs stakes-placed Gracie's Gem.

## BAJA SUR



Wayne Negat

**KING COUNTY EXPRESS STAKES**, Emerald Downs, July 15, \$50,000 (\$45,000) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old colts and geldings, 5 1/2 furlongs, 1:03.13, track fast.

**BAJA SUR**, 120, g., Smiling Tiger—Premo Copy, by Supremo (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..... John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Farm \$24,475

**Verynsky**, 118, g., Vronsky—In Vitro, by Demon Warlock (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..... Warlock Stables, Ken Matthews and Roddina A. Barrett \$8,900

**Sky Confidential**, 118, c., Sky Mesa—My Dear Lady (Arg), by Mutakdim (Ky).....David Matsumoto \$6,675

Margins: 10 1/2, 3 1/4, 2 1/4. Also started: This Great Nation 119 (\$3,338), Az Dreamer 118 (\$1,112), Jack Van Berg 119 (\$500). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by John Roche. Ridden by Erick Lopez.

Storm Cat, by Storm Bird  
 Hold That Tiger  
 Beware of the Cat, by Caveat

**Smiling Tiger**  
 Cahill Road, by Fappiano  
 Shandra Smiles  
 Beyond the Storm, by Great Above  
 Gone West, by Mr. Prospector

Supremo  
 Personal Glory, by Danzig

**Premo Copy**  
 Staff Writer, by Northern Dancer  
 Soft Copy  
 Castinette, by Captain Courageous

**RACE RECORD**: 2 wins in 2 starts at 2, \$34,650.

**SIRE: SMILING TIGER** (2007), by Hold That Tiger. **G1** SW, 9 wins, 2 to 5, \$1,480,704. Stands in California.

### 1st DAM

**PREMO COPY** (1999), by Supremo. 5 wins, 2 to 4, \$134,635. John and Kitty Fletcher Memorial S-R, 2nd Washington Breeders' Cup Oaks, etc. Dam of 8 other foals, 7 starters, all winners, including **CASTINETTE DANCER** (f. by Ministers Wildcat, 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$219,164, Washington champion 3-year-old filly, Boulevard Casino S., Emerald Downs S., etc.), **SEATTLE'S BEST COPY** (f. by Demon Warlock, 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$73,720, Northwest Farms S.-R).

### 2nd DAM

**SOFT COPY** (1984), by Staff Writer. 11 wins, 2 to 5, \$313,156, Washington champion 3-year-old, Bay Meadows Oaks, Alki H., Sacajawea H., etc. 8 other foals, all winners, including **RUN A COPY** (4 wins in 8 starts at 3 and 4, \$80,050, Ropersandwranglers S., etc.; producer; granddam of **Kota Copy**, 4 wins to 4, 2018, \$39,297, 2nd Willamette River S., etc.), **Dianne Do** (5 wins, \$94,540, 3rd California State Fair Sprint H.), **Ei Copia** (3 wins, \$33,289, 3rd WTBA Lassie S., etc.).

The \$67,000 2017 WTBOA Sale toppler, Baja Sur is now the third stakes winner produced out of his stakes-winning dam Premo Copy after his 10 1/2-length score in the King County Express Stakes. Chart notes indicate that he was the "easiest of winners." He had won his first outing, a five-furlong maiden special weight race on June 18, by exactly half that margin.

Baja Sur is from the second crop of multiple Grade 1 winner Smiling Tiger, who was California's 2017 leading freshman sire and currently ranks first among the state's second crop sires with \$1,189,383 (through September 27). Baja Sur is his fourth stakes winner, which also includes 2018 Seattle Stakes winner Ima Happy Cat and 2017 Oregon champion two-year-old male Grinning Tiger.

Himself a star WTBOA Sale graduate, Smiling Tiger earned nearly \$1.5-million. He stood the 2018 breeding season at Harris Farms in Coalinga for a \$6,500 fee.

Baja Sur was bred by longtime Washington horseman John Roche of Yakima. Roche also bred and raced Premo Copy and raced her dam, 1987 Washington champion three-year-old Soft Copy, who he had purchased for \$4,200 as a yearling at the 1985 WTBOA Winter Mixed Sale.

Soft Copy, a \$313,153 earner who won seven stakes and placed in nine others, including a third in the Grade 2 Del Mar Debutante Stakes, was one of six state

champions sired by three-time leading Washington sire Staff Writer.

Soft Copy's dam, the twice Longacres stakes-placed Captain Courageous mare Castinette, was one six winners out of Ancient Prophecy, a daughter of 1953 Kentucky Derby winner Dark Star, the runner who had spoiled champion and future major sire Native Dancer's unbeaten record. Ancient Prophecy's dam Mysterious East was a full sister to "The Dancer."

Premo Copy won the restricted John and Kitty Fletcher Stakes and placed in two other Emerald Downs stakes as a three-year-old. She is a half-sister to 2001 Ropersandwranglers Stakes winner Run a Copy and additional stakes-placed distaffers Dianne Do and El Copia.

From her nine foals, Premo Copy has produced eight starters, all of which have returned to the winner's circle. Her first stakes winner was Castinette Dancer, a daughter of Ministers Wild Cat who was named Washington's 2011 champion three-year-old filly. A winner of a trio of stakes at Hastings Racecourse, she also placed in nine additional stakes while running at the Vancouver track, Emerald Downs and Northlands Park en route to earnings of \$219,164.

A likely candidate for 2018 Washington broodmare of the year honors, Premo Copy's second stakes winner was 2014 Northwest Farms Stakes winner Seattles Best Copy, a daughter of Demon Warlock who earned \$73,720.

## BARKLEY



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**LONGACRES MILE HANDICAP-G3**, Emerald Downs, August 12, \$200,000g (\$200,000), three-year-olds and up, mile, 1:34.93, track fast.

**BARKLEY** (2013), h., 120, Munnings—Numero d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro (Ky)

..... Rising Star Stable III \$108,900  
**Alert Bay** (2011), g., 121, City Zip—Hickory (Chi), by Dushyantor (Ca)..... Peter Redekop BC Ltd. \$39,600  
**Oh Marvelous Me** (2012), g., 117, Bluegrass Cat—Morakami, by Fusaichi Pegasus (Ky) **WTBOA Sales** ..... Todd and Shawn Hansen \$29,700

Margin: 1 1/2, 1 1/4, 3 1/4. Also started: Mach One Rules 119 (\$14,850), Kaabraaj 118 (\$4,950), Conquest Windycity 118 (\$2,000). Trained by Howard Belvoir. Bred by Candy Meadows LLC. Ridden by Javier Matias.



Gone West, by Mr. Prospector  
 Speightstown  
 Silken Cat, by Storm Cat

**Munnings**  
 Holy Bull, by Great Above  
 La Comele  
 La Gueriere, by Lord At War (Arg)

El Prado (Ire), by Sadler's Wells  
 Medaglia d'Oro  
 Cappucino Bay, by Bailjumper

**Numero d'Oro**  
 Afleet, by Mr. Prospector  
 Numero Uno  
 Line Pavene (Fr), by Caro (Ire)

**RACE RECORD:** 9 wins in 17 starts, 2 to 5, \$351,800. Also: won Emerald Express S., Auburn H., Coca-Cola S., Seattle Slew S., Governor's S.; 2nd Emerald Downs Derby, Governor's S., Mt. Rainier S.; 3rd Mt. Rainier S.

**SIRE: MUNNINGS** (2006), by Speightstown. **G2** SW, 5 wins, 2 to 4. \$742,640. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**  
 NUMERO D'ORO (2008), by Medaglia d'Oro. Unraced. Dam of 2 other foals, 1 starter, 1 winner.

**2nd DAM**  
 NUMERO UNO (1994), by Afleet. 5 wins, 3 to 5, \$244,795. Hollywood Wildcat S. (R), etc. Half-sister to **Beeberge** (in France). 6 other foals, all winners, including **Ice Lady** (\$77,677, 3rd Cortre Madera S.), **One Dixie** (6 wins in 10 starts, 3 to 5, \$73,275, 2nd Pepper Oak Farm S.-R). Granddam of **IVY BELL** (5 wins to 5, 2018, \$584,087, Inside Information S.-G2, etc.), **Mannford** (3 wins, \$107,005, 2nd Kip Deville S.).

Though his victory in the Longacres Mile may have been his first stakes win of the year, Barkley has been highly successful in his four seasons around the Emerald Downs oval. It all began as a juvenile when he was unbeaten in his only two starts, which included a victory over future 2017 Longacres Mile winner Gold Rush Dancer in the Emerald Express Stakes.

At three Barkley won his next four starts, led by tallies in the Auburn Handicap and Coca-Cola and Seattle Slew stakes, before going down by a head to Opportunistic in the Emerald Downs Derby. (Opportunistic's most recent win came in a \$12,500 claiming race at Emerald on September 7.)

In Barkley's five starts as a four-year-old he seemed to be tailing off a bit, though he did take the Governor's Stakes by a head over his toughest competitor (Mach One Rules), finish third in the Mt. Rainier Stakes and came up fourth in both the 2017 Mile and Budweiser Stakes.

His 2018 campaign began with a victory over Washington champions Mach One Rules and So Lucky in an allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming (N) race on May 13. It was followed by a second in the Governor's Stakes, a fourth in the Budweiser Stakes and another runner-up finish in the Mt. Rainier Stakes before he went off as second betting choice (\$2.70-to-one) to favorite Alert Bay in the 83rd running of the tradition-rich Longacres Mile.

Breaking from post position three, Barkley was positioned off the pace of the early leaders before being angled out in the stretch. He, Alert Bay and eventual third place finisher Oh Marvelous Me battled head-to-head in the stretch before Barkley drew clear in the final yards to win by 1 1/2 lengths, a rather hefty margin for a runner who frequently wins by a nose or a head.

The popular chestnut runs in the black and red colors of Rising Star Stable III, which consists of

a group of 18 enthusiastic horsemen led by Vicki Potter and now three-time Mile-winning trainer Howard Belvoir.

Barkley is one of seven 2018 stakes winners sired by Munnings, including fellow Grade 3 winners Chief Cicatriz and Om. A Grade 2 stakes-winning son of champion sprinter Speightstown, Munnings has sired 27 stakes winners and the earners of over \$19.7-million in his first five crops of racing age. The blaze-faced chestnut stallion stood for a \$25,000 fee in 2018 at Ashford Stud in Versailles, Kentucky.

## DONTKISSNTELL



Wayne Nagai

**WA CUP SOPHOMORE FILLY STAKES**, Emerald Downs, August 26, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old fillies, Washington-bred and/or -sired or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, mile, 1:36.60, track fast.

**DONTKISSNTELL**, 118, Rosberg—Low Key Affair, by Vying Victor (BC).....Karl Krieg \$28,200  
**Brilliant Bird**, 119, Einstein (Brz)—Clever Bird, by Awesome Again (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Ron Crockett Inc. \$10,250

**Spot On**, 118, Nationhood—Sudden Departure, by Demons Begone (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Blue Ribbon Racing #16 \$7,700

Margins: 3, 12 3/4, 2. Also started: Jupiter S. 118 (\$3,850). Trained by Tom Wenzel. Bred by Wendy Kruger. Ridden by Rocco Bowen.

Seattle Slew, by Bold Reasoning  
 A.P. Indy  
 Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat

**Rosberg**  
 Woodman, by Mr. Prospector  
 Bosra Sham  
 Korveya, by Riverman

Flying Paster, by Gummo  
 Vying Victor  
 Elegant Victress, by Sir Ivor

**Low Key Affair**  
 Icecapade, by Nearctic  
 Icy Trina  
 Patrina, by Olympia

**RACE RECORD:** 2 wins at 3, \$49,348. Also: 2nd Arizona Juvenile Fillies S.

**SIRE: ROSBERG** (2001), by A. P. Indy. **G3** SW, 2 wins at 2 and 6 in North America; 3 wins at 5 and 6 in United Arab Emirates. Total earnings: \$248,060. Deceased. Stood in British Columbia.

**1st DAM**  
**Low Key Affair** (2000), by Vying Victor. 5 wins at 3 and 6, \$172,459, 3rd Rose City S.-R. Dam of 5 other foals, 3 starters, all winners, including **DONTTELL-MYHUSBAND** (f. by Rosberg, 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$55,568, HBPA Claiming Championship S., 3rd Sadie Diamond Futurity-R).

**2nd DAM**  
 ICY TRINA (1979), by Icecapade. Winner at 2, \$1,513. Half-sister to **Comfrey** (9 wins, \$65,584, 3rd Alligator S.). 9 other named foals, 8 starters,

7 winners, including **MISSY GOOD** (15 wins, \$147,93, Blue Bonnet S.-R, etc.), **Handsome Barry** (8 wins, \$102,143, 2nd Gone With the Wind H.-R).

British Columbia-bred Dontkissntell is the second stakes-winning daughter of Rosberg raced by Oak Harbor resident Karl Krieg. His first was his homebred three-time Washington champion Lady Rosberg, who was her sire's leading money earner in 2015 with \$126,400 of his \$780,557 total.

Dontkissntell began her race career at Turf Paradise last December under the care of trainer Valerie Lund, for whom she made three starts at the Arizona track with the best being her second place finish in the 6 1/2-furlong Arizona Juvenile Fillies Stakes on December 30.

Sent north to trainer Tom Wenzel's barn at Emerald Downs, Dontkissntell went gate-to-wire to win a 6 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race by 6 1/4 lengths in her first outing around the Auburn oval. She next finished second to Brilliant Bird in an allowance/\$32,000 optional claiming (N) race before her third Emerald test in the WA Cup Sophomore Filly Stakes.

Two weeks after her victory in the WA Cup Sophomore Filly race, Dontkissntell ran second in the WA Cup Filly and Mare Stakes, a 1 1/16-mile event, to five-year-old Fly Far Away and added \$9,000 to her earnings.

Rosberg won a Santa Anita maiden special weight race at two before being sent to Dubai where he recorded wins in handicap races at Jebel Ali and Nad Al Sheba. Rosberg returned to North America in 2009 and his final win came in the Grade 3 Premier's Stakes at Hastings Racecourse.

The well-bred son of Horse of the Year and leading sire A. P. Indy and European champion three-year-old filly and multiple highweight Bosra Sham (a full sister to European highweight, French classic winner and top sire Hector Protector and half-sister to French classic winner Shanghai) was a highly desirable addition to the British Columbia sire ranks. Rosberg was the third ranked first crop sire in Canada when his initial foals reached the races in 2012. He was the third leading second crop sire in Canada the following year and was ranked second among Canada's third crop sires in 2014, which was unfortunately the year he died.

Also a leading sire in British Columbia, among his many stakes winners is BC champion Lord Rosberg. Through August 28, 2018, his runners had earned over \$4.2-million.

Dontkissntell is one of two stakes winners and four winners produced out of Low Key Affair, a daughter of leading BC stallion Vying Victor, who placed in the 2004 Rose City Stakes at Fort Erie.

Her second dam, the 1979 Icecapade filly Icy Trina, won a maiden special weight race at Santa Fe Downs in her initial start at two. She was one of six winners out of the Olympia mare Patrina, a half-sister to the multiple stakes-winning Bull Lea-sired full brothers Capeador and Picador, and to Kudu, an unraced son of Swaps who stood in Washington.



## FLY FAR AWAY



Wayne Nigant

**WA CUP FILLY AND MARE STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 9, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old and up, fillies and mares, Washington-bred and/or -sired or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, 1 1/16 miles, 1:43.06, track fast.

**FLY FAR AWAY**, (2013), 118, Pleasantly Perfect—Maytown Misstree, by Country Light (Wa)  
 .....Todd and Shawn Hansen \$24,750  
**Dontkissntell** (2015), 119, Rosberg—Low Key Affair, by Vying Victor (BC) .....Karl Krieg \$9,000  
**Gazing** (2014), 120, Harbor the Gold—Light My Ducks, by Basket Weave (Wa)  
 .....William Sanderman \$6,750

Margins: 1 1/4, 1, 1. Also started: Guardian One 118 (\$3,375), Brilliant Bird 119 (\$1,125), No Talking Back 120 (\$1,000), Exit Sixty Slew 117 (\$1,000), Sailingforthesun 119 (\$1,000), Tomorrow's Mine 117 (\$1,000), I Double Dare You 118 (\$1,000). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by Todd and Shawn Hansen. Ridden by Austin Solis.

His Majesty, by \*Ribot  
 Pleasant Colony  
 Sun Colony, by Sunrise Flight  
**Pleasantly Perfect**  
 Affirmed, by Exclusive Native  
 Regal State  
 La Trinite (Fr), by Lyphard  
 Majestic Light, by Majestic Prince  
 Country Light  
 Harbor Flag, by Hoist the Flag  
**Maytown Misstree**  
 Staff Writer, by Northern Dancer  
 Anna Mia  
 Filly Will Fight, by Watch Your Step

**RACE RECORD:** 4 wins at 2 and 5, \$74,883.

**SIRE: PLEASANTLY PERFECT** (1998), by Pleasant Colony. **G1** SW, 8 wins, 4 to 6, in North America, \$4,189,880: **G1** SW, winner at 6 in UAE, champion older male, \$3,600,000. Stands in Turkey.

**1st DAM**  
**MAYTOWN MISSTREE** (1996), by Country Light. 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$115,444. Dam of 6 other named foals, 5 starters, 3 winners, including **R W Dusty's Girl** (f. by Swiss Yodeler, 13 wins, 3 to 8, \$55,026, 2nd Lady's Secret S., etc.)

**2nd DAM**  
**ANNA MIA** (1987), by Staff Writer. Unraced. Half-sister to **RED WIND** (16 wins, \$100,575, Washington champion older horse, Longacres Mile H., Independence Day H.-twice, etc.), **KRISTI ANNITI** (2 wins, \$18,670, Washington Stallion S.-R), **Philandria** (6 wins, \$47,981, 2nd Mike Donohoe Memorial, 3rd San Francisco S., etc.). 4 other foals, all winners.

After winning a \$12,500 maiden claiming race by 7 1/4 lengths in her second race at two, Fly Far Away consistently finished in the money – including a fourth in the WA Cup Three Year Old Filly Stakes – but didn't hit her winning stride again until this year. In her seven starts in 2018, Todd and Shawn

Hansen's homebred mare has had three wins, two seconds and a third. After taking \$25,000 waiver claiming races in May and July at Emerald Downs, Fly Far Away finished second by a head to multiple stakes winner B C Z Middleton in an allowance/\$40,000 optional claiming race on August 13, but ahead of stakes winners Exit Sixty Slew and Ima Happy Cat.

Next on her agenda was her second attempt in a WA Cup stakes, this time in the WA Cup Filly and Mare Stakes (which the Hansens had also won with their Washington champion Ethan's Baby in 2016). After racing mid-pack until approaching the stretch, Fly Far Away defeated 2018 WA Cup Sophomore Filly Stakes winner Dontkissntell by 1 1/4 lengths and gave her rider Austin Solis his first stakes win. The win also gave winning trainer Blaine Wright an improbable sweep of all five of the 2018 Emerald older filly and mare stakes, each with a different horse.

Fly Far Away finished her Emerald season with a third place finish in the Fan Appreciation Overnight Stakes on the meet's closing card.

Fly Far Away is the final foal out of Maytown Misstree, who had been purchased by the Hansens – who own and operate Scatter Creek Training Center in Tenino – for \$8,500 as a yearling out of the 1997 WTBOA Winter Mixed Sale from her breeders Dr. and Mrs. Alex Ryncarz. (The Ryncarzs and their Mishe Mokwa Farm had a long association with this female line beginning in the late 1960s when they purchased the Watch Your Step daughter Filly Will Fight carrying future Longacres Mile winner and state champion Red Wind.)

Maytown Misstree earned three wins for the Hansens, all at the 1 1/16-mile distance (the same distance as the WA Cup Filly and Mare Stakes), and all on the turf. Her first win came at the end of her three-year-old season when she won a maiden special weight race at Golden Gate Fields by 4 1/2 lengths. She also had wins as a four-year-old at both Golden Gate (starter allowance) and Bay Meadows (allowance) en route to \$116,444 earnings and a 1.72 SSI.

Maytown Misstree's leading earner to date is Skinny Genes, a 2008 daughter of Pleasant Tap who won four races and earned \$90,976. Skinny Genes, who is also a member of the Hansen broodmare band, produced 2017-18 winner Fortunate Cookie, by Successful Appeal.

Fly Far Away is one of 26 stakes winners sired by Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) and Dubai World Cup (UAE-G1) winner Pleasantly Perfect, a son of 1984 champion and Kentucky Derby (G1) winner Pleasant Colony. Pleasantly Perfect sired Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf (G1) winner Shared Belief and nearly \$2-million earner Whitmore (who won the Forego Stakes-G1 at Saratoga in late August) before he was sold in late 2014. The now 20-year-old stallion stands at the Turkish National Stud.





## FUZZY DOLPHIN



Wayne Nagat

**WA CUP JUVENILE COLTS AND GELDINGS STAKES**, September 2, \$50,000g (\$50,000), two-year-old colts and geldings, Washington-bred and/or -sired or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:17.66, track fast.

**FUZZY DOLPHIN**, 120, g., Harbor the Gold—Silver City Lilly, by Tiffany Ice (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** .....JK Racing \$23,650  
**Time 'n Time Again**, 118, g., Nationhood—Deja Views, by Forest Camp (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** .....Poseidon Partners \$8,500  
**Ally On Fire**, 120, g., Flat Out—Firetrail, by Defensive Play (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** .....Tim Bankers \$6,450

Margins: 1, 3 1/2, head. Also started: Reno Roy 118 (\$3,225), Bootlegger Trail 120 (\$1,075), El Borracho 119 (\$1,000), Emily's Gold 120 (\$1,000), Devil Dog 120 (\$1,000), Verynsky 118 (\$1,000), Docketari 118 (\$1,000), Sleet Afleet 120 (\$1,000), This Great Nation 120 (\$1,000). Trained by Frank Lucarelli. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Ridden by Kevin Orozco.

Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native  
 Seeking the Gold  
 Con Game, by Buckpasser

### Harbor the Gold

Vice Regent, by Northern Dancer  
 Harbor Springs  
 Tinnitus, by Restless Wind  
 Icecapade, by Nearctic

Tiffany Ice  
 Auntie's Niece, by Chieftain

### Silver City Lilly

Chief's Crown, by Danzig  
 Crowning Ambition  
 Fabulous Notion, by Somethingfabulous

**RACE RECORD:** 2 wins at 2, \$38,225.

**SIRE:** HARBOR THE GOLD (2001), by Seeking the Gold. Winner at 2 and 3, \$68,500. Standing at Bar C Racing Stables Inc. in Oregon.

### 1st DAM

**SILVER CITY LILLY** (2002), by Tiffany Ice. Unplaced. Dam of 7 other registered foals, 7 starters, 6 winners, including **CARRABELLE HARBOR** (f. by Harbor the Gold, 5 wins, 2 to 5, \$146,237, Kent S., Angie C. S., etc.), **CATALINA HARBOR** (f. by Harbor the Gold, 9 wins, 2 to 5, \$53,924, Lassie S., Janet Wineberg S.-R., etc.), **Silver City Sizzle** (f. by Harbor the Gold, winner at 2 and 3 in Canada, \$27,554, 3rd Bird of Pay S.).

### 2nd DAM

**CROWNING AMBITION** (1987), by Chief's Crown. Winner at 3 in England, \$5,809. Half-sister to **FABULOUSLY FAST** (\$213,100, Test S.-G1, etc.). 9 other foals, 9 starters, 6 winners, including **SILVER PATRONA** (6 wins, \$76,674, Lassie S., etc.; dam of **Boss Lori**), **CORONA DEL HIELO** (9 wins, \$67,076, Bueno S., etc.). Granddam of **HOWYA NOW KID**, Faultless.

In 1999, Pam and Neal Christopherson purchased the then 12-year-old broodmare Crowning Ambition, a daughter of champion two-year-old Chief's Crown and out of Grade 1 winner Fabulous Notion, for \$15,000 at the

Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale. The half-sister to Saratoga Grade 1-winning filly Fabulously Fast was bred to Epsom Derby (G1) winner Quest for Fame at the time of her purchase and she proved to be quite the foundation mare for the Hermiston, Oregon, couple.

Originally a \$230,000 Keeneland September yearling, Crowning Ambition won a maiden race at Salisbury in England by a head in August of her sophomore season. *Timeform's Racehorses of 1990* had this to say about her: "Leggy, workmanlike filly; modest form . . . stays seven furlong; acts on good to firm ground."

Crowning Ambition had only produced two single-race winners before moving to Oregon, which would be followed by two more single-race winners (all four in England), before her first foal for the Christophersons got to the races. Unfortunately, Crowning Quest's best finishes, in 11 starts, were two seconds at Portland Meadows, but she was followed by stakes winners Corona Del Hielo in 2001 and Silver Patrona in 2004, both daughters of Tiffany Ice who would be named Oregon champions and lead to their dam's title of state champion broodmare (a title she co-held with Dubakella Mountain and La Bardot) in 2006.

The champion fillies' full sister, the unplaced Silver City Lilly, foaled in 2002, has so far outshined them as a broodmare. Her first foal, four-time Portland Meadows stakes winner Catalina Harbor, was honored as Oregon champion juvenile filly of 2008 and her second foal, Carrabelle Harbor, was a three-time Emerald Downs stakes winner of \$146,237. Named Oregon's champion broodmare in 2010-11, Silver City Lilly is also the dam of Northlands Park stakes-placed juvenile filly Silver City Sizzle and 19-race winner and \$203,702 earner Can't Get Enough. All are offspring of Bar C Racing's sure-to-be ten-time leading Oregon sire (when this year's results are tallied) Harbor the Gold, as is her latest stakes winner Fuzzy Dolphin.

Purchased for \$21,000 at the 2017 WTBOA Sale by Michael Pollowitz, Fuzzy Dolphin races in the colors of Jacob and Karla Pollowitz's JK Racing. The gelding's one-length win in the WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings Stakes proved to be an exciting birthday present for Karla.

It also marked the 45th Emerald Downs stakes win for trainer Frank Lucarelli and through September 9, the Enumclaw-based trainer has had 940 wins at Emerald, to rank in the top spot among all trainers plying their trade at the Auburn oval.

## HIT THE BEACH



Wayne Nagat

**MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL CLASSIC STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 9, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds and up, Washington-bred and/or -sired or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, 1 1/16 miles, 1:42.14, track fast.

**HIT THE BEACH** (2013), g., 120, Harbor the Gold—Hit a Star, by Ihtimam (Wa) .....Ed Zenker, H. R. "Pat" Mullens and Richard Larson \$25,850  
**Buckley Bay** (2014), g., 118, Harbor the Gold—Courtroom Charmer, by Tribunal (Wa) .....Glyn C. Kelly and Anne MacLennan \$9,400  
**Hey Sequoia** (2015), g., 117, Cause to Believe—Audzeezee, by Vying Victor (BC) **WTBOA Sales** .....William Bridge \$7,050

Margins: 3 1/4, neck, neck. Also started: Elliott Bay 114 (\$3,525), Mike Man's Gold 120 (\$1,175), Grinder Sparksaglo 122 (\$1,000), Pulpits Power 118 (\$1,000), Double A. Prospect 120 (\$1,000). Trained by H. R. "Pat" Mullens. Bred by Jeffrey and Doris Harwood. Ridden by Jose Zunino.

**PETE PEDERSEN OVERNIGHT STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 23, \$25,000g (\$25,000), three-year-olds and up, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:13.99, track fast.

**HIT THE BEACH** (2013), g., 122, Harbor the Gold—Hit a Star, by Ihtimam (Wa) .....Ed Zenker, H. R. "Pat" Mullens and Richard Larson \$13,750  
**Mixo** (2014), g., 118, Abraaj—Valour Road, by Honour and Glory (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** .....K and W Stable \$5,000  
**Oh Marvelous Me** (2012), g., 120, Bluegrass Cat—Morakami, by Fusaichi Pegasus (Ky) **WTBOA Sales** .....Todd and Shawn Hansen \$3,750

Margins: 1 3/4, head, 6. Also started: Mike Man's Gold 118 (\$1,875), Strate Remark 122 (\$625), Conquest Cobra 119, Royal Privacy 118, Bistraya 119, Cross Creek 119, Kaabraaj 120. Trained by H. R. "Pat" Mullens. Bred by Jeffrey and Doris Harwood. Ridden by Eswan Flores.

Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native  
 Seeking the Gold  
 Con Game, by Buckpasser

### Harbor the Gold

Vice Regent, by Northern Dancer  
 Harbor Springs  
 Tinnitus, by Restless Wind

Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native  
 Ihtimam

### Hit a Star

Six Months Long, by Northern Dancer  
 Joanie's Chief, by Ack Ack  
 Joanie's Star  
 Hello Theo, by \*Pronto

**RACE RECORD:** 5 wins at 4 and 5, \$96,805.

**SIRE:** HARBOR THE GOLD (2001), by Seeking the Gold. Winner at 2 and 3, \$68,500. Standing at Bar C Racing Stables Inc. in Oregon.

### 1st DAM

**HIT A STAR** (2002), by Ihtimam. 13 wins, 3 to 7, \$139,224, Belle Roberts S.-R, Cocktails Anyone Starter H.-R. Dam of 3 other foals, all starters, 2 winners, including **DAYTONA BEACH** (g. by Harbor the Gold, 12 wins, 2 to 5, placed at 6, 2018, \$112,875, NWSS Cahill Road S.-R).

### 2nd DAM

**JOANIE'S STAR** (1987), by Joanie's Chief. 3 wins, 2 to 4, \$38,600. Half-sister to **MY FIRST FLING** (5 wins, \$54,353, Constitution S., etc.), **Red Current** (8 wins, \$53,968). 10 other named foals, 8 starters, 6 winners.

Of the six horses winning a 2018 WA Cup stakes, only (five-time stakes winner) Sippin Fire had previously won a stakes. Among those stakes neophytes was Hit the Beach, winner of the 76th Muckleshoot Tribal Classic.

First run as the Washington Championship in 1942, it was won by Train Signal, who also became the first of eight two-time (or more) winners when he took the race again in 1944, after it was not contested in 1943.

Bred by Jeffrey and Doris Harwood, the timing for Hit the Beach seemed an appropriate side note to the day's festivities, as trainer Doris was inducted to the Washington Racing Hall of Fame earlier in the day.

The Harwoods, along with Mullan and Patricia Chinn, also bred Hit the Beach's stakes-winning full brother Daytona Beach, who continues to race at Emerald Downs this year at age six.

Only one week after his score in the Muckleshoot Tribal Classic, his 91-year-old trainer H. R. Mullins, who goes by Pat, shortened up Hit the Beach from 1 1/16 miles to 6 1/2 furlongs to take the Pete Pedersen Overnight Stakes by nearly two lengths. Mullens was accorded the "Emerald Downs Top Training Achievement Award" for his proficiency with Hit the Beach, who has won a total of four races this season while under his care at Emerald Downs.

Hit the Beach is the second foal out of Hit a Star, who won 13 races and placed in another dozen in her 37 lifetime outings. Her most lucrative score came in the \$50,000 Belle Roberts Stakes in 2007, which she won by three lengths over state champions Gemstone Rush and She's All Silk. Hit a Star's other stakes tally – by seven lengths – came as a four-year-old in the Cocktails Anyone Starter Handicap, which had been run on October 1 of a late Emerald Downs meet. The race was named in honor of Guy and Barbara Roberts' multiple Washington champion. The Roberts also bred Hit a Star. After being claimed by Golden Aggie Ranch for \$12,500 out of her winning first start, Hit a Star spent the rest of her racing career in Doris Harwood's barn.

Most likely the Roberts acquired Hit a Star's dam Joanie's Star – in 1996 bred to All the Power – due to the fact that she was out of stakes winner Hello Theo, a half-sister to Guy Bar Farm's champion sire Table Run and his stakes-winning half-brother Noholme Way, who also stood at the Roberts' Sunnyside farm. Another half-brother, Theologist, had won the 1977 Longacres Mile (G3).

One of a trio of stakes winners for Bar C Racing Stables prominent stallion Harbor the Gold (the other two winners coming at the Harney County Fair in Burns, Oregon) over the September 8-9 weekend, the son of Seeking the Gold has sired seven stakes winners and another ten stakes-placed runners in 2018.

Hit the Beach is inbred 3 x 3 to two-time leading North American sire and nine-time leading North American broodmare sire Mr. Prospector, who sired both Seeking the Gold and Ihtimam.

## MONEY INTHE STARRS



Wayne Nagai

**WA CUP JUVENILE FILLY STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 2, \$50,000g (\$50,000), two-year-old fillies, Washington-bred and/or -sired or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:17.88, track fast.

**MONEY INTHE STARRS**, 119, Abraaj—Our Monstarr, by Demons Begone (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**

.....Mark Dedomenico LLC \$25,850  
**So Figure It Out**, 119, Atta Boy Roy—Delete the Browser, by Delineator (Wa)

.....Homestretch Farm Inc. \$9,400  
**Lorelie G**, 119, Harbor the Gold—Gilmore Girl, by Matty G (Wa).....Rodney E. Orr \$7,050

Margins: 1 3/4, 2 1/2, 1/2. Also started: Sadie Sue 119 (\$3,525), Bluegrass Lily 119 (\$1,175), Alittlestalk 119 (\$1,000), Bellamagic 119 (\$1,000), Belle of Gold 120 (\$1,000). Trained by Michael Puhich. Bred by Connie L. Belshay. Ridden by Javier Matias.

Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native

Carson City

Blushing Promise, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

**Abraaj**

Kris S., by Roberto

Kris's Intention

Peaceful Intention, by Hold Your Peace

Elocutionist, by Gallant Romeo

Demons Begone

Rowdy Angel, by Halo

**Our Monstarr**

Captain Courageous, by Sailor

Bravest Star

Star Jasmine, by Pia Star

**RACE RECORD:** 2 wins in 4 starts at 2, \$39,440.

**SIRE: ABRAAJ** (2003), by Carson City. **G2** SW, 5 wins, 3 to 5, \$338,050. Stands at El Dorado Farms LLC in Enumclaw.

**1st DAM**

**Our Monstarr** (2001), by Demons Begone. 11 wins, 2 to 7, \$76,520, 3rd Northwest Stallion Knights Choice S.-R. Dam of 3 other foals, all starters, 1 winner **San Juan Star** (f. by Atta Boy Roy, winner at 3, \$23,583, 3rd WA Cup Two Year Old Filly S.-R).

**2nd DAM**

**Bravest Star** (1984), by Captain Courageous. 7 wins, 2 to 6, \$75,913, 3rd Fantasy S.-R. Half-sister to **FIREY STAR** (8 wins, \$89,229, Strippling S., etc.), **SHIMMER OF SILK** (3 wins, \$39,525, Seafair Queen S.-R, etc.; dam of **SHE'S ALL SILK**, 7 wins, \$218,454, Washington champion 3-year-old filly, **Private Fortune**, \$106,570, **Silky Silky**). Granddam of **Dr Jay Trotter**. 8 other named foals, all winners.

A \$6,200 2017 WTBOA Summer Sale purchase, Mark Dedomenico LLC's Money Inthe Starrs ran third in her first start before annexing an Emerald Downs maiden special weight race by 1 1/4 lengths on June 30. After finishing fifth in the Barbara Shipoch Stakes, the Michael Puhich-trained filly bounced back to take the WA Cup Juvenile Filly Stakes by nearly two lengths as the four-to-five favorite. With regular rider Javier Matias in the saddle, the filly raced second off the pace set by So Figure It Out for the first half-mile before assuming the lead near the five-sixteenths pole and drawing out for the win over that rival.

Money Inthe Starrs is the fourth foal and second stakes horses produced out of Our Monstarr, a daughter of former Washington leading sire Demons Begone. She won 11 races and placed in the Northwest Stallion Knights Choice Stakes as a two-year-old. Her daughter San Juan Star, an Atta Boy Roy filly, finished third in the 2016 edition of the same WA Cup stakes that her younger sister would win. Our Monstarr produced a colt by Grazen on March 7.

Star Jasmine, the third dam of Money Inthe Starrs and a daughter of speed influence

Pia Star (by Olympia), also produced two Longacres stakes winners, stakes-placed Science Fiction and is the granddam of three-time stakes winner and 2006 Washington champion sophomore filly She's All Silk and two other multiple stakes-placed fillies. All of Star Jasmine's foals were bred by Rick and Debbie Pabst at their Buckley-based Blue Ribbon Farm.

Star Jasmine is out of five-race winner Mighty Rocket, a 1954 daughter of \*Hierocles and half-sister to the sturdy Strongboy, a gelded son of champion and Belmont Stakes winner Phalanx. Strongboy won or placed in 20 stakes in Canada with a 21-17-18 record from his 92 starts. Mighty Rocket produced the equally durable Bay Phantom, who won 27 races (in 80 starts), including seven stakes tallies, led by back-to-back wins in the Churchill Downs Handicap. She also produced Star Jasmine's stakes-winning full brother Portwil and stakes-placed Bagdads Rocket and Mighty Happy.

Money Inthe Starrs is one of four stakes winners in 2018, and eight overall, for El Dorado Farms LLC's Abraaj, a Saratoga Grade 2 stakes-winning son of Carson City, who was one of 182 stakes winners sired by breed influence Mr. Prospector. Among Abraaj's best runners are distaff three-year-old champions Invested Prospect (in Washington) and Quatre Cat (in British Columbia).

## NO TALKING BACK



Wayne Nagai

**FAN APPRECIATION DAY OVERNIGHT STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 23, \$25,000g (\$25,000), three-year-old and up fillies and mares, mile, 1:35.98, track fast.

**NO TALKING BACK** (2014), 119, Flatter—Talk to My Lawyer, by Lawyer Ron (Wa).....One Horse Will Do Corporation and Steve Shimizu \$13,750

**Blazinbeauty** (2014), 119, Tale of Ekati—Rockport Beauty, by Rockport Harbor (Ky)

.....Darrin L. Paul \$5,000

**Fly Far Away** (2013), 121, Pleasantly Perfect—Maytown Misstree, by Country Light (Wa)

.....Todd and Shawn Hansen \$3,750

Margins: 2 1/4, 1 1/2, 4 1/2. Also started: Camano Comet 117 (\$18,75), Brilliant Bird 115 (\$625), Little Dancer 119, Jerre to Carrie 119, Gazing 119, Retreat Yourself 118, McDove 118, Guardian One 118. Trained by Chris Stenslie. Bred by One Horse Will Do Corporation. Ridden by Joe Zunino.



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 A. P. Indy  
 Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat  
**Flatter**  
 Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native  
 Praise  
 Wild Applause, by Northern Dancer  
 Langfuhr, by Danzig  
 Lawyer Ron  
 Donation, by Lord Avie  
**Talk to My Lawyer**  
 Wekiva Springs, by Runaway Groom  
 Infernal McGoon  
 Flame McGoon, by Staff Writer

**RACE RECORD:** 3 wins at 4, \$86,742. Also: 2nd Washington State Legislators S., WA Cup Two Year Old Filly S.-R.; 3rd Boeing S., Emerald Distaff H.

**SIRE: Flatter** (1999), by A. P. Indy. 4 wins in 6 starts at 3 and 4, G2-placed, \$148,815. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**

**TALK TO MY LAWYER** (2009), by Lawyer Ron. 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$89,166, Washington champion 2-year-old filly, Gottstein Futurity, John and Kitty Fletcher S.-R., etc. Dam of 1 other foal.

**2nd DAM**

**INFERNAL MCGOON** (1999), by Wekiva Springs. 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$153,965, Washington champion older filly or mare, Emerald Cup Distaff H., Belle Roberts S.-R. 9 other named foals, 8 starters, 5 winners, including **IMA HAPPY CAT** (2 wins at 3, 2018, \$66,880, Seattle S.; 2nd Kent S.).

After placing in four earlier stakes at Emerald Downs, One Horse Will Do Corporation and Steve Shimizu's consistent No Talking Back "finished with good energy" to prevail in the Auburn track's closing day Fan Appreciation Day Overnight Stakes. With her 2 1/4-length win she became the fourth generation stakes winner in her female line and second 2018 stakes winner descending from 1988 Washington champion juvenile filly champion Flame McGoon.

A daughter of top Washington sire Staff Writer, Flame McGoon was bred by John and Doris Konecny out of the winning Noble Table (an unraced son of \*Vaguely Noble) mare Wicca, a half-sister to \$157,825 Louisiana Downs stakes winner Bouncing Back. Flame McGoon turned out to be just the first of several state champions produced by the Washington Racing Hall of Fame breeders at their Czech-Mate Farm in Enumclaw.

Flame McGoon won a pair of stakes at Longacres as a two-year-old and placed in three additional stakes at Golden Gate Fields the following season, earning \$139,264 for the Konecny's. She would produce seven winners. The best of which were her first foal, Tank McGoon, a 1992 son of Tank's Prospect who won five races and earned \$142,927; and Infernal McGoon, a 1999 daughter of Wekiva Springs who was named Washington champion older filly or mare after reeling off wins in the Emerald Breeders' Cup Distaff Handicap and Belle Roberts Stakes as a four-year-old.

Infernal McGoon earned \$153,965 for Jody Peetz's One Horse Will Do Corporation, who had purchased her as a yearling at the 2000 WTBOA Summer Sale for \$57,000. Peetz bred her first three foals, but then offered the gray/roan mare, bred to Lawyer Ron, at the 2008 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale where she was purchased by Halvorson Bloodstock, as agent for Montanan Dale Mahlum for \$29,000. Mahlum then sent the Lawyer Ron filly through the

2010 Keeneland September Yearling Sale where Peetz purchased the Washington-foaled miss for \$30,000. That filly, the well-named Talk to My Lawyer, would reward Peetz with another Washington championship after she defeated colts in the 2011 Gottstein Futurity.

Infernal McGoon is also the dam of 2018 Emerald Downs stakes winner Ima Happy Cat, a daughter of Smiling Tiger who races for Tim and Sue Spooner, and she foaled additional fillies by Smiling Tiger in 2016 and 2018.

Unfortunately, Talk to My Lawyer produced only one other foal before her premature death, the unraced three-year-old gelding Speak to My Lawyer, by Harbor the Gold.

No Talking Back is one of over 45 stakes winners sired by Flatter, who even though he had only finished third in the Washington Park Handicap (G2) as his lone black-type, was thought highly enough of to retire to Claiborne Farm in Paris, Kentucky. Among his best runners are 2017 champion three-year-old West Coast and Jockey Club Gold Cup (G1) winner Flat Out. The son of A. P. Indy stood the 2018 breeding season for a \$40,000 fee.

## NORTHWEST FACTOR



**ANGIE C. STAKES**, Emerald Downs, July 15, \$50,000 (\$54,000) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old fillies, 5 1/2 furlongs, 1:04.41, track fast.

**NORTHWEST FACTOR**, 117, The Factor—East Side Charley, by Mr. Greeley (Ky) **WTBOA Sales**

..... How We Roll #4 \$29,370  
**Aikman Juliet**, 119, Comic Strip—Roman Juliet, by Roman Dancer (Id)

..... Paul Treasure and Harry Bettis \$10,680  
**Lady Campbell**, 119, Dialed In—Pat Hand, by Cape Town (Ky) ..... David A. Thorner \$8,010

Margins: 3/4, 3/4, 1 1/4. Also started: Senoradiable 119 (\$4,005), Sunshine Emily 119 (\$1,335), Lucy's Eclipse 118 (\$500). Trained by Steve Bullock. Bred by Watershed Bloodstock LLC. Ridden by Julien Couton.

**GOTTSTEIN FUTURITY**, Emerald Downs, September 23, \$50,000g (\$90,000) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-olds, 1 1/16 miles, 1:44.99, track fast.

**NORTHWEST FACTOR**, 118, f., The Factor—East Side Charley, by Mr. Greeley (Ky) **WTBOA Sales**

..... How We Roll #4 \$47,850  
**Palladium**, 120, c., Graydar—Lilies So Fair, by Giant's Causeway (Ky) ..... CTR Stables LLC, Westside Racing

..... Stable and Mark Schlesinger \$9,400  
**Fuzzy Dolphin**, 120, g., Harbor the Gold—Silver City Lilly, by Tiffany Ice (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**

..... JK Racing \$15,050

Margins: head, 4 1/2, 1 3/4. Also started: Mr. Frank 120 (\$3,525), Forty Six Carats 118 (\$1,175), Ally On Fire 120 (\$6,500), Emily's Gold 120 (\$3,500), Reno Roy 120 (\$1,500), Hardy Chisel 120 (\$500), Frolic and Detour 120 (\$500), Time 'n Time Again 120 (disq. from 2nd) (\$500).

Trained by Steve Bullock. Bred by Watershed Bloodstock LLC. Ridden by Gary Wales.

Danzig, by Northern Dancer  
 War Front  
 Starry Dreamer, by Rubiano

**The Factor**

Miswaki, by Mr. Prospector  
 Greyciousness  
 Skatingonthinice, by Icecapade

Gone West, by Mr. Prospector  
 Mr. Greeley  
 Long Legend, by Reviewer

**East Side Charley**

Hennessy, by Storm Cat  
 Keeneland Kat  
 Meadow Victory, by Ogygian

**RACE RECORD:** 2 wins at 2, \$95,700. Also: 3rd Barbara Shinpoch S.

**SIRE: THE FACTOR** (2008), by War Front. G1 SW, 4 wins, 2 to 4 in North America and UAE. Total earnings: \$922,180. Stands in Japan.

**1st DAM**

**EAST SIDE CHARLEY** (2009), by Mr. Greeley. Winner at 3 an 4, \$43,070. This is her first foal.

**2nd DAM**

**KEENELAND KAT** (2003), by Hennessey. 2 wins in 3 starts at 2, \$132,200, Sorority S., 3rd Frizette S.-G1. Sister to **Keeneland Kid** (\$84,090), half-sister to **Meadow Fox** (\$119,400), **Staleness** (\$108,155). 8 other foals, all starters, 7 winners.

After finishing second or third in all three of her previous starts – all in Emerald Downs maiden special weight races – Northwest Factor went off as the \$5.90-to-one third choice in the Angie C. Stakes. After pressing the early pace set by race favorite Aikman Juliet and fourth choice Sunshine Emily, Northwest Factor defeated Aikman Juliet by three quarters of a length in a "vigorous drive."

"We've always been pretty high on this filly, and I always thought she was stakes material," commented winning trainer Steve Bullock, "She really dug in today."

In Northwest Factor's next start, the six-panel Barbara Shinpoch Stakes, she finished third, nearly six lengths behind winner Aikman Juliet.

One of two fillies to go post ward in the Gottstein Futurity's 11-horse field, Northwest Factor, at \$24.40-to-one odds, gave rider Gary Wales his first Emerald stakes win and became the 14th filly in the race's 81 runnings to take the tradition-rich juvenile stakes. She also gave her owners their sixth stakes victory at the meet where she was named top two-year-old filly.

Northwest Factor finished a head in front of Time 'n Time Again, ridden by Julien Couton, who was disqualified from his runner-up position and placed 11th and last for interfering with Frolic and Detour past mid-stretch. Frolic and Detour and jockey Eswan Flores were attempting to rally inside and went down hard in the mishap, but both the jockey and rider appeared to escape the incident uninjured.

Originally purchased by Rick Kessler after being a RNA at the 2016 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale, the California horseman pinhooked Northwest Factor to the 2017 WTBOA Sale where she was signed for by Enumclaw horseman David Israel for \$15,500 for the partnership of How We Roll #4. In addition to Israel, the successful six-person partnership – who also race multiple 2018 stakes winner Sippin Fire – consists of

partners Joe Withee, Al Adams, Charlie Clark, Angela Wilson and Steve Pilgrim.

According to Israel, the Northwest in Northwest Factor is in honor of his longtime friend and Washington Thoroughbred industry stalwart, the late Jerre Paxton, who raced and bred so successfully under the Northwest Farm LLC banner.

Northwest Factor was sired by sprint expert The Factor, who won the Grade 1 Malibu and Pat O'Brien stakes and also had a trio of Grade 2 tallies, earning \$922,180 in his 13 starts while under two-time Triple Crown winning trainer Bob Baffert's shedrow.

A son of sire powerhouse War Front, The Factor retired to stud for the 2013 breeding season at Lane's End in Versailles, Kentucky, for a \$15,000 fee. A sire of 12 stakes winners – led by Chandelier Stakes (G1) winner Noted and Quoted and Illinois Derby (G3) winner Multiplier – in his first two crops, his owners announced in October 2017 that the ten-year-old stallion would relocate to the Japan Bloodhorse Breeders Association Farm for the 2018 breeding season on a one-year lease and then return to Lane's End.

Northwest Factor is the first foal out of East Side Charley, a daughter of Mr. Greeley who won two races at Monmouth Park and earned \$43,070. She is one of eight winners out of Keeneland Kat, a daughter of Hennessey who won Monmouth's Sorority Stakes by 2 1/2 lengths and finished her brief racing career with a third to Adieu in the Frizette Stake (G1) at Belmont Park. Her best runner to date is Galaxy Kat, a gelding by Empire Maker who won nine races and earned \$192,927. She is also the dam of two other \$100,000-plus earners: Cohen's Kat, a colt by Einstein (Brz) who ran third in the \$200,000 Jean Lafitte Futurity and earned \$105,575; and three-year-old Jump Ruler, a filly by Roman Ruler who has won three races and \$117,750. Jump Ruler's most recent win came at Monmouth on July 7 when she took a mile allowance/\$20,000 optional (N) claiming race by an eye-popping 14 1/4 lengths.

Kessler consigned, again through Kara Toy's Moxie Bloodstock, Northwest Factor's yearling half-brother by Breeders' Cup Mile (G1) winner and first-crop stallion Karakontie (Jpn) to the 2018 WTBOA Sale where he was purchased by trainer Jeff Metz for \$7,000.

## PRINCESSOF THE NYL



**WASHINGTON OAKS.** Emerald Downs, July 22, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old fillies, 121 pounds, 1 1/8 miles, 1:51.24, track fast.

**PRINCESSOF THE NYL.** Pioneerof the Nile—Arabisini, by Bernardini (Ky) .... Muddy Waters Stable LLC \$27,225

**Diamonds R.** Alternation—Epitome of a Lady, by Poteen (Ky) ..... Dr. George Todaro \$9,900  
**Bella Mia.** Harbor the Gold—Bella Campana, by Slewleedo (Wa) ..... John and Janene Maryanski \$7,425  
 Margins: 8, 1 1/4, 4. Also started: Ca Dreamer (\$3,713), Ima Happy Cat (\$1,237), Spot On (\$500). Trained by Michael Puhich. Bred by Guy and Diane Snowden. Ridden by Kevin Orozco.

Unbridled, by Fappiano  
 Empire Maker  
 Toussaud, by El Gran Senor  
**Pioneerof the Nile**  
 Lord At War (Arg), by General (Fr)  
 Star of Goshen  
 Castle Eight, by Key to the Kingdom  
 A. P. Indy, by Seattle Slew  
 Bernardini  
 Cara Rafaela, by Quiet American  
**Arabisini**  
 Deputy Minister, by Vice Regent  
 Arabis  
 Aishah, by Alydar

**RACE RECORD:** 2 wins at 3, \$123,799. Also: 3rd Irish Day S.

**SIRE: PIONEEROF THE NILE** (2006), by Empire Maker. G1 SW, 5 wins at 2 and 3, \$1,634,200. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**  
**ARABISINI** (2011), by Bernardini. Unplaced in 1 start. Dam of 1 other foal.

**2nd DAM**  
**ARABIS** (1999), by Deputy Minister. 5 wins at 3 and 4, \$204,407. Justakiss S. Sister to **ATELIER** (G2, \$741,114), **Aunt Anne** (G1, \$112,144), half-sister to **ALDIZA** (G1, \$496,394), **Elajjud** (G3, \$225,055), **They Call Me Giant** (\$215,665). 11 other foals, 8 starters, 6 winners, including **Paseo Alegre** (9 wins, 3 to 7, \$139,233, 2nd Bosselman/Gus Fonner S., 3rd Ky Alta H.).

After finishing third in a maiden special weight race at Churchill Downs in her first start at two, Princessof the Nyl ran second or third in four of her next starts before earning that first trip to the winner's circle, which came in a March 16 maiden special weight race at Oaklawn Park. While being campaigned in the Midwest, Princessof the Nyl was trained by the late Hall of Fame trainer Jack C. Van Berg, and then later by his son Thomas L. Van Berg. She moved to conditioner Michael Puhich's Washington barn in June.

Puhich had first spied Princessof the Nyl as a yearling at the Keeneland September sales, where she had been a \$37,000 RNA from the Denali Stud consignment. She next went through the ring at the 2017 Pegasus Training and Rehabilitation (where Puhich is manager) sale and was purchased for \$35,000 by Kirkland resident Mike Waters for his Muddy Waters Stables LLC.

Princessof the Nyl is one of 22 stakes winners sired by Pioneerof the Nile, whose offspring include 2015 Horse of the Year and Triple Crown winner American Pharoah. Pioneerof the Nile stood the 2018 breeding season at WinStar Farm in Versailles, Kentucky, for a \$110,000 fee.

Princessof the Nyl is the first foal out of the young Bernardini mare Arabisini, who had been a \$325,000 Keeneland September yearling in 2012, the ninth highest price of the 43 yearlings sired by the 2006 champion sold that year.

Both Princessof the Nyl's second (Arabis) and third (Aishah) dams were stakes winners. Aishah, a 1987 daughter of Alydar, won the

Grade 2 Rare Perfume Stakes and was a full sister to champion Althea and Grade 2 winner Aquilegia and half-sister to Grade 1 winners Ali Oop and Ketoh, Grade 2 winner Twining, Grade 3 winner Native Courier and stakes winner Princess Oola, all offspring of 1983 broodmare of the year and "Blue Hen" Courtly Dee, a 1968 daughter of Never Bend.

## REGINELLA



**EMERALD DISTAFF HANDICAP.** Emerald Downs, August 12, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old and up fillies and mare, 1 1/8 miles, 1:48.68, track fast.

**REGINELLA** (2014), 119, Ministers Wild Cat—Ghost Tree, by Cahill Road (CA) .....Luigi DiPietro and Diana DiPietro \$26,675  
**Top Quality** (2014), 122, Quality Road—Lemon Bay, by Bernardini (Ky) ..... Ten Broeck Farm Inc. \$9,700  
**No Talking Back** (2014), 115, Flatter—Talk to My Lawyer, by Lawyer Ron (Wa) ..... One Horse Will Do Corporation and Steve Shimizu \$7,275

Margins: 2 3/4, 1 1/2, neck. Also started: Daz Lin Dawn 120 (\$3,638), Little Dancer 117 (\$1,212), Blazinbeauty 119 (\$500), Jerre to Carrie 118 (\$500), Grace Bay 117 (\$500). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by DiPietro Thoroughbreds. Ridden by Juan Hernandez.

Vice Regent, by Northern Dancer  
 Deputy Minister  
 Mint Copy, by Bunty's Flight  
**Ministers Wild Cat**  
 Kris S., by Roberto  
 Hollywood Wildcat  
 Miss Wildcatter, by Mr. Prospector  
 Fappiano, by Mr. Prospector  
 Cahill Road  
 Gana Facil, by \*Le Fabuleux  
**Ghost Tree**  
 Danzatore, by Northern Dancer  
 Danza Regio  
 All Regal (Ire), by Run the Guntlet

**RACE RECORD:** 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$131,642. Also: 2nd Boeing S.; 3rd Washington Oaks.

**SIRE: MINISTERS WILD CAT** (2000), by Deputy Minister. SW, 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$368,729. Stands in California.

**1st DAM**  
**Ghost Tree** (2006), by Cahill Road. 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$87,689, 2nd Belle Roberts S.-R. Dam of 1 other named foal, 1 starter.

**2nd DAM**  
**DANZA REGIO** (1991), by Danzatore. 3 wins at 3, \$90,297. Half-sister to **DAMASCUS REGAL** (Hwt, older horse on Italian Hand., 14 fur. & up, G2), **CHARNELL'S DREAM** (\$215,025), **GALOWAY PLAINS** (\$153,042), **REGAL RAHY** (\$110,638). 7 other foals, 7 starters, 5 winners, including **FIRETRAIL** (5 wins at 3 and 4, \$135,687, Washington champion 3-year-old filly, King County H., etc.; dam of **CARSON'S FIREBALL**, 4 wins to 5, 2018, \$24,328, Millarville Sprint S., etc.), **Roanaway Bride** (4 wins at 2 and 3, \$121,137, 2nd Belle Roberts S.-R., etc.).

Wayne Nagai

2018 Emerald Distaff Handicap winner Reginella was bred in California by Joseph DiPietro's DiPietro Thoroughbreds and is raced by his father Luigi DiPietro and his aunt Diana DiPietro. Luigi, along with Diana and her late husband Vic, have raced a number of good winners at Emerald Downs, including 2012 Seattle Slew Handicap winner Italian Boy, Blame It on Royce, Botch and Hayjax. Reginella is their most successful earner to date.

Luigi DiPietro's wife Josephine is Prisco Vacca's sister. Vacca has also bred a few good runners locally, including state champions Unyielding and Jumron Won. Another family member with major ties to the Washington Thoroughbred industry is Prisco's cousin Ralph Vacca, retired longtime WTBOA general manager.

Reginella stems from another good race family nurtured by Charlie Dunn at his Dunn Bar Ranch LLC. Her dam, stakes-placed Ghost Tree, is one of a trio of stakes horses Dunn bred out of Danza Regio, who won three races on the tough Southern California circuit, including a 3 1/2-length tally in a 1 1/16-mile turf allowance race at Hollywood Park. Danza Regio's leading runner was Dunn's 2007 Washington champion three-year-old filly Firetrail, dam of 2018 Alberta stakes winner Carson's Fireball.

Reginella is Ghost Tree's second foal and first winner. The Cahill Road mare, who earned \$87,689 for the late trainer Craig Roberts and his wife Connie's September House, ran second by three-quarters of a length to Mizzen You in the 2010 Belle Roberts Stakes. Ghost Tree has also produced colts by Marino Marini (2015) and Creative Cause (2016) and foaled a filly by Stay Thirsty this past spring.

On September 8, Reginella added a nose victory in the \$37,981 Delta Colleen Handicap at Hastings Racecourse to up her earnings to \$153,291.

Reginella is one of 18 stakes winners sired by Ministers Wild Cat, a stakes-winning son of champions Deputy Minister and Hollywood Wildcat. The 18-year-old stallion, which stands at Tommy Town Thoroughbreds in Santa Ynez, California, for a \$4,000 fee, has three other stakes winners running in 2018.

## RISER



**MT. RAINIER STAKES.** Emerald Downs, July 15, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds and up, 1 1/16 miles, 1:40.08, track fast.

**RISER** (2014), c., 114, Mizzen Mast—Goodbye Cat, by Tale of the Cat (Oh)  
 ..... Chappell Alpine Farms LLC \$27,500  
**Barkley** (2013), g., 120, Munnings—Numero d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro (Ky)  
 ..... Rising Star Stable III \$10,000

**Mach One Rules** (2013), g., 120, Harbor the Gold—Felice the Cat, by Distinctive Cat (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**  
 ..... R. E. V. Racing \$7,500

Margins: 2 1/4, 7 1/4, 2 1/4. Also started: Opportunistic 120 (\$3,750), Dedicated to You 124 (\$1,250). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by Justice Farm, Greg Justice. Ridden by Juan Hernandez.

Caro (Ire), by Fortino II  
 Cozzene  
 Ride the Trails, by Prince John

**Mizzen Mast**  
 Graustark, by \*Ribot  
 Kinema  
 Mrs. Peterkin, by Tom Fool  
 Storm Cat, by Storm Bird  
 Tale of the Cat  
 Yam, by Mr. Prospector

**Goodbye Cat**  
 Tsunami Slew, by Seattle Slew  
 Goodbye Heart  
 Keeper of My Heart, by Raise Your Glass

**RACE RECORD:** 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$176,683. Also: won Emerald Downs Derby, Coca-Cola S. Governor's S.; 2nd Seattle Slew S.; 3rd British Columbia Derby-G3.

**SIRE: MIZZEN MAST** (1998), by Cozzene. **G1** SW in US; **G3** SW and **G1**-placed in France, 5 wins, 2 to 4. Total earnings: \$554,146. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**  
**GOODBYE CAT** (2007), by Tale of the Cat. Winner at 2, \$19,080. Dam of 2 other foals, 1 starter.

**2nd DAM**  
**GOODBYE HEART** (1987), by Tsunami Slew. Placed at 3, \$4,885. 12 other foals, 10 starters, 7 winners, including **COMMITISIZE** (10 wins, \$784,877, El Rincon H.-G2, etc.; sire), **RUSTY SPUR** (9 wins, \$282,202, Appointment S., etc.), **PERFECT SIX** (5 wins, \$278,255, Santa Paula S., etc.; dam of **BUFFALO MAN**, **G3**, \$505,235, **Ada's Dream**, \$109,865), **Explode n' Win** (11 wins, \$213,690), **Explode Bye You** (2nd Passaic County S.).

After being taken down by the stewards after his first place finish in the May 24 Budweiser Stakes, Riser once more proved his dominance of the Emerald Downs older runner division with an impressive 2 1/4-length tally in Mt. Rainier Stakes. Toting race co-highweight of 124 pounds with Dedicated to You (who had been promoted to first in the Budweiser), Riser drew out to a two-length lead early and was never headed, setting a new stakes record time of 1:40.08 for the 1 1/16-mile race. The previous record of 1:40.20 had been set by three-time Washington horse of the year and two-time Longacres Mile (G3) winner Stryker Phd in the 2014 running of the Mile preview stakes.

Riser is one of six 2018 stakes winners for Juddmonte Farm homebred stallion Mizzen Mast, a son of 1998 son of champion Cozzene. A 16.1 1/2-hand gray stallion, Mizzen Mast won the Grade 1 Malibu Stakes while under the late Hall of Fame trainer Bobby Frankel's care. The runner also was a Group 3 winner in France, where he also finished second in the Group 1 Grand Prix de Paris, which was sponsored that year by Juddmonte.

As of September 27, 2018, Mizzen Mast has sired 52 stakes winners from his 764 starters. In 2018, his offspring have earned over \$3.2-million, giving him an over \$57.5 -million total.



## SIPPIN FIRE



**MUCKLESHOOT DERBY,** Emerald Downs, July 29, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds, 122 pounds, 1 1/8 miles, 1:48.54, track fast.

**SIPPIN FIRE**, g., Harbor the Gold—Bahati, by Horse Chestnut (SAF) (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**  
 ..... How We Roll #4 \$26,400  
**Weekend Wizard**, g., Roseberg—Gosailgo, by Finality (BC).....Riversedge Racing Stable Ltd. \$9,600  
**Elliott Bay**, g., Harbor the Gold—Melba Jewel, by Cahill Road (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**  
 ..... Rising Star Stable II \$7,200

Margins: 3/4, 9 3/4, 1 1/4. Also started: Argosy Fleet (\$3,600), Schoenhardt (\$1,200), Check and Raise (\$500), Smoothee Lee (\$500), Take Charge Deputy (\$500), Freiburg 119 (\$500). Trained by Steve Bullock. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. and Desert Rose Racing LLC. Ridden by Rocco Bowen.

**WA CUP SOPHOMORE STAKES,** Emerald Downs, August 26, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds, Washington-bred and/or -sired or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, mile, 1:35.89, track fast.

**SIPPIN FIRE**, 124, g., Harbor the Gold—Bahati, by Horse Chestnut (SAF) (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**  
 ..... How We Roll #4 \$26,950  
**Boundary Bay**, 119, g., Harbor the Gold—Flying Memo, by Memo (Chi) (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..North American Thoroughbred Horse Company Inc. \$9,800  
**Elliott Bay**, 119, g., Harbor the Gold—Melba Jewel, by Cahill Road (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**  
 ..... Rising Star Stable II \$7,350

Margins: 3 1/4, nose, 1/2. Also started: Hey Sequoia 119 (\$3,675), Bullet Drill 119 (\$1,225), Sherm 119 (\$1,000). Trained by Steve Bullock. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. and Desert Rose Racing LLC. Ridden by Rocco Bowen.

Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native  
 Seeking the Gold  
 Con Game, by Buckpasser

**Harbor the Gold**  
 Vice Regent, by Northern Dancer  
 Harbor Springs  
 Tinnitus, by Restless Wind  
 Fort Wood, by Sadler's Wells  
 Horse Chestnut (SAF)  
 London Wall, by Col Pickering

**Bahati**  
 Premiership, by Exclusive Native  
 Drouth Willow  
 Moskee, by Explodent

**RACE RECORD:** 6 wins in 8 starts at 2 and 3, \$156,038 Also: won Coca-Cola S., Seattle Slew S., WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings S.-R; 2nd WTBOA Lads S.

**SIRE: HARBOR THE GOLD** (2001), by Seeking the Gold. Winner at 2 and 3, \$68,500. Stands at Bar C Racing Stables Inc. in Oregon.

**1st DAM**  
**BAHATI** (2002), by Horse Chestnut (SAF). Unraced. Washington broodmare of the year 2015. Dam of 6 other foals, 5 starters, 5 winners, including **DEL RIO HARBOR** (g. by Harbor the Gold, 11 wins, 2 to 6, placed at 8, 2018, \$264,439, Washington champion 2-year-old, Gottstein Futurity, etc.),

**COULDABENTHEWHISKY** (g. by Harbor the Gold, 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$184,694, Washington champion 2-year-old, Gottstein Futurity, etc.), **BAHATI GOLD** (f. by Soft Gold [Brz], 3 wins at 3, \$20,202, Oregon Ms. S.-R., etc.), **Legion of Boom** (g. by Harbor the Gold, 4 wins at 3 and 5, \$58,697, 3rd River Rock Casino H.).

#### 2nd DAM

**DROUTH WILLOW** ((1987), by Premiership. 8 wins at 3 and 4, \$117,600, Chapati S.-R. Half-sister to **TYPE RYDER** (14 wins, 2 to 7, \$315,175, Vallejo Day Starter H.-twice, etc.). 10 other foals, 9 starters, 8 winners, including **Willow Skips Trial** (\$120,282, 2nd R. M. Carpenter Jr. Memorial S., etc.).

Sippin Fire became the first three-time stakes winner of the 2018 Emerald Downs meet when, as the even-money favorite, he defeated eight other sophomore runners to take the 82nd running of the Muckleshoot Derby. Originally inaugurated in 1934 as the Longacres Derby at the former Renton oval, that initial winner, Campillo, earned just \$785 for his win.

It's been quite the season for the group of Western Washington owners known as How We Roll #4, which consists of David Israel (of Enumclaw), Joe Withee (Auburn), Al Adams (Seattle), Charlie Clark (Seattle), Angela Seaton (Auburn) and Steve Pilgrim (Kent). In addition to Sippin Fire's stakes wins, the group races two-year-old filly Northwest Factor, who broke her maiden in the July 15 Angie C. Stakes.

The race marked winning rider Rocco Bowen's 30th stakes tally at Emerald (and fifth this year) and was the 26th stakes victory for trainer Steve Bullock.

Bullock spoke proudly of his chestnut gelding who ran so well, in spite of the 95 degree summer heat.

"The champ got awful hot today, and I was concerned," commented the winning trainer. "But he's a good horse, and he got the job done against a pretty tough horse."

Sippin Fire next rolled to a 3 1/2-length win in the August 26 WA Cup Sophomore Stakes over Boundary Bay, with Elliott Bay another neck back in third. It marked a one-two-three sweep for top Pacific Northwest sire Harbor the Gold, whose offspring have won a record 61 stakes at Emerald.

Sippin Fire became only the 13th runner in the 22-year Emerald Downs history to win four stakes in a season and only one stakes behind the five-stakes record set in 2005 by his paternal half-brother Noosa Beach.

Sippin Fire was bred in partnership by Neal and Pam Christopherson's Bar C Racing Stables Inc. and Melodie Bultena and Doak Walker's Desert Rose Racing LLC, who sold him to Al Adams for \$20,000 at the 2016 WTBOA Summer Sale. The stakes winner's full brother was purchased for a sale-topping \$85,000 by Will Brewer, as agent, at the 2018 August 21 WTBOA venue.



## THIS GREAT NATION



Palmer Photography

**WTBOA LADS STAKES**, Emerald Downs, August 12, \$50,000 (\$45,000) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old colts and geldings, six furlongs, 1:10.84, track fast.

**THIS GREAT NATION**, g., 118, Nationhood—Great Mom, by Pioneerof the Nile (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Art McFadden \$23,100  
**Jack Van Berg**, c., 116, To Honor and Serve—Seniorita Margarita, by Elusive Quality (Ky)

..... Muddy Waters Stables LLC \$8,400

**Reno Roy**, g. 114, Harbor the Gold—Alpine Lass, by Officer (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..... Reno Stable \$6,300

Margins: 2, neck, 3/4. Also started: Time 'n Time Again 117 (\$3,150), Halaman 118 (\$1,050), Verynsky 118 (\$500), Fuzzy Dolphin 116 (\$500), Licorice Drop Pops 117 (\$500), No Harbor in Sight 116 (\$500), Sky Confidential 119 (\$500), Jackwan 119 (\$500). Trained by Felimon Alvarado. Bred by Connie Belshay. Ridden by Erick Lopez.

Runaway Groom, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

Cherokee Run

Cherokee Dame, by Silver Saber

#### Nationhood

Danzig, by Northern Dancer

Elhasna

Gold Beauty, by Mr. Prospector

Empire Maker, by Unbridled

Pioneerof the Nile

Star of Goshen, by Lord At War (Arg)

#### Great Mom

Boston Harbor, by Capote

Boston Express

American River, by Forty Niner

**RACE RECORD:** Winner at 2, \$27,826.

**SIRE: NATIONHOOD** (2002), by Cherokee Run. SW, 8 wins at 5 and 6, \$181,820. Stands at Blue Ribbon Farm in Buckley.

#### 1st DAM

**GREAT MOM** (2011), by Pioneerof the Nile. Unraced. Dam of 2 other foals, 1 starter, 1 winner, **SQUEEZE ME** (f. by Papa Clem, 2 wins in 2 starts at 2. \$49,188, Turf Paradise Open Spring Futurity).

#### 2nd DAM

**BOSTON EXPRESS** (2001), by Boston Harbor. 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$189,189, Valid Expectations S., Dixie Miss S., etc. 5 other foals, 3 starters, 2 winners. Granddam of **Ripple** (to 5, 2018, \$59,081).

The longest shot in the dozen runners contesting the August 12 WTBOA Lads Stakes, This Great Nation, at odds of \$48.40-to-one, defeated fellow longshot Jack Van Berg by two lengths, with favorite Fuzzy Dolphin finishing seventh. The \$98.40 \$2 win payout is the fourth largest in Emerald Downs' stakes history.

The well-named This Great Nation, a two-year-old son of Blue Ribbon Farm stallion and 2008 Emerald Downs stakes winner Nationhood out of Great Mom, races for longtime Pacific Northwest racing supporter Art McFadden, a member of one of Oregon's most prominent racing families. In addition

to his \$23,100 winner's share of the purse, McFadden's runner also earned a \$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) bonus for the win.

This Great Nation is the third stakes winner sired by Nationhood, a four-time stakes-winning son of national sprint champion Cherokee Run. The \$181,820 earner is also the sire of 2014 Washington champion three-year-old filly Find Your Spot and Oregon fair circuit stakes winner Uptownfreddybrown, both bred by Rick and Debbie Pabst, who stand their sire at their Buckley nursery.

This Great Nation was a member of the Blue Ribbon Farm consignment at the 2017 WTBOA Sale for his breeder Connie Belshay and her Graham-based Only Me Thoroughbreds.

Great Mom is also the dam of juvenile stakes winner Squeeze Me, a 2016 WTBOA Sale graduate and an unbeaten daughter of Papa Clem who took the 2017 Turf Paradise Open Spring Futurity by 6 1/4 lengths.

Great Mom was purchased by Debbie Pabst as agent for Belshay for \$10,000 while carrying Squeeze Me at the 2015 Barretts January sale. The now seven-year-old mare is also the dam of unraced Clem's Kid, a four-year-old full brother to Squeeze Me, and produced a filly by Atta Boy Roy on February 28. She was bred back to Coast Guard.

Great Mom has so far produced two of the three stakes winners out of daughters of two-time Grade 1 winner and 2009 Kentucky Derby (G1) runner-up Pioneerof the Nile. The \$1.4-million earner by Belmont Stakes (G1) winner Empire Maker has sired three champions among his 21 stakes winners (ten which are graded winners), led by 2015 Horse of the Year American Pharoah – the 12th Triple Crown winner. Pioneerof the Nile stood the 2018 breeding season at WinStar Farm while his \$8,650,000-earning son – who was also the 2014 two-year-old champion and whose first crop of yearlings has been well-received at the 2018 yearling sales – stands at Ashford Stud. Both farms are located in Versailles, Kentucky.

## TOP QUALITY



Wayne Nagel

**BOEING STAKES**, Emerald Downs, July 15, \$50,000 (\$50,000), three-year-old and up fillies and mares, 1 1/16 miles, 1:41.39, track fast.

**TOP QUALITY** (2014), 121, Quality Road—Lemon Bay, by Bernardini (Ky)

..... Ten Broeck Farm Inc. \$26,675

**Reginella** (2014), 119, Ministers Wild Cat—Ghost Tree, by Cahill Road (Ca)

..... Luigi DiPietro and Diana DiPietro \$9,700

**No Talking Back** (2014), 119, Flatter—Talk to My Lawyer, by Lawyer Ron (Wa) ..... One Horse Will Do Corporation and Steve Shimizu \$7,275

Margins: 3 3/4, 3 3/4, 3 1/2. Also started: Jerre to Carrie 119 (\$3,638), Blazinbeauty 119 (\$1,212), Sheeza Sassy Girl 121 (\$500), My Heart Goes On 120 (\$500), Racy Rascal 118 (\$500) (lost rider). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by W. S. Farish and Kilroy Thoroughbred Partnership. Ridden by Kevin Ocozco.

Gone West, by Mr. Prospector  
 Elusive Quality  
 Touch of Greatness, by Hero's Honor  
**Quality Road**  
 Strawberry Road (Aus), by Whiskey Road  
 Kobla  
 Winglet, by Alydar  
 A. P. Indy, by Seattle Slew  
 Bernardini  
 Cara Rafaela, by Quiet American  
**Lemon Bay**  
 Seeking the Gold, by Mr. Prospector  
 Sweet Fervor  
 Undeniably, by In Reality

**RACE RECORD:** 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$118,479. Also: won Irish Day S., Strawberry Morn S.; 3rd Emerald Distaff H., British Columbia Oaks H.

**SIRE: QUALITY ROAD** (2006), by Elusive Quality. **G1** SW, 8 wins, 2 to 4, \$2,232,830. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**

**LEMON BAY** (2009), by Bernardini. Unraced. Dam of 1 other foal of racing age.

**2nd DAM**

**SWEET FERVOR** (2003), by Seeking the Gold. 5 wins in 10 starts, 2 to 4, \$302,108, Shirley Jones Breeders' Cup H.-**G3**, etc. Half-sister to **CONCERTO** (10 wins, \$1,308,118, Jim Beam S.-**G2**, etc.), **ILLUSIONED** (5 wins, \$335,726, Ack Ack H.-**G3**, etc.), **Wonderous** (4 wins, \$254,339, 2nd Florida Derby-**G1**, etc.), **Granting** (9 wins, \$232,660, 3rd Tropical Park Derby-**G3**). 3 other foals, 2 starters, 1 winner, **Tiz So Sweet** (\$211,100, 2nd Summer Colony S.-R).

Unplaced in her only start at two – in a Del Mar maiden special weight – Top Quality won a Golden Gate Fields maiden allowance race in her second start as a sophomore before venturing north to Emerald Downs to take the Irish Day Stakes by nearly four lengths. After running third to older fillies and mares in the Emerald Distaff Handicap, she finished her 2017 campaign with a close third in the British Columbia Oaks.

Her 2018 campaign started off with a second at Golden Gate before she once again traveled to Vancouver and Hastings Racecourse where she took the June 16 Strawberry Morn Stakes.

Back at Emerald Downs, the Dave Mowat (Ten Broeck Farm) colorbearer went off as the even-money choice in a field of eight in the Boeing Stakes, in which she "drew off with little need of urging" to win by nearly four lengths.

Since her tally in the Boeing Stakes, Top Quality has made two more starts, finishing second in the Emerald Distaff Stakes and third in the Delta Collen Stakes at Hastings to up her earnings total to \$131,177.

Top Quality, a \$280,000 Keeneland September Yearling Sale purchase, is the first foal out of unraced Lemon Bay, a daughter of champion Bernardini and Grade 2 stakes winner Sweet Fervor. Lemon Bay also has a two-year-old filly named Noble Contessa, by Noble Mission (GB), a yearling colt by Lemon Drop Kid and foaled a full sister to Top Quality this past spring.

Four-time Grade 1 winner Quality Road, the sire of Top Quality, currently is ranked seventh nationally (through September 27) on the general sire list, with over \$9.3-million

in current earnings. The sire of two 2017 champion distaffers, Quality Road has 15 stakes winners to his credit (and 31 overall) in 2018, led by Grade 1 winners Abel Tasman, City of Light, Salty, Spring Quality and Bellafina, who won the Grade 1 Del Mar Debutante Stakes on September 1. With only five crops of racing age, his progeny have over \$31-million in lifetime earnings. The now 12-year-old stallion stood the 2018 season at Lane's End in Versailles, Kentucky, for a \$70,000 fee.

## YULONG WARRIOR



Wayne Nagat

**GETAWAY DAY STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 23, \$100,000g (\$100,000), three-year-olds, 1 1/16 miles, 1:40.61, track fast.

**YULONG WARRIOR**, c., 124, Street Cry (Ire)—Mahkama, by Bernardini (Fl)

..... Yuesheng Zhang \$53,350  
**Weekend Wizard**, g. 124, Rosberg—Gosailgo, by Finality (BC)..... Riversedge Racing Stable Ltd \$19,400

**Boundary Bay**, g., 122, Harbor the Gold—Flying Memo, by Memo (Chi) (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**..North American Thoroughbred Racing Co. Inc. \$14,550

Margins: 1 1/4, 3, 3/4. Also started: Sippin Fire 124 (\$7,275), Hey Sequoia 122 (\$2,425), Canadian Game 122 (\$1,000), Elliott Bay 122 (\$1,000), Not Yet 122 (\$1,000). Trained by Doug O'Neil. Bred by Mossarosa LLC. Ridden by Evin Roman.

Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native  
 Machiavellian  
 Coup de Folie, by Halo

**Street City (Ire)**

Troy, by Petingo  
 Helen Street (GB)  
 Waterway, by Riverman  
 A. P. Indy, by Seattle Slew  
 Bernardini  
 Casa Rafaela, by Quiet American

**Mahkama**

Rahy, by Blushing Groom (Fr)  
 Rahy Rose  
 Rose Park, by Plugged Nickle

**RACE RECORD:** Placed at 2 in Ireland; 2 wins at 3, SW in United Arab Emirates; winner at 3 in North America. Total earnings: \$247,951. Also: Al Bastakiya.

**SIRE: STREET CRY (Ire)** (1998), by Machiavellian. 2 wins at 2 and 4, **G1** SW in North America; 3 wins at 3 and 4, United Arab Emirates. **G1** SW, Horse of the Year, champion older male. Total earnings: \$5,150,837. Deceased. Stood in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**

**MAHKAMA** (2009), by Bernardini. Winner at 3 in England, \$7,634. Dam of 2 other named foals, 1 starter.

**2nd DAM**

**RAHY ROSE** (1995), by Rahy. 2 wins at 4, \$83,823. Half-sister to **WILD RUSH** (8 wins, \$1,386,302, Metropolitan H.-**G1**, Carter H.-**G1**, etc.; sire), **Almuhathir** (6 wins, \$233,636, **G3**; sire). 11 other named foals, 8 starters, 4 winners, including **SUMMER RAVEN** (2 wins at 2, \$168,910, Tempted

S.-**G3**, etc.; dam of **LEWIS BAY**, 6 wins to 5, 2018, \$1,155,560, Gazelle S.-**G2**, Rampart S.-**G3**, etc., **MISCONNECT**, 4 wins, \$327,100, General George H.-**G3**, etc., **WINSLOW HOMER**, 4 wins, \$273,365, Holy Bull S.-**G3**, etc.; granddam of **LOST RAVEN**, 5 wins, \$359,050, Miss Preakness S.-**G3**, etc.).

Trainer Doug O'Neil brought two horses north from California for Emerald Downs closing day card and almost walked away with two stakes wins. His first runner, Yulong Warrior, earned his first win stateside in the Getaway Day Stakes, and one race later O'Neil's two-year-old trainee Palladium finished second by a head in the Gottstein Futurity. A son of Graydar, Palladium was co-bred by Yakima attorney David Thorner.

A \$180,000 Keeneland September Sale yearling in 2016 and a \$402,948 Goff's London Sale two-year-old the following year, Yulong Warrior started his racing career in Ireland that same season with three seconds and one third in his four starts.

Sent to Meydan Race Course in the United Arab Emirates the following winter, he finished fifth in his first start, but then reeled off two consecutive wins, including an 11 1/2-length tally in the listed Al Bastakiya at 1 3/16 miles. He next was sorely beaten in the UAE Derby (G2) behind Mendelssohn's impressive winning performance at the same distance.

Yulong Warrior was then sent to O'Neil's care where he made his first North American start in the \$100,000 Shared Belief Stakes, a mile race at Del Mar on August 25, and finished a distant fourth.

The fourth betting choice in the field of eight assembled for the Getaway Day Stakes, whose \$100,000 purse was provided through the benevolence of an unknown donor, Yulong Warrior, with Evin Roman astride, raced mid-pack until nearing the three-sixteenth pole and then drew clear by 1 1/4 lengths. Race favorite Sippin Fire finished fourth.

Yulong Warrior is the second foal out of the winning Bernardini mare Mahkama, whose yearling three-quarter sister (by champion and Kentucky Derby [G1] winner Street Sense) to Yulong Warrior sold for \$350,000 to Godolphin at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky sale this past July.

Mahkama is a half-sister to Grade 3 -winning two-year-old Summer Raven, a daughter of Summer Squall who has produced three graded stakes winners. Mahkama's granddam Rose Park was a \$217,839 stakes-winning daughter of champion sprinter Plugged Nickle. Rose Park was a half-sister to three stakes-placed runners, including the dam of Grade 1 winner Hayil, who in turn produced Grade 1 winner and English and French highweight Shalaa. Tops among her foals was two-time Grade 1 winner Wild Rush, who left behind several prominent North American runners before being exported to Japan in 2005.

Yulong Warrior is one of at least 115 stakes winners sired by UAE Horse of the Year Street Cry (Ire) before his death at age 16. Among his top runners are distaff sensations Zenyatta (US) and Winx (Australia), who between the two, in 56 starts (and there may be more since Winx is still on the top of her game), have won 50 races (44 stakes), and earned nearly \$21.5-million (US). ■

# Northwest Race Series Summary 2018

Race	Place	Horse	Bred	Purse \$	Nom \$	Sire \$	Nom Sire \$	Total	
7/15/18 2yo (c/g) 5 1/2 f	<b>King County Express (c/g)</b>								
	1	Boja Sur	WA	24,475.00	1,375.00	1,250.00	5,000.00	32,100.00	
	2	Verynsky	WA	8,900.00	500.00	-	-	9,400.00	
	3	Sky Confidential	KY	6,675.00	375.00	-	-	7,050.00	
	4	This Great Nation	WA	3,337.50	187.50	-	-	3,525.00	
	5	AZ Dreamer	AZ	1,112.50	62.50	-	-	1,175.00	
	6	Jack Van Berg	KY	500.00	-	-	-	500.00	
		Total Disbursed		45,000.00	2,500.00	1,250.00	5,000.00	53,750.00	
		Not Distributed		-	-	1,250.00	5,000.00	6,250.00	
		Total Available Purse		45,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	10,000.00	60,000.00	
	<b>CUMULATIVE TOTAL</b>			45,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	10,000.00	60,000.00	
7/15/18 2yo (f) 5 1/2 f	<b>Angie C. Stakes (f)</b>								
	1	Northwest Factor	KY	29,425.00	1,650.00	-	-	31,075.00	
	2	Aikman Juliet	ID	10,700.00	-	-	-	10,700.00	
	3	Lady Campbell	KY	8,025.00	450.00	-	-	8,475.00	
	4	Senoradiablo	KY	4,012.50	-	-	-	4,012.50	
	5	Sunshine Emily	WA	1,337.50	75.00	-	-	1,412.50	
	6	Lucy's Eclipse	WA	500.00	-	-	-	500.00	
		Total Disbursed		54,000.00	2,175.00	-	-	56,175.00	
		Not Distributed		-	825.00	3,000.00	10,000.00	13,825.00	
		Total Available Purse		54,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	10,000.00	70,000.00	
	<b>CUMULATIVE TOTAL</b>			99,000.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	20,000.00	130,000.00	
8/12/18 2yo (f) 6 f	<b>Barbara Shinpoch Stakes (f)</b>								
	1	Aikman Juliet	ID	30,250.00	-	-	-	30,250.00	
	2	Twirling Devon	FL	11,000.00	650.00	-	-	11,650.00	
	3	Northwest Factor	KY	8,250.00	487.50	-	-	8,737.50	
	4	Senoradiablo	KY	4,125.00	-	-	-	4,125.00	
	5	Divine Dharma	KY	1,375.00	-	-	-	1,375.00	
	6-12	3 @ \$500 ea (Purse)	WA	1,500.00	-	-	-		
		4 @ \$500 ea (Purse)	Non	2,000.00					
		Total Disbursed		58,500.00	1,137.50	-	-	59,637.50	
		Not Distributed		-	2,112.50	3,250.00	10,000.00	15,362.50	
	Total Available Purse		58,500.00	3,250.00	3,250.00	10,000.00	75,000.00		
	<b>CUMULATIVE TOTAL</b>			157,500.00	8,750.00	8,750.00	30,000.00	205,000.00	
8/12/18 2yo (c/g) 6 f	<b>WTBOA Lads Stakes (c/g)</b>								
	1	The Great Nation	WA	23,100.00	1,375.00	1,250.00	5,000.00	30,725.00	
	2	Jack Van Berg	KY	8,400.00	500.00	-	-	8,900.00	
	3	Reno Boy	WA	6,300.00	375.00	500.00	1,500.00	8,675.00	
	4	Time 'N Time Again	WA	3,150.00	187.50	-	-	3,337.50	
	5	Helaman	KY	1,050.00	62.50	-	-	1,112.50	
	6-11	3 @ \$500 ea (Purse)	WA	1,500.00	-	-	-		
		3 @ \$500 ea (Purse)	Non	1,500.00					
		Total Disbursed		45,000.00	2,500.00	1,750.00	6,500.00	55,750.00	
		Not Distributed		-	-	750.00	3,500.00	4,250.00	
	Total Available Purse		45,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	10,000.00	60,000.00		
	<b>CUMULATIVE TOTAL</b>			202,500.00	11,250.00	11,250.00	40,000.00	265,000.00	
9/23/18 2yo (open) 8 1/2 f Open race, but NWRS funds paid to top five finishers, no matter where they finished	<b>Gottstein Futurity (open)</b>								
	1	Northwest Factor	KY	25,850.00	-	-	-	22,000.00	47,850.00
	2	Palladium	KY	9,400.00	-	-	-	-	9,400.00
	3	Fuzzy Dolphin	WA	7,050.00	-	-	-	8,000.00	15,050.00
	4	Mr. Frank	KY	3,525.00	-	-	-	-	3,525.00
	5	Forty Six Carats	KY	1,175.00	-	-	-	-	1,175.00
	6	Ally On Fire		500.00	-	-	-	6,000.00	6,500.00
	7	Emily's Gold		500.00	-	-	-	3,000.00	3,500.00
	8	Reno Roy		500.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,500.00
	9	Hardy Chisel		500.00	-	-	-	-	500.00
	10	Time 'N Time Again		500.00	-	-	-	-	500.00
	11	Frolic and Detour		500.00	-	-	-	-	500.00
		Total Disbursed		50,000.00	-	-	-	40,000.00	90,000.00
	Not Distributed		-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total Available Purse		50,000.00	-	-	-	40,000.00	90,000.00	
	<b>CUMULATIVE TOTAL</b>			252,500.00	11,250.00	11,250.00	40,000.00	355,000.00	

Accumulative Undistributed

-      2,937.50      8,250.00      28,500.00      39,687.50

Purse \$      Nom \$      Stallion \$      Nom Sire \$      TOTAL \$



**Northwest Race Series  
Washington Bred Winners Analysis**

	Thru 2017		2018		Total To Date	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total Winners	311	100.00%	4	100.00%	315	100.00%
WA Bred Winners	217	69.77%	2	50.00%	219	69.52%
Total Top 5	1,550	100.00%	20	100.00%	1,570	100.00%
WA Bred Top 5	1,077	69.48%	7	35.00%	1,084	69.04%
Total Owner's Payout	15,956,109.01	100.00%	202,500.00	100.00%	16,158,609.01	100.00%
WA Bred Money Earned	10,732,310.35	67.26%	73,600.00	36.35%	10,805,910.35	66.87%
Non-WA Money Earned	5,223,799.66	32.74%	128,900.00	63.65%	5,352,699.66	33.13%
Nominator Awards Paid	671,444.66	100.00%	8,312.50	100.00%	679,757.16	100.00%
WA Bred	488,923.77	72.82%	4,075.00	49.02%	492,998.77	72.53%
Non-WA Bred	182,520.89	27.18%	4,237.50	50.98%	186,758.39	27.47%
Stallion Awards Paid Out	461,540.49	100.00%	3,000.00	100.00%	464,540.49	100.00%
WA Bred	433,843.11	94.00%	3,000.00	100.00%	436,843.11	94.04%
Non-WA Bred	27,697.38	6.00%	-	0.00%	27,697.38	5.96%
Nominated Sire Awards Paid Out	48,500.00	100.00%	11,500.00	100.00%	60,000.00	100.00%
WA Bred	48,500.00	100.00%	11,500.00	100.00%	60,000.00	100.00%
Non-WA Bred	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
NWRS Awards Paid to Gottstein Futurity	40,000.00	100.00%	40,000.00	100.00%	80,000.00	100.00%
WA Bred	26,750.00	66.88%	18,000.00	45.00%	44,750.00	55.94%
Non-WA Bred	13,250.00	33.13%	22,000.00	55.00%	35,250.00	44.06%

**Recap of Washington Bred Winners In Prior Years**

	1988-2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
<b>Winners</b>							
# Races	291	6	6	4	4	4	315
Total Winners	291	6	6	4	4	4	315
WA Bred	204	5	3	2	3	2	219
% WA Bred	70.10%	83.33%	50.00%	50.00%	75.00%	50.00%	69.52%

California	11		1		1		13
Canada	4						4
Florida	2						2
Idaho	2					1	3
Kentucky	62	1	2	2		1	68
Maryland	1						1
Montana	1						1
Oregon	4						4

**Top 5 Horses**

Total Top 5	1452	30	29	19	20	20	1570
WA Bred	1019	22	14	8	14	7	1084
% WA Bred	70.18%	73.33%	48.28%	42.11%	70.00%	35.00%	69.04%

California	72	1	3	1	1		78
Canada	4						4
Canada BC	17				1		18
Florida	19					1	20
Idaho	6					2	8
Illinois	0				1		1
Kentucky	267	6	12	8	3	9	305
Minnesota	1						1
Montana	11						11
Oklahoma	2						2
Oregon	14			1			15
Other States	18	1		1		1	21



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### Washington-bred Stakes Winners with a Winner's Share of Less Than \$7,500

**CODY'S CHOICE** (2015), g. Raise the Bluff—Carrie's Choice, by Tribunal. Won: Inaugural H., Portland Meadows, 9/30. Earned \$6,600. Owned by White Diamond Syndicate. Trained by Ashley Potts. Bred by Vince and Pamela Gibson. Ridden by Patrick Henry Jr.

**COPY BEGONE** (2013), m., Demon Warlock—Run a Copy, by Basket Weave. Won: Multnomah Falls H., Portland Meadows, 10/7. Earned \$6,600. Owned by Aaron Bresko. Trained by Neil Knapp. Bred by John Roche. Ridden by Robert Burney.

**MASTER'S BLUFF** (2010), g. Raise the Bluff—Last S. A., by Peterhof. Won Marathon Series Claiming S., Grande Prairie, 7/14. Earned \$3,102. Won: Northlands Park Handicap S., Grande Prairie, 8/25. Earned \$2,604. Owned by Nellie Pigeau. Trained by Ralph Darcy. Bred by Matt Moore, Hally Moore and Tony Burlingame. Ridden by Stewart Blandford. **WTBOA Sales**

**STERLING ALY** (2015), f., Gold Aly—Nifty Nite, by Slewdledo. Won: B Cup 3 Year Old Fillies S., Lethbridge, 9/29. Earned \$3,284. Owned and trained by Lyle Magnuson. Bred by Leon Loza. Ridden by Larris Allen.

### Champion Citizen Kitty Retired

Highlander Racing Stables LLC's 2017 Washington champion racemare Citizen Kitty has been retired from racing and been sent to Kentucky to start her next career as a broodmare.

A \$41,000 WTBOA Summer Yearling Sale purchase by Bruce and Cass Maller for their Highlander Racing Stables, Citizen Kitty made 33 starts over her five seasons at the track and had an 8-5-6 record which included wins in the 2017 Boeing and Hastings stakes and Emerald Distaff Handicap. The daughter of Proud Citizen also placed in four other Emerald Downs stakes en route to earnings of \$222,301.

Bred by Charlie Dunn's Dunn Bar Ranch LLC, Citizen Kitty is one of two state champions produced out of 2007 Washington champion juvenile filly No Constraints, who was also named state broodmare of the year in 2016. No Constraints is also the dam of 2016 Washington champion three-year-old distaffer and 2018 stakes winner Invested

Prospect, a daughter of Abraaj who has earnings of \$159,120. No Constraints is one of a trio of Katowice-sired stakes winners, which includes additional Washington two-year-old champion Sundance Circle, out 2007 Washington broodmare of the year Nightatmisskittys. An unraced daughter of Al Mamoon, Nightatmisskittys is a half-sister to Washington champions Firesweeper and Serenity Road.

The Mallers also raced 2013 Washington horse of the year E Z Kitty, whose yearling daughter by Broken Vow was consigned to the Fasig-Tipton October Kentucky Yearling Sale. E Z Kitty also has a two-year-old colt by Blame named Blame It On Kitty who is currently in training in California, and produced a filly by Exaggerator this past spring.

### 2017 Washington Horse of the Year Mach One Rules Retired

R. E. V. Racing's multiple Washington champion Mach One Rules has been retired from racing after an injury sustained in an early morning workout on August 27. His last start had been a fourth place finish in the Longacres Mile (G3), a race he had been runner-up in the previous year.

The five-year-old son of Harbor the Gold—Felice the Cat, by Distinctive Cat, made his entire 24 career starts under the care of Frank Lucarelli, who saddled him to seven wins, including six stakes victories. The talented runner also had seven stakes seconds and two stakes thirds in his four-year journey at the track that netted his Port Orchard owners a \$330,876 bankroll. All but three of his outings were around his Emerald home base.

Mach One Rules was bred by Pam and Neal Christopherson's Bar C Racing Stable Inc. and was a member of their consignment to the 2014 WTBOA Summer Yearling and Mixed Sale where he was purchased by Roy and Ellie Schaefer (R. E. V. Racing) for \$40,000.

After a juvenile record that saw the dark bay gelding unbeaten in four starts, including three stakes tallies, Mach One Rules earned his first state champion title as best two-year-old.

At three he lost four stakes by either a head or a neck margin, but he would return in 2017 for his best season. After finishing second, by a neck, in the Governor's Stakes, Mach One Rules proved victorious in the Budweiser and Mt. Rainier stakes. He next

finished second in the Mile before taking the Muckleshoot Tribal Classic Stakes. He ended his second championship season with another close second, by a nose, in Golden Gate Fields' Oakland Stakes. With his 3-3-1 record in eight starts and \$145,595 earnings total in 2017, Mach One Rules was lauded as Washington horse of the year, champion older horse and champion sprinter.

### WTBOA Sales Graduates in the News

**Ain't Tellin** took his 16th win in an allowance race at Grande Prairie on July 30 while racing for owner/trainer Lyle Magnuson. The seven-year-old Florida-bred gelding by Lewis Michael—Darlin Dixie, by Dixie Brass, added win number 17 in a Lethbridge allowance race, on September 9, increasing his earnings to \$76,643 in his 49 starts. The runner, who had been consigned by DiPietro Thoroughbreds to the 2012 WTBOA Sale, was a five-time stakes winner on the Oregon fair circuit.

**Oh Marvelous Me**, who races for Todd and Shawn Hansen and is trained by Blaine Wright, won an allowance/\$40,000 optional claiming race at Emerald Downs in July. The Kentucky-bred gelding by Bluegrass Cat—Morakami, by Fusaichi Pegasus, who was a member of the 2013 El Dorado Farms consignment, later ran third in both the Longacres Mile-G3 and Pete Pedersen Overnight Stakes to improve his record to 6-5-5 from 22 starts and push his earnings to \$115,678.

**Psycho Sister** narrowly missed winning the \$50,000 Luther Burbank Handicap (by a head) at Santa Rosa on August 4. On August 25, the five-year-old daughter of Freud—Melba Jewel, by Cahill Road, went gate-to-wire to take a mile turf allowance at Golden Gate and she made it two in a row with another gate-to-wire victory in an allowance/\$62,500 optional claimer, over the same track, distance and surface on September 15. Bred in Washington by Rick and Debbie Pabst, she has earned \$154,445.

**Brilliant Bird**, a three-year-old stakes-placed daughter of Einstein (Brz) who races for Ron Crockett Inc. and is trained by Terry Gillihan, took an allowance/\$32,000 optional claiming (N) race at Emerald Downs by 6 1/2 lengths on August 4. Bred in Washington by Bret Christopherson and out of the Awesome Again mare Clever Bird, Brilliant Bird later finished second in the WA Cup Sophomore Filly Stakes and had earned \$48,737 thorough the end of September.

**Hey Sequoia** won an allowance/\$32,000 optional claiming (N) race at Emerald Downs on August 5 for owner William Bridges. Stakes-placed last year at two, the colt by Cause to Believe—Audzeezee, by Vying Victor, was bred in British Columbia by Prescott Farms. The Tom Wenzel trainee finished third in the September 9 Muckleshoot Tribal Classic and has earned \$59,012.

**Master's Bluff**, who had won the 2012 Northwest Stallion Slewdledo Stakes at Emerald Downs, added his fifth stakes victory in the \$4,766 Northlands Park Handicap Stakes at Grande Prairie on August 25. All four of the gelding's other stakes tallies have come at Alberta tracks. Master's Bluff, a son of El Dorado Farms LLC's Raise the Bluff—Last S A, by Peterhof, won the mile race by 5 1/2 lengths. The now 14-race winner of \$90,374 was bred in Washington by Matt and Hally Moore and the late Tony Burlingame.

**I'm an Eight**, after finishing second or third in his first nine outings, entered the winner's circle in his tenth attempt. The three-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Haynesfield out of Washington champion No Constraints, by Katowice, became his dam's third winner, following state champion distaffers Citizen Kitty and Invested Prospect, when the gelding went gate-to-wire to win a 1 1/16-mile \$20,000 maiden claiming race over Golden Gate's turf course on August 31. Bred by Charlie Dunn's Dunn Bar Ranch LLC and trained by Tim McCanna, I'm an Eight races for the partnership of Dunn, McCanna and Ray McCanna.

**Ladyledue**, a two-time Washington champion race filly for Jon Sather, produced her second winner when Sather's Mylady Curlin, a three-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Curlin, won her first outing by five lengths in a maiden special weight race at Ellis Park on September 2. In her next start, Mylady Curlin took an allowance test at Churchill Downs on September 22. The Brad Cox-trained filly has earned \$60,000. A 2006 daughter of champion sire Slewdledo, \$147,271 stakes winner Ladyledue is one of 11 winners, including her full brother Grade 3 stakes winner and state champion I'madrifter, out of 100 percent producer Exploded's Girl.

**Carson's Fireball** finished second in the Eastern Idaho State Fair Speed Sprint Stakes at Black Foot on September 7 to Generations. It was his fifth stakes placement at four different tracks, which included a win in the Millarville Sprint Stakes in July.

A five-year-old gelded son of El Dorado Farms LLC's Abraaj, he is one of five foals of racing age (four winners) Charlie Dunn has bred out of his Washington champion racemare Firetrail, by Defensive Play. Firetrail's offspring includes Ally On Fire, a gelding by Flat Out who placed in the 2018 WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings Stakes at Emerald Downs.

Carson's Fireball had also run second in the Let Em Run All Breeds Overnight Stakes (mixed) to Generations on September 3.

Though not a WTBOA Sales horse, Generations deserves a "shout-out" for his remarkable race record. The nine-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Indian Charlie has won his last 27 races! The gray/roan gelding has a 13-0-1 from his 21 starts in Thoroughbred races (with \$64,520 earned). He is also unbeaten in his 11 starts in Quarter Horse runs, earning \$29,630, and is one-for-one in the previously mentioned mixed race, earning \$2,300. He is a full brother to Grade 3 winner and \$449,870 earner Indyanne (who raced for David and Jill Heerensperger) and a half-brother to Panamanian stakes winner Distintoydiferente.

**Magdalena's Moment**, a two-year-old Washington-bred daughter of Harbor the Gold—Royal Recruit, by Our Royal Recruit, bred by Dr. Duane and Susan Hopp, who after finishing second in her first start, a 5 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race at Albuquerque on September 9, came back to score a gate-to-wire victory in a maiden special weight race at the same distance at Zia Park on October 1. The \$10,000 2017 sale purchase, who races for Linda Eidal, has earned \$20,040.

**Genithelamborghini** increased her 2018 earnings to \$47,528 after the four-year-old daughter of Blue Ribbon Farm stallion Atta Boy Roy—Crafty Diva, by Crafty Prospector, finished second in a five-furlong allowance race at Remington Park on September 22. Bred by Jean M. G. Welch, the Washington-foaled runner has a lifetime record of 4-2-2 from 13 starts with total earnings of \$71,935.

#### **With a Furlong to Go – Pacific Northwest . . .**

Four Times Lucky, a seven-year-old full sister to British Columbia champion Quatre Cat, won the \$4,800 Princess Stakes at Great Falls on July 21. A winner of 16 races and \$122,342, both distaffers were sired by El Dorado Farms stallion **Abraaj** and are out of the Foxhound mare Four Girls . . . 2017 Washington claimer of the year, eight-year-old **Mike Man's Gold**, took a \$20,000 claiming race at Emerald Downs on July 21 to record his 19th victory at the Auburn oval. The \$315,257 earner races for Gary and Chuck Conley and trainer Joe Toyé's Terra Firma Farm. The son of Liberty Gold out of 2017 Washington broodmare of the year Chedoodle, by Slewdledo, was bred by Keith and Jan Swagerty . . . Former Pacific Northwest stallion **Car Talk (Ire)** is the sire of juvenile Brite Lily, who was a seven-length winner of the July 29 Big Sky Select Breeders Futurity at Great Falls. She was bred in Oregon by trainer Neil Knapp . . . On August 18, **Emerald Racing Club (ERC)**'s Zanab won her third race of the season at Emerald Downs. She finished the meet with a second on September 8 and in her five

Emerald outings for ERC earned \$16,475. The seven-year-old Montana-bred daughter of Katalpha is trained by Larry and Sharon Ross . . . **Portland Meadows** opened its 2018-19 meet (which runs through February 5, 2019, with 37 racing dates scheduled) on September 30 with the \$10,000 Inaugural Handicap, which was taken in gate-to-wire fashion by White Diamond Syndicate's **Cody's Choice**, who took the 5 1/2-furlong race by four lengths. Bred in Washington by Vince and Pamela Gibson, the gelding by El Dorado Farms LLC's Raise the Bluff is the second starter and winner out of Portland Meadows stakes winner Carrie's Choice, a daughter of Tribunal who earned \$76,115. Bred by the late Dr. A. L. "Bud" and Patricia Hallowell, Carrie's Choice is a half-sister to Emerald Downs stakes winner Our Eagle Boy. Mary Tate and Shane Bailey's Papa Frank, by Papa Clem, ran second in the opening day stakes while Richard Sena's race favorite Grinder Sparksaglo, a Washington-bred son of Grindstone, finished third in the field of eight . . . **Copy Begone** became the second 2018 stakes winner bred by Yakima resident John Roche after she won the \$12,000 Multnomah Falls Handicap at Portland Meadows on October 7. Racing for Aaron Bresko and trained by Neil Knapp, the five-year-old Washington-bred daughter of Demon Warlock—Run a Copy, by Basket Weave, scored a 3 1/4-length victory in the 5 1/2-furlong race for older fillies and mares. Stakes winner Run a Copy, who was also bred by Roche, is out of state champion Soft Copy. Run a Copy's stakes-winning half-sister Premo Copy has produced three stakes winners in Roche's name, including 2018 unbeaten juvenile winner Baja Sur. The race



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marked Copy Begon's 15th win and upped her earnings to \$110,388. Alan Bozell's Tesia, by Papa Clem, ran second in the early October race, while Lauren Livingston and Jeff Kelloniemi's **Hold That Smile**, a 2017 WTBOA Sale graduate and three-year-old California-bred daughter of Smiling Tiger out of stakes winner and multiple stakes producer Chasseur Dame, by French Legionaire, finished third in the field of eight.

### **With a Furlong to Go – California and the Southwest . . .**

On September 1, **Dr. George Todaro** and partners' Vasilika, who they had claimed for \$40,000 last February, won the \$200,000 John C. Mabee Stakes (G2) at Del Mar. The four-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Skipshot next added a victory in the \$300,000 Rodeo Drive Stakes (G1) at Santa Anita on September 30 and improved her record to 12-4-3 record from her 26 starts. She has earned \$620,595 . . . On July 28, Quarter Horse runner **Heza Dasha Fire**, in his first outing since December 2017, took the \$100,000 Spencer L. Childers California Breeders Championship Handicap (G1) at Los Alamitos. The six-year-old gelding – who ranks as the richest Washington-foaled racehorse – has earned \$2,217,987 for his owners and breeders Don and Kathy Meneely and their Kennewick-based S-Quarter K LLC with his 16-5-0 record from 22 starts . . . 2017 Eclipse champion sprinter Roy H ran second in the \$300,000 Bing Crosby Stakes (G1) at Del Mar on July 28. Next, for the second year in a row, Roy H took the \$300,000 Santa Anita Sprint Championship (G1). He won the October 6 race by 2 3/4-lengths over his stablemate Distinctive B. The six-year-old gelded son of More Than Ready out of Grade 3 stakes winner Elusive Diva, by Elusive Quality, races for Rockingham Ranch and David A. Bernsen LLC and is trained by Peter Miller. Both Roy H's second and third dames, **Taj Aire** and **Whimsical Aire**, were named Washington broodmares of the year. Roy H has an 8-5-2 record from his 21 starts and earnings of \$1,919,765 . . . Three-year-old **Perfect Pirate**, who was bred in Washington by Barbara Ekins and trainer Jonathan Nance, took an Arapahoe Park 5 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race by 10 3/4 lengths on July 29. The impressive new winner is a gelding by Harbor the Gold—Sasha B, by Is It True . . . Lee Drummond, **John V. Xitco** and trainer **Mark Glatt**'s Cordiality, a five-year-old daughter of Papa Clem, won the Solana Beach Stakes for California-breds at Del Mar on August 10 to give her nine wins. The \$413,595 earner was ridden by **Tyler Baze** . . . Grade 1 stakes winner Stormy Liberal, a six-year-old full brother to El Dorado Farms LLC stallion **Coast Guard**, added a tally in the \$75,000 Green Flash Handicap at Del Mar on August 17. The gelded son of Stormy Atlantic—Vassar, by Royal Academy, next finished a head in front of his stablemate and

paternal half-brother Conquest Tsunami in the \$100,000 Eddie D Stakes (G3) at Santa Anita on September 28. He improved his record to 11-8-1 from 29 starts and upped his earnings to \$1,368,930 . . . On August 18, Fatale Bere (Fr), by Pedro the Great, added her second graded win after she won the Del Mar Oaks (G1). Her relationship to 1968 Washington broodmare of the year **Beadah** comes through the flea-bitten gray's daughter Silver Song, a 1957 daughter of Royal Note. This branch of the family is responsible for over a dozen other graded/group winners, including Tapit, Summer Bird, Rubiano, Life At Ten and Relaunch . . . Charles Peterson's homebred **Swingshift Deputy** increased his earnings to \$99,009 after the Washington-bred gelding won a \$35,000 claiming race at Golden Gate on September 8. The six-year-old son of Ministers Wild Cat—Sweet Swinging Ms., by Swing and Miss, is trained by Frank Lucarelli . . . Two-year-old King of Speed, who was bred in Kentucky by **Larry and Mary Allison Romaine**'s Newaukum Racing Stables, broke his maiden in the \$100,000 Del Mar Juvenile Turf Stakes on September 2. One of five stakes winners for second crop sire Jimmy Creed, King of Speed is the second winner out of the Romaines' stakes-winning A. P. Indy mare Beautiful Daniele, who the Hermiston, Oregon, couple had purchased for \$10,000 at the 2015 Keeneland November sale while carrying the future stakes winner. Beautiful Daniele produced a filly by Point of Entry, named Angel's Entry, in 2017, had a colt by Atta Boy Roy in 2018 and was bred back to Harbor the Gold. National and Washington Racing Hall of Fame rider **Gary Stevens** was aboard King of Speed in this his 100th Del Mar stakes win. Stevens was profiled after the accomplishment in Evan Hammonds' "What's Going On Here" editorial in the September 8, 2018, *BloodHorse*. King of Speed won his second straight turf stakes on October 8 in the \$100,000 Zuma Beach Stakes at Santa Anita. Again ridden by Stevens, he scored a 1 1/4-length victory in the mile race and has earned \$145,980 in his six starts with a 2-1-1 record . . . Two-year-old Galilean, a son of Uncle Mo—Fresia, by El Prado (Ire), bred in California by **Pam and Neal Christopherson**'s Bar C Racing Stables Inc., recorded his first start and win in the \$100,000 Barrett's Juvenile Stakes contested during the Los Alamitos Thoroughbred meet on September 22. Jerry Hollendorfer trains the runner for the partnership of West Point Thoroughbreds, Denise Barker and William Sandbrook. The \$600,000 Barrett's Spring Sale of Two-year-olds in Training sale topper had been sold by the Christophersons for \$60,000 at the previous year's Barrett's Select Yearling Sale. Fresia produced a colt by Harbor the Gold last March. On the same card, Petra Lewin's **Rainbow Meadows**

**Farm** broodmare Bellomesa, by Sky Mesa, had her fourth winner when three-year-old filly Jabber Now, by Papa Clem, won a \$20,000 maiden claiming race. This past spring Bellomesa produced a Washington-bred filly by Grazen for Lewin and trainer Charles Essex.

### **With a Furlong to Go – East of the Rockies . . .**

2018 Preakness Stakes (G1) runner-up Bravazo, who runs as a homebred for Calumet Farm and is trained by D. Wayne Lukas, finished second to 2017 champion two-year-old Good Magic in the Haskell Invitational Stakes (G1) run at Monmouth Park. He next ran third behind Catholic Boy and Mendelssohn in the \$1.25-million Travers Stakes (G1) at Saratoga. The \$1,106,528 earner by Awesome Again is the first foal out of seven-race winner Tiz o' Gold, a 2007 daughter of Cee's Tizzy. Tiz o' Gold's dam, Pep o' Gold, by Slew o' Gold, was bred in Washington by **Charlie and Cindy Hctor and Hugh and Kathy Shields** . . . Smiling Causeway, one of a trio of stakes winners **Dr. Rodney Orr** has bred out of his Emerald Downs stakes winner Shandra Smiles, by Cahill Road, finished second by a nose in the Grade 2 Royal North Stakes run at Woodbine in July. The four-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Giant's Causeway has earned \$269,010 with her 5-4-0 record in ten starts . . . Three-year-old Separationofpowers won the \$500,000 Longines Test Stakes (G1) run at Saratoga in August. It marked the second Grade 1 triumph for the Kentucky-bred daughter of Candy Ride (Arg). Both she and her winning dam, Shehadmefromhello, by Empire Maker, were bred by the late Jerre Paxton's **Northwest Farms LLC**. Shehadmefromhello is a half-sister to \$187,685 stakes winner Fusa Code and Irish stakes-placed Black Hawk War, all being out of Paxton's seven-time stakes winner and 2002 Emerald Downs champion Lasting Code. Racing for Klaravich Stables Inc. and trained by Chad Brown, Separationofpowers has earned \$707,300 . . . Three-year-old Mr. Jagermeister, a son of Blue Ribbon Farm stallion **Atta Boy Roy**, rolled to his fourth stakes win in the \$100,000 Minnesota Derby at Canterbury Park in August, taking the mile and 70-yard race for Minnesota-breds by ten lengths. The runner added his fifth stakes victory in the \$75,000 Wally's Choice Minnesota Classic Championship Stakes in September at Canterbury. Owned by sisters Leslie Cummings, Kristin Boice (breeder) and Valorie Lund (trainer), he improved his record to 7-3-0 from 12 starts and upped his earnings to \$308,975 . . . Former Washington horseman **Dennis Ward** – the father of Washington Racing Hall of Fame trainer Wesley Ward – saddled his 1,000th winner on August 9 at Gulfstream Park with Greely Is Back . . . **Horseplayers Racing Club LLC**'s two-year-old first-time starter Giant

Mesa proved the easiest of winners when the Kentucky-bred son of Giant Oak romped to a 14-length win in a maiden \$20,000 claiming race at Evangeline Downs on August 22 . . . Ten Broeck Farm Inc.'s (**David Mowat**) Chanteline won the \$100,000 Sweet n Fancy Stakes at Saratoga in August. The six-year-old daughter of Majesticperfection took the 5 1/2-furlong turf romp by three lengths. Trained by Steve Asmussen, Chanteline, a half-sister to multiple stakes winner Kell Paso, has earned \$524,972 . . . **Cheers and Prayers**, a five-year-old gelding by Pulse Ranch stallion Preachinathebar, took his eighth win in 14 starts in September in a five-furlong allowance race at Remington Park. The \$62,982 earner, out of the Snowbound mare Snow Mist, was bred in Washington by Kara L. Toye.

### With a Furlong to Go – Internationally . . .

**Neil Jones'** homebred Knight To Behold scored an easy four-length victory in the Prix Guillaume d'Ornano Haras du Logis Saint-Germain (G2), a ten-furlong stakes run at Deauville, France, in August. Bred in Ireland in the name of Jones' Abergwaun Farms, it marked the second stakes victory for the three-year-old colt by Sea The Stars and improved his record to 3-1-0 in six starts with \$277,390 earned. He is the third pattern winner out of Jones' unraced Angel of the Gwaun (Ire), by Sadler's Wells, a half-sister to Jones' Group 1 winner Millenary, Group 3 winner Head in the Clouds and Epsom Derby (G1)-placed Let the Lion Roar . . . Trini Brewnette, a five-year-old daughter of Milwaukee Brew out of Canadian champion two-year-old filly Dancing Allstar, won the Algoma Stakes at Woodbine in August. A half-sister to \$257,130 stakes winner Summer Sunday, the now six-time stakes-placed Trini Brewnette has earned \$265,130. Eight-time stakes winner and \$517,217 earner Dancing Allstar is out of the 1999 Honor Grades mare High on Believen, the first foal out of 1995 Washington champion two-year-old filly **Candles n Moonlite**, whose dam was a half-sister to two-time Washington horse of the year Saratoga Passage . . . On September 29 at Hastings Racecourse, Summerland, a two-year-old daughter of the late **He's Tops**, went gate-to-wire to win the \$58,096 Fantasy Stakes, at odds of one-to-ten, by ten lengths. It marked her fourth win in five starts and upped the British Columbia-bred's winnings to \$85,709. . . . Two-year-old Sharp Dressed Beau, a son of former Pacific Northwest sire **Car Talk (Ire)**, won his second start, a \$12,000 maiden claiming race by 7 3/4 lengths at Century Downs in September. Bred in Oregon by trainer Neil Knapp, the gelding is a half-brother to back-to-back Oregon champion sophomore fillies Suddenly Adele and Gracie Gold . . . Tokyo Yushan Japanese Derby (G1) winner Wagnerian, a three-year-old Japanese-bred son of Deep Impact (Jpn),

won the Kobe Shimbun Hai (G2) at Hanshin on September 23. He was recording his fifth win in seven starts and upped his earning to over \$3.2-million. Wagnerian and his stakes-winning full sister Tenderly Voice are out of a winning daughter of six-time Japanese stakes winner and \$4.4-million earner Broad Appeal, a 1994 daughter of Broad Brush bred by the late Diane C. Kem. At the dispersal of the Kem estate, held in conjunction with the 1995 WTBOA Winter Mixed Sale, **Jack and Theresa Hodge's** Oak Crest Farm went to \$36,000 to acquire Broad Appeal's stakes-placed dam Valid Allure, in foal to Delineator. That foal, Inclinator, would become a \$257,318 stakes winner. Valid Allure also produced Desert Liaison for the Hodges and the winning daughter of Meadowlake is the dam of the Hodges' Frizette Stakes (G1) heroine Sutra and 2016 Angie C. Stakes winner Karula . . . Lethbridge's annual B Cup Stakes card was run on September 29. Washington-bred **Sterling Aly** became the first stakes winner sired by Lucky Acres' Gold Aly when she took the \$6,197 B Cup 3 Year Old Fillies Stakes by 15 lengths. Bred by Leon Loza, Sterling Aly is one of seven winners out of the stakes-winning Slewdledo mare Nifty Nite. Sterling Aly is owned and trained by Lyle Magnuson, who also owns and trains Klondike Ike, the Oregon-bred that took the \$6,197 B Cup Three Year olds Stakes by 8 3/4 lengths. The gelded son of Harbor the Gold—Byanoz Rose, by Baquero, was bred by Dr. Ryland M. and Jo Ann Harwood. Magnuson also owns and trains Washington-bred Catfish Tuesday (Sixthirteen—Missisissy, by Harbor the Gold), who finished third in the sophomore male stakes.

## GENERAL

### Local Horsemen in Need: GoFundMe Campaigns Established to Help Don Miller and Nikeela Black

Well-known Pacific Northwest horseman Don Miller was diagnosed with bladder cancer in August and underwent surgery on September 17 which removed 75 percent of that organ. The cancer has spread to his lymph nodes and he has been battling countless infections since the surgery, which has landed him back in emergency care.

The starter on Emerald Downs gate crew, Don has been active in the racing industry since 1980, where he has been a groom, exercise rider and assistant starter. Racing has been a family affair for the Millers, including Don's wife Bev, son Clay, father Elmer Miller, mother Sherrille Schaefer, sister Debbie Gibson and brother Danny.

Don is devoted to horse racing and loves working with all Thoroughbred horsemen. However, working at the racetrack has its downfalls in times like these. Don does not have health benefits or a retirement plan to help him with the expenses during all his medical

treatment. Don, Bev and Clay would appreciate all the love and support their racetrack family has to offer. To help, visit [gofundme.com/don-miller039s-medical-expenses](https://www.gofundme.com/don-miller039s-medical-expenses).

While riding at Blackfoot, in Idaho, on September 2, Nikeela Black's mount somersaulted, obliterating her spine and leaving her paralyzed from the ribs down. She also suffered secondary injuries ranging from facial lacerations to a collapsed lung.

Now confined to a wheelchair, Nikeela faces her greatest challenge yet; the process of relearning how to perform tasks that were once second nature. Her road to recovery will be long and demanding, filled with physical and emotional difficulties. The money donated to [gofundme.com/nikeela-rides-again](https://www.gofundme.com/nikeela-rides-again) will be dedicated to the construction of a living space that will eliminate some of the impediments that will be confronting Nikeela on a daily basis.

### 2018 THRUST Scholarship Awardees

Three Washington students were awarded 2018 Thoroughbred Horse Racing's United Scholarship Trust (THRUST) scholarships from the Washington Thoroughbred Foundation.

Mackenzie Baker, of Edgewood, was given \$1,500 towards finishing her bachelor's degree in Business Administration. She started her junior year at Central Washington University (CWU) this fall through the CWU center at Highline Community College in Des Moines.

Her family has raced horses since she was a child. Her love affair with Thoroughbreds started at the Penney family's Homestretch Farm, where she later worked as a groom for three years as she finished high school. She also has worked at Emerald Downs for Palmer Photography as an assistant, a position she has held since the beginning of the 2017 Emerald meet.

Brooke Lawrence, of Burbank, has grown up in the world of Thoroughbred racing where both her parents are trainers. She also has helped her father, Robert Lawrence, with his consignments, as agent, at WTBOA Sales. She will be using her \$1,500 grant to help pay her tuition at Columbia Basin College where she plans to earn a degree in business while continuing to grow in the Thoroughbred industry.

Marissa Miyahara, of Federal Way, has been attending Emerald Downs with her family for as long as she can remember.

After being on the Vice President's Honor Role at Highline College, she transferred to the University of Washington where she will use her \$500 grant towards her tuition and housing costs. She has plans to pursue a degree in education.

This year, an additional \$500 was awarded through donations made to honor the memory of the late Dr. John Traber, a noted track veterinarian, beloved industry member and passionate longtime supporter of the Washington Thoroughbred Foundation's THRUST scholarship program.

Since 1993, THRUST scholarships have been given out in a continuing effort to promote education within the Washington equine industry. All educational endeavors will be considered, although grant recipients will be determined at the discretion of Washington Thoroughbred Foundation's board of directors (i.e., the selection committee). Up to \$3,000 in yearly THRUST grants are available to immediate family members of WTBOA and WHBPA members and other local industry affiliated individuals. Preference is given to first-time applicants.

For more information on the WTF and the THRUST scholarship program, visit: [thoroughbredfoundation.org/](http://thoroughbredfoundation.org/).

### Proposed Regulations Released for Important Small Business Tax Benefit

The US Department of the Treasury and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) have released proposed regulations for the 20 percent deduction allowed for pass-through businesses, a provision found in the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Small business owners now have more clarity on how they may be able to take advantage of the deduction that was included in the tax reform legislation passed in December 2017.

The proposed regulations can be viewed at: <https://home.treasury.gov/sites/default/files/2018-08/APPROVED%20VERSION%20-%20Sec%20199A%20NPRM%20-%20REG-107892-18%20%282%29%28caveat%29.pdf>.

Owners of businesses, such as sole proprietorships, partnerships, trusts and S corporations, now may be able to deduct 20 percent of their qualified business income when filing their tax returns. Qualified business income includes domestic income from a trade or business, but does not include employee income, capital gains, interest and dividend income. Additionally, business owners can combine their businesses into a single unit to claim the benefit, thereby making the process of filing more efficient and less costly.

"Small business owners around the country, including those in the horse racing and breeding industry, have eagerly awaited these proposed rules that could produce some of the lowest tax rates for small and mid-size businesses in nearly a century," said NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop.

The proposed rules: Ensure that all small business income below \$315,000 for married couples filing jointly (and \$157,500 for single filers) is eligible for the deduction; provide clarity and flexibility for filers over those income thresholds by including "aggregation rules" for filers with pass-through income from multiple sources; issuing guidance to specified service, trade or business (SSTB) income above the thresholds, which may be subject to limitation for the purposes of claiming the deduction; and allowing a de minimis exception to avoid unnecessary compliance

costs for businesses earning only a small percentage of SSTB income; and establish anti-abuse safeguards to prevent improper tax avoidance schemes, such as relabeling employees as independent contractors.

The NTRA recommends that all small business owners consult a tax professional to determine whether a business is qualified for the 20 percent deduction and what limits they may face when filing.

## AT THE FARM

### Farm Bulletin . . .

**Jennifer Valentine**, who grew up in Washington before moving to Montana to study equine science and business at Rocky Mountain College, is among the 20 interns participating in the Kentucky Equine Management Internship (KEMI) program for the Fall 2018 season. She will be working at the Farish family's Lane's End in Versailles . . . Roche Farm stallion **Demons Warlock** went over the million mark in progeny earnings over the last weekend in August. Through August 29, 2018, the 2004 Washington horse of the year had sired 50 foals of racing age, including six two-year-olds of 2018, with 27 winners among his 37 starters who had won 109 races among their 669 starts and earned \$1,002,390 (with an average earnings per starter of \$29,092).

## AT THE SALES

### Keeneland Catalogs 4,509 Horses for November Breeding Stock Sale

Keeneland has cataloged 4,509 horses for its 2018 November Breeding Stock Sale, to be held November 5-16. Headlining the November sale catalog are several graded stakes winners and graded stakes producers, led by champion Lady Eli, in foal to War Front; Grade 1 stakes winners Dream Tree, Lady Ivanka, Sailor's Valentine, Vasilika and Zipessa, the latter in foal to Medaglia d'Oro; and Grade 2 winner Ollie's Candy.

In a change of format for 2018, the November Sale will open Monday, November 5 at 12 noon, with an exclusive Book 1 session featuring 247 graded stakes-winning fillies and mares and notable weanlings. All other sessions will begin at 10:00 am.

The 4,509 horses in the November sale catalog include 2,257 broodmares and racing or broodmare prospects, 1,788 weanlings, 453 horses of racing age and 11 stallions. Two horses are late entries to the auction.

The November sale catalog also includes the dispersal of Edward A. Cox, for whom Claiborne Farm will serve as agent. The Cox dispersal has cataloged 22 horses, including broodmares and weanlings.

November Sale catalogs are available both online at [keeneland.com](http://keeneland.com) and in print. The sale will be live streamed at the same web address.

### 2018 CTBA Northern California Sale

The California Thoroughbred Breeders Association conducted their annual Northern California Yearling and Horses of Racing Age Sale on August 14 at the Alameda Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. After 15 outs, 149 yearlings and 20 horses of racing age went through the ring. The 102 yearlings sold brought a \$499,600 gross, \$4,898 average and a \$2,200 median. All three figures were down from 2017 results of \$652,500, \$6,868 and \$3,000. Only 17 yearlings brought a price of \$10,000 or more, including five that brought a \$20,000 or more bid. There were 47 RNAs among the yearlings offered.

Topping the sale for \$45,000 was Hip 104A, a full brother to 2018 stakes winner Bella Luna. The son of Ministers Wild Cat out of \$449,704 stakes winner Bold Roberta, by Bold Badgett, was purchased by Michael Dante.

Trainers Tim McCanna and Jonathan Nance each purchased two yearlings. McCanna bought colts by Champ Pegasus, while Nance signed for fillies by Einstein (Brz) and Clubhouse Ride. Florence Fleming, of Carnation, also purchased a filly by Einstein.

An Awesome Gambler colt out of 2008 Washington champion three-year-old filly Enumclaw Girl, by Katowice, sold for \$26,000, which was the third highest price of the day. A Slew's Tiznow colt out of the stakes-producing Slewleedo mare Special Return was a \$17,500 purchase. Both colts' female lines contain multiple Washington champions.

### 2018 CTHS (British Columbia Division) Yearling and Mixed Sale

The annual CTHS British Columbia sale was held September 11 at the Thunderbird Show Park in Langley with 88 yearlings and one broodmare cataloged.

Topping the sale was a colt from the first crop of Grade 2 winner Tapiture out of stakes winner and multiple stakes producer Two to Get Ready, which was purchased by Peter Redekop for \$86,000 from the Prescott Farms consignment. Redekop was the sale's leading buyer, purchasing four yearlings for a \$242,000 total. The BC businessman also took home two colts by Shanghai Bobby. A colt out of a young Quality Road mare was hammered down for \$74,000; and the other yearling, out of the winning Cee's Tizzy mare, was purchased for \$56,000. He also paid \$27,000 for a filly by Second in Command who is a full sister to BC champion juvenile colt Stanz in Command.

US champion Shanghai Bobby, whose oldest runners are three-year-olds, was the leading sire with his three offspring bringing the second, third and fourth highest prices with a \$206,000 gross and \$68,000 average.

After ten outs, another ten (12.7 percent) that were RNAs and two others that were listed as not sold, 67 yearlings were sold

for \$981,110 total, a \$14,865 average (down 19.7 percent from 2017) and a \$7,750 median (down 13.9 percent).

The top consignor (with two or more selling) by gross was Jamie Demetrick, Agent, with six bringing a \$132,500 total. The top seller by average was Prescott Farm, which had two yearlings sell for a \$88,700 gross and \$44,350 average.

Three other yearlings brought successful bids over the \$30,000 mark. Nick and Pauline Feliicella, who were the second leading buyers after purchasing a trio of yearlings for \$119,000, bought two of them: a Shanghai Bobby filly for \$76,000 and a Second in Command colt for \$36,000. The other top yearling, a colt from the first crop of Grade 2-placed Bakken, went to Lorrie Lisogar for \$50,000.

Four yearlings by El Dorado Farms LLC's stallion Abraaj, who started his stud career in British Columbia, were sold, including a gelding out of three-time stakes winner Remarkable Miss that brought \$18,000 and a full sister to BC champion Quatre Cat that sold for \$16,500.

Broodmare Miss Napoli, a five-year-old Ready's Image mare bred to Jersey Town, went for \$6,500.

All funds are listed in Canadian dollars, which on September 13 was listed at \$1.00 Canadian to \$.7699 US.

### **2018 Barretts Select Yearling Sale at Del Mar**

Longtime California Thoroughbred sales company Barretts conducted their final select Del Mar yearling sale on August 28 with 86 yearlings cataloged. After six withdrawals and 38 (47.5 percent) RNAs, 42 individuals sold for a \$2,632,000 gross, \$62,667 average and \$50,000 median. In 2017 the sales company had 82 yearlings cataloged with seven outs, 20 RNAs (24.4 percent), a \$2,177,000 gross, \$41,075 average and \$32,000 median. This translates into a huge 52.6 percent increase in average and an even bigger 56.3 percent increase in median for the sales company's second from last sale (Barretts ended its reign on October 16 with their Fall Sale of Yearlings and Horses of Racing Age at Pomona).

Topping the August venue was a colt from the final crop of leading California sire Unusual Heat out of multiple stakes producer Cinema Paradise from the Harris Farms consignment. The colt was purchased by Samantha Siegel's Jay Em Ess Stable for \$250,000.

Simon Callaghan, as agent, signed for the second highest-priced colt, a son of Square Eddie out of \$273,610 stakes winner North Freeway, whose son Take the One O One is a Santa Anita stakes winner and Grade 1-placed. Callaghan went to \$230,000 to acquire the colt from Fairview LLC. All four of the colt's first four dams are stakes winners, including his third dam Mi Lucia who was bred by Theline

Scheumann out of her Grousemont Farm-raced Not a Flaw.

Four other individuals brought six figures, including two others purchased by Siegel: a Goldcents colt for \$130,000 and a filly by Fed Biz, also on a \$130,000 bid. The Goldcents colt is out of \$154,665 stakes winner Hard Way Ten, a daughter of two-time Washington champion racemare Youcan'ttakeme. Both of the stakes-winning distaffers were bred and raced by the late Washington Racing Hall of Fame breeder Herman Sarkowsky.

The top selling filly, by Shackleford—Courting Elaine, was a \$140,000 purchase by Blinkers On Racing Stable.

### **2018 Keeneland September Yearling Sale**

The 75th Keeneland September Yearling Sale, which was held over 13 sessions from September 10 to September 23, showed a 7.3 percent increase in average price, though the median fell 12.3 percent. A total of 4,538 individuals were cataloged: 2,372 colts and 2,166 fillies, which was up 399 horses from the day shorter 2017 venue. After 718 outs (15 percent) and 914 RNAs (23.7 percent), 2,916 yearlings changed hands for a \$377,140,400 gross, \$129,355 average and \$50,000 median.

Topping the September venue was a colt by War Front out of Grade 1 winner Streaming, which was purchased for \$2.4-million by Coolmore's M. V. Magnier. Two other yearlings were purchased at \$2-million or more. Godolphin – the sale's leading buyer by gross – bought a colt from the first crop of Triple Crown winner American Pharoah out of stakes winner Kindle for \$2.2 million and Phoenix Thoroughbreds purchased a Medaglia d'Oro half-brother to three-time Grade 1 winner Stoppshoppingmaria for \$2.1-million. A total of 27 yearlings brought winning bids of a \$1-million or more, compared to 13 such top enders in 2017.

### **Local Buyers**

Several Pacific Northwest buyers were noted.

Victor Bahna signed for a City Zip colt out of a \$117,590 earning half-sister to Grade 3 stakes winner Silver Reunion.

Bob Capelletti's name as agent appeared on four yearlings: a colt from the first crop of Grade 1-placed Fast Anna out of the family of Storm Cat; a Sky Mesa filly whose second dam won the Acorn Stakes (G1); a Bodemeister filly out of a Grade 2-placed daughter of Broad Brush; and a filly by Revolutionary whose stakes-placed dam produced \$351,312 stakes-placed Jet Majesty.

Enumclaw bloodstock agent Dana Halvorson signed for five: a colt from the first crop of Grade 1 winner Competitive Edge whose dam has already produced three stakes winners (two Grade 2); a Graydar colt out of stakes winner and stakes producer Courgarstown; a half-brother to \$243,871

stakes winner Touch Magic sired by first-crop stallion and Grade 1 winner Lea; a First Samurai colt out of a winning half-sister to three stakes winners; and a colt by 2018 leading sire Candy Ride (Arg) out of a young half-sister to Grade 1 winner and Grade 1 producer Dream Rush.

Trainer Mike Puhich, as agent, signed for a filly from the first crop of Grade 1 winner Constitution out of the family of champion Royal Delta; and a filly by Animal Kingdom whose dam is a half-sister to Grade 2 winner Tap Day.

Chris Randall purchased five yearlings, including four sired by Paynter. Two of the Paynter fillies are half-sisters to stakes horses, while the Paynter colt is from the family of Grade 1 winner and former leading Washington sire You and I. The Overanalyze colt he bought is a half-brother to two champion fillies and another filly who was a stakes-placed earner of \$169,062.

Trainer Tim McCanna signed for six: a colt by Cairo Prince out of a half-sister to six stakes horses; a filly from the first crop of \$4.4-million earner Bayern out of the family of champions Will Take Charge and Take Charge Brandi; a Blame colt who is the first foal out of a winning half-sister to two \$300,000-plus stakes winners; a colt by Maclean's Music out of a winning full sister to \$275,500 stakes-placed Bradford; a Verrazano colt from the family of multiple Grade 1 winners; and a Super Saver filly, the first foal out of a winning half-sister to graded stakes winners Anthony's Cross and Fugitive Angel.

Glen Todd's British Columbia-based North American Thoroughbred Horse Company Inc. bought five: a half-sister to \$277,529 stakes winner Lulu Wong sired by Cairo Prince; a filly from the first crop of Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (G1) winner Liam's Map; a colt by Fast Anna out of stakes winner Silly Little Mama; a colt by Constitution whose second dam is Grade 1 juvenile winner City Band; and a colt by Animal Kingdom out of a half-sister to Jim Dandy Stakes (G2) conqueror Composer.

### **Northwest Farms Connections**

Several yearlings from families nurtured by the late Jerre Paxton's Northwest Farms LLC were cataloged. A half-brother to four-time Emerald Downs stakes winner Exclusive Diva and by Grade 1 winner Liam's Map sold for \$270,000. A Flatter colt out of 2010 Barbara Shinpoch Stakes runner-up Kids Kooler brought \$200,000. An Elusive Quality filly out of Boeing Handicap winner Dinner At Arlene's sold for \$85,000. A Bodemeister colt out of five-time Emerald stakes winner Elusive Horizon sold for \$75,000. A Congrats filly out of a winning half-sister to Barbara Shinpoch Stakes winner Cherokee Echo and five-time Canadian stakes winner Notoriously sold for \$40,000. A colt by The Factor out of Emerald champion and multiple stakes producer Smarty Deb sold for \$35,000. Also selling

## NEWS FROM THE JOCKEY CLUB

### The Jockey Club Releases 2017 Breeding Statistics

The Jockey Club reported on October 1, 2018, that 1,778 stallions covered 34,288 mares in North America during 2017, according to statistics compiled through September 26. These breedings have resulted in 21,130 live foals of 2018 being reported to The Jockey Club on Live Foal Reports. All statistics are compared to those received at the same time last year.

The Jockey Club estimates that the number of live foals reported so far is approximately 90 percent complete. The reporting of live foals of 2018 is down 2.3 percent from reports received for 21,624 live foals of 2017.

In addition to the 21,130 live foals of 2018 reported, The Jockey Club also received 2,516 No Foal Reports for the 2018 foaling season. Ultimately, the 2018 registered foal crop is projected to reach 21,500.

The number of stallions declined 4.6 percent from the 1,863 reported for 2016, while the number of mares bred declined 4.9 percent from the 36,045 reported for 2016.

The 2017 breeding statistics are available alphabetically by stallion through the Resources – Fact Book link on The Jockey Club homepage at [jockeyclub.com](http://jockeyclub.com).

“It is important to note that the live foals reported in The Jockey Club breeding statistics are by conception area and do not represent the state in which a foal was born,” said Matt Iuliano, executive vice president and executive director, The Jockey Club. “Breeding statistics also are not a representation of a stallion’s fertility record.”

Kentucky annually leads all states and provinces in terms of Thoroughbred breeding activity. Kentucky-based stallions accounted for 50.7 percent of the mares reported bred in North America in 2017 and 58.5 percent of the live foals reported for 2018.

The 17,401 mares reported bred to 235 Kentucky stallions in 2017 have produced 12,370 live foals, a 0.2 percent decrease from the 12,396 Kentucky-sired live foals of 2017 reported last year. The number of mares reported bred to Kentucky stallions in 2017 decreased 2.9 percent compared to the 17,912 reported for 2016.

Among the ten states and provinces with the most mares covered in 2017, only three – Ontario, New Mexico and Pennsylvania – produced more live foals in 2018 than in 2017 as reported at this time last year.

The statistics include 334 progeny of stallions standing in North America but foaled abroad, as reported by foreign stud book authorities at the time of publication, which includes 117 foals born in the Republic of Korea and 72 foaled in Saudi Arabia.

The report also includes 90 mares bred to

### Washington Champion Families

Seven yearlings with close ties to Washington champion runners were noted. Two-time Washington champion race filly Madame Pele (a half-sister to three-time Washington horse of the year Stryker Phd) had her first foal, a colt by first-crop stallion Lea, sell for \$255,000. 2013 Washington champion two-year-old filly Chu and You’s first foal, a colt by Dialed In, sold for \$85,000. A Broken Vow filly out of an unraced daughter of 2001 Washington champion sophomore filly Graceful Cat bought an \$85,000 bid. A colt by Dialed In out of a winning half-sister to 2006 Washington horse of the year and Grade 1 winner Pure as Gold sold for \$40,000. Also changing hands were: a Colonel John filly out of a winning daughter of 1998 Washington champion juvenile filly Western Woman; a Discreet Cat colt out of a stakes-placed half-sister to 2005 Washington champion juvenile male Schoolin You; and an English Channel half-brother to 2017 national champion sprinter Roy H, whose dam was one of four stakes winners foaled by 2003 Washington broodmare of the year Taj Aire.

### More Emerald Downs Influence

Other yearlings offered with connections to Emerald Downs racing included: a Medaglia d’Oro half-sister to 2015 Emerald champion three-year-old filly Belle Hill, which sold for \$425,000 (a Malibu Moon colt out of Belle Hill’s Canadian champion half-sister Hillaby sold for \$300,000); a Ghostzapper colt out of a winning half-sister to Canadian champion and \$3.3-million earner Shaman Ghost – also by Ghostzapper – which brought \$130,000 and whose third dam is King County Handicap winner Shay; a Lemon Drop Kid half-brother to 2017-18 Emerald Downs stakes winner Top Quality that sold for \$100,000; a Declaration of War filly out of Emerald stakes-placed Lady of the Nile that sold for \$75,000; a Colonel John colt out of Washington Breeders’ Cup Oaks winner Bianconi Baby; and an Animal Kingdom filly out of Washington Breeders’ Cup Oaks winner A Classic Life (dam of 2012 Emerald horse of the meet Class Included).

### Local Sire Connections

A Candy Ride (Arg) colt, the first foal out of a stakes-placed daughter of Harbor the Gold’s stakes-winning half-sister Cloudburst, sold for \$725,000. An Empire Maker filly out of a half-sister to seven-time leading Washington sire Parker’s Storm Cat and nationally prominent sire Malibu Moon brought \$260,000. A colt from the first crop of Carpe Diem out of a half-sister to Roz Barclay’s Grade 3 winner Northern Causeway (whose first crop reaches the races in 2019) sold for \$90,000. An Orb filly out of Trickey Trevor’s stakes-winning half-sister Christmas Ship brought \$40,000.

were: an Oxbow colt out of Exclusive Diva; and Tapizar filly out of a winning daughter of Grade 2 winner and Emerald champion Ema Bovary (Chi).

The American Pharoah filly out of eight-time Emerald stakes winner Stopshoppingdebbie was a \$170,000 RNA, and the Uncle Mo filly out of Deb’s Candy Girl was a \$140,000 RNA. A Curlin colt out of Emerald champion and three-time Emerald champion producer Taste the Passion was withdrawn

### Other Offerings with Local Connections

Dr. Rodney Orr sold a Tale of the Cat colt out of his multiple stakes-producing and stakes-winning Cahill Road mare Shandra Smiles. The half-brother to national champion juvenile filly She’s a Tiger, multiple Grade 1 winner Smiling Tiger and 2018 stakes winner Smiling Causeway sold for \$335,000 to BBA (Ireland). A Pioneer of the Nile colt out of Shandra Smile’s daughter Pure Smiles brought \$300,000.

The line Scheumann’s Grousemont Farm sold a Curlin filly out of her Grade 1 winner Downthedustyroad for \$100,000.

Mark Dedomenico’s 2010 national champion three-year-old filly Blind Luck had a colt by sprint champion Midnight Lute which brought \$50,000.

Two colts out of daughters of L. Neil Jones’ champion-producing Ballerina (Ire) sold. O’Bella Ballerina’s Kitten’s Joy brought \$150,000 and Garden of Eden’s Union Rags sold for \$90,000.

A Creative Cause colt out of 1996 WTBOA Summer sale yearling and stakes winner Sterling Bridge sold for \$85,000. He is a half-brother to four stakes horses, including Dedomenico’s Grade 2 winner Washington Bridge, whose Empire Maker colt brought a final bid of \$240,000.

Tom Grether Farms Inc. sold a trio of yearlings led by a Uncle Mo half-brother to \$131,600 stakes-placed Discreetly Elusive that brought \$245,000 and an Into Mischief colt, the first foal out of the \$146,659 stakes-placed Dynaformer mare Samaim, for \$185,000. The Grethers also sold a Twirling Candy filly out of a winning half-sister to G2 winner Indian Firewater.

A Bayern colt whose third dam, stakes winner Cielo Otono, is the dam of Emerald Downs stakes winner Cielator and granddam of Grade 1 winner Graydar and Emerald juvenile stakes winner Sweet Saga, sold for \$425,000.

A filly from the first crop of Secret Circle out of Grade 3 winner Irish Gypsy – a granddaughter of Grade 1 winner and Washington horse of the year Delicate Vine – sold for \$180,000.

Two successful Pegasus Training and Rehabilitation Two-year-old Sale distaff alumni were represented by their second foals. Grade 1 winner Belle Gallantey with a Super Saver filly and stakes-placed Bluegrass Sapphire with a Street Sense filly.



27 stallions in North America on Southern Hemisphere time. The majority of these mares have not foaled.

## IN MEMORIAM

### **Mickey Dee Bagnell**

Mickey Bagnell, 70, passed away on August 14, 2018. He was born in Spokane on October 17, 1947, to Scotty and Mabel Bagnell.

His father toured the country as a rodeo cowboy and bullfighter until Mickey was of school age and they then settled in Spokane.

Mickey participated in junior rodeo and was a Spokane YMCA champion boxer while in high school. Upon graduation he served with the US Army in Vietnam as a paratrooper in the 101st Airborne Screaming Eagles and was awarded the Bronze Star for his service.

After his discharge he came home to compete in rodeos and also tried his hand at bullfighting. In addition to his 21 years competing in rodeos throughout the Northwest and Canada, Mickey also performed as a rodeo clown. When his rodeo career wound down, he exercised racehorses at tracks in Washington, Arizona, Montana, California and Canada.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Terry Bagnell. Mickey is survived by his longtime companion, Nikki Mackey; sons, Brandon, Jesse (Liz) and Dustin (Hilary) Bagnell; grandsons, Blake, Dillon and Keenan; and sisters, Meme (Dale) and Diana (Art).

### **Paul Peter George**

Paul George, 88 passed away on August 6, 2018. Paul was born on March 28, 1930, in Glendive, Montana, to Peter and Helen (Seeberger) George. The family moved to Tacoma in 1941 where he attended Visitation Catholic School and graduated from Bellarmine High School.

Paul was an outstanding athlete. In 1947 as quarterback, Paul led the Bellarmine football team to their first Tacoma City League Football championship. Attending St. Martin's College on a football scholarship, Paul graduated with a degree in journalism and English in the spring of 1952 and was drafted into the Army. He proudly completed two years in the Korean War theatre, including 14 months in Okinawa.

In 1956, Paul married Janet Marie Poirier. They moved to Moses Lake where Paul was a reporter for the *Columbia Basin Daily Herald*. Moving to Yakima in 1957, he joined the staff of the *Yakima Herald*, working there for 14 years, the last eight as the sports editor. His bi-weekly column, "George's Journal," was enjoyed by many sports fans.

In 1971, Paul was hired by the Yakima Valley Turf Club, Inc. as general manager of Yakima Meadows, a position he held for 13 years. Following a stint as marketing director for Portland Meadows, in 1985 he

became the director of communications for United Tote, Inc., a Billings, Montana, firm supplying computerized wagering systems to the pari-mutual industry. Retiring in 1996, Paul moved back to Yakima, becoming simulcast director for Yakima Meadows.

Paul wrote numerous articles for the *Washington Thoroughbred* during his years at Yakima Meadows.

Elected to the Yakima City Council in 2001, Paul served as deputy mayor from 2002-03, then as mayor in 2004-05, where he led the effort to fund and staff the Sports Commission, seeing it launch the first Hot Shots basketball tournament. He played a pivotal role in securing state funding to rebuild Yakima's downtown and restore the Historic Front Street District. Paul enjoyed his time on the council working tirelessly for the community that he dearly loved.

Paul was first appointed to the Washington State Horse Racing Commission in 2006 and was later reappointed for an additional term. He retired from the Commission in 2016.

Working on many civic projects, he was on the committee that established the Yakima Visitors and Convention Bureau, becoming chairman of the board of directors, and the advisory board that broke ground on the Convention Center.

Paul served three years as president of the Monday Morning Quarterbacks Club, two years as president of the Yakima Newspaper Guild, was director of the RepubCo Credit Union and was twice elected chair of the Yakima County Democratic Committee.

Paul was preceded in death by his wife, Janet; parents, Peter and Helen; and siblings, William George, James George and Katherine Dupille. He is survived by son, Mark (Jan) George, of Yakima; daughters, Paulette (George) Marley, of Lynnwood, and Kathleen (Rick) Speedy, of Junction City, Oregon; grandsons, Stefan and Brandon George and Brett Speedy; and numerous nieces and nephews.

### **Kenneth Eugene Harden**

Ken Harden passed away on September 11, 2018. He was born on December 14, 1940.

Ken worked as a logger in the Elbe-Morton area and it was while he was working in the woods that he met his future wife, Geraldine Sulkosky.

The couple settled in Puyallup to start their family and Ken took a job at the Dupont Powder Plant. In 1974, the family moved to Sumner where they owned and worked at the Waterhole Bar and Grill, which has now been in the family for 44 years. Ken later retired from the Seattle-based Leigh Northwest Cement.

Ken owned a few racehorses and also loved playing golf.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Rachel Harden; sisters, Ann Manwell and Carol Huette; and brothers, Walter "Bud", Chuck and Tom Harden. Ken

is survived by wife, Gerri; daughter, Beverly (Ray) Holdren; granddaughters, Kimberly and Kelly Holdren; great-grandsons, Brady and Beau Nyegaard; sisters, Shirley Shoblom and Sue O'Donnell; and brother, Michael Harden.

### **Frederick Arthur "Fred" Hepton**

Fred Hepton, 84, passed away on August 19, 2018. Fred was born on May 25, 1934, to Maxine and Arthur Hepton. A lifelong Spokane resident, Fred attended St. Paschal's elementary school and Gonzaga Prep High School.

Fred trained horses at Playfair Race Course, his home base for many years, beginning in the late 1960s and he had a love of horse racing until the end. He also had runners at Longacres and took horses to Emerald Downs and Portland Meadows after Playfair closed.

Fred first showed up in the trainer standings at Playfair in 1973, when he tied for tenth place with ten winners. Among the many years he finished in the top rankings at the Spokane track were: second in 1981 and 1994; third in 1975 (tied), 1984, 1985, 1991 and 1993. In his 25 years training at the Spokane-based course he ranked among the top ten on 20 occasions.

Equibase only charts his training career starting in 1976. Fred's final start came at Portland Meadows on November 28, 2006, and his final winner was Penn Cove on November 13 at that same meet. From 1976 to 2006, his trainees made 3,118 starts with a 516-501-426 record and earnings of \$1,041,536. His best year came in 1993.

He was the trainer of record when Ron Crockett's Fiery Skies won the 1993 Spokane Futurity and Juvenile His Stakes. He also saddled stakes winners Cheeky Six to win the 1987 Au Revoir Handicap, Grambo to take the 1983 City of Spokane Handicap and Mahrin to win the 1994 Sweetheart Handicap, all at Playfair.

Fred was an avid sports lover. He played basketball at Gonzaga Prep and went on to coach at St. John Vianney for over 25 years, leading many teams to the State Tournament. Many of his grown players still reminisce about life-long lessons he taught them. He also officiated at scrimmage games at West Valley High School, which led to officiating in the Pac 8 and Big Sky conferences for over 25 years.

He was a scratch golfer with a natural swing who could be found on the golf course several times a week – always with a little wager on the game to make it interesting.

Fred and his wife Shelby remained dedicated Gonzaga men's and women's basketball fans through the years and made the trip to Las Vegas for the WCC tournament for several years, including this past March.

Fred is survived by his wife, Shelby; brother, Jim Hepton; sister, Janet Karstetter; children, Melanie Richardson, Craig Hepton and Tricia Nixon; and grandchildren,

Coady, Cylic, Matthew, Colin, Qiera and Benjamin.

### **Robert “Bob” Dale Howg**

Robert Howg, 80, passed away on September 19, 2018, due to a recent fall in his home, which was the result of old racing injuries. He was born on October 11, 1947, on a farm in Alberta, Canada, where he was raised and nurtured his talent for riding horses. His small size led to a lifelong career as a jockey. In his first year as an apprentice rider at Playfair, he met Carla, a fellow horse lover and his wife for the rest of his life. They were married in November 1968 and Bob proudly became father to Carla’s boys Ken and Jim. Their son Bobby was born a couple of years later.

In the early years of his career, Bob rode summers on the Western Canada Prairie circuit. In 1968 Bob was the leading apprentice rider at Playfair and finished second in the overall meet standings with 31 wins. He also accomplished something no other rider in Yakima Meadows history did by winning riding titles for three consecutive years (spring) 1975-77 and (fall) 1976-78. In 1976 he was a candidate for Inland Northwest Professional Athlete of the Year, based on his Yakima Meadows success (74 wins total). He also took the 1981 spring and 1980 fall titles at the Yakima track.

Bob and Carla spent nearly 20 years based at Longacres, with their off-season home in Yakima. Bob was a stakes-winning jockey at racetracks up and down the West Coast. He was particularly proud of finishing in the top three in the 1981 Longacres Mile on Loto Canada, behind his friend Gary Baze on the winning Trooper Seven.

Equibase only shows his record as a jockey from 1976-83. During that time period he had 5,615 mounts with a 700-651-612 record and \$1,965,092 in earnings. His last recorded ride and win was aboard Ono Ken at Longacres on October 23, 1983. Among the other stakes winners he rode were: Stormy Canadian, Native B., Hot Seasoning, Ack Ack’s Back, Miss Mackee, Eagle Joe, Summer Hit, French Jewells, Mustard Jr., Mystical Fire, Kid Joey and Sean’s Umbrella.

After injuries forced his retirement from horse racing, Bob and Carla moved to the Phoenix area to be near family. Increasingly hampered by old injuries, Bob still loved to take his dogs for short walks. Bob also loved playing cards and cribbage.

Bob is survived by wife, Carla; sons, Ken (Robert) Vincent, Jim Vincent and Bobby (Hui) Howg; and grandchildren, Warren, Vanessa and Amy.

### **Barbara L. Roberts**

Barbara (Barb) Roberts, 89, passed away on July 21, 2018. An only child, she was born in Walla Walla on May 17, 1929, to Leroy “Bus” and Henrietta Andrus. When she was 14 the family moved to Sunnyside.

It was in the eighth grade that she first met

her future husband, Guy Roberts. They dated through high school and were married on August 29, 1948. They were blessed with five children, Diana, Pam, Cindy, Scott and Chad.

Barb and Guy acquired a cabin at Rimrock Lake on White Pass in the 1970s and it was there her love of hiking, a good fire and a good book brought her peace and contentment. Barb loved watching all her kids and grandkids in their various activities; from piano, band and dance recitals to basketball, football, wrestling, baseball, horse shows and rodeo.

Guy and Barbara bred three Washington Thoroughbred champions (Funboy, Cocktails Anyone and Court’s in Session) and many other stakes winners at their Guy Bar Farm during its 45 years of breeding and racing. The Roberts led the Washington Thoroughbred breeder rankings for seven years and stood some of the top stallions in the state, including 1989 leading sire Table Run.

Guy and Barbara joined the then WHBA in 1965 and were inducted into the Washington Racing Hall of Fame in the breeder category in 2005.

Barb and Guy had season tickets to the Seattle Seahawks and WSU Cougars.

Barb loved taking care of her yard and cutting flowers to bring into the house for arrangements and she cherished her years of working with Mark and Sara Cook at Morris Floral.

Barb was preceded in death by her husband, Guy Roberts, who passed away on June 2, 2018; her parents; daughter, Pam Schoenberg; and son-in-law, Mike Hopper. She is survived by her daughters, Diana Hopper and Cindy (Charlie) Hctor; sons, Scott (Linda) and Chad Roberts; grandchildren, Michelle (Phil) Walchli, Seth (Kelli Proctor) Hopper, Christy (Rick) Perez, Deken (Holly) Schoenberg, Blake Schoenberg, Jodi (Holt) Morris, Alex Roberts, Zack Roberts, Calvin and Chloe Carr; great-grandchildren, Cassidy and Michael Hopper, Colton Duquette, Ethan and Emmett Smillie, Blanca, Noah, Elijah, Louie, Eden and Imani Perez, Pamela and Scarlett Schoenberg, Emery, Palmer and Clay Morris; and sister-in-law, Delores Roberts.

## **EQUINE IN MEMORIAM**

### **Flying Notes**

2002 Emerald Downs horse of the meeting Flying Notes lost his long battle with a serious hoof injury in May 2018. The gelded son of French Deputy—Caromine, by Caro (Ire), was 19. Bred in Kentucky, the chestnut was purchased by Dr. Duane and Susan Hopp as a weanling out of the 1999 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale. The Hopps then entered him in the 2000 WTBOA Summer Sale where he was purchased by Johnny and Ruth Lewis for \$27,000.

Turned over to Washington Racing Hall of Fame trainer Bud Klokstad, Flying Notes scored a 6 1/4-length victory in his first outing at two, in a May maiden special weight race at Emerald Downs. After finishing second by a head to future stakes winner and Grade 1 producer Ippodamia in his next race, an allowance/\$40,000 optional claiming (N) race, Flying Notes was turned out until the following spring.

He would run seven times as a three-year-old at Emerald Downs, winning five of those races and finishing a strong second in two other stakes. Among his wins were tallies in the Seattle Slew Handicap (by five lengths), the Tacoma Handicap (by 2 3/4 lengths) and he then capped off his season with an amazing 11 1/4-length win in the nine-furlong Emerald Downs Derby, which he won in a state and track record setting performance of 1:45.40, a record that still stands 16 years later.

At four – in his only start of the season – Flying Notes finished third to Handy N Bold in that runner’s fourth Governor’s Handicap win.

Unraced at five and six, the best Flying Notes could do in his six starts at seven was two allowance thirds at the Auburn track. He was retired after suffering a bowed tendon, which was compromised with a fractured coffin bone in the same leg, with a record of 6-3-3 from 16 starts with earnings of \$183,742.

Flying Notes was sired by 1996 Jerome Handicap (G2) winner French Deputy, a son of champion and leading sire Deputy Minister. French Deputy was exported to Japan in 2001.

Flying Notes was the leading North American winner among the six winners produced out of Miss Preakness Stakes winner Caromine, a daughter of champion Caro (Ire).

Flying Notes lived out the last ten years of his life as a well-loved pensioner at Katie Merwick’s Second Chance Ranch (SCR) and he is buried at the now Spokane-based Thoroughbred retirement haven.

According to Merwick, Flying Notes touched the lives of many while at Second Chances including a young girl named Sierra Brewington, who learned to ride on him and went on to be a veterinary technician at Emerald Downs.

“Sierra was just one of dozens of people whose lives were impacted in such a positive way by Flying Notes,” stated Merwick. “He was absolutely cherished by the SCR team, volunteers, guests . . . a spectacular horse and perfect in every possible way. He loved the equine-facilitated learning program, and took his job seriously.”

Through the years the Lewises strongly supported their former racing star in his retirement. This past August, Ruth, now widowed, rented a tent at Emerald Downs to have a memorial celebration for her special horse. ■

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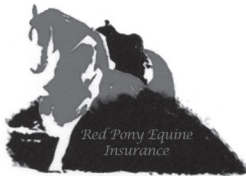


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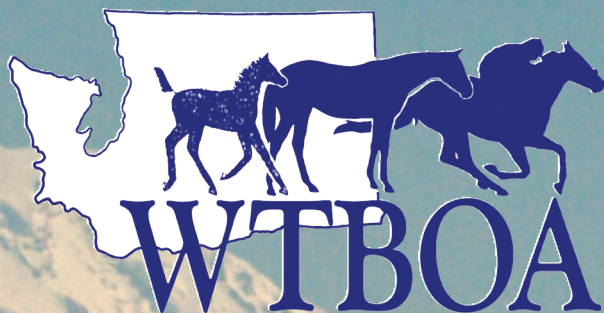
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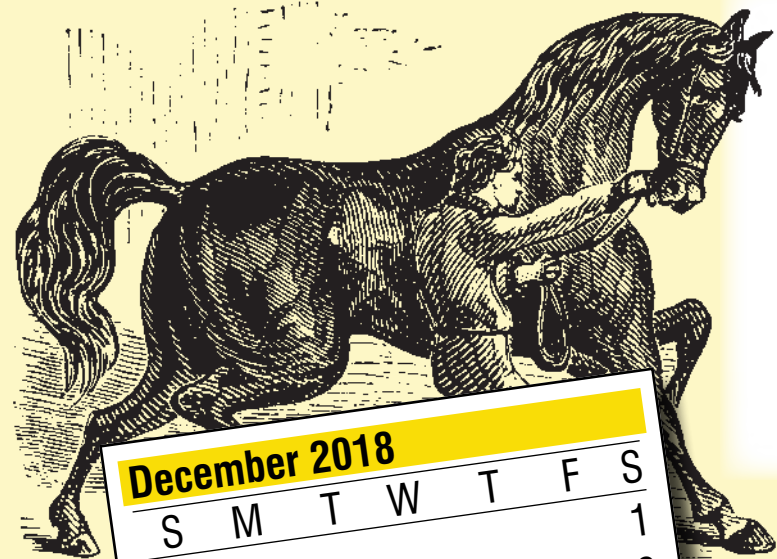
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