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PA-BRED REMINDERS

- 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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Simply Joking, Simply Spectacular

By Nikki Sherman

You can't do better than perfect, and Simply Joking has been just that during her young career. With two starts and two stakes scores, the Pennsylvania-Bred sophomore filly is squarely on the 2025 Kentucky Oaks trail.

Trainer Whit Beckman was so impressed with Simply Joking that he dared enter her in the 6-furlong, \$100,000 Letellier Memorial Stakes at Fair Grounds first time out last Dec. 21.

"We knew pretty much right away that she was a nice horse," Beckman remembered. "We knew right from her first work. She is a big, powerful filly with exceptional talent."

Despite her lack of experience, she went off as the 5-2 third choice. The favorite was Whata Moon, a 9½-length winner of a maiden special weight at Delta Downs. The \$225,000 Keeneland September Yearling purchase Sycamore Shoals was the second choice.

Simply Joking did not have an easy race, but it was a huge learning experience that had the added bonus of a win. She broke awkwardly at the start, banging into the gate on her way out and jostling jockey Jaime Torres. She recovered quickly but ended up stuck behind horses, then was shuffled further back as they raced down the backstretch. With nowhere to go but feeling a ton of horse, Torres redirected their trajectory five-wide around the turn and Simply Joking responded with fervor.

The duo chased down Whata Moon with a furlong to go and a stretch duel was on. Nearing the wire, she drifted out when Torres hit her left-



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handed, so he switched sides which caused her to greenly "flop" onto her left lead. However, she straightened out and battled to the wire with Whata Moon and, with pure heart, won by a neck.

Beckman took note of the incredible trip, saying afterwards, "Everything that usually gets a first-time starter beat happened. She's a beast, an absolute specimen. You look at the pedigree and a mile and an eighth looks perfect. The good ones, they can win going 6 furlongs anyway."

With the victory, Simply Joking became the 42nd stakes winner for popular young sire Practical Joke. The son of Into Mischief is also the sire of millionaire Skelly and was ranked ninth on the nation's leading sires list for both 2023 and 2024.

Simply Joking was bred in Pennsylvania by Larry and Barbara Karp's Barlar LLC and represents two generations of their breeding program. They purchased the stakes-placed Orientate mare Allude in 2011 and over their three years of ownership, she produced three six-figure winners, including stakes winners Advert and the brilliant Imply. The latter, a daughter of E Dubai, would go on to capture 12 of 30 career starts, including seven stakes, and score earnings of \$772,728. Imply was crowned Pennsylvania's Leading Breeding Fund recipient in 2019 and altogether garnered an additional \$307,170 in breeders' awards, essentially becoming a millionaire.

Upon retirement, Imply joined the small Barlar broodmare band at Sylmar Farm in Christiana. She has been nothing short of spectacular. Her first foal was Drum Roll Please (Hard Spun), who was briefly on the Kentucky Derby trail last year after capturing the \$150,000 Jerome Stakes and finishing third in the \$250,000 Remsen Stakes-G2 for trainer Brad Cox. The two horses ahead of him in the Remsen were future Breeders' Cup Classic-G1 hero Sierra Leone and Belmont Stakes/Haskell Stakes winner Dornoch. Gold Square LLC originally purchased Drum Roll Please as a yearling for \$250,000. The colt has been gearing up for his 4-year-old season at Palm Meadows Training Center in Florida.

Imply's second foal is Simply Joking. She has a yearling filly by Uncle Mo and is expecting a Good Magic foal this spring.

Simply Joking sold as a yearling for \$65,000 through Carl McEntee's Ballysax Bloodstock at Keeneland. Trainer Beckman credits McEntee for guiding his clients to the Imply filly, who is now owned by Grantley Acres, Ryan Conner and Berkels0813.

Simply Joking made her sophomore debut Jan. 18 in the \$150,000 Silverbulletday Stakes, again at Fair Grounds in New Orleans. As Beckman predicted, distance would not be a problem at all. This time she was ready to roll right out of the gate and wired the field by an

emphatic 2½ lengths while stretching out to a mile and 70 yards. She was still a bit green, swapping leads again approaching the wire, but that doesn't worry rider Jaime Torres.

"I was very comfortable on her, the way she was traveling the track," he said. "She did everything herself. She was a little bit green at the end, waiting on company, but she was much the best. We thought she'd get better going two turns."

Who she beat that day was even more exciting. Finishing in fourth was the royally-bred Into Mischief filly Chasten, a half-sister to two-time Eclipse Champion Older Mare Idiomatic.

Beckman said that Simply Joking has all of the qualities that make a great racehorse, including a smart mind. "She's really easygoing and attentive. She processes everything really well; when some horses might spook, she takes it all in to process it. She's as sweet as they come and is great to handle in her stall."

Though, he did note one small thing that she'll have to get used to. "She was a little nervous around the cameras, how they were on her after racing at Fair Grounds."

Hopefully Simply Joking will have plenty of opportunities to process those cameras as she continues on her quest for the Kentucky Oaks, representing Pennsylvania on the first Friday in May.

A few words from the Executive Secretary

Fantastic news for the Chapman Family and Pennsylvania as Smarty Jones was recently nominated to the Hall of Fame! It's been 21 years since America's Horse triumphed in the Derby and Preakness. This nomination is long overdue and you'll be able to take a trip to the past to relive the excitement by going to pabred.com under the featured section to view.

It's breeding season again and you can find registered PA stallions sired by Tapit, Curlin, Munnings, Street Sense, Speightstown, Medaglia d' Oro, Gun Runner, Good Magic and many more which includes nine new sires for 2025.

Go to pabred.com and check out the PA Stallion & Boarding Farm Directory on the home page and book your next, or first, PA-Bred. Need a place to board and foal your mare? Please give us a call at 610-444-1050 as space is available.

The third and final leg of the 2024 Stallion Series will be run on Sept. 19 on PA Day at the Races, with stakes purses of \$100,000 for 3yos & 3yo fillies. A \$50,000 breeder bonus for horses that finish first, second and third in total points for the series will be paid at that time — \$25,000 for first, \$15,000 for second and \$10,000 for third.

We'll be having our first PA Yearling Show June 21 at Brandywine Polo Club in Chester County. Four categories plus one for champion will be offered with lots of prizes. You should have received show information and a registration form in the mail and online. Only \$50 to enter, with additional earning incentives paid at the end of their 2 and 3yo years.

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Dec. 1 or when your

mare comes into the state if breeding back to a PA stallion, or within 14 days of a public sale. Again, if you need a place to board and foal your mare, please give us a call at 610-444-1050 as space is available. If you are still using paper registrations, please make sure you forward a signed copy of the Code of Ethics, which is attached to the registration form. We will be transitioning to paperless this year.

Wishing you a fantastic start to 2025, and remember, PA is the only place to Breed and Race! Go PA!



PA Yearling Show

Brandywine Polo Club, June 21st, 2025 10:00am – 3:00pm

CATEGORIES, PRIZES & FEES:

- Colts & Geldings
 Non-PA Sired & PA-Sired
- Fillies
 Non-PA Sired & PA-Sired
- Champions 8 horses, 4 male & 4 fillies

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PRIZES

\$1,000 each category 60%, 20%, 12%, 8% plus 6 ribbons trophy for winner

CHAMPION AWARDS

\$1,000 Winner, \$500 Reserve Plus Win Trophy PA Stallion Award – Trophy, Highest total points, schedule: 7,5,4,3,2,1 participant

Champion Breeder – Trophy Best Turnout - \$100 per 4 categories \$50 entry fee, \$75 late entry fee after June 1st

Additional incentive payouts for top four highest earning two and three-year-olds

CLEAN-UP

Bring your own shavings (only) & cleanup

JUDGE

Russell Jones

VET & EMT ON SITE

Negative Coggins within past year EHVI vaccination past 7-90 days

FOOD

Coffee & Donuts Provided Lunch Trucks on site



PA-Bred Fund Statistics: Top Earners

January 1 through December 31, 2024

LEADING EARNERS - TOTAL AWARDS

Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Total	Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Total
Warriors Reward	727,855	199,664	927,519	Barbara A. Rickline	137,616	17,041	154,657
Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	509,355	225,116	734,471	Chuck Russo	113,607	28,392	141,998
Steven W. Young Racing LLC	306,806	104,305	411,111	Godstone Farm LLC	129,266	0	129,266
Northview Stallion Station Inc.	0	381,782	381,782	Equivine Farm LLC	128,694	0	128,694
Blackstone Farm LLC	327,656	0	327,656	Richard Miller	108,633	19,236	127,869
Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	128,860	185,583	314,443	Y. Jerry Kolybabiuk	118,336	0	118,336
Glenn E. Brok LLC	240,454	69,649	310,103	Social Inclusion Partners LLC	0	116,547	116,547
Pewter Stable	227,275	63,827	291,102	William Solomon VMD	62,878	50,971	113,849
Arrowwood Farm Inc	226,394	0	226,394	Maria M. Haire	106,094	3,129	109,224
Joseph Imbesi	202,127	0	202,127	William P. Brady Estate	99,139	0	99,139
St. Omer's Farm	199,378	0	199,378	Newell Thoroughbreds Ltd.	98,338	0	98,338
Sylmar Farm Inc.	173,058	0	173,058	Peter Giangiulio	90,509	3,891	94,399

LEADING STALLIONS

Fund Money includes Stallion Awards only

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Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total	Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total		
Uptowncharlybr	own Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	505	225,116	II Villano	Chuck Russo	57	28,392		
Warrior's Rewar	d Warriors Reward	469	199,664	Medallist	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	57	27,200		
Weigelia	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	328	179,054	Eastwood	Glenn E. Brok LLC	73	25,649		
Hoppertunity	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	393	158,015	Boisterous	Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LI	_C 125	19,819		
Uncle Lino	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	287	133,799	Emperor Tiberius	Richard N. Miller	40	19,236		
Social Inclusion	Social Inclusion Partners LLC	209	116,547	Golddigger's Boy	Luana J. Johnson	62	17,636		
Peace and Justi	ice Steven W. Young Racing LLC	213	104,305	Xixixi	Barbara A. Rickline	44	17,041		
Winchill	Pewter Stable	151	63,827	Lord Shanakill	William J. Solomon VMD	82	16,970		
Jump Start	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	194	48,614	Pat On the Back	Harold Lerner LLC	12	12,973		
Well Spelled	Godstone Farm LP	127	41,021	Rowayton	OXO Equine LLC	20	10,410		
Talent Search	Glenn E. Brok LLC	64	38,129	Airoforce	Jeffrey Paul Jeans	20	10,039		
Red Vine	DB Dojo LLC	85	32,519	Bullsbay	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	37	9,737		

LEADING HORSES

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

Horse	Pedigree	Breeder	Races	Stakes	Breeder Award	Stallion Award	Bonus	Total
The Boy's Warrior *	Warrior's Reward - Inciarte	Warriors Reward	4	138,800	64,880	16,220	5,400	225,300
Honorable Win *	Winchill - Honorable Partner	Pewter Stable	3	131,600	52,640	13,160	0	197,400
Smooth B *	Weigelia - Katarica Disco	St. Omer's Farm	5	60,000	84,000	21,000	0	165,000
Confirmed Star *	Uptowncharlybrown - Its My Town	Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	11	9,800	96,152	24,038	26,680	156,670
Fierce and Strong *	Hoppertunity - Doubleclickdamouse	Ultra Championship Racing LLC	6	81,020	50,068	12,517	10,570	154,175
Traders Luck *	Weigelia - Deanies Dancer	Sylmar Farm Inc	11	20,000	75,096	18,774	35,640	149,510
Pachelbel *	Hoppertunity - Brilliant Sunshine	Newell Thoroughbreds Ltd	13	19,600	74,742	18,685	33,644	146,671
Morning Matcha	Central Banker - Home Ice	Crane Thoroughbred Services LLC	3	119,880	22,800	0	0	142,680
Capo *	Peace and Justice - Seven Dreams	Steven W Young Racing LLC	10	43,640	47,643	11,911	21,088	124,282
Veeson *	Il Villano - Springingintherein	Chuck Russo	8	9,800	65,417	16,344	28,012	119,573
Party At Sam's *	Weigelia - More Party Girl	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	14	0	62,565	15,641	35,633	113,840
Foxy Junior	Cuba - Foxy Drummer	Dianne L Stern	5	64,500	25,680	0	9,600	99,780
Twilight Dancer	Tapiture - Moonlight Basin	Warriors Reward	8	58,200	27,160	0	13,900	99,260
Fenton Forever *	Pat On the Back - Fairy Gray	Desmond C Wynter	2	56,400	32,160	8,040	0	96,600
Summary Judgment *	Peace and Justice - Seven Dreams	Steven W Young Racing LLC	10	0	49,090	12,272	35,064	96,426
Crisper	Tapiture - Je Suis Enchantee	Ascoli Piceno Stables LLC	4	75,200	20,860	0	0	96,060
Dropline *	Uncle Lino - Sour Lemon Drop	William P Brady Estate	5	0	49,516	12,379	34,080	95,975
Irish Cork	Flat Out - Circustown Rose	Two-Turn Farm LLC	6	58,800	22,116	0	12,880	93,796
Gordian Knot *	Social Inclusion - Mia	Joseph Imbesi	2	61,620	23,520	5,880	0	91,020
Nature's Candy *	Uncle Lino - Easter Blossom	Y Jerry Kolybabiuk	9	9,800	45,010	11,252	24,664	90,726
Shetalkstomuch *	Uptowncharlybrown - Empire's Gold	Robert Burroughs	12	0	50,787	12,697	26,848	90,332
I Don't See Colors *	Uptowncharlybrown - Another Aleyna	Blackstone Farm LLC	11	0	48,456	12,114	28,440	89,010
True Phenomenon *	Uptowncharlybrown - Dream Come True	Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	15	0	46,467	11,617	27,788	85,872
Our Uptown Girl * *Denotes PA-sired	Uptowncharlybrown - Fringe Benefits	Barbara A Rickline	11	0	48,220	12,055	25,250	85,525