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## LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The state budget is complete, and we're happy to say that no money was taken from the Race Horse Development Trust Fund or the Breeding Fund. Our Trust has again stood up to pressure from the Governor! Thanks to everyone who contacted their legislators and worked toward this outcome. See page 4 for more information.

Our 21st annual Pennsylvania's Day At the Races at Parx is just around the corner and YES, it's in person! The event will take place on Monday, August 23 and will again include \$1,000,000 in purses and our regular luncheon. Invitations will be sent via email the second week of July. Be sure to RSVP as seating is limited! The day will honor and celebrate the breeding industry in Pennsylvania, as well as provide the



chance for some top-notch horses to showcase their talents in our five \$100,000 stakes: the Banjo Picker Sprint for 3 & up at six furlongs; the Storm Cat for 3 & up at a mile and a sixteenth; the Marshall Jenney Handicap for sprinters 3 & up at five furlongs on the turf; the Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial for fillies and mares, 3 & up, at six furlongs; and the Mrs. Penny for fillies and mares, 3 & up, at a mile and a sixteenth on the turf. A 25 percent PA-sired bonus will again be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in all stakes. To nominate your horse, please call Parx Racing at 215.639.9000. Nominations close Monday, July 12. We can't wait to see you on August 23.

As always, if you have any questions about our program or if you're interested in joining the Thoroughbred breeding industry in Pennsylvania, please call our office at 610.444.1050.

Brian Sanfratello Executive Secretary

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## **PA-BRED NEWS**

## STATE BUDGET APPROVAL UPDATE



Dear Breeders,

The 2021-2022 fiscal year budget is complete and signed by Governor Wolf. I'm very happy to say that nothing was taken from the Race Horse Development Trust Fund or the Racing Fund!! I'd like to thank all of the Coalition lobbyists. It was a tough road but we did it again. The Governor couldn't gain support among the legislature, which included his own party and many members reiterated 'a deal is a deal' and 'a trust is a trust'.

The General Assembly passed a no new taxes and no new fees budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22.

The general spend number for the budget is \$40.8B; with \$38.5B coming from the state and and \$2.2B coming from federal funds. All things considered, the general fund budget's year-over-year growth is 2.6%.

\$2.5B of surplus revenue from FY 2020-21 will be deposited into the rainy day fund; and over \$5B of federal relief funds will be unspent and used in future budgets.

Thanks also goes out to all our Board members and membership who contacted their legislators. It made a big difference.

Is Pennsylvania the place to be? For those who keep asking that question I would say, "Only if you want to be part of the best program in the country".

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Go Pa!!

Sincerely,

Brian Sanfratello Executive Secretary

# THE HUMBLE LIFE OF BREEDER KATE GOLDENBERG

Breeding for decades and saving lives just as long.

#### BY EMILY SHIELDS

For nearly five decades, Kate Goldenberg has quietly set to work not only breeding and training her own horses, but rescuing and rehabilitating former racehorses as well. She does so without fanfare and without expecting anything in return, save for the sheer enjoyment of being around equine athletes most moments of every day. But this year, Goldenberg decided to take her special venture one step further.

Goldenberg, now 67, grew weary of doing virtually every chore without ever paying herself. "I'm not able to do as much anymore," she admitted. "I thought pursuing a 501(c)(3) would make it more attractive for people to make donations and help out."

Obtaining a 501(c)(3) status for a nonprofit organization takes time, money, and patience. "How many ways can you describe an apple?" Goldenberg lamented of the lengthy paperwork involved. "We were approved in September but didn't get the total paperwork until January 20."

As a 501(c)(3), donations to Safe Haven Equine's Thoroughbred Rescue component are tax deductible. Fundraising has always been an issue – as it is for most animal rehabilitation organizations – but lately, Goldenberg struggled. "I dislocated my shoulder on January 1," she said. "I've been in a lot





of pain and I'm having surgery in June. I severed tendons in my shoulder, but I've been delivering babies, breeding mares, and I've been tired."

And there aren't just horses on the property. "We have baby squirrels, we have old dogs," Goldenberg laughed. "We were getting donations as a regular farm, but now I'm hoping more people will feel like donating to us."

But even without the 501(c)(3) status, the farm has always been a hotbed of both special horses and wonderful volunteers.

"The volunteers we have are tremendous," Goldenberg said. "I have a rider that Danielle (Montgomery) from Turning For Home sent me, who is a Godsend for me, because I'm not the one climbing on these horses for the first time now!"

Whether Goldenberg or one of her riders is rehabilitating the horses makes little difference, as the quality of the training program has produced some true standouts in their second careers. Goldenberg pointed to Star of Midnight, a mare who ran 33 times – 23 of those in Pennsylvania – who is now a remarkable jumping prospect. "She goes right up to every jump and tucks every piece of herself. You wouldn't be afraid of riding her into anything."

Many of Goldenberg's rescue horses end up at Work to Ride, another 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that aids "disadvantaged urban youth through constructive activities centered on horsemanship." The program takes place at Chamounix Stables near Philadelphia. Participants, who must commit to at least a year in the program, learn various equine sports, but polo is the most popular.

One graduate of the program, Kareem Rosser, was part of the first all African-American team to win a National Interscholastic Polo championship, and has since published a moving memoir called "Crossing the Line."

"I've known those kids forever," Goldenberg said of Rosser and his siblings. "I don't know if it's just because I know them, but the way he wrote that book, I could feel tears coming down my face at times."

One of the horses Rosser bonded with was named Cholo, originally High Spirited. Bred by Goldenberg, the son of Judge T C went winless in 15 starts on the track. The Pennsylvania-bred flourished in his new career, and was a source of great inspiration for Rosser. "Cholo was quite a bit of the glue that kept Kareem focused; they were instantly bonded." Rosser ultimately went to college on a full scholarship, and Cholo remains an integral part of the Work to Ride program.

Another Pennsylvania-bred, Runninginflipflops, won four of 53 starts with nine second-place efforts. "I delivered that horse years ago," Goldenberg said. "His owner in New York called me and said he bucked her off; I said I would take him, no questions. I did not feel he was a bad horse, I felt he was a great horse. These kids at Work to Ride are tough; they get thrown, they get back up again."





Goldenberg has always been a champion for second careers for horses, as there are options even beyond what typical racing supporters know. "There's a desperate need for embryo transfer mares," she said. "There's a need for head to tail trail horses. I have people waiting in line for old pony horses from the track."

She nodded to the PHBA's "code of ethics" as a major plus for the sport. "There are huge penalties if your horse ends up in a kill pen," she explained. "This is huge, as these horses that might have gotten dumped are hopefully going to end up with people like me or Danielle. I've got a 14-year-old broodmare coming who probably has the patience of a saint. People need horses like that."

Despite its name, Safe Haven Equine is not only a safe place for animals. "This farm has healed so many," Goldenberg said. "Historically, it is the 'lost soul' that ends up here." In addition to Work to Ride, Goldenberg has been working with Truth for Women, an emergency shelter for survivors of sex trafficking in Bethlehem, Pa. Horses tend to be universally healing to those in need.

"There's just a neat thing about being on a farm, alongside the honesty of a horse. We've had soldiers and we've had people angry at how the world is, but when you're on a farm you realize that we are no different than the animals. Being here changes your attitude, so you don't get angry about things."

With all the work being done to rescue horses – and people – at Safe Haven Equine, Goldenberg, and her farm, exemplify all that is good in the world.



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## **PA-BRED NEWS**

# PHBA ENDORSES AMENDMENT ON HORSE SLAUGHTER

KENNETT SQUARE, Pa. – In yet another move to showcase its commitment to horse welfare, the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association (PHBA) has announced its endorsement of an amendment that would ban the transport of American slaughter-bound horses across both state lines and over country borders. The amendment is scheduled to be on the U.S. House floor in coming weeks.

Led by U.S. Representatives Troy Carter, Brian Fitzpatrick and John Katko, the amendment will be offered to the Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation in America Act, H.R.3684. If passed into law, it would effectively ban horse slaughter in America. An estimated 30,000 horses are exported from America to be slaughtered each year, a portion of which are former racehorses or Thoroughbred breeding stock. The House passed H.R. 3684 on July 1. It now moves to the Senate for consideration.

This endorsement is just the latest act in a series of pledges made by the PHBA towards equine welfare. The organization also supports the John Stringer Rainey Safeguard American Food Exports (SAFE) Act, and has a strict Anti-Slaughter Code of Ethics.

The SAFE Act, named for the late South Carolina philanthropist and former director of the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation, is legislation that would permanently end the slaughter of American horses for human consumption in the United States and abroad. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) and the Humane Society of the United States are among those supporting its passage.

At the time of the SAFE Act's introduction, PHBA executive secretary Brian Sanfratello said, "The SAFE Act is one of three items we are working on. The others are Pennsylvania-specific antislaughter legislation, similar to the SAFE Act, that would make it a misdemeanor for anyone who causes or transports a horse into the slaughter pipeline, as well as a PHBA code of ethics, with sanctions for anyone who is a member or registers horses with our organization and is found to be in violation of the Pennsylvania antislaughter measures."

The PHBA's Anti-Slaughter Code of Ethics, which acknowledges it opposes slaughter in general but is focused on the safety and welfare of the Thoroughbred, states that it is a condition of PHBA membership that every applicant signs a pledge not to knowingly cause a Thoroughbred horse to be slaughtered. Violating the rule results in being sanctioned by the PHBA with a \$1,000 fine for the first violation, a \$5,000 fine for the second, and a fine as well as complete revocation of Membership for a minimum of five years after the third.

For additional information, contact Brian Sanfratello at 610-444-1050, or email at brians@ pabred.com. Visit the PHBA's web site at www. pabred.com.

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## MILLIONAIRE ROW

## **RUSSIAN RHYTHM**

BY AVERIE LEVANTI

In a typical year, 1,600 Pennsylvania-breds compete on the racetrack for average earnings of \$27,600. Of the 50,000+ who have raced across the globe since 1985, only an elite group of 31 horses have broken the seven figure mark in earnings. Over the course of summer 2020, the Pennsylvania Horse Racing Association will be chronicling a ten-part series featuring the select group of Pennsylvania-breds who reached the unique and rare accomplishment of \$1,000,000 in racetrack earnings. Join us to celebrate and remember some of the greatest racehorses the Keystone State has produced.



#### RUSSIAN RHYTHM: TAKING ENGLAND BY STORM

Brushwood Stable's storied past has led itself to a record five Pennsylvania-bred millionaires. Betty Moran established a stellar reputation for her Pennsylvania farm by buying, selling, and campaigning world-class racing stock for decades. Our series has already covered two of Mrs. Moran's state-bred millionaires in Master Command and High Yield, but her exploits in contributing to racing at the highest level reached far beyond the United States.

The 1986 Keeneland November Sale offered a unique opportunity. Irish broodmare Balidaress had been exported to the United States the year before and was being offered at auction in foal to world-class sire Nureyev. At the time of her offering at Keeneland, Balidaress had already foaled two Group 1 winners and an English/Irish champion. The 13-year-old mare hammered at \$1,600,000, a top-five price at the sale which offered 1,900 horses, with bloodstock agent Barry Weisbord signing the ticket on behalf of Elizabeth Moran.

Betty Moran sent Balidaress to British Triple Crown winner Nijinsky II for her first foal on her behalf, and the mare produced a chestnut filly in 1988. Balistroika would never make it to the racetrack, but Mrs. Moran kept her at her Pennsylvania farm for broodmare duties. By the time she was sent to Kingmambo for her seventh foal, Balistroika had already produced two \$400,000 yearlings. She foaled her seventh foal, a chestnut filly, on Feb. 12, 2000.

The young filly quickly garnered high expectations and was offered as a weanling at the 2000 Keeneland November Sale where she brought \$370,000 from Surfside Enterprises. With such a beautifully European influenced pedigree, the filly was exported to England and offered as a yearling at the Tattersalls Houghton Yearling Sale, bringing around \$678,770 USD. Cheveley Park Stud, one of the most successful breeding and racing operations in Europe, signed the ticket.

Cheveley Park named the filly Russian Rhythm and sent her to trainer Sir Michael Stoute, often the handler of the operation's highest class racehorses. The filly made her debut as a 2-year-old at Newmarket on June 28, 2002, running down the pacemaker in the final strides to win by a neck. She returned the following month to make her stakes debut in the Group 3 Princess Margaret Stakes at Ascot, where she charged from last to first to post a length and a quarter victory as the even-money favorite.

Stepping up to the next level, Russian Rhythm next ap-

peared in the Group 2 Lowther Stakes at York. Sitting much closer than her previous start, the filly took command approaching the finish and held off the late challenge from Danaskaya to score by one and a quarter lengths. With a potential year-end championship beginning to materialize, Russian Rhythm's sights were set on the Group 1 Cheveley Park Stakes, a race named after her owners that serves as one of the most elusive races for 2-year-old fillies in all of Europe.

Sent off the heavy, odds-on favorite in the short field of six, Russian Rhythm assumed command in the Cheveley Park with a quarter mile left to travel. The challenge came from Airwave, who loomed alongside approaching the final furlong. To the surprise of many, Airwave continued on past Russian Rhythm to post a length and a half upset and quash any championship dreams. The Cartier Award for Champion Two-Year-Old Filly went to French Group 1 winner Six Perfections.

Having won three of her four starts at age 2, Russian Rhythm was put up for the year with the following year's goal being the first of the British classics for fillies, the 1000 Guineas. With the Guineas staged on the first Sunday in May, Sir Michael Stoute opted to train his filly directly up to the classic with no prep race. Meanwhile, 2-year-old champion Six Perfections notched another stakes win in the Prix Imprudence to bring her winning streak to four in a row. Although making her first start outside of France, the 1000 Guineas was viewed as Six Perfections to lose and she was installed the heavy 7-4 favorite. Russian Rhythm, having not been seen since her disappointing loss in the Cheveley Park and acting up before the race, was discounted at odds of 12-1 for her first start beyond six furlongs.

With a large field of 19 assembled for the Group 1 1000 Guineas, Russian Rhythm and Six Perfections found themselves alongside each other on the far outside of the starting gate. When the gates sprung, both fillies settled towards the back of the pack with Six Perfections drafting directly behind Russian Rhythm. Six Perfections eventually progressed alongside her foe, but it's a move that might have proven costly. As the real running began, the favorite found herself trapped behind a wall of horses as she checked off heels and got shuffled back. Meanwhile, Kieren Fallon aboard Russian Rhythm expertly switched his filly towards the middle of the pack and weaved her between horses to get within contention. Six Perfections was taken to the far outside to finally get clear sailing, but it was too late. Russian Rhythm was already bursting between leaders Intercontinental and Soviet Song to take the lead. Six Perfections could only hopelessly chase as Russian Rhythm powered to the front and held on to post a one and a half-length upset. Her victory marked the first 1000 Guineas success for Cheveley Park.

On a mission to prove her Guineas success was no fluke, Russian Rhythm squared up for the Group 1 Coronation Stakes at Royal Ascot against Guineas fourth-place Soviet Song. Sitting in third in the early going, Russian Rhythm made her bid for the lead approaching the final quarter mile. With Soviet Song rallying along the outside, both fillies powered away from the rest of the field. Russian Rhythm continued on with the advantage, again repelling her foe to cross under the wire a comfortable one and a half lengths in front.

For her next start in the Group 1 Nassau Stakes, Russian Rhythm faced two new challenges: facing older horses for the first time and stretching out to a mile-and-a-quarter. Regardless, she was still installed the heavy 4-5 favorite in the field of eight. Initially tracking in third, Russian Rhythm encountered traffic trouble and lost position in the waning stages of the race as Ana Marie took command of the lead. Kieron Fallon was finally able to steer his filly in the clear to engage with the pacesetter,

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and Russian Rhythm bore down on her older foe as the wire was quickly approaching. In a last gasp, she drew even and stuck her nose in front inside the final 50 yards to win her third consecutive Group 1 race by a neck.

Having conquered her own sex in her own age group and beyond, the next step for Russian Rhythm was open company against older males. The elusive Group 1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes run over a mile was the logical spot. Set at odds of 3-1, Russian Rhythm would go off as second choice behind the globetrotting 5-year-old male Falbrav, who had already garnered Group 1 victories on the year in the Prix d'Ispahan, Coral-Eclipse, and Juddmonte International.

In one of the most valiant efforts of her career, Russian Rhythm ran on gamely to fend off all challengers except her sternest foe. Although she had zeroed in on her target, Falbrav had first run on the younger filly and was simply too good. She tried her heart out and crossed the line in second, two lengths behind Falbrav. Falbrav continued his globetrotting ways, losing the Grade 1 Breeders' Cup Turf by a head before taking down the Group 1 Hong Kong Cup in the final start of his brilliant career. He was awarded the Cartier Award for Champion Older Male.

Russian Rhythm had one final race up her sleeve and took a crack at the Group 1 Champion Stakes, which closed out the British racing scene with the year's top horses. Although sent off a very close second choice, Russian Rhythm turned in the poorest performance of her career when finishing fifth, six lengths behind the winner Rakti. It was the only time in her career where she finished worse than second. Despite the disappointing end to her year, Russian Rhythm was voted Champion Three-Year-Old Filly at the Cartier Awards.

Russian Rhythm returned as a 4-year-old, but her season was brief. On May 15, 2004, she made her only start of the year in what would be her final career race in the Group 1 Lockinge Stakes. In her last display of brilliance, Russian Rhythm fended off a field of 14 males to secure her fourth Group 1 victory by a half length over longshot Salselon.

From her three seasons on the track, Russian Rhythm won seven of 10 starts with two second-place finishes for earnings of \$1,260,794. She won four Group 1s from six total group races, including her upset British classic victory in the 1000 Guineas. While Cheveley Park remains a frequent face on the European racing scene, Russian Rhythm remains the only horse they ever campaigned to win four Group 1 races, and she remains in a tie with Echelon for most overall group victories at six. Following a bout of colic at the age of 14, Russian Rhythm was euthanized at Cheveley Park Stud. Although she never replicated anything close to herself, three of her daughters went on to produce Group 3 winners.

## FASIG-TIPTON THE JULY SALE

A total of 9 PA-Breds have been catalogued at the Fasig-Tipton The July Sale, to be held July 13 in Lexington, KY. The following chart includes breeder and consignor.

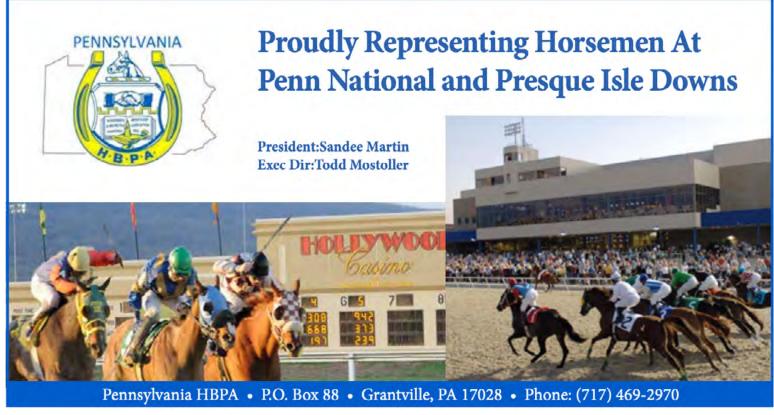
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<u>101</u>	03/05/2020	ch	C	West Coast	Artesian	Artie Schiller	Equivine Farm LLC	Paramount Sales Agent XIV
<u>117</u>	03/11/2020	grr	f	Liam's Map	Brush Up	Broken Vow	Forgotten Land Investments Inc	Taylor Made Sales Agency Agent LII
140	04/05/2020	b	С	Bernardini	Dancinginthestreet	Street Boss	Blackstone Farm LLC	South Point Sales Agency Agent VI
<u>193</u>	03/18/2020	dkb	С	Street Sense	Kay Two	Medaglia D'oro	Forgotten Land Investments Inc	South Point Sales Agency Agent X
233	02/21/2020	dkb	С	Cairo Prince	Move	Silver Train	HnR Nothhaft Horse Racing LLC	Ballysax Bloodstock Agent For HnR Nothhaft Horse Racing LLC
<u>266</u>	03/10/2020	dkb	C	Mastery	Rhys	Storm Cat	Blackstone Farm LLC	Eaton Sales Agent
<u>299</u>	03/05/2020	b	С	Nyquist	Summer's Ready	More Than Ready	Blackstone Farm LLC	Warrendale Sales Agent IV
335	03/16/2020	b	С	Munnings	A Lady With An Ace	First Samurai	Blackstone Farm LLC	Buckland Sales (Zach Madden) Agent For BTE Stables

## **PA-BRED NEWS**

## **OBS JUNE SALE UPDATE**

The most expensive of 11 Pennsylvania-breds sold at the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June Two-Year-Olds & Horses of Racing Age was a \$205,000 Honor Code colt named Guy, purchased by agent Nick J. Hines for Slam Dunk Racing. Consigned by de Meric Sales, agent, the bay February foal bred by Foxcroft Farm LLC out of the unraced Curlin mare Twirlin Curlin, worked an eighth in a :10 and 1. He is from the family of Grade 1 winner/Grade 1 producer Hookedonthefeelin and Grade 1 winner Midnight Lucky.





## 2021 PA-BRED STAKES SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, APRIL 27 Parx racing	\$100,000 PAGE MCKENNEY HANDICAP 3 & up, 7 furlongs 1st - Wait for It, 2nd - Chilly in Charge, 3rd - Breezy Gust	\$100,000 UNIQUE BELLA STAKES 3 & up, fillies & mares, 7 furlongs 1st - Chub Wagon, 2nd - Promised Storm, 3rd - Ujjayi			
FRIDAY, MAY 28 Penn National	\$100,000 LYPHARD STAKES  3 & up, fillies & mares, 11/16 miles, off turf  1st - Trolley Ride, 2nd - Midnight Obsession,  3rd - Discreetly Tough	\$100,000 WITH ANTICIPATION STAKES  3 & up, 1½6 miles, off turf  1st - Ravens Delight, 2nd - Chilly in Charge,  3rd - Saratoga Jack			
TUESDAY, JUNE 22 Parx racing	\$100,000 CROWD PLEASER STAKES 3YO, 11/16 miles, off turf 1st - Beren, 2nd - Like a Saltshaker, 3rd - Fire's Finale	\$100,000 POWER BY FAR STAKES  3 & up, fillies & mares, 5 furlongs, off turf  1st - Hey Mamaluke, 2nd - Precious,  3rd - Tara's Talent			
MONDAY, JULY 19 Presque isle downs	\$100,000 MALVERN ROSE STAKES 3YO fillies, 6½ furlongs				
MONDAY, JULY 26 Presque isle downs	\$100,000 PRINCESS OF SYLMAR STAKES 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 mile 70 yards				
TUESDAY, JULY 27 Presque isle downs	\$100,000 HARD SPUN STAKES 3 & up, 1 mile 70 yards				
PENNSYLVANIA'S	\$100,000 BANJO PICKER SPRINT STAKES 3 & up, 6 furlongs	\$100,000 MARSHALL JENNEY HANDICAP 3 & up, 5 furlongs, turf			
DAY AT THE RACES	\$100,000 MRS. PENNY STAKES  3 & up, fillies & mares, 11/16 miles, turf	\$100,000 STORM CAT STAKES			
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MONDAY, AUGUST 23 Parx racing	\$100,000 DR. TERESA (	3 & up, 1716 miles  GAROFALO MEMORIAL STAKES  & mares, 6 furlongs			
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PARX RACING  MONDAY, SEPT. 13	\$100,000 DR. TERESA ( 3 & up, fillies \$100,000 FINEST CITY STAKES	& mares, 6 furlongs \$100,000 MARK MCDERMOTT STAKES			
PARX RACING  MONDAY, SEPT. 13 PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS  SATURDAY, SEPT. 25	\$100,000 DR. TERESA ( 3 & up, fillies  \$100,000 FINEST CITY STAKES 2YO fillies, 6 furlongs  \$100,000 ALPHABET SOUP HANDICAP 3 & up, 1½6 miles, turf  \$100,000 SHA	\$100,000 MARK MCDERMOTT STAKES 2YO, 6 furlongs \$100,000 PLUM PRETTY STAKES			

### PA-BRED STAKES RECAPS

## POWER BY FAR S. PARX, \$100,000, 3YO/UP, F/M, 5F, 6-22.

#### **Won - HEY MAMALUKE**

m, 5, Jump Start - Pu Dew, by Lucky Lionel. B/O-Joe Capriglione (PA), T-Patricia Farro, J-S. Gonzalez, \$72,750.

#### 2nd - Precious

f, 4, Fed Biz-Brilliant Sunshine, by Smarty Jones. B/O-Newell Thoroughbred (PA), \$19,400.

#### 3rd - Tara's Talent

f, 4, Talent Search-Graemy, by Graeme Hall. O-Hardesty Stables, B-Glenn E. Brok LLC (PA), \$12,125.

Joe Capriglione not only claimed an amazingly durable and consistent mare when taking Pu Dew for \$5,000 in December 2009, but also a future stakes producer.

Pu Dew, a daughter of Lucky Lionel, is the dam of Hey Mamaluke, also a durable and consistent mare who recorded her first stakes win for Capriglione in the Power by Far for state-breds at Parx Racing on June 22.

Making her first start of the year, Hey Mamaluke faced seven rivals in the off-the-turf Power by Far Stakes, and even though more than seven months had passed since her last outing, she was primed and ready to go, with lots of support from bettors when going off as the 7-2 second choice.

Breaking quickly and dueling with Captain Sam through opening fractions of :21.97 and :44.90 over a sloppy track, Hey Mamaluke seized command rounding the far turn and cruised home under a hand ride. The 5-year-old Jump Start mare won by one and three-quarters lengths over 4-5 favorite Precioius while completing five furlongs in :57.66.



Hey Mamaluke is the second foal out of Pu Dew, and her second winner of over a quarter-million dollars. The mare's first foal, Pennsylvania-bred Hey Braciole (by Freud), earned \$290,180 over four years, with all but the last of her 24 starts for Capriglione. Sent out as part of an entry with Hey Mamaluke in a July 2019 optional claimer at Parx, Hey Braciole was claimed from her breeder for \$35,000.

Hey Mamaluke pushed her earnings to \$352,619 from 18 starts in the Power by Far. She is a seven-time winner who also has five seconds, among those last fall's Safely Kept Stakes at Laurel.

After Pu Dew was claimed by Capriglione, she made 29 more starts over the next two years, ran her last race Sept. 2, 2011, and retired with earnings of \$409,030. She is also the dam of current 4-year-old filly Hey Dewzpots, by El Padrino, who has yet to win but has been second or third in five of eight starts. The mare's most recent reported foal is a 2-year-old Uncle Lino colt who has yet to be named.

## CROWD PLEASER S. PARX, \$100,000, 3YO, 1 1/16M, 6-22.

#### **WON-BEREN**

c, 3, Weigelia - Silmaril, by Diamond, O-St. Omer's Farm and Christopher J. Feifarek, B-Susan C Quick & Christopher J Feifarek (PA), T-R. Reid, Jr., J-F. Pennington, \$74,250

#### 2nd - Like a Saltshaker

g, 3, Peace and Justice - With Sprinkles, by Harlan's Holiday, B-Glenn E. Brok LLC (PA), \$24,750

#### 3rd - Fire's Finale

c, 3, by Jump Start - Exchanging Fire, by Exchange Rate, B-Kenwood Racing LLC (PA), \$12,375



After three consecutive starts in New York, which yielded two stakes wins and a fourth in a graded stakes, Beren returned to Parx for the Crowd Pleaser for 3-year-olds. Having twice been entered on the grass, the colt has yet to make a start on the surface, and has benefited wildly. After winning Belmont Park's off-the-turf Paradise Creek Stakes on May 30 by nearly 11 lengths, he rolled a nine and a half-length victory in the off-the-turf Crowd Pleaser.

The 2-5 favorite in the six-horse field, Beren stalked the early leaders behind fractions of :22.92 and :47.01 before blasting to the front and winning as he pleased. Final time for the mile and a sixteenth over a good track was 1:44.89.

It was Beren's third stakes win in just over six weeks, which kicked off with Belmont's Gold Fever Stakes on May 9. In seven starts this year he has five wins and a second (and was fourth in the Grade 3 Bay Shore at Aqueduct). From 10 career starts, Susan Quick and Chris Feifarek's homebred son of home stallion Weigelia trained by Butch Reid has been first or second seven times, earning \$289,670.

He is first stakes winner from seven starters for his dam, the millionaire mare Silmaril (by Diamond), who produced a full brother to Beren this year.



SHINE AGAIN S PIM, \$95,000, 3YO&UP, 6F, 6-13.

#### Won - CHUB WAGON

f, 4, Hey Chub – Takin the Plunge, by Lion Heart. O-Lopez, Daniel J and Chestnut, George, B-Joe-Dan Farm & George Chestnut (PA), T-Guadalupe Preciado, J-Jomar Torres, \$55,000.

Seven starts, seven wins, three stakes – Chub Wagon kept her marvelous streak alive in Pimlico's Shine Again Stakes on June 13.

The speedy daughter of Hey Chub rated off the pace of multiple stakes winner Hello Beautiful, who sailed through an opening quarter of :22.21 and the half in :45.32. Hey Chub took aim at the pacesetter down the stretch and the two 4-year-old fillies had a rip-roaring battle to the wire, with Chub Wagon getting the victory by a neck. The final time for six furlongs was 1:10.21.

For her connections – owner/breeders Daniel Lopez and George Chestnut and trainer Guadalupe Preciado – it can't get much better than this.

"She's a very, very, very classy horse. She does everything easy," said Preciado. "When she came back she looked like she wasn't even blowing. She's does everything so good."

Out of Lopez's homebred mare Takin the Plunge, Chub Wagon pushed her earnings to \$282,800. Her sire, Lopez's own stallion Hey Chub, now stands at Delaware Valley University in Doylestown.



BEN'S CAT S PIM, \$75,000, 3YO & UP, 5F, 6-13. WON - VALUED NOTION

g, 4, Great Notion - What Am I Gonna Do, by Partner's Hero, O-Hillwood Stable LLC, B-Steven Long & Jane Long (PA), T-R. Jenkins, J-X. Perez, \$45,000.

Hillwood Stable LLC's Valued Notion, a son of Maryland stallion Great Notion who cost \$120,000 as a sales yearling, has been chipping away at the purchase price and made a significant gain when getting his third win of the year from four starts and pushing his earnings to \$92,490 in the Ben's Cat Stakes at Pimlico on June 13.

The only Pennsylvania-bred in the field of six in the race restricted to Maryland-sired or Maryland-bred runners, the Rodney Jenkins trainee shot to the front to battle for the early lead, shook clear as he reached the upper stretch and won by daylight. The second-longest shot on the board at 8-1 for the off-the-turf stakes, he scored by two lengths while completing the five furlongs on a fast main track in :58.19.

Valued Notion is the second stakes winner by Great Notion out of the mare What Am I Gonna Do (by Partner's Hero) bred by Steven and Jane Long. The first was \$336,220-earner Great Soul, who won or placed in 12 of 14 starts and counted wins in the 2017 Mrs. Penny Stakes and 2016 Wide Country Stakes. What Am I Gonna Do, the dam of three winners from four starters, went through the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic December sale in 2011 as a \$1,000 RNA—the next April for the Longs she produced her first foal, winner Magic Soul (by Street Magician). Her youngest foal is an unnamed 2-year-old filly by Gormley; she has most recently been bred to the likes of Practical Joke, Classic Empire and Vino Rosso.

#### <u>GET SERIOUS S</u> MTH, \$76,500, 3 YO/UP, 5F-T, 6-19

#### **WON - THE CRITICAL WAY**

g, 7, Tizway-Critical Factor, by Star de Naskra. (\$17,000 '14 KEENOV; \$65,000 '15 KEESEP; \$75,000 2016 OBSJUN).

O-Monster Racing Stables, B-Blackstone Farm, LLC (PA), \$45,000.



Speedy grass sprinter The Critical Way, at the age of 7, has his connections thinking Breeders' Cup after winning the Get Serious Stakes at Monmouth with ease by three lengths.

Known for his blazing early speed, he bided his time under Paco Lopez off sizzling early fractions (quarter in :20.11; a half in :43.34) before taking off for the wire. Trainer Jose Delgado told members of the media after the race: "We always think of this horse as being in front right out of the gate because he has a lot of speed. But Paco Lopez told me he was very comfortable coming off the pace. That's a new dimension for him. We always think he's one way and it's go, go, go. Now we've seen he can sit behind the speed and make one move and he can win that way. I like that."

Campaigned by Randall Gindi's Monster Racing Stables after being claimed for \$30,000 in January 2020, The Critical Way now has four stakes victories and eight wins overall in 25 career starts for earnings of \$419,168. Since last September he has also won the Marshall Jenney Handicap and Turf Dash Stakes, finished second in the Jim McKay Turf Sprint when caught at the wire, as well as the Virgil Buddy Raines Stakes, and has thirds in the Grade 2 Shakertown Stakes (at Keeneland) and Janus Stakes.

"We saw he can sit comfortably. That gives us a lot of options," added Delgado. "We'll look at some serious things for him now. Maybe we'll try something in Saratoga, then one or two races at Parx and then if everything goes right we will try to take him to the Breeders' Cup (Turf Sprint-G1). That's the plan. That's the hope."

A son of Tizway bred by Blackstone Farm, The Critical Way is one of seven winners, but the only stakes winner, from 12 foals for his dam Critical Factor, a daughter of champion sprinter Star de Naskra who finished third in the 1996 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Stakes-G1 at Woodbine.

GOLDWOOD S. MTH, \$78,000, 3YO/UP, F/M, 5FT, 6-25.

#### Won - CARAVEL

f, 4, Mizzen Mast–Zeezee Zoomzoom, by Congrats, B/O/T-Elizabeth M. Merryman (PA), J-F. Geroux, \$45,000.



How does a champion follow up a celebration when named 2020 PHBA Horse of the Year? Turning in a jawdropping performance next time out.

Caravel recorded her sixth win in eight career starts with a dazzling display in the Goldwood Stakes at Monmouth Park on the evening of June 25. Not only did she destroy the field by four and a half lengths, she came home in the five-furlong turf stakes while "slightly eased-up" in :54.97, missing the 10-year-old course record by just four-tenths of a second.

Owned, bred and trained by PHBA board member Lizzy Merryman, Caravel was entered in New Jersey after a victory in Pimlico's The Very One Stakes on May 14. She now has four stakes wins while amassing \$257,872.

Merryman told Monmouth's media department after the race: "I thought it was brilliant. She pulled away like it was nothing."

As for her future? "It would be really nice to try graded stakes company with her next," added Merryman. "So maybe the (Grade 3)

Caress at Saratoga (on July 24). We'll see. With these turf races the weather is everything. She is just a dream. She continues to amaze me every time she races."

The only times Caravel has failed to reach the winner's circle – two third-place finishes in stakes at Pimlico and Belmont – the races were run on good and yielding turf courses.

Ridden by Pablo Morales, Caravel broke a tad slow in the Goodwood but was able to sit comfortably in fourth early on behind dueling leaders Gotta Go Mo and Victory Kingdom, who ripped through an opening quarter in :20.56. Morales moved Caravel off the rail and outside entering the final turn, with the opening half going in :43.44.

"After they sent so hard out of there, showing a ton of speed, I just figured I'd wait a little and get around them and get in the clear because I know how well she finishes," said Morales. "She has a great closing kick."

A 4-yearold daughter of Mizzen Mast, Caravel is the first foal out of Zeezee Zoomzoom (by Congrats).

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#### 3rd - Daddy Is a Legend

m, 6, Scat Daddy - Randie's Legend, by Benchmark, B-HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC (PA), \$60,000.

NEW YORK STALLION S BEL, \$150,000, 3YO, 7F-T, 6-19.

#### 2nd - Funwhileitlasted

f, 3, by War Dancer - A. P. Reality, by Pulpit, B-Roberta L. Schneider MD (PA), \$30,000.

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