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PA-Breds Eye Breeders' Cup Championship

By Emily Shields

Three Pennsylvania-breds are taking their credentials into the 34th Breeders' Cup, to be run at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club Nov. 3 and 4. Defending champion *Finest City* will hook the brilliant *Unique Bella* in the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint-G1, while *Mor Spirit* will attempt to fire off a five-month layoff in the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile-G1.

Finest City became just the fourth Breeders' Cup winner to be bred in Pennsylvania, following *Go for Wand* in the 1989 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, *Tikkanen* in the 1994 Breeders' Cup Turf, and *Alphabet Soup* in the 1996 Breeders' Cup Classic, one of the great upsets in Breeders' Cup history. *Finest City* would be the first since *Groupie Doll* in 2012-2013 to duplicate a win in the Filly and Mare Sprint.

Standing in her way is *Unique Bella*, a leggy daughter of *Tapit* and Breeders' Cup Distaff heroine *Unrivaled Belle*, by *Unbridled's Song*. Bred by Elizabeth Moran's *Brushwood Stable*, *Unique Bella*

was sold for \$400,000 to Don Alberto, who turned her over to conditioner Jerry Hollendorfer.

The imposing gray broke her maiden by 10¼ lengths over the Del Mar surface last year on a wet November day, and has since made it five in a row. Injury kept her from the *Santa Anita Oaks-G1* and *Kentucky Oaks-G1* this spring, but after a seven-month layoff, *Unique Bella* returned sprinting against older mares to win the *L.A. Woman Stakes-G3* in her prep for the Breeders' Cup.

"She had a nice work on Wednesday in :59.20. We are just about ready to go," said Hollendorfer. While the injury and subsequent lengthy layoff derailed her spring campaign, it isn't concerning the conditioner now. "She's come back real well and has been doing well since then," he said. "We're very pleased with how she's been doing since she returned."

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Unrivaled Belle, who earned over \$1.8 million on the track with four stakes wins, produced a weanling full sister to Unique Bella this spring for new owner Mandy Pope, who bought her for \$3.8 million at the 2016 Keeneland November Sale. The weanling's name is Unrivaled Princess.

Breeder Hank Nothhaft, who bred *Finest City* but sold her for \$50,000 as a weanling, is eagerly anticipating the match with Unique Bella. "My thoughts going into the Breeders' Cup center around the irony that Pennsylvania breeders could produce two fillies/mares the quality of Unique Bella and *Finest City* two years apart," he said. "What are the odds? Also, if Unique Bella had a campaign unaffected by a minor injury, she would almost certainly be running in the Distaff, allowing the two PA-breds to avoid a head to head match-up."

Young trainer Ian Kruljac, who was just 28 when *Finest City* won the 2016 Filly and Mare Sprint as an 8-1 shot, has been conservative with the daughter of *City Zip*—*Be Envied*, by *Lemon Drop Kid*, this year. *Finest City* won the Santa Monica Stakes-G2 in January, then ran second or third in three consecutive Grade 1 races between seven furlongs and 1½ miles. She has not started since July 8, but has been working steadily since her freshening. She has not been worse than third in 15 months, and has earned \$1,256,394 for her owners Tyler and Wayne Seltzer of Seltzer Thoroughbreds.

"I can only imagine how I will feel if *Finest City* wins again," Nothhaft said. "We still have such positive feelings about last year's win. With the great year we had developing her half-sister, [stakes winner] *Grand Prix*. . . another win by *Finest City* would be an intense emotional high and a strong verification of our strategy and management of our stable."

The \$1 million Filly and Mare Sprint, contested over 7 furlongs, will be the third Breeders' Cup event on Saturday with a post time of 4:14 p.m. Eastern.

Mor Spirit will start in the \$1 million Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile-G1, slated as the second Breeders' Cup race on Friday with a post time of 6:05 p.m. Eastern. He faces a tough group including his stablemate, Gold Cup at Santa Anita winner *Cupid*, as well as San Diego

Handicap winner *Accelerate*, Grade 1 winner *Practical Joke*, and the lightning quick *Sharp Azteca*.

Mor Spirit may go favored over all of them, based off his stellar performance in the \$1.2 million Metropolitan Handicap-G1. Mor Spirit, under Mike Smith, rolled home to win by 6¼ lengths, earning the second Grade 1 victory of his career. Bob Baffert trains for Michael Petersen; Stuart Grant's Elkstone Group is the breeder. Agent Bernard Schiappa is the one that urged Petersen and Baffert to buy Mor Spirit, an \$85,000 yearling who was pinhooked for \$650,000 as a juvenile. Later that season, Mor Spirit won the Los Alamitos Futurity-G1.



At 3, the son of *Eskendereya* won the Robert B. Lewis Stakes-G3 and was second in a sloppy edition of the Santa Anita Derby-G1 before running 10th in the Kentucky Derby-G1. This year, Mor Spirit has raced lightly but has traveled all over, running second in the San Antonio Stakes-G2 at Santa Anita before winning Oaklawn's Essex Handicap, Lone Star's Steve Sexton Mile Stakes-G3, and the Met Mile in succession. Mor Spirit has not raced since June 10.

The graded stakes-placed Dixie Union mare *Im a Dixie Girl* is the dam of Mor Spirit. She has a yearling full brother to Mor Spirit named *Bad Dude* that the Elkstone Group also bred, but her weanling colt by Triple Crown winner *American Pharoah* was bred by Charles Fipke after the mare was sold for \$475,000 at the 2016 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky November sale. ■



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The Man On a Streak

By Linda Dougherty

With an eye-popping performance in the \$100,000 Banjo Picker Sprint Stakes at Parx Racing Sept. 2, The Man extended his winning streak to seven and demonstrated that he is one of the fastest Pennsylvania-breds in training.

Co-owned by Natalie J. Baffert (wife of Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert) and Bernard C. Schiappa, and conditioned by John Servis, The Man has done little wrong since breaking his maiden by nearly five lengths at Santa Anita in March 2015.

In the Banjo Picker, one of five stakes on the Pennsylvania's Day at the Races card at the Bensalem oval, The Man was pounded down to heavy favoritism over three rivals, including PJG Stable's

Favorite Tale, a multiple graded stakes winner, third in the Grade 1 Breeders' Cup Sprint in 2015, and earner of nearly \$1 million.

At the break, Favorite Tale went to the front under Frankie Pennington, but was immediately confronted by The Man and jockey Jorge Vargas Jr., who came up to his throatlatch on the outside. Favorite Tale held a slim advantage through the first quarter-mile, but the pair then engaged in an intense dingdong duel from that point to the wire, clicking off fractions of :22.50, :44.69 and :56.72.

Down the stretch they rumbled, with neither horse giving an inch. They hit the wire as a team, with The Man poking his head in front when it counted most, timed in a swift 1:09.47 for the 6 furlongs.

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The winner's share of \$75,000 boosted The Man's total earnings to \$293,750, and the victory was his seventh from 10 starts. This year, he's been a perfect six-for-six.

A 5-year-old son of former Pennsylvania stallion Ecclesiastic, The Man was bred by Glenn Brok, who owns Diamond B Farm in Mohrsville, Pa., with his wife, Becky. He was offered as a yearling at the farm's annual open house, but there were no takers, so Brok entered him in the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall yearling sale, where he was RNA at \$17,000.

Bloodstock agent Rod McVey then told Brok he needed a few colts to fill an order for a client, and asked he had any. Brok told him about The Man, and ended up partnering 50-50 with him. McVey sent him to Ocala to be broken, and then a few months went by, with McVey reporting that he was doing well and that his father had been clocking him, and liked him very much.

It was decided to enter him in the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May 2-year-olds in training sale at Timonium, where he got lots of attention from prospective buyers with an impressive breeze.

"The day he worked the wind was blowing something fierce and the track was slow, but he went down there in 10 and change," said Brok, who said that after the breeze he received plenty of congratulatory back-slaps from friends.

A noted bloodstock agent told Brok that he'd done a stride analysis of The Man and found he had the biggest stride of any horse at the sale.

When the hammer dropped, the colt that Brok couldn't sell as a yearling brought a \$115,000 bid from Bob Baffert, with New York-based trainer Gary Contessa as the underbidder.

"Bob liked what he saw, and all credit goes to him for picking him out for us at the sale," said co-owner Schiappa, a longtime client of Baffert's. Among the horses that Schiappa has co-owned is Game On Dude, a popular Grade 1 winner and earner of more than \$6.4 million during his 34-start career.

Shipped to California, The Man began his career at Santa Anita Jan. 3, 2015, for Baffert and broke his maiden in his fourth start. Soon after, he was sent to the sidelines, gelded, and

shipped East to the barn of John Servis, where it was decided to take advantage of the Pennsylvania-bred program.

"Being a Pennsylvania-bred, Baffert told me he wanted the horse to make some money," recalled Servis, who said The Man had chipped a knee but was making steady progress towards a return to the races. "He had a good bottom already, and I worked him five or six times and then wanted to make it as easy for him as possible for his comeback."

After nearly a two-year layoff, The Man returned Feb. 15 in a Pennsylvania-bred "a-other than" allowance race at Penn National. He showed he was ready to go, as he seized control right out of the gate, set fractions of :46.19 and :58.48 under Vargas while increasing his advantage, and then breezed under the wire four lengths in front "under a hand ride," according to the Equibase chart.

A month later, The Man came back in an open allowance at Parx Racing, a 5½-furlong test that carried a purse of \$47,000. Installed as the heavy favorite, The Man made quick work of his six foes, winning by nearly three lengths.

Three more allowance victories at Parx followed - a nine-length blowout against Pennsylvania-breds April 23, a gritty length tally against open company May 20, in which he overcame a stumbling start, and a two-length score against open foes Aug. 1, a dominant performance in 1:09.80 that saw him "being throttled down in deep stretch" by jockey Vargas, according to the chart. The gelding then won the Banjo Picker a month later.

"He's an exciting horse - he's so fast," said Schiappa. "John [Servis] has done a super job with him, and the Pennsylvania-bred program is fabulous. He's the first Pennsylvania-bred I've owned, and we've made a lot of money. The purse structure is great, and so is the owner's bonus. I'm very thankful that we sent The Man to Pennsylvania."

The Man is out of the Northern Afleet mare Shorty's Epiphany, who was also bred by Brok. She is a half-sister to multiple stakes winner Rodeo Licious (\$206,670); her dam, Shorty's Promise, was one of the first mares bought by the Broks when they started their farm. ■



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Grand Prix's Road To Success

By Emily Shields



Hank Nothhaft tried to sell Grand Prix not once, but twice.

It seems serendipitous that after failing to meet her reserves in the auction ring, Grand Prix stayed home and has since become a dual stakes winner for Nothhaft, who is more than happy to have her. "She's a super dependable filly that is right up there in my heart," he said. "I'm so lucky to have a horse like that."

The tale of how Grand Prix went from an auction buy back to one of the most valuable mares in Pennsylvania runs through Nothhaft, his bloodstock advisor Carl McEntee, and a champion named Finest City. Nothhaft and McEntee were on a mission to build a solid broodmare band when they came across the Lemon Drop Kid mare Be Envied.

"When we purchased the mare we were buying several mares to support the newly acquired stallion Silver Train," McEntee said. Nothhaft stood Silver Train until his untimely death in 2013. "We had established a budget of \$30,000-\$50,000 per mare, as to pay more would be unwise given the potential return."

One mare that stood out was Be Envied. The multiple stakes placed mare, a half-sister to Grade 1-winner Burning Roma, was in foal to consistent sire City Zip. Nothhaft only had to go to \$37,000 to acquire her, with the resulting foal selling for \$50,000 as a weanling. That weanling would one day be known as Finest City, the Eclipse Award Champion Female Sprinter and Pennsylvania Horse of the Year of 2016.

With Finest City not reaching her best stride until she turned four, Be Envied was resold. Nothhaft kept two more of her daughters: Move, by Silver Train, and the other being Grand Prix.

Tale of the Cat was chosen as Grand Prix's sire, a mating based on physical appearance. "The cross was very good and the body types worked together," McEntee said. "It's not all paper as you must choose physicals also."

"We wanted to pump some speed into the foal," Nothhaft added. "We got a tremendous-looking, athletic foal, and decided she was commercial. I sent her through the ring at Keeneland November

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as a weanling, but I wasn't going to sell her for less than I thought she was worth. Her bidding stopped at \$62,000 and my reserve was slightly higher than that. I have enough flexibility in my business that I can stick to my principles and be stubborn when I want."

Stubborn enough that when Grand Prix went back through the ring as a yearling with a reserve of \$150,000 and only brought a bid of \$145,000, Nothhaft decided to keep her. "In some ways I was disappointed, but in other ways I had mixed emotions about selling her in the first place," Nothhaft said. "I immediately took her off the grounds and back to Darby Dan. Some people came by trying to make a deal, but I named her a day or two later with a fantastic name and was emotionally committed."

Nothhaft immediately set about following through with big plans for Grand Prix. The bay filly went to Webb Carroll's training center in South Carolina, then went off to the barn of Gary Mandella, who trained Nothhaft's standout mare Living The Life (Ire). "Gary is not known for bringing massive numbers of two year olds to the track," Nothhaft said. "He takes his time getting them prepared."

Under the banner of HnR Nothhaft Horse Racing, Grand Prix debuted at Santa Anita with a third place finish June 9, 2016. That Mandella thought highly enough of her to debut her so quickly signaled to Nothhaft that Grand Prix was precocious and talented, but it took the filly four tries to break her maiden. That win came at Golden Gate Fields in November, demolishing her rivals by five lengths. She was second in the Golden Gate Debutante Stakes to round out her juvenile season.

At 3, Grand Prix ran consistently in allowance company, but it wasn't until she shipped from California to Pennsylvania that she broke through in a big way. "We had great confidence in the horse and trainer, and Finest City had emerged as a phenomenal horse at this point. In the back of our minds, we always remembered that she's a Pennsylvania-bred."

Grand Prix had been training in Pennsylvania for less than two weeks when she won the fittingly named New Start Stakes at Penn National over the well regarded juvenile state champion Rose Tree. "I was confident enough that I flew out for the race," said Nothhaft, who regularly resides in Saratoga, Calif. "She didn't disappoint anybody that day."

From there, Nothhaft tried to "pick races that made sense for her and maximize the potential of the Pennsylvania-bred program." Grand Prix was second in an allowance, then won at the same level a month later, scoring by a neck. She added the Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial Stakes at Parx in September, and has since wrapped up her season and will get a break before returning in 2018. She has earned \$211,762 with four wins, four seconds, and three thirds in 14 starts.

Nothhaft didn't throw out the option of sprinting down the hillside turf course at Santa Anita next year, but his ultimate goal would be the Presque Isle Downs Masters Stakes-G2 in September, a race he won in 2014 and 2015 with Living the Life.

"I would love to win that race with a Pennsylvania-bred," he said. "It would be sweet for everyone involved in Pennsylvania."

Nothhaft's classy broodmare band, which includes stakes winners such as Kindle and Living the Life, both in foal to Pioneerof the Nile, is where Grand Prix is headed when her racing days are done.

"My goal is to have five to 10 broodmares, all ultimately coming out of my racing program. I'm running all homebreds now. For a guy that got in late and had to buy everything, in a few short years I've moved to vertically integrating and running my own horses."

McEntee had nothing but praise for the owner. "Hank is honestly one of the kindest and respectable men I know. He is my friend, mentor at times and truly someone very dear to my heart. Together we have propelled each other and I shall be eternally grateful." ■



A Letter From the Executive Secretary



Good luck to PA-Breds Finest City and Unique Bella, our state's one-two punch in the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint, and Mor Spirit who will be competing in the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. Go Pa!!

We are moving closer to our premier 2-year-old stakes races. The Blue Mountain Juvenile Fillies Stakes will be contested at Penn National on Wednesday, Nov. 22 and the Pennsylvania Nursery Stakes at PARX on Saturday, Dec. 2. It is always exciting to see the new crop of 2-year-olds and how they are progressing.

The 2018 Stallion Auction is right around the corner. It will be held January 25-27, 2018, on thoroughbred.com. Get in the game and bid on a stallion season for your mare! Look for details in the December issue of the Thoroughbred Report.

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PENNSYLVANIA EQUINE INDUSTRY STUDY RELEASED

Delaware Valley University released a new study on Oct. 10 on the equine industry's economic impact in Southeastern Pennsylvania. It has been determined that the equine industry in that region has a \$670 million economic impact.

The equine industry spends \$546 million on goods, services, wages, and salaries in Southeastern Pennsylvania. The impact of this spending generates \$670 million to regional GDP, supports more than 6,550 jobs and generates \$58 million in tax revenue. The sector also provides almost \$160 million in annual payroll and plays a vital role in maintaining open spaces and agricultural production.

John Urbanchuk, chair of agribusiness at DelVal, directed the study. Dr. Sarah Young, chair of the DelVal animal science department; Cory Kieschnick, chair of the DelVal equine science and management department; and Christine Seel, co-chair of the DelVal business and information management department worked with Urbanchuk on the study.

The study was commissioned by the Chester-Delaware County Farm Bureau. The region in the study consists of: Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lebanon, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Schuylkill and York counties. Southeastern Pennsylvania is

home to two leading equine counties in Pennsylvania, Lancaster, and Chester.

The last study of the equine industry in Pennsylvania was conducted and published by Penn State in 2003 and examined the entire Commonwealth. The information from the study will be provided to policymakers, local government officials, equine industry professionals, and the general public.

Fast Facts about the Equine Industry's Economic Impact in the Region:

- The equine industry pumps \$386 million in direct spending on goods and services into the Southeastern Pennsylvania economy.
- The industry provides an annual payroll of almost \$160 million
- The equine sector supports 6,550 jobs in all sectors of the regional economy
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Pennsylvania News Briefs

THE JOCKEY CLUB RELEASES 2017 REPORT OF MARES BRED STATISTICS

The Report of Mares Bred (RMB) statistics for the 2017 breeding season released by The Jockey Club show a decline nationally from numbers reported in 2016. But Pennsylvania numbers were up 15.13 percent compared to 2016.

Based on RMBs received through Oct. 17, 2017, The Jockey Club reports that 1,342 stallions covered 31,863 mares in North America during 2017. In Pennsylvania, the number of stallions reported standing decreased by 12.20 percent (36 in 2017 compared to 41 in 2016), but the number of mares bred rose to 563, after 489 were bred the previous year.

Nationally, the number of stallions declined 5.7 percent from the 1,423 reported at this time in 2016, and the number of mares bred decreased 5.6 percent from the 33,746 reported last year. Based upon historical reporting trends, The Jockey Club estimates an

additional 2,000 to 3,000 mares will be reported as bred during the 2017 breeding season.

Of the 36 stallions standing in Pennsylvania, a third covered more than 10 mares in their book.



Northview PA's first-year stallion Uncle Lino was the busiest stallion in the Mid-Atlantic region, the son of Uncle Mo covering 103 mares. Others with 20 or more mares were: the region's leading sire Jump Start (72) and fourth-year stallion El Padrino (55), both standing at Northview PA; Red Vine (53, Xanthus Farms), Peace and Justice (38, Diamond B), Bullsbay (36, Northview PA), Uptowncharlybrown (23, Diamond B), Lord Shanakill (20, Pin Oak Lane) and Xixixi (20, Xanthus Farms).

RMB statistics for all reported stallions in 2017 are available through the Fact Book section of The Jockey Club's website at jockeyclub.com. ■

SIX-FIGURE PA-BRED YEARLINGS AT FALL SALES

Three PA-bred yearlings sold for \$100,000 at Fasig-Tipton yearling sales this fall, one at the Mid-Atlantic Fall Yearlings sale on Oct. 3 in Timonium, and two at the Kentucky sale held from Oct. 23 through Oct. 26 in Lexington.

A colt by Shackleford out of stakes winner Ms. Cruisen', by Candy Ride (Arg), was purchased from the Darby Dan Farm consignment at the Timonium sale by Pick View LLC. Bred by Matthew T. Groff, the chestnut colt, a foal of March 12, is the first foal for his dam, a winner of Parx's Cornucopia Stakes and \$245,924. The family includes champion grass mare and Breeders' Cup turf-G1 winner Miss Alleged and stakes-winning sire Bold Josh.

Tiznow offspring were the top-priced Pennsylvania-breds in Kentucky. The first to sell was a half-sis-

ter to current 2-year-old stakes performer Afterburner. Bred by Blackstone Farm LLC, the Tiznow filly is out of the winning Exchange Rate mare Brilliancy, a full sister to stakes winner Cream Only and half-sister to graded stakes winners Electrify (an earner of \$666,890) and Rothko (Grade 1-placed earner of \$292,136) as well as stakes-placed Kinsey, dam of 2017 multiple stakes winner Firsthand Report. Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency Agent XLVI, E J Stable made the purchase.

Walnut Green, agent for breeders Smart Angle LLP & C Biscuit Racing, sold the \$100,000 Tiznow colt to Tom Bush. The January foal is out of Smart Strike's daughter Monday Valentine, a half-sister to Grade 1-winning millionaire sprinter Idiot Proof. ■

PA-Bred Offerings at Kentucky Fall sales

HEADLINERS AT FASIG-TIPTON AND KEENELAND INCLUDE CHAMPION FINEST CITY AND GRADE 1 WINNERS ILLUMINANT AND AL'S GAL

Nearly 75 Pennsylvania-bred broodmares, broodmare and stallion prospects and weanlings will be offered at the major fall sales in Kentucky in November.

FASIG-TIPTON NOVEMBER **Lexington, Ky. • Monday, Nov. 6 – 4 p.m.**

REGISTERED PA-BREDS

WEANLINGS

Hip no. 22 – dark bay/brown colt, 3/22/17, Take Charge Indy—Quick Lil Lady, by Running Stag; Blackstone Farm LLC; South Point Sales Agency Agent V; Registered PA-Bred

Hip no. 24 – chestnut colt, 1/31/17, Super Saver—Return the Jewel, by Broken Vow; Blackstone Farm LLC; South Point Sales Agency Agent V; Registered PA-Bred

Hip no. 26 – gray or roan filly, 2/23/17, Liam's Map—Roman Bluff, by Roman Ruler; Blackstone Farm LLC; South Point Sales Agency Agent V; Registered PA-Bred

Hip no. 49 – bay filly, 2/7/17, Gemologist—Wildcat Marie, by Wildcat Heir; Blackstone

Farm LLC; South Point Sales Agency Agent V; Registered PA-Bred

BROODMARE OR RACING PROSPECTS

Hip no. 92 – **LUCY N ETHEL**, 2013, dark bay/brown filly, During—Kid Silver, by Silver Ghost; Jettany Thoroughbred Corp.; Taylor Made Sales Agency Agent XIII; Registered PA-Bred; Breeders' Cup nominated; Racing/Broodmare Prospect

- Two graded stakes wins in first four undefeated starts
- Wire to wire winner of 2016 Prioress Stakes-G2 at Saratoga
- Sire line of champions Cherokee Run, War Pass and Chilukki

Hip no. 171 – **FINEST CITY**, 2012, chestnut mare, City Zip—Be Envied, by Lemon

Drop Kid; Henry R. Nothhaft; Ian Kruljac Agent for Seltzr Thoroughbreds LLC; Registered PA-Bred; Racing/Broodmare Prospect

- Eclipse Award Winner
- Breeders' Cup Winner, 2016 Filly & Mare Sprint-G1
- Multiple graded stakes winner

Hip no. 188 – **ILLUMINANT**, 2012, dark bay/brown mare, Quality Road—Sparkling Number, by Polish Numbers; Sycamore Hall Farm LLC; Bluewater Sales LLC Agent XXXV; Broodmare Prospect

- Grade 1 winner and MGSW of \$536,243
- Third to Tepin in 2016 Jenny Wiley Stakes-G1
- By the sire of 2017 dual classic filly Abel Tasman out of SW mare



KEENELAND NOVEMBER BREEDING STOCK

Lexington, Ky. • Tuesday, Nov. 7 - Saturday, Nov. 18

WEANLINGS

Hip no. 22 – dark bay/brown colt, 3/22/17, Take Charge Indy—Quick Lil Lady, by Running Stag; Blackstone Farm LLC; South Point Sales Agency Agent V; **Registered PA-Bred**

Hip no. 58 – chestnut colt, 3/12/17, Liam's Map—High Quail, by Tiznow; Bred by Smart Angle, LLP, C Biscuit Racing, CJB Holdings, Jeff Bozel & Alex Karkenny; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent III; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 74 – bay colt, 4/10/17, Into Mischievous—Katherine'skadence, by Mr. Greeley; Bred by C Biscuit Racing, Smart Angle, LLP, CJB Holdings, LLC, Jeff Bozel, et al; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent III; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 103 – dark bay/brown colt, 3/30/17, Malibu Moon—Monday Valentine, by Smart Strike; Bred by C Biscuit Racing & Smart Angle, LLP; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent for C Biscuit Racing and Smart Angle, LLP; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 1504 – bay colt, 3/25/17, Tapiture—Quiet Nicole, by Consolidator; Bred by Barlar, LLP & Stephanie Karp; Consigned by Darby Dan Farm, Agent X; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 1757 – bay filly, 3/9/17, Congrats—Empires Answer, by Empire Maker; Bred by Cavanaugh Breen LLC; Consigned by Brookdale Sales, Agent; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 1831 – bay colt, 4/3/17, Tonalist—Kinsey, by Delaware Township; Bred by Edgar Scott, Jr. & Jane MacElree; Consigned by Royal Oak Farm (Damian & Braxton Lynch), Agent; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 2121 – chestnut colt, 2/22/17, Wicked Strong—Chandelle No. Five, by Yes It's True; Bred by Fox Tale; Consigned by Lane's End, Agent; **Registered PA-Bred**

Hip no. 2130 – gray or roan colt, 2/14/17, Flat Out—Circustown Rose, by Wimbledon; Bred by Two-Turn Farm LLC; Consigned by Select Sales, Agent XLVII; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 2605 – bay colt, 3/26/17, Fed Biz—Icee Sara, by Eskimo; Bred by Jill Doyle; Consigned by James B. Keogh (Grovendale), Agent XII; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 3351 – bay colt, 4/5/17, Golden-cents—Calamity Girl, by Stravisky; Bred by DDS Stables, LLC; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent IV; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 3364 – chestnut colt, 2/18/17, Tapizar—Check Your Six, by Giant's Causeway; Bred by Smart Angle, LLP; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent for Smart Angle LLP; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 3398 – bay filly, 2/12/17, Golden-cents—Esquece, by Henrythenavigator; Bred by Smart Angle, LLP; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent for Smart Angle LLP; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 3410 – bay filly, 2/20/17, Morning Line—Freedom Fire, by Harlan's Holiday; Bred by Paul J. Capparell & Mary Beth Jemo; Consigned by Four Star Sales, Agent; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 3439 – bay filly, 3/8/17, Constitution—Icy Tea, by Storm Cat; Bred by Smart Angle, LLP, C Biscuit Racing, CJB Holdings, Jeff Bozel & Barbara Reid; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent II; **Foaled in PA**

Hip no. 3448 – bay filly, 3/29/17, Lemon Drop Kid—It's My Turn, by Stormy Atlantic; Bred by C Biscuit Racing, Smart

Angle, LLP & Chris Bozel et al; Consigned by Walnut Green, Agent; **Foaled in PA**

NOTABLE BROODMARE OR RACING PROSPECTS

Hip no. 63 – **IMPLY**, 2013, chestnut filly, E Dubai—Allude, by Orientate; Breeders' Cup nominated; Registered PA-Bred; Racing or Broodmare Prospect; **Multiple Stakes Winner**

Hip no. 188 – **AL'S GAL**, 2011, bay mare, English Channel—Dans La Ville (CHI), by Winning; Registered PA-Bred; Believed to be in foal to Medaglia d'Oro; Graded Stakes Winner; **2016 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf participant; 73rd by earnings in 2016**

Hip no. 510 – **FIRSTHAND REPORT**, 2013, dark bay/brown filly, Blame—Kinsey by Delaware Township; Breeders' Cup nominated; Registered PA-Bred; Racing or Broodmare Prospect; **Multiple Stakes Winner**

Hip no. 889 – **DANCING AFLEET**, 2010, bay mare, by Afleet Alex—Mrs. Vanderbilt, by Citidancer; Believed to be in foal to Bernardini; **Graded Stakes Winner**

Hip no. 890 – **DARK NILE**, 2013, dark bay/brown filly, Pioneer of the Nile—Royal Society, by Bernardini; Broodmare Prospect; **Graded Stakes Winner**





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OBITUARY: ROBERT A. SZEYLLER

Robert A. "Bob" Szeyller, of Bellefonte, Pa., died on Oct. 10, at Mount Nittany Medical Center. The longtime PHBA board of director was 79.

A graduate from the Pennsylvania State University with a B. S. Degree in Business Management, Mr. Szeyller held an M. S. degree in Financial Services from the American College and received his Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) & Chartered Financial Consultant (CFC) designations. He was a partner and co-founder of PFG Capital Corporation and was the retired Chairman Emeritus and founder of ARIS Corporation of America, an investment management firm. He also was the retired founder of Pennsylvania Financial Group, headquartered in State College, Pa., one of the largest privately owned insurance and securities marketing firms. Bob served on many corporate and non-profit boards. He was also with the 112 PA Air National Guard Unit and was activated and sent to Germany during the Berlin crisis.

Bob's life-long passion for horses began with riding and showing which evolved into racing. Always a competitor, Bob was an owner, trainer and breeder of Thor-

oughbreds since 1986. He served on the board of directors for the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association (from 1994 through 2007) as well as the Breeders' Cup. Among his best runners was Sly Ole Buck, a PA-bred he purchased and owned and trained through a career that included a win in the 2000 Lyman Sprint Championship Stakes at Philadelphia Park and five stakes placings; and Andrew L, a stakes-placed runner of \$515,830 Szeyller bred and raced for the majority of his career. Szeyller runners included those named for the area in which he lived, such as winners Duke of Bellefonte and Nittany Fan.

Szeyller is survived by his wife of 57 years, the former Mary Radovic, as well as his children, Laurie Sneve and her husband, Jerry B., of Carlsbad, Calif., and Lisa Hauser and her husband, Eric H., of Bermuda Dunes, Calif.; and two grandchildren, Lainey and Hailey Hauser. Memorial contributions may be made to Turning For Home, a non-profit organization providing racehorses a safe retirement. Please send to Turning For Home, P. O. Box 300, Bensalem, PA 19020. 40324) or to the equine rescue of your choice.



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Reminders for Breeders

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Stallion Registration for next breeding season:

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New Broodmare Domicile Requirements & Registration Eligibility for 2018 Foals

We are pleased to announce that the Registration Eligibility and Broodmare Domicile requirements for the 2018 crop of foals have changed. Mares bred to registered PA-Sires are up substantially this year, according to our preliminary count, and continuing that trend will move us to an increase in registered foals, which is our priority.

- The dam of the foal resided continuously in Pennsylvania since **DECEMBER 1** of the year of conception through foaling. Mares not being bred back will fall under this category. *(Formerly November 1.)*

- The dam of the foal was purchased at a public sale after **DECEMBER 1** of the year of conception and brought into Pennsylvania within 14 days of the date of purchase and remained continuously through foaling. During the year of foaling, the foal or its dam spent at least ninety (90) days in the state. *(Formerly November 1.)*

- The dam of the foal arrived after **DECEMBER 1** of the year of conception, foaled in Pennsylvania and was bred back to a registered PA stallion standing in Pennsylvania and the dam of the foal resided **SIXTY (60)** consecutive days during which foaling occurred. *(Formerly November 1 and 90 days.)*



PA-Bred Stakes Recap: Parx Racing

The 2017 PA-Bred stakes schedule has a total of 22 stakes, each worth \$100,000. Also continuing is the 25% bonus for all PA-Sired PA-Bred horses finishing first through third in all restricted stakes, which brings the total combined purses to \$2.75 million.

Go to the Pennsylvania tracks' websites for the stakes books and to nominate.

Plum Pretty Stakes

Power of Snunner got back to her winning ways with an all-out effort in Parx Racing's Plum Pretty Stakes on Oct. 7, getting up in the final strides to win by a head over Trace of Grace as the favorite in the field of five. It was 14 lengths back to third-place finisher Mama Jones.

Bred and owned by James Courtney, Power of Snunner, a 7-year-old daughter of Castle Rock Farm stallion Power by Far, got her second stakes win of the year, and boosted her 2017 earnings to \$221,250 from nine starts, with two wins, two seconds and a third. She also won the Obeah Stakes at Delaware Park in June.

A stakes winner earlier in her career in the 2015 Foxy J. G. Stakes, she has 33 starts lifetime, with nine wins, 15 seconds and three thirds, for a total bankroll of \$562,310.

Making a dozen starts exclusively in stakes company since July 2015, and never finishing worse than fourth, Power of Snunner recorded seconds in the Grade 3 Doubledogdare Stakes at Keeneland and Grade 3 Bayakoa Stakes at Oaklawn Park, both this year, as well as the Northern Fling, Lady's Secret and Pan Zareta and a third in the Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial. She has a total of a dozen stakes wins or placings in her career.

Out of the winning Yarrow Brae mare Snunner, Power of Snunner is a half-sister to stakes winner Spring Dance, an earner of \$199,841 and winner of the 2012 Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial Stakes, and a full sister to \$210,927-earner Powerful Sun. ■

ALL BREEDING FUND STAKES WILL INCLUDE A 25% PA-SIRED BONUS FOR 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD.

Proposed 2017 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., April 29, Parx	\$100,000 Lyman S , 3 & up, 7 fur. 1st-Page McKenney, 2nd-Someday Jones, 3rd-Duval
	\$100,000 Foxy J. G. S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 7 fur. 1st-Discreet Senorita, 2nd-Heatherly, 3rd-Disco Chick
Sat., June 3, Penn	\$100,000 Lyphard S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st-Firsthand Report, 2nd-ImPLY, 3rd-Lillie's Answer
	\$100,000 Danzig S , 3YO, 6 fur. 1st-The Critical Way, 2nd-Midtowncharlybrown, 3rd-Sepicato
	\$100,000 New Start S , 3YO fillies, 6 fur. 1st-Grand Prix, 2nd-Rose Tree, 3rd-Ianthe
Sun., July 9, PID	\$100,000 Leematt S , 3 & up, 1 mi. 1st-Tom's Ready, 2nd-Edge of Reality, 3rd-Duff
	\$100,000 Northern Fling S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 mi. 1st-ImPLY, 2nd-Great Soul, 3rd-Lucabunny
Sat., July 22, Parx	\$100,000 Crowd Pleaser S , 3YO, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st-Threehtwocassie, 2nd-Iggy Loco, 3rd-Fast and Accurate
	\$100,000 Power by Far S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 5 fur., turf 1st-Firsthand Report, 2nd-Fat Kat, 3rd-Zensational Merry
Sat., Aug. 5, Penn	\$100,000 Robellino S , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st-Spring Quality, 2nd-Edge of Reality, 3rd-Grasshoppin
Sun., Aug. 6, PID	\$100,000 Malvern Rose S , 3YO fillies, 1 mi. 1st-Advert, 2nd-Rose Tree, 3rd-Tulsa Queen

Pennsylvania's Day At the Races

Sat., Sept. 2, Parx	\$100,000 Banjo Picker Sprint S , 3 & up 6 fur. 1st-The Man, 2nd-Favorite Tale, 3rd-Yeah Rocky
	\$100,000 Roanoke S , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi. 1st-Page McKenney, 2nd-Spring Quality, 3rd-Grasshoppin
	\$100,000 Marshall Jenney S , 3 & up, 5 fur., turf 1st-Winning the Medal, 2nd-Late Breaking News, 3rd-Spartianos
	\$100,000 Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial S , 3 & up, F&M, 6 fur. 1st-Grand Prix, 2nd-Mama Jones, 3rd-Power of Snunner
	\$100,000 Mrs. Penny S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st-Great Soul, 2nd-ImPLY, 3rd-Disco Rose
Sun., Sept. 3, PID	\$100,000 Mark McDermott S , 2YO, 6 fur. 1st-Oldzfourfortytwo, 2nd-Afterburner, 3rd-Kitchen Fire
Sun., Sept. 17, PID	\$100,000 Mrs. Henry D. Paxson Memorial S , 2YO fillies, 6 fur. 1st-Stardoza, 2nd-O'Paddy, 3rd-P. Sue
Sat., Sept. 23, Parx	\$100,000 Alphabet Soup S , 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., turf 1st-Firsthand Report, 2nd-Bern' James Bern, 3rd-Edge of Reality
Sat., Oct. 7, Parx	\$100,000 Plum Pretty S , 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi. 1st-Power of Snunner, 2nd-Trace of Grace, 3rd-Mama Jones
Wed., Nov. 22, Penn	\$100,000 Blue Mountain Juvenile Fillies S , 2YO fillies, 6 fur.
Sat., Dec. 2, Parx	\$100,000 Pennsylvania Nursery S , 2YO colts and geldings, 7 fur.

Total: \$2,750,000

Congratulations to all of the PA-Breds in the Retired Racehorse Project Makeover

Over 40 Pennsylvania-Breds competed at the Retired Racehorse Project Makeover at the Kentucky Horse Park October 5-8, presented by Thoroughbred Charities of America.

Mindy Stoops of West Sunbury, PA, and PA-bred Not So Silver were the winners in the Barrel Racing division. Bred by Richele Grieb, the 2013 filly by Silver Train out of Bear Boundary by Boundary was trained by Mark V. Salvaggio and was placed by New Start. She earned \$13,632 in three starts.



Rebecca Bowman of Atlanta, Georgia, and PA-bred Tulley came in 2nd place in the Show Hunters division. Bred by Kim Eshleman, the 2009 gelding by Love of Money out of Chevaux by Corporate Report was trained by Penny Pearce. He earned \$130,156 in 47 starts.



Blasts From The Past

TREIZIEME

*Chestnut filly, 1981, The Minstrel—Belle Pensee, by *Ribot. Bred by Kiltinan Farms Inc. and George Strawbridge Jr.; owned by Oak Cliff Stable; trained by Maurice Zilber and John Gosden.*

The first Breeders' Cup delivered as expected—a celebration of international racing on U.S. shores, attracting runners from all over the world to compete on racing's richest day. Two PA-bred runners competed on the inaugural card at Hollywood Park on Nov. 10, 1984—juvenile filly Bessarabian and 3-year-old filly Treizieme, who tackled males and older runners in the Turf.

Treizieme was French-based, but born at Marshall Jenney's Derry Meeting Farm when George Strawbridge teamed up with Ogden White of Kiltinan Farms in 1980 to breed the young *Ribot mare Belle Pensee to Windfields Farm stallion The Minstrel. The next spring, Belle Pensee delivered a pretty chestnut filly in Pennsylvania.

Belle Pensee's daughter was offered as a weanling at the Keeneland November sale and sold for \$500,000, which equaled the North American record for a public auction sales weanling until the record was surpassed by \$25,000 later in the sale. Oak Cliff Breeders made the purchase, named the filly Treizieme, campaigned her for four seasons, and then sold her as a broodmare prospect in 1987 for \$1.75 million.

Treizieme was always a high achiever. Sent to legendary French trainer Maurice Zilber, she broke her maiden at first asking in the fall of 1983. She followed with a win in early October in France's most important 2-year-old race, the Grand Criterium-G1 at Longchamp. She was the only filly in the field, and the first in 17 years to win. Her connections were so inspired by the results, it was reported that she would be sent back to the U.S. to contest the Hollywood Futurity-G1 that December. The long-term goal was to participate in the Breeders' Cup the following year.

Ranked as the second highweighted filly on French Free Handicap, she didn't make the overseas trip at 2,

instead staying in France to launch her 3-year-old campaign. She remained undefeated when taking her first two starts of the year—the Group 3 Prix de la Grotte and Group 3 Prix de Psyche—before finishing third in both the Prix de la Nonette-G3 and Prix Vermeille-G1, the latter against older mares.

The trip to the U.S. finally took place in October when she lined up for the Grade 1 Washington, D.C., International at Laurel, but finished off the board as the favorite. She didn't fare much better in Santa Anita's Oak Tree Invitational-G1 next out, yet remained on target for the Breeders' Cup. The 1½-mile Turf proved too tough a task as Treizieme finished last in the field of 11 after racing wide throughout from her outside post, and she returned to France.

A winner of the Prix de la Pepiniere at 4, and third in that year's Group 1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, Treizieme was back in the states for good in 1986. Trained by John Gosden, she made four starts that year, three in graded stakes—her best finish a second in Hollywood Park's Beverly Hills Handicap-G2—before concluding her career with a win in the Canterbury Turf Classic Handicap in which she established the 1⅜-mile course record of 2:12⅜.

Treizieme was purchased at the 1987 Keeneland January sale by Tom Tatham, a partner in Oak Cliff Stables, and bred to Kentucky's elite stallions—Devil's Bag, Halo, Alydar, Alysheba, Easy Goer, Forty Niner and Seattle Slew. Six of her eight foals started, and all won, including stakes winner Oakmont (by Alydar) and stakes-placed Shadha (by Devil's Bag), her first foal who sold for \$700,000 at the Keeneland July sale of 1989. Treizieme's final foal was the 1996 Seattle Slew colt Snoqualmie. ■



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c, 4, More Than Ready - Goodbye Stranger
Won - BOLD RULER H-G3, Belmont Park, \$200,000,
3YO/UP, 7F, 10/28.



SPARTIANOS

g, 5, Not For Love - Lizzie's Legend
Won - MARYLAND MILLION TURF S, Laurel Park, \$125,000,
3YO/UP, 1MT, 10/21.



UNIQUE BELLA

f, 3, Tapit - Unrivaled Belle
Won - L.A. WOMAN S-G3, Santa Anita, \$100,000, 3YO/UP,
F/M, 6 1/2F, 10/8.



CAVALIA

m, 5, Ghostzapper - Tina Dynamite
Won - H.B.P.A. S, Presque Isle Downs, \$100,000, 3YO/UP,
F/M, 1M 70Y, 10/5.

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POWER OF SNUNNER

m, 7, Power by Far - Snunner
Won - PLUM PRETTY S, Parx Racing, \$100,000, 3YO/UP, F/M, 1 1/16M, 10/7.

SHAMROCK ROSE

f, 2, First Dude - Slew's Quality
2nd - MAZARINE S-G3, Woodbine, \$125,000, 2YO, F, 1 1/16M, 10/7.

GREAT SOUL

f, 4, Great Notion - What Am I Gonna Do
2nd - MARYLAND MILLION LADIES S, Laurel Park, \$125,000, 3YO/UP, F/M, 1 1/8MT, 10/21.

IMPLY

f, 4, E Dubai - Allude
2nd - H.B.P.A. S, Presque Isle Downs, \$100,000, 3YO/UP, F/M, 1M 70Y, 10/5.

TRACE OF GRACE

f, 4, Pétionville - Joy to Run
2nd - PLUM PRETTY S, Parx Racing, \$100,000, 3YO/UP, F/M, 1 1/16M, 10/7.

ALL THE WAY JOSE

g, 7, Senor Swinger - Maternity Leave
3rd - GRAND NATIONAL H-G1, Far Hills, \$400,000, 4YO/UP, 2 5/8MT, National Fences, 10/21.

WILLY D'ROCKET

g, 8, Rock Slide - Fleet Willy
Won - MARYLAND MILLION TURF STARTER S, Laurel Park, \$60,000, 3YO/UP, 1 1/8MT, 10/21.



MAMA JONES

f, 4, Smarty Jones - Mohonour
3rd - PLUM PRETTY S, Parx Racing, \$100,000, 3YO/UP, F/M, 1 1/16M, 10/7.

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c, 2, Offlee Wild - Salander
3rd - FITZ DIXON, JR. MEMORIAL JUVENILE S, Presque Isle Downs, \$100,000, 2YO, 6 1/2F, 10/5.

TULSA QUEEN

f, 3, Cactus Ridge - Hot Touch
3rd - RULING ANGEL S, Woodbine, \$100,000, 3YO, F, 6 1/2F, 10/8.

WIGWAM BABY

m, 6, Langfuhr - Tepee Tot
3rd - PEAPACK HURDLE S, Far Hills, \$75,000, 4YO/UP, F/M, 2 1/8MT, National Fences, 10/21.

BROAD LOVER

g, 5, Not For Love - Broad Gale
3rd - MARYLAND MILLION H, Laurel Park, \$50,000, 3YO/UP, 7F, 10/21.

SNUGGLING

g, 3, Cape Blanco (Ire) - Let's Canoodle
3rd - GLADSTONE HURDLE S, Far Hills, \$50,000, 3YO, 2 1/8MT, National Fences, 10/21.



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