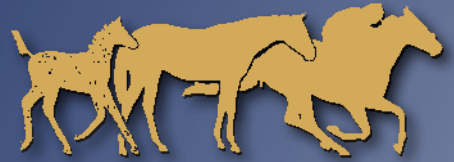


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Wayne Nagai

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**CAMANO COMET**, **IRENE'S BONUS BABY**, **GRACE BAY**  
and Sp **Possible Spider**, **Russian** and **Bullet Drill**  
in the August 20 WTBOA Sale

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2018 WTBOA Sales graduates For You Only and Show Me the Mints became the first juvenile stakes winners of the 2019 racing season when both runners scored maiden-winning victories in the Angie C. and King County Express stakes run at Emerald Downs on July 21. The offspring of now multiple stakes-producing half-sisters, For You Only is a daughter of Abraaj and Show Me the Mints was sired by Coast Guard. *Photos by Palmer Photography.*

# Bar C Racing Stables offers another **GOLDEN CONSIGNMENT**

including Yearlings by Perennial Leading Sire

## **HARBOR THE GOLD**

**Sire of 23 state champions, 3 in 2018,  
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**SIPPIN FIRE**

*Washington Horse of the Year  
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### **Yearlings by HARBOR THE GOLD:**

- 12** Half to Sp **Oh Carole** (\$151,530). Family of Champion **ESCENA** (\$2,962,639), **HUMBEL** (G2), etc.
- 13** Out of Sp **Roar Baby Roar** (\$152,306). Family of **WILD BABE** (\$285,105), **BOOKIES LUCK**, etc.
- 45** Half to G2 Sp **Kenjisstorm** (\$308,846), etc. Family of SW **LUCKY PULPIT** (\$209,928), etc.
- 46** Full to Champions **SIPPIN FIRE**, **DEL RIO HARBOR**, **COULDABENTHEWHISKY**, etc.
- 58** Half to Sp **Brilliant Bird**. Family of G2 SW **STANLEY PARK**, GSW **TRICKY SQUAW**, etc.
- 73** Full to SWs **O B HARBOR**, **CALYPSONOTED**. Family of G1 SW **MAGICAL ALLURE** (\$620,480), etc.
- 92** Out of \$134,043-winning sister to Champion **PANZER BARCELONA (VEN)**, SW **SUCH A RUSH**, etc.

### **Yearlings by SIXTHIRTEEN:**

Sire of 9 stakes horses, including 3 stakes winners, from 24 winners (37.5%)  
Sire of 3 2YO winners in 2018

- 54** Out of SW **CARRABELLE HARBOR**. Half to recent 2YO Santa Anita MSW Pas de Panique (2nd out).
- 64** Family of GSp SW **RUGULA** (\$129,400), SP **Sarah's Song** (\$107,865), etc.
- 100** Family of Champions **RUN AWAY STEVIE** (\$468,267), **POINT OF REFERENCE** (\$328,687), etc.

### **Additional Yearling:**

- 4** By G1 SW & G1 sire **TIZBUD**. Family of SW **VIVA SEC** (\$307,022), Sp **Viva Lad** (\$271,176), etc.



# Northwest Hoof Prints



Cheri Wicklund

## Farm Visits

*Kiana and Briana (right) and Mackenzie (far right) get acquainted with a Thoroughbred filly by Run Away and Hide out of Crowning Camilla at El Dorado Farms.*

*The Muckleshoot equine group (below) assembled for a photo with farm equine personality Axel and handler Andrew.*



### **Muckleshoot Behavioral Health's Equine Program Reaches a New High**

*Story and photos by Kelly Ferguson*

*Reprinted by permission of Muckleshoot Messenger*

**M**uckleshoot Sya-Ya vice president and Blue Barn Youth Work Training Program worker Briana Arvizu recently earned a major equestrian award. She was named Donida Farm Equestrian Center's 2018-19 Series Highpoint Champion. To earn a highpoint championship she competed in a series of horse shows and earned the most points for her age group (13-17).

This year's competition was extremely challenging; she entered the finals show 17 points behind the first place rider. Briana went on to outride the leader by earning 27 points in one show!

"I am overwhelmed by the innate equestrian talent of these kids!" Muckleshoot's equine specialist Kelly Ferguson said, adding that, "Briana has a gift that needs to be cultivated, and that's what I'm here to help with!"

The Muckleshoot Equine Program has created their model based on Medicine Wheel teachings and incorporates many Native American equestrian traditions. They hope to continue to grow their presence in the community through the healing powers of the horse.

The youth on their Ride and Shine team recently had the opportunity to visit El Dorado Farms on the Enumclaw plateau. Owner Nina Hagen shared her knowledge and educated our youth on different facets of the Thoroughbred racing industry.

For more information on the Sya-Ya 4-H Club and Equine Services, contact Kelly Ferguson at Muckleshoot Behavioral Health, Family and Youth Services.

**Emerald Racing Club  
Members Visit  
Blue Ribbon Farm  
and Griffin Place**

*Photos by  
Cheri Wicklund*



*Members of the popular Emerald Racing Club (ERC) recently had the opportunity to visit and learn more about the industry at two prominent Buckley Thoroughbred nurseries.*

*At Rick and Debbie Pabst's Blue Ribbon Farm (top three photos) they had the chance to visit the many mares and foals and see 2018-19 Washington leading sire Atta Boy Roy, handled by Mackenzie Hoge.*

*Mary Lou Griffin (in black coat) met the ERC members at her and husband Terry's nearby Griffin Place (bottom three photos) where she guided them through her immaculate and well-run farm.*



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2011 Champion 3YO **JEBRICA** (\$342,253)



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2018 Champion 2YO Filly  
**MONEY IN THE STARRS** (\$43,602)



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2006 Champion 3YO Filly  
**SHE'S ALL SILK** (\$218,454)



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2017 Champion 2YO  
**ELLIOTT BAY** (\$122,238)



Lou Hodges, Jr.

Far left: 2012  
Champion 2YO  
Filly **FINDING  
MORE**  
(\$180,021)



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Left: 2014  
Champion 3YO  
Filly **FIND  
YOUR SPOT**  
(\$103,570)

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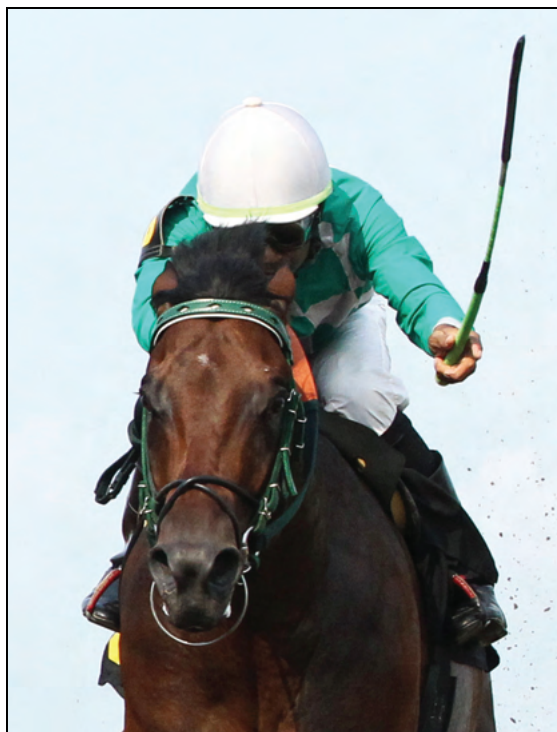


# ATTA BOY ROY

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**2018 Minnesota**  
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**3YO Colt**  
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*Also named 2018  
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Champion 3YO Colt/Gelding  
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Sire also of 2016-17 Champion **RISQUE'S LEGACY**,  
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# 2019 WTBOA August Sale

52nd edition of popular sale  
offers wide variety of sire lines  
among 104 yearling  
and 17 mixed session entries



Wayne Nagai

Mt. Rainier provides a stunning background as unbeaten champion Baja Sur (above) gallops back from a recent stakes victory. A full sister to 2018 Washington horse of the year Sippin Fire (right) is among those cataloged.

Palmer Photography



by Susan van Dyke

Incredible Mount Rainier dominates the scenery for many in Western Washington. The 14,411-foot mountain is the highest in the state and is considered the most topographically prominent mountain in the continental United States.

While it could be seen from the Renton-based Longacres, it can seem to tower

over the Emerald Downs landscape on a sunny, clear day. What a difference ten miles can make.

The beauty of Rainier, the excitement of Emerald Downs racing and the quality of the yearlings and breeding stock entered in the WTBOA Summer Sale annually lead horsemen from all over

the Pacific Northwest and other parts of the country to gather in Auburn for the opportunity to find the next state champion or top runner.

This year the sale will be held on August 20 in the WTBOA Sales Pavilion at Emerald Downs. Horses will be available for inspection starting Sunday morning, August 18.

Once again, the Tuesday horse sale will begin at 2:00 pm with a chance to bid on a trip for two to the 2019 Breeders' Cup World Championships, which will be held at Santa Anita on November 1-2. Proceeds from the sale of this exciting package go to benefit the many programs funded by the Washington Thoroughbred Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. For more information, go to: [thoroughbredfoundation.org/](http://thoroughbredfoundation.org/).

## Best Advertisements – A Host of Champion Runners

Runners produced out the annual WTBOA venue continue to provide the sale's best advertisement.

2018 Washington champion juvenile Baja Sur continues his impressive unbeaten streak as the 2017 sale topper has glided to four wins – three in stakes – by a combined 22 1/2 lengths!

Sippin Fire, Washington's 2018 horse of the year and champion three-year-old, has won five stakes in his short career. He is the fourth stakes winner – including his champion full brothers Del Rio Harbor and Couldabenthewhisky – out of 2012

## Sires of Yearlings

Abraaj - deceased	Liaison - OK
Algorithms - KY	Liam's Map - KY (2nd crop)
Alternation - KY	Majesticperfection - Uruguay
Animal Kingdom - KY	Midshipman - KY
Astrology - LA	Nationhood
Atta Boy Roy	Noosito - (1st crop) - deceased
Capo Bastone - KY (3rd crop)	Oxbow - KY
Champ Pegasus - CA	Palace - KY (2nd crop)
Coast Guard	Phantom Wildcat - CA (1st crop)
Commissioner - KY (2nd crop)	Point of Entry - KY
Constitution - KY (2nd crop)	Primal Instinct - (3rd crop)
Cross Traffic - KY (3rd crop)	Sixthirteen - OR
Dads Cap - CA (1st crop)	Sky Mesa - KY
Danza - KY (3rd crop)	Smiling Tiger - CA
Data Link - KY	Strong Mandate - KY (3rd crop)
Dialed In - KY	Tale of Ekati - KY
Dominus - KY	Tapiture - KY (2nd crop)
Gemologist - LA	The Factor - KY
Graydar - KY	Tizbud - CA
Grazen - CA	Tourist - KY (1st crop)
Harbor the Gold - OR	
Haynesfield - Saudi Arabia	
Lakerville - CA	

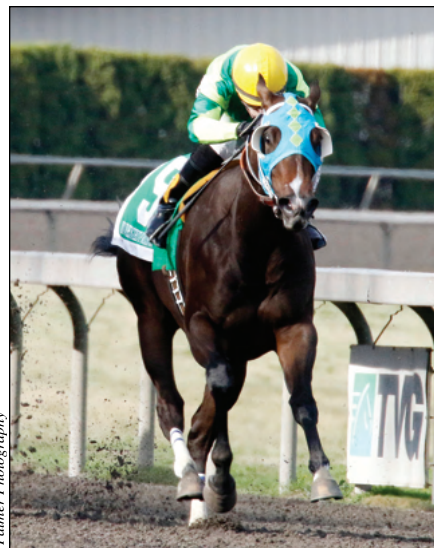
*Stallions with no state abbreviation after their names stand in Washington.*



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Half-brothers, by Astrology, to double champion Psycho Sister (left), and by Grazen, to juvenile filly champion Money Inthe Starrs (center), will also be offered. The fifth WTBOA-sold Washington champion of 2018 was sprinter Invested Prospect (right).

Washington broodmare of the year Bahati. Hip 46, a filly by Harbor the Gold, is a full sister to Bahati's trio of champions.

Pyscho Sister, Washington's champion older mare and turf horse last year, was also the state's leading earner in 2018. Her half-brother by Astrology is cataloged as Hip 98. Pyscho Sister's stakes-winning dam Melba Jewel is also the dam of 2017 state champion juvenile and WTBOA Sale graduate Elliott Bay.

Money Inthe Starrs was named the top Washington-bred two-year-old filly last year and she has a half-brother by Grazen selling as Hip 3.

Another sales graduate earning her second state title in 2018 was champion sprinter Invested Prospect who was voted the top sophomore runner in 2016. Her half-sister, Citizen Kitty, a 2013 sale graduate, earned older filly honors in 2017.

While not a sales horse herself, 2017-18 Washington champion filly Bella Mia's yearling half-brother by Abraaj has been consigned as Hip 49.

Every Washington horse of the year since 2013 went through the WTBOA Sale ring, led by three-time horse of the year Stryker Phd and multiple champions E Z Kitty and Mach One Rules.

In the five years prior to 2018, the WTBOA Sales program also produced additional two-year-old champions Trackattacker, So Lucky and California Diamond (in California); and three-year-old champions Music of My Soul, Madame Pele, Noosito and Find Your Spot.

### A Stallion for Every Taste

The 104 yearlings due to hit the auction block were sired by a divergent group of 43 stallions, with stud fees ranging from \$1,000 to \$25,000.

Prominent local stallions Abraaj (14), 2018-19 leading Washington sire Atta Boy Roy (four), Coast Guard (15), ten-time

leading Oregon sire Harbor the Gold (13) and Nationhood (three) are all represented.

Among the sires that have gained national recognition are 2018 leading freshman sire Cross Traffic, sire of last year's juvenile filly champion Jaywalk, and Alternation, sire of 2019 Kentucky Oaks (G1) winner Serengeti Princess. First crop sires Commissioner (with six winners), Tapiture (seven maiden special weight winners, six in their first starts) and Constitution (four maiden special weight winners, including Grade 2 Saratoga winner By Your Side) all rank among the nation's freshman sire leaders.

The Factor leads the group with 11 stakes winners, and ranks 15th on the national listing.

2016 leading freshman sire Dialed In already has 13 stakes horses this year, including Irish juvenile stakes victor Strike for Glory, a son of Washington champion filly Chu and You.

Point of Entry has two Grade 2 winners among his top runners, which are led by \$2.5-million UAE Derby winner Plus Que Parfait.

Top California sire and WTBOA Sale poster boy Smiling Tiger has already sired six champions in his first two crops. Included in that group are the aforementioned Baja Sur and 2018 California horse of the year Spiced Perfection, a Grade 1 winner in 2018 at Santa Anita and in 2019 at Keeneland.

Strong Mandate has followed true to his name, as he already had four stakes winners and with his second crop just starting to run.

Other top regional sires represented include Gemologist and Astrology (who currently rank first and third in Louisiana) and Grazen (sixth in California).\*

### Broodmares

For the first time in several years the WTBOA is offering a significant number of broodmares, including several by impressive sires/damsires, such as Cee's Tizzy, Deputy Minister, Glitterman, Langfuhr, Orientate, Successful Appeal, Unusual Heat (a six-time leading California sire) and Yes It's True.

Covering stallions include proven sires Champ Pegasus, Coast Guard (second on 2019 Washington sire list) and Misremembered; and promising newcomers Cat Burglar, Dads Caps, Gold Rush Dancer and Pontiff.

### Catalog Requests and Updates

For more information or to request a catalog, please call (253) 288-7878 or e-mail maindesk@wtboa.com. The catalog pages, which include weekly female line and sire updates, are available for viewing on the WTBOA website at washington-thoroughbred.com. Photos of many of the yearlings will also be available on the WTBOA website in the coming weeks. ■

\*Statistics through July 18, 2019

## Sires of Broodmares, Horse of Racing Age and Covering Stallions

Cat Burglar  
Cee's Tizzy  
Champ Pegasus  
Coast Guard  
Dads Cap  
Deputy Minister  
Einstein (Brz)  
Glitterman

Gold Rush Dancer  
Langfuhr  
Misremembered  
Orientate  
Petersburg  
Pontiff  
Proud Irish  
Reset

Seattle Sleet  
Spensive  
Successful Appeal  
Top Hit  
Tribal Rule  
Unusual Heat  
Victory Gallop  
Yes It's True

# NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

## of the Washington Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Association

### Concerning Election Qualifications for

# TRUSTEES TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**ARTICLE III - MEMBERS - SECTION 3.11. Election of Trustees or Directors.** The Nominating Committee of the Association shall be an ad hoc committee appointed by the President and comprised of current Board and Sales Committee members who are not up for re-election. The Nominating Committee shall meet no later than June 15 of each year and nominate four (4) or more persons for election to the Board to fill the four (4) positions on the Board, which are being vacated. The names of these nominees shall be printed in the first issue of the WASHINGTON THOROUGHBRED after the June 15 meeting. Persons other than those selected by the Nominating Committee can be nominated to the Board by filing with the Secretary and/or the General Manager of the Association a nominating petition with the signatures of ten (10) or more members in good standing. The Secretary and/or General Manager, on or before September 10 of each year, must receive such nominating petitions. The nominees shall submit resumes for publication in the magazine. Such resumes shall be not more than 75 words in length and contain biographical or other background information outlining the nominee's qualifications for the position of Trustee. All names and resumes of said nominees shall be then printed in the Fall issue of the WASHINGTON THOROUGHBRED. Election ballots shall be mailed to each member of the Association on or before October 15 of each year. Members and dual members shall vote for up to four (4) candidates (one vote per candidate), so long as the number does not exceed four (4). All ballots, in order to be counted, must be received by the Association on or before November 15 of each year. The four (4) nominees receiving the largest number of votes will be the Trustees elected to the Board. Beginning in 2006, a new directive to encourage member participation was enacted. Henceforth, the Board incumbent with the least number of votes each year will be replaced on the Board with the non-incumbent receiving the most votes. If one or more incumbent chooses not to run for reelection or if a non-incumbent receives more votes than an incumbent, this procedure will not apply for that year's voting. Any incumbent that might be removed due to this new policy is eligible to run for the Board the following year. Members of the Board shall take office at the first regular session of the Trustees meeting in their elected term.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF WTB OA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

General statement of responsibility: Board members will be advocates, ambassadors and supporters of the organization; they will provide leadership and guidance in long-term planning and visioning, financial management, public relations, program development, evaluation and fundraising.

Specifically, each Board member will have the following responsibilities:

- Regularly attend monthly Board meetings;
- Review, evaluate and recommend policies, procedures, programs, staffing, budgets and mission;
- Make a financial contribution to the program, including but not limited to membership dues and time invested;
- Participate on at least one committee;
- Attend the annual general membership meeting and applicable committee meetings;
- Participate in fundraising activities, including promoting giving among family, friends, and others, visiting local businesses, and helping to implement and attend fundraising events;
- Attend Board development trainings when scheduled;
- Understand and articulate the philosophy, mission and programming of the organization;
- Advocate for the organization when asked;
- Attend outside events relevant to the organization if possible.

Qualifications for potential Board members:

- Familiarity with the issues dealt with by the organization, knowledge of the Washington Thoroughbred industry and a willingness to learn;
- Skills useful to the organization, such as fundraising, public relations, financial management, program development or other skills that will help further the mission of the organization;
- Ability to participate in a collegial, cooperative way in group decision-making;
- Enthusiasm for the work and mission of the organization.

Time Commitment: Board meetings are held once a month for approximately two hours. In addition, Board members are expected to attend occasional fundraising events, the annual membership meeting and other meetings as applicable. Each Board member is elected for a minimum commitment of three (3) years service on the Board. Other work duties could include meeting with prospective Board members, participating in strategic planning and Board assessment activities, and reviewing the pre-board meeting packet materials.

I \_\_\_\_\_  
 nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
 for a position on the Board of Trustees of the Washington Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Association, for a three-year term, commencing with installation in January 2020. The term expires at the end of 2022.

#### Seconded by:

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# WTBOA Sales Graduates in the News...

**Tejati**, by Tactical Advantage, a seven-race winner (five at Emerald Downs) of \$112,327, who had been a 2001 WTBOA Summer Sale yearling, is the dam of Core Beliefs, the four-year-old son of Quality Road who won the \$400,000 New Orleans Handicap (G2) at Fair Grounds on March 23. Core Beliefs also won the Ohio Derby (G3) and placed in the Santa Anita Derby (G1) and Peter Pan Stakes (G3) on his way to earnings of \$873,011. Tejati, who is also the dam of stakes-placed Downtown Driggs, had been consigned by Rainier Stables, agent, and was purchased by Quadrun Stables for \$15,000 at the Washington sale.

**Oldtimers Vision**, who had been a 2012 WTBOA Sale graduate, won an about mile starter handicap over Turf Paradise's turf course by three lengths on April 8. The Kentucky-bred gelding by Pollard's Vision—Quantuck, by Real Quiet, who had run third in the 2016 Portland Meadows Mile, took his third win of the year and improved his record to 13-12-10 from his 69 starts, when he won a \$5,000 claiming race at Emerald Downs on June 8. He has earned \$140,715.

**Runnin'withdaveil** went gate-to-wire to win a 6 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race at Santa Anita by 2 3/4 lengths on April 21. It marked the second start for the four-year-old gelding, a Washington-bred son of Lucky Pulpit, who is raced by Dan J. Agnew, Gerald Schneider and John V. Xitco and trained by Mark Glatt. Runnin'withdaveil is the first foal out of \$40,732 earner Muchas Coronas, a daughter Macho Uno and out of stakes winner Cascade Corona, by Pine Bluff. His victory marks a third generation of winners bred by Rick and Debbie Pabst. His half-sister by Tale of Ekati sells as Hip 104 in the 2019 WTBOA Sale

**Ladyledue's** Mylady Curlin, a four-year-old daughter of Curlin, won a mile



*Stakes-placed 2014 WTBOA Sale graduate Marqula, shown winning at Golden Gate Fields as a two-year-old, added his second handicap win at Hong Kong's Sha Tin on June 2.*

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allowance/\$80,000 optional claiming (N) race at Keeneland on April 25 and next added a win in the \$150,000 Allaire DuPont Distaff Stakes (G3) on May 17. Mylady Curlin was one of three graded stakes winners by the two-time Horse of the Year on the Pimlico card. Mylady Curlin, who races as a homebred for Sather Family LLC, improved her record to 5-2-1 from her ten starts and upped her earnings to \$301,903. The Brad Cox trainee is one of three winners out of the two-time Washington champion and 2007 WTBOA Sales graduate Ladyledue, a 2006 daughter of Slewdledo.

**Lansky** became the 16th winner from 16 starters and 14th winner at Emerald Downs for his dam, 2011 Washington broodmare of the year Peaceful Wings, when he won a 5 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race on April 28. A son of Blue Ribbon Farm stallion Atta Boy Roy, Lansky was bred by Rick and Debbie Pabst, races for Casa Loma Stable and is trained by Kay Cooper.

Peaceful Wings, a daughter of Halo, passed away last year at the age of 26.

**Timberlake Gage** became the first winner from the first crop of Robert Chapman and Vicki Macy's Tip of the Hat Ranch stallion Primal Instinct when the three-year-old Washington-bred filly went gate-to-wire to win her first start, a maiden \$12,500 claimer at Emerald Downs on April 28. Also bred by Macy, Timberlake Gage ran for John E. Parker and trainer Candice Cryderman. Timberlake Gage is also the first winner for her dam Rubies n Ice, a full sister to \$106,723 Emerald stakes winner Sariano. Both are daughters of champion sprinter Rubiano.

**Upo** scored his second win in a 1 1/16-mile starter allowance over Golden Gate Field's turf course on May 9. Owned by Todd and Shawn Hansen and trained by Blaine Wright, the four-year-old Kentucky-bred gelding by Archarch—Afilliation, by Gimmewink, next ran second, beaten a head, in a 1 1/16-mile turf allowance at Golden Gate on May 2. Upo added another second, this time at Pleasanton in a 1 1/16-mile dirt allowance on June 30. The \$68,525 earner had been consigned by El Dorado Farms LLC.

**Battle Point Red**, a five-year-old Washington-bred gelding by Sixthirteen—Miss Silhouette, by Harbor the Gold, bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc., went gate-to-wire to take a \$25,000 maiden claiming race for Badrock Racing on May 17 at Emerald Downs. The new winner is trained by Bonnie Jenne, who has saddled winners in each of the 24 seasons since Emerald opened its doors in 1996.

**Whatsittoya**, won a \$20,000 maiden claimer by 3 1/2 lengths at Pleasanton on June 20. The three-year-old son of Blue



*Dan Agnew, Gerry Schneider and John Xitco's Runnin'withdaveil went gate-to-wire to win a Santa Anita maiden special weight race by nearly three lengths in April.*

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Ribbon Farm stallion Atta Boy Roy races for Scott Herbertson and is trained by his son Ari Herbertson. Whatsittoya was bred in Washington by the partnership of Carnation Racing Stable, Ron Crockett Inc. and Ali Hull out of the Songandaprayer mare Once Upon a Song.

**Master's Bluff**, who won stakes at Emerald Downs, Lethbridge and Grande Prairie when younger, added a 3 3/4-length tally in a Lethbridge allowance race on June 22, in his second win of the year. He has a 17-13-6 record from his 62 starts and earnings of \$98,647. Bred in Washington by Matt and Hally Moore and Tony Burlingame, the nine-year-old gelding is a son of El Dorado Farm's Raise the Bluff—Last S A, by Peterhof.

**Coastal Tulips** won a \$25,000 maiden claimer in gate-to-wire fashion at Emerald Downs on May 24. Trained by Chris Stenslie, the four-year-old Washington-bred daughter of El Dorado Farms' Coast Guard races for the partnership of One Horse Will Do Corporation, T. Saxwold, S. Saxwold and L. Hallowell. Coastal Tulips, who was bred by Jean M. G. Welch, is the fourth winner out of the unraced Marquetry mare Marquet Formula.

**Marqula**, a six-year-old full brother to Coastal Tulips, won his second race at Sha Tin in Hong Kong on June 2. Also bred in Washington by Welch, the \$213,593 earner placed in two California stakes, including a second in the \$100,000 California Derby, before being sent to Hong Kong after running fifth in the Pasadena Stakes at Santa Anita in March 2016. After eight starts stateside, Marqula has since made 18 starts at either Sha Tin or Happy Valley. His most recent win was in the \$92,800 University Hall Handicap (class 4), a seven-furlong turf race, in which he earned \$524,400HK or \$68,172US. Marquet Formula has a yearling colt by Abraaj consigned as Hip 96 in the WTBOA Summer Sale.

**Queen of Mean** ran second by a half-length in her racing debut, in a maiden \$75,000 claiming race at Santa Anita on June 1. The three-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Violence—Saintly Ways, by Saint Liam, who was sold through Moxie Thoroughbreds, as agent, races for Ellenay Racing Inc. and is trained by Mark Glatt.

**Pas de Panique**, a Washington-bred juvenile colt by Smiling Tiger out of the stakes-winning Harbor the Gold mare Carrabelle Harbor, won his second start - after running second in his first - a 4 1/2-furlong Santa Anita maiden special weight race on June 23. He has earned \$52,000. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. and Desert Rose Racing LLC, Pas de Panique is trained by Mark Glatt and races for Washington-based Where We At. His half-brother by Sixthirteen sells as Hip 54 in the August WTBOA Sale.

**San Marco**, a three-year-old son of El Dorado Farms LLC's Coast Guard—



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*Juvenile runner Pas de Panique scored a maiden special weight victory at Santa Anita for Where We At on June 23.*

Owhatablast, by Olmodavor, who was bred in Washington by Nina and Ron Hagen, won a \$25,000 maiden claiming race by 5 1/2 lengths at Delaware Park for Frank Sample on June 19. He is the second winner out of five-race winner Owhatablast.

**So Lucky** won a \$25,000 claiming race at Emerald Downs on June 2. Bred by Jean M. G. Welch and raced by Pegasus Too and Rising Star Stable. So Lucky, a son of Coast Guard—Miss Pixie, by Petersburg, has won five races and earned \$137,535 while under trainer Howard Belvoir's care.

**Oh Marvelous Me**, who races for Todd and Shawn Hansen, finished second in the Governor's Stakes run at Emerald Downs on June 2. The seven-year-old Kentucky-bred gelding by Bluegrass Cat—Morakami, by Fusaichi Pegasus, also ran second in the June 30 Budweiser Stakes. The now \$166,848 earner had been purchased by the Hansens from the El Dorado Farms consignment.

**Guardian One**, a six-year-old daughter of El Dorado Farm stallion Coast Guard, won for the sixth time after taking an allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming (N) race at Emerald Downs on June 9. Racing for Tony Loften and Brenda Loften and trained by Chris Stenslie, Guardian One has a 6-9-2 record from her 26 starts and has earned \$73,340. The Washington-bred distaffer is one of six winners that Nina and Ron Hagen have bred out of 100 percent producer In Suzanne's Honor, a winning daughter of Cahill Road.

**Trump Itz** earned his fourth win in a 6 1/2-furlong allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming race at Emerald Downs on June 15.

The four-year-old gelded son of El Dorado Farm stallion Coast Guard—Knight Weave, by Basket Weave, was bred in Washington by Nina and Ron Hagen. The 2017 Gottstein Futurity runner-up, Trump Itz races for John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Farm. The \$75,080 earner is trained by Blaine Wright.

**Sigrid's Gold**, a two-year-old Oregon-bred daughter of Harbor the Gold—Seven Fifty Misty, by Raise the Bluff, won her second start, a \$15,000 maiden claiming race at Emerald Downs on June 21 for Blue Diamond Stable, Janet Johnson and Ronald LeRoy Bohlman and trainer Roy Lumm. The filly was bred by Tom Grether Farms Inc. and Robert L. Lawrence, as was her full brother, who sells as Hip 20 in the WTBOA Summer Sale.

**Hong Kong Flew** became the sixth winner for her dam Lasting Kiss, a stakes-winning daughter of Numerous, when the three-year-old filly by Car Talk (Ire) won at Pleasanton on June 30. She was bred in Washington by Nina and Ron Hagen, as is her half-brother by Coast Guard selling at Hip 90 in the August WTBOA Sale.

**Carters Blue**, a three-year-old son of Bluegrass Cat, won a \$12,500 maiden claiming race at Pleasanton on June 28 for owner Jethorse LLC and trainer Tim McCanna. He is the third winner out of the \$121,640 stakes-placed French Envoy mare Double Dip, who also is the dam of Hip 66, a colt by Majesticperfection, who, like his elder half-sibling, was bred in California by Joseph DiPietro.

**Renee's Gift** went gate-to-wire to take a 4 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race by 7 3/4 lengths at Grants Pass on June 30 for her owner/breeder Tim Donohoe. A 2016 WTBOA Sale RNA, the four-year-old Washington-bred daughter of Blue Ribbon Farm stallion Atta Boy Roy is the 12th winner from 13 starters produced out of the \$134,532-winning and multiple stakes-producing Conquistador Cielo mare Lite Nite.

**Coleinator** took his second start, a \$12,500 maiden claiming race, by one-length for his owner/breeder Warlock Stables on June 30 at Emerald Downs. Trained by Michael Puhich, the 2018 WTBOA Sale RNA is a Washington-bred gelding sired by Vronsky and the first winner out of Colethan's Cat, a winning daughter of Bluegrass Cat.

**This Great Nation** went gate-to-wire to take the \$25,000 claiming feature at Emerald Downs on July 7. Racing for Art McFadden and trained by Jorge Rosales, the three-year-old gelding is a son of Blue Ribbon Farm stallion Nationhood and is the second stakes winner Connie Belshay has bred out of her Pioneer of the Nile mare Great Mom. A stakes winner at two in his maiden victory, the well-named This Great Nation has earned \$40,601. ■

# NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

## of the Washington Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Association Concerning Election Qualifications for THE SALES COMMITTEE

### ARTICLE IX – COMMITTEES – SECTION 9.2. Sales Committee.

The Sales Committee will derive its authority from and conduct its business subject to the direction of the Board. The Committee shall consist of eight (8) elected members, plus a member appointed by the President of the Association, for a total of nine (9) members. To be eligible for election to the Sales Committee, a person must be a member in good standing of the Association, and fulfill one of the following criteria as a participant in the Association's sales program: purchased a horse at the sale, consigned for sale, sold a horse at the sale, acted as sales agent, or acted as a purchasing agent during one of the four preceding Association sales. Elected members shall serve three (3) year rotating terms. The term of the appointed member will be at the discretion of the Association President. The nominating committee shall be made up of those members of the Sales Committee whose terms have not expired. The nominating committee shall select at least two (2) qualified candidates for each position that is open. Qualified persons not selected by the nominating committee who wish to be nominated may do so by submitting a "Nomination Petition" endorsed by the signatures of at least ten (10) Association members in good standing. The Sales Committee members will be nominated and elected at the same time and in accordance with the same regulations as the election of the Association's Trustees, except as stipulated herein. The appointed Sales Committee member need not be a member of the Board but must fulfill the criteria set forth above. The nine (9) members of the Sales Committee shall elect a chairperson who shall be responsible for keeping the Board informed of the committee's activities.

The Sales Committee will work autonomously regarding all things with respect to putting on any horse sale, with the exception that any substantial decisions with regard to the Sale including, but not limited to, changing the date or time of the sale, any substantial change to the catalog, or anything that will substantially impact the financial situation of the Association. Those substantial decisions will be presented to the Board for approval.

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF WTBOA SALES COMMITTEE

General Requirements: Candidates must be a current member in good standing of the WTBOA and have purchased, consigned or acted as agent for a consignor/buyer at one or more of the WTBOA horse sales during the last two years. Sales committee members should be advocates and supporters of the WTBOA, particularly with regards to the horse sales and the actions of the sales committee. They will be looked to for leadership and guidance in long term planning, program development, evaluation and financial management of the sales program.

Desirable qualifications for potential Sales Committee members:

- Familiarity with the issues dealt with by the parent organization and sales committee, as well as general knowledge of both the Washington and national Thoroughbred industry and/or a keen willingness to learn.
- Ability to participate in a collegial, cooperative manner in group decision making and to carry out the decisions and plans of the sales committee.
- Enthusiasm for the work and mission of the sales committee and willingness to work to carry out the plans for the sales.
- Familiarity with WTBOA conditions of sale, as well as sales nomination forms, consignor and sales contracts, and veterinary issues relevant to sales horses. Much of this information can be found in the front of the WTBOA Sale catalog. Hands-on horse experience helpful but not required.
- Willingness to promote the sale by contacting past and prospective buyers, helping orchestrate and attending buyer events, i.e., pre-sale tutorials, breakfasts, barbecues, etc.

Specifically, each sales committee member will have the following responsibility:

- Term of Commitment: Serve a minimum of a three-year term. There are eight elected committee members and one person appointed annually by the WTBOA President.

- Committee Meeting Attendance: Attend sales committee meetings (usually five or six) held each year, which generally last from one to three hours.
- Duties: Support, review, evaluate and recommend policies, procedures, programs, staffing, budget and pursue the WTBOA mission statement. Be an advocate for the sales and the organization when asked.
- Additional Attendance: Be willing to attend the WTBOA sales, as well as outside events relevant to the sales and the WTBOA Annual Membership meeting and the Washington Annual Awards banquet, if possible.
- Volunteer: Be willing to help WTBOA Sales continue to be "The little sales company that could."

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# Sales Prep and Pre-sale Consignor Evaluations for Young Horses

*Comments from successful longtime horseman Bill Casner*

by Heather Smith Thomas

Many Thoroughbreds are bred and raised to be sold at special yearling sales – as prospective racehorses or breeding stock. Preparing these horses to look their best, coming to the sale sound and healthy and giving indication of their future athletic potential is the goal of the breeder. Every sale prospect should be thoroughly checked by the consignor’s veterinarian to assess health and soundness.

“In February of their yearling year, these horses are usually checked, to see if there are any issues to be addressed,” said Bill Casner, Flower Mound, Texas. He has owned and trained racehorses for many years, starting his career on the track as a young person in 1963. For many years he was co-owner of WinStar Farms in Kentucky. Today he continues to raise and train racehorses on his ranch in Texas.

“A young horse might have a bone chip or an OCD lesion that needs cleaned up. In March or April, we usually do those surgeries and then the veterinarians do repository radiographs for the sale – a full shot of all the joints,” he said.

“They also scope sale prospects and rate the throat. People who are thinking about buying that horse may just refer to repository radiographs and (throat) scoping, but sometimes they want to have their own done – especially scoping. Those horses may get scoped multiple times. The popular ones that a lot of people are looking at may get scoped 15 to 20 times. Thus consignors frequently put a limit on that, since it’s hard on youngsters to scope them that much,” said Casner.

“Sometimes people have radiographs of their yearlings done again in May after any necessary surgeries, and then hope these horses don’t have any more problems before the veterinarians do the repository radiographs in September. There’s a gap in time there. These babies are always at risk for dinging themselves up, and may do it out in the pasture and you don’t know what happened. We leave ours out most of the day, but bring them in every morning and go over them, turn them out again in the afternoon and leave them out all night. They often get to running, and may run up to a fence and stop hard and may get ankle chips,” he said.

When young horses are evaluated and checked before a sale, prospective buyers scrutinize them closely. Everyone has a picture in his/her head of what they consider

the perfect horse to look like. It can also make a difference if a buyer plans to pinhook – or resale – the horse or go racing with them.

“We look at them, watch them walk, etc. Everybody wants a big-walking horse. At the sales you can’t watch a yearling jog or gallop; you really don’t know how they move unless you’ve been to the farm where they grew up. You don’t have any idea how he’ll run. But if a young horse has good biomechanics when he walks, hopefully it translates into being a racehorse. I have seen a few bad-walking horses that were great racehorses, however.”

Casner said that what really makes a racehorse are the intangible things we can’t see. “Speed is one, and probably the most important. We cannot look at a horse and tell if he will have speed. I’ve seen a lot of beautiful horses that didn’t have speed.

“A horse like Justify is not only beautiful but has tactical speed, and he demonstrated that on two muddy tracks (Churchill Downs and Pimlico). He came through both the Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes clean, while horses behind him were covered with mud.

“Horses behind him were probably carrying an extra ten-to-12 pounds of mud

by the end of the race! They also have to run farther; generally the speed horse has the shortest path to the wire. Speed has all the advantages in dirt racing.”

## Prepping the Yearling

“In preparation for a sale, we generally start getting them in shape several months ahead. We start swimming our yearlings in April, and swim them for about four or five months before the sale. I gradually adapt them to swimming. I don’t throw too much at them in the beginning because they’re not fit, and they are still growing,” Casner said.

“Swimming is a wonderful tool for sales prep; you start building athleticism at an early age without the damaging concussion on young feet and legs. It also is full-body exercise and builds the topline on these young horses. Swimming probably stimulates growth. Studies have shown that exercise is one of the things that stimulates growth because you get more secretion of growth hormones and all the other endocrine hormones when you start giving them high-level exercise,” Casner said.

“We do this for two reasons. One, it’s a great sales prep tool, and secondly and even more importantly, it prepares them for the



*Use of a vibration plate is a passive form of exercise that is used to promote the development of muscle tone and bone density.*

breaking process. It really strengthens them, especially their topline. Many young horses, when you start breaking them, are not very strong. When you put 150 to 160 pounds on them, that's a lot to ask of an 18-month-old horse. They are still developing. A big, strong stud colt may be able to handle it, but most long-yearlings are better off if you prepare them gradually," he explained.

"We humans wouldn't go to the gym for the first time and do an intense workout with heavy weights. We'd be body-sore and possibly injure ourselves. It's better to work into it gradually. I like to prepare young horses for the breaking process, working them in the round pen and going on from there. If the sale is in September, we'll start working in the round pen in July. We start slowly and incrementally. We'll also drive them in these initial training stages."

Whether he sells them or keeps them, they are fit. "If I keep them, we've gotten a jump on the program and have given them a much better opportunity to be a racehorse and get to the races early. You want to get them to the races in August or September of their two-year-old year. To do that, they must be able to go through training without all the detrimental things that often happen to young horses when you start breaking them," he explained.

Many young horses have shin problems. "I start putting all our babies on the vibration plate in February when they are short yearlings. They'll have eight months of that before they are broke or before they go through the sale. This prepares them for the breaking process; they have a better opportunity to stay sound through training, and a better chance of getting to the races as an early two-year-old in August, September or October at latest. This is so important if you want a good racehorse," said Casner.

"Justify (WinStar's 2018 Triple Crown winner) is one of only a few Derby winners (and the first in about 30 years) that never ran as a two-year-old. Most racehorses need that early competition – a few races under their belt – to be ready for spring races in their three-year-old year. You want to give them the opportunity to be the best they can be," he said.

"I always try to sell my good horses; you have to sell your good ones in order to stay in the business. When I sell a young horse, the buyer can purchase that horse with confidence and know the horse has gone through a process like no other – and is ready to be broke, with an elevated opportunity to stay sound and get to the races early."

Fitness conditioning won't show up in the veterinary exams for the sales and pre-purchase exams, but these youngsters have a better chance of being sound. The Casner yearlings are out at pasture most of the time, but he starts leaving them in the barn during the day in June; turning them out at night to avoid the heat and sun. "We don't want their



*Casner's well thought out method for teaching a horse to swim starts with non-threatening baby steps in a shallow water chute and progresses to confident swimming in a lake.*

## Swimming Lessons

*Swimming can help produce conditioning and athleticism without the concussion on feet and legs.*



"I swim them in a chute pool, and also have a bigger swimming island in one of my lakes. I start youngsters in the chute pool because they don't have to swim very far. I want it to be a positive experience for them, and do it incrementally, gradually working into it with small baby steps in the beginning," Casner explained.

They learn to walk down a ramp and walk through water.

"I have a small chute with sides on it and that's the first step; we just walk them through that mini-chute, down a ramp and up a ramp. We generally use an older horse to walk in front of them as they learn to walk down and then up an unfamiliar surface. They catch on quickly," he said.

"Then we start filling the chute pool with water. We put in a couple inches of water the first time, and that's a whole new deal. They stick their nose down and smell it, and splash it with their foot. Then we gradually fill it on subsequent lessons until it's up to their knees and they walk through it. Most of the time we are leading them through, but when they get comfortable with it we'll put two ropes on them (one on each side) and walk them through with a handler on each side," he explained.

"As soon as they are comfortable with that, we use the big chute. It's about 100-feet long, with ramps. They only have to swim about eight-or-ten strokes. We gradually build them up by going back and forth until they are going through it a dozen times each session. They learn how to swim and start to get fit before we take them to the swimming island in the lake," said Casner.

"Then we start building them up with multiple rounds. They go into a chute with an island they swim around. The first time, we have them swim around it once and come out. This spring, the first time we took them to the big lake, they all walked right in and all swam perfectly and were not stressed. They were ready for it."

Some years back Casner read University of Colorado professor of Animal Science, noted animal behavior and autism spokesperson Dr. Temple Grandin's book *Animals in Translation*. Grandin explained how her autism and "thinking in pictures" allows her to focus on visual details more intensely, which enables her to "take in the world as animals do." She points out many little details that most people tend to ignore that may be scary to animals.

"It changed my horsemanship. When a horse, especially a young horse, is scared, it may freak out and go into self-preservation mode. You've got to figure out what the issue is and see if you can alleviate what's upsetting the horse. I've been swimming horses since 1975 and I'm always learning ways to do it better. Now we have it down to a method that is very non-stressful. These young horses are never scared, their heart rates never go up, and they are ok with it," he explained. ■

hair to bleach. They get plenty of turn-out from 6 p.m. until 8 a.m.”

“They need to be able to move around and have plenty of exercise. You try to put all the pieces together and maximize their opportunity to become athletes. It’s like kids who start playing soccer when they are four years old; they may do other sports as they get older, but if they start the physical adaptation process when they’re young, they will be stronger and more athletic when they’re older,” said Casner.

“Mother Nature will only adapt to the stresses presented, aiming for efficiency – not doing any more than is needed in terms of building muscles, bone or cardiovascular function. If you stress those systems at an early age, the body has a much greater

opportunity to adapt and maintain those adaptations. Kids that are athletes when they are young, building cardio capacity, maintain that capacity. The heart is one of the few muscles that will maintain fitness throughout life. If you develop it when you are young, and take time off for ten years and then go back into training, the heart will come back quickly to the previous level,” he explained.

“It is important to start exercise at an early age (humans or horses) when the body is more receptive to adaptation. Most people with large numbers of horses don’t have fitness programs for their yearlings because of the economics. I have only 12 to 15 horses I prep every year. As an industry, most people don’t start as early as we do;

they start prepping yearlings in July by putting them on free walkers. They used to treadmill a lot of yearlings but that’s not done as much anymore,” he said.

“Some people start working them in round pens or do 30 to 40 days of swimming because that’s become popular. Some yearlings are sent to facilities that do sales preparation,” Casner concluded. ■

*Heather Smith Thomas, of Salmon, Idaho, has raised and trained horses for 55 years and has been writing about them for nearly that long, selling more than 10,000 stories and articles and publishing 24 books. One of her recent books is Horse Tales: True Stories from an Idaho Ranch. She and her husband continue to raise beef cattle and a few horses.*

## Yearling Sale Preparation Q & A

**Mary Lou Griffin  
Griffin Place, Buckley**

**Years involved prepping sales yearlings and who have been your mentors?**

We have been prepping and selling yearlings for more than 20 years. We started out showing horses and that’s where we learned how to prep. Getting horses of all ages ready for halter classes gave us a great background in how to prep sales horses.

**Do you do any pre-sale tests or evaluations before you decide to enter a yearling in**

**a sale; and if so, what conditions are of concern?**

We monitor our foals as they grow, but we don’t do any formal examination until the summer of the sale.

**Do you provide throat scoping and/or radiograph results for prospective buyers?**

We provide a full set of radiographs (knees, stifles, hocks and ankles) for each of our yearlings so that the buyer’s veterinarian can look at them at them. We don’t have a written report done though because we think

it’s better for the buyers to have their own veterinarians read the radiographs. We also scope all our yearlings and we would, of course, pull out any yearling that didn’t meet conditions of sale.

**What is your optimum time to get a yearling ready for a sale? When do you bring them into the barn? Turn-out time or schedule?**

The more time you take with them, the better job you can do. I’ve seen yearlings that look pretty good at the sale with very little prep though. I don’t think there is a hard and fast rule. We start bringing in our yearlings about June 1 or earlier if we are done with foaling and have time. We turn them out in the afternoon and bring them up in the morning.

**Do you feed a special diet or have dietary additions for your sales yearlings, and if so, what kind?**

We add a coat conditioner to their grain, but everything else stays the same.

**What kind of physical work do your sales yearlings receive (i.e., hotwalker, hand walk, pony, turn-out)?**

Free exercise is wonderful if you have the room. Our yearlings are out from about 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. so they get quite a bit of pasture time. We separate each yearling into a 2.5-acre field, and we change up which fields they go in. The colts tend to run a lot if they are in a field next to a filly, so we monitor that. We also exercise them in our round pen. They don’t go every day; it just depends on how much conditioning they need.

Years ago, when we had yearlings by Son of Briartic, we had to work them 20 minutes a day every day at a good fast trot or slow canter and we still couldn’t get them tucked up the way we wanted. Others do enough free exercise that we only put them in the round

### Conformation

“From the time they are born, you start evaluating a young horse’s conformation. If you think he’s going to toe-in, you generally put screws in the ankles, and you need to do that during the first 90 to 100 days when they are growing the fastest, for the most effective correction. There is nothing that will ‘kill’ a sale prospect quicker than being toed-in,” commented Bill Casner.

“Most toe-in horses are hard to keep sound on dirt tracks because of the slide factor. There is more stress when they torque that foot/leg as they slide.” That little bit of extra twist on a foot that isn’t straight is hard on them.

Many people do corrections on foals at a young age.

“Those screws really help. There was a lot of controversy when people started doing this, but they make a big difference. Every moving part is affected by and subject to the laws of physics. If you can put that foot in a better position when it slides forward, without twisting, there’s a better chance to keep that horse sound – without more stress on one side than the other,” he said.

Conformation is hugely important for the sales and for racing.

“It’s crucial to do the necessary corrections within the first 90 days to help some of these foals grow up straighter. Careful trimming can help most of them. I trim all of my horses every two weeks and look at those feet, watching them walk,” Casner continued.

Generally the most common correction is pushing the feet out by lowering the inside of the foot a little more than the outside – to try to make sure the foot doesn’t toe-in. It’s natural for foals to toe-out a little because as they grow up the foot straightens as the chest widens.

“We watch that very carefully and occasionally there will be one that toes-out too much and you have to lower the outside of the foot. It takes constant monitoring and management to allow these foals to grow up with the best conformation possible. It takes a high level of continual management,” he emphasized. ■

pen to teach them some basics. We have a 70-ft. round pen with a rubber/sand base that is very kind. The large diameter is easy on their joints and we really like the one-on-one interaction between the horses and their handlers. We also hand walk, not for exercise, but just to practice walking. We want them relaxed but walking out at the sale.

**What methods do you use to present your yearlings in their best possible light? And what skills do you look for in a horse handler?**

We want our yearlings to be alert, but manageable and confident. We do a lot of practice walking and standing. Our handlers have had many years of sale experience. The most important thing we look for in a handler is probably "horsemanship." We can teach the mechanics, but they must be horsemen (women) first.

**Is there anything extra you try to teach or provide for the yearlings in your care before sale time?**

Bryson Cooper taught us to "hat break" them. He came to look at our yearlings one year and his cowboy hat spooked every one of them, so now we make sure that they know what a hat is. Thank you, Bryson.

**What do you feel is the most important aspect in preparing a yearling for auction?**

We want them to trust us so that when they run into new situations, they have the confidence to handle it.

*Mary Lou Griffin and her husband Terry own the highly successful Thoroughbred breeding farm Griffin Place, where they have produced many state champions, sales toppers and are well-respected for the turn-out of their yearlings at sale time.*

**Brooke Lawrence  
Lawrence Horse Racing, Stables and  
Sales, Burbank**

**Years involved prepping sales yearlings and who have been your mentors?**

We are a family business located in southeastern Washington. We have been taking horses to the WTBOA sale for three years now, but have also previously taken yearlings to the Arizona sales as well.

**Do you do any pre-sale tests or evaluations before you decide to enter a yearling in a sale; and if so, what conditions are of concern?**

Our main concern is quality breeding and great health of our yearlings that we decide to take to the sale. We look for soundness of the mind and body. Just like any potential buyer, as a seller we look over our yearlings for quality conformation.

**Do you provide throat scoping and/or radiograph results for prospective buyers?**

Yes, at the sale we have our yearlings

scoped, and depending on the horse, have them radiographed. Radiographs are usually the buyer's responsibility. Everything that we have done medically is always open to the public in a binder at our sale table.

**What is your optimum time to get a yearling ready for a sale? When do you bring them into the barn? Turn-out time or schedule?**

Sixty days works well, but we try to give them 90 days. Our yearlings are brought into the barn to live in stalls at the end of May, where they learn the routines and lifestyle of a racehorse.

**Do you feed a special diet or have dietary additions for your sales yearlings, and if so, what kind?**

Our yearlings are fed a diet that is close to that of a racehorse. It is in low in sugar, high in fat. Our yearlings receive minerals and vitamins that they need to look and feel their best. Besides the quality feed, we Powerpac them to ensure they are worm free.

**What kind of physical work do your sales yearlings receive (i.e., hotwalker, hand walk, pony, turn-outs)?**

The yearlings are gradually introduced to round pen work, bringing them into shape. Once they gain some fitness, we begin training them to the hotwalker. Towards the end of the summer our routine is set as ground work in the round pen, a bath and cool down on the walker.

**What methods do you use to present your yearlings in their best possible light? And what skills do you look for in a horse handler?**

In sales prepping, the yearlings show us their best qualities, which in turn we strive to showcase at the sale. As for handlers, horse experience is absolutely necessary. We also want handlers who have a true and obvious love for horses. We feel that those with a passion for horse racing and horses in general, are best at appreciating and showing the yearlings for the quality animals that they are.

**Is there anything extra you try to teach or provide for the yearlings in your care before sale time?**

Nothing truly extra, but we like to have our yearlings acquainted with normal racehorse routines. They are used to walking on the hotwalker, being groomed, bathed and a regular exercise schedule.

**What do you feel is the most important aspect in preparing a yearling for auction?**

We feel a quality diet and exercise are key in preparation for sale. Top breeding cannot overcome a lack of these two variables, so we are sure to provide both, feed and exercise in value.

*Horse racing is a long-time tradition in the Lawrence family. Both of Brooke's parents, Robert and Kim, grew up working with horses. Her dad began training and running horses with his dad at a young age*

## Lots of Handling

"The good thing about it is that every time you do something with these babies, they are learning – whether they're standing patiently while they are getting trimmed, or you are leading them from here or there. It's good for their minds and they learn to trust and accept our leadership," Casner said.

Babies that are just kicked out in the pasture with their mothers, or with a group of other yearlings, don't get enough early education and have to come up from behind. Then it takes more effort to get them to where you want them to be.

"A lot of ranch horses have minimal handling; they might get saddled a few times as a two-year-old and then they get kicked out again, and brought back later for training." They miss out on a lot of ground work and are never quite as easy to handle on the ground.

"They are happiest when a rider is on their back; that's the main way they've been handled and that's where their comfort level is. Often those horses are not at ease with people on foot, and are real 'watchy.' They haven't been handled much from the ground so when they are in a pen and people come around they are nervous and suspicious. Once you get hold of them and put a saddle on them and get on, they are good – because all the training time has been spent on their back."

They might not be as safe to handle on the ground, however.

"When you start trimming those horses or working on their feet, you have to be careful; a lot of horses on those big ranches are not very good about picking their feet up. When you start doing this when they are small, however, they become very much at ease with it, and it's safer for the horse and the human. I can't remember any of my guys getting kicked. They know how to move around a horse and position themselves, but the horses are used to it. This is the way you want it, because otherwise those babies can kick you so quick and hard; they are lightning fast! You don't want that to happen; it's generally because of negligence in handling, or someone moves up to them too fast and scares them." ■

and started his own training business at 18. Her mom was active on the rodeo scene before she met her dad and joined him in training racehorses. She was also a jockey before retiring to have kids. Brooke and her siblings were born into the sport and all developed a love for horses. In time, the family's race horse training business has grown into a breeding, raising, training and sales operation. Brooke's brother Heath has branched off to start his own racehorse training business and is currently stabled at Emerald Downs.

**Debbie Pabst**  
**Blue Ribbon Farm, Buckley**

**Years involved prepping sales yearlings and who have been your mentors?**

I manage Blue Ribbon Farm, which my husband Rick and I own. We have been on the property since 1973 – which is a really long time! I probably got most of my mentoring in sales prep from Mary Lou Griffin (who I convinced raising Thoroughbreds was the way to go). She had a lot of experience in the show horse world. She taught me so much about the little things that go into having a sales-ready yearling. The late California bloodstock agent Don Engel also helped me with the presentation side of the sales.

I read everything I can get my hands on about how sales yearlings are prepped in other parts of the country, and even the world. I also pay attention to all the details I see at sales I attend. You can always learn something new.

**Do you do any pre-sale tests or evaluations before you decide to enter a yearling in a sale; and if so, what conditions are of concern?**

I evaluate my yearlings every day, and try to get an early look at any outside yearlings I will have in my consignment. Many of the yearlings I will be agenting for are foaled at our farm, so I have seen them when they are young. A sales yearling's prep should start the day they are foaled – starting with how you feed them, how you handle them, trimming their feet on a regular schedule and taking care of any health concerns, from routine de-worming and vaccinations to emergency care. A serious injury or illness can preclude selling a horse as a yearling.

**Do you provide throat scoping and/or radiograph results for prospective buyers?**

I have tried a lot of things with regards to scoping and radiographs. For a few years I scoped my whole consignment, which was quite expensive, and very few people even asked me about the reports (even when I hung a sign up saying I had them available). The people who care about scoping, scoped the horses they were interested in using their own veterinarian, regardless of the reports I had available and most never asked to see.

It is so expensive to scope a yearling that I finally stopped doing it.

The cost of radiographing an entire consignment would put me out of business! I have tried doing just a few horses, and that seems the best option for me, even though I've had radiographed horses that didn't bring a lot of money and non-radiographed horses that brought good prices! I make the horses in my consignment available for sale-site scoping and radiographs, which I prefer to have done at the end of the day.

**What is your optimum time to get a yearling ready for a sale? When do you bring them into the barn? Turn-out time or schedule?**

If the yearlings are well-grown out and well-cared for, then 60 days of sales prep will get the job done nicely. It's much more difficult to get a yearling ready if it hasn't had the best early upbringing. Then I need that horse a lot sooner to get it in proper condition.

Our farm yearlings are all going in and out of the barn by June 15 (for the August sale). Every horse at Blue Ribbon Farm is turned out for a half-day. My preference is to turn them out at night to be sure their coats don't get sunburned even the slightest. Colts are turned out individually and fillies in groups. This usually means I run out of enough turn-out fields, so a few horses end up spending their half-day out during daylight hours. When this happens, those yearlings on daytime turn-out go out in "clothing," sun proof sheets and hoods (usually mesh). There is a process to getting them used to wearing these items so that they can be safely turned out in them.

**Do you feed a special diet or have dietary additions for your sales yearlings, and if so, what kind?**

We feed a custom mix that I started designing in the 1980s and that I tweak every now and again when new research comes out. I have "weaned" myself off of most food additives over the years (a difficult process), as feed additives make one feel one is really "doing something." I used to use corn oil, but now I use a stabilized ground flax seed and 1,000 to 2,000 IU per day per yearling of natural vitamin E. Research at UC Davis says that it's really important to use natural and not synthetic vitamin E.

I scrutinize every yearling at least once every two weeks, sometimes even once a week, to see how they are shaping up. Do they need more feed or less? Are their coats really starting to look good? Do they have any skin, mane or tail issues that need addressing? How do their feet look? And so on.

**What kind of physical work do your sales yearlings receive (i.e., hotwalker, hand walk, pony, turn-out)?**

Mostly we don't work the yearlings

here. Our turn-out fields are all at least one acre, and I rely on their time outside to give them the exercise they need. They are literally turned out the evening before they are shipped to the sales grounds. I have worked the occasional pot-bellied horse in our round pen (about 20 minutes per day at a jog) if needed, but it's pretty rare for me to have to do that.

**What methods do you use to present your yearlings in their best possible light? And what skills do you look for in a horse handler?**

We start practicing the conformation pose with the yearlings every day on their way to and from turn-out. We also practice "the walk," by which I mean we walk briskly with the handler on the yearling's left shoulder. We use the bits they will be wearing at the sale from the very beginning. By the time we head for the sale, all of this is "old hat."

Horse handlers need to be confident and have great horse skills. They need to be quiet with the yearlings, know how to use equipment correctly, be able to step out briskly at a walk with their charges and to turn a horse to the inside. This is not how the show horse people do it, but these aren't reining horses which need to pivot on their hind quarters. The sale handler can keep better control of the yearling when he/she is on the inside of the turn. Handlers should always look and act professionally. They should be neatly turned out (we provide Blue Ribbon Farm shirts) and always be aware of others (both horses and people) in their immediate vicinity. They should never walk their yearling between someone else's yearling and people trying to view that yearling.

We never "troll" horses in our consignment. (that is, randomly walk a yearling around in hopes someone will see them).

**Is there anything extra you try to teach or provide for the yearlings in your care before sale time?**

We groom every yearling from about the first of July on, but fortunately Mother Nature is very much on your side this time of year. If you just make the most of what each yearling has going for it naturally, you'll usually be in great shape.

**What do you feel is the most important aspect in preparing a yearling for auction?**

It's all important, but it absolutely starts and ends with doing the best possible job with each and every yearling. ■

*Five-time leading Washington breeders Debbie and Rick Pabst are longtime industry leaders who have been involved in nearly every aspect of the Thoroughbred industry. So far they have produced eight Washington champions – all WTBOA Sale graduates – including most recently the half-siblings Elliott Bay (2017 juvenile colt) and Pyscho Sister (2018 older mare and turf horse).*

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# The Inside Track

## Summer fun at Emerald Downs

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Mother's Day at Emerald Downs wouldn't be complete without Blue Ribbon Farm's version of motherhood, showcased by 2012 Washington champion Finding More (led by Janeen Armstrong) and her colt by Shaman Ghost (handled by Mackenzie Hoge).



Wayne Nagai



Heather Sacha Photos



Emerald Racing Club's Bob's All In (above) came home first on May 12, two days after ERC's Redrock Trail (left) had scored an 8 1/2-length maiden win.

Successful southwest rider Scott Stevens (below), older brother to multiple Racing Hall of Famer Gary Stevens, signed autographs after scoring his first two wins at Emerald Downs on July 7.



Wayne Nagai



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Heather Sacha

Trainer Roddina Barrett (above left) is congratulated after winning her first Emerald Thoroughbred stakes with Alittlestalk in the Kent Stakes.

Fans (above) enjoy up a close moment with rider and pony horse.

Through July 19 jockey Gary Wales (left) rode a winner on 27 straight Emerald cards.



Wayne Nagai





Wayne Nagai Photos



Wayne Nagai Photos



The ever popular Indian Relay Races (top and above right). The championship heat of the June 14-16 fourth annual Muckleshoot Gold Cup was won by the River Road Relay of Crow Agency, Montana. Darren Charges Strong Jr. rode the winning lap. Meghan Canady (left, ostrich) and Cody Gibson (on zebra) got into the spirit aboard non-traditional runners.

## Emerald Downs Washington-breds of the Week

Week 1-2 (April 20-28) – Lansky (2016) g., by Atta Boy Roy–Peaceful Wings, by Halo. Breeders: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Owner: Casa Loma Stable (Richard and Sandy Caswell). Trainer: Kay Cooper. Jockey: Heribert Martinez. Race: maiden special weight. WTBOA Sales.

Week 3 (May 4-5) – Emily’s Gold (2016) g., by Harbor the Gold–Our Henny Penny, by Henny Hughes. Breeders: Barbara Eakin and Shelly Nance. Owner: R. E. V. Racing (Roy and Ellie Schaefer). Trainer: Frank Lucarelli. Jockey: Ryan Barber. Race: \$22,500-\$25,000 waiver claiming. WTBOA Sales.

Week 4 (May 10-12) – Cate’s Gold (2016) f., by Liberty Gold–No Flies On Doodle, by Storm Blast. Breeders: Keith and Jan Swagerty. Owners: Swag Stables (Keith and Jan Swagerty) and 20/10 Stables (Michael James Shea). Trainer: David Martinez. Jockey: Ryan Barber. Race: maiden claiming \$8,000.

Week 5 (May 17-19) – Baja Sur (2016) g., by Smiling Tiger–Premo Copy, by Supremo. Breeder: John Roche (Roche Farm). Owners: John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Farm (Gerry and Gail Schneider). Trainer: Blaine Wright. Jockey: Franklin Ceballos. Race: Auburn Stakes. WTBOA Sales.

Week 6 (May 24-27) – Alittlestalk (2016) f., by Demon Warlock–Training at the Bar, by Valid Wager. Breeders: Warlock Stables, A. Floyd, K. Dougan, M. Hudson and Horseplayers Racing Club. Owners: Warlock Stables, Kelly Dougan and Ya Killing Me LLC. Trainer: Roddina Barrett. Jockey: Lorenzo Lopez. Race: allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming (N). WTBOA Sales.

Week 7 (May 31-June 2) – So Lucky (2014) g., by Coast Guard–Miss Pixie, by Petersburg. Breeder: Jean M. G. Welch

(Tall Cedars Farm LLC). Owners: Pegasus Too and Rising Star Stable. Trainer: Howard Belvoir. Jockey: Jennifer Whitaker. Race: \$25,000 claiming. WTBOA Sales.

Week 8 (June 7-June 9) – Guardian One (2013), m., Coast Guard–In Suzanne’s Honor, by Cahill Road. Breeders: Nina and Ron Hagen (El Dorado Farms LLC). Owners: Tony Loftin and Brenda Loftin. Trainer: Chris Stenslie. Jockey: Gary Wales. Race: allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming (N). WTBOA Sales.

Week 9 (June 14-June 16) – Baja Sur (2016) g., by Smiling Tiger–Premo Copy, by Supremo. Breeder: John Roche (Roche Farm). Owners: John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Farm (Gerry and Gail Schneider). Trainer: Blaine Wright. Jockey: Franklin Ceballos. Race: Coca-Cola Stakes. WTBOA Sales.

Week 10 (June 21-June 23) – Makah Lane (2016) g., by Atta Boy Roy–Dark Diva, by Majesterian. Breeders: Carnation Racing Stables and Ron Crockett Inc. Owners: Q Stable and Friendship Stable. Trainer: Bonnie Jenne. Jockey: Heribert Martinez. Race: maiden special weight. WTBOA Sales.

Week 11 (June 28-June 30) – Mike Man’s Gold (2010) g., Liberty Gold–Chedoodle, by Slewledo. Breeders: Keith and Jan Swagerty. Owners: Greg Conley, Chuck Conley and Terra Firma Farm. Trainer:

Joe Toye. Jockey: Gary Wales. Race: \$25,000 claiming race.

Week 12 (July 3-July 7) – Wheel Rally (2015) g., Rallying Cry–Nancy Perkins, by Consigliere (GB). Breeders: Allaire Farms, Sue Edwards, Jim Ernest and Ryan Hurley. Owner: Allaire Farms. Trainer: Robert Meeking. Jockey: Gary Wales. Race: \$15,000 claiming race. ■

# Stakes Winners

Washington-bred, WTBOA-sold and/or at Emerald Downs

## ALITTLESSTALK



Palmer Photography

**KENT STAKES**, Emerald Downs, June 9, \$50,000 (\$50,000), three-year-old fillies, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:15.33, track fast.

**ALITTLESSTALK**, 119, Demon Warlock—Trainingat the Bar, by Valid Wager (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..... Warlock Stables, Kelly Dougan and Ya Killing Me LLC \$26,400

**Mucho Amor**, 122, Mucho Macho Man—Raucous Lady, by Rock Hard Ten (Ky)....Ten Broeck Farm Inc. \$9,600  
**Senoradiablo**, 118, Flat Out—Encore Belle, by Lemon Drop Kid (Ky).....Tim M. Bankers \$7,200

Margins: neck, 6 3/4, 1 1/2. Also started: Twirling Devon 117 (\$3,600), Forty Six Carats 116 (\$1,200), Killarney Lass 120 (\$1,000), Suddenly Awesome 118 (\$1,000). Trained by Roddina Barrett. Bred by Warlock Stables, Allen Floyd, Kelly Dougan, Melvin Hudson and Horseplayers Racing Club. Ridden by Lorenzo Lopez.

Elocutionist, by Gallant Romeo  
 Demons Begone  
 Rowdy Angel, by Halo

### Demon Warlock

Zamboni, by Icecapade  
 Witchery  
 Early Night Rain, by Night Invader  
 Valid Appeal, by In Reality

Valid Wager  
 Bid Gal, by Bold Bidder

### Trainingat the Bar

Marquetry, by Conquistador Cielo  
 Lady Lamar  
 Lafayette's Lady, by Young Commander

**RACE RECORD:** 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$55,225. Also: 2nd Seattle S.

**SIRE: DEMON WARLOCK** (2000), by Demons Begone. SW, 10 wins, 2 to 5, \$278,335, Washington horse of the year, champion older horse. Stands at Roche Farms in Yakima.

### 1st DAM

**TRAININGAT THE BAR** (2005), by Valid Wager. 5 wins in 10 starts at 3 and 4, \$43,320. Dam of 4 other foals, including a two-year-old of 2019. 3 starters, 3 winners, **LOVETHISBAR** (f. by Demon Warlock, 7 wins, 2 to 5, 2019, \$72,318, Donna Jensen Memorial H., etc.), **REDSOLOCUP** (g. by Demon Warlock, 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$72,132, Chinook Pass S.-R, etc.), **Oldtoytrain** (g. by Vronsky, winner at 2, \$32,156, 2nd Arizona Breeders' Futurity-R, etc.)

### 2nd DAM

**LADY LAMAR** (1995), by Marquetry. 2 wins at 3, \$29,470. Half-sister to **HATPIN** (\$265,569), **Eden Lodge** (G2, \$239,980), **Lordly Prospect** (\$202,572), **Glorious Sensation** (\$129,437). 3 other foals, 2 starters, both winners.

Tim Floyd's Warlock Stables, Kelly Dougan and Stephani Loffredo's Ya Killing Me LLC's Alittleststalk parlayed her convincing 5 3/4-length score in an allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming (N) race at Emerald Downs on May 27 into an exciting win over odds-on favorite Mucho Amor in the Kent Stakes on June 9. Prior to those races she had been a good second behind Mucho Amor in the Seattle Stakes. Alittleststalk's hard-charging stakes win gave trainer Roddina Barrett her first Thoroughbred stakes victory at the Auburn oval.

"I had a lot of horse at the three-eighths pole, but I knew Mucho Amor was coming," said winning rider Lorenzo Lopez. "(Alittleststalk) really had some fight in her today. She ran an amazing race." For Lopez, 49, it was his first stakes victory at Emerald Downs.

The filly was bred in partnership by Warlock Stables and Dougan, along with Floyd's late father, Allen Floyd, Melvin Hudson and Scott Gruender's Horseplayers Racing Club (HPRC).

Alittleststalk began her racing career on July 21 as a two-year-old at Emerald Downs. Unplaced in her first start, she returned to the starting gate 15 days later to score a gate-to-wire two-length win in a \$15,000 maiden claimer. After finishing sixth to Washington champion Money Inthe Stars in the Washington Cup Juvenile Filly Stakes, Alittleststalk was turned out for the season.

In late March Alittleststalk returned to the work tabs at Emerald and made her 2019 debut in a \$15,000 claiming race, which she lost by just a nose. Encouraged by her performance in the five-panel race, her connections decided she earned a try in the \$50,000 Seattle Stakes.

Alittleststalk is one of eight stakes horses sired by Washington horse of the year and 2004 Longacres Mile (G3) runner-up Demon Warlock, who was one of 18 stakes winners by 1987 Arkansas Derby (G1) winner Demons Begone.

Demons Begone's sire Elocutionist also won the Arkansas Derby, but added a victory in the 1976 Preakness Stakes (G1) and was third in the Kentucky Derby (G1).

Elocutionist was sired by sprint specialist Gallant Romeo, who counted a tally in the important sprint, and now Grade 1 Vosburgh Handicap, among his six stakes wins.

Alittleststalk is one of four foals and winners – all stakes horses – produced out of Trainingat the Bar, a daughter of multiple graded stakes winner Valid Wager, who is a son of the speedy Valid Appeal, by In Reality.

California-bred Trainingat the Bar won five of her ten starts, with wins coming at Golden Gate Fields, Bay Meadows and Emerald Downs. Her \$43,320 earnings gave her a 1.46 SSI. She was claimed for \$20,000 out of a five-length win at Bay Meadows by Gruender and won her last two races, both at Emerald, in the colors of HPRC and Warlock Stables.

Trainingat the Bar produced another filly by Demon Warlock in 2017, who has been named Alotmoreaction.

## ANYPORTINASTORM



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**GOVERNOR'S STAKES**, Emerald Downs, June 2, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds and up, six furlongs, 1:07.54 (new stakes record), track fast.

**ANYPORTINASTORM**, (2014), h., 124, City Zip—La Defense, by Wild Again (Fl)

..... Peter Redekop BC Ltd \$26,400  
**Oh Marvelous Me** (2012), g., 120, Bluegrass Cat—Morakami, by Fusaichi Pegasus (Ky) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Todd and Shawn Hansen \$9,600  
**Grinder Sparksaglo** (2011), g., 119, Grindstone—Cule Flyer, by Matricule (Wa)..... Richard Sena \$7,200

Margins: 3 1/2, head, 4 1/2. Also started: Sippin Fire 12 (\$3,600), Hit the Beach 119 (\$1,200), Tumac Mountain 118 (\$1,000), Cody's Choice 120 (\$1,000). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by Sally J. Anderson. Ridden by Juan Hernandez.

**BUDWEISER STAKES**, Emerald Downs, June 30, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-olds and up, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:14.35, track fast.

**ANYPORTINASTORM**, (2014), h., 124, City Zip—La Defense, by Wild Again (Fl)

..... Peter Redekop BC Ltd \$26,400  
**Oh Marvelous Me** (2012), g., 120, Bluegrass Cat—Morakami, by Fusaichi Pegasus (Ky) **WTBOA Sales**

..... Todd and Shawn Hansen \$9,600  
**Hit the Beach** (2013), g., 120, Harbor the Gold—Hit a Star, by Ihtimam (Wa)..... Ed Zenker,

H. R. "Pat" Mullens and Richard Larson \$7,200

Margins: 6 1/2, neck, 2. Also started: Grinder Sparksaglo 119 (\$3,600), El Huerfano 120 (\$1,200), Elliott Bay 120 (\$1,000), Many Roses 120 (\$1,000). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by Sally J. Anderson. Ridden by Juan Hernandez.

Mr. Prospector, by Raise a Native  
 Carson City  
 Blushing Promise, Blushing Groom (Fr)

### City Zip

Relaunch, by In Reality

### Baby Zip

Thirty Zip, by Tri Jet

Icecapade, by Nearctic

### Wild Again

Bushel-n-Peck, by \*Khaled

### La Defense

Deputy Minister, by Vice Regent

### Captivan

Sarah Gamp, by Hoist the Flag

**RACE RECORD:** 7 wins, 3 to 5, \$241,025. Also: won Zia Park Sprint S., Lost in Fog S. (GG), 3rd Bill Thomas Memorial S., Alcatraz S., Lost in the Fog S. (GG).

**SIRE: CITY ZIP** (1998), by Carson City. **G1 SW**, 9 wins at 2 and 3, \$818,225. Deceased. Stood in New York and Kentucky.

**1st DAM**

**LA DEFENSE** (1998), by Wild Again. Winner at 3, \$71,715. Dam of 11 other foals, 9 starters, 8 winners, including **QUELLE SURPRISE** (4 wins, \$141,706, Stonehedge Farm South Sophomore Filly S., etc.; dam of **Hammer the Bay**, g. by Half Ours, 9 wins, \$155,194, 2nd Frontier Utilities Turf Sprint S.; **North Pacific**, g. by Master Command, 6 wins, \$123,142, 3rd Jim Kostoff S.), **A Gala Day** (f., by Munnings, 6 wins, \$138,745, 2nd American Beauty S.), **Thunder Run** (g. by Colonel John, 5 wins, \$101,727, 3rd Sunday Silence S.). Granddam of **QUIJOTE** (g. by Pomeroy, 8 wins to 6, 2019, \$416,465, Sunshine Millions Sprint S.-R, Big Drama S.-R, etc.), **GO ASTRAY** (f. by Gone Astray, 2 wins at 2, \$151,850, FTBOA Florida Sire Desert Vixen S.-R, etc.).

**2nd DAM**

**Captivant** (1989), by Deputy Minister. 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$124,988, 2nd Vallejo S. Half-sister to **JEUNESSE DOREE** (\$199,503), **ESTRELLA FUEGA** (\$154,477). 12 other foals, 10 starters, 7 winners, including **NOISETTE** (7 wins, \$485,104, Modesty H.-G3, etc.; dam of **ELUSIVE NOISE**, 3 wins, \$70,155, Irish Day H., etc.), **ROI MAUDIT** (4 wins, \$196,377, Maria's Mon S., etc.), **Mille Feville** (4 wins, \$280,233, 2nd Ontario Fashion H., etc.), **Jour de Fete** (3 wins, \$87,022, 3rd Serena's Song S.), **Iman** (2 wins, \$53,522, 2nd Half Moon S.).

In his first three starts this year, Anyportinastorm finished third in a \$100,000 sprint stakes at Sunland Park, took the 2019 edition of the Lost in the Fog by 3 1/2 lengths and set a new stakes record in his Emerald debut in the Governor's Stakes over fellow Wright trainee Oh Marvellous Me.

The two stablemates met again in the Budweiser Stakes on June 30 and with the same results. Although it was the fourth straight stakes placement at Emerald for Oh Marvellous Me, Anyportinastorm "drew off to win with total authority." 2018 Washington champion older male Hit the Beach was third in his first stakes placement of the year.

With his two convincing stakes tallies, Anyportinastorm has marked himself as the top Pacific Northwest contender for the August 11 Longacres Mile (G3).

The race market trainer Wright's sixth stakes win of the meet – of the eight run so far – and 37th overall at the Auburn oval.

Canadian businessman Peter Redekop and trainer Blaine Wright have done well with the offspring of the late sire City Zip. Along with multiple stakes winner Anyportinastorm, the pair have raced \$1.3-million earner Alert Bay – who won six graded stakes and twice placed in the Longacres Mile (G3) – and Alliford Bay, a seven-time (twice at Emerald Downs) stakes winner of \$260,707 who is still racing.

City Zip came out running in 2018. He was only the fourth runner to sweep Saratoga's current three important juvenile stakes – the Hopeful Stakes (G1), Sanford Stakes (G2), Saratoga Special (G2). He also crossed the wire first in the Futurity Stakes (G1) at Belmont, but was disqualified to second. At three, City Zip added four more stakes wins, two of which were graded. All total, the talented sprinter had a 9-5-4 record and \$818,225 in earnings before retiring to stud in New York in 2002. Two years later, after his younger half-brother Ghostzapper was named Horse of the Year, City Zip was moved to Lane's End in Kentucky.

At stud, City Zip, a son of Carson City (who also sired the late topnotch Washington stallion Abraaj), has so far sired 79 stakes winners in his first 15 crops. His runners, which include six champions, have earned over \$94.7-million.

City Zip's leading 2019 earner, Grade 1 2018 stakes winner Improbable, ran second in this year's Arkansas Derby (G1) and Rebel Stakes (G2), was fourth in the Kentucky Derby (G1) and sixth in the Preakness Stakes (G1). City Zip, who died in July 2017 at age 19, will have his final crop reach the races this year.

A \$320,000 Ocala April Two-year-olds in Training Sale graduate in 2016, Anyportinastorm ran second in his maiden special weight debut in November of his juvenile year at Golden Gate Fields and came back as a three-year-old in January to take a race at that same level by three lengths. After running third at the Albany track in the Alcatraz Stakes in May, Anyportinastorm didn't surface again until the following February where he ran third in the Log in the Fog Stakes. His first stakes win came later that year in the \$100,000 Zia Park Sprint Stakes, a race he took by nearly four lengths.

**BAJA SUR**



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**AUBURN STAKES**, Emerald Downs, May 19, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old colts and geldings, six furlongs, 1:07.98 (new stakes record), track fast.

**BAJA SUR**, 119, g., Smiling Tiger—Premo Copy, by Supremo (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..... John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Farm \$25,300  
**Runningwithscissors**, 117, c., Congaree—Celesta, by Bernstein (NY).....Tim M. Bankers \$9,200  
**Perfect Dude**, 117, g., Majesticperfection—Gadget Queen, by Flying With Eagles (Wa) .....Todd and Shawn Hansen \$6,900

Margins: 5, 4, 2 3/4. Also started: Rally Cat 117 (\$3,450), My Grandpa 117 (\$1,130), Lansky 117 (\$1,000), Emily's Gold 117 (\$1,000), Todo Es Toro 121 (\$1,000), Fuzzy Dolphin 119 (\$1,000). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by John Roche. Ridden by Franklin Ceballos.

**COCOA-COLA STAKES**, Emerald Downs, June 16, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old colts and geldings, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:15.60, track fast.

**BAJA SUR**, 124, g., Smiling Tiger—Premo Copy, by Supremo (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..... John and Janene Maryanski and Riverbend Farm \$27,500  
**Runningwithscissors**, 118, c., Congaree—Celesta, by Bernstein (NY).....Tim M. Bankers \$10,000  
**Perfect Dude**, 118, g., Majesticperfection—Gadget Queen, by Flying With Eagles (Wa) .....Todd and Shawn Hansen \$7,500

Margins: 1 3/4, 5 1/2, 7 1/4. Also started: Velrynsky 118 (\$3,750), Fuzzy Dolphin 120 (\$1,250). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by John Roche. Ridden by Franklin Ceballos.

Storm Cat, by Storm Bird  
 Hold That Tiger  
 Beware of the Cat, by Caveat  
**Smiling Tiger**  
 Cahill Road, by Fappiano  
 Shandra Smiles  
 Beyond the Storm, by Great Above  
 Gone West, by Mr. Prospector  
 Supremo  
 Personal Glory, by Danzig  
**Premo Copy**  
 Staff Writer, by Northern Dancer  
 Soft Copy  
 Castinette, by Captain Courageous

**RACE RECORD:** 4 wins in 4 starts at 2 and 3, \$87,450. Also: won King County Express S.

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

**1st DAM**

**PREMO COPY** (1999), by Supremo. 5 wins, 2 to 4, \$134,635, John and Kitty Fletcher Memorial S.-R, 2nd Washington Breeders' Cup Oaks, etc. Washington broodmare of the year 2018. Dam of 8 other foals, 7 starters, all winners, including **CASTINETTE DANCER** (f. by Ministers Wild Cat, 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$219,164, Washington champion 3-year-old filly, Boulevard Casino S., Emerald Downs S., etc.), **SEATTLE BEST COPY** (f. by Demon Warlock, 6 wins, \$73,720, Northwest Farms S.-R).

**2nd DAM**

**SOFT COPY** (1984), by Staff Writer. 11 wins, 2 to 5, \$313,156, Washington champion 3-year-old, Bay Meadows Oaks, Alki H., Sacajawea H., etc. 8 other foals, all winners, including **RUN A COPY** (4 wins in 8 starts at 3 and 4, \$80,050, Ropersandwranglers S., etc.; dam of **COPY BEGONE**, 16 wins, 2 to 5, 2018, \$121,668, Multnomah Falls H., etc.; granddam of **Kota Copy**, 7 wins to 5, 2019, \$83,653, 2nd Willamette River S., etc.), **Dianne Do** (5 wins, \$94,540, 3rd California State Fair Sprint H.), **El Copia** (3 wins, \$33,289, 3rd WTBA Lassie S., etc.).

2018 Washington champion two-year-old Baja Sur is one of a trio of stakes winners, and the second state champion, produced out \$134,635 stakes winner Premo Copy, who was voted Washington broodmare of the year in 2018. Unbeaten Baja Sur, who has taken his four races by a 22 1/2-length total, is the final foal produced out of his now 20-year-old dam.

Three of Premo Copy's daughters are in production, including her 2011 state champion Castinette Dancer, who has an unraced three-year-old named Dakati, by Tale of Ekati, a yearling colt by Sky Mesa and a suckling daughter by Keen Ice. Premo Copy's stakes-winning daughter Seattles Best Copy produced her first foal in 2019, a filly from the first crop of Washington stallion Pontiff.

Premo Copy was one of nine winners produced out of 1987 Washington champion three-year-old Soft Copy, a daughter of Staff Writer who won seven stakes, placed in the Grade 2 Del Mar Debutante Stakes and earned \$313,153.

Three other of Soft Copy's daughters won or placed in stakes, led by Ropersandwranglers Stakes winner Run a Copy, a daughter of Basket Weave who earned \$80,050. Run a Copy's daughter Copy Begone won two stakes last fall during Portland Meadows' final season and her grandson Kota Copy placed in two stakes at the Portland track as a juvenile.

Smiling Tiger, the speedy sire of Baja Sur, was impressive as a racehorse, with three Grade 1 tallies and two third place finishes in the Breeders' Cup Sprint (G1) among his 18 stakes placements, but he has also come out strong as a sire. The Harris Farms stallion,

a son of Group 1 French stakes winner Hold That Tiger, is the sire of three crops of racing age (including his 2017 foals). From Smiling Tiger's first two crops have come two Oregon champions, 2018 California horse of the year and 2018-19 Grade 1 winner Spiced Perfection, and her year-younger California champion full brother Cruel Intention, Korean champion Ace Korea and 2018 Washington champion two-year-old Baja Sur.

Smiling Tiger, who was California's leading freshman sire in 2017 and leading second crop sire in 2018, also has two other stakes winners – including two-time Emerald Downs stakes winner Ima Happy Cat – among the 116 named foals in his first two crops. Smiling Tiger stood the 2019 breeding season for a \$7,500 fee.

Baja Sur is trained by 2016-17 leading Emerald Downs conditioner Blaine Wright, a son of successful former Pacific Northwest jockey and trainer Richard Wright.

Wright also trains Perfect Dude and Rally Cat, who finished third and fourth in the Auburn Stakes. Perfect Dude also ran third in the Coca-Cola Stakes. The top three finishers in the Auburn Stakes came back four weeks later to finish in the same order in the half-furlong longer Coca-Cola Stakes.

Wright was not on hand to saddle Baja Sur for his Auburn Stakes win as the trainer was flying back from Baltimore where he watched Anothertwistafate, who he trains for Peter Redekop Ltd, finish tenth in the Preakness Stakes (G1) at Pimlico.

## BEST OF ME



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**WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATORS STAKES.** Emerald Downs, June 23, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old and up fillies and mares, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:16.04, track fast.

**BEST OF ME**, (2015), 119, Super Saver—Lemon Gin, by First Samurai (Ky)

..... Todd and Shawn Hansen \$26,400  
**Bella Mia**, (2015), 119, Harbor the Gold—Bella Campana, by Slewdledo (Wa)

..... John and Janene Maryanski \$9,600  
**Dontkissintell**, (2015), 119, Rosberg—Low Key Affair, by Vying Victor (BC).... Darlyne and Karl Krieg \$7,200

Margins: 3 1/2, head, 4. Also started: No Talking Back 120 (\$3,600), Paddy's Secret 119 (\$1,200), Foggia (\$1,000), Ima Happy Cat 123 (\$1,000). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by John D. Gunther. Ridden by Franklin Ceballos.



Wavering Monarch, by Majestic Light  
Maria's Mon  
Carlotta Maria, by Caro (Ire)  
**Super Saver**  
A. P. Indy, by Seattle Slew  
Supercharger  
Get Lucky, by Mr. Prospector  
Giant's Causeway, by Storm Cat  
First Samurai  
Freddie Frisson, by Dixieland Band  
**Lemon Gin**  
Lemon Drop Kid, by Kingmambo  
Without You Babe  
Marozia, by Storm Bird

**RACE RECORD:** 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$136,130. Also: 3rd Beverly J. Lewis S.

**SIRE: SUPER SAVER** (2007), by Maria's Mon. **G1** SW, 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$1,889,766. Stands in Kentucky.

### 1st DAM

**LEMON GIN** (2011), by First Samurai. Unraced. Dam of 1 other foal of racing age, a two-year-old of 2019.

### 2nd DAM

**WITHOUT YOU BABE** (2005), by Lemon Drop Kid. Unraced. Half-sister to **STAY THIRSTY** (5 wins, \$1,936,000, Travers S.-**G1**, Cigar Mile S.-**G1**, etc.; sire), **ANDROMEDA'S HERO** (4 wins, \$836,961, Fred W. Hooper S.-**G3**, etc.; sire), **SUPERFLY** (\$187,944, Whirling Ash S., 3rd Champagne S.-**G1**; sire). 6 other foals, 5 starters, all winners, including **TAMARKUZ** (3 wins in 6 starts at 2 and 3 in England; 4 wins in 7 starts at 5 and 6 in UAE, Meydan Sobha Godolphin Mile-**G2**, etc.; winner at 6 in US, Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile-**G1**, etc. Total earnings: \$1,839,825), **WITHOUT PAROLE** (4 wins in 7 starts, 2 to 4, 2019. in England, St. James's Palace Stakes [**G1**], Heron Stakes. Total earnings: \$651,986).

The Hansen family's new stakes winner is one of 20 stakes winners sired by 2010 Kentucky Derby (G1) winner Super Saver, who in turn is one of two winners of the Kentucky classic sired by 1995 Eclipse Award-winning two-year-old Maria's Mon. Super Saver stood the 2019 breeding season at WinStar Farm in Versailles, Kentucky, for a \$30,000 fee. Also a paternal great-great grandson of 1969 Kentucky Derby winner Majestic Prince, Super Saver is the sire of 2015 champion sprinter Runhappy and additional Grade 1 winners Competitive Edge and Embellish the Lace.

A \$50,000 Keeneland September yearling, Best of Me's first win came in her first start which was in a 5 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race for three-year-old fillies held at Santa Anita. The then Peter Miller-trained filly won that March race by 3 1/4 lengths. Unplaced in her next two efforts at the California track, Best of Me next prevailed by 2 1/4 lengths in a six-panel allowance/\$75,000 optional claiming (N) race in early June. A credible fourth place finish in the Great Lady M Stakes (G2) at Los Alamitos soon followed, after which she finished third in the \$75,000 Beverly J. Lewis Stakes in September.

Away from the races until May 5 of this year, she made her Emerald debut in an allowance/\$50,000 optional claiming (N) race with a one-length score for her new trainer Blaine Wright. After a fourth place finish in the May 27 Hastings Stakes, where she was moved up after the stewards had disqualified Bella Mia from second for bumping Best of Me at the sixteenth pole, Best of Me went off as the \$2.30-to-1 favorite among the seven fillies and mares contesting the Washington State Legislators Stakes.

After dueling for the early lead with Hastings Stakes winner Ima Happy Cat, Best of Me "opened up a clear margin near the seven-sixteenths pole and drew off . . . with complete authority."

Bred by John Gunther in Kentucky and from the same crop as his 2018 Triple Crown winner Justify, 2018 Wood Memorial Stakes (G1) and 2019 Gold Cup at Santa Anita (G1) victor Vito Rossi and 2018 St. James's Palace Stakes (G1) winner Without Parole, the well-bred Best of Me is the first foal out of an unraced half-sister to the aforementioned English-bred Group 1 winner, who was also raced by Gunther.

In addition to Without Parole, Best of Me's unraced second dam Without You Babe is the dam of 2016 Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Mile (G1) winner Tamarkuz. The son of Speightstown also scored a trio of victories in graded races in the United Arab Emirates and stood the 2019 season for \$10,000 at Shadwell Farm in Kentucky.

Due to Tamarkuz's worldwide success (he was also a winner in England), after producing Best of Me, her unraced dam Lemon Gin's second, third and fourth foals were all sired by Speightstown. Her 2017 filly, Raaiqah, was a \$250,000 Keeneland November sale weanling, followed by her 2018 filly, who was a \$500,000 Keeneland November weanling, and a 2019 colt.

Marozia, the third dam of Best of Me, was a winner at England at four. Her dam, the stakes-winning and four-time Grade 1 runner-up Make Change, by Roberto, produced Travers Stakes (G1) winner Stay Thirsty, Fred W. Hooper Handicap (G3) victor Andromeda's Hero and stakes winner and Grade 1-placed Superfly. Both Stay Thirsty and Andromeda's Hero each finished second in the Belmont Stakes (G1) among their many graded placings.

## DR JOHN H



Four Footed Fotos

**JIM COLEMAN PROVINCE STAKES**, Hastings Racecourse, May 4, C\$50,000g (US\$37,255), three-year-olds, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:18.13, track fast.

**DR JOHN H**, 120, g., Harbor the Gold—Felice the Cat, by Distinctive Cat (Wa) **WTBOA Sales** ..... North American Thoroughbred Racing Company Inc. \$20,490

**Explode**, 117, g., Trappe Shot—Light Blow, by Kingmambo (Ky) ..... Canmor Farms \$7,451  
**Call It a Wrap**, 118, g., Finality—After the Rain, by Lemon Drop Kid (BC)

..... Riversedge Racing Stables Ltd. \$3,726

Margins: 3/4, 2 1/4, 1/2. Also started: Moro Texas 117 (\$1,863), Shruggy Bear 115 (\$1,490), Dat Day 120 (\$745), Ring of Kerry 120 (\$745), Stay Fantastic 117 (\$745), Bugsy 119, McMurphy 120, Move On 117. Trained by Glen Todd. Bred by Bar C Racing Stables Inc. Ridden by Denny Velazquez.

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

#### Harbor the Gold

Vice Regent, by Northern Dancer  
Harbor Springs  
Tinnitus, by Restless Wind  
Storm Cat, by Storm Bird  
Distinctive Cat  
Distinctive Sis, by Distinctive Pro

#### Felice the Cat

Kennedy Road, by Victoria Park  
Kering One  
Amiga La G., by Delaware Chief

**RACE RECORD:** 3 wins in 5 starts, \$49,502. Also: won Lost in Fog S. (TuP).

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

#### 1st DAM

FELICE THE CAT (2006), by Distinctive Cat. 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$20,522. Dam of 5 other foals, 4 starters, 3 winners, including **MACH ONE RULES** (g. by Harbor the Gold, 7 wins to 5, 2018, \$330,876, Washington horse of the year, champion two-year-old, champion older horse, champion sprinter, Budweiser S., Mt. Rainier S., WTBOA Lads S., etc.)

#### 2nd DAM

KERING ONE (1991), by Kennedy Road. Unplaced. Half-sister to **KINGDOM FOUND** (11 wins, \$810,863, San Pasqual H.-G2, etc.). 6 other foals, 5 starters, 4 winners, including **SHANGHAI JOE** (\$59,993, Paul Cacci Eel Starter Sprint S.).

After taking his first two wins at Turf Paradise, including a victory in the Lost in the Fog Stakes on December 29, while under trainer Sandi Gann's care, North American Thoroughbred Horse Company's (NATHC) Dr John H made his Hastings Racecourse debut for owner/trainer Glen Todd in the Jim Coleman Province Stakes. The race was one of four C\$50,000 (USA\$37,225) run on the Vancouver track's opening day card.

The \$1.55-to-one favorite in the field of 11 three-year-olds, Dr John H led from the quarter pole on to score a three-quarter length victory and hold third betting choice Explode "safely at bay late in a game effort."

Dr John H was purchased by Todd for \$60,000 from his breeders' Bar C Racing Stables Inc. consignment at the 2017 WTBOA Sale.

The son of ten-time leading Oregon sire Harbor the Gold, Dr John H is one of the stallion's 38 stakes winners and 71 stakes horses, which includes a trio of 2018 Washington champions led by horse of the year Sippin Fire.

Dr John H is the fifth foal out of Felice the Cat, a winner of three races, two at Emerald Downs (at the \$7,500 claiming level) as a three-year-old. Her final victory came at four at Portland Meadows for a \$2,000 tag.

Mach One Rules, her second foal, was Washington's champion juvenile in 2015 and went on to be named both the state and Emerald Downs horse of the year in 2017. Felice the Cat is also the dam of Santa Anita maiden special weight winner Ninelives, by Sixthirteen, and that runner's full brother Seahawk Wave, who won a \$50,000 maiden claiming race at Santa Anita this past January.

In 2017, Felice the Cat produced a full brother to her two stakes winners that has been named Harbors Ruler.

Felice the Cat is a daughter of unraced Distinctive Cat, a son of leading sire and sire-of-sires Storm Cat and out of Grade 3 winner Distinctive Sis, by Distinctive Pro.

Felice the Cat is a half-sister to four other winners, including minor Fresno, California, fair stakes winner Shanghai Joe, a son of Bartok (Ire) who earned nearly \$60,000.

Her granddam, Amiga La G, won four races, topped by a win in Fresno's Yosemite Stakes. The half-sister to A Gleam Stakes (G2) winner Bold Windy produced multiple graded stakes winner Kingdom Found and has four stakes-producing daughters, including \$84,710 earner Admiral Minnie.

On June 2, Dr John H ran third in Hastings' River Rock Casino Handicap, upping his earnings to \$53,203.

## IMA HAPPY CAT



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**HASTINGS STAKES**, Emerald Downs, May 27, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old and up fillies and mares, six furlongs, 1:08.73, track fast.

**IMA HAPPY CAT** (2015), 121, Smiling Tiger—Infernal McGoon, by Wekiva Springs (Ca) **WTBOA Sales** ..... Tim and Sue Spooner \$25,300  
**Dontkissntell** (2015), 121, Rosberg—Low Key Affair, by Vying Victor (BC).....Darlyne and Karl Krieg \$9,200  
**Paddy's Secret** (2014), 120, Paddy O'Prado—Secret Humor, by Yes It's True (Ky) .....Donnybrook Stable \$6,900

Margins: 1, head, 5 1/2. Also started: Best of Me 117 (\$3,450), Bella Mia 118 (\$1,150, disq. from 2nd), Always Enuff 117 (\$1,000), No Talking Back 119 (\$1,000), B C Z Middleton 120 (\$1,000), Diamonds R 120 (\$1,000). Trained by Dan Markle. Bred by Dale Mahlum. Ridden by Gary Wales.

Storm Cat, by Storm Bird  
Hold That Tiger  
Beware of the Cat, by Caveat  
**Smiling Tiger**  
Cahill Road, by Fappiano  
Shandra Smiles  
Beyond the Storm, by Great Above  
Runaway Groom, by Blushing Groom (Fr)  
Wekiva Springs  
Jetting Angel, by Tri Jet  
**Infernal McGoon**  
Staff Writer, by Northern Dancer  
Flame McGoon  
Wicca, by Noble Table

**RACE RECORD:** 5 wins at 3 and 4, \$168,696. Also: won Seattle S.; 2nd Camilla Urso S., Kent S.

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

#### 1st DAM

**INFERNAL MCGOON** (1999), by Wekiva Springs. 3 wins at 4, \$153,965, Washington champion older filly or mare, \$153,965, Emerald Breeders' Cup Distaff H., Belle Roberts S.-R. Dam of 8 other named foals, 8 starters, 5 winners, including **TALK TO MY LAWYER** (f. by Lawyer Ron. 4 wins at 2 and 3, \$89,166, Washington champion 2-year-old filly, Gottstein Futurity, John and Kitty Fletcher S.-R, etc.; dam of **NO TALKING BACK**, f. by Flatter, 3 wins at 3 and 4, 2018, \$92,954, Fan Appreciation Day S.; 2nd Washington State Legislators S., etc.).

#### 2nd DAM

**FLAME MCGOON** (1986), by Staff Writer, 5 wins, 2 to 4, \$139,264, Washington champion 2-year-old filly, Longacres Lassie S., Mercer Girls S., etc. Half-sister to **Ginnilee** (9 wins, \$61,668, 2nd Columbine H., etc.). 8 other named foals, 7 starters, 6 winners.

Not only did Ima Happy Cat win the \$50,000 Hastings Stakes on the May 27 card, but her year-younger full sister Forty Four Carat, drew off to take her second start, in a maiden \$25,000 claimer, by 2 1/4 lengths, just two days before her older sister's second stakes score at Emerald Downs.

In 1983, Dana Halvorson's Halvorson Bloodstock, as agent, went to \$18,000 to buy a young Florida-bred mare named Wicca, who was in foal to Bold Ruler's final champion Wajima. Wicca, a daughter of the unraced \*Vaguely Noble stallion Noble Table, had raced exclusively in Florida for Arthur Appleton. She won her eighth start, a Calder maiden special weight race in October of her sophomore year after finishing second or third in six of her previous outings. Wicca turned out to be one of two pivotal purchases that John and Doris Konecny made that year for their young Thoroughbred operation (the other was a yearling filly they named Whimsical Aire).

Wicca produced a colt the following year and was bred back to Apalachee and foaled future stakes producer Apalachee Music. Her third foal for the Konecny's would put them on the Washington racing map, when in 1988, Wicca's daughter Flame McGoon (by Staff Writer) was named Washington champion two-year-old filly after taking both the Mercer Girls and Longacres Lassie stakes.

Among Flame McGoon's nine named foals were seven winners, with her best being her 1999 filly by Suburban Handicap (G1) winner Wekiva Springs. A bit of a late bloomer, Infernal McGoon finally won her tenth start, a mile turf maiden special weight race in May of her four-year-old season. After next placing in three Southern California allowances, the gray filly returned to Emerald Downs (where she had made her debut at two) and reeled off wins in the \$100,000 Emerald Breeders' Cup Distaff Handicap (by two lengths) and \$50,000 Belle Roberts Stakes (by 2 1/4 lengths). Sent east to Kentucky, Infernal McGoon finished her career with third and fourth place finishes in Keeneland and Churchill Downs allowances. Her stellar efforts at four led Infernal McGoon, who raced for Jody Peetz's One Horse Will Do Corporation, to be named both Washington and Emerald Downs champion older filly of 2003.

After breeding her first three foals, Peetz offered Infernal McGoon, bred to Eclipse Award winner Lawyer Ron (in what would be the first of his only two crops before his early death), at the 2008 Keeneland November sale. Infernal McGoon was purchased for \$29,000 by Halvorson Bloodstock, on behalf of Montana horseman Dale Mahlum. Peetz then purchased the resulting filly for \$30,000 at the Keeneland September Yearling Sale, and the Washington-bred Talk to My Lawyer was named the state's champion juvenile filly after taking the open Gottstein Futurity and placing in two other Emerald two-year-old stakes. Unfortunately, Talk to My Lawyer only lived to produce two foals, but her daughter No Talking Back has won or placed in five stakes for Peetz.

Infernal McGoon has produced nine foals for Mahlum. Six of the seven of racing age have won, and besides Ima Happy Cat, include \$57,998 earner Hetty, a 2010 daughter of Cahill Road who produced a 2017 colt by Marino Marini named Barabbas and a 2018 colt by Slew's Tiznow in California for John Parker.

Infernal McGoon produced full siblings to Ima Happy Cat and Forty Four Carat in 2018 (filly) and 2019 (colt). Her 2018 filly has been consigned by Halvorson Bloodstock Services LLC, for Dale Mahlum as Hip 82 in this summer's WTBOA sale.

## MUCHO AMOR



**SEATTLE STAKES**, Emerald Downs, May 12, \$50,000g (\$50,000), three-year-old fillies, six furlongs, 1:09.76, track fast.

**MUCHO AMOR**, 120, Mucho Macho Man—Raucous Lady, by Rock Hard Ten (Ky)

.....Ten Broeck Farm Inc. \$25,300  
**Alittlestalk**, 120, Demon Warlock—Training at the Bar, by Valid Wager (Wa) **WTBOA Sales**

.....Warlock Stables, Kelly Dougan and Ya Killing Me LLC \$9,200

**Killarney Lass**, 118, Eskendereya—Rena, by More Than Ready (Ky).....Sargent Stables \$6,900

Margins: 6, 5, 1/2. Also started: Northwest Factor 120 (\$3,450), Lulu's Lightening 120 (\$1,150), Forty Six Carats 120 (\$1,000), Something About Me 120 (\$1,000), Slingshot Mistress 116 (\$1,000), Timberlake Gage 119 (\$1,000). Trained by Blaine Wright. Bred by Ed Few. Ridden by Juan Hernandez.

Holy Bull, by Great Above  
Macho Uno  
Primal Force, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

### Mucho Macho Man

Ponche, by Two Punch  
Ponche de Leona  
Perfect and Proud, by Nonparrell

Kris S., by Roberto  
Rock Hard Ten  
Tersa, by Mr. Prospector

### Raucous Lady

Bold Ruckus, by Boldnesian  
Tobie Ruckus  
Jackjon, by Caucasus

**RACE RECORD**: 3 wins in 5 starts at 2 and 3, \$92,590.

**SIRE: MUCHO MACHO MAN** (2008), by Macho Uno. G1 SW. 9 wins, 2 to 5, \$5,625,410. Stands in Kentucky.

### 1st DAM

**Raucous Lady** (2009), by Rock Hard Ten. 3 wins at 3, \$80,788, 2nd Zia Park Distaff S. 2 other foals, 1 starter.

### 2nd DAM

**Tobie RUCKUS** (1992), by Bold Ruckus. 7 wins, 2 to 4, \$134,096. Sister to **JOHN THE MAGICIAN** (5 wins, \$368,157, Breeders' S.-R, etc.), half-sister to **Ascot Tobie** (3 wins, \$116,656, 2nd Bison City S.-R, dam of **Consolidator Joe**, \$523,091, **Sense of Reality**, \$116,995), **Jonjack** (2nd Victorian Queen S.-R). 10 other foals, 8 starters, 7 winners, including

**CHARMING RUCKUS** (3 wins, \$294,535, Jammed Lovely S.-R, 3rd Selene S.-G3, etc.), **VEGAS FLYER** (3 wins, \$25,824, Overnight H., 2nd McFadden Memorial Sprint Claiming Series S.-Leg 1, etc.).

A \$135,000 Keeneland September yearling and a \$260,000 OBS March two-year-old sale graduate, Mucho Amor began her race career at the April 2018 Keeneland meet where she won a maiden special in her first race while under conditioner Wesley Ward's care. Her next start came in August at Saratoga where she ran fourth in the Grade 2 Adirondack Stakes. After a sixth place finish in an allowance/\$75,000 optional claiming (N) race in October at Keeneland, she was sent west to Blaine Wright's barn.

In her first start for Wright, Mucho Amor won an allowance/\$40,000 optional claiming (N) race by four lengths on April 14 at Golden Gate Fields and then was sent north to Emerald Downs where she drew off to take the Seattle Stakes by six lengths as the nine-to-ten favorite.

Mucho Amor is one of three 2019 stakes winners from the first crop sired by Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) winner Mucho Macho Man, who also included a third place finish in the 2011 Kentucky Derby (G1) among his 14 other stakes placements. A winner from eight to ten furlongs, the son of 2000 champion juvenile Macho Uno earned \$5,625,410 and had a 76.83 SSI. Mucho Macho Man stood the 2019 breeding season for \$10,000 at Adena Springs in Paris, Kentucky. His leading earner to date is four-time graded stakes winner Mucho Gusto, but he is also the sire of 2019 California Cup Oaks winner Mucho Unusual and Grade 2-placed Belle Laura.

Mucho Amor is the second foal out of the stakes-placed Rock Hard Ten mare Raucous Lady. Unraced at two, Raucous Lady was also a first-time race winner, but hers came in a \$20,000 maiden claimer at Betfair Hollywood Park. After placing in a starter allowance at Del

Mar, Raucous Lady was sent to Zia Park where she won two allowances and ran second in the \$55,000 Zia Park Distaff Stakes.

Bred to Awesome Again, Raucous Lady was sold for \$120,000 at the 2014 Keeneland November sale. That foal, Of Course You Can, has placed in one of his nine starts. Raucous Lady also has a two-year-old filly by Sky Mesa named Lady Sunset and produced a colt by Street Boss in 2018.

Mucho Amor's second dam Tobie Ruckus was a \$134,096 earning full sister to Canadian classic winner John the Magician, both offspring of Canadian powerhouse sire Bold Ruckus. In addition to Raucous Lady, Tobie Ruckus produced \$294,535 Woodbine stakes winner Charming Ruckus and \$137,426 earner and multiple stakes producer Psych.

Tobie Ruckus was one of six winners out of Jackjon, a \$101,417 stakes-placed daughter of Irish St. Leger Stakes (G1) winner and two-time Southern California Grade 1 winner Caucasus. Jackjon was a half-sister to three-time stakes winner and \$228,642 earner Smarter By the Day and G3 Poinsettia Stakes placed Smartenta.

On July 14, Mucho Amor ran second, by a neck, in the Irish Day Stakes.

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

**STERLING ALY** (2015), f., Gold Aly—Nifty Nite, by Slewleedo. Won: Fillies and Mares Spring Sprint S., Lethbridge, 6/15. Earned \$3,161. Owned and trained by Lyle Magnuson. Bred by Leon Loza (Wa). Ridden by Jose Rocha.

**WESTLEY** (2011), g., Houseofroyalhearts—Mira's Magic, by Katowice. Won: Prescott H., Arizona Downs, 5/27. Earned \$7,200. Ridden by Kenneth Deonauth. Won: Inaugural H., Wyoming Downs. 7/6. Earned \$3,525. Ridden by Logan Cormier. Owned and trained by Brent Angelle. Bred by Brian W. Smith. (Wa). ■



## Washington Racing Hall of Fame 2019 Finalists Announced

The finalists for the 2019 Washington Racing Hall of Fame have been selected. The categories to be decided are: female runners, trainers (pre-1970) and breeders (post-1980).

Late 19th century and early 20th century South King County horse racing figure Aaron T. Van De Vanter has been selected as the eleventh recipient in the Lifetime Achievement category.

The four illustrious distaffers are: graded stakes winners and Washington champions Favored One, Flag de Lune, Snow Plow and Zama Hummer, each who garnered a SSI (Standard Starts Index) of 12.00 or more.

Breeders Charlie Dunn (Dunn Bar Ranch LLC), Mary Lou and Terry Griffin (Griffin Place LLC), Karl and Darlyne Krieg (KD Thoroughbreds) and Savario Farm (Terry and Diane Garrison and Logan and Thelma Garrison) will also be on the ballot.

The four trainers being considered for induction are Darrell Canon, Cecil Jolly, Ruth Parton and Don Porter.

Ballots will go out to the 16-member selection committee later this summer with Hall of Fame induction ceremonies to be held at Emerald Downs on Sunday, September 15, 2019. ■



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# Washington-bred Foal Reports



**A TIP OF THE COIN**, by Tossofthecoin. Ch. c. by Atta Boy Roy. 2/17. Owned by Mel and Lori Mellick. Mare died.



**ANDIAMO DEB**, by Parker's Storm Cat. B. c. by Private Gold. 2/27. Owned by Keith Swagerty. Mare returned to Lord Lochinvar.



**ARTIC MIST**, by Son of Briartic. B. f. by Nationhood. 4/17. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare not bred back.



**ATTA GIRL PEARL**, by Atta Boy Roy. B. f. by Coast Guard. 4/24. Owned by Pat and Mullan Chinn. Mare returned to Gold Rush Dancer.



**BASKETFULOFDREAMS**, by Basket Weave. B. f. by Abraaj. 4/27. Owned by Julie Scofield. Mare returned to Private Gold.



**BASKET OF GOLD**, by Harbor the Gold. Dk.b./br. c. by Pontiff. 4/24. Owned by Warlock Stables, Helen Myrick and J Lloyd Racing. Mare returned to Pontiff.



**BULLYSIMA**, by Holy Bull. Dk.b./br. c. by Gotham City. 5/16. Owned by Keith Swagerty. Mare not bred back.



**BELLTOWN BEAUTY**, by Speightstown. Ch. f. by Daaher. 3/27. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Nationhood.



**BROWN**, by Demons Begone. B. c. by Atta Boy Roy. 5/5. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Nationhood.



**CAPE GRACE**, by Abraaj. Ch. f. by Coast Guard. 4/10. Owned by Oak Crest Farm LLC. Mare returned to Atta Boy Roy.





**CHEDOODLEJAN**, by Grindstone. B. c. by Coast Guard. 3/10. Owned by Keith Swagerty. Mare returned to Mr. Rancho Vista.



**CHEDOODLEJO**, by Liberty Gold. B. f. by Mr. Rancho Vista. 4/8. Owned Keith Swagerty. Mare returned to Mr. Rancho Vista



**COLETHAN'S CAT**, by Bluegrass Cat. B. f. by Pontiff. 4/6. Owned by Warlock Stables. Mare returned to Pontiff.



**COUP DE FOUDE**, by Basket Weave. Ch. c. by Northern Causeway. 4/3. Owned by Karl and Darlyne Krieg. Mare not bred back.



**DEJA VIEWS**, by Forest Camp. Dk.b./br. c. by Abraaj. 3/20. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Nationhood.



**ETHAN'S BABY**, by Offlee Wild. B. f. by Goldcents. 4/19. Owned by Todd, Shawn and Ethan Hansen. Mare not bred back.



**FIND YOUR SPOT**, by Nationhood. B. c. by Dominus. 3/6. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Atta Boy Roy.



**FINDING MORE**, by Trickey Trevor. Dk.b./br. c. by Shaman Ghost. 4/17. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Atta Boy Roy



**GREAT MOM**, by Pioneerof the Nile. Dk.b./br. c. by Coast Guard. 3/4. Owned by Connie Belshay, Only Me Thoroughbreds. Mare returned to Nationhood.



**ILA VEIW** (far left), by Rallying Cry. Ch. c. by Abraaj. 3/17. Owned by W added D. Mare returned TBD.



**IRENE FLIES** (center left), by Rocky Bar. Dk.b./br. c. by Lord Lochinvar. 4/7. Owned by Keith Swagerty. Mare returned to Private Gold.



**JOANIE'S HIT** (left), by Ihtimam. B. c. by Pontiff. 4/24. Owned by Warlock Stables, Clarence Pruden and Roddina Barrett. Mare returned to Pontiff.



**LIVE LIKE MIKE**, by Demon Warlock. B. f. by Pontiff. 2/27. Owned by Michael Roche, Warlock Stables, Barrett and Cargile. Mare returned to Pontiff.



**MAGNA SWEETHEART**, by Magna Graduate. Dk.b./br. f. by Salt Water. 4/14. Owned by Scott Peone. Mare not bred back.



**MARA'S WARLOCK**, by Demon Warlock. B. f. by Pontiff. 2/19. Owned by Willie Edwards. Mare died.



**MS. SUTHERLAND**, by Borrego. Ch. c. by Pontiff. 4/16. Owned by Roddina Barrett and Helen Myrick. Mare returned to Pontiff.



**MELBA JEWEL**, by Cahill Road. Ch. c. by Coast Guard. 4/16. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Gold Rush Dancer.



**MINIMUMS MINIMUMS**, by Storm Boot. B. f. by Harbor the Gold. 5/2. Owned by Dr. Duane and Susan Hopp. Mare not bred back.



**MUCHAS CORONAS**, by Mucho Uno. B. f. by Nationhood. 4/7. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare not bred back.



**PEACEFUL NATION**, by Nationhood. B. f. by Midshipman. 4/1. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Atta Boy Roy.



**POP'S BULL**, by Holy Bull. Ch. c. by Lord Lochinvar. 4/16. Owned by Keith Swagerty. Mare returned to Lord Lochinvar.



**RALLYDOWNTHEALLEY**, by Flower Alley. Ch. f. by Pontiff. 2/27. Owned by Warlock Stables, Pruden, Gore, Myrick and Bryan. Mare returned to Pontiff.



**ROS'S GIRL** (left), by Rosberg. Ch. c. by Makors Finale. 4/1. Owned by Karl and Darlyne Krieg. Mare returned to Atta Boy Roy.

Reported but not pictured:

**GOLD HILLS HOODOO**, by Private Gold. Dk.b./br. c. by Coast Guard. 3/9. Owned by Julie Scofield. Mare not bred back.

**LADY ROSBERG**, by Rosberg. B. f. by Curlin to Mischief. 5/21. Owned by Karl and Darlyne Krieg. Mare not bred back.

**PLAYFUL SARA**, by Fast Play. B. f. by Makors Finale. 4/2. Owned by Karl and Darlyne Krieg. Mare not bred back.



**ROYAL RECRUIT**, by Our New Recruit. B. c. by Harbor the Gold. 4/4. Owned by Dr. and Mrs. Duane Hopp. Mare not bred back.



**SCREAMINLEAPOFAITH**, by Matricule. B. c. by Nationhood, 2/11. Owned by Jim Kiser. Mare not bred back.



**SPECIFICATION**, by Empire Maker. B. c. by Mineshaft. 3/3. Owned by Todd and Shawn Hansen. Mare returned to Twirling Candy.



**SPECIAL HOLIDAY**, by Private Gold. Dk.b./br. f. by Stay Thirsty. 1/12. Owned by Mel and Lori Mellick. Mare not bred back.



**SUDDEN DEPARTURE**, by Demons Begone. Dk.b./br. f. by Nationhood. 4/18. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Coast Guard.



**SWEET FOURTY**, by Sweetsouthern saint. Ch. c. by Atta Boy Roy. 3/19. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Atta Boy Roy.



**TANNERSMILLIONAIRE**, by Tannersmyman. B. f. by Salt Water. 4/17. Owned by Scott Peone. Mare not bred back.



**VAL DE SAIRE**, by Harbor the Gold. B. c. by Atta Boy Roy. Owned by Pat and Mullan Chinn. Mare returned to Nationhood.



**VICTORIA CROSS**, by Delineator. B. c. by Abraaj. 5/3. Owned by Oak Crest Farm LLC. Mare not bred back.



**WITCHY MEETING**, by General Meeting. B. f. by Atta Boy Roy. 3/18. Owned by Patricia Murphy and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst. Mare returned to Tamarkuz.



**VALOUR ROAD**, by Honour and Glory. B. c. by Atta Boy Roy. 4/22. Owned by Oak Crest Farm LLC. Mare not bred back.

## Jones and Jones Farm – A Haven for All



I recently had the good fortune to visit Jones and Jones Farm. It is a bucolic haven in Maple Valley and has been owned by the Jones family since 1981. Although originally used for raising and training Thoroughbreds, since 2008 it has gradually become a retirement home for both Thoroughbreds and recreational horses.

When I first pulled up to the property, I was struck by the peaceful atmosphere. It was initially a dairy farm, but it now boasts a 5/8-mile sand racetrack, as well as a 13.5-acre lake. The design and development of the farm is the result of painstaking research of farms in Kentucky. A fun fact is that the gravel from the lake was used in the building of the HOV lane from Renton to Bellevue.

The property consists of 160 acres with an admirable selection of barns, round pens and a 20,000-square foot covered arena with rounded corners. There are 14 paddocks, which range in size from two to five acres and each one has an automatic water system and attached feed shed. The feeling of being away from it all is enhanced by the fact that two sides of the property are bordered by the Cedar River.

Carrie Reeves was gracious enough to give me a tour. She and her husband Cam Reeves manage the farm. A lifelong equestrian, she regaled me with wonderful

tales of her equine-centered youth. When she was ten years old, her school principal and a businessman arrived at the family home in Elma. Her mother immediately questioned her as to what she had done, only to learn that the young Carrie was being invited to gallop racehorses! Furthermore, I was fascinated to learn that by the age of 12, she was starting Thoroughbreds.

Forty-five lucky horses are currently in residence at the farm. They are matched by personality and feeding requirements, as well as size and sex. Management of the horses is carefully planned to make sure everyone is on the same schedule in terms of vaccinations and deworming. Horses are fed and checked twice a day, and most delightfully for visitors, as well as the horses themselves, are on pasture full time.

I couldn't help but reflect upon the recommendations by the Farm Animal Welfare Council (2009):

1. Freedom from hunger or thirst by ready access to fresh water and a diet to maintain full health and vigor;
2. Freedom from discomfort by providing an appropriate environment, including shelter and a comfortable resting area;
3. Freedom from pain, injury or disease by prevention or rapid diagnosis and treatment;
4. Freedom to express normal behavior

by providing sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal's own kind; and

5. Freedom from fear and distress by ensuring conditions and treatment which avoid mental suffering.

*Farm Animal Welfare Council. 2009. Para 1.*

The five freedoms are clearly in play here. The absence of stereotypes was noticeable. Here at the farm horses are living as close as possible to a natural life.

### Happy Pensioners

Handy N Bold is one of the most famous retirees here. He was foaled in British Columbia on March 28, 1995 (Bold Laddie—Five Rings, by Table Run) and had career earnings of \$349,121. Grazing quietly with his vintage buddies, he looked remarkably good for being 24 years old. Carrie warned me as I approached with a camera that he was likely to keep himself at a distance. Luckily for me, he decided I was worth an introduction. And once he realized I was prepared to scratch his withers, all his reservations went out the window. His claim to fame is being one of the most prolific stakes winners in Emerald Downs history – ten in total, as well as putting himself firmly in the record books for winning the Governor's Handicap an incredible four times (1999, 2000, 2001, 2003).



*Farm manager Carrie Reeves gives a well appreciated scratch to three-time Emerald Downs champion Handy N Bold.*

I can never resist the story behind the story and I learned that Handy was originally spotted by local trainer Charles “Charlie” Essex during an early morning training session. He was so taken with the horse that he called his owner Doris Orr with the recommendation that they claim him out of his first race (an August 24, 1997, \$25,000 maiden claiming race at Emerald Downs). However, Charlie then began to second guess himself until Doris told him in no uncertain terms to claim the horse. Handy N Bold won his first race – by eight lengths – and the rest is history.

Another dark horse with a history of note is the mare In the Act. Known at the farm for her nonchalant demeanor, the daughter of Slewddledo was bred by the Paulson Brothers Thoroughbred Ranch and foaled on May 9, 1992. In the Act is a three-time stakes-placed half-sister to multiple stakes winner Aly’s Act and Gottstein Futurity third Reliable Act. She produced five winners from six foals, with her daughter Wild Blackberries being stakes-placed at two. The latter mare then went on to produce stakes-placed Diamond Berries, the dam of British Columbia stakes winner Notis the Jewell (\$146,937). In a rather poetic way In the Act ended up retiring

on the farm with the man who started her and all her offspring – no less than the man himself, Cam Reeves.

#### **Other Critters**

Although the focus of the farm is equine retirement, the property is home to animal characters galore. My first encounter was with Dozer the Doberman, who was standing stock still with his nose pointing to the earth to indicate he was on a mole hunt!

Imagine my surprise when a very confident zebra marched up to me. Thandi

rather curiously takes on the personality of her equine pasture buddy, as Carrie discovered to her cost. After some trial and error, she was paired with a calm chestnut mare and pasture peace was restored!

Two alpacas and I had a close encounter which I confess was a little disconcerting. It was difficult to tell from the facial expressions of Coco and the Dalai Lama whether they were friendly or not – but I was advised that they would spit if they were unhappy.

Last but not least I met Daisy, a Zebu cow. The breed is originally from Southwest Asia. A characteristic of the breed is their large hump, but I was equally impressed by her spectacular eye lashes.

As horses become more involved in our modern lives, it is sometimes easy to forget that the adaptability of most horses should not discount the fact that they are most happy and healthy when the five freedoms are made a priority. Jones and Jones Farm is clearly on track – to the benefit of their equine retirees and the other unique residents.

When we consider all that horses give to us in terms of pleasure, profession, competition and lifestyle, isn’t it appropriate that their twilight years are given careful consideration? ■

*Personal assistant by day and writer and researcher by night, Susie Sharp has yet to find an equine project she doesn’t like. She recently graduated from the University of Guelph with a Diploma in Equine Studies (with Distinction) and is currently looking for her next challenge.*

*Nonchalant former racehorse and broodmare In the Act, a 27-year-old daughter of Slewddledo, enjoys a peaceful afternoon.*

*Among the well-cared for menagerie at Jones and Jones Farm are: Thandi, the zebra; alpacas Coco and Dalai Lama; and Zebu cow Daisy.*

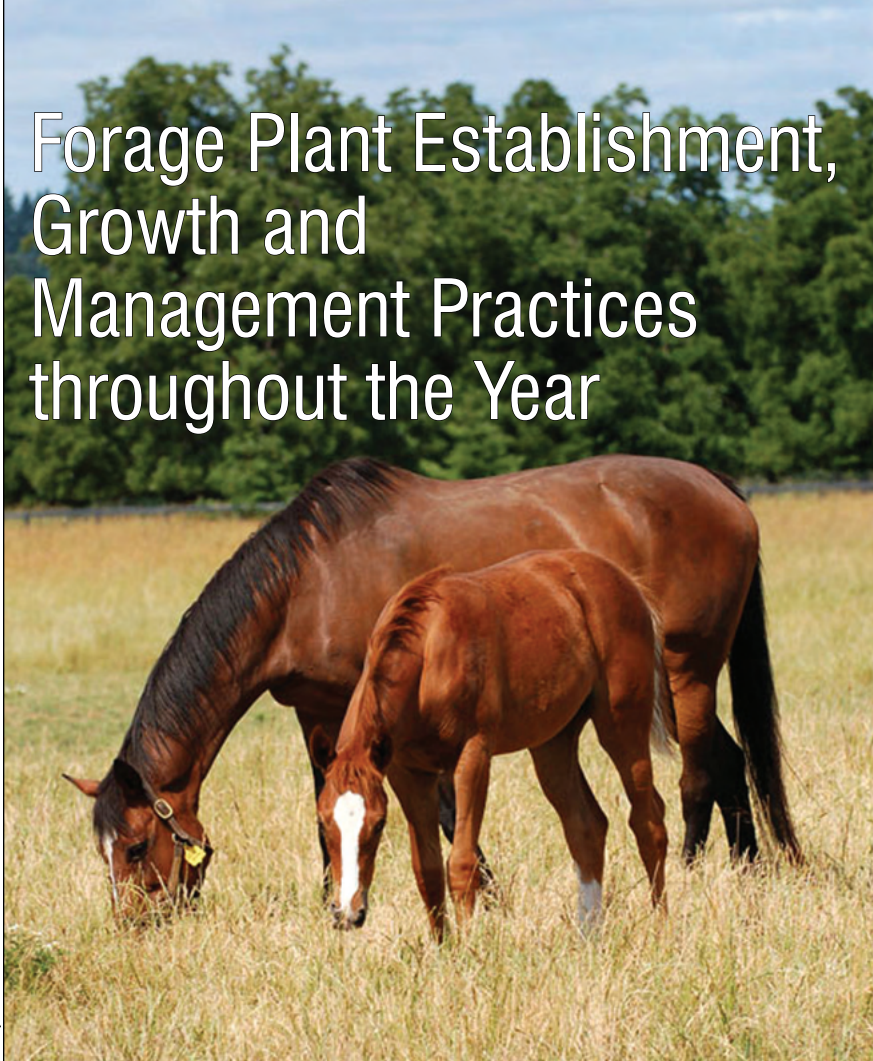


# Forage Plant Establishment, Growth and Management Practices throughout the Year

## *Your forage calendar*

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Let's say you have a sick animal on your farm and the vet is called. The vet makes a diagnosis, prescribes the appropriate medication and even administers the first dose with detailed instructions for you to follow for a complete recovery. You are left to do the rest and bring the animal back to proper health. Are you willing to do the same thing for your pastures?

The most common question I've been asked over the years is "What should I plant in my pastures?" followed by "What should I spray to control the weeds in my pastures?" Many pasture owners can identify some of the important forage species in our region and certainly some of the most common weeds. Some folks take soil tests, are willing to apply lime and fertilizers (both organic and inorganic), some make hay when excess forage is available, and some even attend grazing conferences to learn more about what to and not to do!

The adapted perennial cool-season grasses (such as perennial ryegrass, Italian ryegrass, orchardgrass and tall fescue) in the Pacific Northwest (PNW) region advance through various stages of their growth cycles, just like livestock. It's just that until recently we really didn't recognize all the independent components of the cycle and put them into an understood order. This process continues to evolve as we learn more from

research, so this article should be considered a progress report of PNW pasture ecology, management and utilization. As we gain new information about the cycle and its parts the story will change to reflect this new knowledge.

The forage/pasture cycle begins in the fall, generally in September. In some cases the cycle actually begins about mid-August and in most cases the first phase of the seasonal cycle – that is, new grass root and seed head tiller initiation, continues into October. This is where our story begins, in the beginning.

### **Not So Slick**

Many folks don't want to buy hay in September so they "slick" the pasture down thinking this saves them time for other fall work and hay for later feeding. Unfortunately, this strategy initiates several negative scenarios you may not be aware of. By slicking off (which often means overgrazing the pastures into the dirt) that important residual grass stubble (that stubble which is about three inches above the soil surface) in September several events are set into motion.

The stubble is an important source of carbohydrates for fall root regrowth, and to feed the newly developing seed head meristem tissues that will be next year's

seed heads. Consider that stubble is the primer starting fall grass regrowth. When you lose this priming action, you have lost more than the value of the hay you might have saved. What you have lost is future forage yield potential! Thus, you can count on lower forage yields, with a slicked September pasture, next year because the initial regrowth phase was surely slowed, if not eliminated. Unless you fence an area of your pasture off in the fall that is not slicked off, you'll never even know how much forage you're losing next year through slicking off this year.

Next, you permit weed seeds a place to land on bare soil thereby giving them the greatest opportunity to become established. The grasses going into September are weakened because they have just survived the summer stress period of higher temperatures and normally prolonged drought. So slicking off the forage in September weakens the grass plants for the next major stress period – the wet winter stress.

I hope you now look at these supposedly positive aspects of September grass slicking or overgrazing and rethink your strategy this fall.

Fall is an excellent time to take soil samples, have them analyzed and apply lime. September is the best time to apply phosphorus (P) to the grassland because P is needed to develop new roots. I'd avoid heavy applications of nitrogen (N), as this restricts the grass from going into dormancy in the late fall for winter survival. Reasonable applications of N and sulfur (S) along with P and potassium (K) will start the process of increasing grass strength and vigor.

The problem is you'll not see the results for more than six months so patience is

important – this is an investment into your pastures' future. The first medication to bringing your pastures back to health is avoid overgrazing or slicking off pasture in the fall, especially September. Then apply nutrients based on good soil test information!

### Winter Stress

The wet winter stress period has some similarities to the dry summer stress period. The grass roots are shedding, that is the roots change color from bright white to gray to brown to black as these plant tissues die. I like to think of this in terms of our dog when she sheds her winter coat in the spring – same thing, just different time of year. The plant is using carbohydrates in the stubble and roots for survival. The soils are cold so most grasses are in a state of dormancy or sleeping. The nearly constant daily rain continues to strike the barren soil if the grasses have been and continue to be slicked off. Some of our soils will go into an anaerobic state – a state without oxygen when filled with water – and certain gasses formed in the soil can impede plant survival.

Avoid turning livestock out to trample and tear up the pastures, this is where that important sacrifice area comes in. The sacrifice area is torn up instead of the productive pastures during the wet winter months. Punching the soil through hoof action during the winter greatly increases soil compaction, and when you want water to enter the soil later it simply cannot.

The second dose of medicine for your pastures is to use the sacrifice area and not the pastures during the wet winter period to avoid soil compaction and other problems later.

### Spring Growth

Spring comes in slowly as winter rains begin to retard. Grass roots start growth first and are then followed by top growth. As temperatures increase, so does the growth of our perennial cool-season grasses.

Let's use 42 degrees Fahrenheit as our average baseline temperature for grass growth while legume baseline temperature is closer to 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Grass root growth continues through the spring period but slows down just after peak forage yield. Spring is an excellent time to apply nitrogen and other important plant nutrients (see Oregon State University publication FG-63 revised). Avoid the temptation of turning livestock out too early as hoof action will still compact the soils, destroy plant crowns, etc.

More importantly, grasses are trying to recover from the winter and build strength to support the largest amount of forage to be produced during the entire growing season. Spring overgrazing can establish areas of different palatability within the pasture. Here selective grazing will be more magnified in the summer, summer regrowth likely will be less and plants will be under greater stress because of higher temperature and drought.

As we change in latitude from south to north in the PNW region, spring occurs faster in the south and can be delayed by three weeks or more in the north. Selection of the proper maturity group within the grass variety by latitude and soil conditions will enhance spring and total forage production. Grass roots expand and remain white during the spring growth and this root system is establishing the plants and giving them the ability to survive the upcoming summer stress period.

### More Plant Stress

Summer stress is a time of slow summer growth; grass roots are shedding and are turning colors from white to gray, to brown and black again. For the west side, summer starts in mid-to-late June, July and August, until the root regeneration cycle starts again. The remaining grass stubble in the summer is the main pool of available sugars that jumpstart the September root regrowth process so the more the stubble is damaged in the summer, the longer it takes for root regrowth to establish in the fall. I also think there is less total fall root regeneration from damaged summer plants. Just about anything that damages the stand or plants in the summer will directly affect the initial forage cycle in the fall.

Summer is the finish line in the forage calendar. Your pastures will make it to the finish line, but the question is what shape will they be in when they arrive? The stronger and more fit an athlete is at the end of a race, the faster they recover. The same is true with our perennial pastures.

### Do Not Overgraze

The final medicine I have to offer: do not overgraze pastures in the summer nor damage plants since fall regrowth will be delayed and forage yield will be reduced compared to a well-managed pasture. Many folks have heard about stockpiling forage for animal use in the fall and winter. I'd suggest we think about preserving grazeable forage as a source of sugars, N and S that stimulates above ground fall growth. This is also a source of P that stimulates below ground root growth when the forage cycle begins. Summer is setting up the fall recovery cycle that establishes the rest of the pasture calendar and the following year's production.

A TV commercial from about 15 years ago had the punch line "pay me now or pay me later." A few years ago a national trend was started as breeders began to move from being just livestock producers to also becoming grass farmers. Are you willing to do what is necessary for the grass to become a successful, profitable and environmentally sound grass and forage producer? To do so means to not overgraze at any time of the season. Weeds in a pasture are an indication that something has gone wrong in the pasture.

To achieve desired pasture response means strong, vigorous roots and maintaining proper

stubble heights. The forage calendar should become part of your full forage management design and plan in the future. Don't be afraid to adjust, adapt and improve this tool as you learn more about your individual pastures and your own management style. We can't control the environment to any degree, but we can certainly learn to work within the environment we live in. We have opportunities to make the situation either better or worse.

Seldom do things in nature stay the same. The more carefully you look, the more changes you'll see. Even when you think nothing is changing, the small changes are constant. Also what you do within one part of the cycle has ripple effects throughout the rest of the cycle.

By starting on the right foot in September, the cycle is primed. You have established the top potential yield next year at this time! By reducing winter stresses, the cycle is jumpstarted for spring.

In the spring, as most people think, we have our best growth and highest yields. But are these yields the best yields that you can produce? Only monitoring an area where you've practiced what we are recommending will show you this on your own farm. But it will show up for you.

Summer is the final phase of the cycle and like all races, it isn't over until you cross the finish line. Summer is the finish line and only the strong survive! Those who make it over the finish line are weakened by the experience, but are also ready to recover and start over again.

This is where we end this concept – with September and the fall period where the forage calendar and the forage cycle starts once again. This is the core of the medication you'll need to establish and maintain productive pastures.

Just like the vet, we have a solution to the problem, now we must apply the treatments and follow through until we have reached the goal of healthy and productive pastures. It is very possible and I've seen it done by others and have done it myself. ■

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# 2019 WTBOA General Membership Meeting

July 13, 2019, Emerald Downs, Auburn, WA

Approximately 50 WTBOA and other racing enthusiasts gathered Saturday afternoon, July 13, in the Emerald Room at Emerald Downs to discuss the general direction of the WTBOA, listen to a fascinating discussion by keynote speaker Dr. Claude Ragle, and enjoy a tasty lunch.

WTBOA President Dana Halvorson began the meeting by introducing the WTBOA Board (Melodie Bultena, Pam Christopherson, Mary Lou Griffin, Nina Hagen, Petra Lewin, Greg Luce and Debbie Pabst; and emeritus Claudia A. Canouse) and Sales Committee (Griffin, Hagen, Halvorson, Luce and Pabst; and emeritus Canouse) members present, as well as WTBOA staff (M. Anne Sweet, Susan van Dyke and Tara Homfeldt).

## Committee Reports

**Finance:** WTBOA Treasurer Pabst, aided by graphs, presented the finance report.

**Northwest Race Series (NWRs):** Also the Northwest Race Series chairman, Pabst encouraged nominations for the prestigious two-year-old series and explained the extra funding for the 2019 Gottstein Futurity. She noted the first two races in the 2019 NWRs – the Angie C. Stakes and King County Express – will be held on Sunday, July 21.

**WTBOA Sales Incentive and Washington Homebred Incentive Programs:** Pabst also reported on the growth, funding and changes in the WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) and WTBOA Washington Homebred Incentive Program (WaHIP). SIP is funded by fees paid by consignors and buyers, as well as a portion of the money raised in the annual Stallion Season Auction. WaHIP is funded totally by the Stallion Season Auction.

Due to its popularity and steady growth (\$30,000 or more was given out in SIP bonuses in both 2017 and 2018), fees were raised for 2019 WTBOA Sale yearlings.



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Keynote speaker Dr. Claude Ragle, from the WSU College of Veterinary Medicine and a Washington Horse Racing Commissioner.

Consignors will now have \$75 (up from \$50) deducted from proceeds for each of their yearlings through the sales ring. Buyers will continue the nomination for \$100 (up from \$50) for each yearling they purchase to be part of the SIP series for two- and three-year-old sales horses running at Emerald Downs at two levels: \$2,500 SIP bonus for first-time winners in a maiden special weight races, allowance or stakes; \$1,000 SIP bonus for horses breaking their maiden at the \$25,000 maiden claiming level.

A \$1,000 WaHIP bonus is available for Washington-breds, of any age, who win their first race at the \$25,000 claiming level or higher at the Auburn track.

In all cases, owners (or at least the managing partner) must be current WTBOA members before the respective Emerald Downs season starts.

**Sales Committee:** Halvorson, on behalf of Sales Chairman Jenny Webber, reported that 104 yearlings, 16 broodmares and one horse

of racing age have been cataloged for the August 20 sale. The catalog is available online at the WTBOA website and the print issue will be out before the end of the month. Deadline for paddock session entries is July 31.

**Publications Committee:** Sweet talked about the WTBOA publications – the *Farm and Service Directory*, bi-monthly *Gate-to-Wire* e-newsletter and the quarterly *Washington Thoroughbred* magazine, which will soon be going to two print issues and two online versions. She also spoke about the WTBOA presence on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

**Washington Thoroughbred Foundation (WTF):** Sweet also gave the WTF report and talked about the various scholarships, grants and annual awards funding the WTF provides. Monies for WTF projects are funded by a portion of the Washington Annual Awards auction, the Breeders' Cup trip fundraiser (auctioned at the annual horse sale) and the Equine Art Show, which was held over the July 12-14 weekend at Emerald Downs.

## Other Business

**Horsemen Helping Horsemen Series:** Jody Peetz gave a summary of the three-race distance series at Emerald Downs, which had been inaugurated in 2018. This year's races, with substantially larger purses, will run on August 10, \$5,000 claiming at 1 1/16 miles for a \$16,000 purse; August 31, \$8,000 claiming at 1 1/4 miles for an \$18,000 purse; and September 21, starter allowance at 1 1/2 miles for an \$18,200 purse. She thanked those who had participated in the funding of the series and reminded that donations are still being accepted and forms are available.

**2020-22 WTBOA Board and Sales Committee Elections:** Halvorson reminded members of the upcoming elections and asked any who might be, or know of someone who might be, interested in running to contact a board or staff member.

**Keynote Speech:** Advances in Respiratory and Cryptorchid Surgery of the Horse. Dr. Claude Ragle, from the WSU College of Veterinary Medicine, as well as the most recent appointee to the Washington Horse Racing Commission, gave an informative and entertaining presentation. After starting out with his lecture principles (we respect, we trust, we share, we learn), he encouraged a lively discussion of his topics with the audience.

During the afternoon proceedings three lucky raffle winners were drawn. Thanks to board members Jim Engstrom, for providing two \$50 Lowe's gift cards, and to Melodie Bultena, for donating the fun horse wall hanging. ■



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## 2019 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) Winners at Emerald Downs

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**Lulu's Lightening** became the first SIP winner of the 2019 Emerald Downs season when the three-year-old Washington-bred daughter of Harbor the Gold—Ms Melange, by Slewledo, won a maiden special weight race on the April 20 opening day card. Bred by Debra Gruender, Lulu's Lightening races for How We Roll #6 and is trained by Steve Bullock. She is a full sister to \$97,539 stakes winner My Chief and is the seventh named foal and winner for her dam, a full sister to multiple Washington champion Slewsbox. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**



**Suddenly Awesome** went gate-to-wire to take a maiden special weight race on May 27. Bred by Rick and Debbie Pabst, the three-year-old Washington-bred filly by Daaher races for Poseidon Partners. Trained by Kay Cooper, Suddenly Awesome is the fifth winner out of King County Handicap winner Sudden Departure. The daughter of Demons Begone also produced 2014 Washington champion three-year-old filly Find Your Spot. Sudden Departure has a colt by Atta Boy Roy in the upcoming WTBOA Sale and Find Your Spot has a yearling filly by that same sire. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**



**El Bell Camp**, a three-year-old California-bred daughter of Munnings, became the sixth winner for her dam Campanita, by Son of Briartic, when she went gate-to-wire to take a \$25,000 maiden claiming race on June 8. Bred by Terry and Mary Lou Griffin, the chestnut filly races for John and Janene Maryanski, Riverbend Stable and Blaine Wright Racing Stable LLC. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**



**Jaded Tiger**, a juvenile daughter of Smiling Tiger, won her first start – 4 1/2-furlong \$25,000 maiden claiming race – by 2 3/4 lengths on June 14 for owners Dan Warden, Ben Root and Margaret "Cookie" Root. Trained by Blaine Wright, the new winner was bred in Oregon by Dr. Rod Orr out of his Skip Away mare Jadelet. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**



**Pacific War** went gate-to-wire to win a \$25,000 maiden claimer by three lengths on June 15. Trained by Charles Essex, the new winner, a three-year-old Kentucky-bred gelding by Tizway—Spiritofstorm, by Stormy Atlantic, who was from the 2017 Strideaway Thoroughbreds consignment, races for Joe Crawford and Joe E. Burke. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**



**Makah Lane** went gate-to-wire to win a 6 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race by 5 1/2 lengths for owners Q Stable and Friendship Stable on June 22. Bred in Washington by Carnation Racing Stables and Ron Crockett Inc. and trained by Bonnie Jenne, the three-year-old gelding is by Blue Ribbon Farm stallion Atta Boy Roy—Dark Diva, by Majesterian. **\$2,500 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**

## 2019 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program (SIP) Winners at Emerald Downs



**Informed Lady**, a two-year-old daughter of Informed—My Red Lady, by Horse Chestnut (SAf), bred in Washington by Desert Rose Racing LLC, won a \$25,000 maiden claiming race by five lengths on June 22 for owner Art McFadden and trainer Jorge Rosales. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**

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

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**Lovefliesonwings**, dk.b./br. f. by Atta Boy Roy—No Flies On Doodle, by Storm Blast. Bred by Swag Stables. Owned by Keith and Jan Swagerty. Trainer: David Martinez. Jockey: Heribert Martinez. 4 1/2 furlongs in :52.40. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$15,000. 6/7.



**Informed Lady**, b. f. by Informed—My Red Lady, by Horse Chestnut (SAf). Bred by Desert Rose Racing LLC. Owned by Art McFadden. Trainer: Jorge Rosales. Jockey: Heribert Martinez. 5 furlongs in :59.59. Track fast. Earned \$7,480. Mdn. Cl. \$25,000. 6/22. **\$1,000 WTBOA Sales Incentive Program Bonus.**



**Coleinator**, b. g. by Vronsky—Colethan's Cat, by Bluegrass Cat. Bred and owned by Warlock Stables. Trainer: Michael Puhich. Jockey: Franklin Caballos. 4 1/2 furlongs in :52.89. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$15,000. 6/30. **WTBOA Sales.**



**Reddy to Star**, ch. g. by Abraaj—Hit a Star, by Ihtimam. Bred by Jeffery O. and Doris A. Harwood and Shady Valley Ranch. Owned by Shady Valley Ranch and Jeff Harwood. Trainer: Doris Harwood. Jockey: Javier Matias, 5 furlongs in :59.07. Track fast, Earned \$10,175. Mdn. Sp. Wt. 6/30. **\$1,000 WTBOA Washington Homebred Incentive Program Bonus.**



**Fine Element**, b. f. by Mr. Rancho Vista—Andiamo Deb, by Parker's Storm Cat. Bred by Keith and Jan Swagerty and William Gallo. Owned by Swag Stables. Trainer: David Martinez. Jockey: Heribert Martinez. 5 furlongs in :59.33. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$12,500. 7/5.



**Abraa Jabraa**, gr./ro. f. by Abraaj—Holy Mama, by Holy Bull. Bred by Horseplayers Racing Club. Owned by Horseplayers Racing Club #308. Trainer: Tim McCanna. Jockey: Jorge Carreno. 5 furlongs in :58.37. Track fast. Earned \$6,050. Mdn. Cl. \$12,500. 7/5.

## 2019 Washington Homebred Incentive Program (WaHIP) Winners at Emerald Downs

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Todd and Shawn Hansen's homebred **Perfect Dude** became the first runner to earn a 2019 \$1,000 WTBOA WaHIP bonus after he won a five-furlong maiden special weight race by one length in his racing debut, which occurred on April 27. The three-year-old Washington-bred son of Majesticperfection is the first winner out of the Hansens' \$309,030 stakes winner Gadget Girl, by Flying With Eagles. Blaine Wright, who trains Perfect Dude, had earned his first Emerald stakes win with Gadget Girl in the 2008 Belle Roberts Stakes.



On May 18 Joe Hiibel's homebred **Tiz Manny**, who he races in the name of Tailgate Racing, became the second WaHIP bonus winner of 2019 when the three-year-old gelding by Slew's Tiznow—Cheese Danish, by In Excess (Ire), went gate-to-wire to win a six-panel maiden special weight race at the Auburn oval by four lengths. Ridden by Gary Wales and trained by Candi Cryderman, including his \$1,000 WaHIP bonus, Tiz Manny has earned \$20,340 in his seven starts.



In his first outing, four-year-old **Raise the Woof** took a \$25,000 maiden claiming race by 1 1/2 lengths on May 27. The gelded son of Raise the Bluff earned a \$1,000 WaHIP bonus for breeder Ron Crockett Inc. and partners Terri Balcom and Terry Gillihan, the latter who also trains the new winner. Raise the Woof is the second foal and winner out of Crockett's 2012 Belle Roberts Stakes winner Cielator, by Delineator.



Two-year-old **Reddy to Star** went gate-to-wire to take a five-panel maiden special weight race by 2 3/4 lengths on June 30. Bred by Dolores Christianson's Shady Valley Ranch and Jeff and Doris Harwood, the half-brother to 2018 Washington champion Hit the Beach – who ran third in the Budweiser Stakes on the same card – races for Shady Valley Ranch and Jeff Harwood, for whom he earned a \$1,000 Washington Homebred Incentive bonus, and is trained by Doris. The new winner is a gelded son of the recently deceased Abraaj and out of Belle Roberts Stakes winner Hit a Star, by Ihtimam.



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# Leading Washington Sires

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**Bold-type represents the leader under that category.**

## Leading Sires of 2019 by Money Won

Stallion, YOB (Sire)	Rnrs	Wnrs	Stks Wnrs	Stks Wins	Chief Earner (Earnings)	Sire Earnings	Named Foals of Race Age	Lifetime SWs	AEI	Comp Index
1. Atta Boy Roy, 2005 (Tribunal)	<b>38</b>	<b>20</b>	0	0	Mr. Jagermeister (\$64,562)	<b>\$313,015</b>	95	2	0.59	0.71
2. Coast Guard, 2005 (Stormy Atlantic)	27	11	0	0	Satellite Storm (\$25,182)	\$175,186	59	2	0.55	0.54
3. •He's Tops, 1993 (Seattle Slew)	12	5	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Summerland (\$67,820)</b>	\$114,467	<b>324</b>	<b>9</b>	0.54	0.63
4. Preachinathebar, 2001 (Silver Charm)	18	9	0	0	Distortedatthebar (\$17,102)	\$106,792	113	0	0.37	0.53
5. Gotham City, 1998 (Saint Ballado)	10	8	0	0	Gotham Desire (\$33,384)	\$106,389	188	0	0.68	0.80
6. •Abraaj, 2003 (Carson City)	28	6	0	0	Kaabraaj (\$12,270)	\$99,652	81	5	0.62	0.70
7. Nationhood, 2002 (Cherokee Run)	17	5	0	0	Cherokee Louise (\$12,895)	\$85,209	70	2	0.44	0.68
8. Raise the Bluff, 2003 (Pine Bluff)	15	5	0	0	What'd I Miss (\$16,947)	\$79,410	96	1	0.54	0.47
9. Demon Warlock, 2000 (Demons Begone)	7	3	<b>1</b>	1	Alittlestalk (\$49,075)	\$75,406	53	4	0.54	0.62
10. Parker's Storm Cat, 2000 (Storm Cat)	25	6	0	0	Flatter Cat (\$16,008)	\$73,860	330	4	0.83	<b>1.00</b>
11. War Power, 2006 (Pulpit)	16	6	0	0	Rocket Power (\$10,675)	\$68,055	35	1	0.30	0.43
12. •Liberty Gold, 1994 (Crafty Prospector)	6	4	0	0	Mike Man's Gold (\$20,100)	\$59,090	177	4	0.43	0.57
13. Private Gold, 2000 (Seeking the Gold)	11	3	0	0	Trinni (\$14,495)	\$46,300	188	4	0.48	0.56
14. Trickey Trevor, 1999 (Demaloot Demashoot)	7	4	0	0	Iknowyourface (\$22,690)	\$39,791	78	0	0.29	0.44
15. Linchpin, 2010 (Elusive Quality)	8	4	0	0	Chippinzee (\$12,047)	\$36,757	26	0	0.26	0.47
16. •Nacheezmo, 2000 (Carson City)	5	4	0	0	Rough and Ready (\$12,765)	\$31,300	73	0	0.24	0.34
17. Houseofroyalhearts, 2002 (Chester House)	6	1	0	0	Westley (\$20,130)	\$31,020	18	0	0.58	0.41
18. Rallying Cry, 2004 (War Chant)	10	4	0	0	Wheel Rally (\$8,775)	\$26,459	37	0	0.27	0.51
19. Sea Candy Ride, 2007 (Candy Ride [Arg])	6	1	0	0	Proud Ride (\$12,571)	\$20,578	24	0	0.14	0.40
20. Secret Romeo, 1998 (Service Stripe)	2	1	0	0	Romeobluejeans (\$14,165)	\$15,565	62	3	<b>0.86</b>	0.74

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## Leading Juvenile Sires of 2019 by Money Won

Stallion, YOB (Sire)	Named 2YO Foals	Strtrs	Wnrs	Stks Wnrs	Stks Wins	Chief Earner (Earnings)	Sire Earnings	Named Foals of Race Age	Lftm 2YO Wnrs	Lftm 2YO Stks Wnrs
1. •Abraaj, 2003 (Carson City)	<b>27</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	0	0	Reddy to Star (\$10,375)	<b>\$47,590</b>	81	<b>15</b>	4
2. Atta Boy Roy, 2005 (Tribunal)	25	5	2	0	0	<b>Rumpleminx (\$16,800)</b>	\$29,265	<b>95</b>	7	2
3. Coast Guard, 2005 (Stormy Atlantic)	16	6	1	0	0	Windy Point (\$10,175)	\$28,865	59	11	1
4. \$Mr. Rancho Vista 2005, (Northern Afleet)	2	1	1	0	0	Fine Element (\$9,900)	\$9,900	2	1	0
5. Linchpin, 2010 (Elusive Quality)	13	2	0	0	0	Pinchalinch (\$4,920)	\$6,570	26	1	0
6. War Power, 2006 (Pulpit)	4	1	0	0	0	Shes Got the Power (\$2,045)	\$2,045	35	1	0

•Deceased; \$First crop.

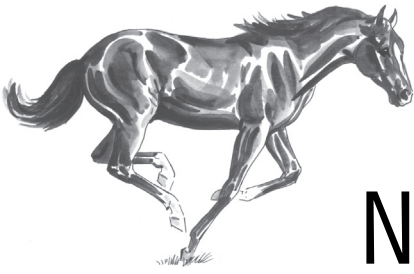
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## AT THE TRACK

### Washington Champion Produces Irish Stakes Winner

A bit of Washington history was made on July 4 when two-year-old Strive for Glory won the five-furlong Coolmore US Navy Flag Tipperary Stakes by three-quarters of a length at Tipperary in Ireland. A Kentucky-foaled son of Dialed In, Strive for Glory is the first named foal out of 2013 Washington juvenile filly champion Chu and You, who was bred and raced by Michael and Amy Feuerborn.

Strive for Glory, who was also bred by the Feuerborns, had won his first start, a five-furlong race at Newcastle in England on April 29. He next ran third, beaten a length and a head, in the listed £30,000 Matchbook Betting Podcast National Stakes over England's Sandown course on May 23. Two weeks prior to his Irish stakes score, the \$80,000 Keeneland September Sale yearling had run fourth in the Group 2 Norfolk Stakes during the Royal Ascot festivities.

Chu and You, a daughter of You and I who won four stakes and earned \$147,989 at Emerald Downs, is a full sister to 2011 Washington champion two-year-old male and \$150,470 earner Chu and I.

### Washington Stakes Trifecta (of Sorts) at Santa Anita

On June 23, Washington owner John Lindley and his partner Ray Morton's Majestic Eagle won the \$100,000 American Stakes (G3) on the closing day of the Santa Anita spring meet.

It marked the first stakes win for the four-year-old colt by Medaglia d'Oro who formerly ran for the late David Heerenperger, a good friend of both Lindley and Morton.

Lindley is the long-time publisher of *Parker's Picks* and also provides the trip notes for [emerald downs.com](http://emerald downs.com).

Finishing second by a neck in the mile turf stakes was another locally-owned runner, Dan J. Agnew, Gerry Schneider and John V. Xitco's five-year-old graded stakes winner Law Abidin Citizen, a son of Twirling Candy who won the \$100,000 San Simeon Stakes (G3) at Santa Anita in March, and has earned \$319,016. He is trained by Washington native Mark Glatt.

Multiple graded stakes winner Sharp Samurai, the odds-on race favorite, was a nose back in third in the blanket finish. The \$777,270 earner is also trained by Glatt,

who co-owns the five-year-old First Samurai gelding with Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC.

Kentucky-bred Majestic Eagle has now won three races and the Neil Drysdale trainee has earned \$240,410. Drysdale also trained the runner for Heerenperger.

### Freshman Stallion Mr. Rancho Vista Sires First Winner

Swag Stables' Fine Element journeyed his way up the ladder with a third and then a second before going gate-to-wire to win his third start, a \$15,000 Emerald Downs maiden claiming race on July 5.

The David Martinez-trained runner is the first runner and winner sired by West Coast Training Center's Mr. Rancho Vista. Fine Element was bred in partnership by Keith and Jan Swagerty – the proprietors of both Swag Stable and the Auburn-based West Coast Training Center – and their longtime partner William Gallo (Gallo Stables).

Foaled in 2005, Mr. Rancho Vista won 15 races and earned \$107,737. A son of multiple graded stakes winner Northern Fleet, Mr. Rancho Vista was the only starter produced out of the winning Miswaki mare Miss Rancho Vista.

Fine Element is the first foal out of two-race winner Andiamo Deb, a daughter of seven-time leading Washington sire Parker's Storm Cat. A half-sister to \$337,293 stakes winner Mike Man's Gold and \$184,536 stakes winner No Flies On Doodle, Andiamo Deb is a daughter of the Swagertys' 2017 Washington broodmare of the year Chedoodle.

Mr. Rancho Vista and Oklahoma-based Midnight Crooner were featured in an article titled "Small Crop Freshman Sires Beating the Odds," by Eric Mitchell, in the July 10, 2019, *Bloodhorse Daily News* which can be viewed at: [bloodhorse.com/horse-racing/articles/234642/small-crop-freshman-sires-beating-the-odds](http://bloodhorse.com/horse-racing/articles/234642/small-crop-freshman-sires-beating-the-odds).

### 2019 Sun Downs Meet

Sun Downs ran the first of three consecutive weekends on April 27-28. Among the winners on the opening weekend was owner/trainer Amy Nelson's Blingin, who won a four-furlong handicap race. The four-year-old daughter of Wilburn—Jackie's Blingin', by Bertrando, was bred in Washington by Tom Grether Farms Inc.

Bar C Racing Stables' Sixteenth sired half the winners on the May 5 card, all Oregon-breds. Lorenzo J. Marquez's The Despised took the first maiden special weight

race and Gilberto Madrigal's Love U L C took the second. Sixteenth's Quarter Horse son Sweet Dream Demon also appeared in the winner's circle.

Another Washington-bred, the Grether homebred Pure Brightness, took the Thoroughbred feature, a six-furlong handicap, on May 11. Trained by Robert Lawrence and ridden to her 1 1/2-length win by Connie Doll, Pure Brightness is a five-year-old daughter of Pure Prize—Tonzabrightness, by High Brite.

Georgie Peone's Boss Talk won a Thoroughbred allowance on May 12. The seven-year-old gelding by Matty G—Marylou's Girl, by Demons Begone, was bred in Washington by Mr. and Mrs. William T. Griffin and is trained by Alfred Peone.

Nelson led all Thoroughbred trainers with three wins and was second in the money standings. Bill Hof led by earnings with \$5,865, and was joined by Peone, Billy Christian, Cindy Hoover and Lawrence in scoring two wins apiece.

Jaime E. Lopez rode four Thoroughbred winners and was second in earnings. Jose Antonio Figueroa led in earnings with \$6,204, and was among four riders, joining Doll, Robert Burney and Jake Samuels, riding three winners.

### Portland Meadows Closes Its Doors after 73 Years

Portland Meadows has run its last race. The racetrack closed its doors for good in June. According to city records, a permit application was filed with the city which calls for an "initial phase redevelopment" of the Portland Meadows' 63.65-acre parcel.

The Portland oval, which was founded by William P. Kyne, opened for racing on September 14, 1946, with night racing, becoming the first racetrack in the nation to offer an evening card.

Throughout the years the track withstood floods and fires, but good times as well.

In 1989, Hall of Fame rider William Shoemaker was aboard Present Value to win the Coors Portland Meadows Mile, the first \$100,000 stakes race in Oregon history.

Future National and Washington Racing Hall of Famer Gary Stevens led the jockey ranks at the Rose City track in both 1982 and 1983.

Magna Entertainment (later MI Developments) acquired the track in 2001. In July 2011, The Stronach Group acquired all of MI Developments racing and gaming assets and assumed ownership of Portland

Meadows. In 2013, a massive rebranding effort was spearheaded by local creative agency OMFSCO.

The final live race meet ran on a Sunday-Tuesday schedule from September 30, 2018, through February 15, 2019.

### New Race Meet at Grants Pass

The Oregon Racing Commission (ORC) approved the commercial racing license application from Travis Boersma's TMB Racing for 35 dates a year at Grants Pass Downs. TMB will have the simulcasting rights as well. In addition to the summer dates, a fall 2019 race meet is planned. There are plans for widening the Josephine County Fairgrounds track and improvements for both the backstretch and front side. The new license approval runs through 2022.

The state of Oregon regulates the majority of the handle generated by the nation's ADW providers, a portion of which is delegated to track purses.

### Words from Ward

Washington Racing Hall of Fame trainer inductee Wesley Ward is well known for his aptitude with two-year-olds. He has again saddled a multitude of first-time starter maiden special weight (MSW) winners.

At the 2019 Keeneland spring meet, Lady Pauline, a Munnings half-sister to English and French highweight Lady Aurelia – who Ward also saddled – who won a MSW by nearly ten lengths on April 5. On April 17, Chili Petin, by City Zip, won the third race by 2 3/4 lengths and Nayibeth, who is the first starter by freshman sire Carpe Diem, took the fifth race by 4 1/4 lengths. Joker On Jack went gate-to-wire to annex a 4 1/2-furlong race at the Lexington track by 2 1/2 lengths on April 18. Ward also bred the Kentucky-foaled son of Declaration of War. Anna's Fast, the first starter from the initial crop of Fast Anna, won a MSW by 5 1/2 lengths on April 24. Kimari, a daughter of Munnings—Cozze Up Lady, by Cozzene, who races for David Mowat's Ten Broeck Farm Inc., took on the colts to win a 4 1/2-furlong maiden allowance by 15 lengths on April 25. Later that day Ward added win number seven after Letstaypositive became the first winner for freshman sire Palace Malice.

Kimari made her second start in the five-furlong turf Queen Mary Stakes (G2) over Royal Ascot's turf on June 19 and finished an "ultra-game" second – by a head to Raffle Prize – in a field of 24 fillies running in a heavy downpour of rain.

Ward also saddled The Mackem Bullet (Ire), a three-year-old filly by Society Rock, to win the Grade 2 Appalachian Stakes at Keeneland on April 7.

At Aqueduct, Maven, also bred by Ward, became the first American-based winner from the initial crop of 2016 Triple Crown winner American Pharoah, when he went gate-to-wire to win a MSW race on April 19. The Kentucky-bred is the first foal out of \$346,473

stakes winner Richies Party Girl. Maven later became the first group winner for American Pharoah when he won the Prix du Bois (G3) at Chantilly in France on June 29.

Ward also trains Mowat's Owlette, an Ontario-bred daughter of Frac Daddy, who scored a four-length victory at Woodbine on May 3 in her second MSW attempt. She has earned \$56,854.

Mike Puhich and Christina Jelm's juvenile Ms Headley, trained by Ward, won her initial start on May 1 at Churchill Downs. The Florida-bred filly is the first winner for freshman sire The Big Beast.

At Belmont Park on May 2, Aurelia Garland became the first winner for freshman sire Constitution when she scored a five-length win in her initial outing. Two races later, Foolish Humor, a Distorted Humor filly won her first start by 2 3/4 lengths. Both Ward-trained runners were bred in Kentucky.

Dixie Mo, a filly by Uncle Mo, won a Indiana Grand MSW by four lengths on May 10; and on May 12, Slap Happy (Ire), by Kodiak (GB), won a maiden allowance at the Indiana track, both trained by Ward.

Stallion maker Wesley Ward – at least five of his juvenile first-time starters this year were the initial winner for their sires – also scored with 2014 Breeders' Cup Mile (G1) winner Karakontie (Jpn)'s Karak, who won a five-furlong turf maiden special weight by three lengths on May 25 at Belmont. The new winner is a half-sister to 2017 Seattle Slew Handicap Aqua Frio.

The June 8, 2019, issue of *BloodHorse* featured an article on Ward and his past successful trips to Royal Ascot titled "European Plan" by Bob Ehalt.

### National Movement to Phase Out Race-day Medication

According to an article in mid-April in *Thoroughbred Daily News*, a coalition of leading US racetracks (including Aqueduct, Belmont Park, Churchill Downs, Del Mar, Keeneland, Oaklawn Park, Saratoga and the Stronach Group tracks) and racing organizations (led by Breeders' Cup Ltd., TOBA and KTF) have "announced a landmark initiative to phase out the use of Furosemide (Lasix/Salix) beginning in two-year-old-racing in January 2020 and eliminate the use of Lasix in black-type races held at their racetracks beginning the following year. Note: Stronach tracks Santa Anita and Golden Gate Fields had previously announced race-day medication limitations already in place.

"From January 1, 2020, no two-year-old will be permitted to be treated with Lasix within 24 hours of a race. The same restriction would be applied to horses entered for any stakes races at coalition tracks beginning in 2021, including the races comprising the Triple Crown."

A few tracks have so far declined to get onboard, notably Monmouth Park, Delaware Park and Parx Racing.

Monmouth Park sent out a press release stating plans to "continue to adhere to the position of the American Association of Equine Practitioners regarding the administration of race-day furosemide as the most effective treatment and preventative approach to controlling exercise-induced pulmonary hemorrhage in racehorses."

It was also noted that "National HBPA CEO Eric Hamelback said in a statement that a Lasix ban doesn't constitute safety reform."

The subject of stakes race policy also arose. "The question of how black-type races will be adjudicated going forward was also of interest in the wake of the announcement. For example, the proposal raises the question as to whether or not sales catalogs might ultimately offer designations distinguishing which black-type races were run with or without Lasix. 'Any changes in sales catalogs in North America would need to be considered by the North American International Catalogue Standards Committee at the appropriate time,' said Carl Hamilton, chairman of the committee."

Everett Dobson, the chairman of the Graded Stakes Committee, was also quoted "For now, we will not be treating the races any differently, whether they allow Lasix or not. Under our current rules, there is a possibility we will consider adopting a rule as the graded stakes committee that would require any graded races be run without any race-day medication. Right now, all we are saying is there is a possibility we will consider this in the future, without giving any time tables on it."

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

2018 Washington plater of the year **Party for One** won a 5 1/2-furlong starter allowance race on the April 20 Emerald Downs opening card. It marked his 11th victory overall, bumping his earnings to \$65,163. The six-year-old gelding by Desert Party—And One for Me, by Dayjur, was bred by Barbara Ratcliff's Coal Creek Farm and races for Pam Tumminello and Jerry Carmody. He is trained by Rigoberto Velasquez . . . Trainer **Arturo Arboleda** celebrated his 95th birthday at Emerald Downs with a special cake on April 27 and had his first win of the meet on May 5 with **Sway Road**, a four-year-old Washington-bred son of Sway Away who was winning his first race . . . **Emerald Racing Club** (ERC) celebrated with two winners over Emerald Downs' first three-day week of the season. After running second on the Auburn track's opening day card, Redrock Trail, a three-year-old Florida-bred son of Trappe Shot trained by Michael Puhich, went gate-to-wire to win a maiden \$5,000 claiming race by 8 1/2 lengths on May 10. The runner was claimed out of the impressive win by trainer Joe Toye for owner William A. Jensen. Two days later, ERC's Bob's All In, a four-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Tapizar trained by Sharon Ross, won a starter allowance



... 2017 Washington plater of the year and multiple stakes winner **Mike Man's Gold** equaled West Seattle Boy's record 21 wins at Emerald Downs on June 30, taking that mile race by four lengths for returning owners Greg Conley, Chuck Conley and trainer Joe Toye's Terra Firma Farm (who had claimed him back for \$25,000 out of a second place finish on June 2), but the runner returned to Inittowinit after trainer Velasquez put in a \$25,000 claim. The popular gelded son of Liberty Gold—Chedoodle, by Slewdledo, who was bred by Keith and Jan Swagerty, has earned \$337,293 in his 60 starts . . . 2016 Washington champion three-year-old colt/gelding **The Press** earned his fifth win in an allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming race at Emerald Downs on May 19. Owned and trained by Howard Belvoir, the gelding by Harbor the Gold—Awesome Woman, by Henny Hughes, was bred by Tice Ranch Stable LLC. He has earned \$92,337 . . . **Mr. and Mrs. David Thorner's** homebred Lady Campbell went gate-to-wire to take a 6 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race by 7 1/4 lengths at Emerald Downs on June 22. She hails from trainer Tom Wenzel's barn. The three-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Dialed In had finished third in the 2018 Angie C. Stakes. She is one of eight winners, including Washington Oaks winner Princess Kennedy and two other stakes-placed runners, out of the Cape Town mare Pat Hand, whose yearling filly by Tapiture is cataloged as Hip 5 in the upcoming WTBOA August Sale . . . Todd and Shawn Hansen's homebred **Fly Far Away**, a six-year-old Washington-bred daughter of Pleasantly Perfect—Maytown Mistree, by Country Light, took a mile allowance/\$30,000 optional claiming (N) race at Emerald Downs on June 30, defeating four other stakes winners in the field of seven. The 2018 Washington Cup Filly or Mare Stakes winner, who is trained by Blaine Wright, has won five races and earned \$90,695 . . . Jockey **Scott Stevens**, who has won over 4,900 races in his career, took his first two victories at Emerald Downs on July 7 when he guided trainer Paul Treasure's Paynes Prairie and Devilish Diva to wins. Stevens is the older brother of Washington Racing Hall of Fame rider inductee **Gary Stevens**.

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

Pacific Northwest rider **Leonel Camacho-Flores** was seriously injured when the filly he was on flipped on him outside the Turf Paradise starting gate on March 26. A native of Mexico, Camacho-Flores' was the leading rider at the 2015-16 Portland Meadows meet with 70 wins. Among the stakes winners he has ridden are E Z Kitty, Betrbe gone, Roveing Patrol and 2018 Irish Day Stakes winner Diamonds R. Through March 26, he has a 652-704-714 record from 4,905 starts with \$5,218,810 in mount earnings. Nineteen of those wins came in 2019 . . . **Jack Fabulich** and **Paul**

**Heist's** Where We At did well during the spring Santa Anita meet. On March 3, Where We At's Rickey B, a three-year-old California-bred son of Richard's Kid, won an allowance/\$50,000 optional claiming race. In January, Where We At had claimed multiple stakes-placed El Huerfano for \$62,500. In his four outings for the Washington duo, the seven-year-old California-bred son of Tannersmyman had two wins, one second and one fifth and earned \$124,514. His latest win came on May 24 at Santa Anita for a \$62,500 tag. Both California-based Where We At runners are trained by **Mark Glatt** . . . 2016 Washington champion sprinter **Kaabraaj** went gate-to-wire to win a 4 1/2-furlong allowance/\$40,000 optional

(N) claiming race by 3 1/2 lengths at Turf Paradise on April 7. The seven-year-old gelded son of Abraaj—Kaaaching, by River Special, was bred by Clemans View Farm and races for Warlock Stables, Horseplayers Racing Club 240 and trainer Jeff Metz's Saratoga West. He has won nine races and earned \$197,527 . . . All Schlaich Stables LLC, Hollendorfer LLC and **Dr. George Todaro's** Vasilika, a five-year-old Kentucky-bred mare by Skipshot, scored her eighth stakes victory and 11th win since being claimed by trainer Jerry Hollendorfer for \$40,000 in February 2018, when she won the \$200,000 Royal Heroine Stakes (G2) at Santa Anita on April 6. On May 27, Vasilika took the \$500,000 Gamely Stakes

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(G1). Vasilika, who has a lifetime record of 17-4-3 from her 32 starts and earnings of \$1,358,595, was named champion older mare and turf mare at the spring Santa Anita meet . . . Tim Bankers' stakes-winning three-year-old fillies Senoradiablo, a Kentucky-bred daughter of Flat Out, and **Twirling Devon**, a Florida-bred daughter of Twirling Candy—Just Say Hey, by Rockport Harbor, who Bankers had purchased from the Dunn Bar Ranch consignment at the 2017 WTBOA Summer Sale, ran one-three in an about mile allowance over the grass at Turf Paradise on April 13. Manuel Ortiz Sr. trains both runners . . . 2018 Gottstein Futurity runner-up Palladium won his third race at Santa Anita on April 20, raising his earnings to \$79,927. The colt by Graydar was bred in Kentucky by Lee McMillin, his mother Mary McMillin and **David Thorne** . . . **Steven Sarkowsky** and Martin and Pam Wygod's Paradise Woods took the \$200,000 Santa Margarita Stakes (G2) by 10 1/2 lengths at Santa Anita on April 27. It marked the fourth victory for the five-year-old daughter of Union Rags bred in Kentucky by Sarkowsky's Washington Racing Hall of Fame father Herman Sarkowsky. Now trained by John Shirreffs, the half-sister to stakes winner Forest Chatter next finished second in the \$200,000 Santa Maria Stakes (G2) at Santa Anita on June 1. She has earned \$985,890 . . . The top three finishers in the \$75,000 Lost in the Fog Stakes run at Golden Gate on April 27 all have ties to the greater Pacific Northwest. Peter Redekop BC Ltd.-owned and **Blaine Wright**-trained Anyportinastorm, a five-year-old son of City Zip, won the six-panel race. Owner/breeder **Rozamund Barclay**'s Algenon, a six-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Aragorn (Ire), finished second, increasing his earnings to \$201,897. Sequentially, bred in Kentucky by **Dr. Rodney Orr**, ran third and upped his totals to \$112,735 . . . Gotham Desire, a five-year-old California-bred daughter of West Coast Training Center stallion **Gotham City**, won a five-furlong turf allowance at Golden Gate on May 5. Owned by Steve Moger and trained by his brother Ed Moger Jr., it marked Gotham Desire's fourth win and upped her earnings to \$112,530 . . . Four-year-old **Uno Trouble Maker**, a daughter of Successful Appeal—Hope and Vow, by Broken Vow, went gate-to-wire to win a starter/\$25,000-\$20,000 optional claiming (N) race by 4 1/4 lengths at Santa Anita on May 10. Bred in Washington by Todd and Shawn Hansen, she is a half-sister to their multiple champion Ethan's Baby. Uno Trouble Maker next took an allowance/\$40,000 optional claiming (N) race by 4 1/4 lengths on June 2 at Santa Anita. Unbeaten in her four starts in 2019, Uno Trouble Maker has won six races overall and earned \$146,285 in her 13 outings . . . Yo Y Me recorded his eighth stakes victory in the \$20,000 Arizona Downs Inaugural Handicap on May 24. A five-year-old Arizona-bred son of Dixie Chatter, Yo Y

Me has earned \$272,688. His dam, Emerald Downs stakes-placed **Miss Ballard**, by Bertrando, is a Washington-foaled half-sister to Washington champions No Giveaway and Youcan'ttakeme . . . **Ten Broeck Farm Inc.**'s Strip It Down, a five-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Congrats, won a six-furlong allowance at Golden Gate on May 26. Strip It Down next took an allowance/\$62,500 optional claiming race by 3 1/2 lengths at Pleasanton on June 22. The Blaine Wright-trained mare has won five races and earned \$99,250 . . . Two-time juvenile stakes winner King of Speed finished third in the \$150,000 Cinema Stakes – beaten a length and a neck in the nine-panel turf race – run at Santa Anita on June 2. Bred in Kentucky by **Larry Romaine**, the three-year-old son of Jimmy Creed out of the stakes-winning A. P. Indy mare Beautiful Daniele has earned \$170,625. His yearling half-brother by Atta Boy Roy is Hip 48 in the 2019 WTBOA sale . . . Four-year-old California-bred Wandering Patrol won a five-furlong allowance/\$20,000 optional claiming (N) race over Santa Anita's turf course on June 16 to give her two wins and three thirds in her five outings for owner/breeder Reddam Racing LLC. The \$84,250 earner is the first foal out of 2012 Diane Kem Stakes winner **Roveing Patrol**, a daughter of Nacheezmo, who was bred, raced and trained by the late Don Munger . . . Three-year-old Chippinzee, a California-bred gelding from the first crop of Gibson Thoroughbred Farm stallion **Linchpin**, set a new five-furlong track record at Arizona Downs on June 22, going the distance in :58.93 over a fast track. The two-race winner is trained by four-time leading Emerald Downs trainer Jeff Metz.

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

Unbeaten Fancy Dress Party, a three-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Munnings, scored her fourth victory in the \$150,000 Beaumont Stakes (G3) at Keeneland on April 7. The \$222,405 earner is the third stakes winner out of The Schvagen, a daughter of 2007-10 Washington leading sire **Matty G** . . . **Mark Dedomenico LLC**'s Motion Emotion, a three-year-old Kentucky-bred filly by Take Charge Indy, ran second in the \$500,000 Fantasy Stakes (G3) at Oaklawn in April . . . **Bar C Racing Stables Inc.**-bred Galilean made his first start under new ownership in the \$1-million Arkansas Derby (G1), as a share in the Californian-bred son of Uncle Mo had been purchased by the Coolmore contingent in the days leading up to the nine-furlong event. He finished fifth in the Derby prep to favorite Omaha Beach. Galilean has earned \$366,000 with a 3-1-1 record in his six starts . . . Leinster, a four-year-old Kentucky-bred colt by Majestic Warrior, broke his maiden in a turf allowance at Keeneland in April. His next start and victory came in an allowance/\$62,500 optional claiming (N) race at Churchill Downs on June 28. \$196,111 earner Leinster is a

half-brother to four stakes horses, including 2018 Eclipse Award winner and \$2.1-million earner Stormy Liberal and Grade 1-placed and successful El Dorado Farms sire **Coast Guard**. Stormy Liberal had finished third in the \$2-million Al Quoz Sprint Sponsored by Azizi Developments (G1) at Meydan in Dubai in March . . . **Horseplayers Racing Club LLC**'s Blingonthwing, a five-year-old Texas-bred daughter of Too Much Bling, won a six-panel allowance for the Renton-based partnership at Lone Star Park on April 19. On May 16, HRC's Rifle Man, a four-year-old Louisiana-bred by Musket Man, won a mile allowance at Evangeline Downs. HPRC and trainer Jeff Metz had a winner at Indiana Grand on June 11 when Parade Blue, a six-year-old Kentucky-bred gelding by Speightstown, won an allowance/\$35,000 optional claimer . . . Multiple stakes winner Mr. Jagermeister, a four-year-old Minnesota-bred colt by Blue Ribbon Farm stallion **Atta Boy Roy**, won a six-panel allowance/\$62,500 optional claiming (N) race at Oaklawn Park on April 25. The winner of \$373,537 is raced by sisters Kristin Boice (breeder), Leslie Cummings and Valorie Lund (trainer). The 2018 Minnesota champion three-year-old male runner improved his record to 8-3-2 from 15 starts. His dam Frangelica, was named Minnesota broodmare of the year. On July 5, Mr. Jagermeister's two-year-old full sister Rupleminx made her debut in a maiden special weight race at Canterbury Downs and drew off to a three-length win. Bred by Boice and Lund in California, Rupleminx also races for the three-sister partnership . . . Two-time Grade 1 winner Separationofpowers, a four-year-old daughter of Candy Ride (Arg) who is from the last crop bred by the late Jerre Paxton's **Northwest Farms LLC**, won the \$250,000 Bed o' Roses Invitational Stakes (G3) at Belmont Park by nearly five lengths on June 7. She has earned \$934,000 . . . Cambier Parc, a three-year-old filly by Medaglia d'Oro out of Canadian Horse of the Year Sealy Hill earned her second Grade 3 victory in the \$200,000 Wonder Again Stakes at Belmont on June 6. The \$317,460 earner is a half-sister to three other graded stakes-winning fillies, including **Aithon Stable LLC**'s 2015 Emerald Downs champion Belle Hill . . . Rich and Donna Southell's **Secret Romeo**, a \$865,790 multiple stakes-winning son of Service Stripe, is the damsire of Fortune Got Even, a three-year-old Louisiana-bred daughter of Stephen Got Even who won the \$75,000 Equine Sales Oaks at Evangeline Downs on May 3.

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

**L. Neil Jones'** French 2018 Group 2 winner Knight To Behold, a four-year-old colt by Sea The Stars, finished second in the Gordon Richards Stakes (G3) at Sandown in England on April 26. In five starts, he has a 2-2-0 record. Bred in Ireland in the name of Jones' Abergwaun Farms, Knight

To Behold is one of a trio of graded/group winners produced out of the Sadler's Wells mare Angel of the Gwaun (Ire) . . . 2018 British Columbia champion Summerland won the \$37,225 Ross McLeod Stakes at Hastings Racecourse on May 4. It marked the fourth stakes victory for the three-year-old daughter of the late **He's Tops**. Summerland then added a six-length score in the \$37,005 Emerald Downs Handicap on June 1. Summerland next took her sixth win in a row, and eighth victory in nine starts, in the \$38,191 Supernatural Handicap run at Hastings on July 1, which she won by 5 3/4 lengths. She has earned \$186,504 . . . On June 2, three-year-old Sharp Dressed Beau, an Oregon-bred half-brother to Oregon champions Suddenly Adele and Gracie Gold – all three bred by trainer Neil Knapp – and a son of former Pacific Northwest stallion **Car Talk (Ire)** (who now stands in Alberta), won the \$37,005 Western Canada Handicap at Century Mile. The gelding next took the July 1 Count Latham Handicap at Century Mile by 4 3/4 lengths. He has a 4-2-1 record from nine starts and upped his earnings to \$66,475 . . . First-time starter Cara de Amour, a three-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Union Rags, won a 1,000-meter maiden race at Monterrico in Peru by five lengths on May 25. She is one of six winners – including four-time Emerald Downs stakes winner Exclusive Diva – out of \$400,575 stakes winner Puxa Saco. A daughter of Dehere, Puxa Saco was sold carrying the future winner as part of the estate of **Jerre Paxton's** Northwest Farms LLC at the 2015 Keeneland November sale . . . The late El Dorado Farms stallion **Abraaj** was represented by his first juvenile winner of 2019 when first-time starter Capilano Canyon took a 3 1/2-furlong maiden special weight race by six lengths at Hastings Racecourse on June 2. The British Columbia-bred gelding is out of stakes winner Remarkable Miss.

## AT THE FARM

### Farm Bulletin . . .

2012 Emerald Downs horse of the meeting **Class Included**, a 2008 daughter of Include out of 2004 Emerald champion juvenile filly A Classic Life – both who raced for Michael and Amy Feuerborn – produced a colt by Star Guitar on February 27 for Buck Pond Farm in Kentucky. The \$635,526 graded stakes winner was to be bred back to Liam's Map . . . Three-time Japanese champion Hishi Amazon, 28, passed away in her paddock on April 15. She was one of five stakes winners produced out of Irish classic winner and English champion Katies (Ire), who had been purchased for \$1-million out of the 1989 Fasig-Tipton Night of the Stars Sale by Seattle bloodstock agent **Claudia A. Canouse** for the Abe family of Japan. Katies would produce Hishi Amazon in 1991 to the cover of Theatrical (Ire). Hishi Amazon

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raced 20 times with a 10-5-0 record which included nine stakes victories in top Japanese competition and she had another five stakes seconds. She retired with earnings of nearly \$7-million, which made her the leading distaff earner in the world at that time. As a broodmare Hishi Amazon produced five winners. She is also the granddam of stakes-placed \$1.2-million earner Amicable Number (Jpn) . . . John and Janene Maryanski and Gerald and Gail Schneider's **Invested Prospect**, a two-time Washington champion and \$159,120 earner, was bred to four-time Grade 1-winning Southern California sprinter Lord Nelson, whose first crop arrives this spring . . . A recent Thoroughbred Charities of America ad in Thoroughbred

industry trade journals features the photos and comments from three TCA beneficiaries, including **Boone McCanna** of Down the Stretch Ranch in Creston.

## GENERAL

### Delores Christenson Named 2018 TOBA State Breeder of the Year for Washington

Dolores Christenson was selected by the WTBOA board of directors as the 2018 Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA) breeder of the year winner for Washington.

Christenson and her late husband Ivan claimed their first racehorse in 1978 at



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## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA YEARLING AND HORSES OF RACING AGE SALE

A \$500 travel allowance with a minimum purchase of \$3,500 is being offered to out of state trainers and trainers from Southern California who attend the upcoming 2019 Northern California Yearling and Horses of Racing Age Sale.

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Yakima Meadows and later established their Shady Valley Ranch in Kent. Among the original investors in Emerald Downs, the Christensons bred and raced 1990 Yakima Matron Stakes winner Shadylegs, 1999 Washington HBPA Stakes winner Blue Cyclone, 2007 Marathon Series Finale Stakes winner Last Outpost, 2016 McFadden Starter Stakes winner Ontheshadtside and 2011 Premio Esmeralda Stakes winner Silver Boxcar, a half-brother to Delores' best 2018 runner Cross Creek. The latter earned \$64,793 while running for Shady Valley Ranch, which ranked 18th among all Washington owners and 25th among state breeders last year.

The 34th TOBA National Award Dinner will be held on Saturday, September 7 at Fasig-Tipton in Lexington, Kentucky.

### Haley Primley 2019 WTBOA/WTF WSU Scholarship Winner



Washington native Haley Primley, of Ridgefield, was awarded the 2019 WTBOA/Washington Thoroughbred Foundation (WTF) scholarship, which is given yearly to a worthy third-year veterinary student studying at Washington State University (WSU).

As a youth, Primley was involved in the 4-H beef cattle program and competed in roping events at rodeos in the greater Pacific Northwest. She continues to show her family's Maine Anjou cattle in the open class at the Clark County Fair.

On campus, she is the Class of 2020's Student Council Class Sheriff and a member of the Student American Veterinary Medical Association, Veterinary Business Management Association and American Association of Equine Practitioners.

She hopes to practice equine sports medicine in Washington and Oregon upon graduation.

In her thank you letter, Primley writes: "I was thrilled to learn of my selection for this wonderful donation and have been inspired to continue to work hard to accomplish my dreams.

"I grew up in Southwest Washington and was able to develop a great network in the equine and bovine industry there. I was lucky enough to grow up on a farm where my family raised local grass hay for our animals, raise/show our beef cattle and train our horses to participate in several different rodeo associations. With

all of the experience I was able to gain, and wonderful people I was able to work alongside, it has inspired my plans after veterinary school to go back to Western Washington and practice large animal medicine."

The Spring/Summer issue of the online WSU College of Veterinary Medicine's *Advance Newsletter* featured an article about the WTBOA/Washington Thoroughbred Foundation yearly scholarship program titled "Supporting Equine Veterinary Students for 52 Years," written by Marcia Hill Gossard. It can be read at [cvm.wsu.edu/advance/2019/05/05/supporting-equine-veterinary-students-for-52-years/](http://cvm.wsu.edu/advance/2019/05/05/supporting-equine-veterinary-students-for-52-years/).

### 2019 THRUST Race For Education Scholarship Winners

Two college students from Seattle were awarded \$2,500 scholarships from the Washington Thoroughbred Foundation's Thoroughbred Horse Racing's United Scholarship (THRUST) via the Kentucky-based Race For Education program.

Sabrina James, a 2013 graduate of North Thurston High School, is pursuing a bachelor degree in pre-veterinary animal science at Washington State University (WSU). The fourth year college student has hopes of becoming a veterinary assistant/technician which will then lead to studies to become a racetrack veterinarian.

From June 2015 to July 2017 James served as a veterinary assistant with the Washington Horse Racing Commission at Emerald Downs. Also in 2017, she was the veterinary receptionist at the North Seattle Veterinary Clinic.

James enjoys horseback riding and competitive and social partner dance.

Vaiva Palunas, a 2013 graduate of Lakeside School, is a graduate student who will be studying for a doctoral degree in large animal veterinary medicine, with a focus on equine medicine, when she returns to classes at WSU this fall. Palunas, who graduated with a bachelor degree in biology from Scripps College in California in 2017, hopes to combine her interests in equine and sports medicine.

Her experience with horses includes time worked for the Cle Elum-based High Country Outfitters and Camp School as an equine outfitter. She later served as the director of the children's camp for High Country. She also enjoys western trail riding, using a natural horsemanship approach.

Palunas currently works as a veterinary assistant with Seattle Veterinary Associates.

She is also involved with Lietutis, a Lithuanian folk dance group. Palunas participated as a Delta-certified therapy dog handler from 2007-13 and was actively involved in collegiate track

and field, where she was West Region Woman's Field Athlete of the Year in both 2016 and 2017.

### Jon White and Paul Volponi Share Hirsh Awards

Washington native Jon White, of *XBTV*, and Paul Volponi, of the *BloodHorse*, both were named winners of the Joe Hirsch Memorial Writing Contest sponsored by the New York Racing Association. Now in its tenth season, the award recognizes the best in media coverage of the previous year's Belmont Stakes (G1).

White won for his Belmont recap, *A Triple Crown Perfection*, which retold the story of Justify, his trainer Bob Baffert and his jockey Mike Smith during the 2018 Triple Crown winner's perfect season.

Upon being congratulated, White commented: "This means a lot to me because Joe Hirsch was a great mentor to me in the early 1980s."

Volponi's winning piece, entitled *The Long Ride*, investigated how riders prepare for the 12-furlong classic.

### 2019 Spring Kentucky Equine Management Internship (KEMI) Program

Of the 32 interns participating in the 22-week spring KEMI program this year, several have ties to the Pacific Northwest.

Alicia Butsch and Jennifer Hambleton both earned animal science degrees at Washington State University and both are interning at Lane's End Farm, where Butsch is working at their Oak Tree division. Ambrielle Kaufmann, who also is working at Lane's End, grew up in Northwest Washington and is currently attending Louisiana Tech University.

Oregon resident Brianna Renner graduated from Oregon State University and is working at Trackside Farm, while fellow Oregonian Camille Smith attends the College of Southern Idaho and is currently interning at Timber Town Stables.

The KEMI program also offers a 24-week fall session. For more information go to: [kemi.org](http://kemi.org).

### Over the Stable Gate . . .

In an April 16, 2019, article in the *Thoroughbred Daily News* about the Maker's Mark Secretariat Center (MMSC), which was founded in 2004 at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, was a mention of their "talented trainer" **Kara Toye** and her work with OTTB War of Ideas. Toye, a daughter of longtime Washington horsemen Joe and Kari Toye, is also a member of the WTBOA Sales Committee and consigns and buys horses under Moxie Bloodstock. Toye was also among those featured in a June 22, 2019, article in *BloodHorse* about the MMSC titled "Window on the Future" written by Christine Oser . . . The Spokane *Spokesman-Review* has been running an occasional series on

“sports might have been” under “The Great ‘What If.’” The Sunday April 28, 2019, edition featured an article by **Jim Price** titled: “Looking at the great ‘what if’ had **Turbulator** raced at Santa Anita.” It can be read at [spokesman.com/stories/2019/apr/28/jim-price-looking-at-the-great-what-if-had-turbula/](http://spokesman.com/stories/2019/apr/28/jim-price-looking-at-the-great-what-if-had-turbula/) . . . Noted sports announcer **Tom Hammond**, who served as an announcer along with the late Tom Caldwell at then WHBA Sales in the late 1970s, will be inducted into the National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame’s Joe Hirsch Media Roll of Honor later this summer at Saratoga . . . Among the 36 veterinary students receiving a \$1,500 scholarship through the 2019 Winner’s Circle Scholarship Program, co-sponsored by the American Association of Equine Practitioners’ (AAEP) Foundation, Platinum Performance and The Race For Education, are Washington State University veterinary students **Allison Hale** and **Dalen Wood** . . . Washington native **Jason Beem**, who first started calling races in 2006 and served as race caller at Portland Meadows, River Downs and Louisiana Downs, as well as stints at Emerald Downs and Gulfstream Park West, will be the race caller for the August 8-September 7 meet at Colonial Downs . . . Washington-born and -raised trainer **Blaine Wright**, who saddled his first classic contender with Peter Redekop’s Anothertwistafate (who finished tenth of 13) in the May 18 Preakness Stakes (G1), was the subject of an article, along with his father, retired jockey/trainer Richard Wright, in the May 16, 2019, issue of the online *Paulick Report*, under their Breeders’ Cup Presents Series titled “From Father to Son, a Golden Blue Blanket.” It may be viewed at: [paulickreport.com/features/breeders-cup-presents-connections/breeders-cup-presents-connections-from-father-to-son-a-golden-blue-blanket](http://paulickreport.com/features/breeders-cup-presents-connections/breeders-cup-presents-connections-from-father-to-son-a-golden-blue-blanket) . . . The May 2, 2019, issue of *Muckleshoot Messenger* featured a page devoted to horses, led by an article on the 2019 Emerald Downs opening and a piece and pictorial (featuring El Dorado Farms) about the kids who participate in the **Muckleshoot Behavior Health’s Equine Program**. Sya-Ya 4-H Club vice president Briana Arvizu recently was named Donida Farm Equestrian Center’s 2018-19 Series Highpoint Champion in the 13-17 age group.

## NEWS FROM THE JOCKEY CLUB

### Thoroughbred Safety Committee Announces 2019 Recommendations

The Thoroughbred Safety Committee announced four new recommendations to the industry to further improve the health, welfare and safety of its equine athletes.

The recommendations call for: avoidance of bisphosphonates use in a manner

inconsistent with indications of use on the label and, further, discontinuance of bisphosphonates use in any horses in training regardless of age; every jurisdiction to employ a full-time equine medical director; all racing associations and regulatory officials to record additional data or make such additional data sources available for analysis in the Equine Injury Database; and creation of crisis best practices tailored to the industry, including template materials and a list of crisis response resources.

The full text of the recommendations can be found on The Jockey Club website at [jockeyclub.com/default.asp?section=Advocacy&area=14](http://jockeyclub.com/default.asp?section=Advocacy&area=14).

### The Jockey Club Calls for Dramatic Reforms to Protect Racehorses

In March 2019, The Jockey Club released a major white paper calling for comprehensive reform of the US horse racing industry, including a major overhaul of drug use and uniform out-of-competition drug testing, citing the need for “transparency into the medical treatment, injuries and health of all racehorses.”

The paper’s release follows the death of over 20 racehorses at California’s Santa Anita Park in less than three months. The Jockey Club wrote that “it would be a mistake to view the Santa Anita fatalities as an isolated situation – spikes in the deaths of horses have occurred at other tracks and they



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will continue to occur without significant reforms.”

The Jockey Club was particularly critical of drug use in the horse racing industry saying that “improper drug use can directly lead to horse injuries and deaths. Horses aren’t human and the only way they can tell us if something is wrong is by reacting to a symptom. If that symptom is masked, the results can be devastating.” And that “we lag behind cheaters and abusers and by the time we have caught up they have moved on to the next designer substance.”

The Jockey Club expressed its strong support for federal legislation citing the Horse Racing Integrity Act of 2019, HR 1754, which would create a private, independent, horse racing anti-doping authority responsible for developing and administering a nationwide anti-doping and medication control program. The program would be administered by the United States Anti-Doping Agency, the body responsible for administering anti-doping programs for human athletes including the US Olympic teams.

In addition to reforming how drugs are used and monitored, The Jockey Club is calling for other reforms targeted at health of equine athletes, including: enhanced race surface analysis; reporting of all injuries during racing and training; more comprehensive pre-race veterinarian examination; use of approved medications only; confirmed fitness to train; and industrywide contributions to aftercare.

## IN MEMORIAM

### **Dr. Charles J. Barth**

Retired veterinarian and Thoroughbred trainer Charles Barth, 89, of Eatonville, passed away in March 2019. He was born in Puyallup. After originally going to college to become a dairy farmer at Washington State University, where he spent four years in the agricultural program, he switched to veterinary medicine.

The best horse he was involved with was his homebred champion racemare Aunt Sophie, who he also trained. The 1998 daughter of Altazarr won six stakes in California and Washington and the \$297,155 earner was named 2014 Washington older filly or mare. Charles and his wife Barbara also bred Longacres stakes winner Royal Navigator and raced that runner’s stakes-placed dam Philandria.

In his ten-year career (1998-2007) training horses, his runners had a 37-57-65 record from 401 starts and earnings of \$538,396.

He leaves his wife, Barbara.

### **Franklin Lawrence Beard**

Frank Beard, 93, passed away on May 14, 2019. He was born March 8, 1926, in Orofino, Idaho, to Melvin and Dessie

(Mulvaney) Beard. Frank’s family moved to the Satus area in 1927, where he lived until 1943. At the age of 17, he joined the Navy. He served his country in the Pacific theater during World War II, seeing action in Guam and Iwo Jima onboard the USS Annoy. He was injured by Japanese artillery fire while supplying combat troops and removing wounded soldiers from Iwo Jima. He said one of his proudest moments in his life was to have witnessed the American flag raised on Iwo Jima. After the war he was honorably discharged and returned to Satus, graduating from Toppenish High School.

Frank worked various jobs in the lower Yakima Valley until 1959 when he began a career in Thoroughbred horse racing. He worked 13 years for the Washington Horse Racing Commission (WHRC), was self-employed as an owner/trainer of Thoroughbreds and also was a jockey agent for the better part of 40 years. Over the years he held WHRC licenses as a steward, patrol judge, racing secretary, jockey agent, owner, trainer, starter and assistant starter.

Frank married Barbara Greenside on February 22, 1975. They owned several good racehorses that ran in the Pacific Northwest and Canada. The mare, Blooming Rose, was one of their favorites.

He was also an avid fisherman.

Frank was very active with several veteran organizations, including Yakima VFW Post 379 and he was also a member of the Military Order of the Cootie (MOC). Membership in the MOC is given in recognition of outstanding service to the VFW and its programs. At the time of his death he was the commander of the Yakima Disabled American Veterans and a member of the Yakima Warriors.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Richard and Archie Beard; and sisters, Gureta Hart and Dessi Jones. Frank is survived by daughter, Marlee (Alan) Price; son, Melvin (Lisa Croxall) Beard DVM; granddaughter, Meredith (Reuven) Levitt; and great-grandchildren, Ethan and Naomi Levitt.

### **Jack Haymes**

Successful Washington horseman and trainer Jack Haymes, 84, passed away in May 2019.

Jack was born in Payette, Idaho, but later moved to Yakima.

According to Equibase files, from 1971 through July 1986 Jack’s trainees made 1,348 starts with a 172-153-141 record and had earnings of \$880,686.

His top horse was popular two-time Washington champion Longay Native, an 11-time stakes winner at Longacres, Yakima Meadows, Golden Gate Fields and Bay Meadows and who later became a successful state sire. Among his other stakes winners in Washington were Mondo Lea, Smoken Tobin, Princess Kelli and Chief Sitting Bull. Jack’s final win as a trainer came with Native

Passion in a maiden special weight race at Yakima Meadows on March 15, 1986.

Jack was honored with the Steve O’Donnell Memorial Award (now Martin Durkan Award) in 1976.

His daughter Lisa became a successful jockey and rode under her former married name Lisa Kenney.

He leaves daughters, Lisa and Brenda.

### **Dr. John “Jack” Nave Lein**

Jack Lein, 92, passed away on March 31, 2019. He was born October 25, 1926, in Spokane to Nave George and Bonnie (Deery) Lein.

Jack joined the Navy at the end of World War II and served from 1944-45 as a medical corpsman.

He met his future wife Claire Cramer while attending the University of Idaho. They were married on September 9, 1951, and had two sons, Michael and Patrick.

Jack earned his bachelor of science degree at the University of Idaho in 1950 and graduated from University of Washington (UW) School of Medicine in 1955, specializing in obstetrics and gynecology.

While practicing in Spokane (1960-64), the Dean of the UW Medical School offered Jack a job which would involve patient care, teaching and community and legislative involvement. There was a great shortage of family doctors in rural areas in Alaska and the greater Pacific Northwest. Lein, Dr. Roy Schwarz and the school of medicine leadership developed a novel training method which grew into the WWAMI (Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana and Idaho) program, in which the UW School of Medicine works with these states to provide a variety of programs for medical students and trainees.

During his long tenure at UW, Jack, who originally joined the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology as a professor, later held the titles of Director of Continuing Medical Education, Associate Dean of Medicine (1964-84), Vice President for Health Sciences (1984-92) and Director of Federal Relations from 1992 until his retirement in 1996. He also was a noted and popular speaker on behalf of the UW at numerous events.

Jack was an American Board Obstetricians and Gynecologists Diplomate, 1970 recipient First Place National Biocommunications Award winner and Washington/Alaska Regional Medical Program awardee.

In 2010 he received the UW Medicine Alumni Service Award.

Jack and Claire became involved in Thoroughbreds in the late 1960s with the purchase of former WHBA 4-H broodmare Barbedoll. Among the good runners they bred are Auburn Stakes winner and Longacres Mile (G3) third Posse Power, Captain Condo Stakes winner Time for a Prize and Big Apple Stakes winner Kermit’s Choice. In partnership they bred the stakes-placed

half-siblings Adolescent and Junior Postman. Jack served on the WTBOA Board from 1972-74, during which time he also proved a jovial master of ceremonies at WTBOA functions.

He also was on the board for General Telephone NW, Lincoln Mutual Bank, Lincoln First Federal Savings and Loan and the Seattle-King County Convention and Visiting Bureau.

Jack also enjoyed golf and traveling with Claire and his family.

In Dr. Paul G. Ramsey's (CEO, UW Medicine, Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean of the School of Medicine) message to the UW medical community on learning of Jack's passing, he stated, "Dr. Lein was ideally suited for his federal role. He developed personal and professional relationships with key political leaders in Washington State, including Senator Warren Magnuson, Senator Henry 'Scoop' Jackson and Speaker of the House Thomas Foley, and throughout the WWAMI region. Through these relationships, he was instrumental in securing funds for our research programs from the National Institutes of Health and other agencies. This success continues to this day in that the UW School of Medicine is second only to Harvard in federal research grants."

Jack leaves his wife, Claire; sons, Michael (Donna) and Patrick (Nancy); grandchildren, Justin (Jasmine), Kevin, Megan and Christopher; great-grandson, Jack; sister, Joan Burkland; niece, Bonnie (Rob) Berg; nephews, Charles (Caroline) Burkland and Bill (Shawn) Burkland and their families.

### Ruth Lewis

Ruth Lewis, 90, passed away on April 16, 2019, in Lacey. She was born on January 24, 1929, in Calgary, Alberta, the oldest of three daughters of immigrants Helmer Stubbs and Eileen Garlick Stubbs. Her parents had met and married in the Yukon.

Before Ruth was of school age, the family moved to Montana. It was a hard and transient life during those Great Depression years for the Stubbs family and Ruth had attended 19 different schools by the time she was in sixth grade. She started working at age 13. During World War II the family moved to Seattle where Ruth was runner-up in the Miss Washington pageant and also a Seattle Fair Queen. Ruth became a US citizen in 1996.

Her first marriage lasted 20 years and produced four children.

In 1972 she married Louis Loiacono, known as Johnny Lewis in the music world. Johnny was a popular professional musician in the Olympia area and together the couple built and owned Music 6000 Inc., a retail music store in Lacey and one of the largest of its kind in the state.

Ruth was a huge animal lover and had her first horse as a teenager. While her daughters Tracy and Dana were growing up, Ruth was

very active with them in their 4-H horse activities.

The Lewises owned their first racehorse in partnership with their CPA, and were hooked on the sport. Many of their runners were given musical names. The couple loved racing and among their many winners were 2002 Emerald Downs horse of the meet Flying Notes and stakes winner Swingin' Notes.

During Flying Notes' best year, Ruth suffered a second bout of cancer after being cancer-free for over 30 years. Although the Lewises received substantial offers for their talented gelding, his victories helped to keep Ruth spirits high and defeat the illness.

Her horses, especially her boy "Notes," were the light of her life and she tried very hard to make sure that when they were retired from racing they found "forever" homes. She was an avid supporter of Katie Merwick's Second Chance Ranch – where Flying Notes was well taken care of until his death in May 2018 at age 19 – and the ASPCA.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnny; and sister, Rita McQueen. Ruth is survived by her children, Steve, Tracy, Jeff and Dana; sister, Anita "Pickles" Gibson; and grandchildren, David, Sarah, Erik, Shannon and Casey.

### Lyle H. Malick

Lyle Malick, 86, passed away in March 2019. He was born in November 1932. He was brother to Frances Leighlightner and Mike Malick. Lyle grew up in Tukwila and graduated from Foster High School.

Professionally, Lyle was in the publishing business.

Lyle and his wife Suzanne (Sue), who he was married to for 62 years, raced several successful racehorses at Emerald Downs, including 2001 Tacoma Handicap winner Jade Green and stakes-placed Confidential

Call, Diamond View, Jablunkov Pass and Wings of Justice. Their last winner came in 2012 with Luna Trick. The Malicks were also a part of the WAM Stable which raced 1990 Washington champion two-year-old colt Dancin'all the Way.

Both the late Jim Penney and Mike Chambers trained for the Malicks, who raced at Emerald Downs, Longacres, Playfair, Golden Gate Fields, Hollywood Park, Santa Anita, Turf Paradise and Hastings Racecourse.

In addition to his passion for horses, Lyle was also an avid golfer and was a past president of the Fairwood Golf and Country Club.

Lyle and Sue had three children, Teresa, Kelly and Sandra, six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

### Ann M. Price

Ann Price, 72, died on June 18, 2019, following a long, admirable career as a local non-profit agency executive, community activist and mentor.

Ann Virginia Martin was born February 2, 1947, in Las Vegas, the daughter of George Almon Martin and Frances Louise Schernitzki. Ann grew up in Eugene, Oregon. After her parents divorced, she spent summers in Las Vegas with her father. She graduated from South Eugene High School. In her freshman year at University of Oregon, she married Jim Price on May 6, 1967. He had worked with her brother at the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* before taking up a new career at horse racing tracks in Arizona.

In 1968, Ann became the first trackwoman for *Daily Racing Form*, succeeding her husband, who had also been publicist and track announcer, at Prescott Downs, when he left for publicity work at Arlington Park.

In 1970 Ann graduated Summa Cum

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Laude from Arizona State University, earning a bachelor's degree in theater and television production. When Jim's work made them full-time Pacific Northwest residents, she spent three spring seasons as an Oregon Shakespeare Festival costume seamstress. In the late summer and fall, she would join Jim at Playfair Race Course, working as a publicity and press box assistant.

During the late 1970s, Ann and Jim, along with Jon White and several radio and television newspaper people, formed Media Madness, a one-horse stable (Political Pull) trained by A. J. (Dutch) Branenburg.

In the late 1980s, Ann turned to non-profit work, launching three decades as a fundraiser and communications officer. She served as executive director of Mid-City Concerns, managing Meals on Wheels, and, in 1992, was director of donor and community relations for the Spokane Food Bank (Second Harvest Inland Northwest). Two years later, she and friends created "Taking a Bite Out of Hunger." After two years in a similar position for The Senior Homes Foundation, she joined the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture as its capital campaign coordinator. After becoming associate director of development, she returned to Second Harvest. She also served as development officer for Community Frameworks and Immaculate Heart Retreat Center until she retired in 2016. She also served on Leadership Spokane board of directors and as president of the Inland Northwest Planned Giving Council.

A former First Presbyterian Church elder and endowment committee chair, Ann continued as a member of the church's Jubilee sale leadership team. In addition, she chaired the Westminster Chamber Orchestra advisory council and the Spokane Council of Ecumenical Ministries. In retirement, she co-chaired the Holy Names Music Academy board.

Ann loved the arts, travel, jazz, stylish clothing, gardening and the color orange. The Prices became involved with Spokane Preservation Advocates and, in 2018, Ann became the president.

She was predeceased by her parents and older brother, Tom. Ann is survived by her husband, Jim; son, Jon (Katie); grandsons, Jordan and Jackson; and her younger half-sister, Robye Weaver.

### **Robert Franklin Pulse**

Leading Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse breeder Bob Pulse, of Tampico, passed away on May 7, 2019, the day before his 93rd birthday. He was born on May 8, 1926, in Ekalaka, Montana, where he was raised with his seven siblings. He served in the Navy during World War II.

Bob and Phyllis were married on August 17, 1961. In 1971 Bob moved his family to Yakima and established Pulse Ranches, off Ahtanum Road, which offered a full service breeding and training facility.

The Pulses later purchased a winter home

in Phoenix and raced with success at Turf Paradise. In retirement they moved their farm to Tampico, which is located just west of Yakima off Ahtanum Creek.

In addition to standing successful stallions Meritable, Snowbound and Preachinathebar. Bob helped in the selection of Drum Fire and Canadian Gil when the late Jerre Paxton was first establishing Northwest Farms.

The Pulses ranked among the top 50 breeders of Washington-bred Thoroughbreds on 27 occasions from 1990 to 2018 (29 years) and were among the top ten seven times.

In 1978, Bob not only bred, but raced and trained his first Thoroughbred stakes winner, Big Apple Stakes winner Ahtanum. In 1981 he was the leading trainer at Yakima Meadows' spring meet with 13 winners. From 1976 through 1998, Equibase records show he had 1,307 starts as a Thoroughbred trainer with a 208-179-142 record and \$445,044 in earnings.

Other Washington-bred Thoroughbred stakes winners bred by the Pulses include: Boca Fast, Dublin Merit, Dusky Jewel, Fast Snowbound, Gunner's Mate Merit, Halo Passer, Hat Rock, Madinga, Mountain Merit, Rock On Merit, Sarajevo Merit, Slightly Sinister, Snowbound Bob, Snowbound Halo, Snowbound n Delmar, Snowbound Star, Snowbound Tiger, Snowbound Writer and Stolen Rio.

The couple was even more influential in the world of Quarter Horse racing. Bob was the leading Quarter Horse trainer at the spring 1977 Yakima Meadows meet and also trained at Sun Downs and Playfair. Chicks Starlite (\$50,777) was his top earner.

The Pulses bred 270 Quarter Horse foals that made more than \$2-million racing, including 18 stakes winners. Among them was three-time futurity winner Miniblast, a daughter of Drum Fire who would produce multiple graded winner Finely Tuned, by Meritable. They also bred two-time Quarter Horse champion and Grade 1 winner Snowbound Superstar, Grade 2 winner Stars Snowbound and Grade 3 winner Snowbound Sapphire, all offspring of their gray Thoroughbred stallion Snowbound, who would sire the Quarter Horse earners of over \$3-million before he was sold in 2006.

Many of the Pulses' good running Quarter Horses trace to a mare Bob purchased in 1954 named Starbright. In addition to Finely Tuned and Snowbound Superstar, stakes winner Star's Apollo and Super Race Horses AR Star and Mr Deep Pockets descend from Starbright's daughter Star Twist, Bob's first homebred Quarter Horse.

Bob also bred AQHA champion Destiny Win; and Shawne Sarah, the dam of reserve world champion Heza Shawnee Bayou; and horses that earned 690 points in AQHA competition.

Other Pulse Thoroughbred stallions were: Experteaser, Stolen Gold, Ginny's Sunshine, Zayzoom. Peak a Bootrando, Boca Rio,

Sonny's Solo Halo, Happy Darling, Jenny's David, Leather Lyon, Son of a Buck, Certain Times and Gypsy Wonder.

Known as a great storyteller, Bob highly cherished the time spent with his family, which included attending many of his grandchildren's baseball and soccer games, and of course, birthdays.

He leaves his wife, Phyllis; daughter, Tanna Elder; sons, Todd, Lon and Bob; and grandchildren, Ashleigh Pulse, Jakob Pulse, Branson Barnecut, Taylor Barnecut, Lisa Bailey and Cody Pulse.

### **Ben Russell**

Former jockey Ben Russell, 44, passed away on June 14, 2019. He was born on October 3, 1974, in Gridley, California. His father was a veterinarian. While attending Chico State, Ben would gallop horses at John Clement's ranch near Sacramento.

Ben began his riding career in 1998 on the California fair circuit where he won his first race aboard Half J. J. in a mixed maiden race at Stockton on June 17, 1998. He later visited tracks in New Jersey and Philadelphia before returning to ride at Bay Meadows and Golden Gate Fields. He was the leading rider at Hastings Racecourse in 1999 with 130 wins, the same year he received Canada's Sovereign Award as outstanding apprentice rider. He also finished second in the 2000 Hastings jockey standings with a record of 114-97-78 from 533 starts.

He twice rode 100 or more winners in one season at Emerald Downs, taking the 2001 riding title with 140 wins. He also ranked third in 2002 (76 wins), sixth in 2003 (63 wins), second in 2004 (100 wins), sixth in 2005 (67 wins) and sixth in 2006 (55 wins). Ben won 18 stakes among his 501 wins at Emerald (including four editions of the Barbara Shinpoch Stakes). His stakes-winning mounts at Emerald were: A Classic Life, Ashbecca, Bianconi Baby, Brave Miss, Dinner At Arlene's, Flying Notes, Handy N Bold, Irene's Bonus Baby, Jumron Won, Melcapwalker, Poker Brad, Que Facil Corazon, R. Associates and Sala de Oro.

On September 30, 2006, Russell won the first two races on the Emerald card, but was unseated at the gate when his mount Honour the West stumbled in the Gottstein Futurity. It would be the rider's final race.

In his nine years in the saddle (1998-2006), Ben had a 863-743-690 record from his 4,653 mounts who earned \$9,891,650.

Ben is survived by his wife, Rebecca; and daughter, Sage.

### **Lance "Shorty" Eugene Short**

Lance "Shorty" Short, 80, passed away in Tacoma on September 30, 2018. He was born on April 11, 1938. He served in the Armed Forces for two years in the 101st Airborne Screaming Eagles.

Lance was a farrier and blacksmith for 50 years and was well respected in the Thoroughbred community. He had a love for



animals and he made many friends along the way. He would help anyone with welding and mechanical obstacles with his knowledge and expertise.

Lance and his wife Mary deeply loved their children and grandchildren and enjoyed going to any and all events and practices.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife of 49 years, Mary Short. Lance is survived by his children, Wendy Van Kooten, Lance Robert Short and Sara Posey; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Carole (Frank) VandenBos; and brother, John (Donna) Short and their families.

### Gordon Eugene Twilegar

Gordon E. Twilegar, 78, of Boise, Idaho, a semi-retired Thoroughbred horse trainer and retired US postal worker, died on October 15, 2018. Gordon was born May 16, 1940, in Emmett, Idaho, the eldest son of Roy and Dorothy (Brown) Twilegar (Middleton).

Gordon joined the Navy in 1957 where he served until 1961. As he was a naval code operator and often attached to the rear admiral's staff on an aircraft carrier, Gordon was able to travel to Guam, the Philippines and Japan.

Gordon went to work for the United States Postal Service (USPS) in 1966 and served as a chief shop steward for the American Postal Workers Union.

Later in life, and in partnership with his brother-in-law and close friend Gary Little, he discovered his passion for Thoroughbred horse racing. After 33 years at USPS, he retired to focus on family and horse racing.

Gordon's most successful trainee was 2008 Idaho Cup Distaff Maturity winner Opal's Song.

In 2018, Gordon and his son Steven raced Vicente's Shadow, who after winning a maiden special weight race at Emerald Downs, finished second by a nose in the Auburn Stakes.

He was preceded in death by his third wife, Patti Twilegar; second wife, Charlotte (Stone) Twilegar; and first wife, Hazel Twilegar; his parents; and sisters, Carol Twilegar and Dollcena Mae Little. Gordon is survived by five sons, Mark, Gordon, Steven, Eric and Aaron; four daughters, Shauna Heiden, Angela Barkell, Kristy Hilchen and Elizabeth Gawle; numerous grandchildren; brother, Ron Twilegar; sister, Kristina Weiss; and brother, Les Middleton.

## EQUINE IN MEMORIAM

### Abraaj

Highly successful Washington stallion and top New York sprinter Abraaj passed away unexpectedly on May 7, 2019. The 16-year-old stallion was among the leading sires in the state, with three Washington champions, including two in 2018 – sprinter Invested Prospect (who had reigned as state champion

three-year-old in 2016) and two-year-old filly Money Inthe Stalls. 2016 Washington champion sprinter Kaabraaj is Abraaj's leading earner to date with \$197,527.

He also sired British Columbia champion filly Quatre Cat among his eight stakes winners (14 percent) from just 58 foals. He sired five additional stakes-placed runners to give him a one in three stakes horse average from 39 starters. Through the end of 2018 his starters had averaged nearly \$41,000.

Abraaj was one of 100 stakes winners sired by multiple graded stakes winner Carson City, a son of major sire influence Mr. Prospector. His winning dam, Kris's Intention, produced two other stakes winners among her six other winners, including Abraaj's full brother, Grade 3 victor Leelanau. A daughter of leading broodmare sire Kris S., Kris's Intention was a half-sister to Grade 2 winner How About Now.

Unraced at two, Abraaj was runner-up in three of his four starts as a sophomore, all in East Coast maiden special weight races.

At four Abraaj won his first two starts: an Aqueduct maiden special weight, by nine lengths, and an allowance at the same track, both at six furlongs.

His third win came at Belmont Park where he took an allowance/\$50,000 optional claiming (N) race. At five, he won two of his three starts, including a 2 1/2-length tally in the Alfred G. Vanderbilt Handicap (G2) and was a close third in the True North Handicap (G2).

He retired with earnings of \$338,950 and a 5-4-2 record.

Abraaj, who had been a \$450,000 Keeneland September yearling, raced throughout his 13-race career for Shadwell Stable and was trained by Kiaran McLaughlin.

Late British Columbian horseman Rob McDonald purchased Abraaj as a stallion prospect for \$75,000 out of the 2009 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale.

After starting his stud career at Canmor Farms in British Columbia in 2010, he was moved to Nina and Ron Hagen's El Dorado Farms for the 2011 breeding season.

Fourteen of his yearlings have been nominated to the 2019 WTBOA Summer Yearling Sale.

### Makors Mark

2000 Washington champion three-year-old colt Makors Mark, 22, passed away on January 29, 2019, due to complications from laminitis in both front feet at Old Friends in Kentucky.

He was one of 45 (eight percent) stakes winners and three Washington champions sired by 1993-99 Washington leading sire Son of Briartic.

Makors Mark was bred by Nina L. Egbert, who later bred and raced his half-sister, 2010 champion older mare Clair Annette (\$179,287). They were two of seven winners produced out of the Exclusive Bidder mare Windsong Maria. A three-time stakes winner of \$135,564 while running for Egbert and Art Gamblin, Windsong Maria set a new course record in the 1991 Candle In the Wind Stakes.

Makors Mark, whose name is a play-on the famous Kentucky bourbon Maker's Mark, raced throughout his 29-race career by Makors Mark LLC, a partnership of L. L. "Packy" and Julia McMurry, Jennifer and James Freeling and James and Jane Sassalos. He was trained by David and Grant Forster.

An Emerald Downs maiden special weight winner at two, Makors Mark blossomed at three, winning four consecutive

### El Dorado Farms Remembers Abraaj

Abraaj is a huge loss for our industry and the State of Washington. It is also a huge emotional loss for El Dorado Farms, losing our family member. This is so hard to accept. You nurture these guys, protect them and always try to stay one step ahead to insure their health, happiness and safety, just as any parent would. Abraaj had his own "belly laugh" antics and behavior that we brought out in him. These are the special private heart-felt moments that only we would know about and experience. He is and will be missed, but always remembered.

Private Gold and Coast Guard took it really hard because they lost their friend too. Private Gold was side-by-side with him for almost 12 years. Consoling Private Gold taught me more lessons in life that I didn't realize. These guys tell us their feelings and what they are going through, if we know how to listen, feel and read them. They, too, are in mourning and are telling me to "fix it, Mom" and I can't. I can only try to console them.

Through this experience it makes us more aware of their loss as well as ours. We are a family and a team living, working and loving together.

Abraaj, "Thanks for the memories." You will not be forgotten.

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races at the Auburn oval, which included a victory in the Seattle Slew Handicap. Makors Mark also won the Washington Owners Breeders' Cup Handicap and the \$175,000 British Columbia Derby (G2) at Hastings Racecourse in his closing salvo of the year.

At four, Makors Mark won a trio of Emerald Downs stakes, including the \$100,000 Mt. Rainier Breeders' Cup Handicap and the Budweiser Emerald Handicap and finished third in the \$250,000

Longacres Mile (G3). He was named 2001 Emerald Downs horse of the meet.

In April 2003 Makors Mark finished third in the \$100,000 Fifth Season Stakes (G3) at Oaklawn Park. He retired with a 11-0-3 record, \$430,753 (14th highest among WTBOA Sale runners) in earnings.

He entered stud the following season for a \$1,500 fee at Leckbee Thoroughbred Farm in Onalaska. In five crops he sired 49 foals and had 28 winners from his 35 starters,

led by 2012 Washington horse of the year and champion three-year-old Makors Finale (\$181,141), his four-time stakes-placed full sister Love Makor (\$121,050) and Canterbury Park stakes-placed Makinnymark (\$164,090). His runners earned \$888,063. His last crop was foaled in 2009.

Makors Mark arrived at the Kentucky equine retirement home on May 5, 2009, and spent his well-cared final years at Old Friends. ■

## Northwest Race Series Nominated Stallions

Stallion nominators' awards are paid for each race in the Northwest Race Series each year. These awards equal five percent of the total gross purse of each Northwest Race Series race and are paid to the nominators of the sires of the first, second and third place horses as follows: 50% for first, 30% for second and 20% for third.

The NWRS Stallion Stakes will not be run in 2019. In lieu of that, \$40,000 in additional bonus money, known as the **NWRS Nominated Sire Awards**, will be allocated as follows: \$10,000 in owners' bonuses will be distributed for each of four NWRS two-year-old stakes races – Angie C. Stakes, King County Express, WTBOA Lads Stakes and Barbara Shinpoch Stakes – with \$5,000 going to the owner of the first place finisher, \$3,500 to second and \$1,500 to third. These bonuses will be paid in addition to the normally allocated NWRS nominator's awards. *Remember: Offspring of nominated stallions MUST ALSO be nominated to the Northwest Race Series to be eligible to receive NWRS Nominated Sire Awards.*

### Stallions Covering Mares in 2016 for 2019 NWRS (Foals of 2017)

Stallion	Stands/Stood	Location
•Abraaj	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Atta Boy Roy	Blue Ribbon Farm	Buckley
Car Talk (Ire)	Empire Equestrian	Androssan, AB
Coast Guard	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Demon Warlock	Roche Farm	Yakima
Dontmesswithkitten	Lucky Acres	Yakima
Giacomo	Oakhurst Thoroughbreds	Newberg, OR
Grindstone	Oakhurst Thoroughbreds	Newberg, OR
Harbor the Gold	Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	Hermiston, OR
Linchpin	Gibson TB Farm	Thorp
Nationhood	Blue Ribbon Farm	Buckley
Northern Causeway	Rancho San Miguel	San Miguel, CA
Private Gold	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Raise the Bluff	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Rallying Cry	Allaire Farms	Poulsbo
Running Tap	Preston Boyd Farm	Omak
Sixthirteen	Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	Hermiston, OR
Trickey Trevor	Allaire Farms	Poulsbo
Understatement	Wilson Show Horses	Ridgefield
War Power	Gibson TB Farm	Thorp

### Stallions Covering Mares in 2018 for 2021 NWRS (Foals of 2019)

Stallion	Stands/Stood	Location
•Abraaj	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Atta Boy Roy	Blue Ribbon Farm	Buckley
Coast Guard	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
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Stallion	Stands/Stood	Location
•Abraaj	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
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Car Talk (Ire)	Empire Equestrian	Androssan, AB
Coast Guard	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Demon Warlock	Roche Farm	Yakima
Giacomo	Oakhurst Thoroughbreds	Newberg, OR
Harbor the Gold	Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	Hermiston, OR
Linchpin	Gibson TB Farm	Thorp
Nationhood	Blue Ribbon Farm	Buckley
•Noosito	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Northern Causeway	Rancho San Miguel	San Miguel, CA
Private Gold	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Raise the Bluff	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Rallying Cry	Allaire Farms	Poulsbo
Running Tap	Preston Boyd Farm	Omak
Sixthirteen	Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	Hermiston, OR
Trickey Trevor	Allaire Farms	Poulsbo
Understatement	Wilson Show Horses	Ridgefield

### Stallions Covering Mares in 2019 for 2022 NWRS (Foals of 2020)

Stallion	Stands/Stood	Location
•Abraaj	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Atta Boy Roy	Blue Ribbon Farm	Buckley
Coast Guard	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Dynamic Impact	Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	Hermiston, OR
Gold Rush Dancer	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Harbor the Gold	Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	Hermiston, OR
Nationhood	Blue Ribbon Farm	Buckley
Northern Causeway	Rancho San Miguel	San Miguel, CA
Pontiff	Roche Farm	Yakima
Private Gold	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Raise the Bluff	El Dorado Farms LLC	Enumclaw
Raised a Secret	Oakhurst Thoroughbreds	Newberg, OR
Rallying Cry	Allaire Farms	Poulsbo
Sixthirteen	Bar C Racing Stables Inc.	Hermiston, OR
Smiling Tiger	Harris Farms	Coalinga, CA

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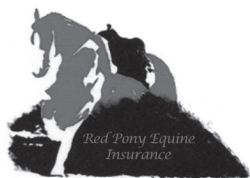
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