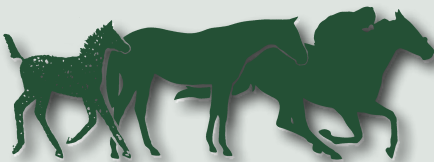


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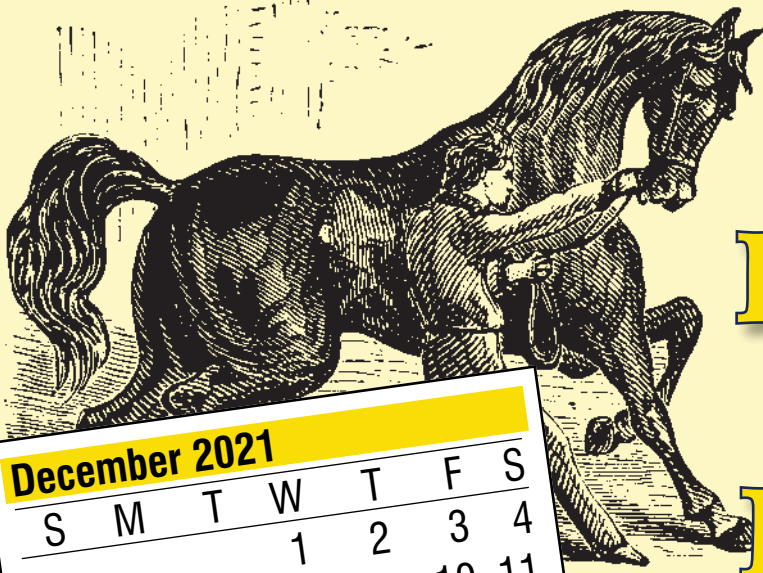
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**ON THE COVER**

Buckley-raised graduates of the 2020 WTBOA Summer Sale took six of the seven two-year-old stakes offered this year at Emerald Downs and ran two-three in the seventh. Both unbeaten two-time stakes winner Koron, a daughter of Nationhood who races for Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies, and A View From Above, a gelded son of Abraaj who runs in the colors of Grasshopper Racing Stable and William Douglas Stenberg, are Washington-foaled runners bred by Rick and Debbie Pabst at their Blue Ribbon Farm. Featured on the right are R. E. V. Racing, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Lucarelli Racing Corporation’s double stakes winner Cobra Jet, a Washington-bred gelding by Curlin to Mischief, and Ten Broeck Farms Inc.’s Slack Tide, a filly from the first crop of Canadian champion Shaman Ghost. Both of these stakes winners were bred by the Pabsts’ neighbors and good friends Terry and Mary Lou Griffin (Griffin Place), though Slack Tide was foaled in Kentucky. *Palmer Photography.*



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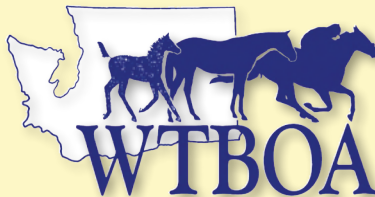
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A gelded son of steller racehorse and sire Liam's Map topped the sale on a \$47,000 bid from trainer Sandi Gann on behalf of Glen Todd's North American Thoroughbred Horse Company. He was one of three yearlings from the all-gray consignment of Dr. Duane and Susan Hopp's Castlegate Farm.



Wayne Nagai Photo

# Liam's Map Yearling Tops 54th WTBOA Summer Yearling Sale

## Sale Recap – Part 1

*Gross, average and median rise significantly, while RNAs show meaningful drop*

by Susan van Dyke

A handsome gray gelding by top national sire Liam's Map topped the 92, after four outs, summer sale session yearlings at the WTBOA Sale held at Emerald Downs on a bright and sunny August 24 afternoon. Consigned by Dr. Duane and Susan Hopp's Castlegate Farm, trainer Sandi Gann, as agent, went to \$47,000 to secure the promising athlete for major British Columbia horseman Glen Todd and his North American Thoroughbred Horse Company.

Gann also bid \$30,000 for a full brother to Oregon champions O B Harbor and Calypsonoted on Todd's behalf. The Harbor the Gold—Flying Memo colt was consigned by Bret and Julie Christopherson with Bar C Racing Stables serving as their agent.

In addition, Castlegate Farm offered

a colt by first crop sire Girvin out of \$472,534 Saratoga stakes winner Jules N Rome, which was purchased by Paul and Lori Heist's Grasshopper Racing Stable for \$40,000. The Hopp's three gray horse consignment brought a \$103,000 total and a \$34,333 average.

Three other colts brought a price of \$40,000 or more, including the second highest offering, another colt by the late Harbor the Gold, this one out of 2015 Washington broodmare of the year Bahati. Consigned by the partnership of Pam and Neal Christopherson's Bar C Racing Stables and Melodie Bultena and Doak Walker's Desert Rose Racing, the full brother to a trio of Washington champions was purchased by Gerald and Gail Schneider's Riverbend Farm for \$45,000.

California trainer Andy Mathis pur-

chased the top-selling filly for \$42,000. Consigned by Griffin Place as agent for the family of the late Karl Krieg, the daughter

### Leading Sires of Summer Session Yearlings by Average

(Two or more sold)

Sire	No. Sold	Gross	Average
Lord Nelson	2	\$ 53,500	\$26,750
Atta Boy Roy	3	\$ 72,000	\$24,000
•Harbor the Gold	12	\$226,500	\$18,875
Cairo Prince	2	\$ 33,000	\$16,500
<b>Coast Guard</b>	3	\$ 42,500	\$14,166
Curlin to Mischief	3	\$ 40,000	\$13,333
Danzing Candy	4	\$ 50,000	\$12,500
Sixthirteen	2	\$22,000	\$11,000
•Nationhood	3	\$ 31,500	\$10,500
Smiling Tiger	7	\$ 67,500	\$9,542
•Abraaj	5	\$ 45,500	\$9,100

*Bold-face stallions stand or stood in Washington; •Deceased.*



of Atta Boy Roy is out of a winning sister to three-time Washington champion Lady Rosberg who has already produced 2021 stakes-placed Slew's Tiz Whiz. In addition, the mare's half-sister produced two-time Washington champion Risque's Legacy, by Atta Boy Roy.

A trio of fillies brought the next highest bids for a yearling distaffer. El Dorado Farms consigned a daughter of Coast Guard, a half-sister to 2020 co-Washington champion two-year-old Dutton, which was purchased by Midwest trainer Valorie Lund, who trained the other half of the 2020 juvenile championship in Bodenheimer. California trainer Ed Moger went to \$30,000 to buy a filly by sprint champion Runhappy out of \$417,415 stakes winner Nuffsaid Nuffsaid from the Champion Sales consignment. 2019-20 Emerald Downs leading owner Chad Christensen bid at the same level to acquire a Harbor the Gold half-sister to 2021 Santa Anita stakes winner Big City Lights. She was also consigned by Bar C Racing Stables.

While not having had a higher-priced individual as in years past, 11 yearlings were sold between \$30,000 and \$47,000 and another nine brought a bid of or above \$20,000.

A week after the sale, the results show

that after 12 RNAs, 80 yearlings sold for a \$1,134,000 gross (up 18.25 percent), a \$14,175 average (up 21.21 percent) and a \$10,000 median (up 42.86 percent). The RNA rate fell to 13 percent, down 41.31 percent.

After ten outs in the mixed session, Oregon resident Connie Erickson offered the highest broodmare bid, taking home

nine-year-old stakes-placed Grand Yodeler, bred to Smiling Tiger, for \$3,500. Grand Yodeler's yearling colt by Smiling Tiger had topped the 2020 WTBOA Sale. The chestnut mare also hails from the Champion Sales consignment.

Complete results and photos will be included in the Winter 2021 issue of *Washington Thoroughbred*. ■

**Congratulations to the purchasers of**


**Hip 40 (Sale Topper!)  
Termsofengagement, gr./ro. g., Liam's Map—One Foxy Grey  
GLEN TODD**

**Hip 26  
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### Top-Priced Yearlings

Hip	Description	Price
40	Termsofengagement, g. Liam's Map—One Foxy Grey (Dr. and Mrs. Duane Hopp, Castlegate Farm). Sandi Gann, agent	\$47,000
78	unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Bahati (Bar C Racing Stables, agent for Bar C Racing Stables Inc. and Desert Rose Racing LLC). Gerald Schneider, Riverbend Farm	\$45,000
52	I'm a Risque Girl, f. Atta Boy Roy—Ros's Girl (Griffin Place LLC, agent). Andy Mathis	\$42,000
26	Soldatna, c., Girvin—Jules N Rome (Dr. and Mrs. Duane Hopp, Castlegate Farm). Grasshopper Racing Stable	\$40,000
45	unnamed, c., Lord Nelson—Phanie Slam (Champion Sales, agent). Duane Weber	\$40,000
82	unnamed, c., Cloud Competing—Bide a Wee Island (Checkmate Thoroughbreds LLC, agent for Alden Caldwell Stehly). Craig Peerenboom	\$40,000
58	unnamed, c., American Freedom—Small Axe (Checkmate Thoroughbreds LLC, agent for Alden Caldwell Stehly). Tawnja Elison	\$35,000
13	unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Flying Memo (Bar C Racing Stables, agent for Bret and Julie Christopherson). Glen Todd	\$30,000
37	unnamed, f., Coast Guard—Ms Moscow Mattie (El Dorado Farms LLC). Valorie Lund	\$30,000
38	unnamed, f., Runhappy—Nuffsaid Nuffsaid (Champion Sales, agent). Ed Moger, Jr., agent	\$30,000
90	unnamed, f., Harbor the Gold—Champagne Exchange (Bar C Racing Stables Inc.). Chad Christensen	\$30,000
41	unnamed, c., Danzing Candy—Our Georgie Girl (El Dorado Farms LLC). Christi Betz and Heidi Nelson	\$28,000
57	unnamed, f., Stay Thirsty—Slew Tunes (El Dorado Farms LLC), BDW Racing LLC	\$27,000
95	unnamed, c., Harbor the Gold—Crowning Camilla (El Dorado Farms LLC, agent). Phil Leberz	\$27,000
92	Harbor the Gold—Clever Bird (Bar C Racing Stables, agent for Bret and Julie Christopherson). Gary Lusk	\$25,000

### Summer Yearling Session Summary and Comparison

	2020	2021	% of Chg
Number Sold	82	80	-2.44%
Gross Sales	\$958,950	\$1,134,000	18.25%
Average Price	\$11,695	\$14,175	12.12%
Median Price	\$7,000	\$10,000	42.86%
RNAs (% of Total)	26 (62.5%)	12 (8.0%)	-53.85%
Outs (% of total)	14	4	
High-selling Colt/Gelding	\$70,000	\$47,000	
High-selling Filly	\$30,000	\$42,000	
Number Nominated	133	109	
Number Cataloged	122	96	

### Mixed Session Summary and Comparison

	2020	2021	% of Chg
Number of Yearlings	0	1	
Average Price for Yearlings	N/A	\$4,000	
Number of Broodmares Sold	9	20	122.22%
Average Price for Broodmares	\$2,756	\$1,245	-54.83%
Gross Sales (All)	\$25,900	\$28,900	40%
Median (All)	\$1,100	\$1,000	-9.09%
Outs	2	11	
RNAs	7	1	

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- Yearling from 1st crop brought \$50,000 at 2020 Fasig-Tipton California Fall Sale
- Grade 3 Illinois Derby winner & \$421,006 earner



*Dynamic Impact, 2011, Tiznow—Featherbed, by Smart Strike*

2022 Fee: \$1,500 live foal (\$200 booking fee)

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# SIXTHIRTEEN

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- Sire of 2021 Douglas Fir Futurity (by 5 lengths) winner El Maestro
- Also sire of Oregon champion Sam the Lion & 8 other stakes horses from 45 starters (22%)
- And sire of multiple Quarter Horse stakes winners

*Sixthirteen, 2004,*

*Dixie Union—Mandy's Classic, by Sky Classic*

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# The Inside Track

by Vince Bruun

## Top Executive Named 2021 Horse of the Meeting

**T**op Executive, undefeated in three starts and the only horse to win three stakes races, was voted 2021 Emerald Downs horse of the meeting. Trained by Blaine Wright and owned by John and Janene Maryanski and Gail and Gerald Schneider, Top Executive swept the three-year-old colts and geldings division with victories in the Auburn and Irish Day stakes and Muckleshoot Derby. The Street Boss gelding won at distances of six furlongs, 6 1/2 furlongs and 1 1/16 miles, and topped the meet in earnings with \$ 82,800.

In addition, Top Executive was honored as the meet's top three-year-old.

It marks the second horse of the meeting title in three seasons for Wright, who also trained 2019 winner Anyporinastorm. Wright also nearly won a second straight Longacres Mile, saddling Seamist Racing's five-year-old gelding Windribbon to a runner-up effort.

Papa's Golden Boy took honors as top older horse, top sprinter and top Washington-bred. Trained by Vince Gibson and owned by Gary and Deborah Lusk, Jeff Lusk and Peyton Lusk, the five-year-old Harbor the Gold gelding won three races including the Budweiser and Governor's stakes and ran meet-fastest times at 5 1/2 furlongs (1:02.11) and 6 1/2 furlongs (1:14.50).

Daffodil Sweet won four races, including the Washington State Legislators Stakes, and was voted top older filly or mare. Trained by the retiring Chris Stenslie and owned by One Horse Will Do Corporation and Steve Shimizu, Daffodil Sweet was top three-year-old filly last year and is the only horse to win Emerald Downs titles in 2020 and 2021.

Nite and Day Stables and Joanne Todd's Bayakoas Image was a unanimous choice as top three-year-old filly. A British Columbia-bred by Lent, Bayakoas Image was two for two with a 5 3/4-length victory in the Washington Oaks and a neck victory in the WA Cup Filly and Mare Stakes. Kay Penney Cooper, the meet's leading stakes trainer with five wins, trained Bayakoas Image at Emerald Downs.

A pair of Washington-breds took honors

in the juvenile ranks with Cobra Jet, by Curlin to Mischief, the top-two-year-old male and Koron, by Nationhood, the top two-year-old filly.

Owned by R. E. V. Racing, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and trainer Frank Lucarelli, Cobra Jet compiled a 3-1-0 record in four starts, including blowout victories in the King County Express and WA Cup Juvenile Colt and Gelding stakes.

Owned by Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies and trained by Cooper, Koron was three for three and swept the Barbara Shinpoch and

WA Cup Juvenile Fillies stakes in convincing fashion.

Float On was voted top claimer, compiling a 4-1-2 record in eight starts while winning two races apiece for trainers Charles Essex and Candi Cryderman. A three-year-old California-bred Bluegrass Cat gelding, Float On was one of six horses to win four races at the meet. The others were: Bella's Back, Daffodil Sweet, Judicial, Mean Sharon and Queen Breezy.

In the closest jockeys' race in track history, Alex Cruz won a second consecutive

### Distinguished Trainers Ross and Stenslie Retire



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**W**ashington racing has been home with many distinguished women trainers, beginning with Ruth Parton back in the 1920s. Kathy Walsh, Doris Harwood and Sharon Ross have followed her into Washington's Racing Hall of Fame.

Ross and Chris Stenslie have been among the many successful female trainers on the Washington racing scene. They both announced their retirements with the end of the 2021 Emerald Downs season on September 26.

Stenslie's final runner was Spittin Image, who finished third in the Muckleshoot Tribal Classic, while the Ross-trained Whata Flirt ran third in the tenth race.

Stenslie has 279 wins, including 16 stakes wins, at Emerald Downs. She conditioned 2016 horse of the meeting and Oregon horse of the year O B Harbor and Washington champions Hollywood Harbor, No Talking Back and her champion dam Talk to My Lawyer.

Ross has 356 wins and 23 stakes wins at Emerald Downs. Together with husband Larry, who retired from training in 2018, the Rosses have won 1,499 races and over \$21.4-million. The Rosses trained two Longacres Mile winners with Chum Salmon (1985) and Stryker Phd (2014-15). The couple also put the bridles on additional Washington champions A Little Bit Tipsy, Crystal Run, Flame McGoon, Graceful Cat, Guinevere, Jazzie Act, Leading Hour and Military Hawk (and his non-champion, but \$453,539-earning paternal half-sister, Cadette Stevens). ■



riding title, edging out Julien Couton 75-to-74 for the crown. The tenth race on the closing day card proved the decider, as Cruz rallied Shelby R. to a head victory over Cards N Coffee for win No. 75. Couton had tied Cruz at 74 with a win on Extractor in the Sunday opener. Juan Gutierrez finished a close third with 72 wins. Cruz also won top riding achievement for his amazing August 19 triumph without irons aboard two-year-old filly Akasi, and the Lindy Award for accomplishment and sportsmanship as voted by the Emerald Downs jockeys.

McKenna Anderson was the top apprentice rider with 12 victories, finishing the meet strongly after a zero for 17 start.

Joe Toye won his first Emerald Downs training title by a 29-to-26 margin over seven-time champion Frank Lucarelli. Toye, who has trained at Emerald Downs since the track opened in 1996, also was voted top training achievement for his season-long excellence and 23.5 win percentage.

John Parker was the leading owner for the fourth time in six years, edging Greg and Chuck Conley and Terra Firma Farm by a 19-to-16 margin.

Background's dramatic victory with Rocco Bowen aboard in the \$100,000 Longacres Mile was voted race of the meeting. Trained by Mike Puhich and owned by Bob and Molly Rondeau's Giddyup Stables LLC, the four-year-old Florida-bred Khozan gelding tagged Windribbon in the final strides to capture the 86th running of the region's most famous race.

Trainers Bob Bean and Bonnie Jenne shared the Martin Durkan Award for leadership, cooperation and sportsmanship throughout the meeting. Bean was a popular new addition to the training roster and won with eight of 81 starters and was accompanied during morning workouts by sidekick canine Brownie.

Harbor the Gold was the leading stallion for the eighth straight year and 11th in the last 12, siring 22 winners to edge Abraaj (21) and Coast Guard (20) for the title.

### **Emerald Downs Announces 2022 Purse Increase**

On September 23, 2021, Emerald Downs announced a ten percent purse increase on overnight races for the 2022 season. This is the second consecutive year that purses have increased ten percent.

The 2021 season marked the return of fans after running in front of an empty grandstand in 2020. Track President Phil Ziegler was pleased to have the fans back, "Our race fans came out to enjoy the beautiful weather, great racing and popular promotions. Revenue from admissions, food and beverages and wagering were all better than projected. That enables us to put more money towards purses in 2022."

Each season the track receives a purse

## **Emerald Downs 2021 Seasonal Honors**

Horse of the meeting.....	<b>Top Executive</b>
Top Washington-bred.....	<b>Papa's Golden Boy</b>
Top older horse.....	<b>Papa's Golden Boy</b>
Top sprinter.....	<b>Papa's Golden Boy</b>
Top older filly or mare.....	<b>Daffodil Sweet</b>
Top three-year-old male.....	<b>Top Executive</b>
Top three-year-old filly.....	<b>Bayakoas Image</b>
Top two-year-old male.....	<b>Cobra Jet</b>
Top two-year-old filly.....	<b>Koron</b>
Claimer of the meet.....	<b>Float On</b>
Top riding achievement.....	<b>Alex Cruz</b> (win without irons aboard two-year-old Akasi)
Top training achievement.....	<b>Joe Toye</b> (first training title)
Lindy Award.....	<b>Alex Cruz</b>
Durkan Award.....	<b>Robert Bean and Bonnie Jenne</b>
Jockey Valet Award.....	<b>Dan Brock</b>
Race of meet.....	<b>Longacres Mile-G3</b>
Leading owner (by wins).....	<b>John Parker</b> (19)
Leading owner (by money).....	<b>John Parker</b> (\$232,307)
Leading owners (by stakes wins).....	<b>John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Stable</b> (3)
Leading trainer (by wins).....	<b>Joe Toye</b> (29)
Leading trainer (by money).....	<b>Frank Lucarelli</b> (\$427,413)
Leading trainer (by stakes wins).....	<b>Kay Cooper</b> (5)
Leading jockey (by wins).....	<b>Alex Cruz</b> (75)
Leading jockey (by money).....	<b>Alex Cruz</b> (\$944,666)
Leading jockey (by stakes wins).....	<b>Kevin Orozco</b> (5)
Leading apprentice jockey (by wins).....	<b>McKenna Anderson</b> (12)
Leading horse (by wins).....	<b>Bella's Back, Daffodil Sweet, Float On, Judicial, Mean Sharon and Queen Breezy</b> (4 each)
Leading horse (by money).....	<b>Top Executive</b> (\$82,800)
Leading horse (by stakes wins).....	<b>Top Executive</b> (3)
Leading sire (by wins).....	<b>Harbor the Gold</b> (22)
Leading sire (by stakes wins).....	<b>Street Boss</b> (3)

## **Emerald Downs Final Standings**

*May 19 – September 26, 2021 (50 days)*

<b>JOCKEY</b>	<b>Mounts</b>	<b>1sts</b>	<b>2nds</b>	<b>3rds</b>	<b>Earnings</b>	<b>Win%</b>
Cruz, Alex M.	<b>387</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>\$944,666</b>	19%
Couton, Julien	360	74	52	62	\$872,517	21%
Gutierrez, Juan M.	304	72	59	46	\$826,341	<b>24%</b>
Zunino, Jose Luis	199	28	32	19	\$334,845	14%
Matias, Javier	206	27	33	40	\$411,152	13%
Anaya, Alex V.	226	24	37	31	\$337,130	11%
Martinez, Heribert N.	167	21	21	20	\$350,160	13%
Mawing, Leslie	93	19	14	14	\$221,885	20%
Radke, Kevin	125	16	16	17	\$210,789	13%
Anderson, McKenna	79	12	7	8	\$102,335	15%
<b>TRAINER</b>	<b>Runners</b>	<b>1sts</b>	<b>2nds</b>	<b>3rds</b>	<b>Earnings</b>	<b>Win%</b>
Toye, Joe	123	<b>29</b>	15	22	\$259,063	24%
Lucarelli, Frank	<b>164</b>	26	<b>28</b>	22	<b>\$427,413</b>	16%
Rosales, Jose	109	23	22	14	\$231,424	21%
Cryderman, Candice S.	111	20	24	19	\$245,862	18%
Metz, Jeffrey	117	19	23	25	\$240,643	16%
Cooper, Kay Penney	73	18	8	12	\$335,150	<b>25%</b>
Gibson, Vince	126	16	13	13	\$205,864	13%
Belvoir, Howard	111	16	8	<b>26</b>	\$197,738	14%
Wenzel, Tom	72	13	13	10	\$245,316	18%
Wright, Blaine D.	65	12	9	8	\$278,946	18%
Stenslie, Chris	54	12	10	10	\$208,437	22%

supplement from the Muckleshoot Tribe, who own and operate Emerald Downs.

The purse increase announcement comes after the track met with representatives from both the horsemen and breeders' group. Incentive programs, including the popular shipping bonus, will return. The 2022 Longacres Mile will have a purse of \$150,000, a \$50,000 increase from the past two years.

Emerald Downs stable area is scheduled to open at the beginning of March. Details of the 2022 season along with stall applications will be available later this Fall.

For more information on Emerald Downs, visit [www.emeralddowns.com](http://www.emeralddowns.com) or call (253) 288-7000. ■

### WTBOA Washington Homebred Incentive Program (WaHIP) Winners at Emerald Downs

**Decimate** (2019), g., Atta Boy Roy—Star Protocol, by He's Tops. Won: MSW, 7/25. Breeder, owner and trainer: Howard E. Belvoir. **\$1,500 WTBOA WaHIP bonus.**

**Franks Fix It** (2018), g., Gold Aly—Nina Nicole, by Touch Gold. Won: MC\$25,000, 8/1. Breeder: Steve Meredith. Owner: John E. Parker. Trainer: Candice Cryderman. **\$1,000 WTBOA WaHIP bonus.**

**Ice Needs Whiskey** (2018) g., Private Gold—Arco Iris, by Basket Weave. Won: Alw, 8/12. Breeders: Jill Fabulich and Kay Cooper, Owner: Homestretch Farms Inc. Trainer: Kay Penney Cooper. **\$1,500 WTBOA WaHIP bonus.** ■



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*Fast action and quick and daring horsemanship yielded exciting racing for the fans in attendance at this year's Muckleshoot Gold Cup Championship.*



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### Emerald Downs Washington-breds of the Week

**Week 10 (July 22, 24 & 25) Mike Man's Gold** (2010) g., Liberty Gold—Chedoodle, by Slewdledo. Breeders: Keith and Jan Swagerty (Swag Stables). Owners: Greg Conley, Chuck Conley and Terra Firma Farm (Kari and Joe Toye). Trainer: Joe Toye. Won: C\$6,250.

**Week 11 (July 29 & 31, August 1) Nationheart** (2018) g., Nationhood—Brown, by Demons Begone. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst (Blue Ribbon Farm). Owner: Poseidon Partners II. Trainer: Kay Penney Cooper. Won: C\$25,000. **WTBOA Sales**

**Week 12 (August 5, 7 & 8) Check the Gear** (2019) g., Coast Guard—Great Mom by Pioneer of the Nile. Breeder: Connie Belshay (Only Me Thoroughbreds). Owners: One Horse Will Do Corporation (Jody Peetz) and Chris Stenslie. Trainer: Chris Stenslie. Won: MSW. **WTBOA Sales**

**Week 13 (August 12, 14 & 15) Judicial** (2015) m., Tribal Rule—Courtroom Charmer, by Tribunal. Breeders: Ron Crockett Inc. and Mr. and Mrs. William T. Griffin (Griffin Place). Owners: Greg Conley, Chuck Conley and Terra Firma Farm (Joe and Kari Toye). Trainer: Joe Toye. Won: Str/OC\$15,000-N.

**Week 14 (August 19, 21 & 22) Koron** (2019) f., Nationhood—Muchas Coronas, by Macho Uno. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs.

Frederick L. Pabst (Blue Ribbon Farm). Owner: Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies. Trainer: Kay Penney Cooper. Won: Barbara Shinpoch S. **WTBOA Sales**

**Week 15 (August 26, 28 & 29) Stand To** (2017) g., Harbor the Gold—I'm Shootin High, by Son's Corona. Breeder and owner: John Sneesby. Trainer: Rigoberto Velasquez. Won: Alw.

**Week 16 (September 2, 4 & 5) Cody's Choice** (2015) g., Raise the Bluff—Carrie's Choice, by Tribunal. Breeders: Vince and Pamela Gibson. Owners: Gary and Maureen Hallett. Trainer: Vince Gibson. Won: C\$12,500.

**Week 17 (September 11 & 12) Cobra Jet** (2019) g., Curlin to Mischief—Atta Gal Val, by Atta Boy Roy. Breeders: William T. and Mary Lou Griffin (Griffin Place). Owners: R. E. V. Racing (Roy and Ellie Schaefer), Eclipse Thoroughbreds Partners (Aron Wellman) and Lucarelli Racing Corp. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. Won: WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings Stakes-R. **WTBOA Sales**

**Week 18 (September 18 & 19) Slew's Tiz Whiz** (2018) g., Slew's Tiznow—Ros's Girl, by Rosberg. Breeder: Karl Krieg. Owner: K D Thoroughbreds (Darlyne Krieg). Trainer: Tom Wenzel. Won: Alw. ■



## Muckleshoot Gold Cup Relay Championship

The fifth Muckleshoot Gold Cup Championship (held September 10-12) came down to the final 50 yards as three Indian relay teams were battling it out for the \$10,000 first-place check.

Rider Chris Carlson (Amskapi Pikunii) made a dramatic move to switch to the outside of S/M Express and rider Desmond Archilita in the closing yards to cross the finish line first and win the Muckleshoot Gold Cup in front a good turnout at Emerald Downs.

Amskapi Pikunii had a terrific weekend, winning heat three on Friday night and gaining a second win in heat one on Saturday. The team from Browning, Montana, (Blackfeet Nation) pocketed \$12,400 for the weekend.

The S/M Express team was later disqualified from second for a lost horse on the final exchange on Sunday.

Chazz Racine and Carlson out of Browning, Montana, (Blackfeet) ended up second in the \$24,200 Muckleshoot Gold Cup raced at the two-mile distance. They also had a second and a third to end the week with \$7,000 in prize earnings.

Rounding out the top three was Two Medicine with rider Cody Carlson, also of the Blackfeet Nation. They also had an outstanding weekend with a win Friday night and a second on Saturday to total \$6,000 in monies earned.

A total of \$65,000 in prize money was given out at the event that had 18 teams from five states compete in the three-day event. Each team uses four horses in a relay race with each running a half mile after an exchange of horses where the rider must jump off one horse and get aboard the next horse. ■



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Rider Chris Carlson (Amskapi Pikunii) aboard the gray crossed the finish line first to win the fifth Muckleshoot Gold Cup.

### Letter from Emerald Downs President Phil Ziegler

To: All Emerald Downs Stakeholders

Thank you all for a successful 2021 race season. I had to go back through all my pictures and notes to remember everything about this year. We started out with COVID restrictions, we will never forget the “vaccinated section.” On June 30 the state fully opened and for the summer months we all got to feel normal again until late in the season when the Delta variant put us all in masks again. Still, this was a lot better than 2020 and it was great to have the fans back.

We had so many exciting races. It seemed like there were often three horses close at the wire. Except for one extreme heat wave we had amazing weather all summer. Our attendance, on-track handle and concession revenue were not quite back to pre-pandemic levels but were much better than we anticipated. Daily average handle was up 19 percent over the last comparable meet in 2019.

As a result of better than anticipated revenue we can look forward to a ten percent purse increase for the second consecutive year. We will also be working on more incentives for 2022. We still need to go through a lot of handle numbers but it’s safe to say we will have a few more race days next year.

As for 2021, there are so many people to thank and congratulate. We began the year with our 25th Anniversary celebration and the overdue and deserving induction of Joe Withee into the Washington Racing Hall of Fame.

Joe Toye started the meet well and kept it going throughout to win his first training title.

The jockey race was fun to watch with Alex Cruz winning by just one race over Julien Couton. Juan Gutierrez was just three back.

I wanted to pass along the scene in the winner’s circle after the last race which many people didn’t see as it was raining pretty hard. Julien and Alex exchanged congratulations and watching the two of them it would have been tough to tell who won the title.

John Parker won his fourth owner’s title in six years and also sponsored Washington Cup and a race every day of the season. Thanks, John!!!

A couple of trainers are retiring, best of luck to Chris Stenslie and Sharon Ross. They will be missed. Incredible careers!

Congratulations also to Bob and Molly Rondeau, Mike Puhich and Rocco Bowen for winning the Longacres Mile with Background.

Our Emerald Downs employees are amazing. Everyone pulled together, and when you include all the state workers, vendors, horsemen and their workers, it was a truly special team effort.

There are many racetracks that run in front of empty grandstands, even when there aren’t COVID restrictions. But that is not what we are about. It seemed like our crowds this year were younger, and we saw a lot of people getting dressed up for the races. Looking at the Google reviews from the season we received the following ratings: 5 Star: 121; 4 Star: 31; 3 Star: 5; 2 Star: 2; and 1 Star: 2.

This is a great response from our fans and a great tribute to everyone involved in putting on the show at Emerald Downs.

Finally, I would like to suggest and direct everyone to our YouTube page. The “25 Years of EMD” series includes tributes to Sharon and Larry Ross, Joe Withee, Chris Stenslie, Junior Coffey, along with some of the greatest horses, jockeys, trainers, and owners in track history. You can also find replays of stakes races, highlights of promotions and videos from past years, including the series on retired racehorses, Hall of Fame profiles and tutorials for new fans at <https://www.youtube.com/user/emeralddowns/videos>.

Thanks again! If you have any questions or suggestions please stop by, call 253-288-7004 or e-mail [philz@emeralddowns.com](mailto:philz@emeralddowns.com). ■





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# Background Captures 86th Renewal of Longacres Mile

*Arkansas ship-in nails local Windribbon in exciting finish*



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*Bob and Molly Rondeau (Giddyup Stables LLC) celebrate in the winner's circle along with winning rider Rocco Bowen after Background secures victory in an exciting Longacres Mile.*

by Vince Bruun

**B**ackground and jockey Rocco Bowen would not be denied victory in the August 16 \$100,000 Longacres Mile (G3) at Emerald Downs. The four-year-old gelding and three-time Emerald Downs riding champion combined forces for one final surge of energy and nailed Windribbon in the final jump for a head victory in the 86th renewal of the Northwest's premier horse race.

Background, the betting favorite, ran the mile in 1:36.67 and returned \$6.60 for a \$2 win ticket. Mike Puhich, winning his second Longacres Mile, is the trainer for owners Bob and Molly Rondeau's Giddyup Stables LLC of Normandy Park.

Rondeau, best known as the longtime voice of University of Washington basketball and football, led the cheers in a raucous and emotional winner's circle ceremony.

"Unbelievable, I have no voice left at all," Rondeau said. "(In mid-stretch) there's no way in the world he wins that race, but (Background) had the wherewithal to pull it off. This is an unimaginable thrill."

Bowen, who won titles here in 2016, '17 and '18, resumed his riding career in the Midwest last year after missing some 18 months with injuries. Returning to Emerald Downs to win the track's biggest race had the 32-year-old native of Barbados in tears.

"I can't believe it . . . finally," Bowen said. "I knew Background wasn't done, we fought together out there."

A Florida-bred by Khozan, Background earned \$55,000 to push his bankroll to \$287,532. The chestnut gelding is 4-2-4 from 14 starts overall, including three wins at Oaklawn Park in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Windribbon, ridden by Kevin Orozco, nearly pulled off a 12-to-one upset that

would have given trainer Blaine Wright a second straight Mile victory. The five-year-old gelding swept past Papa's Golden Boy and Anyportinastorm into the lane, opening a 2 1/2-length lead past mid-stretch, and just failed to last. A homebred for Michael Dadasovich's Seamist Racing, Windribbon earned \$27,500.

Five Star General, the five-to-two morning line favorite ridden by Mario Gutierrez, edged Papa's Golden Boy in the final jump for third place. The five-year-old full horse now has a second and a third in the last two Miles.

Papa's Golden Boy, bidding to sweep all three stakes for older horses at the meet, battled gamely to the wire and finished fourth.

Papa's Golden Boy, ridden by Julien Couton, and Anyportinastorm, ridden by Juan Gutierrez, duelled through fractions of :22.94, :45.73 and 1:09.73, with neither rider giving an inch. Windribbon, positioned just behind those two, made his move into the lane and appeared headed for the upset victory. But Background, in sixth place early, made a sustained, grinding rally that finally bore fruit at the finish line.



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*A three-time (2016-18) leading Emerald Downs rider, the Barbados-born Bowen, who is now based in the Midwest, was emotional as he and Background returned from winning the Pacific Northwest's premier race. Bowen rode six winners among his 15 starters during his brief return to the Auburn track.*



Unmachable rallied from dead last to pick off fifth place, one length behind Papa's Golden Boy, while Anyportinastorm faded to sixth. Reelfoot, longest price on the board at 101-to-one, finished seventh while Hard to Deny, Muncey, Forest Fire and Sir Bregovic completed the order of finish.

### Princess of Cairo Prevails in Emerald Distaff

Also on the card, Princess of Cairo, under a rail-skimming ride by Mario Gutierrez, rallied to a four-length victory over Compelling Smile in the \$50,000 Emerald Distaff for older fillies and mares. The win gave former rider Sandi Gann her first Emerald Downs stakes winner as a trainer. The four-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Cairo Prince, who is owned by Mark Dedomenico and North American Thoroughbred Horse Company, also won the 2020 Washington Oaks.

The Rondeaus enjoyed a big day. In addition to Background winning the Mile, Compelling Smile, co-owned by Rondeau and Mark Dedomenico and ridden by Bowen, finished second in the Emerald Distaff.

Sunday's mutual handle totaled a season-high \$2,452,949 on the ten-race card. Stryker Phd won an online poll to select the best horse in the track's 25-year history, defeating second place Noosa Beach for the honor.

### The Morning After with Bowen and Background

The morning after the biggest victory of his riding career, jockey Rocco Bowen was still on an emotional high.

"It still doesn't feel like it's real," Bowen said. "This is home for me. Being back at Emerald Downs and riding for guys like Alan Bozell and Tom Wenzel, seeing Sally (Steiner) in the kitchen, getting a big cheer from fans in the jockey introductions. And then winning the Mile, it's unbelievable."



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Background's Mile victory gave trainer Michael Puhich (far left) his second victory in the historic race after saddling Taylor Said for the win in 2012.

The only jockey to win three straight riding titles at Emerald Downs, Bowen rode three winners in his first appearance here since 2018. The biggest victory, of course, was a desperate head triumph aboard two-to-one favorite Background in the Longacres Mile.

With the victory, Bowen became the first black jockey to win the Mile. It also was his first graded stakes victory.

While the post-race winner's circle scene with trainer Mike Puhich, owners Bob and Molly Rondeau and a tearful Bowen was exuberant, the rider said he spent a quiet Sunday evening dining at Applebee's. Rocco planned to trail ride

around Enumclaw with friends before returning to Chicago to finish out Arlington Park and ride the first two weeks at Hawthorne. After that comes vacation with family in Barbados and then back to Oaklawn Park for that track's earliest ever opening on December 3.

Background, meanwhile, was relaxing at Pegasus Training and Rehabilitation Center in Redmond, where he was about to enjoy a salt-water spa.

"We'll give him a little break at Pegasus," Puhich said. "(Background) hasn't had an easy race all year, so he deserves a little time off. We'll get him ready for the same program next year, starting off at Oaklawn Park." ■



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2020 Washington Oaks winner Princess of Cairo shipped down from Hastings Racecourse to win the Emerald Distaff Handicap by four lengths on the Mile undercard.

# Candidates for the 2022-24 WTBOA Board of Trustees



**Melodie (Mel) Bultena**  
Kennewick

Retired maintenance and construction craftswoman, City of Kennewick  
30-plus years in racing/breeding industry, Desert Rose Racing LLC  
WTBOA member since late 1990s; past WTBOA Board member. Thirty-eight years as head of Central Washington Pony Club. Moose member for 40-plus years. Past shop steward for City of Kennewick Operating Engineers. Involved in the Thoroughbred industry for 30 years in breeding, racing and selling. Partners with Bar C Racing Stables.

Our industry is in a constant struggle to maintain a viable industry that supports a livelihood for many individuals. Having served on this board, I realize even more the importance of this organization to help our industry survive. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to work for our industry. Your input is always welcome. Moving forward to 2022 and beyond.

Thank you.



**Nina Hagen**  
Enumclaw

Owner/manager of El Dorado Farms, LLC  
45 years in horse industry  
WTBOA member since 1984; WTBOA Board of Trustees; WTBOA Sales Committee; past member WTBOA Finance Committee, other association committees; Washington Thoroughbred Farm Managers Association; WHBPA.

As the owner/manager of El Dorado Farms, I have been involved in virtually every aspect of the Thoroughbred industry: standing stallions, consigning and acting as agent for sales, breeding, raising and racing our own horses, and forming racing and breeding partnerships, helping bring new people into our business.

I have also become instrumental in bringing quality stallions and broodmares to Washington to upgrade our state's breeding

program, as well as providing nutritional education to grow a balanced athlete. I am very aware of the important issues our industry is facing, locally and nationally.

The short- and long-term viability of the WTBOA is key to the health and growth of the Washington Thoroughbred industry. I am willing to commit the time and energy to be an effective member of the board, and I will continue to work toward finding solutions that will carry us forward into the future. The challenges of Covid-19 pandemic have not lessened my enthusiasm, passion and support for the success of this industry and all of you.

I would appreciate your vote.



**Petra Lewin**  
Galvin

Real estate broker. Thoroughbred owner and breeder  
50 years in horse industry, Rainbow Meadows Farm  
WTBOA member since 1974; California Thoroughbred Breeders Association; WHBPA. United States Eventing Association. Washington Association of Realtors; National Association of Realtors.

As a hands-on horsewoman, my experience stretches from 1972, when I started my endeavor of building the now 37-acre Rainbow Meadows Farm. A small band of broodmares has been the mainstay of this farm. This includes sales preparation for sales in Washington and California.

Raising horses has been in combination with a successful real estate business since 1975. My work experience has included starting yearlings at T9O Ranch, the former Green River Stallion Station, and my own Rainbow Meadows Farm.

For a description of the election process, as well as the duties and responsibilities of the Board of Directors and Sales Committee, please refer to the Bylaws as they appear on our website at [washingthoroughbred.com/wtboa-bylaws/](http://washingthoroughbred.com/wtboa-bylaws/).

Breeder of Grade 3 multiple stakes winner Celtic Dreamin and 2021 three-time winner and Kent Stakes winner Blazingbellablu.

My experience encompasses having been a licensed trainer in California and Washington, as well as training Thoroughbreds after racing to Eventing competition levels and having won an Area VII Preliminary Championship.

My devotion to the Thoroughbred is unmatched. A great desire of mine is to take my 50-plus years of experience and work to expand Washington's breeding and ownership industry. To improve relationships, expand our association, and improve the health of the Thoroughbred business. I am also interested in the promotion of legislation to help the horse industry through government funding and awareness.

May I please have your vote?



**Debra (Debbie) Pabst**  
Buckley

Horse breeder, Blue Ribbon Farm  
49 years in the horse industry  
WTBOA member since 1972; WTBOA Board of Trustees and current treasurer; Washington Thoroughbred Foundation Board; Northwest Race Series Committee chairperson; WTBOA Publications/Media Committee; WTBOA Youth Committee; TOBA; past WHBPA Board member. With my husband Rick, member of the Washington Thoroughbred Hall of Fame, and recipient of the S. J. Agnew Special Achievement Award.

The board continues to work at meeting the current industry challenges. I hope you will support my candidacy for this important job.

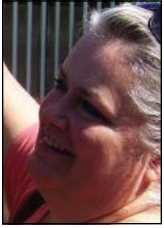
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*We encourage your participation!*



# Candidates for the 2022-24 WTBOA Sales Committee



**Connie Belshay**  
Graham

Retired food safety operator  
45 years in horse industry, Only Me  
Thoroughbreds  
WTBOA member since 2006; CTBA.

As a kid, I showed American Shetland Ponies in fine harness and roadster around the Pacific Northwest and in 4-H. In my 20s and 30s, I bred and showed Quarter Horses, specifically yearling halter horses sired by our family-owned Skookum Bars.

I was introduced to Thoroughbred horse racing in 1975 and was totally smitten. I groomed horses for Richard Wright at Longacres for four seasons and dabbled in racing ownership at the minor tracks.

My desire always was to raise sales yearlings. In 2006, I purchased a Thoroughbred mare in Kentucky and began commercially breeding. I am a small breeder with just two mares, dedicated to this venue of the Thoroughbred industry. I would bring fresh new ideas to the table as a consignor, as well as taking from it an increased knowledge of the business.



**Melodie (Mel) Bultena**  
Kennewick

Retired maintenance and construction  
craftswoman, City of Kennewick  
30-plus years in racing/breeding industry,  
Desert Rose Racing LLC

WTBOA member since late 1990's; past  
WTBOA Board member. Thirty-eight  
years as head of Central Washington  
Pony Club. Partners with Bar C Racing  
Stables. Moose member for 40-plus  
years. Past shop steward for City of  
Kennewick Operating Engineers.

As a breeder, I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on the WTBOA Sales Committee. As a past board member, I learned a lot about our organization. Our industry, unfortunately, is struggling on the West Coast. The WTBOA strives to succeed against some tough odds. I am always appreciative of the efforts I see being put

forth. The Sales Committee works hard to produce a quality sale, no matter the obstacles. I would like to have the chance to help our sale and our industry move forward in any way I could.

My whole life has been involved with horses in some fashion. Favorite involvement now, other than the horses, is being a great-grandma.



**Mary Lou Griffin**  
Buckley

Co-owner Griffin Place LLC  
38 years in horse industry  
WTBOA member since 1995; WTBOA  
Board of Trustees; WTBOA Finance  
Committee; WTBOA Sales Committee.  
With my husband Terry, member of the  
Washington Thoroughbred Hall of Fame.

The net income from the WTBOA Yearling and Mixed sale is a large portion of the annual budget. I will work to ensure that our sale continues to be profitable for our association, as well as for our consignors. With the much-appreciated cooperation from the Muckleshoot Tribe and support from buyers, especially our local buyers, we look forward to continuing to provide a market that benefits all concerned.



**Susan Hopp**  
Graham

30-plus years in racing/breeding industry,  
Castlegate Farm

My husband Duane and I have been breeding Thoroughbreds for over 30 years and have seen a lot of changes. Like everywhere else, there is a shortage of horses, around 18,000 nationwide. Our sale consistently has a strong group of horses and pedigrees that produce runners. I'm always glad to see my horses that sell here stay here, because I know they will show up at the races and not just disappear like they do at some of the big sales.

I think we need to cater to the buyers, now more than ever, by giving them a positive experience and also make everything more

convenient, like having food trucks onsite. We're the only sale that doesn't have food available. We also need better parking. If elected, I would try to bring about those changes.



**Greg Luce**  
Stanwood

Retired senior finance manager, The Boeing  
Co,  
50-plus years in horse industry, Luce Horse  
Ranch  
WTBOA member since 1976; WHBPA  
member.

I have over 50 years of experience in the racehorse industry, both selling yearlings and racing my own horses. I currently maintain a small broodmare band of two to three mares, all of which are by leading broodmare sires. I care strongly about this industry and would welcome the opportunity to continue to serve on the Sales Committee



**Debra (Debbie) Pabst**  
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Horse breeder, Blue Ribbon Farm  
49 years in the horse industry  
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Board of Trustees and current treasurer;  
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# Tendon and Tendon Sheath Injuries



*From bows to windpuffs*

Mark Cassell

by Heather Smith Thomas

Horses in strenuous careers are often injured by stress and strain on leg structures. Soft tissue injuries (tendons and ligaments) often take the longest time to heal.

Tendon injuries range from mild inflammation to ruptures, commented Dr. Duncan Peters, East-West Equine Sports Medicine, Lexington, Kentucky. “Most of these occur in the superficial digital flexor tendon. We see this in racehorses and in performance horses like jumpers, event horses, etc. Usually there’s been some strain on the tendon and weakening over time – and then an incidence suddenly overloads and injures that tendon,” he went on the say.

“More commonly we see swelling in the mid-cannon region or down around the fetlock/pastern (tendon sheath swelling). These swellings may be large, hot and painful when palpated. There can be a wide variety of damage – anything from little micro-tears to core lesions or margin lesions where there is significant damage to the tendon, which can be seen on ultrasound. We may use ultrasound to visualize the extent of the damage. It may be just small areas within the tendon, or more significant areas in which 50 to 70 percent of the tendon cross-sectional area is damaged,” he added.

“A wide variety of things can be seen with acute injuries that occur when a horse is working. In many cases, however, we just see gradual change in the tendon, especially in some of the horses that may not show much lameness or discomfort. They may just have poor performance. There may be minimal changes within the tendon, but it looks a little bigger than it

used to, or perhaps it has some heat in it now and then.”

An astute observer may suspect that something is not right, but then maybe the problem disappears and the horse seems fine for a while. Then it may happen again and the horse has a poor workout or doesn’t want to train as well – and maybe there’s a little heat in that leg again.

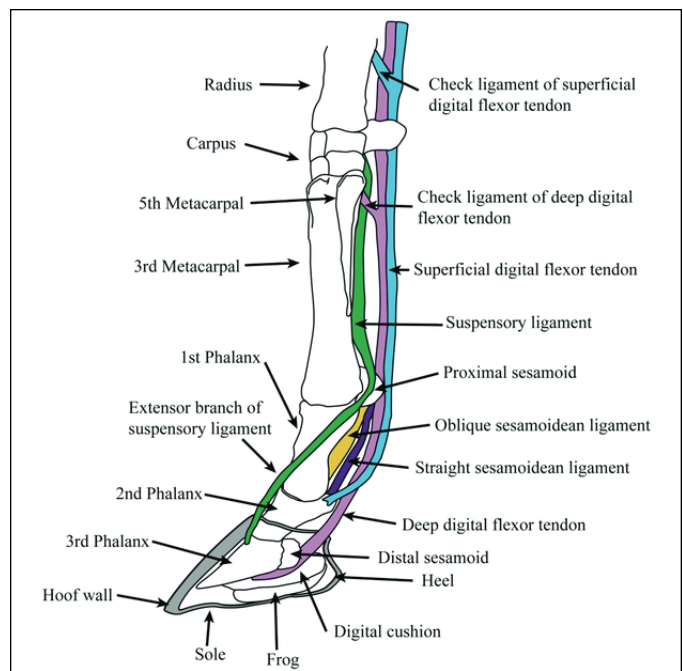
“Eventually we do a physical exam and maybe an ultrasound. In many cases we can verify the problem with diagnostic imaging like ultrasound – or possibly an MRI may be needed to pick up subtle changes. We try

to find and treat these problems before they get too serious,” said Peters.

Tendon sheath swellings are common in racehorses. “Often we’ll find a hint of what may come, before the actual injury, seeing a bit of swelling in the digital sheath – from just above the fetlock and on down into the pastern. Another area of swelling may occur in the distal carpal sheath with high tendon injuries. We may see some early filling in those areas, if there’s some inflammation of the tendon or some of the other structures that are within or close to that tendon sheath,” he further added.

*Diagram of supportive tendons and ligaments of the equine foot. The hoof (covering the third phalanx and the distal portion of the second phalanx) is shown in cross section.*

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“The digital sheath runs from just above the fetlock and down to the heels of the hoof, and there are a variety of structures there. The main ones are the superficial and the deep flexor tendons that run through that area. If they are injured or inflamed, there will be some filling/swelling in that sheath,” Peters explained.

The other structures in that area that can be injured are the distal sesamoidean ligaments, the cruciate, oblique and the straight ligaments. “If any of those are injured or inflamed there will also be swelling. The other structure that may be involved is the inner sesamoidean ligament that holds the sesamoid bones together at the back of the fetlock. If this is injured or irritated, it can also cause filling of the sheath. Swelling in the digital sheath can be an indication that there is injury or inflammation of other structures associated with this,” said Peters.

“It is rare that we just see what is called tenosynovitis (inflammation of the tendon sheath), but possible. In some cases we’ll see a horse that has a workout or a race and the next morning has a little filling in that digital sheath in spite of bandaging. It may be that the horse simply overdid a little. Fluid is a sign that there’s some inflammation. Trainers and grooms pay a lot of attention to these things, and may pick up an indication early on that this horse needs to take it a little easier and needs to be watched more closely when he works. The extra filling in that sheath can be an early warning sign,” he further explained.

If there is actual injury and the tendon sheath blows up extensively, it’s common to see that area carry some extra swelling. “The tendon sheath is distended and stretched and will never completely tighten up again – a situation we call windpuffs. It’s not uncommon for older campaigners to carry a little more fluid in those tendon sheaths, just from wear and tear over the years. They may have a windpuff that goes up or down with work. It may shrink a bit and get tighter when the horse is worked, compared to when the horse is just standing around, or you may see one that has more fluid/swelling after being worked. You have to know the horse, and whether something like this should be a cause of concern or not. Attention to detail is important,” Peter emphasized.

### Diagnosis

In a serious tendon or ligament injury there is usually heat, pain and swelling soon after the injury. With a bowed tendon, there may be severe lameness, and the leg is held in flexed position; the horse is reluctant to put weight on it. If the tendon is severely torn or stretched, the fetlock joint drops. If the injury is not fresh and has become chronic (fibrous tissue already formed) there will be a hard swelling at

the back of the leg. In a horse with a mild, fresh injury, not showing classic signs of heat and swelling, ultrasound can diagnose early inflammation and define the degree of damage.

Flexion tests can be helpful in detecting soreness – sometimes before a horse actually tears a ligament. Flexing the fetlock joint is a test the trainer can do if the horse’s gait is off. If you put a certain amount of pressure on the fetlock joint in a flexion test for 30 to 60 seconds, and he goes off lame afterward (and the other leg not lame) this is a clue. Or you can flex the knee to detect high suspensory injury. If you hold the knee up tightly for 60 seconds, with the fetlock joint out to the side of the forearm or even up above the forearm, you then jog the horse to see if he favors the leg.

A horse will tend to have a similar flexion test month after month and it should stay the same. Get to where you can recognize what is normal for him (for instance, a horse might not flex so well in the right knee, but is not lame). If a person flexes all the legs periodically, it gives a clue about any changes. You can often catch a small problem before it gets to be a big problem.

### Treatment

There are many things used in treating tendon and tendon sheath injuries, depending on the type of damage. “If it is strictly an inflammatory process, and micro-damage, it may be just a matter of managing the horse to get rid of inflammation with icing, bandaging, use

of emollients, laser therapy, ultrasound therapy, etc. and backing off on the exercise and stress on the limb,” said Peters.

Sometimes changing the shoeing helps, especially if a lot of the stress is due to conformation that puts extra strain on one part of the leg. A good farrier may be able to do something mechanically to help remove some of that stress. “If we have a deep flexor injury, we do some different shoeing (raise heels slightly) than if it’s a superficial flexor injury (lower the heels slightly), to try to support those specific tissues. Similarly, mechanical farriery support can help support sesamoidean ligament injuries down around the pastern and fetlock,” he added.

“The seriousness of the injury will determine how aggressive we get with treatment. We can use physiotherapy (cryotherapy, lasers, ultrasound, poultices, etc.) or injections into the tendon sheath. Injections may be steroids, hyaluronic acid or a variety of regenerative therapies – everything from stem cells to IRAP to conditioned serum to amniotic fluid concentrate,” Peters added.

Supportive care with icing, cold therapy, bandaging, liniments, etc. can help. “On the racetrack many people have their own special formula they use for keeping tendon sheaths tight. All of these probably have some benefit, to some degree, and may be variable. Sometimes a person tries a variety of things to see what may work best with a certain horse. You have to know your horse.”

The time it takes for a horse to come back from a tendon injury will depend on

## Bowed Tendons

One of the most common types of tendon injury is bowed tendon, caused by excessive strain. There are two tendons behind the cannon bone – the deep digital flexor tendon and the superficial digital flexor tendon, one behind the other, covered with a sheath and lubricated with synovial fluid. If the tendons and/or sheath and/or attachments are injured or torn, swelling is caused by hemorrhage and inflammation. The swollen area is hot and painful and the horse is lame.

If the superficial digital flexor tendon is injured and not properly treated, it can become permanently thickened due to scar tissue within the tendon and surrounding tissues/tendon sheath, and the adhesions that form – often binding the tendons together and/or to the sheath. This creates a bowed appearance in the otherwise straight tendon. The bow can be high (just below the knee or hock), middle or low (just above the fetlock joint). The middle area is most often injured – where the tendon has the smallest diameter. Severe injury may involve the whole length of the tendon.

Bowed tendon injuries are common in front legs and only rarely occur in hind legs. Common causes are inadequate fitness conditioning and muscle fatigue at the end of a long race. When the muscles become tired they no longer contract in perfect synchronization and some of the strain (that is usually taken up by the more elastic muscles) falls on the less elastic tendons.

Horses most likely to bow a tendon during strenuous exertion are horses with long, weak pasterns, long toes, horses that are not in condition for the work, horses in rigorous training or doing strenuous exertion, or horses too heavy for their tendon structure. The horse may bow a tendon while running hard, galloping uphill, turning quickly, bucking or suddenly accelerating to full speed. A severe blow (such as striking it with another foot) may also create enough damage to result in a bow. ■

the injury, and this may impact the future career. "Racehorses have only a small window of performance, compared with a jumper or dressage horse that will have a long career, so with a racehorse the owner or trainer may want to push the envelope a bit. We may try injections into core lesions with regenerative therapies. There is a synthetic compound called genipin, which helps to bind collagen that is broken down and can help the tendon regain strength. This doesn't necessarily mean the horse can go back to work quicker, but may help improve healing by not having further breakdown. There are also surgical options for tendon injuries (tendon splitting, check ligament desmotomies)," he explained.

Time is probably the biggest factor with racehorses in terms of when they may be able to come back to work. "This can vary from four months to ten months, and some don't make it back in time to continue racing. Sport horse may take a year off and come back strong, whereas a racehorse can't be given that much time. They may have to find a new home or be retired for breeding," Peters continued.

"By contrast a sport horse may go to a rehab facility and spend four to eight months there, before they get back to some early riding work. Treatments available include underwater treadmills, cold therapies and spas, laser treatment, ultrasound, pulse magnetic field treatments, etc."

One of the most important things with rehabbing a tendon injury is a controlled exercise program as the horse comes back into work. Gradually increasing exercise can keep strengthening the tendon without

creating more damage by doing too much too soon. "By the time a horse tells us the leg hurts, there is damage done. This is the most difficult aspect in terms of rehab – being able to monitor and determine whether the exercise is enough or too much. You want to put some load on those tissues as they heal, to ensure a more normal healing process and more functional healing, but at the same time you don't want to overdo and break down those tissues." We walk a fine line on rehab exercise and it may be different for each horse. Every injury is a little different.

Tendons attach muscle to the bone. If you can keep the muscles strong, and keep everything strong around that tendon, this gives the tendon more support. Many tendon injuries are due to fatigue when the horse is working. When muscles get tired, the tendons take more load and more stress. If you can keep the horse fit and the muscles strong, there's less risk for tendon injury. When coming back from an injury, you want to rehab the horse with controlled exercise, rather than letting the horse run and buck and possibly reinjure that tendon.

Dr. Mark Cassells (Homestead Veterinary Hospital, Villa Ridge, Missouri) says that if you can keep the horse in a stall and gradually increase exercise with hand-walking, treadmills, etc. this is helpful. "You can't just give the horse four months of rest and then suddenly go back to work. There needs to be a program that fits the horse and the situation the horse is in, and the rider's level of capability."

An overactive horse is not helping itself. "When you take that horse out of the stall,

it wants to run and buck, and lunging is not recommended for rehab in tendon repair. The important thing is safety first – for the rider, the handler and the horse. It doesn't do anyone any good if the rider gets bucked off and the horse is running around in the pen as fast as it can," Cassells added.

It is important, however, to keep the horse in some type of exercise, whether hand walking or tack walking a couple times a day – getting the horse out of the stall multiple times. This helps the horse mentally as well as physically and keeps muscles stronger. "If it's a novel experience for the horse to go outside, the horse will go crazy, so you need some form of controlled exercise, and monitor the rehabilitation program," Cassells further commented.

"Some horses heal faster than others, but typically tendon injuries take six to eight months, if not longer, to get back to full level of work. Tendons take longer than bones to heal; the rule of thumb is that it takes one month per letter. Bone takes four months to heal, tendons take six months and ligaments eight months. It's an easy way to remember it. Ligaments are slowest to heal – because there is less blood supply. The tendon at least has muscle fibers with blood in them, at that end. It varies, of course, depending on where the injury is. If it's near the muscle it might heal faster than if it's in the middle of the tendon where there's no blood supply."

Treatment for a tendon injury is based on the lesion – whether a large core lesion or just a strain with mild thickening or a lot of thickening. "For a large lesion, I generally use regenerative therapy such as stem cells or PRP," said Cassells. "If there's scar tissue and the lesion is old, I use shock wave therapy to help break up scar tissue and stimulate blood flow. Shock wave therapy is non-invasive, very safe, and relatively inexpensive compared to some other treatments. It can also be done multiple times throughout a horse's career," he added.

Laser therapy has also been shown to be effective, but Cassells feels the best thing to use with a fresh injury is ice. "The cold will slow down inflammation and swelling. Using ice or ice boots for 48 to 72 hours after an injury and then applying bandages with a poultice to try to reduce inflammation can be very effective. The more you can reduce the inflammation in a fresh injury, the better and faster it will heal," he explained. ■

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## Benefits of Ultrasound

Cassells says one of the best things that's happened in the past 20 years is improvement in our ability to catch tendon injuries early, with ultrasound. "The technology and equipment has gotten better every year, so we can pick up subtle lesions earlier – before there is so much damage," he said.

"The other benefit is that we can monitor these lesions with ultrasound after treatment, to see how they are doing. Treatment might be regenerative therapy with stem cells, PRP, etc. We can monitor that lesion with better accuracy and see how it's healing – better than we could ten or 15 years ago," Cassells explained.

He likes to use ultrasound when a horse is put into a rehabilitation program and you start increasing the work load, for monitoring. "Even though the horse may be performing well and acting ok, we still need to see how the structure is handling the work. Is the tendon holding up or are we starting to see signs of lesions?"

Ultrasound is one way to make sure that the horse is not being pushed too hard, and gives a person more confidence about stepping up to the next level. ■



Mark Cassell





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# Stakes Winners

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## A VIEW FROM ABOVE



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**WTBOA LADS STAKES**, Emerald Downs, August 22, \$52,250a (\$49,500) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old colts and geldings, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:17.33, track fast.

**A VIEW FROM ABOVE**, g., 118, Abraaj—Deja Views, by Forest Camp (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Grasshopper Racing Stable and William Douglas Stenberg \$27,225

**Cobra Jet**, g., 121, Curlin to Mischief—Atta Gal Val, by Atta Boy Roy (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... R. E. V. Racing, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Lucarelli Racing Corp. \$9,900

**Sargent Kline**, c., 119, Munnings—She's From Queens, by Dixie Union (KY)

..... Sargent Stables, Dennis Snowden and Doug Kline \$5,940

Margins: 1 1/4, 10 3/4, neck. Also started: Check the Gear 120 (\$2,970), Firing Pin 119 (\$1,980), Decimate 118 (\$743), Thunder Music 120 (\$742). Trained by Kay Penney Cooper. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Ridden by Julien Couton.

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  
Deputy Minister, by Vice Regent

Forest Camp  
La Paz, by Hold Your Peace

### Deja Views

Just the Time, by Advocator  
Timely View  
Islandia, by Table Run

**RACE RECORD**: 2 wins in 3 starts at 2, \$44,418. Also: 3rd WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings S.-R.

**SIRE: ABRAAJ** (2003), by Carson City. **G2 SW**, 5 wins at 4 and 5, \$338,050. Deceased 2019. Stood at El Dorado Farms LLC, Enumclaw.

### 1st DAM

**DEJA VIEWS** (2005), by Forest Camp. Unraced. Dam of 6 other foals, 5 starters, 5 winners, including **Lucky Views** (g. by Lucky Pulpit. 8 wins, 2 to 7, \$234,494, 3rd Eddie Logan S.), **Time 'n Time Again** (g. by Nationhood. Winner at 3, \$80,744, 2nd WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings S.-R, 3rd Muckleshoot Derby).

### 2nd DAM

**TIMELY VIEW** (1994), by Just the Time. 6 wins at 3 and 4, \$248,488, champion 3-year-old filly in Washington, Moment to Buy H., 3rd Floral Fiesta S., Pleasanton Senorita S. Half-sister to **Crimson Island**. 4 other foals, 4 starters, all winners, including **TIME TO**

**HONOR** (18 wins, 3 to 8, \$297,487, California Cup Starter H.-R), **SWINGN' NOTES** (4 wins, \$142,372, Corte Madera S., Irish Day H., Kent H.).

A View From Above was an impressive seven-length winner of a five-furlong maiden special weight race in his first start – the \$2.30-to-one favorite in the field of seven in the July 11 outing.

On August 22, A View From Above, at four-to-one odds, returned to action with another gate-to-wire tally in the WTBOA Lads Stakes, defeating race favorite and King County Express Stakes winner Cobra Jet – who put up a strong challenge – by 1 1/4 lengths.

Winning rider Julien Couton commented after the race: "He had a lot of speed, same as first out. When he got challenged, he fought hard. He found another gear."

The juvenile runner races for Paul and Lori Heist's Grasshopper Racing Stable and William Douglas Stenberg. Lori Heist had selected the runner for \$15,000 from his breeders Rick and Debbie Pabst's Blue Ribbon Farm consignment at the 2020 WTBOA Summer Sale.

A View From Above is from the next to the last crop of foals sired by Alfred G. Vanderbilt Stakes (G2) winner Abraaj, who has sired three state/province champions and been among the leading sires in Washington for four years.

The new stakes winner hails from a strong Washington family. He is the sixth winner out of the unraced Forest Camp mare Deja Views, who has also produced \$234,494 Santa Anita stakes-placed Lucky Views, by Lucky Pulpit, and two-time Emerald Downs stakes-placed Time 'n Time Again, a son of Nationhood who has earned \$80,744. A full brother to Time 'n Time Again was purchased by Stenberg for \$17,000 at the 2021 WTBOA Summer Sale. Deja Views produced a full sister to the last two in 2021.

Deja Views is a half-sister to \$297,487 California Cup Starter Handicap winner Time to Honor and Golden Gate Fields and Emerald Downs stakes winner Swingin' Notes (\$142,372). All three were among the five foals and winners out of 1997 Washington champion three-year-old filly and \$248,488 earner Timely View, by Just the Time.

A Grade 1-winning juvenile stakes winner was Advocator, Just the Time was also the sire of \$393,622 stakes winner, Grade 3-placed and two-time Washington champion Comminalittlehot and \$105,170 stakes winner No Time Flat, who were half-siblings to Timely View's \$75,145 winning dam Islandia, by Table Run. Both Advocator and Table Run were sons of Horse of the Year and major sire Round Table.

In his next start, the September 12 WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings Stakes, A View From Above finished third, as the one-to-two favorite, and added \$6,000 to his totals.



## BACKGROUND



Wayne Nagai

**LONGACRES MILE HANDICAP-G3**, Emerald Downs, August 18, \$100,000g (\$100,000), three-year-olds and up, mile, 1:36.67, track fast.

**BACKGROUND** (2017), g., 121, Khozan—Ephyra, by Corinthian (FL).....Giddyup Stables LLC \$55,000

**Windribbon** (2016), g., 119, Sway Away—Jumanah, by Grand Reward (CA)..... Seamist Racing LLC \$20,000

**Five Star General** (2016), h., 122, Distorted Humor—Party of Interest, by Bernardini (KY)

.....North American Thoroughbred Racing Company Inc. \$12,000

Margins: head, 2, neck. Also started: Papa's Golden Boy 121 (\$6,000), Unmachable 119 (\$4,000), Anyportinastorm 122 (\$750), Reelfoot 118 (\$750), Hard to Deny 119 (\$750), Muncey 118 (\$750), Forest Fire 118, Sir Bregovic 118. Trained by Michael Puhich. Bred by Brent and Crystal Fernung. Ridden by Rocco Bowen.

Forty Niner, by Mr. Prospector  
Distorted Humor  
Danzig's Beauty, by Danzig

### Khozan

A. P. Indy, by Seattle Slew  
Delta Princess  
Lyphard's Delta, by Lyphard  
Pulpit, by A. P. Indy  
Corinthian  
Multiply, by Easy Goer

### Ephyra

Beau Genius, by Bold Ruckus  
North East Belle  
North East Dancer, by Far North

**RACE RECORD**: 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$287,532. Also: 2nd Hanshin Cup S.

**SIRE: KHOZAN** (2012), by Distorted Humor. 2 wins in 2 starts at 3, \$49,200. Stands in Florida.

### 1st DAM

**EPHYRA** (2010), by Corinthian. 5 wins, 3 to 5, \$111,879. Dam of 3 other foals, 1 starter, 1 winner.

### 2nd DAM

**NORTH EAST BELLE** (1999), by Beau Genius. Winner at 4, \$19,939. Half-sister to **NORTH EAST BOUND** (12 wins, \$1,363,228, Meadowlands Cup H.-G2, Maker's Mark Mile S.-G2, etc.). 7 other named foals, 6 starters, 1 winner, **LEONIDES** (7 wins, 2 to 7, \$303,516, Captain Squire H., 2nd Lone star Derby-G3, Hollywood Juvenile Championship S.-G3, etc.)

With former leading Emerald Downs rider Rocco Bowen in the irons (the jockey is now entrenched on the Midwest racing scene), \$2.30-to-one favorite Background nipped the locally-based Windribbon by a head to take the



86th running of the Longacres Mile. Background has raced his entire career for Bob and Molly Rondeau's Giddyup Stables LLC.

Unraced at two, the Florida-bred runner took a 1 1/16-mile maiden special weight race by 4 1/2 lengths in his second start as a three-year-old. Later that year he would unsuccessfully try stakes company at both Oaklawn Park and Indiana Grand Race Course.

In the spring of 2021, Background would score in Oaklawn allowances, both times partnered by Bowen. After a head loss to Guest Suite in Oaklawn's \$100,000 Hanshin Cup Stakes on June 26, Background headed west for Washington's premier race.

Background is the ninth stakes winner – second graded – for Khozan, Florida's 2020 leading sire. Unbeaten in two starts at three, Khozan entered stud at Brent and Crystal Fernung's Journeyman Stallions in Ocala in 2016. The Fernungs, who are among Florida's many top breeders, also bred Background. Khozan is a son of Grade 2 stakes winner and top sire Distorted Humor and Grade 3 winner Delta Princess, a daughter of A. P. Indy who also produced multiple champion and seven-time Grade 1 winner Royal Delta and additional Grade 1 winners Delta Prince and Crown Queen.

Background is inbred to four of the leading North American sires of the late 20th and early 21st centuries: A. P. Indy (3 x 4), Mr. Prospector (4 x 5), Seattle Slew (4 x 5) and Northern Dancer (5 x 5 x 5).

Background is the second foal and winner produced out of the \$111,879 earning Corinthian mare Ephyra. Her five wins came at Gulfstream, Laurel and Delaware parks and Penn National.

Ephyra's first foal, Dark Ages (2016), has won five races and earned \$120,585. Her third and fourth foals have yet to start, including two-year-old Aztec, a full brother to Background. Ephyra produced two more Khozan foals – a filly named Esoteric is 2020 and an unnamed colt in 2021.

Ephyra is a half-sister to \$300,000-plus stakes winner Leonides, a gelding by Richter Scale who was a sophomore stakes winner at Hollywood Park and also Grade 3-placed at both the former California track and at Lone Star Park.

Among his third dam North East Dancer's (by Far North) seven winners was nine-time stakes winner (four graded) and 2000 Breeders' Cup Mile (G1) runner-up North East Bound, a son of D'Accord who won 12 races total and earned \$1,363,228 in his 50-start career.

## BAYAKOAS IMAGE



**WASHINGTON OAKS**, Emerald Downs, August 29, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old fillies, 121 pounds, 1 1/16 miles, 1:42.24, track fast.

**BAYAKOAS IMAGE**, Lent—Tempered Steel, by Tempered Appeal (BC) ..... Nite and Day Stable and Joanne Todd \$27,500

**Broad Appeal**, Carpe Diem—Broad Spectrum, by Indian Charlie (KY) ..... North American Thoroughbred Horse Company \$10,000

**Ms Lynn**, Linchpin—Point Da Harbor, by Harbor the Gold (WA) ..... Ronald L. Bohlman \$6,000

Margins: 5 3/4, 2 3/4, head. Also started: Blazingbellablu (\$3,000), Our Lyla Grace (\$2,000), Curious Sensation (\$300), La Una (dead-heat for 7th) (\$300), Stellaczar (dead-heat for 7th) (\$300), Aquinas (\$300), Street Shadow (\$300). Trained by Kay Penney Cooper. Bred by Nite and Day Stable. Ridden by Alexander Marti.

**WA CUP FILLY AND MARE STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 26, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old and up fillies and mares, Washington- or British Columbia-bred and/or-sired, 1 1/16 miles, 1:42.94, track fast.

**BAYAKOAS IMAGE** (2018), f., 120. Lent—Tempered Steel, by Tempered Appeal (BC)

..... Nite and Day Stable and Joanne Todd \$27,500  
**Brilliant Bird** (2015) m., 120, Einstein (Brz)—Clever Bird, by Awesome Again (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Bean Acres LLC \$10,000

**Ms Lynn** (2018), f., 120, , Linchpin—Point Da Harbor, by Harbor the Gold (WA) ... Ronald L. Bohlman \$6,000

Margins: neck, 3, neck. Also started: Blazingbellablu 120 (\$3,000), Dontkissntell 120 (\$2,000), Rea Mea 116 (\$750), Jacana 119 (\$750). Trained by Kay Penney Cooper. Bred by Nite and Day Stable. Ridden by Alexander Marti.

A. P. Indy, by Seattle Slew  
Pulpit  
Preach, by Mr. Prospector  
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Searchin South  
Gaelicsearch, by Search for Gold

**RACE RECORD:** 5 wins in 8 starts at 2 and 3, \$99,494.

**SIRE:** LENT (2010), by Pulpit. Winner at 3 and 4, \$87,729. Stands in British Columbia.

### 1st DAM

**TEMPERED STEEL** (2010), by Tempered Appeal. 4 wins at 2 and 3, \$154,852, British Columbia Oaks, British Columbia Cup Dogwood H.-R, CTHS Sales S.-R, 2nd Sadie Diamond Futurity-R. Dam of 2 other foals, both winners.

### 2nd DAM

**SEARCHING SOUTH** (2000), by Vying Victor. 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$96,508, CTHS Sales S.-R, 3rd Supernaturel H., Fair Lady S.-R. Half-sister to **RICHLY ROMANTIC** (8 wins, \$139,331, Senorita H., 2nd British Columbia Oaks, etc.), **INSTIGATER** (7 wins, \$100,160, New Westminster S., etc.). 3 other named foals, 2 starters, 2 winners.

British Columbia-bred Bayakoas Image made her first six starts at Hastings Racecourse in Vancouver, British Columbia. At two, after running second in a maiden \$50,000 optional claiming race in her initial outing, she was moved up to stakes company where she was "out-finished" in the Sadie Diamond Futurity won by her paternal half-sister Rea Mea.

Since returning to the races in May, she has been almost unbeatable. First she took a maiden \$50,000 optional claimer by 1 1/2 lengths and then followed that with a second, by a neck, in an allowance.

Because of her limited opportunities at Hastings, Bayakoas Image's closest options to gain black-type status was to head south to Washington or east to Alberta. After winning two additional Hastings allowances, her connections brought her

south to Emerald Downs where she went off as the second betting choice in the Washington Oaks. The \$2.30-to-one favorite was Broad Approval, who had finished 1 1/4 lengths behind Bayakoas Image in second in a July 12 allowance.

Bayakoas Image returned to Emerald Downs for the WA Cup Filly and Mare Stakes and went off as the two-to-five favorite. In recent years the WA Cup series has been opened up to British Columbia-bred and/or-sired runners in addition to Washington-foaled and/or-sired horses. Hastings Racecourse has followed suit with like British Columbia-bred stakes.

In a much tougher fought battle than she had in the open Washington Oaks, Bayakoas Image and 2019 Washington most improved plater Brilliant Bird gamely clung to each other throughout the length of the 1 1/16-mile WA Cup race with the Canadian filly "holding on gamely" to defeat her rival by a neck. 2021 Emerald Downs sophomore stakes winners Ms Lynn and Blazingbellablu finished almost in tandem in the third and fourth spots.

Bred by Brian O'Connell's Nite and Day Stable, Bayakoas Image races for him along with fellow Vancouver resident Joanne Todd. At Hastings the filly is also trained by O'Connell, though she moved to Kay Penney Cooper's barn for the Oaks and WA Cup stakes.

Bayakoas Image was named to honor her sire Lent's maternal second dam, the great Argentine race mare Bayakoa. The two-time Emerald Downs winner is the second mare to carry that moniker as there was also a 1999 Oklahoma-bred named Bayakoa's Image (with the apostrophe). She was a four-time Remington Park stakes winner of \$169,168. Her Bayakoa connection also came through her sire, De Sarmiento, a 1993 son of Seattle Slew and Bayakoa.

A Grade 1 winner in Argentina, Bayakoa was imported to the US by Frank and Janis Whitham for whom she earned over \$2-million and was twice named Eclipse champion older mare. Inducted into the National Racing Hall of Fame in 1998, Bayakoa is also remembered for her trademark tongue lolling out due to her parrot mouth.

Bayakoas Image was sired by Lent, a Churchill Downs allowance-winning son of Pulpit. While Lent only earned \$87,729, he is a half-brother to \$4.4-million Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) winner Fort Larned, Grade 3 winner Walkabout and two stakes-placed runners. All are offspring of the winning Broad Brush mare Arlucea, one of two Grade 1-producing daughters of Bayakoa, the other being Trinity Place. The daughter of Strawberry Road (Aus) foaled four-time Grade 1 winner Affluent and stakes winner Magic Hour.

Lent entered stud in 2016 at Emerald Acres in Aldergrove, British Columbia. Through mid-October he ranked fifth on the 2021 British Columbia sire list. In addition to Bayakoas Image and Rea Mea, he is also the sire of Jack Diamond Futurity winner Foot Soldier and stakes-placed Fully Lent, Yo Zackly and Little Black Dress. His 2021 stud fee was \$2,500 (Canadian funds).

Bayakoas Image is the third foal and winner produced out of three-time Hastings stakes winner and \$154,852 earner Tempered Steel. The daughter of Tempered Appeal is also the dam of a 2020 filly by Numaany named Lola M and an unnamed 2021 colt by Pop Artist.

Her second dam, Searchin South, by Vying Victor, was also a Hastings stakes winner. The \$96,508 earner is a half-sister to \$139,331 stakes winner Richly Romantic and \$100,160 stakes winner Instigator.

# BLAZINGBELLABLU



Wayne Nagai

**KENT STAKES**, Emerald Downs, July 25, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old fillies, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:17.34, track fast.

**BLAZINGBELLABLU**, 120, Grazen—Bellomesa, by Sky Mesa (WA)..... Charles Essex and Petra Lewin \$27,500

**Broad Approval**, 118, Carpe Diem—Broad Spectrum, by Indian Charlie (KY)

..... North American Thoroughbred Horse Company \$10,000

**Ms Lynn**, 122, Linchpin—Point Da Harbor, by Harbor the Gold (WA)..... Ronald LeRoy Bohlman \$6,000

Margins: 2 1/4, 3/4, 3 1/2. Also started: Zippin Sevens 119 (\$3,000), La Una 120 (\$2,000), Camden High 122 (\$500), Coastal Run 118 (\$500), Oreo's Dream 121 (\$500). Trained by Charles Essex. Bred by Rainbow Meadows Farm and Charles Essex. Ridden by Alex Cruz.

Alydar, by Raise a Native  
Benchmark  
Winters' Love, by Danzig

## Grazen

Rubiano, by Fappiano  
Hazen  
Kris' Dear Deby, by Kris S.

Pulpit, by A. P. Indy

Sky Mesa  
Caress, by Storm Cat

## Bellomesa

Conquistador Cielo, by Mr. Prospector  
Bello Cielo  
Double Advantage, by Nodouble

**RACE RECORD**: 3 wins at 3, \$72,958.

**SIRE: GRAZEN** (2006), by Benchmark. **G3 SW**, 4 wins in 7 starts at 2 and 3, \$245,400. Stands in California.

## 1st DAM

**BELLOMESA** (2005), by Sky Mesa. Unplaced at 2, \$3,354. Dam of 6 other foals, 6 starters, 4 winners, including **Fast Maggie** (f. by Afleet Alex. 2 wins at 3 in US, 2nd Pepsi S.; placed at 3 in Canada. Total: \$20,315).

## 2nd DAM

**Bello Cielo** (1992), by Conquistador Cielo. 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$154,165, 2nd Hollywood Oaks-**G1**, 3rd Street Dancer S.-R. 8 other foals, 8 starters, 6 winners, including **ALEC'S MOON** (4 wins, \$125,930, Portland Meadows Oaks, Portland Meadows Derby, 3rd Golden Poppy S.; producer), **AYLA BELLA** (7 wins at 3 and 4, \$107,206, Oliver S., 3rd Pleasant Temper S.; dam of **Empire Knight**, 14 wins \$295,523, 3rd Walter R. Cluer Memorial S., Turf Paradise H.; **Lucky for You**, winner at 3, \$67,580, 2nd Sunland Park Oaks), **Jobe** (4 wins in England, 3rd Gimcrack S.-**G2**, Pavilion S. Total: \$51,943).

Unraced at two, Blazingbellablu began her race career on the turf at Santa Anita in March by finishing second in a maiden special weight race. After running sixth in her next start at the same level, surface and track, Blazingbellablu was brought north to Emerald Downs. In her first start on the dirt she added another runner-up performance on May 19. In her fourth start, on

June 17, she entered the winner's circle after taking a six-panel maiden special weight by a neck.

The three-year-old daughter of Grazen made it two in a row when she annexed an allowance sprint by three-quarters of a length on July 1 in a seven-horse field of three and up fillies and mares.

On July 25, Blazingbellablu graduated to stakes company and took the Kent Stakes by 2 1/4 lengths as the two-to-one favorite.

Blazingbellablu races for her breeders, Petra Lewin's Rainbow Meadows Farm and trainer Charles Essex.

The gray/roan filly is a daughter of Grazen, one of four stallions standing at Tommy Town Thoroughbreds in Santa Ynez, California. Grade 3 stakes winner Grazen was one of 29 stakes winners sired by Benchmark, a son of Triple Crown runner-up Alydar who was among the leading sires in California. Among Grazen's dozen stakes winners are Grade 3 winners S K Sky, Enola Gray and Just Grazed Me. He is also the sire of 2021 stakes winner Desmond Dodd. Through October 27, Grazen ranks third on the list of 2021 leading California-based sires with over \$2.8-million in 2021 progeny earnings. He stood for a \$6,000 fee last spring.

After her exciting stakes win, the first for Lewin at Emerald Downs, Lewin has changed her nickname for the filly she raised from "The Princess" to "The Queen." "She always has a bit of a snobby attitude. Nice to be around, but a bit self-centered," commented Lewin a few days after the race. But she went on to say "Guess that makes a good racehorse."

Blazingbellablu, who is the second and final foal Lewin bred out of Bellomesa, is one of seven foals, seven starters and five winners out of the Sky Mesa matron. Among her other winners are minor stakes-placed First Maggie, by Afleet Alex, and \$52,100 earner Jabber Now, by Papa Clem.

Blazingbellablu's second dam was the Grade 1-placed Conquistador Cielo mare Bello Cielo. Among her six winners are the stakes-winning mares Alec's Moon, by Malibu Moon, and Ayla Bella, by Touch Gold, and English stakes-placed Jobe, by Johannesburg.

Bellomesa had originally been purchased by Lewin nearly five years ago as a pasturemate for her then yearling filly Street Sonata. The deal involved a real estate transaction. Lewin helps pay for her horses with her day job as a real estate agent with Van Dorme Realty.

# COASTAL KID



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**MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL CLASSIC**, Emerald Downs, September 26, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds and up, Washington- or British Columbia-bred and/or-sired, 1 1/16 miles, 1:42.61, track fast.

**COASTAL KID** (2018) g., 117, Coast Guard—Crème (Chi), by Somersham (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Steve and Letha Haahr \$27,500

**Stay Fantastic** (2016) g., 120, Stay Thirsty—Fantastic City, by Carson City (BC)

..... Tod Mtn. Thoroughbreds \$10,000

**Spittin Image** (2017) g., 122, Harbor the Gold—Flying Memo, by Memo (Chi) (WA)

..... One Horse Will Do Corporation and Chris Stenslie \$6,000

Margins: 3 1/4, 1, 6 1/4. Also started: Unmachable 122 (\$3,000), Stand To 122 (\$2,000), Sherm 123 (\$1,500). Trained by Jeffrey Metz. Bred by Nina and Ron Hagen. Ridden by Wayne Barnett.

Storm Cat, by Storm Bird  
Stormy Atlantic  
Hail Atlantis, by Seattle Slew

## Coast Guard

Royal Academy, by Nijinsky II  
Vassar  
Dixie Fine, by L'Emigrant  
Danzig, by Northern Dancer  
Somersham  
Somfas, by What a Pleasure

## Crème (Chi)

Mocito Serio, by Mocito Guapo  
Slavonia  
Birra, by Bricken

**RACE RECORD**: Winner at 2 and 3. \$92,645. Also: 2nd Muckleshoot Derby; 3rd Gottstein Futurity.

**SIRE: Coast Guard** (2005), by Stormy Atlantic. Winner at 2, **G1**-placed, \$182,180. Stands at El Dorado Farms LLC, Enumclaw.

## 1st DAM

**CRÈME** (Chi) (2004), by Somersham. Winner in 1 start at 3 in Chile. Dam of 5 other foals, 4 starters, 4 winners, including **CAMANO COMET** (f. by Council Member. 10 wins, 2 to 5, in US, \$90,689, City of Roses H., 3rd Angie C. S.; 4 wins at 6 and 7, 2021, in Canada. Total: \$118,050).

## 2nd DAM

**SLAVONIA** (1990), by Mocito Serio. 7 other foals, 5 starters, 3 winners.

Coastal Kid has been a bit of a hard luck horse, though some of it was his own making. In his first outing he took an Emerald Downs maiden special weight race by three lengths, though not before drifting off and bumping a rival as he took command of the six-panel race with a furlong to go. His second start came in the 1 1/16-mile Gottstein Futurity, when after taking the lead in the stretch, he veered out suddenly, causing rider Alex Cruz to lose his irons, but finished with "good energy" after being straightened to finish third.

Trainer Jeff Metz and the runner's owners, Steve and Letha Haahr, thought so much of his racing promise that Coastal Kid was taken to Del Mar where he made starts in two grade three stakes. In the Bob Hope Stakes at seven furlongs, after vying three-deep in the stretch, he "stumbled between runners past the three-eighths pole" and finished last. The stewards could not determine the cause of Coastal Kid's stumble, so let the finish stand. In the Cecil B. DeMille Stakes, a mile turf event, Coastal Kid vied for the early lead for the first six furlongs before weakening and finishing tenth of 11.

Coastal Kid was the only Washington-bred nominated to the 2021 Kentucky Derby (G1).

Four months later Coastal Kid appeared in the entries for mile allowance/\$50,000 optional claiming race (N) over Golden Gate Fields' turf course and finished a strong second.

The Washington-bred's next outing was in the turf mile Singletary Stakes, also at Golden Gate. Chart notes say "Coastal Kid pressed the pace from outside, challenged rival around the turn and bumped with that foe at the five-sixteenths, gained command a quarter mile out, came four-wide into the stretch, lost the lead at the top of the stretch,



got floated in and brushed with inner rival at eighth pole and flattened.” Just another frustrating race for Team Coastal Kid. He followed that with placings in three of his four allowance/optional claiming races while never running for a tag.

Sent home to Emerald Downs, Coastal Kid made three starts. In the first, a mile allowance he finished second by a nose, but only after veering out nearing the sixteenth pole. In the 1 1/16-mile Muckleshoot Derby Coastal Kid finished with another head loss, this time to eventual horse of the meeting Top Executive.

Finally, in the 1 1/16-mile Muckleshoot Tribal Classic on the closing day card, Coastal Kid showed what he was all about with a 3 1/4-length victory in his 13th start. As of October, he is the only three-year-old Washington-bred colt or gelding stakes winner this year.

Coastal Kid is one of four 2021 stakes horses sired by El Dorado Farms’ Grade 1-placed Coast Guard, who is also the sire of Washington champion juveniles So Lucky and Windy Point.

The new stakes winner is one of six foals and winners out of 100 percent producer Crème, who won her only start as a three-year-old in her native Chile. Her leading earner to date is seven-year-old Camano Comet, a daughter of Council Member who was a stakes winner at Portland Meadows, stakes-placed at Emerald Downs, and has won 14 (three in 2021) of her 53 starts with \$118,050 in earnings.

Crème’s most recent foal, a 2020 daughter of Curlin to Mischief, sold for \$16,000 at the 2021 WTBOA Sale in August.

## COBRA JET



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**KING COUNTY EXPRESS STAKES**, Emerald Downs, July 18, \$51,700 (\$49,500) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old colts and geldings, 5 1/2 furlongs, 1:05.03, track fast.

**COBRA JET**, g., 121, Curlin to Mischief—Atta Gal Val, by Atta Boy Roy (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... R. E. V. Racing, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Lucarelli Racing Corp. \$27,522

**Chumly**, g., 119, Honor Code—Goodbye Cat, by Tale of the Cat (KY) ... Chappell Alpine Farms LLC \$10,197  
**Firewalker**, g., 119, Daredevil—Skydeck, by Curlin (WA) **WTBOA Sales** ..... Rising Star Stable IX \$6,237

Margins: 13 1/2, 2, 3/4. Also started: Bat Man’s Bull 121 (\$3,267), Firing Pin 122 (\$2,277). Trained by Frank Lucarelli. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. William T. Griffin. Ridden by Juan Gutierrez.

**WA CUP COLTS AND JUVENILE GELDINGS STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 12, \$50,000g (\$50,000), two-year-old colts and geldings. Washington- or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:17.28, track fast.

**COBRA JET**, g., 121, Curlin to Mischief—Atta Gal Val, by Atta Boy Roy (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... R. E. V. Racing, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Lucarelli Racing Corp. \$27,500

**Diamond Willow**, g., 121, Coast Guard—Zenovit, by Private Gold (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Remmah Racing Inc. \$10,000

**A View From Above**, g., 121, Abraja—Deja Views, by Forest Camp (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Grasshopper Stable and William Douglas Stenberg \$6,000

Margins: 5 1/4, 3, 2. Also started: Big Paper Daddy 120 (\$3,000), Hickory Wind 121 (\$2,000), Neumeister 122 (\$1,500). Trained by Frank Lucarelli. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. William T. Griffin. Ridden by Juan Gutierrez.

Smart Strike, by Mr. Prospector

Curlin

Sherriff’s Deputy, by Deputy Minister

**Curlin to Mischief**

Tricky Creek, by Clever Trick

Leslie’s Lady

Crystal Lady, by Stop the Music

Tribunal, by Deputy Minister

Atta Boy Roy

Irish Toast, by Synastry

**Atta Gal Val**

Basket Weave, by Best Turn

Coupe de Foudre

Lorrains Love, by Sauce Boat

**RACE RECORD:** 3 wins in 4 starts at 2, \$76,115. Also: 2nd WTBOA Lads S.

**SIRE:** CURLIN TO MISCHIEF (2011), by Curlin. Unraced. Stands in California.

**1st DAM**

ATTA GAL VAL (2014), by Atta Boy Roy. Unraced. First foal above.

**2nd DAM**

**Coupe de Foudre** (2002), by Basket Weave. Placed at 3, \$9,072, 3rd Miss Yankee Doodle Starter H. Broodmare of the year in Washington in 2012. 8 other foals, 5 starters, 5 winners, including **ABSOLUTELY COOL** (12 wins, 3 to 9, \$406,892, champion sprinter 3 times, champion handicap horse in Washington, Phoenix Gold Cup H.-twice, Caballos Del Sol S., and won or placed in 25 other stakes), **MAKORS FINALE** (8 wins in 15 starts, 2 to 4, \$181,141, horse of the year, champion 3-year-old in Washington, Emerald Downs Derby, Coca-Cola H., Auburn H., etc.), **Love Makor** (7 wins, 2 to 6, \$121,050, 2nd City of Phoenix S., 3rd Mesa H., etc. dam of **Love the Vino**, winner at 2, \$23,665, 2nd Washington Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings S.-R).

Cobra Jet is yet another good stakes winner stemming from the 1987 unraced Temperance Hill mare Katherine Jean, who was purchased at the Keeneland November Mixed Sale for \$12,000 by Halvorson Bloodstock as agent for Ron and Barbara Ratcliff in 1990.

Katherine Jean was carrying her first foal, a filly by Sauce Boat. That filly, Lorrains Love, won two races at Yakima Meadows as a two-year-old. She later produced seven winners and the Turf Paradise stakes-placed filly Coup de Foudre (which means an astonishing occurrence; overwhelming love at first sight).

Katherine Jean would go on to become a significant producer for the Ratcliff’s Coal Creek Farm. The mare would later produce \$240,570 stakes winner Hilltown, \$89,481 stakes winner Newfound Man, stakes-placed Hamilton Island (\$85,103) and stakes-placed Royal Riyadh. In 2001 she produced twin fillies by Dayjur: One for You and One for Me. Winner One for You became the dam of \$121,342 stakes winner Dedicated to You and three other stakes-placed runners and is the granddam of 2015 Washington champion two-year-old filly My Heart Goes On.

When owned by the late Karl Krieg, Coupe de Foudre produced her first foal in 2007. That durable runner (48 starts over seven seasons with a 12-13-11 record, \$406,891,

3.68 SSI) was Absolutely Cool. The seven-time stakes winner would earn four Washington championship titles: 2012 champion older male and 2013-15 champion sprinter. Also in 2012, Krieg celebrated the horse of the year and champion three-year-old status of her third foal, \$181,141 earner Makors Finale. In between those two champions came \$121,050 stakes-placed Love Makor, who produced stakes-placed Love the Vino.

Unraced Atta Gal Val, the dam of Cobra Jet, was Coupe de Foudre’s sixth foal. Cobra Jet is her first foal. She produced a filly by Curlin to Mischief in 2021.

Voted Washington’s broodmare of the year in 2012, Coupe de Foudre’s most recent foal is the 2019 Northern Causeway gelding Cause I’m Cool.

After having his unbeaten streak broken by A View From Above in the WTBOA Lads Stakes, King County Express winner Cobra Jet got revenge on that rival with a 5 1/4-length tally in the WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings Stakes. Cobra Jet’s three wins have been by 6 3/4, 13 1/4 and 5 1/4 lengths.

## KORON



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**BARBARA SHINPOCH STAKES**, Emerald Downs, August 22, \$53,900a (\$49,500) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old fillies, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:19.04, track fast.

**KORON**, 120, Nationhood—Muchas Coronas, by Macho Uno (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies \$27,225

**Gold N Glitter**, 120, Harbor the Gold—Minimums Minimums, by Storm Boot (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Chad and Josh \$9,900

**Wegottodrinking**, 122, Misremembered—Runaway Moon, by Malibu Moon (CA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Carbon River Racing \$5,940

Margins: 5 1/2, 3 3/4, 3 1/4. Also started: Pontiffany 117 (\$2,970), Smiling Salsa 120 (\$1,980), Cadillac Margarita 117 (\$743), Hello Crossing 117 (\$742). Trained by Kay Penney Cooper. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Ridden by Kevin Orozco.

**WA CUP JUVENILE FILLIES STAKES**, Emerald Downs, September 12, \$50,000g (\$50,000), two-year-old fillies. Washington- or British Columbia-bred and/or -sired, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:19.10, track fast.

**KORON**, 120, Nationhood—Muchas Coronas, by Macho Uno (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies \$27,500

**Let It Reign**, 121, Runaway and Hide—Crowning Camilla, by Formal Dinner (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Brett Brophy \$10,000

**Gold N Glitter**, 120, Harbor the Gold—Minimums Minimums, by Storm Boot (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Chad and Josh \$6,000

Margins: 1 1/4, head, 4 1/4. Also started: Cadillac Margarita 120 (\$3,000), Pontiffany 122 (\$2,000). Trained by Kay Penney Cooper. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Ridden by Kevin Orozco.

Runaway Groom, by Blushing Groom (Fr)  
 Cherokee Run  
 Cherokee Dame, by Silver Saber

**Nationhood**  
 Danzig, by Northern Dancer  
 Elhasna  
 Gold Beauty, by Mr. Prospector  
 Holy Bull, by Great Above  
 Macho Uno  
 Primal Force, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

**Muchas Coronas**  
 Pine Bluff, by Danzig  
 Cascade Corona  
 Warna Corna, by Fappiano

**RACE RECORD:** 3 wins in 3 starts at 2, \$65,918.

**SIRE: NATIONHOOD** (2002), by Cherokee Run. SW, 8 wins at 4 and 5, \$181,820. Deceased 2020. Stood at Blue Ribbon Farms, Buckley.

**1st DAM**

**MUCHAS CORONAS** (2009), by Macho Uno. Winner at 3 and 4, \$40,732. Dam of 4 other foals, all starters, 3 winners, including **La Una** (f. by Tale of Ekati. Winner at 2 and 3, 2021, \$31,923, 3rd Seattle S.).

**2nd DAM**

**CASCADE CORONA** (2000), by Pine Bluff. 4 wins, 2 to 4, \$91,000, Boeing H., King County H., 2nd Emerald Breeders' Cup Distaff H. Half-sister to **Son's Corona** (G2, \$264,913), **Basin City Ben**. 7 other named foals, 4 starters, 2 winners, **Sunpenny** (winner at 2 and 3, \$70,527, 2nd Northwest Farms S.-R, 3rd Chandler S.; producer), **Frisky Bear** (winner at 2 and 3, \$36,239, 2nd Washington Cup Juvenile Filly S.-R).

Now unbeaten in her trio of starts, Koron goes to the head of the 2021 Washington-bred juvenile filly classes, as Kentucky-bred Slack Tide won the only other two-year-old distaff stakes at Emerald Downs this season. Koron was later named top juvenile filly of the meet.

Her name, Koron, reflects her heritage, as it is Polish for "crown." The new stakes winner is inbred 3 x 4 to the great stallion Danzig, a three-time leading North American sire who was raced by World War II Polish freedom fighter Henryk de Kwiatkowski. Danzig is the German interpretation of the name of the Baltic seaport Gdansk, which has quite the storied 20th century history.

From her female side of the pedigree comes the influence of her dam Muchas Coronas ("many crowns") and second dam, Cascade Corona. Corona is defined as something suggesting or resembling a crown or refers astronomically as "the rarefied gaseous envelope of the sun or other stars, such as the sun's corona."

Koron's granddam, \$91,000 Emerald Downs stakes winner Cascade Corona, was a half-sister to Grade 2/Grade 3-placed Son's Corona, which Debbie Pabst named as a play on his parents' names, Son of Briartic and Warna Corna.

Muchas Coronas, an Emerald Downs maiden special weight winner at three, has seen quite the improvement to her produce record this year. Not only is her two-year-old daughter now a stakes winner, but the filly's four-year-old full sister Cascade Dancer won an allowance race in June and her three-year-old half-sister La Una, by Tale of Ekati, won an allowance/\$50,000 optional claiming race (being named Washington-bred of the week for week two) and was later stakes-placed in the Seattle Stakes.

Koron is the fourth stakes winner sired by Nationhood, who passed away late last November of cancer at age 18 at Blue Ribbon Farm, where he had stood his entire career. Among the other good winners for stakes-winning son of Eclipse sprinter Cherokee Run is 2014 Washington champion three-year-old filly Find Your Spot, who was also bred by the Pabsts.

Trainer Kay Penney Cooper became only the ninth trainer to win two stakes on a card (August 22) at Emerald Downs. She had taken the WTBOA Lads one race earlier with A View From Above, who was also bred by the Pabsts. Cooper also holds the 2021 record for stakes wins at Emerald Downs with five.

## MIDNIGHT MOJO



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**GOTTSTEIN FUTURITY**, Emerald Downs, September 26, \$55,000g (\$80,000) (includes NWRS funds), two-year-olds, 1 1/16 miles, 1:46.18, track fast.

**MIDNIGHT MOJO**, c., 123, Midnight Lute—Slant of Light, by Broken Vow (KY)

.....Dr. George Todaro \$44,000  
**Diamond Willow**, g., 120, Coast Guard—Zenovit, by Private Gold (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

.....Remmah Racing Inc. \$16,000  
**Big Paper Daddy**, g., Coast Guard—Go Jackie Go, by Matty G (WA) **WTBOA Sales**

.....Chad and Josh \$10,500

Margins: 1 1/2, 6, 4 1/2. Also started: Irish Knight 123 (\$5,250), Sargent Kline 121 (\$2,750), Hickory Wind 121 (\$375), Danny Zuko 120 (\$375), Boss Nine 120 (\$375), Ghostfinder 120 (\$375). Trained by Tom Wenzel. Bred by E. H. Beau Lane. Ridden by Heribert Martinez.

Quiet American, by Fappiano  
 Real Quiet  
 Really Blue, by Believe It

**Midnight Lute**  
 Dehere, by Deputy Minister  
 Candytuft  
 Bolt From the Blue, by Blue Times  
 Unbridled, by Fappiano  
 Broken Vow  
 Wedding Vow, by Nijinsky II

**Slant of Light**  
 Regal Classic, by Vice Regent  
 Bristol Pistol  
 Miss Pete, by Raise a Native

**RACE RECORD:** Winner at 2, \$48,789.

**SIRE: MIDNIGHT LUTE** (2003), by Real Quiet. 6 wins, 2 to 5, \$2,690,600. sprint champion, G1 SW. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**

**SLANT OF LIGHT** (2009), by Broken Vow. Winner at 5, \$16,487. Dam of 3 other foals, 2 starters, 2 winners.

**2nd DAM**

**BRISTOL PISTOL** (1996), by Regal Classic. 8 wins, 3 to 5 in Canada, \$535,419, Carotene S., Victorianna S.-R, Halton S.-R, etc. 10 other foals, 10 starters, 5 winners, including **ICE BEAR** (9 wins, 2 to 5, in Canada, Eclipse S.-G3, Charley Barley S., With Approval S.-R, etc.; placed at 7 in US, \$8,850. Total: \$881,178). Great-granddam of **Zillion** (in Turkey).

After three unsuccessful tries in maiden special weight company – the first behind future WTBOA Lads Stakes winner A View From Above – Midnight Mojo went off at \$8.80-to-one (fifth betting choice) in the 84th renewal of the historic Gottstein Futurity. Partnered with

Heribert Martinez, Midnight Mojo raced near the back of the pack for the first half-mile before launching his bid while leaving the backstretch. He finished 1 1/2 lengths the better of second choice Diamond Willow at the wire. Favorite Boss Nine, who had won the third of Midnight Mojo's maiden efforts, was eighth of nine in the 1 1/16-mile race.

Midnight Mojo races for Dr. George Todaro and was picked out of the 2020 Keeneland September Yearling Sale for \$14,000 by Todaro's longtime racing manager Bob Cappelletti. A 2018 Washington Racing Hall of Fame Special Achievement Award winner, Todaro has raced many top horses on both the local and national scene. His first stakes winner was Washington- and Northwest Farms-bred Acquitted, a 1992 son of Defense Verdict. Among the noted Seattle health scientist's best runners (many raced in partnership) are 2013 Eclipse Award-winning two-year-old Shared Belief, Kentucky Oaks (G1) winner Pike Place Dancer, 2010 Breeders' Cup Mile (G1) winner Dakota Phone and additional Grade 1 winners Hystericalady, Lady of Fifty, Vasilika and Sam's Sister.

Midnight Mojo is one of 34 stakes winners sired by 2007 champion sprinter Midnight Lute, a two-time Breeders' Cup Sprint (G1) victor who earned nearly \$2.7-million. Among his best runners are champion fillies Midnight Bisou and Midnight Riley and Grade 1 winners Shakin It Up and Midnight Lucky. Through the end of October, his runners had earned over \$51-million.

The best runner sired by champion and Kentucky Derby (G1) winner Real Quiet, Midnight Lute stood the 2021 breeding season for a \$15,000 fee at Hill 'N' Dale Farms in Kentucky.

Midnight Mojo is one of four foals and three winners produced out of the Broken Vow mare Slant of Light, whose sole win came at age five in a \$20,000 maiden claiming race at Tampa Bay Downs. Her dam, three-time Woodbine stakes winner Bristol Pistol, also produced \$881,178 Grade 3 stakes winner Ice Bear. Slant of Light produced a filly by Kantharos in 2021.

Midnight Mojo descends from the stakes-placed \*Challenger II mare Legendra, his fifth dam. Among the many top runners stemming from Legendra (foaled in 1944) are English and Irish champion Shareef Dancer, Balance, Dancing Champ, Hasty Hitter, Hasty Doll, Mizen Mast, Mrs. Peterkin, Radar Ahead, Rich Tradition, Royal Chariot, Sky Clipper, Sweet Alliance and the one and only Zenyatta.

## PRINCESS OF CAIRO



Wayne Nagat

**EMERALD DISTAFF HANDICAP**, Emerald Downs, August 18, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old and up fillies and mares, mile, 1:36.67, track fast.



**PRINCESS OF CAIRO** (2017), 119, Cairo Prince—Lovely Cool, by Indian Charlie (KY)  
 ..... Mark Dedomenico LLC and North American Thoroughbred Horse Company Inc. \$27,500  
**Compelling Smile** (2017), 117, Constitution—Mia and Molly, by Giant's Causeway (KY)  
 ..... Giddyup Stables LLC and Mark Dedomenico LLC \$10,000

**Galileta** (2017), 117, Amira's Prince (Ire)—Dreaming-ofleta, by Rahy (FL).....Scott Herbertson \$6,000

Margins: 4, 1/2, 3 1/2, 1/2. Also started: Gettin Sideways 120 (\$3,000), Killarney Lass 121 (\$2,000), Daffodil Sweet 123 (\$500), Squan's Kingdom 119 (\$500), Ms Lynn 119 (\$500). Trained by Sandi Gann. Bred by Bret Jones. Ridden by Mario Gutierrez.

Empire Maker, by Unbridled  
 Pioneerof the Nile  
 Star of Goshen, by Lord At War (Arg)

**Cairo Prince**

Holy Bull, by Great Above  
 Holy Bubbette  
 Juliae, by Accipiter  
 In Excess (Ire), by Siberian Express  
 Indian Charlie  
 Soviet Sojourn, by Leo Castelli

**Lovely Cool**

Spend a Buck, by Buckaroo  
 Prima Neenya  
 Our Pavlova, by Vanlandingham

**RACE RECORD:** 5 wins at 3 and 4, \$101,491. Also: Washington Oaks, 2nd Northlands Distaff H., 3rd BC Cup Hong Kong Jockey Club S.

**SIRE: CAIRO PRINCE** (2011), by Pioneerof the Nile. G2 SW, 3 wins at 2 and 3 in 5 starts, \$562,000. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**

**LOVELY COOL** (2005), by Indian Charlie. Unplaced. Dam of 8 other named foals, 7 starters, 6 winners, including **LULU WONG** (f. by Badge of Silver, 4 wins, 2 to 4, \$177,529, Prairie Rose S., 2nd Spring Fever S., etc.), **DIVINE GIFT** (f. by Divine Park, 2 wins, \$19,902, Zenyatta S.).

**2nd DAM**

**Prima Neenya** (1995), by Spend a Buck. 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$102,638, 3rd Wide Country S.-R, Belair S. 7 other foals, 6 starters, 5 winners.

Though based at Hastings Racecourse, Princess of Cairo has found a liking for Emerald Downs where in her two appearances at the Auburn oval, the well-travelled filly has won the major race of her division. At three, Princess of Cairo won the Washington Oaks by nearly three lengths. This past August she added a four-length tally in the Emerald Distaff Handicap. She also has been an allowance winner at both Hastings and Turf Paradise.

In her next start after the Emerald Distaff, Princess of Cairo finished second in the Northlands Distaff Handicap run at Century Mile on September 11.

Princess of Cairo is one of six 2021 stakes winners – the others being Cairo Memories, Smokin' Jay, Royal Prince, Qahira and Eldon's Prince – and 17 stakes winners total sired by Cairo Prince, who stands at Airdrie Stud in Midway, Kentucky, where his 2021 stud fee was \$15,000.

Through October 27 2021, Cairo Prince has from his first three crops sired an additional 18 stakes-placed runners and has earnings of over \$17.2-million.

A son of Grade 1 winner and classic-placed Pioneerof the Nile, Cairo Prince won the Nashua and Holy Bull stakes – both Grade 2 events – among his three wins in an abbreviated five-start career.

Princess of Cairo is one of three stakes winners out of the Indian Charlie mare Lovely Cool. Her first foal and stakes winner, Lulu Wong, a filly by

multiple graded stakes winner Badge of Silver, won or placed om four stakes at Oaklawn Park and Prairie Meadows and earned \$177,529.

Lovely Cool's second foal, Divine Gift, a filly by Divine Park, was a minor stakes winner at Ruidoso Downs.

Among Lovely Cool's other winners are \$83,278 earner Mister Popsicle, by Brother Derek; \$59,217 earner She's Lovely, by Majesticperfection; and two-year-old Absolut Merican, a filly by freshman sire American Freedom who won her first start this year in Puerto Rico.

Lovely Cool produced a 2020 colt by Unified, which sold for \$70,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July Yearling Sale, and had a filly by that same sire in 2021.

Among the other stakes winners in this female line are Canadian Horse of the Year and Canadian classic winner Benburb, by Dr. Carter (\$1.1-million); Puerto Rican champion Cross Dancer, by Cross Traffic; and \$464,405 California stakes winner Myrakalu (Fr), who also placed in five Grade 1 or Grade 2 stakes at Southern California tracks.

**SLACK TIDE**



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**ANGIE C. STAKES**, Emerald Downs, July 18, \$47,500 (\$47,500) [purse correction anticipated] (includes NWRS funds), two-year-old fillies, 5 1/2 furlongs, 1:04.94, track fast.

**SLACK TIDE**, 121, Shaman Ghost—Impeached, by Northern Afleet (KY) **WTBOA Sales**  
 ..... Ten Broeck Farms Inc. \$28,820  
**Akasi**, 118, Run Away and Hide—Karula, by Colonel John (KY).....Oak Crest Farm LLC \$9,000  
**Smiling Salsa**, 119, Smiling Tiger—Princess Hillary, by Maria's Mon (CA) **WTBOA Sales**  
 ..... Dan Warden \$5,400

Margins: 3, 1, neck. Also started: Cadillac Margarita 120 (\$2,700), Tyche Awaits You 118 (\$1,800), Pontiffany 118 (\$1,350). Trained by Blaine D. Wright. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. William T. Griffin. Ridden by Heribert Martinez.

Awesome Again, by Deputy Minister  
 Ghostzapper  
 Baby Zip, by Relaunch  
**Shaman Ghost**  
 Gilded Time, by Timeless Moment  
 Getback Time  
 Shay, by Incinderator  
 Afleet, by Mr. Prospector  
 Northern Afleet  
 Nuryette, by Nureyev  
**Impeached**  
 Demons Begone, by Elocutionist  
 Best Judgement  
 Bold Magistrate, by Magisterial

**RACE RECORD:** Winner in 2 starts at 2, \$28,820.

**SIRE: SHAMAN GHOST** (2012), by Ghostzapper. G1 SW, champion 3-year-old colt in Canada, 8 wins, 3 to 5, \$3,589,311. Stands in Ontario, Canada.

**1st DAM**

**Impeached** (2011), by Northern Afleet. 7 wins, 3 to 5, \$174,497, 2nd Ellis Park Turf S. Dam of 1 other foal.

**2nd DAM**

**BEST JUDGEMENT** (1998), by Demons Begone. 4 wins at 2 and 3, \$110,938, champion 2-year-old filly in Washington, WTBA Lassies S., US Bank S., Northwest Stallion S.-R, etc. Half-sister to **Mashiko** (\$112,539), 5 other foals, 2 starters, 2 winners.

After running second to Cadillac Margarita in a 4 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race in her first outing – on June 30 at \$13.50-t-one odds – Slack Tide came back 13 days later to draw off as an easy three-length winner of the Angie C. Stakes.

Bred by Terry and Mary Lou Griffin – as was Cobra Jet, winner of the King County Express Stakes on the same card – Slack Tide races for David Mowat's Ten Broeck Farm Inc. Mowat has bred and raced many high-class stakes winners. The breeder of 1996 Belmont Stakes (G1) winner Editor's Note and his European champion two-year-old half-brother Hold That Tiger, Mowat has raced such brilliant race fillies as Grade 1 winners Sunset Glow and Kimari and additional Emerald Downs stakes winners Mucho Amor, Top Quality and Sala de Oro.

Slack Tide is one of 65 foals comprising the first crop of Canadian champion and \$3.8-million earner Shaman Ghost. The winner of the 2015 Queen's Plate Stakes, Shaman Ghost won four graded stakes – led by tallies in the Grade 1 Woodward Stakes and Santa Anita Handicap – and ran second to champion and \$17.4-million earner Arrogate in the Grade 1 Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes, which was run for a tidy \$12-million in 2017.

Slack Tide is the first stakes winner among Shaman Ghost's 12 juvenile winners (through October 27, 2021).

She is the second foal out of \$174,497 earner Impeached, whose one stakes placement is a bit misleading. While the daughter of Northern Afleet did earn \$126,692 of her total on the grass, the 2015 Ellis Park Turf Stakes, in which she ran second, was taken off the turf, after "management found it inadvisable" to run on that surface.

Impeached is also the dam of three-year-old unraced Trumped, a colt by Midshipman who topped the 2019 WTBOA Summer Sale for \$120,000, and a 2021 colt by Sir Prancealot (Ire). Slack Tide was a \$25,000 purchase at the 2020 WTBOA Yearling Sale.

Both Impeached and her dam Best Judgement were also bred by the Griffins and raised at their Griffin Place in Buckley. Best Judgement was Washington's 2002 champion two-year-old filly. The daughter of Demons Begone won both the WTBA Lassie and Northwest Stallion stakes at two and came back at three to take the US Bank Stakes. She earned a total of \$110,938.

The Griffins had purchased Bold Magistrate, the dam of Best Judgement and a three-time stakes winner, for \$32,000 at the 1995 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale. She was carrying future \$99,666 earner False Pass at the time of her purchase. Besides Best Judgement and False Pass, Bold Magistrate produced four other winners for the Griffins, including \$139,512 stakes-placed Mashiko.

Bold Magistrate is also the dam of Courtroom Charmer, a daughter of Tribalun who is the dam of \$100,801 stakes-placed Buckley Bay, \$59,894 stakes-placed Cariboo Road and \$144,396 earner Judicial. Buckley Bay and Judicial have won seven races between them this year.

# TOP EXECUTIVE



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**IRISH DAY STAKES**, Emerald Downs, July 25, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old colts and geldings, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:16.62, track fast.

**TOP EXECUTIVE**, g., 123, Street Boss—Severn Shore, by Pure Prize (KY)..... John and Jeanne Maryanski and Riverbend Stable \$27,800

**Bobby Brinkley**, g., 121, Shanghai Bobby—Brinkley, by City Zip (TX)..... Chad and Josh \$10,000  
**Naval Escort**, g., 119, Coast Guard—Cape Grace, by Abraaj (WA).....Oak Crest Farm LLC \$6,000

Margins: 1 1/2, 4, 3/4. Also started: Slews's Tiz Whiz 120 (\$3,000), House of Lords 119 (\$2,000), Big Endeavor 119 (\$375), Kowboykabin 121 (\$375), Jussassinthru 119 (\$375), Dutton 119 (\$375). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by Frankfurt Park Farm and Dr. R. Mason. Ridden by Kevin Orozco.

**MUCKLESHOOT DERBY**, Emerald Downs, August 29, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds, 123 pounds, 1 1/16 miles, 1:42.25, track fast.

**TOP EXECUTIVE**, g., Street Boss—Severn Shore, by Pure Prize (KY)..... John and Jeanne Maryanski and Riverbend Stable \$27,500

**Coastal Kid**, g. Coast Guard—Crème (Chi), by Somersham (WA) **WTBOA Sales**..... Letha and Steve Haahr \$10,000  
**Slew's Tiz Whiz**, g. Slew's Tiz Now—Ros's Girl, by Rosberg (WA).....K D Thoroughbreds \$6,000

Margins: head, 1 1/2, 4 3/4. Also started: House of Lords (\$3,000), Bobby Brinkley (\$2,000), Naval Escort (\$300), Falsely Accused (\$300), Nationheart (\$300), Ididntseethatcomin (\$300), Kowboykabin (\$300). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by Frankfurt Park Farm and Dr. R. Mason. Ridden by Kevin Orozco.

Machiavellian, by Mr. Prospector  
 Street Cry (Ire)  
 Helen Street (GB), by Troy

**Street Boss**  
 Ogygian, by Damascus  
 Blushing Ogygian  
 Fruhlingshochzeit, by Blushing Groom (Fr)  
 Storm Cat, by Storm Bird

Pure Prize  
 Heavenly Prize, by Seeking the Gold

**Severn Shore**  
 Dixieland Heat, by Dixieland Band

Heater  
 Port Desire, by Elocutionist

**RACE RECORD:** 5 wins in 8 starts at 2 and 3, \$125,198. Also: King County Express S., Auburn S.

**SIRE: STREET BOSS** (2004), by Street Cry (Ire). **G1** SW, 7 wins in 13 starts at 3 and 4, \$831,800. Stands in Kentucky.

**1st DAM**  
**Severn Shore** (2009), by Pure Prize. 6 wins at 3 and 4, \$129,610, 3rd West Virginia Breeders Classic Distaff S.-R. Dam of 3 other foals, 1 starter, 1 winner.

**2nd DAM**  
**HEATER** (1997), by Dixieland Heat. 5 wins at 3, \$64,308. Half-sister to **KA LAE** (8 wins, \$231,575, Rosenna S.), **Pay Or Play** (in France, 2nd Grand Critérium de Bordeaux), **Morena Clara** (8 wins in Panama, 2nd Premio Claudio, etc.). 8 other foals, 8 starters, 7 winners, including **SEA RESCUE** (7 wins, \$414,340, West Virginia Breeders' Classic-R), **WAVES AND TIDES** (9 wins, \$230,698, West Virginia Thoroughbred Breeders Association Onion Juice Breeders' Classic S.-R, etc.), **DALGREN HALL** (3 wins in 4 starts at 2, \$82,128, Tri-State Futurity, West Virginia Futurity-R, etc.). Granddam of **NAVY RIBBON** (8 wins in 12 starts, \$157,469, West Virginia Division of Tourism Breeders' Classic S.-R).

Three-year-old Top Executive has proven almost unbeatable this year. After two starts this past spring at Golden Gate Fields – where he won an allowance/\$50,000 optional claiming race in his first start and then threw in his only “blip” of the season in the \$75,000 Alcatraz Stakes – he returned to Emerald Downs where no other sophomore runner has rivaled him.

After taking the six-furlong Auburn Stakes by three-quarters of a length in June, John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Stable's Top Executive came back to take the second stakes

race in the three-year-old colt/gelding division, the newly reconfigured Irish Day Stakes in late July. Top Executive, going off at \$5.40-to-one as the fourth betting choice in the field of nine, scored a 1 1/2-length victory over favorite Dutton, who set the pace leading into the half-mile call, then weakened and finished last.

Ten runners went to the post for the Muckleshoot Derby, which was held on August 29. This time, Top Executive went off as the favorite, at \$1.90-to-one. Steve and Letha Haahr's Coastal Kid made it a challenging race for Top Executive, as the two battled it out almost from the start. At the half-mile, Coastal Kid had a two-length lead over his rival, but just missed at the wire, when Top Executive had to fully extend to keep his worthy opponent at bay. The final winning margin was a head.

The only three-time stakes winner at the 2021 meet, Top Executive earned both horse of the meet and top three-year-old male honors.

Top Executive is one of 39 North American stakes winners sired by Street Boss in his first ten crops, who have over \$44-million in earnings. Street Boss also has nine crops of racing age on Southern Hemisphere time, with an additional 16 black-type winners and earnings of over \$22-million, led by the Australian-bred Anamoe, a Group 1 winner of \$1.4-million. The Darley-owned Street Boss stood the 2021 breeding season for a \$15,000 fee at Jonabell Farm in Lexington.

Street Boss was a three-time graded stakes winner of \$831,800. He set new track records in the Grade 1 Bing Crosby Handicap (six furlongs) and Grade 3 Los Angeles Handicap (six furlongs). Street Boss also won the Grade 1 Triple Bend Invitational Handicap at seven furlongs.

Top Executive is one of four foals of racing age and two winners produced out of West Virginia stakes-placed Severn Shore, a daughter of Pure Prize who won six of her 13 starts and earned \$120,610. Severn Shore produced a filly by Always Dreaming in 2020 and a filly by Preservationist in 2021.

## Washington-bred or WTBOA-sold Stakes Winners with a Winner's Share of Less Than \$10,000:

**CLASSIC CHAMP** (2016), g., Champ Pegasus—Thermal Nermal, by Latent Heat (CA). Won: Great Falls Turf Club Special S., GF, 8/1. Earned \$3,520. Owner: Lydia L. Tatsey. Trainer: Nathaniel Birdrattler. Breeder: Richard Barton Enterprises. Jockey: Fernando Gamez. **WTBOA Sales**.

**GOLDEN COWBOY** (2015) g., Gold Aly—Perhaps Perhaps, by Slewdledo (WA). Won: Prince S., GF, 7/25. Earned \$3,080. Owner and trainer: Jacqueline Smith. Breeder: Steve Meredith. Jockey: Taylor Smith. **WTBOA Sales**.

**HEY SEQUOIA** (2015) g., Cause to Believe—Audzeezee, by Vying Victor (BC). Won: Chuck Potter Memorial Marathon Claiming S. (NTR), GrP, 10/19. Earned \$7,260. Owner and trainer: Quinn Howey. Breeder: Prescott Farms. Jockey: Mckenzie King. **WTBOA Sales**.

**HOLD THAT SMILE** (2015) m., Smiling Tiger—Chasseur Dame, by French Legionaire (CA). Won: Don “Hooker” Jenck Memorial S., Til, 8/13. Earned \$3,248. Owners: Lynn Hebdon, Trevor Sall and Ryan Cooper. Trainer: Jorge Rosales. Breeder: Dale Mahlum. Jockey: Taylor Smith. **WTBOA Sales**.

**JADED TIGER** (2017), f., Smiling Tiger—Jadelet, by Skip Away (OR). Won: Princess S, GF, 7/24. Earned \$3,080. Owner and trainer: Jacqueline Smith. Breeder: Dr. Rod Orr. Jockey: Taylor Smith. **WTBOA Sales**. ■

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# Washington-bred Two-year-old Maiden Winners at Emerald Downs

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**Decimate**, ch. g., by Atta Boy Roy—Star Protocol, by He's Tops. Bred, owned and trained by Howard E. Belvoir. Jockey: Jennifer Whitaker. 5 furlongs in :58.37. Track fast. Earned \$11,193. MSW. 7/25. **\$1,500 WTBOA Washington Homebred Incentive Program bonus.**



**Thunder Music**, b. c., Abraaj—Music and Me, by Thunder Gulch. Bred by Ronald A. and Nina M. Hagen. Owned by Gold Coast Racing. Trainer: Steve Bullock. Jockey: Julien Couton. 5 furlongs in :59.57. Track fast. Earned \$ 8,228. MC\$25,000. 8/7. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**



**Koron**, b. f., Nationhood—Muchas Coronas, by Macho Uno. Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Owned by Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies. Trainer: Kay Cooper. Jockey: Javier Matias. 6 furlongs in :59.71. Track fast. Earned \$11,193. MSW. 8/7. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**



**Check the Gear**, b. g., Coast Guard—Great Mom, by Pioneerof the Nile. Bred by Connie Belshay. Owned by One Horse Will Do Corporation and Chris Stenslie. Trainer: Chris Stenslie. Jockey: Alex Cruz. 5 furlongs in :57.58. Track fast. Earned \$11,193. MSW. 8/7. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**



**Neumeister**, b. g., by Coast Guard—Chedoodlejan, by Grindstone. Bred by Keith and Jan Swagerty. Owned by Swag Stables. Trainer: David Martinez. Jockey: Javier Matias. 5 furlongs in :59.98. Track fast. Earned \$4,719. MC\$8,000. 8/14.



**Larsen Bay**, dk. b./br. g., by Coast Guard—Port Wakefield, by Katowice. Bred, owned and trained by Howard Belvoir. Jockey: Leslie Mawing. 5 furlongs in :59.44. Track fast. Earned \$4,719. MC\$8,000. 8/28.



**Irish Knight**, b. g., by Atta Boy Roy—Knight Club, by Matty G. Bred by Pat and Mullan Chinn. Owned by Ron A. Schmid. Trainer: Doris Harwood. Jockey: Javier Matias. 5 furlongs in :59.06. Track fast. Earned \$6,655. MC\$12,500. 9/4.



**Chinook Quick**, dk. b./br. f., by Atta Boy Roy—Dance With Effie, by Chhaya Dance. Bred and owned by John E. Parker. Trainer: Candice Cryderman. Jockey: Jose Zunino. 5 furlongs in :59.38. Track fast. Earned \$4,719. MC\$8,000. 9/4.



**Ms Parkside**, dk. b./br. f., by Sixthirteen—Caliente Gold, by Harbor the Gold. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owned by Ed Zenker. Trainer: Joe Toye. Jockey: Alex Anaya. 5 furlongs in :58.57. Track fast. Earned \$8,228. MC\$25,000. 9/5. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**



# Washington-bred Two-year-old Maiden Winners at Emerald Downs

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**Abraaj Mirage**, b. g., by Abraaj—Jasmine's Melody, by Artax. Bred by Nina and Ron Hagen. Owned by Rick Kessler. Trainer: Joe Toye. Jockey: McKenna Anderson, 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:04.23. Track sloppy. Earned \$8,288. MC\$25,000. 9/19. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**



**Awesome Daze**, ch. f., by Awesome Again—Azulinha (Arg), by Hat Trick (Jpn). Bred by Bret Christopherson. Owned by Awesome Stable. Trainer: Bonnie Jenne. Jockey: Javier Matias. 5 furlongs in :58.34. Track fast. Earned \$8,228. MC\$25,000. 9/25. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**



**Flyin By** (#7), dk. b./br. f., by Coast Guard—Wind a Flyin, by Blazonry. Bred by Vince and Pamela Gibson. Owned by Levi Gibson. Trainer: Claude Gibson. Jockey: Juan Gutierrez. 5 furlongs in :59.45 (Dead-heat. See Sara's Finale.) Track fast. Earned \$3,217. MC\$8,000. 9/25.



**Sara's Finale** (#1), dk. b./br. f. by Makors Finale—Playful Sara, by Fast Play. Bred by Karl Krieg. Owned by Stuart Young. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. Jockey: Leslie Mawin. 5 furlongs in :59.45 (Dead-heat. See Flyin By.) Track fast. Earned \$3,217. MC\$8,000. 9/25.

## WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) Bonus Winners at Emerald Downs

**Wegottodrinking** (2019) f., Misremembered—Runaway Moon, by Malibu Moon (CA). Won: MSW, 7/24. Breeders: Richard Barton Enterprises and Robert Traynor. Owner: Carbon River Racing. Trainer: Jennifer Nunnally. **\$2,500 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Koron** (2019), b. f., Nationhood—Muchas Coronas, by Macho Uno (WA). Won: MSW, 8/7. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Owner: Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies. Trainer: Kay Penney Cooper. **\$2,500 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Thunder Music** (2019), b. c., Abraaj—Music and Me, by Thunder Gulch (WA). Won: MC\$25,000, 8/7. Breeders: Ronald A. and Nina M. Hagen. Owner: Gold Coast Racing. Trainer: Steve Bullock. **\$1,000 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Check the Gear** (2019), b. g., Coast Guard—Great Mom, by Pioneer of the Nile (WA). Won: MSW, 8/8. Breeder: Connie Belshay. Owners: One Horse Will Do Corporation and Chris Stenslie. Trainer: Chris Stenslie. **\$2,500 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Boss Nine** (2019) g., Goldcents—Dress for Ballet, by Drosselmeyer (KY). Won: MSW, 8/26. Consignor: El Dorado Farms LLC. Owner: R.E.V. Racing. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. **\$2,500 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Tyche Awaits You** (2019) f., Midnight Storm—Dreaming of Carmella, by Harlan's Holiday (KY). Won: MSW, 9/2. Consignors: Dr. and Mrs. Duane Hopp. Owner: Peerenboom Racing Stables LLC. Trainer: Dan Markle. **\$2,500 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Ms Parkside** (2019) f., Sixthirteen—Caliente Gold, by Harbor the Gold (WA). Won: MC\$25,000, 9/5. Breeder: Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owner: Ed Zenker. Trainer: Joe Toye. **\$1,000 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Harbor Outlaw** (2018) g., Harbor the Gold—Litigious, by Scat Daddy (WA). Won: C\$25,000, 9/5. Breeder: Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owners: Friendship Stable and Craig Fredrickson. Trainer: Bonnie Jenne. **\$1,000 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Abraaj Mirage** (2019) g., Abraaj—Jasmine's Melody, by Artax (WA). Won: MC\$25,000, 9/19. Breeders: Nina and Ron Hagen. Owner: Rick Kessler. Trainer: Joe Toye. **\$1,000 WTBOA SIP bonus.**

**Awesome Daze** (2019) f., Awesome Again—Azulinha (Arg), by Hat Trick (Jpn) (WA). Won: MC\$25,000, 9/25. Breeder: Bret Christopherson. Owner: Awesome Stable. Trainer: Bonnie Jenne. **\$1,000 WTBOA SIP bonus.** ■

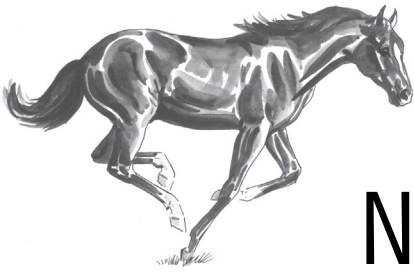
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## At the Track

### WTBOA Sales Graduates in the News

**Wegottodrinkin** (2019) f., Misremembered—Runaway Moon, by Malibu Moon (CA). Won: MSW (by 5), EmD, 7/24. Breeders: Richard Barton Enterprises and Robert Traynor. Owner: Carbon River Racing. Trainer: Jennifer Nunnally. First start. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Master's Bluff** (2010) g., Raise the Bluff—Last S A, by Peterhof (WA). 2nd Marathon Series Claiming S., GRp, 7/25. Breeders: Matt and Hally Moore and Tony Burlingame. Owner and trainer: Lyle Magnuson. Record: 25 wins (6 stakes), \$120,403. Tenth stakes placement for former Emerald Downs 2-year-old SW.

**Carson's Fireball** (2013) g., Abraaj—Firetrail, by Defensive Play (WA). Won: Alw, GF, 7/30; Let Em Run All Breeders Overnight S. (mixed), Blk, 9/5. Breeder: Dunn Bar Ranch LLC. Record: Totals for Thoroughbred, Quarter Horse and mixed races, 9 wins, \$52,848; won or placed in 11 stakes races. Brother to SP Wilson to Lockett; half-brother SP Ally On Fire. Out of 2007 Washington 3YO filly champion.

**Swift as I Am** (2018) g., Danza—As I Am, by Artie Schiller (CA). Won: Alw/OC\$50,000 (N), GG, 7/31. Breeder: Richard Barton Enterprises. Record: 4 wins, \$101,860.

**Nationheart** (2018) g. Nationhood—Brown, by Demons Begone (WA). Race: C\$25,000, EmD, 8/1. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Owner: Poseidon Partners II. Trainer: Kay Cooper. Brother to SW Uptownfreddybrown; half-brother to \$174,907 SW Sweet Nellie Brown. One of 8 winners out of winning half-sister to 3 SWs.

**Classic Champ** (2016) g., Champ Pegasus—Thermal Nermal, by Latent Heat (CA). Won: Great Falls Turf Club Special S. (by 7), GF, 8/1. Breeder: Richard Barton Enterprises. Record: 3 wins, \$38,195. Only foal out of \$106,018 winner.

**Diamond Willow** (2019) g., Coast Guard—Zenovit, by Private Gold (WA). 2nd MSW, GG, 8/1. Breeders: Nina and Ron Hagen. Owner: Remmah Racing Inc. Trainer: Jack Steiner. Out of 2009 Washington champion 2-year-old filly.

**Coastal Waters** (2018) g., Coast

Guard—Winning Weave, by Basket Weave (WA). 2nd MSW, Cby, 8/3; 2nd MSW, Cby, 9/6. Breeders: Nina and Ron Hagen. Owners: Valorie Lund and Leslie Cummings. Trainer: Valorie Lund. Record: Four runner-up finishes in Canterbury Park maiden special weight races. Half-brother to \$136,884 SW Dallon's Gold.

**Forever Gold** (2018) r., Harbor the Gold—Clever Bird, by Awesome Again (WA). Won: C\$15,000, EmD, 8/7. Breeder: Bret Christopherson. Owners: Pegasus Too and Dixie Hitchcock. Trainer: Howard Belvoir. Record: 3 wins, \$29,770. Brother to 2020 Washington champion 3-year-old filly Miss Prospector; half-brother to \$163,968 SW and 2019 Washington most improved plater Brilliant Bird.

**Koron** (2018) f., Nationhood—Muchas Coronas, by Macho Uno (WA). Won: MSW, EmD, 8/7. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Owner: Blue Ribbon Racing Ladies. Trainer: Kay Penney Cooper. Half-sister to SP La Una. Dam winning half-sister to SP Sunpenny and SP Frisky Bear. **\$2,500 WTBOA Washington Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Thunder Music** (2018) c., Abraaj—Music and Me, by Thunder Gulch (WA). Won: MC\$25,000 (by 4 1/4), EmD, 8/7. Breeders: Ronald A. and Nina M. Hagen. Owner: Gold Coast Racing. Trainer: Steve Bullock. Out of winning half-sister to SWs Irene's Bonus Baby and Grace Bay. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Check the Gear** (2018) g., Coast Guard—Great Mom, by Pioneer of the Nile (WA). Won: MSW (by 11 1/4), EmD, 8/8. Breeder: Connie Belshay. Owners: One Horse Will Do Corporation and Chris Stenslie. Trainer: Chris Stenslie. Half-brother to SWs That Great Nation and Squeeze Me. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Hold That Smile** (2015) m., Smiling Tiger—Chasseur Dame, by French Legionaire (CA). Won: Don "Hooker" Jenck Memorial S., Til, 8/13. Breeder: Dale Mahlum. Owners: Lynn Hebdon, Trevor Sall and Ryan Cooper. Trainer: Jorge Rosales. Record: 3-time SW, 18 wins total, \$134,802. Half-sister to 2013 Washington champion Marva Jean, SWs Melba Jewel, Sax Notes and Salty Le Mousee.

**Suddenly Winning** (2017) f., Nationhood—Sudden Departure, by Demons Begone (WA). Won: MC\$15,000, EmD, 8/15. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick

L. Pabst. Owner: Invictus Partners LLC. Trainer: Kay Penney Cooper. Sister to 2014 Washington champion 3-year-old filly Find Your Spot and \$102,277 SP Spot On; half-sister to SP Suddenly Awesome. Sixth winner out of \$77,576 SW.

**Boss Nine** (2019) g., Goldcents—Dress for Ballet, by Drosselmeyer (KY). Won: MSW, EmD, 8/28. Consignor: El Dorado Farms LLC. Owner: R. E. V. Racing. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. First start. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Tyche Awaits You** (2019) f., Midnight Storm—Dreamingofcarmella, by Harlan's Holiday (KY). Won: MSW, EmD, 9/2. Consignors: Dr. and Mrs. Duane Hopp. Owner: Peerenboom Racing Stables LLC. Trainer: Dan Markle. Out of \$60,958 SP mare. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Ms Parkside** (2019) f., Sixteenth—Caliente Gold, by Harbor the Gold. Won: MC\$25,000, EmD, 9/5. Breeder: Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owner: Ed Zenker. Trainer: Joe Toye. Mare's first foal. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Harbor Outlaw** (2018) g., Harbor the Gold—Litigious, by Scat Daddy (WA). Won: C\$25,000, EmD, 9/5. Breeder: Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Owners: Friendship Stable and Craig Fredrickson. Trainer: Bonnie Jenne. Only foal out of \$134,043 earner. **\$1,000 WTBOA Washington Homebred Incentive Program bonus.**

2020 WTBOA Sale graduates took the top three spots in the WA Cup Juvenile Colts and Geldings Stakes (**Cobra Jet, Diamond Willow** and **A View From Above**) and WA Cup Juvenile Filly Stakes (**Koron, Let It Reign** and **Gold N Glitter**) run at Emerald Downs on September 12.

**Onyourmarketsetgo** (2019) c., Makors Finale—Ros's Girl, by Rosberg (WA). 2nd MSW, AP, 9/17. Breeder: Karl Krieg. Owners: Dan Gleason and Roddina A. Barrett. Trainer: Roddina Barrett. First start. Half-brother to \$43,245 SP Slews's Tiz Whiz. Out of sister to multiple Washington champion and 5-time SW Lady Rosberg (\$183,997).

**Abraaj Mirage** (2019) g., by Abraaj—Jasmine's Melody, by Artax. Won: MC\$25,000, EmD, 9/19. Breeders: Nina and Ron Hagen. Owner: Rick Kessler. Trainer: Joe Toye. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

**Code Ribbon** (2019) f., Desert Code—



Jumanah, by Grand Reward (CA). Won: Alw/\$50,000OC (N), GG, 9/19. Breeder: Seamist Racing. Owner: Michael Pollowitz. Trainer: Jacqui Navarre. Record: 2 wins, \$58,052. Half-sister to 2021 Longacres Mile-G3 runner-up Windribbon (\$97,145).

**Awesome Daze** (2019) f., by Awesome Again—Azulinha (Arg), by Hat Trick (Jpn). Won: MC\$25,000, EmD, 9/25. Breeder: Bret Christopherson. Owner: Awesome Stable. Trainer: Bonnie Jenne. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program bonus.**

Sir Rez (2017) g., Langfuhr—**Formal Plan**, by Formal Bold (OH). Won: Alw-R (by 3 3/4), Tdn, 9/30. Breeder, owner and trainer: Jennifer Tooley. Record: 2 wins, \$61,490. Second foal and first starter out of 6-time SP \$158,624, who Tooley purchased as a yearling from Willow Creek Farm Inc. at 2009 WTBOA Sale.

Line Change (2019) c., Nyquist—**Chilukki's Song**, by Elusive Quality (KY). Won: MSW, Lrl, 10/1. Breeder and owner: Godolphin LLC. First start. Dam was purchased by Frances Long at 2021 WTBOA Sale. Also, the mare's 5-year-old Kalu (2016) g. by Ghostzapper ran third in the G3 Frank J. De Francis Dash Stakes at Laurel on September 18, upping his earnings to \$209,622. Fourth winner for daughter of Eclipse champion filly Chilukki.

**Myuddermamasapaint** (2018) g., Haynesfield—In Vitro, by Demon Warlock (WA). 2nd MC\$15,000. Kee, 10/15. Breeder and owner: Warlock Stables. Trainer: Roddina Barrett. The gelding's early life experiences were chronicled in the children's book *Baby Haynes*, written by Tim Floyd, proprietor of Warlock Stables.

**Northwest Factor** (2016) m., The Factor—East Side Charley, by Mr. Greeley (KY). Won: Alw, Fno, 10/15. Consignor: Moxie Bloodstock, agent. Record: 10 wins, including 2018 Gottstein Futurity, \$263,027. Half-sister to Lethbridge SW The Fiddlers Green.

**Upo** (2015) g., Archarcharch—Afillyation, by Gimmeawink (KY). Won: C\$10,000, Fno, 10/16. Record: 8 wins, \$149,373. Consignor: El Dorado Farms LLC.

**My Classy Wife** (2019) f., Overanalyze—Goodlookinwife, by Include (WA). Won: Mdn/OC\$20,000, GrP, 10/17. Breeder: Dr. Rodney Orr. Owner: Brad Boyce. Trainer: Billy Christian. First start. Dam \$70,075 winning sister to 2012 Emerald Downs horse of the meeting and \$635,526 SW Class Included, both daughters of 2004 Emerald Downs champion 2-year-old filly and \$201,285 SW A Classic Life. Finishing second was **Phantom Mistress** (2019) f., Shaman Ghost—Chance Encounter, by Mass Media (WA). Breeder: Bret Christopherson. Owners: Dan Warden, Double R Racing and WEEM Racing. Trainer: Ben Root.

**Hey Sequoia** (2015) g., Cause to Believe—Audzeezee, by Vying Victor (BC).

Won: Chick Potter Memorial Marathon Claiming S. (NTR), GrP, 10/19. Breeder: Prescott Farms. Owner and trainer: Quinn Howey. Record: 8 wins, \$131,827.

**Easy Silence** (2018) f., Constitution—Lavender Sky, by Mt. Livermore. Won: C\$25,000, InD, 10/20. Record: 2 wins, \$49,558. Consignor: Castlegate Farm.

Allie's Pal (2018) g. Creative Cause—**Grand Yodeler**, by Swiss Yodeler (CA) Won: Str Alw, GG, 10/22. Breeder: Premier Thoroughbreds LLC. Record: 2 wins, \$33,470. First foal out of \$172,010 SP mare who was the top-selling broodmare at the 2021 WTBOA Sale and whose 2019 yearling colt by Smiling Tiger topped the 2020 WTBOA Sale.

**Chief Jackson** (2018) g., Dads Caps—Sea of Red, by Unusual Heat (CA). Won: Str Alw, GG, 10/23. Breeder and owner: Richard Barton Enterprises. Record: 2 wins, \$53,200.

### **Emerald Downs Wagering Comparisons**

Emerald Downs President Phil Ziegler shared the following comparisons in wagering at the Auburn track. In 2021, the wagering at Emerald Downs was \$134,792,635, versus \$122,755,347 in 2020, showing a 9.81 percent increase. When the 2021 Emerald wagering figure is compared to 2019 betting (\$119,830,286), a 12.49 percent increase is noted.

Nationally, through the end of September, wagering from 2021 (\$9,498,141,414) rose 13.8 percent from the 2020 figure of \$8,346,543,422, and the difference between 2021 betting and 2019 wagering (\$8,594,182,019), through September, is 10.53 percent.

### **Tillamook County Fair Stakes Results**

The annual Tillamook County Fair, held in the "Oregon Cheese Capitol" of Tillamook, featured racing on August 11 and August 13-15.

Only two of the eight races planned for the Wednesday, August 11 card ran after an equipment malfunction caused the cancellation of the other six races. Eight races were held on each of the final three cards. All races were hand-timed.

The feature of the Friday card was the \$5,900 Don "Hooker" Jenck Memorial Stakes for three and up fillies and mares. The about five-furlong race was won by Lynn Hebdon, Trevor Sall and Ryan Cooper's odds-on race favorite Hold That Smile. Trained by Jorge Rosales and ridden by Taylor Smith, the six-year-old mare went gate-to-wire to score a length win over Bern B. Kent's Miss Important, a four-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Greydar. Jacqueline Smith's Just Classy, a four-year-old California-bred filly by Empire Way, ran third. Final race time was 1:01.35.

Bred in California by Dale Mahlum, Hold That Smile is by Smiling Tiger out of multiple stakes producer and stakes winner

Chasseur Dame. It was Hold That Smile's third stakes title among her 16 wins.

Saturday's card featured two Thoroughbred stakes. The \$4,400 Slim Williams Memorial Stakes for three and up runners going about nine furlongs was won by Racing Ray, who was ridden by Taylor Smith for owner/trainer Jacqueline Smith in a time of 1:58.90. Eight-year-old Racing Ray is a gelded son of Grindstone—Cee'z the Dream, by Cee's Tizzy, bred in Oregon by Sue Gilmour. James R. Craig and Kodye C. Kraig's Storm On the River, an eight-year-old Washington-bred by Parker's Storm Cat—Raini Day Slew, by Slewddledo, finished second. Coming in third was Tony Delp and Dee Stillwell's seven-year-old Washington-bred Pulpits Power, by War Power—Parker's Jewel, by Parker's Storm Cat.

The final stakes of the meet was the \$4,350 Oregon HBPA Stakes at about five furlongs. Anthony Hoover's El Alto Hombre, who has five Oregon stakes wins this year, went off at three-to-five odds and won by 1 3/4 lengths. Final time was 1:01.17. Lynn Hebdon's Licorice Drop Pops, a five-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Lemon Drop Kid, ran second. Cindy Mendive's Oregon-bred seven-year-old Skeesix, by Sixthirteen, finished third.

El Alto Hombre, who was ridden by Joseph BirdRattler and is trained by Liz Kowalski, is a five-year-old Kentucky-bred gelding by Archarcharch—Capitol E, by Eddington.

### **Grants Pass Downs Fall Meet**

The Grants Pass Downs fall meeting kicked off on September 20. The featured race of the day was the \$14,600 Siskiyou Stakes for three and up fillies and mares. A field of eight went forward in the 5 1/2-furlong race. Bern Kent's Miss Important, ridden by David Martin, took the race by a half-length. The four-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Graydar—Sudden Ghost, by Ghostzapper, is trained by Billy Christian. Finishing second was Jaqueline Smith-owned and -trained Jaded Tiger. The four-year-old daughter of Smiling Tiger was Oregon's champion juvenile filly of 2019. Another 1 1/2 lengths back in third was Oregon-bred Xtrafine Xtina, a four-year-old stakes-winning daughter of Revoluta who races for trainer Teri Beckner. Final race time was 1:06.92.

The second stakes of the meet came on the following day's card with the \$13,600 Applegate Stakes for three and up runners. Broadshorts Stables LLC's Sunrise Journey defeated odds-on choice Fantastic Day by a nose in the 5 1/2-furlong race. Trained by Emilio Guerrero and ridden by Jose Guerrero, it marked the tenth win for the six-year-old California-bred gelding (Good Journey—Pleasing Sunrise, by Speightstown), who pushed his earnings to \$175,708. Final race time was 1:03.79.

Fantastic Day, the four-year-old

Kentucky-bred son of Medaglia d'Oro who races for Alan D. Peterson, finished 2 3/4 lengths the better of Sir Vronski LLC and Jean Hembree's Foreign Protocol, a four-year-old Kentucky-bred a son of Raison d'Etat.

The \$14,900 Drift Boat Stakes drew a field of eight three-year-old fillies on October 4. Boardshorts Stables LLC's Clubhouse Saint took the six furlong race by 2 1/2 lengths in a time of 1:19.19. It marked the fourth win this year for the Quinn Howey-trained California-bred daughter of Clubhouse Ride—Scene Queen, by Bernstein. Mckenzie King was aboard the \$2.20-to-one favorite.

Julie P. Hebdon and Tsujikawa Racing LLC's Always for Money, a California-bred daughter of Flat Out, finished second. Another 2 3/4 lengths back in third was Santos Rosales' Finished My P H D, a Washington-bred daughter of Nationhood—Deja Views, by Forest Camp, who is a half-sister to 2021 two-year-old stakes winner A View From Above.

Five three-year-old runners lined up for the \$14,300 Jetboat Stakes run on October 5. Boardshorts Stables LLC's June Gloom, at one-to-five odds, went gate-to-wire to take the six-furlong romp by five lengths. The California-bred gelding by Boisterous—Sky Diver, by Tale of the Cat, is trained by Howey and was ridden to the 1:10.81 final timing by King. Howey also owns and trains second place finisher Equivocator, a California-bred gelding by Exaggerator. Finishing another length back in third was Lynn Hebdon's Lt. Bullitt, a Washington-bred son of Abraaj—Bella Campana, by Slewddedo.

A field of seven juvenile runners drew into the \$14,400 Douglas Fir Futurity on October 11. The five-furlong event was taken in gate-to-wire fashion by Rancho Viejo, Lisa A. Baze – who also bred the runner – and John Sneesby's odds-on favorite El Maestro. Ridden by Leonel Camacho-Flores and trained by Rigoberto Velasquez, the Oregon-bred son of Sixthirteen—Meant to Be Mia, by War Chant, came into the race off of an August \$25,000 maiden claiming win at Emerald Downs. The gelding has a 2-2-0 record from his four starts and earnings of \$23,210.

Finishing four lengths behind him in second was Andrea Ring's Stonus Maximus, an Oregon-bred son of Grindstone. WilWin Stables' maiden filly Dance Ballerina, a Kentucky-bred daughter of Overanalyze, finished another four lengths back in third. Final race time was :59.16.

\$1.50-to-one race favorite Miss Important took her fourth Grants Pass stakes victory when she came home a 1 3/4-length winner of the \$14,800 City of Ashland Stakes on October 18. Ridden by David Martin and trained by Billy Christian, the Kentucky-bred filly now has seven wins and \$101,553 to her credit.

Xtrafine Xtina ran second in the six-furlong event for three and up fillies and mares. Finishing 4 1/2 lengths behind her in third was Gerald Carmody and John Sneesby's multiple Oregon champion racemare Stay in Grace, a six-year-old daughter of Understatement.

The \$13,200 Chuck Potter Memorial Marathon Claiming Stakes, at the rarely run distance of 1 11/16 miles, was the first of two stakes contested on the October 19 card. It was staged along with the \$14,700 Medford Stakes at a more traditional six furlongs.

Six runners contested the marathon race with Quinn Howey-owned and -trained Hey Sequoia dueling closely with Alan D. Peterson's Perfect Come Back from gate-to-wire and then coming up a half-length better than his rival. The 2:54.97 time represented a new track record.

Ridden by Mckenzie King, Hey Sequoia is a six-year-old gelding by Cause to Believe—Audzeezee, by Vying Victor, bred in British Columbia by Prescott Farms. With his eighth victory, Hey Sequoia has earned \$137,827.

Perfect Come Back, a seven-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Pleasantly Perfect, finished 6 1/2 lengths the better of Chris Daley and Margie Cantrell's Wings of the Wind, the eight-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Congrats who ran third.

At surprisingly long odds (nearly ten-to-one), considering his 2021 record of seven wins in eight starts – six coming in stakes races, Anthony Hoover's El Alto Hombre held on to defeat six-to-five favorite Fantastic Day by a nose in the Medford Stakes. Final time was 1:10.12.

Ridden to victory by Jose Figueroa, El Alto Hombre, a six-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Archarcharch—Capitol E, by Eddington, improved his overall record to 16-11-4 from his 37 starts and upped his earnings to \$82,285.

Fantastic Day out-finished third place Foreign Protocol by 2 1/2 lengths in the field of eight.

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

Skeemin N Dreamin (2018) f., Kantharos—Specification, by Empire Maker (KY). Won MSW (by 9 1/2), EmD, 8/8. Breeders and owners: Todd and Shawn Hansen. Trainer: Sharon Ross...**Omache Kid** (2014) g., Polish Miner—D J's Storm, by Stormy Atlantic (WA). Won: C\$5,000, EmD, 8/8. Breeder: Preston Boyd. Owners: Greg Conley, Chuck Conley and Terra Firma Farm. Trainer: Joe Toye. Record: 10 wins, \$98,234 for 2020 Washington-bred plater of the year...**Slew's Tiz Whiz** (2018) g., Slew's Tiznow—Ros's Girl, by Rosberg (WA). Won: Alw/OC30,000 (N), EmD, 8/8; Alw, EmD, 8/19 (by 2 1/2). Breeder: Karl Krieg. Owner: K D Thoroughbreds. Trainer: Tom Wenzel. Record: 2021 SP winner of \$43,245. First foal out of winning sister to Washington

champion Lady Rosberg...**Stay in Grace** (2015) m., Understatement—Bridled Style, by Grindstone (OR). Race: C\$25,000, EmD, 8/15. Breeders: Dr. and Mrs. Jack B. Root Jr. Owners: Gerald Carmody and John Sneesby. Trainer: Rigoberto Velasquez. Record: 3-time Oregon champion and SW, 12 wins total, \$106,088...In the Vault (2018) f., **Gallant Son**—Be Faithful, by Vicar (CA). Won: MSW (by 6 1/4), EmD, 8/29. Breeders: Frank Lucarelli, Chris Randall and Scott Centers. Owners: Lucarelli Racing Corp., Randall and Rossi LLC and Scott Centers. Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. By West Coast Training Center stallion...**Stand In** (2017) g., Harbor the Gold—I'm Shootin High, by Son's Corona (WA). Won: Alw (by 3 1/2), EmD, 8/28. Breeder and owner: John Sneesby. Trainer: Rigoberto Velasquez...**Northwest Rain** (2018) g., Atta Boy Roy—Dance With Effie, by Chhaya Dance (WA). Won: MC\$15,000, EmD, 8/26. Breeder: John Parker. Owner: Washington Broodmare Club. Trainer: Kay Penney Cooper. First winner for Washington Broodmare Club. Out of stakes-winning half-sister to Longacres Mile-G3 winner Gold Rush Dancer...**Spittin Image** (2017) g., Harbor the Gold—Flying Memo, by Memo (Chi) (WA). Won: Alw, EmD, 8/26. Breeder: Bret Christopherson. Owners: One Horse Will Do Corporation and Chris Stenslie. Trainer: Chris Stenslie. Record: 2021 SP \$73,951 winner. Brother to Oregon horses of the year O B Harbor and Calypsonoted and SP Boundary Bay, half-brother to Oregon champion Stopin Memo. Dam two-time Oregon broodmare of the year...**Appointed Star** (2017) f., Atta Boy Roy—Miss Cutie, by Petersburg (WA). Won: MC\$5,000, EmD, 8/29. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wulff. Owner and trainer: Sylvia McCready. First Emerald Downs-trained winner for 86-year-old owner/trainer. Fourth winner out of winning sister to \$301,619 SW Miss Pixie, \$97,908 SW Peters Punkin and SP Miss Mariah...**Irish Knight** (2019) g., Atta Boy Roy—Knight Club, by Matty G (WA). Won: MC\$15,000, EmD, 9/4. Breeders: Pat and Mullan Chinn. Owner: Ron A. Schmid. Trainer: Doris Harwood. First start. Second winner out of \$87,131 SW, a half-sister to 2009 Washington champion 2-year-old filly Knight Raider and 2 other stakes-placed runners...Hygh I. Q. (2018), f., Sky Mesa—**Rachae Leigh**, by Stormin Fever (KY). Won: Alw, EmD, 9/4. Breeders and owners: Jim and Mona Hour. Trainer: Sharon Ross. First foal out of winning half-sister to multiple Washington champions Stryker Phd and Madame Pele...Akasi (2019) f., Run Away and Hide—Karula, by Colonel John (KY). Won: MSW, EmD, 9/19. Breeder and owner: **Oak Crest Farm LLC**. Trainer: David Martinez. Jockey: Alex Cruz (who rode her to a three-quarters of a length victory with no stirrups after losing them at the start of the 5 1/2 furlong race). Record: 2nd 2021 Angie C. Stakes,



\$28,337. First foal out of 2016 Angie C. Stakes winner, a half-sister to \$356,873 G1 SW Sutra...**Discover a Wish** (2017) f., Wishful Tomcat—Discover Adorable, by Prospected (WA). Won: MdnOC\$20,000, GrP, 10/18. Breeder and owner: Homer Thoroughbreds Inc. Trainer: Jason Homer. First foal...**Papawasarollstone** (2015) g., Grindstone—Playful Sara, by Fast Play (WA). Won: Alw, GrP, 10/18. Breeder: Karl Krieg. Owner and trainer: Liz Kowalski. Record: 2 wins, \$22,815. One of 7 winners out of half-sister to \$246,889 SW Glitter Star and 2-time stakes producer Kaaaching.

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

**Avalon King** (2016) g., Heatseeker (Ire)—Oneknightledo, by Slewdledo (WA). Won: Str/OC\$20,000 (N), AzD, 7/21. Breeders: Sylvia Kenney and Regan Bray. Record: 6 wins, \$71,882. Out of winning half-sister to 2009 Washington champion 2-year-old filly Knight Raider and SW Knight Club...**Spittin Havoc** (2015) g., Twirling Candy—It's Stevie's Time, by Quiet American (KY). Won: Str Alw, AzD, 7/21. Breeders: Ivor A. and John R. Jones. Record: 4 wins, \$43,506. Half-brother to Washington champion and \$328,67 SW Point of Reference, dam of 2019-20 Washington champion Unmachable...**Grazen Deb** (2018) f., Grazen—**Deb's Royal Flash**, by Demons Begone (CA). Won: MC\$16,000, GG, 7/23. Owner: **Blaine D. Wright Racing Stable LLC**. Trainer: Blaine Wright. Half-sister to \$291,592 SW Deb's Wildcard. Dam SP \$143,770 Washington-bred...**Rebalation** (2016) m., Acclamation—**Reba Is Tops**, by He's Tops (CA). Won: WC\$12,500, GG, 7/23; Str Alw/C\$50,000 (N), GG, 9/4. Breeders and owners: Gordy Jarnig, Kenny Marshall and Eric M. Schweiger. Trainer: Tim McCanna. Record: 3 wins, \$67,342. One of 5 foals and winners, including SW Top Harbor, out of 2009 Washington horse of the year and \$464,267 SW...**Prince Cinderella** (2019) g., Sierra Sunset—**Cinderella Liberty**, by Liberty Gold (CA). Won: MC\$12,500, GG, 7/24. One of 8 winners out of 2005 Washington champion 2-year-old filly...**Sequentially** (2014) h., Forestry—Ashbecca, by Sandpit (Brz) (KY). Won: C\$25,000, GG, 7/30. Breeder: **Dr. Rodney E. Orr**. Record: SP, 10 wins, \$254,755. Half-brother to \$318,690 SW Ankeny Hill. Out of Emerald Downs champion...**Dr. Schivel** (2018) c., Violence—Lil Nugget, by Mining for Money (KY). Won: Bing Crosby S.-G1, Dmr, 7/31; Santa Anita Sprint Championship-G2 (by 3 1/4), SA, 10/2. Trainer: **Mark Glatt**. Record: 7 starts, 5 wins, \$536,000...**Fire When Ready** (2015) g., Empire Way—**Armed N Dangerous**, by Slewdledo (KY). Won: Downs At Albuquerque Marathon Claiming S., Alb, 8/14. Record: 7 wins, \$210,364. Dam Washington-bred daughter of \$124,960 SP, 1997 Washington plater of the year

**Briartic Blast...Hot Rageous** (2018) f., Idiot Proof—Iforgottobeme, by Free At Last (CA). Won: Alw/OC\$50,000 (N), GG, 8/13; Alw, GG, 9/25. Breeder: **Remmah Racing Inc.** Record: 8 wins, \$94,522...**Derrygoolin** (2018) f., **Gallant Son**—Phantom Ali, by Alymagic (CA). Won: MSW-R, GG, 8/14. Sire stands at West Coast Training Center...**Senoradiablo** (2016) m., Flat Out—Encore Belle, by Lemon drop Kid (KY). Won: Arizona Downs Distaff H., AzD, 8/17; Alw/\$20,000OC-N, AzD, 9/14. Owner: **Tim M. Bankers**. Trainer: **Manuel Ortiz Sr.** Record: 10 wins, \$189,874, Turf Paradise SW, Emerald Downs SP...**Brave Cinderella** (2017) f., **Brave Cat**—**Cinderella Liberty**, by Liberty Gold (CA). 3rd Albuquerque Distaff H., Alb, 8/15. Record: 3 wins, \$78,260. One of 8 winners from 9 starters out of 2005 Washington champion 2-year-old filly...**Me B Bubba T** (2018) g., Declaration of War—Thunderina, by Curlin (WA). Won: MC\$50,000, Dmr, 8/26. Breeders and owners: Todd and Shawn Hansen. Second winner out of daughter of SW Delta Music, a half-sister to Horse of the Year Mineshaft, G1 winner Tomisue's Delight and 2 other SWs...**Torpedo Away** (2016) g., Jake La Gold—Victorys Legacy, by Harbor the Gold (WA). Won: C\$25,000, GG, 8/28. Breeder and co-owner: Daniel R. McCanna. Co-owner and trainer: Tim McCanna. Record: 7 wins, \$99,021. His \$124,293-earning granddam is a daughter of 4-time Washington-bred SW Staff Wind...**Hijo Galante** (2019) g., **Gallant Son**—Zorra Roja, by Flagstaff (CA). Won: Str Alw/C\$50,000 (N), GG 9/3. Owner: Lucarelli Racing Corp. Trainer: Ed Moger Jr. Record: 2 wins \$35,136...**Wheal Grace** (2017) f., Point of Entry—Kailli, by Grand Slam (KY). Won: Alw (by 2 3/4), GG, 9/4. Breeders and owners: **Edward and Theresa DeNike**. Record: 2 wins, \$49,050. First start since June 2020...**Top Harbor** (2018) c., Harbor the Gold—**Reba Is Tops**, by He's Tops (CA). Won: Alw/OC\$62,500 (N), GG, 9/28; 2nd Harris Farms S.-R, Fno, 10/9. Breeders and owners: Gordy Jarnig, Kenny Marshall and Eric M. Schweiger. Trainer: Tim McCanna. Record: Fourth stakes placement for \$142,774 SW. One of 5 foals and winners out of 2009 Washington horse of the year and \$464,267 SW...**Boise** (2019) c., Temple City—**Chu and You**, by You and I (CA). Won: MSW (by 2 3/4), GG, 9/24. First start. One of 2 named foals out of 2013 Washington champion 2-year-old filly and \$147,989 SW, the other being Irish SW Strive for Glory. Dam sister to 2011 Washington champion 2-year-old colt or gelding and \$150,470 SW Chu and I and \$55,875 SP Attyia.

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

**Play Action Pass** (2019) c., Cairo Prince—Light of a Star, by Muqtarib (KY). Won: MSW, EIP, 7/31; 3rd Kentucky Downs Juvenile Mile S., KD, 9/6. Half-

brother to \$484,237 multiple graded SW Laura's Light and \$173,594 SW Barry Lee. Dam, SP in 2008 Angie C. and was bred in California by **Ken and Jan Heidt** and is half-sister to 2006 Emerald Downs champion sprinter Starbird Road and G3 SW Summer Hit...**Nobody Listens** (2018) g., **Conveyance**—Royalesque, by Chapel Royal (IN). Won: Alw, InD, 8/24; Alw-R (by 4 1/4), InD, 9/23. 2nd Governor's S.-R, InD, 7/14. Record: 9 starts, 4-3-0, \$151,522. By Blue Ribbon Farm's 2021 Washington leading sire...**Rock On Luke** (2017) g., **Conveyance**—Slammin Beauty, by Grand Slam (KY). Won: M. P. Ballezzi Appreciation Mile S. (by 5 1/2), Prx, 10/12; 3rd \$100,000 Victory Gallop S., Cnl, 8/23. Record: 5 wins, \$257,260. Blue Ribbon Farm sire's leading 2021 earner with \$153,050...**Huge Bigly** (2017) g., Midshipman—Gadget Queen, by Flying With Eagles (WA). Won: Alw/OC\$25,000 (N), Cnl, 8/31. Breeders and owners: Todd and Shawn Hansen. Trainer: John Ortiz. Record: 2 wins, \$87,347. Half-brother to 2019 Seattle Slew Stakes winner Perfect Dude, both out of \$309,030 SW Gadget Queen...**No Slo Mo** (2017) g., Uncle Mo—Striking Scholar, by Smart Strike (WA). Won: MSW (by 6 1/2), Cnl, 9/1. Breeders and owners: Todd and Shawn Hansen. Out of 2014 Washington broodmare of the year, dam of 3-time Washington Mile-G3 winner Stryker Phd and 2-time Washington champion Madame Pele...**Wit** (2019) c., Practical Joke—Numero d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro (KY). 2nd Hopeful S.-G1, Sar, 9/6; 3rd Champagne S.-G1, Bel, 10/2. Record: 4 starts, 2-1-1, \$252,000; G3 stakes-winning half-brother to Longacres Mile-G3 winner and El Dorado Farms first-year stallion **Barkley**...**Cilla** (2018) f., California Chrome—Sittin At the Bar, by Into Mischief. Won: Prioress S.-G2, Sar, 9/4. First graded SW for 2-time Horse of the Year California Chrome. First 2 dams are SWs. Third dam, former El Dorado Farms broodmare **Lois Laner**...**Hungry Henry** (2019) g., Mineshaft—Henry's Island, by Stormy Atlantic (ON). Won: MSW (by 2 1/2), InD, 9/9; Alw (by 5), InD, 10/11. Owners: **Todd and Shawn Hansen**. Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, \$43,000. Half-brother to \$131,264 SP Lady Azalea. Out of \$140,727 SP half-sister to G3 \$810,266 SW River Seven...**Mr. Jagermeister** (2015) h., **Atta Boy Roy**—Frangelica, by Corinthian (MN). 2nd Crocock Minnesota Sprint Championship-R, Cby, 9/8. Record: Minnesota champion, 12 wins (9-time SW), \$669,494. Brother to SP Rumpleminx. Sired by champion racehorse and former Washington champion sire...**B Trouble** (2018) g., Harbor the Gold—Sasha B., by Is It True (AZ). Won: Alw/\$18,000OC (N), InD, 9/14. Breeders and owners: Barbara Eakin and Shelly Nance. Trainer: **Jonathan Nance**. Record: 5 starts, 2-0-1, \$39,310. One of 3 winners from 3 starters

out of \$54,517 SP mare...Sandy's Garden (2019) f., **Conveyance**—Lots of Mine, by Mineshaft (NY). Won: MSW (by 20 3/4), FL, 10/12. Gate-to-wire win in first start. By Blue Ribbon Farm stallion whose first Washington foals will arrive in 2022...Nancy's Leslie (2017) f., **Conveyance**—The War Department, by Lost Soldier (OH). Won: Alw, MVR, 10/22. Record: 3 wins in 6 starts at 3, \$67,795...Air Token (2017) g., Golden Lad—Saint Dinorah, by St Averil (MD). Won: Maryland Million Sprint S.-R., Lrl, 10/23. Owner: Corrales Racing LLC. Trainer: **Jose Corrales**. Record: 7 wins, \$298,824. First stakes win for runner trained by former leading Pacific Northwest leading jockey.

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

**Sterling Aly** (2015) m., Gold Aly—Nifty Nite, by Slewdledo (WA). Won: Alw (mixed), Lbg, 10/11; 2nd Paint the Park Purple S., GRp, 8/29; 2nd B Cup Fillies and Mares S., Lbg, 9/26. Breeder: Leon Loza. Owner and trainer: Lyle Magnuson. Record: Thoroughbred races: 18 starts, 10-4-2, \$36,150, 7-time Lethbridge or Grande Prairie SW; mixed races: 11 starts, 9-1-0, \$16,716. Out of Sun Downs SW and sister to WTBA Futurity winner Nifty Slew (\$98,355)...Minimum Noise (2016) g., Boisterous—**Minimums Minimums**, by Storm Boot (CA). Won: Alw, Lbg, 9/11. Out of Castlegate Farm broodmare that is also the dam of \$149,649 SP Hidethegoodstuff and 2021 2-year-old SP Gold N Glitter... Summer Sunday (2015) m., Silent Name (Jpn)—Dancing Allstar, by Millennium Allstar (ON). Won: Zadracarta S-R, WO, 9/10. Record: 10 wins (8 stakes) in 19 starts, \$680,708. Half-sister to \$273,956 SW Trini Brewnette. Out of Canadian champion 2-year-old filly, whose dam (2000 WTBOA sale graduate **High On Believen**) was a half-sister to Washington champion 2-year-old filly Candles N Moonlite...**Bourbon Bandit** (2018) g., Parker's Storm Cat—Bourbon Baby, by Speeding Light (Arg) (WA). 3rd B C 3 Year Olds S., Lbg, 9/26. Breeder: Roger J. Hoff.

## At the Farm

### Bar C Racing Stables Adds Two New Stallions

Pam and Neal Christopherson have announced the addition of two new stallions for the 2022 breeding season. Outlash, by Unbridled's Song, and Jess Mo, by Uncle Mo, join Sixteenth and Dynamic Impact at their Hermiston, Oregon, stallion station and nursery.

Outlash was a \$390,000 purchase at the 2014 Keeneland April Two-year-olds in Training Sale. His sire's juvenile sales horses averaged \$225,000 that year.

Unbridled's Song won the Breeders' Cup Juvenile (G1) at two and the Grade 1

Florida Derby and Grade 2 Wood Memorial Stakes at three. The son of Kentucky Derby (G1) winner and champion Unbridled sired 118 stakes winners led by multiple Eclipse Award winner and North American leading money earner Arrogate (\$17.4-million) and fellow champions Will Take Charge, Forever Unbridled, Midshipman and Embur's Song. Unbridled's Song, who was the leading sire in North America in 2017, has several sons that were top-class racehorses who are also making their mark in the breeding shed. In addition to Midshipman, among his other successful sons are Liam's Map, Graydar, First Defence, Old Fashioned and Songandaplayer.

Unraced at two, Outlash won a seven-furlong maiden special weight race at Gulfstream Park in his first start as a three-year-old in a field of 12 for owner Repole Stable and trainer Todd Pletcher as the \$1.70-to-one favorite. Sent to Keeneland for his next outing, Outlash finished second by a neck to future Canadian champion and \$3.8-million earner Shaman Ghost in a 1 1/16-mile allowance. After an unsuccessful finish in Pimlico's Sir Barton Stakes in his next start, Outlash was turned out for the summer and fall. He returned to Gulfstream Park in December and offered a second and then a win in allowance company. His E Speed rating for the latter race was 107.

After a fifth place finish in the Challenger Stakes at Tampa Bay Downs, the final win of his 12-race career came in a mile claimer at Belmont Park, which he won by 7 1/2 lengths.

Outlash's last race came at Keeneland. He retired with a 3-3-0 record and earnings of \$96,434 after a knee injury ended his racing career.

Outlash is one of six winners from seven named foals out of the unraced Touch Gold mare Lady's Touch. Her most successful runner is For Greater Glory, a gelding by Afleet Alex who won seven races, placed in five stakes – three graded – and earned \$408,046.

Lady's Touch is a half-sister to Grade 1 Ashland Stakes winner Well Chosen (\$501,330), Grade 3 Cherry Hill Mile Stakes winner In Contention (\$340,824), English Group 2-placed Oude and \$89,430 stakes-placed Fine and Dandy.

Outlash's third dam, Mine Only, by Mr. Prospector, produced three graded stakes winners: Statuette, Academy Award and Good Mood.

This is also the female line of graded stakes winners Telling (G1), Leofric (G1) and Multiple Choice (G3).

The handsome gray/roan originally entered stud in 2017 at K Bar K in Strasburg, Colorado.

Also unraced at two, Jess Mo began his racing career at Ellis Park in two of his three starts at three. His win came later that year in a 5 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race

at Golden Gate Fields. He was retired with \$21,387 earnings after six starts.

Jess Mo is a son of 2010 Eclipse champion two-year-old male Uncle Mo, who in 2020 alone, sired 14 graded stakes winners. Uncle Mo, one of six champions out of 83 stakes winners sired by Santa Anita Derby (G1) victor Indian Charlie, was the leading first crop sire in 2015. From that crop came juvenile champion and 2016 Kentucky Derby (G1) winner Nyquist, who was the 2020 leading North American freshman sire. Uncle Mo had two other top five finishers on last year's freshman sire list: Jim Dandy Stakes (G2) victor Laoban in second and Wood Memorial Stakes (G1) winner Outwork in fourth.

Through October 31, 2021, Uncle Mo has sired 40 graded stakes winners among his 75 black-type winners and the earners of over \$74-million from his first six crops when both Northern and Southern Hemisphere crops are combined.

The nearly 17-hand Jess Mo is one of eight named foals of racing age, six starters and five winners out of Grade 2-placed Solar Miss. The 2005 daughter of Malibu Moon ran second in the Audrey Skirball-Kenis Stakes at Hollywood Park at three and was third in the Grade 2 San Gorgonio Handicap at four. She retired after nine starts with a 3-3-2 record, \$166,682 in earnings and a 6.37 SSI.

Solar Miss is also the dam of stakes-placed Solar Heat (\$52,353) and \$178,091 earner Solar Tex. Solar Miss produced fillies by Will Take Charge (2019, Miss Barrymore), Mr. Big (2020, Miss Indy Moon) and Sir Prancealot (Ire) (2021).

Solar Miss is one of ten named foals, but only five starters for the stakes-winning Mishill, who is also the dam of 2006 Mexican stakes winner First, by Saint Ballado.

Owned and trained by Eric S. Jensen – who also bred and raced Jess Mo – Mishill was a two-time Portland Meadows stakes winner at two. At three, she graduated to Emerald Downs where she won five stakes, ran second in another and was named top three-year-old filly of the meet. The daughter of Cahill Road – a stallion who would be the number one sire in Washington in 2000 – had a 7-1-0 record from her 11 starts, earnings of \$105,145 and a 4.49 SSI.

Mishill was one of five winners out of 14-race winner and \$119,715 earner Missy Allen, a daughter of Northern Supremo who was a half-sister to stakes-placed Troys Friend.

Both stallions will stand in 2022 for \$1,500 live foal. The booking fee for Outlast is \$200 and he is being offered with special consideration to stakes winners and/or stakes-producing mares. The booking fee for Jess Mo is \$250.

### Raging Tiger to Oakhurst Thoroughbreds

Oakhurst Thoroughbreds has announced the addition of the well-bred Raging Tiger to



their stallion roster at their Newberg, Oregon, farm for the 2022 breeding season.

The six-year-old son of champion runner (six-time G1 winner in France, England and Ireland) and three-time champion sire Giant's Causeway is out of the stakes-winning Cahill Road mare Shandra Smiles, better known as the dam of Eclipse champion juvenile filly She's a Tiger and three-time Grade 1 winner and top West Coast sire Smiling Tiger. Shandra Smiles is also the dam of \$300,860 stakes winner Smiling Causeway, a full sister to Raging Tiger. All three of Shandra Smiles' stakes winners were sired by sons of champion sire Storm Cat. So far Shandra Smiles, who won the 2001 Federal Way Handicap at Emerald Downs, has produced the winners of 30 races and over \$2.7-million. Now 23 years old, Shandra Smiles produced a filly by Nyquist in 2021. Shandra Smiles was raced by Oregon's Dr. Rodney Orr, who has also bred all her foals.

Raging Tiger started five times, all in Southern California maiden special weight races. He placed twice and earned \$21,705. In his final start, at Santa Anita, he lost a 6 1/2-furlong turf event by a head. The *Daily Racing Form* chart stated: "Raging Tiger had good early speed and dueled inside. . . inched away in midstretch and held on well but was caught at the wire." He was trained by Mark Glatt and Jeff Bonde.

According to former trainer Ben Root, who manages Oakhurst Thoroughbreds for his parents Dr. Jack and Margaret "Cookie" Root, Raging Tiger "is a 16.2-hand hunk, has personality deluxe and is a chrome all-over Thoroughbred stallion."

His 2022 stud fee is \$1,000 live foal, with a \$300 booking fee and balance due when the foal stands and nurses. Multiple mare discounts will apply.

Oakhurst is planning to have a late fall or winter meet-n-greet event to introduce the new stallion. For more information, e-mail office@oakhurstequine.com to be put on their mailing list.

### Farm Bulletin . . .

Warlock Stable's former Washington stallion **Pontiff**, an 11-year-old son of Giant's Causeway, has been moved to Daehling Ranch in California for the 2022 breeding season where he will stand for a \$2,500 fee. His first foals are two-year-olds of 2021...Among the 11 young people selected for the 24-week 2021 Fall Kentucky Equine Management Internship program (KEMI) is **Catherine Szabo**, who will be working at Crestwood Farm. Originally from Redmond, Washington, Szabo studied animal sciences with an equine business emphasis and a minor in Japanese studies at Oregon State University. While there she was a member of the eventing, hunter/jumper and dressage teams and thereby exposed to Thoroughbreds. To date, KEMI has provided internship opportunities to nearly 1,000

interns from all 50 states and 16 additional countries...2006 leading Washington sire **You and I** was among the horses pictured in Alexandra Kokka's article "The Cost of Aftercare" in the October 2021 *BloodHorse*. Now 30, the son of Kris S. has spent his last ten years being well-cared for at Old Friends Thoroughbred retirement home outside of Georgetown, Kentucky...Leinster, a graded stakes-winning half-brother to El Dorado Farms stallion **Coast Guard** and turf sprint champion Stormy Liberal, has been retired to stud to Pleasant Acres Farm, Florida, where he will stand the 2022 breeding season for \$5,000. The son of Majestic Venture earned \$794,971 and set sprint turf records at both Keeneland and Saratoga...Galilean, a \$592,522 stakes winner and California champion bred by Pam and Neal Christopherson's **Bar C Racing Stables**, has been retired to stud at Hidden Lake Farm, New York. The son of Uncle Mo will stand the 2022 breeding season for a \$7,000 fee.

## At the Sales

### CTBA Northern California Sale 2021 Results

The California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) held their annual yearling and horses of racing age sale on August 10 at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. A total of 140 horses were cataloged, 138 yearlings and two horses of racing age. Of those, 92 yearlings sold for a \$917,900 gross (compared to \$505,200 when 69 yearlings sold in last year's venue). The sale average was \$9,977, which was 40 percent higher than the 2020 average of \$7,217. The median doubled from \$3,000 to \$6,000.

Topping the venue for \$45,000 was a filly sired by freshman sire Stanford—Jeannie's Genie, by Broken Vow, consigned by Easterbrook Livestock Management, agent, and purchased by Robert Jones, who was the leading buyer at the sale.

The highest-selling colt was sired by Vronsky and purchased by GCCI for \$36,000. Consigned by Hanson's River Ranch, he is out of an unraced daughter of \$213,675 stakes winner and former WTBOA Sale yearling Just Lookn.

Emerald Downs' trainer Jeff Metz signed for three yearlings: colts by Dads Caps and Ransom the Moon and a filly by Smoken.

Sharon Pasko sold a Vronsky filly out of \$108,592 earner Lit de Bet for \$9,500. This is the family of Washington horse of the year and G1 stakes winner Delicate Vine and additional G1 winner Georgie Boy.

A filly by Stay Thirsty from the family of 2021 Emerald Downs stakes winner Blazingbellablue, sold for \$17,000.

A colt by Stay Thirsty out of Jill Heerensperger-bred \$219,166 stakes winner Pebble Beach Baby sold for \$13,000. This is also the family of G2 stakes winner The Niagara Queen, G3 stakes winner Casual

Lies, 2021 Emerald Downs champion juvenile filly Koron, and her Emerald Downs stakes-winning dam Cascade Corona and G2-placed Yacht Spotter.

### Keeneland 2021 September Yearling Sale

Keeneland held their 78th annual September yearling sale over 11 sessions from September 13-24.

The auction featured a new format. During Week 1, 1,099 yearlings were cataloged with the debut of an RNA Reoffer at the conclusion of Book 1 as an added opportunity for buyers and sellers.

A total of 4,032 yearlings were cataloged with 3,299 going through the sales ring for a \$352,823,000 gross, \$132,045 average (up 29.91 percent from 2020), \$65,000 median (up 75.68 percent), while the percentage of RNAs fell from 29.29 percent last year to 19.01 percent for the 2021 sale.

While the amount given for the saletopper fell from \$2-million to \$1.7-million, the number of yearlings selling for \$800,000 or more rose by nine horses to 36. It marked the sixth highest gross in Keeneland September sale history.

This year's saletopper was a colt from the first crop of Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes (G1) winner City of Light. A half-brother to \$266,751 Grade 3-placed Chip Leader, their dam, Anchorage, by Tapit, had placed in two stakes at Aqueduct.

### Among the Cataloged

Though not hitting the million-dollar mark like the top 11 yearlings, Pam and Neal Christopherson's full sister (both by Uncle Mo) to California champion Galilean was sold to Courtlandt Farm on a \$700,000 bid.

Other yearlings selling well with a connection to the Pacific Northwest include the Uncle Mo filly out of Autumn Miss Stakes (G3) and Washington Oaks winner Belle Hill, her second foal, which was sold for \$300,000.

An Empire Maker filly out of Mark Dedomenico-raced Grade 2 stakes winner Washington Bridge, who had already produced UAE Oaks (G3) winner Mnasek, sold for \$100,000. Washington Bridge's stakes-winning and multiple stakes-producing dam Stirling Bridge went through the 1996 WTBOA Summer Sale as a member of Dr. Duane and Sue Hopp's consignment.

A Tapit colt out of Gibson Thoroughbred Farm stallion Linchpin (and Quality Road's) full sister Avila Road sold for \$250,000, while their stakes-producing half-sister Kobla Cat's Flatter filly sold for \$80,000.

Former Northwest Farms' broodmare Exogenetic (dam of Emerald Downs champion Elusive Horizon and Grade 3 winner and now sire Super Ninety Nine) had a yearling from the first crop of champion West Coast bring \$125,000. Her daughter Quality Way's Into Mischief filly sold for \$700,000, while another daughter, Baby Rags, had her Klimt colt go for \$57,000.

The first foal, a colt by Lord Nelson, out of Washington champion Invested Prospect, sold for \$90,000.

A colt by Speightstown out of Dave Mowat's former Grade 1 winner Sunset Glow sold for \$275,000.

Todd and Shawn Hansen sold their homebred Violence colt, out of stakes winner Fast Resource, for \$60,000, but brought home their American Pharoah colt when he went unsold at \$145,000.

Three yearlings tracing back to Washington champion juvenile filly Candles n Moonlite, through her daughter High On Believen, were sold. A Speightstown colt, the first foal out of High On Believen's \$356,014 stakes-winning daughter Trini Brewnette (one of two multiple stakes winners out of Canadian champion Dancing Allstar) sold for \$225,000. A Ghostzapper filly out of Dancing Allstar brought \$70,000 and a Practical Joke filly, the first foal out of High On Believen's \$216,163 stakes-placed granddaughter Native Princess, also changed hands.

A Goldencents colt out of a half-sister to 2020 Washington horse of the year Bodenheimer and \$256,387 stakes winner King of Speed was sold.

Also noted as selling were: a Fast Anna colt out of a daughter of 2001 Washington champion Graceful Cat; a Creative Cause filly out of Washington broodmare of the year Takeaway's Grade 2-winning granddaughter High Dollar Woman; and a Distorted Humor colt whose granddam is a half-sister to Grade 1 winner Sutra and 2016 Angie C. Stakes winner Karula, whose daughter Akasi ran second in the 2021 edition of the Emerald Downs stakes.

2018 Washington Oaks winner Princessof Nyl's Uncle Mo filly was a \$120,000 RNA.

### The Buyers

Bob Cappelletti (who discovered 2021 Gottstein Futurity winner Midnight Mojo at last year's Keeneland sale for Dr. George Todaro) signed for three: a filly by The Factor, the first foal out of a winning daughter of Adirondack Stakes (G2) winner Worstcasescenario; a colt by The Factor out of stakes winner and Grade 2-placed La Grange, who is already the dam of a \$100,000 stakes-placed runner; and a colt by Alternation, the second foal out of a winning daughter of stakes winner and stakes producer Winning Season.

California-based trainer Mark Glatt signed for four yearlings: a colt by Arrogate, the first foal out of a Grade 2-placed mare, for \$230,000; a \$105,000 colt by Ghostzapper out of a winning half-sister to three stakes winners; an \$85,000 Runhappy filly out of stakes-placed mare who has already produced \$324,089 Grade 3-placed Grumps Little Tots; and an Empire Maker filly out of a half-sister to stakes winner and Grade 1-placed Casino Host.

Midwest-based trainer Valorie Lund – who trains 2020 Washington horse of the year Bodenheimer – purchased a Runhappy filly out of stakes winner and stakes producer Selva for \$52,000.

Emerald Downs and Golden Gate Fields trainer Tim McCanna signed for three colts: a Liam's Map half-brother to Grade 3 winner No Problem; a son of Frosted from the family of European highweight Johannesburg and multiple graded stakes winner Stanford; and a son of Fast Anna from the family of Grade 1-winning fillies Star Billing, Stellar Jayne and Starrer.

Trainer Jeffrey Metz purchased a filly by Hard Spun, the first foal out of \$72,627 winner That's Smart.

David Mowat, through agent Ben McElroy, purchased a Munnings filly for \$400,000. The granddaughter of stakes winner and multiple stakes producer Bonita Meadow was said to remind Mowat strongly of his Grade 1-winning and Group 2-placed Kimari, also a daughter of Munnings.

Glen Todd's North American Thoroughbred Horse Company purchased five yearlings, led by the \$230,000 spent for a Street Sense filly out of a winning half-sister to four stakes winners. The others were fillies by Cross Traffic and Lord Nelson; and colts by Fast Anna and Animal Kingdom, the latter an offspring of Grade 2 winner Summer Wind Dancer.

Darrin Paul bought a daughter of freshman sire Mohaymen out of the English import Millenia.

Chris Randall signed for four colts and two fillies. The colts were sired by Tapwrit (out of stakes winner Wicked Mizz); Tamarkuz and two by Lea. The fillies are by Mshawish, out of a half-sister to \$1.2-million, Grade 1 winner The Cliff's Edge; and from the first crop of champion Accelerate, out of a winning half-sister to G3 winner and Grade 1-placed Suddenbreakingnews.

### 2021 CTHS (British Columbia Division) Yearling and Mixed Sale

The annual CTHS (British Columbia Division) Yearling and Mixed Sale was held September 14 at the Thunderbird Show Park in Langley, BC. The sale featured 87 yearlings and one two-year-old filly.

The saletopper was a Kentucky-bred gelding by Tapiture out of the winning Monarchos mare Silver Splendor. Consigned by Glen Todd's North American Thoroughbred Horse Company (NATHC), the gelding was purchased by Gary Johnson for \$49,000.

North American Thoroughbred Horse Company was the leading consignor with three yearlings selling for a \$106,000 total. That figure would have been quite higher, but NATHC bought back a BC-bred filly by MacLean's Music—Alliteration for \$59,900 and a Louisiana-bred Laoban—Pass Partout filly for \$49,900.

Three additional yearlings sold for \$40,000 or more, with another seven at the \$30,000 or better level: a Kentucky-bred colt by Tonalist—Design for Life, was a \$45,000 purchase by NATHC; a yearling BC-bred filly by Mucho Macho Man—Amazing Storm was purchased by NATHC for \$42,000; and a BC-bred colt by Bakken—Omi was sold to Tod Mtn. Thoroughbreds for \$40,000.

The leading buyers were the partnership of James Redekop and Tod Mtn. Thoroughbreds, which purchased six yearlings for a \$106,000 total and a \$17,666 average. Tod Mtn. Thoroughbreds also purchased two yearlings under their own banner.

The lone two-year-old, a BC-bred filly by Bakken—Drop of Gold, sold for \$10,000.

After four yearlings were withdrawn, 74 yearlings were sold for a \$1,191,000 gross (up 84.94 percent), \$15,959 average (up 19.96 percent) and a \$13,000 median (up four percent). This year's sale had eight RNAs (9.6 percent).

In comparison, the 2020 sale saw 77 yearlings sold for a \$638,600 gross, \$13,304 average and a \$12,500 median, with only three RNAs (4.1 percent).

This year the \$1,500 British Columbia buyer's bonus was modified to include not only British Columbia-bred sale horses, but also those bred out of the province. The bonus can only be earned if the buyer is a BC resident and the horse races at Hastings Racecourse for the entire 2022 season. The BC-raced owners' bonus, which is currently 35 percent, will go up to 50 percent for sale eligible two-year-olds at Hastings next year.

All money figures listed above are in Canadian dollars. The exchange rate on September 16 was one Canadian dollar equates to 76 cents US.

### 2021 Fasig-Tipton California Fall Yearlings and Horses of All Ages Sale

Fasig-Tipton's 2021 California Fall Yearling Sale was held on September 28 at Fairplex in Pomona. It marked the Kentucky-based sales company's third foray into the recent California market, which included the addition of three weanlings and 16 broodmare/broodmare prospects to the sale's 248 yearlings.

After the post-sale sales of 13 additional yearlings, 177 yearlings were sold for a \$6,933,550 gross, a \$39,173 average and \$20,000 median. The buy-back rate was 24 percent. In 2020, the 166 head sold for \$3,735,700, a \$22,504 average and \$10,000 median with a 35.2 percent buy-back rate.

Topping the sale for \$350,000 was a filly by American Pharoah out of an A. P. Indy half-sister to champion Banshee Breeze, stakes winner Unbridled Wind and two stakes-placed winners. Consigned by Lovacres Ranch, agent, she was purchased by Beckerle and Grey.



## News from The Jockey Club

### The Jockey Club Releases 2020 Breeding Statistics

On October 8, The Jockey Club reported that 1,447 stallions covered 29,699 mares in North America during 2020, according to statistics compiled through October 4, 2021. These breedings have resulted in 19,021 Live Foal Reports of 2021 being reported to The Jockey Club.

The Jockey Club estimates that the number of live foals reported so far is 85-90 percent complete. The reporting of live foals of 2021 is down 3.3 percent from last year at this time when The Jockey Club had received reports for 19,677 live foals of 2020.

In addition to the live foals reported, The Jockey Club also received 2,195 No Foal Reports for the 2021 foaling season. Ultimately, the 2021 registered foal crop is projected to reach 19,200.

The number of stallions declined 6.8 percent from the 1,552 reported for the 2019 breeding season at this time last year, while the number of mares bred declined 4.8 percent from the 31,198 reported.

The 2020 breeding statistics are available alphabetically by stallion name through the Resources – Fact Book link on The Jockey Club homepage at [jockeyclub.com](http://jockeyclub.com).

Kentucky annually leads all states and provinces in terms of Thoroughbred breeding activity. Kentucky-based stallions accounted for 55.5 percent of the mares reported bred in North America in 2020 and 60.6 percent of the live foals reported so far for 2021.

The 16,485 mares reported bred to 212 Kentucky stallions in 2020 have produced 11,535 live foals, a 2.7 percent decrease from the 11,851 Kentucky-sired live foals of 2020 reported at this time last year. The number of mares reported bred to Kentucky stallions in 2020 decreased 4.4 percent compared to the 17,240 reported for 2019 at this time last year.

Among the ten states and provinces with the most mares covered in 2020, three produced more live foals in 2021 than in 2020 as reported at this time last year: Maryland, Ontario and New Mexico.

The statistics include 243 progeny of stallions standing in North America, but foaled abroad, as reported by foreign stud book authorities at the time of publication.

The report also includes 64 mares bred to 23 stallions in North America on Southern Hemisphere time; the majority of these mares have not foaled.

### The Jockey Club Releases 2021 Report of Mares Bred Statistics

On October 25, The Jockey Club released Report of Mares Bred (RMB) statistics for the 2021 breeding season. Based on RMBs received through October

### After the Hammer . . .

A yearling half-brother – sired by first-crop sire Mor Spirit – to 2020 Washington horse of the year and \$194,076 stakes winner **Bodenheimer** and \$256,395 stakes winner King of Speed brought a final bid of \$230,000 at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky October Yearling Sale. All three are offspring of the stakes-winning A. P. Indy mare Beautiful Daniele.

## General

### 2021 AHP Equine Industry Survey Results Demonstrate Stability Based on the Number of Horses Owned/Managed

Despite the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the equine industry is stable based on the number of horses owned/managed, according to the results of the 2021 American Horse Publications (AHP) survey, sponsored by Zoetis. The survey, which included responses from 7,267 horse owners/managers, found that the top three issues facing the industry are: land use issues, horses in transition or at risk and the increased cost of horsekeeping. And while vaccination rates are stable, survey respondents indicated they are following updated deworming recommendations and adjusting their frequency is needed.

“The results from the 2021 AHP Equine Industry Survey reveal overall stability in the US equine industry in spite of unique challenges posed by COVID-19,” said Jill Stowe, PhD professor of agricultural economics at the University of Kentucky, who analyzed the data and consulted on the results. “Based on respondents’ input on management and issues facing the industry, our leaders have helpful information to guide strategic planning and decision-making for the long-term benefit of the industry.”

To see the full release, go to: AHP Equine Industry Survey Demonstrates Stability Based on the Number of Horses Owned/Managed – American Horse Publications ([americanhorsepubs.org](http://americanhorsepubs.org)).

### Over the Stable Gate . . .

North American Thoroughbred Horse Company’s **Miss Prospector** (Harbor the Gold—Clever Bird, by Awesome Again), Washington’s 2020 champion 3-year-old filly, also gained honors as British Columbia champion 3-year-old filly (open division) at the Hastings Racecourse awards presentation held on July 26. Miss Prospector was bred by Bret Christopherson and is trained by Glen Todd, who was named co-trainer of the year for 2020. Todd’s North American Thoroughbred Horse Company was honored as owner of the year... **Ed Moger Jr.**, who started his training career in Washington, but has been based in California since 1990, was the subject of a “CTBA Member Profile” in the October 2021 *California Thoroughbred*.

A total of 17 horses brought a bid of \$100,000 or more. The second-highest bid of the day came from trainer Brian Koriner, who bid \$300,000 on behalf of Samantha Siegel’s Jay Em Ess Stable for a Practical Joke half-sister to Grade 3-placed \$447,665 earner Arch Cat, who was offered by Barton Thoroughbreds, agent.

Pam and Neal Christopherson’s Bar C Racing Stables consigned two yearlings. The Stanford filly that the mare Joyce and Me was carrying when the Hermiston couple purchased her for \$1,000 at the 2020 CTBA January Mixed Sale was sold to Slugo Racing for \$100,000. Perry Martin went to \$20,000 to buy them out of their partnership on a California Chrome half-sister to Grade 2-placed Delicate Lady.

Stormy Hull’s Critter Creek Farm consigned six for the Reardan-based farm and one for the partnership of Ken W. Miles and Sherman Jones. That colt, a son of Grazen out of the good producer Athina Lee, sold for \$160,000. After one out, Hull sold a Stanford filly out of \$289,325 earner Nine Point Nine (who he also bred) for \$33,000. His Ministers Wild Cat colt out of the \$119,188 stakes-placed Distorted Humor mare Knockout Bertie, was a \$25,000 sale. A Mr. Big half-brother to California champion California Diamond was one of four yearlings purchased by trainer Tim McCanna, who paid \$10,000 for the colt. Critter Creek also sold a Dynamic Impact filly out of Barbara Shinpoch Stakes winner Sweet Saga for \$9,000, but took home a Rousing Sermon colt.

Warlock Stables consigned two yearling fillies through Havens Bloodstock Agency. McCanna signed for a daughter of California Chrome out of Emerald Downs stakes winner Seattles Best Copy (a half-sister to Washington champions Baja Sur and Castinette Dancer) for \$6,500. The other filly, by Pontiff and the first foal out of a winning daughter of Washington two-year-old filly champion Knight Raider, was an \$11,000 no sale.

McCanna also had two \$15,000 purchases: a filly by Anthony’s Cross and a colt by Klimt.

Portland resident Eric Jensen purchased a filly by Goldcents for \$10,000.

Trainer Jeff Metz bought a colt by Jersey Town and fellow trainer Mark Glatt, as agent, signed for a colt by Cloud Counting for \$42,000.

2012 Washington three-year-old filly champion Quizzical’s Danzing Candy colt sold for \$8,000. Quizzical is a daughter of Washington champion Mahaska.

A colt by Curlin to Mischieff out of stakes-placed Sunpenny, a half-sister to the dam of 2021 champion Emerald Downs juvenile filly Koron, was an RNA.

## TRPB: More Than 35,000 Horses Now Have Digital Tattoos; Digital Identifier App Plays Key Role on Race Day

Less than three years after announcing a transition from the legacy lip tattoo system to a more efficient and accurate horse identification method, the Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau (TRPB) announced on October 21, 2021, that over 35,000 Thoroughbreds have now been digitally tattooed.

The digital tattoo is an electronic authentication confirming the identity of a horse by a trained TRPB technician.

“Every racing two-year-old, every three-year-old and a significant share of four-year-olds have digital tattoos and by the end of 2021, we estimate that 75 percent of Thoroughbreds will enter the racetrack paddock with a digital tattoo,” said J. Curtis Linnell, executive vice president, TRPB. “We have 56 TRPB Technicians under contract throughout the United States and Canada and even with the COVID-19 pandemic, they have been able to inspect, document and authenticate the identity of Thoroughbreds before their first lifetime start.”

The digital tattoo process begins when the technician scans the horse’s microchip and if correctly reported, the microchip number hyperlinks to The Jockey Club electronic registration information viewed on a tablet.

Using the foal pictures as a reference, each markings description is compared to the horse’s physical markings. After the markings, color and sex of the horse are verified, the technician documents the horse by taking 12-14 digital photos. These pictures are uploaded to The Jockey Club’s Registry database thus becoming part of the horse’s digital record.

The TRPB technician then affixes a TRPB logo on the electronic certificate of registration. This seal indicates that the TRPB has verified the identity of the horse and certified that the Thoroughbred is digitally tattooed in the breed registry’s database.

“The new system has been well received, not only by horsemen, but also by racing office personnel and regulatory officials,” Linnell said. “We were thrilled to see that this year’s 14-race Travers Day card at Saratoga Race Course featured every horse on the card, with one lone exception, sporting a digital tattoo.”

Even with the success and widespread adoption of the new system to date, the TRPB is striving for improvement in two areas: increased awareness and deployment of the InCompass Solutions Digital Identifier mobile app for race day horse identification; and broader utilization by the entire horse racing industry of digital tattoo information.

The accuracy of the identification process starts with the breeder reporting the microchip number as part of the foal’s registration. “We can’t overemphasize the importance of getting the microchip reported correctly,” said TRPB’s manager of technician operations, Teena Appleby. “This is the only way our technician can start the process of authenticating the horse’s identify. A microchip sitting in a desk drawer isn’t helping anyone.

“The use of the digital identifier mobile app is the only way to identify horses on race day,” Appleby added.

With a username and password provided by InCompass, horse identifiers, race office personnel, barn area security and other racetrack officials may automatically access the digital tattoo file that includes the photo of the horse’s face, photos of every marking, the name of the horse, the



horse’s color and the certificate of foal registration from The Jockey Club.

“These individuals now have immediate access to the horse’s picture ID, which is akin to a passport or driver’s license and with more identification tools than they’ve ever had available previously,” Linnell said. “A Thoroughbred should never have to be scratched from a race because of an identification issue, or have an incorrect horse be permitted to start in a race.”

TRPB Agent Rachael Mant, based at TRPB Headquarters in Maryland, makes a weekly visit to the Fair Hill Training Center to digitally tattoo Thoroughbreds. Trainers there have embraced the new system.

“This system has been working out great,” said Mike Trombetta. “The days of lip tattoos are in the rear-view mirror.”

Trainer Keri Brion believes “the digital ID system is way better because you can always see them. It’s much easier and I much prefer it.”

Trainer Arnaud Delacour said, “Tattoos in older horses can be very hard to read and it’s a big plus if we don’t have to flip the lip before a race.”

Trainer Graham Motion says he wishes the digital tattoo system had been adopted ten years ago.

“This system is much more up to date. It’s a clearer version of identifying horses and keeping tabs on them. It’s much more organized and much easier.”

Lori Wydick, paddock horse identifier for two Ohio race tracks, said, “I prefer to see the horse’s identifiable markings in the photos of the horses in the digital identifier program. The program has current photos from their digital tattoos as well as the registration photos of the horses. Photos are undeniable forms of identification. Photos of cowlicks, night eyes and any other identifiable marking is invaluable.

The TRPB is an investigative agency formed in 1946 by the Thoroughbred Racing Associations of North America to protect the integrity of the sport. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Teena Appleby, technician operations manager at (410) 398-2261 x300 or via e-mail at [Tattoo@trpb.com](mailto:Tattoo@trpb.com). ■



18, The Jockey Club reports that 1,016 stallions covered 27,829 mares in North America during 2021.

The Jockey Club estimates an additional 2,500 to 3,500 mares will be reported as bred during the 2021 breeding season.

RMB statistics for all reported stallions in 2021 are available through the Fact Book section of The Jockey Club's website at [jockeyclub.com](http://jockeyclub.com).

Kentucky traditionally leads North America in Thoroughbred breeding activity. During 2021, Kentucky's 200 reported stallions covered 16,727 mares, or 60.1 percent of all of the mares reported bred in North America. The number of mares bred to Kentucky stallions increased two percent compared with the 16,391 reported at this time last year.

Of the top ten states and provinces by number of mares reported bred in 2021, stallions in Kentucky, California (up 4.4 percent to 1,843 mares covered), Ontario and Indiana covered more mares in 2021 than in 2020, as reported at this time last year.

In addition, Report of Mares Bred information on stallions that bred mares in North America is available through report 36P or a subscription service at [equineline.com/ReportOfMaresBred](http://equineline.com/ReportOfMaresBred).

### **The Jockey Club Projects 2022 Foal Crop of 18,700**

The Jockey Club is projecting a North American registered Thoroughbred foal crop of 18,700 in 2022. This represents 500 fewer foals than the 2021 foal crop estimate of 19,200.

The foal crop projection is computed by using Reports of Mares Bred (RMBs) received to date for the 2021 breeding season. RMBs are to be filed by August 1 of each breeding season.

Additional foal crop information is available in The Jockey Club's online fact book at [jockeyclub.com/factbook.asp](http://jockeyclub.com/factbook.asp) and in the online state fact books.

### **Round Table Transcripts and Video Replay Now Available on Jockeyclub.com**

Official transcripts and a video replay from the 69th annual Round Table Conference on Matters Pertaining to Racing held on August 15 are available at [jockeyclub.com](http://jockeyclub.com).

The conference featured presentations by Charles Scheeler, chair of the Horsereading Integrity and Safety Authority board of directors and Dr. Tessa Muir, director of Equine Science for the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), who talked about the work ahead for the authority and USADA's role in setting up an anti-doping program.

Emily Lyman, founder and chief executive officer of Branch & Bramble, a digital marketing agency retained by America's Best Racing, discussed how tracking public sentiment through "social

listening" should be used when developing marketing strategies for horse racing.

Will Duff Gordon, the chief executive officer of Total Performance Data (TPD), spoke alongside Will Bradley, director and founder of Gmax Technology Ltd., about how TPD and Gmax have collaborated to create timing systems for horse races and how they are working with Equibase to determine how the tracking data can supplement and enhance the information that Equibase provides.

Dr. Yuval Neria, professor of medical psychology at Columbia University and director of the PTSD Research Center, was joined by Dr. Prudence Fisher, associate professor of clinical psychiatric social work at Columbia University, to talk about the Man O' War Project, which is the first university-led research study to examine the effectiveness of equine-assisted therapy in treating veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Kristin Werner, senior counsel for The Jockey Club and administrator of The Jockey Club's Thoroughbred Incentive Program, moderated an aftercare panel.

David O'Rourke, the president and chief executive officer of the New York Racing Association, provided an update on that organization's efforts to promote safety, integrity and the sport of racing.

James L. Gagliano, president and chief operating officer of The Jockey Club, delivered a report on the activities of The Jockey Club.

## **In Memoriam**

### **Douglas Marvin Brammer**

Douglas Brammer, 76, passed away July 24, 2021, in Okanogan. He was born April 11, 1945, in Spokane, the third of four children born to Kenneth M. and Lorene (Hanson) Brammer.

Douglas grew up on Greenbluff and enjoyed hunting, fishing and horseback riding. He also competed in gymkhanas and did trick riding.

He graduated from Mead High School.

Douglas trained as a medic in the Reserves and later worked for Kaiser Aluminum.

He briefly rode on the rodeo circuit, competing in bull and bronc riding and calf and team roping. Alongside his father, Douglas was a member of the Spokane Sheriff's Posse. He trained Quarter Horses at Coeur d'Alene Racetrack and Thoroughbreds at Longacres. He also managed several Thoroughbred farms.

Douglas was a member of the Elks Lodge and loved reading Western and mystery novels.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Marshall and Russell Brammer; and nephew, Michael Brammer. Douglas is survived by his wife, Kathleen; son, Buck;

daughter, Cher; three stepdaughters; sister, Beverly (Doucet) Nelson; nephews, Barry Doucet and Gregory Brammer; and nieces, Camilla Brammer, Mindy Muma and Jessica Brammer.

### **Junior Lee Coffey**

Junior Coffey, 79, passed away August 30, 2021, due to congestive heart failure. Born March 21, 1942, in Kyle, Texas, he grew up with his aunt and uncle near the West Texas town of Dimmitt. As a child, he worked in the fields and he would later comment "I worked pretty hard when I was a kid, in the fields because that's how we survived. We'd work the crops and were able to make the finances meet. We'd have a small acre, maybe an acre and a half, and whatever it produced, that counted as part of our profit for the year, so we had to get really lucky."

He was the first black student at Dimmitt High School, where he was an all-state performer in both football and basketball. In the 1959-60 season, he became the first black athlete ever play in a Texas UIL state basketball tournament. He is enshrined in the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame and Texas Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame.

Junior attended the University of Washington (UW) because UW assistant Chesty Walker had seen Coffey play in Texas and convinced him to come to Seattle. At that time, colleges in the Southwest Conference were not integrated. Junior played under head coach Jim Owens. While serving as a running back for the Huskies, Junior was a three-time all-conference selection and was named Honorable Mention All-American for each of those seasons.

He spent his summers while attending the University of Washington working as an usher at Longacres.

Junior met his future wife Kathy while attending the UW and they were together for over 50 years.

Junior was drafted by the Green Bay Packers in 1965 and played during their 1965 championship season under famed coach Vince Lombardi. He also played professionally for the Atlanta Falcons and New York Giants. His professional football career ended in 1971 due to injuries.

Junior's career as a racehorse trainer spanned 46 years (1973-2018). While Equibase doesn't cover his first three years as a trainer, they give his first recorded winner as Qui Cascade on February 20, 1976, at Portland Meadows. His final win, in his final start, was with Levitation on September 23, 2018, at Emerald Downs.

In 3,820 Equibase-recorded starts, his trainees had a 625-583-510 record with \$5,821,270 in earnings, a 16 percent win figure and were in the top three 45 percent of the time. His highwater mark came in 1991 when his runners earned \$313,952.

Among the top horses he nurtured were two-time (1991 and 1995) Washington champion distaffer Run Away Stevie, 2007

Washington champion filly Firetrail, Belle Roberts Stakes winner Cielator, Emerald Downs Breeders' Cup Derby winner and Longacres Mile (G3) runner-up Raise the Bluff (the latter two for Emerald Downs founder Ron Crockett) and additional stakes winners Ippodamia and Cruisin' Two Su.

Junior loved his horses and used his experience as a former star athlete to keep them in top form and happy.

"Junior Coffey was one of a kind in so many ways," said Crockett. "He was an accomplished athlete, a talented horse trainer, a philosopher, a friend to many and most of all kind-hearted. He was a trailblazer."

Junior leaves his wife, Kathy, the longtime director of customer service at Emerald Downs.

### **Michael Patrick Ervin**

Michael Ervin, 90, passed away August 2, 2021. He was born March 14, 1931, in Minnesota, one of two sons of Bernard and Stella Ervin. Mike moved to Spokane at a young age and graduated from Gonzaga High School.

In June 1952, he married Nedra Mathison and they spent 53 years together raising three sons until her passing in 2005.

Mike proudly worked for the Spokane Fire Department from 1959 until his retirement as captain in 1985.

During his younger years, Mike enjoyed going to Playfair Racetrack where he owned multiple racehorses.

He also enjoyed winters in the Hawaiian Islands and Arizona, playing golf and gardening. Mike loved watching all sports, especially football.

Mike was a member of the Eagles Lodge.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Nedra; brother, Patrick; and sons, Bill and Dan. Mike is survived by his son, Rob; grandchildren, Tricia, Andy, Derek, Christofer, Grayson, Blyss and Kohlton; great-grandchildren, Ellie, Devin, Blaze, Landen, Destyn, Katie and Kayden.

### **Bertie Lou Baze Howry**

Bertie Howry, 94, passed away September 3, 2021. She was born July 15, 1927, in Sunnyside, the fourth of eight children of Charles "Bert" Baze and Mable "Bunt" (James) Baze. Her siblings were Melvin, Alice, Earl, Carl, Joe, Kenny and Ellen. Bertie, who lived in Outlook through high school, attended Outlook Elementary School and graduated from Sunnyside High School in 1945. In high school she participated on the tennis, basketball, softball, tumbling and debate teams.

Bertie married Rex Leo Howry September 12, 1948, in Salem, Oregon, and they raised three children.

Since her family was involved in the Thoroughbred racing industry, Bertie was employed on both the "backside" and

"frontside" at different racetracks. On the backside she worked helping her father and brothers with the horses. She also was an owner and trainer. On the frontside she worked in the concession stands and as a mutuel clerk. Bertie was one of the first women mutuel clerks in California and one of the first women members of Pari-Mutuel Employees Guild of California Local 280.

Rex was also a trainer and they lived in multiple cities, including Portland, Tucson, Phoenix, Omaha and Ruidoso.

In 1968 Bertie and her family moved to San Mateo, California. She began working for the US Postal Service. Bertie's beginning position was as a letter sorting clerk, but she quickly moved up the ranks. She retired from the Post Office in 1993.

Bertie retired from working in pari-mutuels in 1994.

In 2015 Bertie purchased property from Rex's family and relocated to Cheney.

Bertie loved her family, horse racing, reading, dancing, singing and puzzles. She especially enjoyed watching and cheering for her grandchildren playing sports in high school and college. She really disliked seeing spelling and proof-reading errors in newspapers and critiqued them constantly. She extensively traveled the world by herself, including trips to England, Russia and Israel.

Bertie was a supporter for many causes and organizations, including Planned Parenthood, the Public Broadcasting Systems (PBS), Habitat for Humanity and the American Civil Liberties Union.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Rex; brothers, Melvin, Earl, Carl and Kenny; sisters, Alice and Ellen. Bertie is survived by her sons, Melvin (Linda) and Daniel (Glenda); daughter, Susan; grandchildren, Aaron "Rex" (Jenny), Ryan (Paulina), Keenan (Alisa), Racheal (Kevin), Shana, Terra (Adam), Marina and Cole; great-grandchildren, Keenan II, Adian and Alessya; brother, Joe (Beverly); brother-in-law, Ralph Burwell; and sister-in-law, Alice.

### **Karen B. Kirshner**

Karen Kirshner, 83, passed away August 7, 2021. She was born December 5, 1939, to Lt. Col. Paul and Ruth Skinner in Chicago. As a military family, they were transferred regularly and Karen grew up all over the world.

Karen grew up loving horses. She had her first pony ride as a child and was hooked. Her first horse, Danty Fay, came along while she was a teenager living in the Azores Islands.

Karen met her future husband Michael Kirshner in Bremerton in 1967. They were both members of the Mountaineer Players and on the same *Paint Your Wagon* set. They were married July 27, 1968, at the Mountaineer Players' Kitsap Forest Theater.

When Karen and Mike moved to the country in 1977, one of her very first priorities was to fill the new barn with

horses. The couple got into Thoroughbreds that same year. A few years later Mike opened up Kirshner Horse Trailer in Kenmore, because "his wife needed a better horse trailer."

Robbie Baze trained for them for many years and among their best runners were Portland Meadows stakes winner Cash N Dash, Portland Meadows stakes-placed Cat Camille and multiple winner K K's Wonderwoman (who was named to honor both Karen and the mare). Through the years Karen also ran horses in partnership with Baze and the late Tom Allen, among others. From 2003 to 2018, Equibase lists Karen's horses with 57 wins and nearly \$400,000 in earnings.

Both Karen and Mike were ambitious and loved a good project, which had them moving every 18 to 24 months, either upgrading or turning their homes into rental houses.

Karen held an unwavering faith in God which she shared with her children, grandchildren and those around her.

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She was predeceased by her husband, Michael. Karen is survived by her daughters, Corinne Stanton and Kerri Kirshner; son, Mark (Natalie); grandchildren, Chelsea Franson, Dakota Logan, Evan Logan, Isaac Kirshner, Isabella Kirshner, Lily Kirshner and Benjamin Kirshner; and great-grandchild, Michael Albaugh.

### **Gary Dale Owens**

Gary Owens, 83, passed away October 5, 2021. He was born in Spokane July 18, 1938, but his family moved back and forth between Spokane and Woodward, Oklahoma. The family made its final move from Oklahoma after the famous Woodward tornado of 1947.

Gary attended Lindbergh High School (Valleyford), where he was active in football, basketball and baseball. The friendships he made during those years lasted his entire life.

He married his high school sweetheart, Jo Ann Carlson, in 1958 and the couple celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary in August.

While still in high school, Gary did farm work with his family on the Perry place when they were sharecroppers. This land later became the Hangman Valley Golf Course

After high school Gary started working at A&W drive-ins, and eventually became a franchisee. Gary's involvement with A&W increased when he became the president of the National Franchisee Organization. Gary ran the A&W at Expo '74 – the Spokane World's Fair – and his involvement with Riverfront Park continued in later years as the concessionaire for the park. He opened hot dog and popcorn wagons and the Charlie Russell restaurant and gift shop. He bought a train to add as an attraction at the park. He always looked forward to the 4th of July and Good Neighbor Day at the park.



One of Gary's dreams was to buy land in the area where he had gone hunting when he was growing up. That dream came true in 1969 when he bought land on the Palouse Highway and started growing hay and raising cattle.

Shortly thereafter Gary purchased a nearby Thoroughbred farm. He built Owens Farms into a competitive, successful horse breeding, training and racing business where he stood Flag Officer, Maheras, Second Pleasure, Rule the Seas, Northern Supremo and several others from the mid-1970s and throughout the 1980s. Both Flag Officer and Maheras sired Washington champions.

Gary and Jo Ann traveled extensively around the United States, hauling their horses to various horse farms and tracks around the country. He especially loved to visit the farms in Kentucky.

He joined the board of directors of Playfair Race Course and the Washington Horse Breeders Association. For two short stints, he was tapped to come in, reorganize, restructure and manage the operations at Playfair.

In the 1980s, Gary bought the Orange Julius franchise for the Spokane area and opened multiple locations.

He opened the China South restaurant and it was immediately so popular it had to close in order to build a second kitchen only a week after it opened.

During this time, Gary and Jo Ann enjoyed spending time in Palm Springs.

In the late 1980s, Gary was introduced to an Italian breed of cattle called Piedmontese. He would later found the North American Piedmontese Association. Gary had a very progressive and knowledgeable attitude about bloodlines from his years breeding racehorses and he brought that attitude with him when he transitioned back into the cattle industry.

Just prior to the new millennium, Gary started to semi-retire from all his business interests, including selling his herd of cattle. Shortly thereafter, he was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease. After several years of dealing with the effects of Parkinson's, he had deep-brain stimulation (DBS) implant surgery. He became an outspoken and passionate advocate for this surgery. It gave him a new lease on life, and he jumped back into farming. He used embryos to rapidly rebuild a new herd of Piedmontese.

Between all his business interests over 40 years, it is estimated that Gary employed over 10,000 individuals.

In addition to his business and farming interests, Gary loved to hunt and fish. In his later years, Gary started reading voraciously and loved historical non-fiction books. He also loved music his entire life.

He was predeceased by his parents, Vivian and CB Owens; grandson, Jeffrey

Moberg; and sister, Billie Johnson. Gary is survived by his wife, Jo Ann; son, Layne Owens (Alan Talley); daughters, Lori (Joe) Cook and Lynn Owens; grandsons, Justin (Lauren) Owens and Matthew (Sofia) Cook; granddaughter, Laura Cook (Colton Trebe); great-granddaughters, Vivian and Pippa Owens; and his twin brother, Larry (Nancy) Owens.

#### **Larry D. Smith**

Larry Smith, 73, passed away May 30, 2021. Born on December 6, 1947, in Michigan, Larry grew up in Southern California before making his way to the Pacific Northwest in the late 1970s.

Among the horses he trained was 2003 Washington champion two-year-old filly Crystal Mt. Stevie, who was a gate-to-wire winner of that year's Diane Kem Stakes.

Larry worked as an assistant to Ed Walsh during the early 1980s at Longacres. He first appears on the Equibase lists in 1985. Through 2015, he had 130 wins and his runners had earned \$656,052. In addition to Longacres and Emerald Downs, Larry also trained at Portland Meadows. Among his other good winners were Drou In, Regal Sweep and Copelan's Choice.

In addition to training, during the off season Larry was responsible for helping to build the barns at the Nina and Ron Hagen's El Dorado Farms and Julie Scofield's Just a Dream Stable. The latter also bred and raced Crystal Mt. Stevie.

His daughter, Jennifer Smith, who at one time joined him at the track, is now a PhD candidate in history at the University of Washington and is a part-time member of the faculty at Seattle College.

Larry also helped raise Jennifer's two-half-brothers, Marc and Scott McMahon, with their mother Shelley Campanella, to whom he was married for about 16 years.

He leaves behind his daughter, Jennifer; and her three children, Josh, Stephani and Tyler.

#### **Sonja Marrita Sonni Vracko**

Sonja Vracko, 87, passed away May 18, 2021, at her home in Woodinville. She was born in Gottingen, Germany, June 3, 1933, and moved to Seattle in 1958.

Before moving to Seattle, she was a well-known jazz singer and sang for many years around Europe and North Africa. She met her husband Rudolf while singing in Munich.

Sonja lived for the last 53 years at the beautiful View Ridge Farm. She was always busy, as a wife, mother, friend, dressage rider, international dressage judge, designer, painter, potter, gardener, dog trainer and so many other things. She worked tirelessly to build View Ridge Farm, which started as 11 acres of trees, and transformed into a magical place with multiple barns, two dressage riding arenas and pastures. Over the years the farm was home to horses, peacocks, beehives, dogs, cats, turkeys and chickens.

She was preceded in death her husband, Rudolf. Sonja is survived by her children, Peter, Marko and Yura; and grandchildren, Lyvia, Maximus and Hunter.

#### **Ross Stanley Yearout**

Ross Yearout, 78, passed away October 1, 2021. He was born September 27, 1943, to Chris and Margaret Yearout. He spent a good deal of his younger days outdoors in Tensed, Idaho, where many of his happiest memories involved riding horses, hunting deer and elk and spending time at John's Creek.

After relocating to Spokane, Ross attended Willard Elementary through eighth grade and then Shadle Park High School, where he graduated as a member of the first four-year Highlander class in 1961. Ross attended Eastern Washington Teachers College (EWU) and majored in education and history, but after finding out teaching wasn't for him, he worked at Kaiser Mead and later spent 25 years as a systems analyst for IBM.

While cruising around in his '57 Chevy, he fell in love with a carhop at Eddie's SnoCap Drive-In named Carol Jean Schaefer. Ross and Carol were married August 21, 1965, and during their 55-year marriage, they built their own home in northwest Spokane and raised three children.

Ross was a big horse racing fan and worked at Playfair Race Course for over 30 years – first as a ticket cashier and mutuel manager – and eventually serving as general manager with the Lilac City Racing Association. Ross loved the backside of Playfair and began breeding his own horses to race and train, which kept him busy and happy at the same time.

Ross was also a key figure in the development of the Spokane Softball Association during the 1970s, and he played a major role in Spokane becoming a signature city for both adult and youth softball leagues. A longtime softball participant and manager, his 1978 B & E Trophy team finished fourth in the national modified tournament. Ross later went on to coach youth softball and spent hundreds of hours helping younger players perfect the game. His many accomplishments led him to be inducted into the Inland Empire Softball Hall of Fame in 2018.

Ross enjoyed watching many other sports teams, including the Seattle Mariners and Gonzaga Bulldogs basketball. He was also passionate about classic rock music and attended numerous concerts.

The second half of his life was devoted to his grandkids and spending as much time as he could supporting and loving them.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Carol; and sister, Carol Horner. Ross is survived by his sons, Tom (Julie) and Patrick; daughter, Julie (Paul) Kautzman; grandchildren, Laurie, David, Thomas, Erin, Conner and Avery; great grandchildren, Hayden and Bailey; and brother, Forrest. ■

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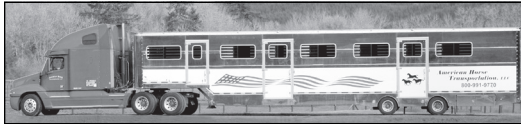


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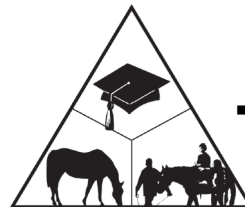
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
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