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—PHBA'S FOCUS ON—

ICE BALLERINA: PROVING THE VERSATILITY OF THE PA-BRED

By Brooke Ketron

It is difficult to ignore the promise of a young foal and it is this potential that keeps alive a breeder's hope of producing a champion. While some foals grow up to find success on the racetrack, others discover their talents lay somewhere other than at the starting gate.

For Ice Ballerina, a 2004 Pennsylvania-bred mare by Mr. Explosive, life began much the same way as other Thoroughbreds. From quiet beginnings, her breeder Judy Barrett always thought highly of her. "She was a nice filly, had excellent conformation and a nice way of going," Barrett said. Ice Ballerina sold as a yearling in pursuit of a racing career.

Unfortunately, she was unable to live up to the expectations. After three unsuccessful seasons at the track, her connections began looking for a new home. She was briefly listed on CANTER Pennsylvania's website, where she garnered some attention.

The path twisted to Ohio's Thistledown racetrack in 2010, where Lindsey Brizen-



Ice Ballerina now dances over fences in the show ring.

dine saw Ice Ballerina for the first time. The student from Shaker Heights, Ohio, was scouring the track for a new jumper prospect as her current mount neared retirement.

"I looked at 15 horses that day," said Brizendine, who began riding at 13. "Ice Ballerina was set to race and was being walked around the barn, when the woman walking her saw we were looking at horses, she yelled out, 'This one's for sale too!'"

Brizendine admits to overlooking the mare initially, but did take photos and video to compare Ice Ballerina with the other horses

she saw. After narrowing down her options, Brizendine returned several weeks later to find that several of the horses she had seen were already sold.

"When we got to Ice's barn I was really there to look at a gelding the trainer had, but found out he too, had been sold already," she said. "I watched her jog and I really started watching her. She was tight behind and I like that in a jumper. Then after seeing a few others, I just kept thinking of her."

In a twist that Brizendine could not have predicted, she made an offer on Ice Ballerina. The trainer agreed under



Retired racehorse Ice Ballerina has found a home in Ohio as a show horse with college student Lindsey Brizendine.

the conditions that Ice Ballerina compete in her race that afternoon. She finished seventh at 63-1, completing her racing career with a record of 32 losses—in 32 tries. She finished second twice and earned \$12,237.

Once the morning came, Ice Ballerina walked soundly onto the trailer to begin her new career as a jumper.

People often believe a newly retired Thoroughbred will be difficult to handle and have high energy levels that require a period of down time. Ice Ballerina and Brizendine went right to work—including a ride on the first day together.

“I was fully prepared to give Ice time to come down from the track,” said Brizendine, “but she was so quiet that I rode her the first day, and I’ve been riding her ever since.”

Retraining Ice Ballerina for the show ring is a day-by-day process that

Brizendine emulates off her experiences with her first horse.

“Nothing I’ve done with her has been because she’s a Thoroughbred,” Brizendine said. “My friends and I have jumping or flat rides and then we sit down for lunch and discuss what worked, what didn’t. Then we brainstorm our next move.”

All signs indicate that the pair is coming along better than expected. Last year, Ice Ballerina took the anchor position, after Brizendine’s other mount was injured, at Lake Erie College’s Prix de Villes Jumper Show, where four riders are counted as a team. The two went double clear for their team and even qualified for the individual jump-off.

“This (past) year was particularly special to our team as the team leader had passed away at 94 years old. We really wanted it to be special in honor of him,” Brizendine said. “Ice jumped

around like such a veteran, I could not have been more proud of her.”

In addition, Brizendine and Ice Ballerina successfully competed in their first “AA” rated jumper show in July, where they took home championship honors in the 3-foot division. They were also champions in their first outing at an “A” rated show in the 3’6” division. Ice Ballerina also took home the Reserve Champion award for the Low Adult Jumpers (3-foot) in the Ohio Professional Horsemen’s Association for 2012.

In fact, Brizendine and Ice Ballerina have bonded so well that Brizendine said their only major challenge is that they’re “. . . both very opinionated women!”

Brizendine aims toward a full campaign with Ice Ballerina in the 3’6” Adult Jumper divisions this year. Dependent upon their success, she plans to move forward to higher, more competitive classes.

“She has the scope and talent, we’ve jumped her easily over 4’3”,” said Brizendine.

While Ice Ballerina’s life began in similar fashion to champion racehorses, she shows that it’s not always meant to be. Now, it’s difficult to believe Brizendine nearly passed over Ice Ballerina. It proves that sometimes the most unlikely Thoroughbred can not only meet your standards, but exceed them.

“I don’t take all the credit for her because she is smart, and willing, and very capable,” Brizendine said. “I’m just the lucky girl who went to the track and took a chance on the longest long shot.”

How the PA-Bred Fund Works

Pennsylvania’s Breeding Fund Program distributes more money, on a per foal basis,

than nearly every other state-bred program now in operation. Established in 1974, the

Pennsylvania Breeding Fund has grown from a disbursement of \$65,000 in its initial year of operation to over \$15 million annually.

The Pennsylvania Breeding Fund is financed by a percentage of pari-mutuel handle and slots revenues. It provides for individual award payments (breeder, owner and stallion awards), overnight races for PA-Breds, purse bonus supplements, and PA-Bred stakes races.

OVERVIEW OF AWARDS AND BONUSES FOR REGISTERED PA-BREDS

- \$ Award of 30% of purse earned to Breeder for PA-sired horses (first through third)
- \$ Award of 20% of purse earned to Breeder for non PA-sired horses (first through third)
- \$ Award of 10% of purse earned to Stallion Owner (first through third)
- \$ Award of 10% of purse earned to winning Owner on selected open races
- \$ Bonus of up to 40% of purse earned to Owner on selected races (first through third)
- \$ Bonus of 25% of purse earned to Owner for PA-sired horses in PA-Bred stakes races (first through third)

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PA-BREDS WORTH MORE MONEY JOIN THE PHBA

Whether you are currently a breeder or an owner, or if you are just considering getting involved in this exciting industry, there are many reasons to join the PHBA. The PHBA is devoted to those involved in Pennsylvania's Thoroughbred breeding industry. A not-for-profit organization founded in 1948, we provide a number of services to members, including informational assistance, educational opportunities and a variety of social events.

The goal of the organization is to advocate on behalf of the state's breeding industry. We are mandated by statute as administrator of the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund program, and as official registrar of the Pennsylvania-Bred roster of eligible program participants.

Working with industry leaders over the years, PHBA has achieved several goals that have brought reform and benefits to breeders, owners, race tracks and the public. The PHBA is vital to everyone involved in breeding throughout Pennsylvania. Your support and participation can help Pennsylvania's breeding industry continue to grow and prosper.

2012 PENNSYLVANIA-BRED STAKES SCHEDULE

Sat., Apr. 14, Parx	\$75,000 Lyman H , 3 & up, 7 fur. 1st - Golddigger's Boy; 2nd - Sloane Ranger; 3rd - Rod's Five Star
	\$75,000 Foxy J. G. S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 7 fur. 1st - Darn That Raven; 2nd - Officer Big Red; 3rd - Whisperdownthelane
Fri., June 1, Pen	\$75,000 Danzig S , 3YO, 6 fur. 1st - Jake N Elwood; 2nd - Pollard's Boy; 3rd - Phil Dancer
	\$75,000 Wonders Delight S , 3YO Fillies, 6 fur. 1st - Miss d'Oro; 2nd - Dorothy's Aurora; 3rd - Ravenesque
Fri., June 15, Pen	\$75,000 Lyphard S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st - Lenape Rim; 2nd - Little Often Anni; 3rd - Sky Willow
Fri., July 6, PID	\$75,000 Leematt S , 3 & up, 1 mi. 1st - Motion to Appeal; 2nd - Ryan's Gift; 3rd - Gondwanan
	\$75,000 Northern Fling S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 mi. 1st - Sky Willow; 2nd - Weeper; 3rd - Lenape Rim
Sat., July 28, Parx	\$75,000 Crowd Pleaser S , 3YO, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi. (off turf) 1st - Traffic Light; 2nd - Yourhonorandglory; 3rd - Pollard's Boy
	\$75,000 Power by Far S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 6 fur. 1st - Great Lookinblonde; 2nd - Officer Big Red; 3rd - Pink Candy
Fri., Aug. 3, Pen	\$75,000 Robellino S , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st - Roadhog; 2nd - Philly Ace; 3rd - Gondwanan
	\$75,000 Russian Rhythm S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 5 fur., turf 1st - You Need Me; 2nd - Madrilena; 3rd - Amnesian
Fri., Aug. 10, PID	\$75,000 Malvern Rose S , 3YO Fillies, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi. 1st - Lotta Lovin; 2nd - Appealing Cat; 3rd - Vanishing
Fri., Sept. 7, PID	\$75,000 Mark McDermott S , 2YO, 6 fur. 1st - Pitch N Roll; 2nd - Uptown Boy; 3rd - Jump for Kitten

PENNSYLVANIA'S DAY AT THE RACES • Saturday, Sept. 8 • Parx

	\$75,000 Banjo Picker Sprint S , 3 & up, 6 fur. 1st - Sloane Ranger; 2nd - Rod's Five Star; 3rd - Phil Dancer
	\$75,000 Roanoke S , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi. 1st - Tujoes; 2nd - Layers; 3rd - Pollard's Boy
	\$75,000 Marshall Jenney H , 3 & up, 5 fur. (off turf) 1st - Closing Vision; 2nd - Ricky's Lite; 3rd - Philly Bound
	\$75,000 Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial S , 3YO Fillies, 6 fur. 1st - Spring Dance; 2nd - Villette; 3rd - Rockinonthewater
	\$100,000 Mrs. Penny S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi. (off turf) 1st - Sweet as You Are; 2nd - Lenape Rim; 3rd - Coco's Sweetie
Sat., Sept. 22, Parx	\$75,000 Alphabet Soup H , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st - Philly Ace; 2nd - Roadhog; 3rd - Sir Cadian
Fri., Oct. 5, Pen	\$75,000 Ligature S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 6 fur. 1st - Jonathan's Girl; 2nd - Puddy de Luca; 3rd - Interrogate
Sat., Oct. 6, Parx	\$75,000 PA Horse Breeders Distaff S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi. <i>race cancelled</i>
Wed., Nov. 21, Pen	\$75,000 Blue Mountain Juvenile S , 2YO Fillies, 6 fur. 1st - Foxy Sara; 2nd - Kelwynne; 3rd - Humble Street
Sat., Dec. 8, Parx	\$75,000 Pennsylvania Nursery S , 2YO, 7 fur. 1st - Officer Alex; 2nd - Res Judicata; 3rd - Siete de Oros

All stakes included a 25% PA-Sired Bonus for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

—PENNSYLVANIA-BRED FUND STATISTICS—TOP EARNERS—

(January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, rounded to dollars)

LEADING EARNERS - TOTAL AWARDS

Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Owner	Total	Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Owner	Total
George Strawbridge Jr.	\$270,323	\$ 51,192	\$ 5,560	\$327,075	Ellendale Racing LLC	\$77,051	0	0	\$77,051
Michael W. Jester	188,258	107,818	0	296,076	Charlton Bloodstock Agency Inc.	72,575	0	0	72,575
William J. Solomon VMD	46,284	188,252	0	234,536	William J. Shively	70,955	0	0	70,955
Xanthus Farms Inc.	219,582	5,924	0	225,506	Chain Bridge Stable LLC	70,056	0	0	70,056
Pewter Stable	119,734	51,456	0	171,190	Peter Giangiulio	33,914	35,126	0	69,040
Sylmar Farm Inc.	142,361	0	0	142,361	Ghost Ridge Farms Ltd.	64,545	3,718	0	68,263
Thomas G. McClay	97,062	0	11,000	108,062	Dun Roamin Farm Inc.	66,870	0	0	66,870
Glenn E. Brok LLC	102,100	0	0	102,100	Ascoli Piceno Stables LLC	66,030	0	0	66,030
Charles A. Cuprill	73,919	22,569	0	96,488	Brushwood Stable	62,900	0	0	62,900
Estate of Jane G. Baker	94,495	0	0	94,495	Welcome Here Farm LLC	61,675	0	0	61,675
Denise K. McHenry	94,092	0	0	94,092	James M. Courtney	54,770	0	5,560	60,330
Judith M. Barrett	75,643	11,699	0	87,343	E & D Enterprises	57,750	0	0	57,750
Smart Angle LLP	86,767	0	0	86,767	Richard N. Miller	32,810	23,965	0	56,776
The Elkstone Group LLC	86,522	0	0	86,522	J & B Stables	55,868	0	0	55,868
Thoroughbred Associates LLP	77,195	0	0	77,195	Maple Leaf Farm	54,560	0	0	54,560

LEADING STALLIONS

Fund Money includes Stallion Awards only

Stallion Name	Stallion Owner	No. of races	Award total	Stallion Name	Stallion Owner	No. of races	Award total
Real Quiet	Michael W. Jester	249	\$99,624	Buckle Down Ben	Barbara A. Rickline	84	\$19,206
Lite the Fuse	William J. Solomon VMD	218	79,796	Albert The Great	William J. Solomon VMD	61	19,186
Congressionalhonor	Pewter Stable	190	51,456	More Smoke	William J. Solomon VMD	50	18,535
Rimrod	George Strawbridge Jr.	108	51,192	Partner's Hero	Peter Giangiulio	96	18,405
Ecclesiastic	Walmac Stud Management LCC	99	42,633	Snow Ridge	Joe Davis	63	18,213
Changeintheweather	Pin Oak Stud LLC	128	38,677	Banker's Gold	Thomas N. Reigle	60	17,804
Southern Success	Barbara A. Rickline	51	32,256	Storm Center	Richard N. Miller	52	17,650
Power by Far	Barbara J. Geraghty	90	27,643	Harry The Hat	Peter Giangiulio	82	16,721
Cetewayo	John A. Chandler	120	27,141	Senor Swinger	A Syndicate Hartley/De Renzo Stud LLC	76	16,016
Delaware Township	Benjamin W. Perkins Sr.	77	24,132	Aisle	Flint W. Stites	72	15,436
Siphon (Brz)	William J. Solomon VMD	92	23,113	Tekken (Ire)	Shirley A. Lojeski	78	13,301
Patton	Castle Rock Farm	69	23,002	Rubiyat	Fox Tale	39	13,268

LEADING HORSES

Fund Money includes: PA-Bred Races, Breeder, Stallion and Owner Awards and PA-Bred Owner-Bonus Payments

Horse	Pedigree	Breeder	Races	PA-Bred Restricted Purse	PA-Bred Stakes Purse	Total Breeder Award	Total Stallion Award	Total Owner Award	Total Owner Bonus	Total Fund Amount
Nibiru's Return *	Power by Far - Jane's Speed	Estate of Jane G. Baker	14	0	0	\$57,539	\$19,180	0	\$44,536	\$121,254
Catalactic	Freefourinternet - Cat Dancin	Denise G. Lingenfelter	6	\$50,400	0	34,440	0	0	34,800	119,640
Traffic Light	Peace Rules - Lears And Limos	William J. Shively	8	0	\$45,000	47,568	0	0	27,040	119,608
Great Lookinblonde	Albert the Great - Crouching Thunder	Dun Roamin Farm Inc.	8	0	45,000	35,751	0	0	38,216	118,967
Lenape Rim *	Rimrod - Mai Debeau	Margaret H. Brigham	7	0	80,000	27,469	9,156	0	0	116,625
Arlo	Defrere - Crafty Compliment	Larry L. Suloman	10	24,000	0	44,968	0	4,400	39,440	112,808
Sweet as You Are	Mecke - Nash's Prospect	Northcote Enterprises Inc.	12	0	60,000	28,526	0	0	23,608	112,134
Golden Success *	Southern Success - Rose Gold	Xanthus Farms Inc.	10	0	0	50,376	16,792	0	39,920	107,088
Jake N Elwood	During - Kid Silver	Xanthus Farms Inc.	6	0	45,000	29,664	0	0	29,520	104,184
Officer Big Red	Officer - Shocktics	Michael Desaye	13	0	30,000	34,397	0	0	39,024	103,421
Sloane Ranger	Parker's Storm Cat - Toppenish	Vicky Schowe	4	0	60,000	32,246	0	9,000	0	101,246
Fivefourthreewone	Outflanker - Bella Rouge	Scott A. Lake	14	64,000	2,250	21,955	0	0	10,936	99,141
Jonathan's Girl	Closing Argument - Totally Grand	Terrapin Stables Inc.	4	0	45,000	25,464	0	0	23,520	93,984
Tujoes	Oratory - Mrs. Vanderbilt	Barbara Smith Brown	5	0	45,000	23,904	0	0	21,292	90,196
Philly Ace	Smart Strike - Bloomy	Brushwood Stable	2	0	75,000	15,000	0	0	0	90,000
Closing Vision	Pollard's Vision - Pleasant Pastures	Welcome Here Farm LLC	9	0	45,000	23,351	0	0	19,276	87,627
Spring Dance	Dance With Ravens - Snunner	James M. Courtney	3	0	45,000	21,792	0	0	15,360	82,152
Ruttzy Tutty	Lion Hearted - B. J. Ruckus	Lori D. Swatsworth	9	40,800	0	25,276	0	0	15,280	81,356
You Need Me	Indian Charlie - Sunup	Michael W. Jester	4	0	45,000	21,468	0	0	12,540	79,008
Surprise Storm *	Storm Center - Surpriseloveaffair	Paul E. Labe Sr.	12	0	0	37,944	12,648	0	28,080	78,672
Roadhog	Bowman's Band - Little Wing	Ellendale Racing LLC	2	0	65,000	13,000	0	0	0	78,000
Layers	Menifee - Unreal Cupcake	M. Roy Jackson	11	0	15,000	28,934	0	0	34,032	77,966
Darn That Raven	Dance With Ravens - Darn Wild	Joseph W. Holman Jr.	4	0	45,000	18,374	0	0	13,392	76,766
Pitch N Roll	Scipion - Provobay	The Elkstone Group LLC	5	0	45,000	20,716	0	0	10,780	76,496
Previous Honor *	Congressionalhonor - Previous Selection	Pewter Stable	7	0	0	33,396	11,132	0	29,520	74,048

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