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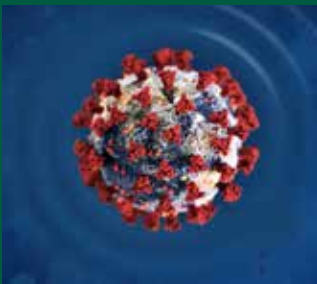
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# Steeling for a PA-Bred champion

by Emily Shields

Darryl Myers has been on quite the roller coaster in his journey to establish his own breeding business.

There was the time he didn't own mares but was in the claiming game, and the time he wasn't in the sport at all but participated in drag racing. Now he is working towards one overarching goal: to produce above average quality horses in Pennsylvania.

Although Myers always liked horses, a past wife didn't want him involved in the racing game. "She just didn't want anything to do with them," he explained, "so I drag raced instead." After 22 years of successfully doing just that, Myers traded both the wife and the hobby.

"I've been in racing for the last seven years," said the York County farm owner. He claimed some runners and campaigned them for a while, then went into buying young horses at auction and sent them to Florida to be broken. "I did pretty well with that," he said.

One of the horses Myers had was Guns of Steel, a PA-Bred son of First Defence out of the Grand Slam mare Grand Angel. The \$30,000 purchase broke his maiden at Penn National second out on Aug. 6, 2014, and has since gone on to earn \$437,720. Although the 8-year-old gelding has long since been claimed away, he is still racing in both Pennsylvania and New York.

Myers, who owns the structural steel company Myers Steel Works, started to feel sour towards racing. He had won 20 of 93 starts and campaigned the likes of Ontario-bred Philipian, a 12-time winner, and winners Brokencall and Genevieve's Breeze, but knew that he wanted to pursue breeding.

"I was tapering off the racing deal," he said. "I wasn't too fond of some trainers and decided to go in a different direction."

That's where Myers's new wife, Jill, came in. "When I met her, she had a bunch of riding horses, eight or nine of them," he explained. "I was into the racing and she was into the riding. I rode some but not a whole lot. She thought she'd like a farm, so we had one that wasn't big enough, only six acres. But it had a brand new house on it."

Despite the new accommodations, the property wasn't quite right, so Myers started the search for a bigger piece of land. He finally found an older, 100-acre cow farm that was first established in 1935, and created his Stone Jug Ranch in 2018. The older couple that had been maintaining the ranch still live there; one of them was born on the farm decades ago.

The farm is a constant work in progress, with a new sand pen built in early March. "We stripped everything," he said. "There was just one small barn. We are in the middle of building a two-story hay barn. We redid every single fence line. There's an above average barn with fancy living quarters upstairs. You can control the temperature in the barn. It's actually really beautiful, we like to stay there every once in a while."

Although the 30 head of registered Scottish Highland cattle make up most of the residents on the farm, the three Thoroughbred broodmares are another attraction. "I'm trying to buy above average mares for Pennsylvania," Myers said. "I've never done the foaling before, so I'm trying to get my feet wet."

The first of the three mares is 12-year-old Dillingham, a winning daughter of Pleasant Tap. She is the dam of three winners from three to race, including Miss Dillingham, who has won both of her 2020 starts so far. Dillingham foaled a Warrior's Reward colt in early March.



The next mare is 7-year-old Pharoah's Princess, by Pioneer of the Nile. The winning mare was an \$80,000 purchase at last November's Keeneland sale in foal to Tiznow, and is due soon after producing a Connect colt last year. The mare's first foal, a colt by More Than Ready, sold as a weanling at Keeneland for \$145,000 in 2018. Myers is also expecting a Speightster foal later this year from his third mare.

"My goal is to get to eight or 10 broodmares," Myers said. "I've got some really nice stock right now, and we've been working on the farm for two years."

Myers no longer has horses on the track, but he had as many as 11 at one time before. "I backed out because I changed my plans and what I wanted to do," he said simply. "I want to develop my own breeding program and get it rolling."

Myers has ambitious goals. "We've got a really nice set up, and did everything the best we could," he said. "We went first class on everything. I'm spending some good money on mares and going after something a little higher end than your average horse," he said. Myers plans to sell some of his homebred stock as either weanlings or yearlings at the Keeneland sales, but is open to keeping some to race.

"My biggest goal is to find the best one I can get for the Kentucky Derby one day," he added. "But then again, that's everyone's goal." ■





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# Spencer Kinkelaar: A face of the future

by Emily Shields

How much can one 20-year-old do to inject a bout of enthusiasm into racing in Pennsylvania?

Spencer Kinkelaar is on course to find out. The University of Pennsylvania student is a burgeoning racing guru, going from brand new fan to racehorse owner in six months. He is on course to bring a host of other young adults into the game, while furthering his own foray into ownership as well.

The day after he graduated high school, Kinkelaar went with his grandmother to a harness track in Ohio.

"I knew nothing about horse racing," he said, "but I got into it on the gambling side. I met a man named Matt Kehoe of M J M Stable, and he taught me about claiming and how it works. Within six months I was the part owner of a Thoroughbred at Parx."

The jump into horses wasn't a complete surprise, although it took longer than it could have. Growing up, Kinkelaar was a neighbor of Greg Newell, the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association Board President. "I wouldn't be who I am today without him and his family," Kinkelaar said. "His children used to babysit me. I hadn't talked to him for five years, but within two weeks of when



I moved back to Pennsylvania for school, he had a horse entered at Parx. That was my first time in the winner's circle, and at that point I knew I wanted to buy a horse. Now I have five."

The Finance major has owned pieces of several horses, including his favorite: Your Secret's Safe, by Tapizar. The 6-year-old gelding is a four-time winner in Pennsylvania.

"The only Pennsylvania-bred I've ever owned is Chapel of Chimes," Kinkelaar said. "It's hard to claim a good PA-bred, because people really go after them. But I love claiming

those types because of the bonuses available. It's what I'm always looking for."

Chapel of Chimes was claimed for \$6,250 by M J M Stable and Pewter Stable out of a Sept. 25, 2019 race at Penn National. She then went up the ladder to an \$8,000 race Nov. 2 where she won under new trainer Kate. Just two starts later she was claimed for \$4,000. Gritty and determined, Chapel of Chimes has won 18 of her 54 lifetime starts for earnings over \$345,000.

The best horse Kinkelaar has been a part of is Princess Latina, a six-time winner in 12 lifetime starts. The daughter of Adios Charlie was claimed by M J M Stable with Patrick Rourke June 14, 2019, after winning a sloppy sprint at Gulfstream Park by nearly 7 lengths. The ownership group paid \$6,250 for her; Princess Latina responded by earning \$43,000 for them on the track. She won three times before being claimed away for \$16,000 last October.

Outside of ownership, and the regular challenges that come with being a sophomore at a university, Kinkelaar's big project is starting up a racing partnership with fellow students.

"It would be only for students at Penn," he said. "It's called the University of Pennsylvania Horse Racing Club, and it's in the process of registering. I'm hoping that our silks would have the school logo, or something emblematic of the school. I'd like to claim our first horse this year."

Parx Racing trainer Joe Taylor has agreed to train, and there are partners interested that would ensure Kinkelaar doesn't have to foot the bill in full. "There's been tons of interest," he said. "Everyone is very curious. The indus-



try does a terrible job of marketing to people under the age of 40, so I'm trying to spread the word to college-aged people that I can get you 1 percent of a claimer for \$30 a month with a \$50 startup cost. Hopefully they will get that money back."

Kinkelaar knows the horse racing game is doable if you have friends involved. "It's not terribly expensive if you have a couple of partners," he said. "I've got about 10 to 15 people already very interested, and once we get one horse in the winner's circle, that number should double or triple."

He noted that the audience is right, financially: "Many of the students here have Ivy League backgrounds, so if there are any students with money, this is it. This is the audience you need."

The future looks bright for Kinkelaar, who jokes that he's "Not rich yet, so I'll stick to claimers for a few more years." He has five horses with trainers like DeMasi and the popular young Saffie Joseph Jr., but one day he would like to buy a broodmare and try the breeding industry.

"It is an incredibly challenging game," he said. "If my career in finance and investing kicks off, then I would absolutely love to have the money to buy a farm. Sure, there are a lot of nice farms in Kentucky, but I am from Pennsylvania and would love a Chester County horse farm. And a homebred stallion? That would be the dream." ■



# 2020 Pennsylvania-Bred Stakes Schedule

	<b>Saturday April 25</b>	<b>\$100,000 Page McKenney Handicap</b> 3 & up, 7 furlongs	<b>\$100,000 Unique Bella Stakes</b> 3 & up, fillies & mares, 7 furlongs	<b>TBD</b>
	<b>Saturday May 30</b>	<b>\$100,000 Danzig Stakes</b> 3YO, 6 furlongs	<b>\$100,000 New Start Stakes</b> 3YO fillies, 6 furlongs	
	<b>Saturday June 20</b>	<b>\$100,000 Lyphard Stakes</b> 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> miles, turf	<b>\$100,000 With Anticipation Stakes</b> 3 & up, 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> miles, turf	
	<b>Saturday June 20</b>	<b>\$100,000 Crowd Pleaser Stakes</b> 3YO, 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> miles, turf	<b>\$100,000 Power by Far Stakes</b> 3 & up, fillies & mares, 5 furlongs, turf	
	<b>Monday July 6</b>	<b>\$100,000 Hard Spun Stakes</b> 3 & up, 1 mile	<b>\$100,000 Princess of Sylmar Stakes</b> 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 mile	
<b>PENNSYLVANIA'S DAY AT THE RACES</b>	<b>Saturday August 1</b>	<b>\$100,000 Banjo Picker Sprint Stakes</b> 3 & up, 6 furlongs	<b>\$100,000 Marshall Jenney Handicap</b> 3 & up, 5 furlongs, turf	
		<b>\$100,000 Mrs. Penny Stakes</b> 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> miles, turf	<b>\$100,000 Storm Cat Stakes</b> 3 & up, 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> miles	
		<b>\$100,000 Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial Stakes</b> 3 & up, fillies & mares, 6 furlongs	<b>\$100,000 Jump Start Stakes</b> PA-Sired, PA-Bred 3 & up, 7 furlongs	
	<b>Sunday August 30</b>	<b>\$100,000 Malvern Rose Stakes</b> 3YO fillies, 1 mile		
	<b>Monday September 14</b>	<b>\$100,000 Finest City Stakes</b> 2YO fillies, 6 furlongs		
	<b>Saturday September 26</b>	<b>\$100,000 Alphabet Soup Handicap</b> 3 & up, 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> miles, turf	<b>\$100,000 Plum Pretty Stakes</b> 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> miles	
	<b>Monday September 28</b>	<b>\$100,000 Mark McDermott Stakes</b> 2YO, 6 furlongs		
	<b>Wednesday November 25</b>	<b>\$100,000 Shamrock Rose Stakes</b> 2YO fillies, 6 furlongs		
	<b>Saturday December 5</b>	<b>\$100,000 Pennsylvania Nursery Stakes</b> 2YO, 7 furlongs		

# A Letter From the Executive Secretary

I would first like to wish everyone well during this time of quarantine and social distancing in the wake of Covid-19. Our farms have taken the necessary precautions to keep their staff healthy in order to continue providing the best care to our stallions, broodmares and foals. The breeding sheds are still operating. If you are shipping your mare in, call ahead to verify new handling procedures put in place. Please also note that most farms are not accepting visitors at this time.

The PHBA office is closed until further notice from the Governor. The staff is working from home, so emails and calls will be answered. We will do our best to ensure that operations continue to run smoothly during this time.

I would like to thank the many legislators that have given us their total support since the Governor's budget address. Keep in contact with your Senators and Representatives as we are winning this fight.

The new Stakes Schedule is available online. The first two stakes races are April 25 at Parx, but check our social media



accounts and email blasts for the most recent updates on the return of racing in Pennsylvania. New this year is the \$100,000 Jump Start Stakes for PA-Sired PA-Breds, to be held during PA Day at the Races on Saturday, Aug 1.

A couple of reminders: Our annual awards banquet honoring the champions of 2019 will be held at the Mendenhall Inn, near Longwood Gardens, on May 29 if feasible. Invitations for PA Day at the Races will be mailed in June.

PA foals of 2020 have started to arrive! Send us your foal photos with lineage, foaling date and location to be included in the 2020 Foal Gallery on the website and be featured on our social media accounts. Email photos and information to [pabreeder@gmail.com](mailto:pabreeder@gmail.com) or share with us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

These are difficult days for all of us. When life in America gets back to normal, and it will, our PA breeding program will be here, stronger and better than ever! As always, if you have any questions, please call us at 610.444.1050.

Stay safe and healthy!

/Brian Sanfratello



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# Pennsylvania News Briefs

## CRANES MOVING FORWARD AFTER UNTHINKABLE TRAGEDY

On the afternoon of Saturday, March 7, disaster struck at Crane Thoroughbreds in Lebanon when one of the main barns burned to the ground. While Clovis Crane and others on the farm were able to get seven horses out, 15 perished. All were 2-year-olds being prepped for the juvenile sales.

Friends, colleagues and the Thoroughbred community have stepped up with an outpouring of support which includes a Go Fund Me page and an online auction. In the week after the fire, Clovis Crane provided reports and thanks on his Facebook page.

Nearly 500 donors have contributed to the Go Fund Me page Clovis Crane Barn Fire Rebuild Fund, which has a goal of \$100,000.

The Crane Thoroughbred Benefit Auction listed dozens of items, from artwork to Thoroughbred, Quarter Horse and Hanoverian stallion seasons, photography to lessons in dressage, barrel and cow-horse training. Among the many other offerings are health care, tack, hay, vacation get-aways, and two hours of entertainment with O'Callaghan The Music Man.

Bidding closed April 5. The results of the auction may be found by searching Crane Thoroughbred Benefit Auction on Google or your Facebook page.



**Clovis Crane**  
March 9 at 9:37 PM · 🌐

I'm not a wealthy fella, but I'm very rich in the people who care for me, and my family, and that's just fine by me.

I don't have a clue how to thank everyone, but thank you. With your help; We're gonna be ok. It's only 48 hrs from a nightmare. It seems like it's been so much longer. So much has happened, and so many people have helped, and reached out. There have literally been hundreds of people come to the house to offer help, and thousands more people reach out. Honestly, it's very overwhelming, but I thank everyone. There are so so many great people in this world.

To the clients and partners in all the horses we lost, my heart aches for you and the horses. This event has forever changed my life. I'll never forget them.

**Clovis Crane**  
March 12 at 10:36 AM · 🌐

Four days and four restless nights after the fire. We're gonna be ok.

We're so humbled by the outpouring of love and support by our family, community, fellow horsemen, rodeo friends, the wrestling incident. All by the grace of god, you've showed up and pulled us through in this daunting time.

I needed to post so that everyone could be relieved and understand; we have enough STUFF.

With the last couple of people I know who already have things coming; We have most everything we need to operate. We don't want to keep taking stuff and be gluttons. To those of you who have donated. We'll never be able to repay you, but; We will pay it forward. The stuff we get that we won't use; we'll see to it that we find someone who will use it.

Lastly, on equipment and supplies; I've turned away 3 loads of alfalfa. We have enough hay to get through.

This has been a emotional nightmare, and monumental financial disaster, but a spiritual awakening for me. Despite what the media or anyone might tell you, I've found through this incident; the world is full of great people. I know I can't thank you all enough. So, I will pay it forward more than ever.

To our clients new and old; your horses and your support literally mean the world to us. We never missed a single day of training through all of this. The horses are always our number one priority. My heart aches for those we lost, and it beats because of those that are here. Thank you all.

**Clovis Crane**  
March 10 at 8:08 PM · 🌐

Our community is amazing. The insurance investigator finished his work at 130, and gave us the clear to clean up. By 2pm there were 20+guys with equipment here cleaning up the mess. By 7pm it's all but gone. So grateful, so humbled. The world is full of awesome, good people.





# Pennsylvania News Briefs

## PENN VET RESEARCHERS SEEK ANSWERS IN STUDY OF COMBINED USAGE OF LASIX, BISPHOSPHONATES

Researchers at the University of Pennsylvania's School of Veterinary Medicine (Penn Vet) have launched a novel study exploring possible effects resulting from the combined use of furosemide, commonly known as Lasix, and bisphosphonates in equine athletes.

Led by Dr. Mary Robinson, assistant professor of veterinary pharmacology and director of the Equine Pharmacology Laboratory at Penn Vet's New Bolton Center, this landmark study is poised to be the first comprehensive analysis of the two drugs that, when used concurrently could be capable of diminishing bone integrity and compromising cardiac function in racehorses. These effects have the potential to contribute to catastrophic injuries on the racetrack.

"The beauty of this study is that it will use a multi-disciplinary approach to assess the interaction between these two drugs that we know are administered to racehorses," said Robinson. "By coupling our state-of-the-art imaging technologies with the scope of expertise among the other investigators on this project, we will be able to produce solid, unbiased data that will address some of the unknowns surrounding the use of these medications."

Nearly 85 percent of racehorses in the United States receive Lasix as a preventive therapy for a condition called exercise-induced pulmonary hemorrhage (EIPH). Also used in human medicine to treat heart conditions, the drug is known to cause a short-term loss of calcium and increase the risk of fractures in human patients. But because horses can quickly recover from a calcium deficit, Lasix alone is unlikely to be the root cause for catastrophic, racing related breakdowns which, according to The Jockey Club Equine Injury Database, occur at a rate of approximately 1.6 in 1,000 starts.

"As racehorse owners and enthusiasts, we have a deep love for the sport and for our horses. There are so many theories about injuries – it's a constant concern – and there's so much to learn, but yet very little has been done in this area in order to so," said Gretchen Jackson.

She and her husband, Roy Jackson, share a passion for improving the welfare of racehorses that lies at this nexus of this study.

"Ultimately, we hope this research will empower us, as an industry, to make more informed decisions or exercise a greater degree of confidence in how we care for these animals that mean so much to us."

### EXPLORING INTERACTION UNKNOWNNS

A team comprised of 13 Penn Vet researchers will explore the largely unknown effects of a class of drugs called bisphosphonates, particularly when being used concurrently with Lasix.

### PIONEERING INNOVATIONS IN DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING

A collaborative study at its core, the Penn Vet team will cross-examine other facets related to the use of these substances in racehorses, including pioneering new understandings of advanced imaging systems such as New Bolton Center's standing robotic computed tomography (CT) and, in collaboration with UC Davis's Dr. Mathieu Spriet, a new standing positron emission tomography (PET) system.

The system, which is identical to the one already in place at Santa Anita Park, will make Penn Vet's New Bolton Center the second veterinary hospital in the world to implement the use of an equine PET scanner.

### HARNESSING THE POWER OF BIOMARKERS

Partnering with Penn Vet's Extracellular Vesicle Core (EV Core), the first of its kind in the U.S., the research team will also explore the promising frontier of using EVs in blood or other samples to detect illicit use of bisphosphonates, which are presently undetectable in the blood of a horse after 30 days. EVs are membrane-enclosed nanoparticles released from all cell types and play an integral role in intercellular communication.

While efforts for this research project are underway, the study is estimated to take two years to complete. "This multidisciplinary, prospective approach will provide us with the most comprehensive data available to assess if the use of these substances may or may not be contributing to catastrophic injuries on the track," said Robinson.

To read more about the study, go here <https://www.vet.upenn.edu/about/press-room/press-releases/article/a-tip-ping-point-for-catastrophic-injuries-in-racehorses-penn-vet-researchers-seek-answers-in-novel-interaction-study>. ■



# Pennsylvania News Briefs

## MTHA/PTHA COVID-19 RELIEF OPTIONS FOR HORSEMEN

The Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association and Pennsylvania H.B.P.A. partnered together on Friday, April 3 to host an informational phone conference to review Federal and State stimulus funds available to local horsemen to combat the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic.

Experts carefully broke down and instructed horsemen their rights under the Federal Coronavirus Aid, RELIEF and ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT in reference to small business loans and grants, unemployment refunds and tax implications, and explained how the loan or grant programs work and eligibility requirements.

Recently enacted legislation includes but is not limited to:

- The Federal Coronavirus Preparedness Response and Supplemental Appropriations Act
- The Families First Coronavirus Response Act
- The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or CARES Act
- Pennsylvania COVID-19 various funding programs.

As for the recent shutdown of racing in Maryland and Pennsylvania and the timeline for its return, horsemen's representatives offered their takes with the understanding that decisions hinge on actions by state government leaders. Live racing in both states was halted in mid-March. The two Pennsylvania representatives said they believe live racing will resume only when their respective casinos reopen.

"A (purse) issue certainly exists for us," said Sal DeBunda, President of the PTHA, which represents horsemen at Parx Racing. "They will not consider opening the racetrack until the casino is open. We're hoping that can happen in May – that's the goal we are trying to set."

Todd Mostoller, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania HBPA, said it is improbable live racing will resume at Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course until the casino is back in action. He also said the purse account is in "good shape" for when live racing returns.

The webinar can be heard in its entirety here <https://register.gotowebinar.com/recording/8004989314464857094>. ■

## PHBA Dates to Remember

### Reminders for Breeders

**PHBA Membership Form and Dues:** March 31

**Broodmare Domicile:** Dec. 1 or 14 days after a public sale

**Yearling Registration:** Dec. 31 of the yearling year

**Early Registration:** Within 365 days of foaling

**Stallion Registration for next breeding season:**

Feb. 15 of year breeding.

Check out the "Calendar of Events & Reminders" section at [www.pabred.com](http://www.pabred.com) for more reminders and upcoming PA-Bred stakes, members' events, and more.

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## JUVENILE SALES CALENDAR

### Fasig-Tipton

The dates for the Midlantic Two-Year-Olds in Training sale have been reevaluated in response to the evolving COVID-19 pandemic, with new dates announced April 3.

The traditional May Midlantic Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale has now been rescheduled for Monday and Tuesday, June 29-30, at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium. The under tack show will be

held on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, June 24-26.

Initially a second 2-year-old sale was scheduled to be held in June, but that auction will be replaced with this rescheduled May auction. Fasig-Tipton will consider holding an additional 2-year-old auction at a later date, should there be sufficient demand and need.

Both the Gulfstream and Santa Anita sales have been cancelled.

### OBS Spring

Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's April sale will now be held June 9 through June 12, with the Under Tack shows from May 31 to June 6. The sale of 2-year-olds and horses of racing age normally held in June will now be July 14-17, with the Under Tack shows from July 6 to 11. ■

## 2020 MATCH SERIES

(From press release)

Given the current coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the resulting shutdown of live racing in the Mid-Atlantic region, the status of the 2020 MATCH Series remains unclear.

Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races, which was to launch the series April 18 along with Laurel Park, has already said the three MATCH Series stakes scheduled for that day, as well as the Charles Town Classic, will be

postponed and hopefully run at a later date. Charles Town and Laurel—scheduled for two turf stakes in the series April 18—briefly offered live racing while closed to the public and with essential personnel only permitted on the ground—were ordered to close in mid-March.

There is no clarity as to when live racing can resume.

In addition, Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan has said the Preakness Stakes would not be held the third Saturday in May. Five MATCH Series stakes are scheduled for Preakness weekend but the Maryland Jockey Club

stakes schedule is under review given the movement of stakes at other racetracks in the region.

The MATCH Series partners will be meeting soon to discuss the ongoing situation and a strategy should racing resume in the near future. After May, there are five series legs scheduled, one each in June, July, August, September and October. ■



## FROM THE JOCKEY CLUB

### Maintaining Breeding Shed Activity

The challenges of the global COVID-19 pandemic have led to new protocols for Thoroughbred breeding to minimize risk of infection among farm staff and related personnel charged with transporting and handling horses.

The Jockey Club recommends that all North American, Central American, and Caribbean Thoroughbred stud farm operations at a minimum follow guidelines from the

Kentucky Department of Ag Guidelines for COVID-19: Breeding Shed Activity issued by E.S. "Rusty" Ford from the Office of the State Veterinarian, Kentucky Department of Agriculture.

With vans and individuals visiting multiple facilities each day during the breeding season, it is important to adopt standard practices in how people and horses visiting sheds are managed.

To see the list of guidelines, go to <https://bit.ly/2Ju8xIL>. ■



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## NEWS FROM NEW BOLTON

### Partnering through a Pandemic: Penn Vet's New Bolton Center Launches Innovative Telehealth Service Amid COVID-19

In an effort to provide the highest level of veterinary care amid the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the University of Pennsylvania's School of Veterinary Medicine (Penn Vet) at New Bolton Center has launched a new, innovative telehealth service for large animals.

The service offers both teleconsultations, allowing on-site veterinarians in the field to collaborate with New Bolton Center specialists to address patient needs, as well as telemedicine appointments, enabling New Bolton Center Field Service veterinarians to conduct 'virtual visits' with patients while following best practices of social distancing.

"The COVID-19 environment has challenged us to rethink how we can continue to deliver an exceptional level of care to our clients and our community," said Dr. Barbara Dallap Schaer, Hospital Director for Penn Vet's New Bolton Center. "While we continue to provide vital, in-person care for emergency and urgent cases at New Bolton Center's hospital, our telehealth capabilities will bridge any physical disconnect felt during this time to offer care to those who need it most. We want to be there for people."

By relying on a suite of teleconferencing software, mobile cameras, and rapid file-exchange systems, New Bolton Center's veterinary specialists can provide real-time support, evaluation, and guidance to on-site veterinarians. The on-site veterinarians can then use the information to diagnose and treat their patient in-person.

New Bolton Center's telehealth experts are also available to help on-site veterinarians integrate telemedicine tools into their own practices, enabling them to provide care to their own patients without the need for physical, in-person contact.

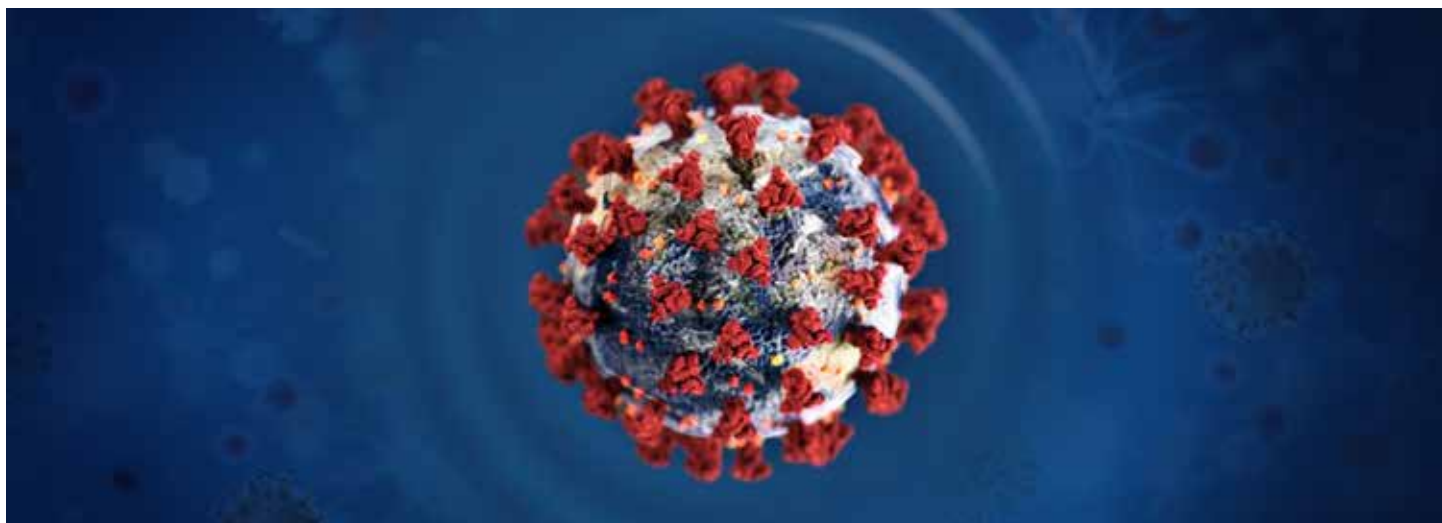
For large animal owners, New Bolton Center's Field Service veterinarians will implement the same clinical skills utilized in person to conduct an examination through the teleconferencing platform.

"Our new telehealth service not only has risen to meet the challenge of providing life-saving veterinary care safely during the COVID-19 pandemic, but it has opened up endless opportunities for the future," added Dr. Cristobal Navas de Solis, assistant professor of cardiology/ultrasound and internal medicine at New Bolton Center.

"These tools offer tremendous implications for collaborating with other veterinarians, and even delivering care to remote or underserved locations, in ways that we have never been able to before," added Navas de Solis.

New Bolton Center is currently offering teleconsultations with on-site, referring veterinarians at no cost. For more information about New Bolton Center's telehealth services or to make an appointment, visit [www.vet.upenn.edu/newbolton-telehealth](http://www.vet.upenn.edu/newbolton-telehealth).

New Bolton Center's hospital remains open for any veterinary emergency and medically necessary cases. If you are experiencing a veterinary emergency, call 610-444-5800. ■





# Industry News

## JOCKEY CLUB VIDEO AND FAQs TO FACILITATE DIGITAL CERTIFICATE MANAGEMENT

The Jockey Club Registry has made available a video tutorial and FAQs to assist industry stakeholders with managing digital certificates. Digital certificates were introduced in 2018 to streamline management of the official certificate of registration throughout the life of a Thoroughbred.

“A digital certificate follows a Thoroughbred from the farm to the sales to the racetrack to the breeding shed and even into retirement,” said Rick Bailey, registrar, The Jockey Club. “The foals of 2018 are now 2 years old, and they are the first Thoroughbreds to arrive at the racetrack with digital certificates. We want to help racing office personnel, trainers, and other interested parties learn how to manage digital certificates to ensure the process is smooth and efficient for everyone. For Thoroughbreds 3 years old and older, the paper certificate process stays the same.”

For those who do not have an Interactive Registration (IR) account, the first step to managing digital certificates is creating an account at [registry.jockeyclub.com](http://registry.jockeyclub.com). IR has been used by breeders, owners, and agents for more than two decades to submit names, registration applications, and other materials to the registry office. Sign-up is free, and anyone with a valid email address can sign up for an account.

When a horse is registered, the person performing the registration is prompted to designate the first certificate manager. The certificate manager has control of the digital certificate, similar to having possession of a paper certificate. If a horse is consigned to a sale before registration is complete, the certificate is automatically assigned to the sales company.

A certificate manager can assign a certificate to an individual/entity, sales company, racetrack, or The Jockey Club Registry. During the assignment process, current ownership information can be updated, and if certificate management is assigned to a racetrack, a trainer must be selected.

Digital certificates also show logos that indicate Breeders' Cup nomination, Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau digital tattoo status, many state breeders' programs, and other important designations. Documents such as Coggins or a bill of sale can be uploaded to a digital certificate and are indicated by a paperclip icon.

For more information about Thoroughbred registry-related processes, visit the registry website at [registry.jockeyclub.com](http://registry.jockeyclub.com). ■



## Recent PA-Bred Stakes Horses



### VIOLENT TIMES

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3rd - CAPTIVA ISLAND S, Gulfstream Park,  
\$75,000, 4YO/UP, F/M, 5FT, 3/7.

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## NEED SOME GOOD NEWS?

## UPTOWNCHARLYBROWN IS HERE TO HELP LESSEN THE BURDEN!

The #1 sire in all of NA in moving mares up AEI/CI ratio,  
#3 behind WAR FRONT & TAPIT in AE per start,  
who crushes all sires by the numbers in the Mid-Atlantic,  
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As such... For the rest of 2020, to help fellow PA  
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## See and compare

**Average Earnings per start & AEI/CI dwarfs all other MidAtlantic Stallions!\***

Stallion	Stud Fee	#crops	wins/starts	AE/starter	AE/start	2019 AE/runner	AEI/CI
<b>Uptowncharlybrown</b>	<b>\$7,500</b> <b>\$4,000 for PA mares</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>\$83,552</b>	<b>\$9,115</b>	<b>\$47,781</b>	<b>2.03/0.74</b>
<i>Jump Start</i>	<i>\$10,000 deceased</i>	14	16%	\$87,706	\$4,531	\$24,805	1.40/1.27
Great Notion	\$7,500	12	17%	\$83,076	\$5,297	\$33,999	1.51/1.21
Warrior's Reward	\$5,000	6	14%	\$53,489	\$3,702	\$19,546	1.04/1.34
Friesan Fire	\$4,000	5	13%	\$65,306	\$4,041	\$27,794	1.19/1.26

# Social Media Snippets

## PA BREEDING AND RACING NEWS ON THE WEB

A look at a few of recently posted items on the PA Bred Facebook page that you may have missed



### **Canter PA is helping with the dispersal from a PA breeding farm**

Approximately 18 new horses are available due to a breeding farm dispersal.

### **Horse racing awaits next post time**

GoErie explains how the COVID-19 virus is affecting racing in Pennsylvania.

### **Views from around the farms**

Joy can be found around the state's farms, as seen in dozens of foal photo posts. Keep the photos and videos coming!

### **Looking for a farm to board your racehorse while racing is shut down?**

Ashwell Stables in West Grove and Maui Meadow in West Chester has openings for anyone looking to move their horse from the track for a bit.

Check the Facebook page for details and future additions!

### **A visit with Midnightcharly**

Trainer Ed Coletti is doing daily barn update, highlighting a different horse each day – PA-Bred stakes winner Midnightcharly was a recent star.

### **Stories from around the track**

We're all missing the racing action, but sharing stories keeps us connected – Parx Racing trainer Tim Smylie talks about how his family was involved in racing, how he got into it, and his favorite parts about training horses.



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- **Runners earned over a million dollars for 14th consecutive year**
- **Continues to serve on PA Horseman's Thoroughbred Association Board at Parx for last ten years**
- **First female trainer in Parx Hall of Fame**



# Pennsylvania News Briefs

## New Broodmare Domicile Requirement for Crop of 2020

Most of you are aware that the broodmare domicile report is a mandatory form that is required to be submitted on an annual basis for all mares intending to foal in the state. Beginning with the crop of 2020, the domicile report must be on file when you register your foal. At the time of registration, the PHBA will verify that the domicile report is on file and was submitted timely.



Please do not use any old forms. The new form is accessible on our website. We are requesting that it be submitted online only. If it is imperative that you need a paper copy, please call our office to have one mailed to you.

Please [click here](#) to view the eligibility criteria for a PA-bred, go to our website or contact our office if you have any questions.



### Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association

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#### An Industry Leader:

**Integrity:**

- Protecting Parx horsemen's rights
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- Providing health care + pension for nearly 200 Parx trainers
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**Local Community:**

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**Programs:**

- **Horsemen's Purchasing Association**  
Offering quality products at discount prices including feed, bedding, supplements, tack + more
- **Turning for Home, Inc.**  
Safely retiring over 2,600 Parx racehorses since 2008
- **Granny Youmans Scholarship Fund**  
Enabling Parx horsemen + their families to further their education
- **NEW in 2019 - A Leg Up + Pony Up**  
Backstretch job training + placement;  
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# FASTEST

## Son of War Front

STANDING IN PENNSYLVANIA

2019 Yearlings Averaged Nearly  
**10X HIS STUD FEE!**

**SIRE OF THE TOP TWO  
HIGHEST-PRICED HIPS**

at 2018 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic December Mixed



## HIS FIRST CROP HITS THE TRACK IN 2020!

Peace and Justice was a "TDN Rising Star" & winner from coast-to-coast, incl. a wire-to-wire mile victory over G1W DRILL, 3/5 sec. off Horse of the Year WISE DAN's course record of 1:32.36.

1/2 brother to HUDSON STEELE (G2W), & the dam of My Man Sam (G1P) & HAKAM (G3W);  
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