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- **Yearling registration:**
Dec. 31 of yearling year
- **Stallion registration:**
April 30 of year breeding
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Favorite Tale poised to represent PA at Breeders' Cup

By Nikki Sherman

Favorite Tale returned to his favorite track Sept. 26 and did not disappoint, remaining a perfect 5-for-5 at Parx Racing.

The bay gelding won his first three career starts at Parx during the winter of 2014, beginning with an easy maiden breaker in his debut while posting a very quick final time of 1:07.66 for 6 furlongs.

He then returned to the races a month later with a victory over a very talented Pennsylvania-Bred named Alex Inc. The chestnut son of Afleet Alex actually won his very next start by 11½ lengths, earning a 105 Beyer. His next race was scheduled to be the Grade 1 Wood Memorial at Aqueduct with the ultimate goal to sneak into the Kentucky Derby.

"In all honesty [Alex Inc] was the most talented racehorse I've ever been on. It was just by chance that we even x-rayed him," remembers Butch Reid's former assistant Kelsey Parisi. "It turns out he had a slab fracture in his right knee which he must have done during the race. He never even took a bad step."

So while Alex Inc's racing career was abruptly cut short, his prior slayer Favorite Tale moved on to an allowance race at Parx on March 24, 2014. The son of Tale of the Cat promptly demolished all competition by 14 emphatic lengths, earning a 101 Beyer.

It was on to stakes competition for Favorite Tale, and he finished on the board in five of them that year. He gained his first stakes victory in the Gold Fever at Belmont Park in May. When the gelding returned to Parx for the \$300,000 Gallant



Bob Stakes-G3 in September, he came within a few ticks of the track record posting a final time of 1:08.16. In that race, Favorite Tale defeated 3-5 favorite Fast Anna, a son of Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies-G1 heroine Dreaming of Anna who was exiting a second-place finish in the

prestigious King's Bishop Stakes-G1 at Saratoga.

The undefeated season in Bensalem resulted in Favorite Tale being crowned 2014 Parx Racing Horse of the Year. PJG Stable was on-hand to accept the trophy from Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association President Sal DeBunda at an awards ceremony this past March. Paul Conaway Jr., his girlfriend Judi Arena and her teenage daughter Gabrielle make up the ownership group of PJG Stable.

"That was really exciting," Conaway said. "What [the PTHA] and the [Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association] do for us is great, too. We're so proud of our horse."

Last fall, the owners really wanted to give Favorite Tale a shot at the \$1,500,000 Breeders' Cup Sprint-G1 at Santa Anita Park but it wasn't just the expense of traveling cross-country that kept the feisty gelding at home. Favorite Tale was not nominated to the Breeders' Cup as a foal, so PJG Stable would have needed to supplement the gelding at a very high price. Trainer Guadalupe Preciado advised them to wait a year and they would focus on trying to capture one of the special Breeders' Cup "Win and You're In" races in 2015.

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This past July Favorite Tale shipped south to contest one of those races, the \$250,000 Smile Sprint Stakes-G2 at Gulfstream Park. The race was full of talent, including last year's Breeders' Cup Sprint-G1 winner Work All Week, millionaires Alsvig and Wildcat Red, and multiple stakes winners City of Weston, Falling Sky, Grande Shores and Singanothersong. When the gates opened Favorite Tale left them all in his wake and drew off to an impressive 4¼ length victory, stamping his ticket to the 2015 Breeders' Cup Sprint at Keeneland.

Since then his connections have been faced with a puzzle—how to prepare for the biggest race of his career. Preciado considered stakes events in New York or at Keeneland for a short time. But what they really preferred to do was take advantage of Favorite Tale's PA-Bred status.

"We have easier races for him now at Parx because he's a PA-Bred. It's not big money but we can keep him in good shape," Preciado stated after the Smile Sprint. "We don't need to kill him against the big horses before the big race."

Shortly after they returned from Florida the PTHA and Parx Racing announced the creation of the Fall Festival at Parx Racing which would feature doubled purses. It seemed like the perfect steppingstone to the Breeders' Cup for Favorite Tale and finally an ideal race was written for Sept. 26.

The \$70,000 allowance race scratched down to four horses but those remaining were quality athletes. Preciado's brother Ramon entered multiple stakes winner Jake N Elwood, who was exiting two straight victories at Delaware Park including a 7½ length score in the New Castle Stakes. Bessie's Boy boasted a win in the Tremont Stakes at Belmont Park while Yougotthatgoinforu had previously placed in five stakes events. This time Favorite Tale sat just off the pacesetter Jake N Elwood before making his move heading into the turn. He then drew off to win by 2 lengths under light urging from rider Paco Lopez, who was so confident in his mount that he relaxed a few strides from the wire.

"He came out of the race well; everything looks great so far," said Lupe Preciado in early

October. "We will go down there [to Kentucky] in a couple of weeks. We want to get one more work in up here at home and then we'll go right on down to train over the surface. We'll also try to work one time at Keeneland before the race."

Conaway purchased Favorite Tale's dam Tricky Elaine, a half-sister to 1997 Horse of the Year Favorite Trick, privately from Padua Stables. The mare's second foal for Conaway was Favorite Tale. She also produced a 2-year-old Corinthian colt named Apollo's Favorite who has been working very well at Parx. And this year she delivered a full sister to Favorite Tale.

Despite multiple offers for his homebred, Conaway decided to keep him and enjoy the ride of a lifetime with his blazing-fast Pennsylvania-Bred. Whenever the horse they call "Favorite" is entered to run, a hoard of family and friends join the core connections in the paddock to root for their "favorite" horse. And they are ready to travel west so they can cheer on Favorite Tale in the 2015 Breeders' Cup Sprint at beautiful Keeneland Race Course.

A few words from the Executive Secretary

As we move closer to our premier 2-year-old stakes races I would be remiss in not mentioning the upgrade in quality of our

PA-Breds. Money continues to be spent on better mares and stallions in order to stay competitive and we as breeders must continue



this trend. I would like to congratulate all that have already become a part of this upgrade.

The Blue Mountain Juvenile Fillies Stakes will be contested at Penn National on Wednesday, Nov. 25 and the Pennsylvania Nursery Stakes at PARX on Saturday, Dec. 5. It is always exciting to see the new crop of 2-year-olds and how they are progressing.

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2015 PA-Bred Stakes Schedule with Results

ALL BREEDING FUND STAKES WILL INCLUDE A 25% PA-SIRED BONUS FOR 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD.
Proposed 2015 schedule—dates and conditions for all the PA-Bred Stakes are subject to change.
Please contact the Racing Offices for the most current schedules.

Sat., May 2	\$75,000 Lyman H , 3 & up, 7 fur.
Parx	1st-A Fleet Attitude, 2nd-Kobel, 3rd-Yougotthatgoinforu
	\$75,000 Foxy J. G. S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 7 fur.
	1st-Power of Snunner, 2nd-Shoplift, 3rd-Fat Kat
Sat., May 30	\$75,000 Lyphard S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf
Penn	1st-Royal Renege, 2nd-Lenape Rim, 3rd-Bound
Fri., June 12	\$75,000 Danzig S , 3YO, 6 fur.
Penn	1st-Amplified, 2nd-Instructor Kunu, 3rd-Duff
	\$75,000 New Start S , 3YO fillies, 6 fur.
	1st-Capar Girl, 2nd-C R S Angels, 3rd-Rockin Jojo
Sun., July 12,	\$75,000 Leematt S , 3 & up, 1 mi.
PID	1st-Dynamic Strike, 2nd-Roadhog, 3rd-Forward Thinker
	\$75,000 Northern Fling S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 mi.
	1st-Henny Jenney, 2nd-Power of Snunner, 3rd-Bound
Sat., July 25,	\$75,000 Crowd Pleaser S , 3YO, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf
Parx	1st-Saham, 2nd-Cat Humor, 3rd-Street Fashion
	\$75,000 Power by Far S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 5 fur., turf
	1st-Kiss the Daddy, 2nd-Previous Honor, 3rd-Royal Renege
Sun., Aug. 9,	\$75,000 Malvern Rose S , 3YO fillies, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi.
PID	1st-R Frosty One, 2nd-Zig Zag, 3rd-Valued Strike
Sat., Aug. 22,	\$75,000 Robellino S , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf
Penn	1st-Page McKenney, 2nd-Willy d'Rocket, 3rd-Athelstane
Sat., Sept. 5	\$100,000 Marshall Jenney H , 3 & up, 5 fur., turf
Parx	1st-This Ain't No Bull, 2nd-Chief Exchanger, 3rd-El Seventyseven
PA Day At Races	\$100,000 Roanoke S , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi.
	1st-Duff, 2nd-Page McKenney, 3rd-Grasshoppin
	\$100,000 Mrs. Penny S-Div. 1 , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf
	1st-R Frosty One, 2nd-Al's Gal, 3rd-Devilish Love
	\$100,000 Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial S , 3YO fillies, 7 fur.
1st-Discreet Senorita, 2nd-Busy Busy Busy, 3rd-Capar Girl	
\$100,000 Mrs. Penny S-Div. 2 , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf	
1st-Kitten's Point, 2nd-Emotional Kitten, 3rd-Keystone Kelly	
Sun., Sept. 6,	\$75,000 Mark McDermott S , 2YO, 6 fur.
PID	1st-Balk, 2nd-Morning Fire, 3rd-Bella Flor
Sat., Sept. 19,	\$100,000 Alphabet Soup H , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf
Parx	1st-Uncle Dave, 2nd-Beyond Smart, 3rd-Forward Thinker
Sun., Sept. 20,	\$75,000 Mrs. Henry D. Paxson Memorial S , 2YO fillies, 6 fur.
PID	1st-Imply, 2nd-Bella Flor, 3rd-Hey Monba
Sat., Oct. 10	\$75,000 Plum Pretty S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi.
Parx	1st-Bound, 2nd-Primo Via, 3rd-Maybe Tonight
Wed., Nov. 25,	\$75,000 Blue Mountain Juvenile Fillies S , 2YO fillies, 6 fur.
Penn	
Sat., Dec. 5,	\$100,000 Pennsylvania Nursery S , 2YO, 7 fur.
Parx	

Total: \$1,825,000

PA-Bred Fund Statistics: Top Earners

(January 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015, rounded to dollars)

LEADING EARNERS - TOTAL AWARDS

Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Owner	Total	Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Owner	Total
Northview Stallion Station Inc.	759	201,695	0	202,454	Xanthus Farms Inc.	70,896	8,290	0	79,187
Michael W. Jester	95,503	80,515	0	176,018	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	48,342	26,114	0	74,456
William J. Solomon VMD	50,087	86,002	0	136,089	Ashwell Stables Inc.	70,691	0	0	70,691
George Strawbridge Jr.	89,681	17,940	0	107,621	Glenn E. Brok LLC	68,547	0	0	68,547
Thomas G. McClay	103,100	0	0	103,100	Charlton Bloodstock Agency Inc.	59,816	0	0	59,816
Barlar LLC	72,190	30,440	0	102,630	Kenneth L. Ramsey	26,368	33,417	0	59,785
Pewter Stable	75,279	24,702	0	99,981	Fitzhugh LLC	57,448	0	0	57,448
Sylmar Farm Inc.	94,684	0	0	94,684	Gayle B. Gerth Trust	56,071	0	0	56,071
The Elkstone Group LLC	86,928	0	4,500	91,428	Charles C.D. McGill	53,061	0	0	53,061
Charles A. Cuprill	68,291	22,456	0	90,747	Jodie Pointer	51,025	0	0	51,025
Estate of Joseph W. Holman Jr.	83,500	0	0	83,500	Triton Farms LLC	31,964	17,542	0	49,506
Arrowwood Farm Inc.	81,541	0	0	81,541	Richard Molineaux	48,144	0	0	48,144

LEADING STALLIONS

Fund Money includes Stallion Awards only

Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total	Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total
Jump Start	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	172	71,996	Lite the Fuse	William J. Solomon VMD	90	21,981
Fairbanks	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	185	64,642	Southern Success	Barbara A. Rickline	36	20,979
Medallist	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	103	57,144	Partner's Hero	Peter Giangiulio	81	19,879
Cat Thief	Michael W. Jester	153	40,246	Rimrod	George Strawbridge Jr.	72	17,940
Smarty Jones	Patricia L. Chapman	73	38,745	Monba	Triton Farms LLC	73	17,542
Ecclesiastic	Walmac Stud Management LLC	141	35,445	Andiron	Tea Party Stable Inc.	43	17,537
Talent Search	Kenneth L. Ramsey	70	33,417	Trust N Luck	Michael W. Jester	59	16,456
E Dubai	Barlar LLC	63	30,440	Wiseman's Ferry	Lainey Bug Stables LLC	52	16,095
Weigelia	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	83	26,114	Albert the Great	William J. Solomon VMD	103	15,950
Congressionalhonor	Pewter Stable	72	24,702	Eurosilver	Dromoland Farm Inc.	59	15,162
Real Quiet	Michael W. Jester	79	23,813	Power by Far	Barbara J. Geraghty	32	13,850
Activist	Judith M. Barrett	89	23,423	Toccet	Castleton Lyons Inc.	75	13,189

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
R Frosty One *	Southern Success - I'm the Mary	Gayle B. Gerth Trust	7	0	45,000	45,916	15,305	0	14,360	120,581
Power of Snunner *	Power by Far - Snunner	James M. Courtney	4	0	60,000	31,380	10,460	0	0	101,840
Amplified *	Smarty Jones - Queens Point	Thomas G. McClay	3	0	45,000	27,963	9,321	0	10,560	92,844
Kiss the Daddy	Scat Daddy - Kiss the Breeze	The Elkstone Group LLC	10	0	45,000	26,402	0	0	20,460	91,862
Roxbury N Overton *	Andiron - Centennial Cat	Jettany Thoroughbred Corp.	9	0	2,250	37,476	12,492	0	27,920	80,138
A Fleet Attitude	Afleet Alex - Lucky Lefty	Timothy F. Ritchey	2	0	45,000	16,896	0	0	11,280	73,176
Grasshoppin *	Cat Thief - Sweetheart Sami	Michael W. Jester	7	0	6,750	32,067	10,689	0	21,840	71,346
Capar Girl	Munnings - Bumble Bee Mama	Lindsay C.F. Scott	5	0	45,000	19,463	0	0	5,389	69,851
Andrew L *	Wheaton - Zuley	Robert A. Szezyler	7	0	0	30,546	10,182	0	28,070	68,798
Page McKenney *	Eavesdropper - Winning Grace	James E. Bryant	1	0	45,000	16,875	5,625	0	0	67,500
Dynamic Strike	Smart Strike - Dynamic Deputy	Fitzhugh LLC	2	0	45,000	14,616	0	0	6,480	66,096
Royal Renege	Broken Vow - Princess V.	Welcome Here Farm LLC	2	0	53,250	10,650	0	0	0	63,900
C R S Angels *	Medallist - Hailie's Girl	Wendy H. Mutnick	8	0	15,000	28,677	9,559	0	10,640	63,876
Wavy Needle *	Fairbanks - Savage Beauty	Sylmar Farm Inc.	4	0	0	27,523	9,174	0	26,212	62,909
Pink Princess *	Weigelia - Katarica Disco	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	7	0	0	26,313	8,771	0	22,085	57,168
Echo Libra *	Lido Palace (Chi) - Gadget	Julie D. Gordon	4	0	0	23,772	7,924	0	22,640	54,336
Henny Jenney	Henny Hughes - Delizia	Bettina L. Jenney	1	0	45,000	9,000	0	0	0	54,000
Saham	Lemon Drop Kid - Texas Kitty	Everest Stables Inc.	1	0	45,000	9,000	0	0	0	54,000
Cat Humor	Distorted Humor - Dynamic Cat	George Strawbridge Jr.	4	16,800	15,000	15,192	0	0	5,580	52,572
Brazilian Symphony *	Fairbanks - Brazilian Bliss	Estate of Joseph W. Holman Jr.	6	0	0	27,828	9,276	0	14,160	51,264