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- **Early registration:**
Within 365 days of foaling
- **Yearling registration:**
Dec. 31 of yearling year
- **Stallion registration:**
Feb. 15 of year breeding
- **Broodmare domicile:**
Dec. 1 or 14 days after a public sale or entering state if being bred back to PA-sire

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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.”

A few words from the Executive Secretary

First, let me begin by saying that the PHBA hopes that you and your families remain healthy during this trying time. Hopefully by the time you receive this month’s edition we will have been able to move on with our lives to some extent.

Breeding season is well on its way and our breeding sheds are still open! If you haven’t booked your mare yet don’t miss the opportunity. Go to pabred.com and take a look at our Stallion and Boarding Farm Directory. It’s

not too late to take part in the best breeding program in the country!

This year’s Iroquois Banquet is scheduled to be held at the Mendenhall Inn on Friday, May 29. By now you should have received an email with an update on the status of the ceremony. If you have not, please check our website for information or call our office at 610.444.1050.

The first two of our 2020 stakes races, the Page McKenney Handicap and the Unique

Bella Stakes, scheduled for April 25 at Parx, have been pushed back due to the COVID-19 outbreak. The schedule will be redone when we have a better grasp on the time period available. Keep an eye on our social media accounts and website for updates.

Thank you for being a part of our program and please stay safe!





2020 Pennsylvania-Bred Stakes Schedule

POSTPONED

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

PA-Bred Fund Statistics: Top Earners

January 1 through February 29, 2020

LEADING EARNERS - TOTAL AWARDS

Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Total	Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Total
Northview Stallion Station Inc.	0	70,577	70,577	A & J Racing Stable LLC	20,608	0	20,608
William J. Solomon VMD	33,344	17,114	50,458	Robert C. Roffey Jr.	20,108	0	20,108
Richard N. Miller	39,098	8,136	47,234	Barbara J. Geraghty	18,912	0	18,912
Fantasy Lane Stable Inc.	34,336	8,584	42,920	Roger Cettina	18,704	0	18,704
Glenn E. Brok LLC	23,866	15,010	38,876	Barlar LLC	14,527	3,458	17,985
Blackstone Farm LLC	38,846	0	38,846	John McCaslin	17,370	0	17,370
Thomas G. McClay	34,553	0	34,553	Daniel W. McConnell Sr.	17,000	0	17,000
Cavanaugh Breen Farm LLC	30,584	0	30,584	Arrowwood Farm Inc.	16,316	0	16,316
Patricia L. Chapman	24,906	4,960	29,866	Castle Rock Farm	15,293	0	15,293
Sylmar Farm Inc.	28,307	0	28,307	Wendy H. Mutnick	14,992	0	14,992
Donald L. Brown Jr.	20,582	4,871	25,453	Robin H. Perry	14,826	0	14,826
Stacy McMullin Machiz	21,509	0	21,509	Richard Molineaux	14,284	0	14,284

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.	98	37,374	Wiseman's Ferry	Lainey Bug Stables LLC	4	5,152
El Padrino	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	42	24,336	Smarty Jones	Patricia L. Chapman	31	4,960
Albert the Great	William J. Solomon VMD	27	10,345	Messner	Donald L. Brown Jr.	4	4,871
Partner's Hero	Peter Giangiulio	14	9,405	Tocet	Castleton Lyons Inc.	3	4,676
Uptowncharlybrown	Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	14	9,099	Reflect Times (Jpn)	Flint W. Stites	10	4,016
Talent Search	Glenn E. Brok LLC	24	7,563	Silver Train	Henry R. Nothhaft	8	3,704
Emperor Tiberius	Richard N. Miller	3	6,240	E Dubai	Barlar LLC	8	3,458
Mad Flatter	Glenn E. Brok LLC	18	6,055	Any Given Saturday	William J. Solomon VMD	19	3,392
Petionville	Everest Stables Inc.	9	6,006	Well Spelled	Godstone Farm LP	22	3,246
Weigelia	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	44	5,530	Winchill	Pewter Stable	8	2,660
Rimrod	George Strawbridge Jr.	6	5,502	Flashy Bull	James E. Hess	8	2,373
Medallist	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	11	5,208	Fairbanks	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	11	2,138

LEADING HORSES

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

Horse	Pedigree	Breeder	Races	Restricted	Stakes	Breeder Award	Stallion Award	Owner Bonus	Total
E T's Gypsy Woman *	Emperor Tiberius - Deona	Richard N. Miller	2	0	0	28,740	6,240	10,800	45,780
Wait for It *	Uptowncharlybrown - Kimberley Diamond	Fantasy Lane Stable Inc.	2	0	0	22,064	5,516	15,760	43,340
Wise Jude *	Wiseman's Ferry - Sweet as You Are	A & J Racing Stable LLC	2	0	0	20,608	5,152	14,720	40,480
Promised Storm *	El Padrino - Innovative	Cavanaugh Breen Farm LLC	3	0	0	22,352	5,588	11,280	39,220
Graves Island *	Petionville - Sherrie Belle	Robert C. Roffey Jr.	3	0	0	20,108	5,027	9,220	34,355
Mess'n Around *	Messner - She Is a Lioness	Donald L. Brown Jr.	1	0	0	16,464	4,116	11,760	32,340
Flashy Kyem *	Medallist - Flash Riot	Daniel W. McConnell Sr.	3	0	0	15,680	3,920	11,200	30,800
Sunday Inn *	El Padrino - Dynamist	Patricia L. Chapman	1	0	0	15,456	3,864	11,040	30,360
Lucky Hero *	Partner's Hero - Leigh's Last Power	Barbara J. Geraghty	2	0	0	18,912	4,728	6,480	30,120
Red Razzo *	Tocet - High Iron Lass	Roger Cettina	3	0	0	18,704	4,676	6,160	29,540
Late Breaking News *	Jump Start - Very Distinctive	Stacy McMullin Machiz	3	0	0	14,621	3,655	8,892	27,168
Miss Dillingham *	Jump Start - Dillingham	Thomas G. McClay	2	0	0	15,648	3,912	3,360	22,920
Peach Alley *	Jump Start - How Bout Tonight	Thomas G. McClay	3	0	0	11,564	2,891	8,260	22,715
Final Shot *	Talent Search - Last Shot	Wendy H. Mutnick	2	0	0	14,992	3,748	3,680	22,420
Cat Giumarello	Successful Appeal - Passionate Dancer	Andrew Simoff	2	0	0	8,736	0	12,480	21,216
Diagonal *	Rimrod - Pass the Salt	R H Breeding LLC	3	0	0	13,808	3,074	4,320	21,202
Her Divineness	Divine Park - Big Shot Baby	Big Shot Stable LLC	2	0	0	8,400	0	12,000	20,400
Dreams Untold	Smarty Jones - Shootforthestars	Patricia L. Chapman	1	0	0	9,450	0	10,800	20,250
Guatavita	Lemon Drop Kid - Scoop of Gold	Cornerstone Thoroughbreds LLC	1	0	0	9,450	0	10,800	20,250
Ying Yue *	Jump Start - Calamity Girl	DDS Stables LLC	2	0	0	11,098	2,774	4,624	18,496
Geebert *	Albert the Great - Gee Pari	Richard Molineaux	2	0	0	10,080	2,016	5,760	17,856
Sweet Magic Moment *	Well Spelled - Ashley's Moment	Godstone Farm LP	3	0	0	10,080	2,016	5,760	17,856
The Carlbrook Kid *	Flashy Bull - Cosmic Dance	John McCaslin	2	0	0	8,870	2,218	6,336	17,424
Color Force *	Albert the Great - Contemptuous	William J. Solomon VMD	3	0	0	10,757	2,477	4,128	17,362

*Denotes PA-sired