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From his first 4 starters, Lucky Pulpit sires undefeated stakes winner Luckarack.

Luckarack's 3 ¼ length score in the \$51,950 Everett Nevlin Alameda County Stakes (pictured) for breeders Mr. and Mrs. Larry D. Williams, has earned national kudos for **Lucky Pulpit**. As of July 12, **Lucky Pulpit** ranked among the top 20 first-crop sires with two wins and two placings from just six starts, including a Hollywood Park maiden special second by **Woodmans Luck**.

Second-crop yearlings by **Lucky Pulpit** cataloged for NorCal: Hips 5, 65, 106.

LUCKY PULPIT

Pulpit-Lucky Soph, by Cozzene



2-for-2 in stakes, 3-year-old Tizsosexy is from Tizbud's first California crop.

After winning the \$50,000 SunRay Park and Casino Handicap by 3 1/2 lengths, **Tizsosexy** defeated older horses wire-to-wire in the \$100,000 San Juan County Commissioners Handicap (pictured) at 1 1/8 miles. Bred by Pamela Ziebarth, **Tizsosexy** has a record of 7-3-0-3, \$100,997.

Tizbud is also the sire of current 2-year-old open maiden special winner **Tiz Blushing**. Don't miss his yearlings at NorCal: Hips 16, 28, 31, 46, 64, 153.

TIZBUD

Cee's Tizzy-Cee's Song, by Seattle Song

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by A. P. Indy*

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*Eastern Echo-Drapeau,
by Raja Baba*

DOWNTOWN SEATTLE

*Seattle Slew-Soviet Problem,
by Moscow Ballet*

SINGLETARY

*Sultry Song-Joiski's Star,
by Star de Naskra*

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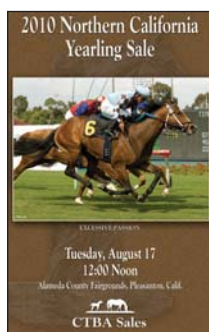
by DOUG BURGE

On Tuesday, Aug. 17, the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) will once again host the Northern California Yearling Sale in Pleasanton. For seven consecutive years now, CTBA Sales has been committed to providing a yearling marketplace for breeders in the northern and central part of the state, which we believe is a vital service to our membership.

This venture, however, has proven to be more than just a service to California breeders. By providing significant racing inventory for the state, the sale has proven to also offer an important service to the entire California racing industry.

To put that into perspective, the Northern California Yearling Sales from 2004 to 2008 (current three-year-olds and older) have provided more than 400 winners and 22 stakes winners; including such Northern and Southern California stars as Sierra Sunset, Autism Awareness, Bai and Bai and Leesider (see cover). But what is even more impressive than the number of winners and stakes winners, is the number of sales graduates who have made it to the races. From these five sales, 1,045 yearlings went through the ring with 797 eventually starting and 413 winning. Therefore, 76 percent of the horses sold started, with 52 percent of those racing becoming winners.

The most recent sale from 2009 has already produced five two-year-old winners, with one stakes winner and another stakes-placed. Also, three of the five winners broke their maidens in maiden special weight races, rewarding their owners with an additional \$10,000 or



\$20,000 bonus through the new maiden bonus program.

With the bulk of the graduates racing in the north, one can see the importance this sale has had on the Northern California racing program. Golden Gate Fields, and the numerous racing fairs, have become somewhat dependent on a successful Northern California yearling sale to provide not only needed inventory, but quality racing stock as well. Although many graduates have ventured to Southern California, and even out of state to compete, most are based with Northern California trainers.

CTBA Sales Northern California Yearling Sale: 2004 – 2008

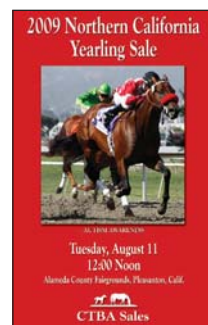
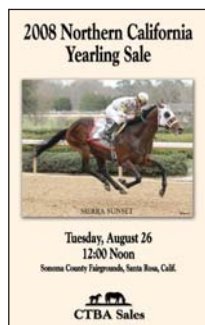
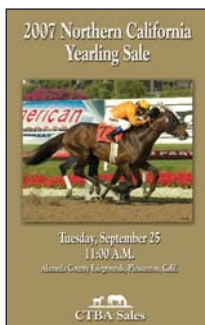
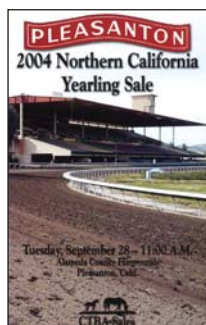
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Number of horses raced	= 797
Number of Winners from horses raced	= 413
76.3% of horses sold have raced	
51.8% of horses raced have become winners	

The high percentage of winners to starters has yielded great dividends for the purchasers, as well as significant breeder awards to the consignors. More than two dozen sales graduates have earned more than six figures for their connections. In certain cases, those yearlings were purchased for a fraction of what they have now earned, and others who were purchased at the

higher end of the sale have also done extremely well.

For this year's renewal, 155 yearlings have been catalogued. Although this is an open sale, with the overall success dependent on the quality of yearlings offered, there is reason for optimism. The catalogue provides more overall sire power than years past, the recent maiden bonus program has fueled demand for California-breds and, as mentioned above, the sale has rewarded buyers with the strong probability of making it to the races and reaping financial rewards.

See you at the sale!





Managing Editor's Welcome

California's Got Talent

If I may be so bold as to borrow—and make a slight change to—the name of a currently popular television show that doesn't appear to be experiencing any of the uncertainties facing our Thoroughbred breeding and racing industry right now, we need to emphasize to everyone who will listen, and even those who don't want to, the fact that "California's Got Talent."

This August 2010 issue of our *California Thoroughbred* magazine provides many great examples of this truth, from the cover story on the CTBA Sales Northern California Yearling Sale which promises a successful seventh edition at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton on Tuesday, Aug. 17, to the last in our four-part series on the Golden State's 2010 crop of foals, this time featuring the Southern California group.

Our latest CTBA Member Profile is on Ed Delaney, whose homebred colt Wolf Tail was a two-year-old stakes winner at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club last summer, and the spotlight also falls on CTBA Past President Keith Card and his wife Barbara's Hi Card Ranch, the 2009 TOBA (Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Association) Breeder of the Year for California.

Racing in Southern California features the stakes wins at Hollywood Park by My Summer Slew and Dotsy Jean, while fellow California-breds Perfect Curls, Luckarack, Restless Youth and Ultra Blend, all black-type winners during this year's Alameda County Fair, make up the subject matter of the latest Northern California Report.

Texcess, the 43rd Cal-bred to break the six-figure mark in earnings, is the focus of our latest chapter of Cal-Bred Millionaires' Row and there is an Industry Insight piece that provides the current and historical details of the Southern California Horse Racing Industry Fans Committee which was formed in 1993.

This month, Horse Care sheds light on an environmentally friendly fly trap and Guest Forum highlights the incredible Cal-bred Eddie Schmidt whose 12 stakes wins during a 101-start career included the 1957 and 1960 editions of the San Diego Handicap, while the balance of this current issue includes all our other regular columns, features and departments that we hope will also prove to be both enjoyable and helpful.

Until next time, may you breed the best to the best and not just have to hope for the best!

—Rudi Groothedde
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In the Company of... Sue Greene, the owner of Woodbridge Farm in Oakdale and a member of the Board of Directors of the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) since 2008, at the CTBA Sales Northern California Yearling Sale at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton on September 25, 2007.



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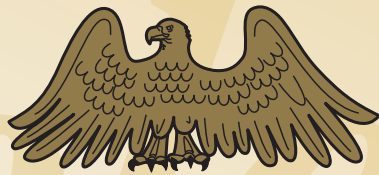
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**The 2009/2010 California Broodmare
Of The Year & 2009/2010 Valkyr Trophy**



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News Bits

Three of the state's top 10 sires by 2010 progeny earnings have been relocated to Ballena Vista Farm in Ramona, following the announcement that their former home, River Edge Farm, is being closed and sold by owners Martin and Pam Wygod. The trio of established stallions—Benchmark, Bertrando and Tribal Rule—join the first-year stallion Dixie Chatter as transplants to the 220-acre farm, which is owned by Donald and Karen Cohn.

Multiple grade I winner and 1993 Eclipse Champion Older Male Bertrando, a 21-year-old son of Skywalker, has sired the collective earners of more than \$38 million and ranked as California's

leading sire in 2005 and 2007. Among his 50 stakes winners is the California champion Officer, a successful sire in Kentucky.

Benchmark, 19, is represented by 27 stakes winners and total progeny earnings of nearly \$20 million. The multiple

eny earnings exceed \$6.5 million. The state's leading freshman sire of 2006 has 13 stakes winners to his credit.

Five-year-old Dixie Chatter, by Dixie Union, won the 2007 Norfolk Stakes (grade I) and entered stud at River Edge in 2010.



grade II-winning Alydar stallion's top runners are the dual California champions Brother Derek and Idiot Proof.

Another state champion, Georgie Boy, was sired by Tribal Rule, a 14-year-old winner by Storm Cat whose overall prog-

Ballena Vista Farm purchased 100 percent of Benchmark and a majority interest in Dixie Chatter and Tribal Rule. Bertrando will stand as the property of the syndicate that has owned him for eight years.

NEWS FLASH: Salt Lake (1989–2010)

Golden Eagle Farm in Ramona, California, announced that leading sire Salt Lake was euthanized on July 20. The grade I winner will be buried at the farm next to General Meeting and Best Pal. Golden Eagle's General Manager Janine McCullough said, "He had minor colic surgery a few weeks ago and appeared to initially recover well. However, within a week of being home, his condition started to worsen and we sent him back to the clinic. We did everything we could. Salt Lake was a fighter, but he finally told me it was time. Great horses like him will always tell you when. It is a very sad day for me, Larry Mabree and the Golden Eagle Farm staff. He was a special horse."



Salt Lake, a 1989 son of Deputy Minister, was purchased from John T. L. Jones Jr.'s Walmac Farm in Lexington, Kentucky, and stood his first season at Golden Eagle Farm in 2006. The lifetime leading sire in California with 69 stakes winners, including seven grade/group I winners, he sired the champions Fantasy Lake and Salt Champ (Arg), both a two-year-old grade I winner and a multiple group I winner in her native land, as well as the two-year-old grade I winners Ordway and Salty You. From 15 crops of racing age, Salt Lake was the sire of more than 770 winners among his earners of \$55 million-plus.

California Cup Party Update

After hosting an Infield Party at every California Cup since this popular event's inception in 1990, the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) will host a "Halloween Boo-nanza" Party in Club Court—

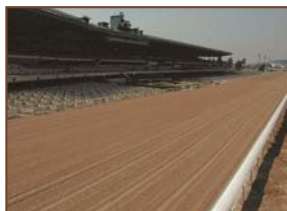


the entry for which is located to the right of Will Call at the Turf Club entrance—at Santa Anita Park's Cal Cup XXI day in Arcadia on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2010, during this year's 42nd Oak Tree Racing Association meet.

Studies Show Synthetic Surfaces Safest

The results of two recent studies that examined starts in North America by Thoroughbreds produced statistics showing engineered all-weather surfaces to be safer than both conventional dirt tracks and turf courses.

A study provided to the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA) by Equibase Company LLC which looked at the number of horses who, according to their official charts, did not finish (DNF) a race during 2009, and then did not return to work or to race again through June 1, 2010. This study encompassed a total of 444,848 starts and showed an average of 39 starters per 1,000 (0.39 percent) on dirt tracks as compared to 26 starters per 1,000



(0.26 percent) on turf and 19 starters per 1,000 (0.19 percent) on synthetic surfaces. Equibase is a partnership between the Thoroughbred Racing Associations and The Jockey Club.

On June 28, the Equine Injury Database (EID) that is maintained by The Jockey Club released its results for fatal injuries sustained at 73 racetracks in 378,864 starts, representing 87 percent of all the races run in the United States and Canada from Nov. 1, 2008 to Oct. 31, 2009. These showed a rate of 2.14 catastrophic fatalities per 1,000 starts on dirt as compared to 1.78 each such breakdowns per 1,000 on turf and all-weather surfaces.

Cal-Bred Shines Among Hollywood Park Declines

Acclamation, a four-year-old colt by California's leading sire Unusual Heat who was bred in the Golden State by his owners Bud and Judy Johnston's Old English Rancho, was voted the top turf horse—based on his gate-to-wire victories in the grade I, \$250,000 Charles Whittingham Memorial Handicap at 1 1/4 miles and grade II, \$150,000 Jim Murray Handicap at 1 1/2 miles—in the media poll for this year's Spring/Summer meet that concluded at Hollywood Park on July 18.

Unbeaten Zenyatta, who recorded her 17th career win with a third consecutive triumph in the grade I, \$234,000 Vanity Handicap, was voted the top older female and Horse of the Meet during a 57-day stand which saw decreases of 10.3 and 10.4 percent in the overall average daily handle and attendance, respectively.

Stakes Winner Emerges From Northern California Sale



Two-year-old Perfect Curls, a graduate of the 2009 CTBA Sales Northern California Yearling Sale, romped home as a five-length winner in the \$67,850 Juan Gonzalez Memorial Stakes during the Alameda County Fair at Pleasanton on July 3. Bred in California and consigned to the auction by Old English Rancho, the Perfect Mandate filly sold for \$9,500 and has since won two of three starts and \$66,700 for owner GCCI.

CTBA Members Bolster TOC Board

On July 1, the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) announced the results of its membership's Board of Directors election with Cal Fischer and Mike Pegram newly elected and incumbents Keith Pronske and Pablo Suarez re-elected all with immediate effect.

Fischer, Pegram and Suarez join six other California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) members currently on the 12-strong TOC board that was scheduled to next convene on July 23. CTBA member Marsha Naify, who served on the board since 2004 and was elected its chairwoman in 2007, was not re-elected as she finished third of the five candidates running for seats in California's South district, while Fischer and Pronske are the new representatives for the North district.

Cal-Breds Countrywide

Two representatives from the 2007 crop of California-breds captured stakes races in New Mexico and Canada over the summer.

On July 4, Tizosexy led every step of the way while defeating six of his elders in the \$100,000 San Juan County Commissioners Handicap, a 1 1/8-mile race conducted at SunRay Park. The three-year-old gelding by the Harris Farms sire Tizbud was bred by Pamela Ziebarth, and has earned \$100,997 with three wins and three thirds from seven starts overall.

Meanwhile, the Victory Rose Thoroughbreds sire Siberian Summer was represented through successive stakes victories at Northlands Park by his three-year-old son No Hesitation. The Leland Garner-bred runner won the track's \$48,955 Western Canada Handicap at six furlongs on June 19, followed by the \$48,370 Ky Alta Handicap at one mile on July 10. From six starts to date, the colt has compiled four wins, a second and a third for earnings of \$84,660.



Those Grand Cal-Bred Mares

In recent weeks, four sons of California-bred broodmares captured stakes events in New Mexico, Indiana and Louisiana.

A pair of racetracks in New Mexico provided the respective backdrops for the precocious juveniles Red Rock Springs and Verny.

On June 26, Red Rock Springs won the \$136,221 Mountain Top New Mexico Bred Thoroughbred Futurity to push his four-race bankroll to \$77,182 with his second career victory. The colt is out of Ocean Springs, a two-time winner by Golden Act who was bred by Cardiff Farm Management Corp.

Verny, a 2008 gelding out of the winning Present Value mare Hunka, defeated nine rivals in SunRay Park's \$75,000 Totah Stakes on July 3, to keep his three-race record perfect and

improve his earnings to \$113,581. His dam was bred in the Golden State by Jay Bligh.

At odds of 37-1, three-year-old Gunner provided a huge upset in the grassy, \$73,350 Governor's Stakes at Indiana Downs on July 7. The gelding is the first black-type winner out of Collector's Club, a daughter of Souvenir Copy who was bred by the late John and Betty Mabec.

Russian Envoy, an unraced Moscow Ballet mare who was bred in California by Harris Farms Inc., was flattered on July 3 by her three-year-old son Productive Envoy, winner of the \$72,750 Louisiana Showcase Mile Stakes. The colt has earned \$272,796 to date, with four wins from 12 starts.

Making The Grade

The following runner(s), either California-bred or sired by stallions currently based in the Golden State, won or placed in graded stakes races in North America (U. S., Canada & Puerto Rico) from June 21 to July 18 inclusive:

Biofuel f.3. Stormin Fever—Ms. Cornstalk 3rd Grade I Mother Goose Stakes \$243,750 1 1/16 m. Belmont Park June 26
Breeder: Brereton C. Jones

Antares World f.3. Decarchy—Alashir's World 2nd Grade I American Oaks Stakes \$250,000 1 1/4 m. (T) Hollywood Park July 3
Breeders: Mr. & Mrs. Larry D. Williams

U R All That I Am f.4. Valid Wager—Fort Silver 3rd Grade II Royal Heroine Mile Stakes \$150,000 1 m. (T) Hollywood Park July 3
Breeder: Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC

Secret Kin m.6. Sea of Secrets—Leisurely Kin 3rd Grade III Chicago Handicap \$100,000 7 f. Arlington Park July 4
Breeder: Team Block

Check the Label f.3. Stormin Fever—Don't Trick Her 1st Grade III Virginia Oaks \$150,000 1 1/8 m. (T) Colonial Downs July 17
Breeder: Brereton C. Jones

Unusual Suspect h.6. Unusual Heat—Penpont (NZ) 3rd Grade III Sunset Handicap \$100,000 1 1/2 m. (T) Hollywood Park July 18
Breeder: David Abrams

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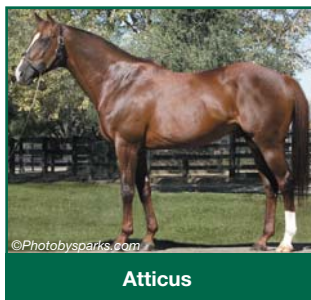
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Anziyan Royalty

This 10-year-old son of Anziyan, a grade II-placed stakes winner whose first foals are three-year-olds of 2010, has been relocated to Bay B Farm in Winters.

Atticus

This Magali Farms stallion was flattered as the broodmare sire of two recent stakes winners. On July 16, the four-year-old filly One Smokin' Lady captured the \$60,000 Day Lilly Stakes at Penn National Race Course; one day later, Big Sweets romped by 6 1/2 lengths in Prairie Meadows' \$75,000 Prairie Gold Lassie Stakes for two-year-old fillies.



Atticus

Sea of Secrets

Two descendants of this Ballena Vista Farm resident achieved black-type success recently. His five-year-old daughter Secret Gypsy improved her 15-race bankroll to \$416,926 with her June 25 victory in the \$100,000 Saylorville Stakes at Prairie Meadows, while his four-year-old maternal granddaughter La Concerto won the \$50,000 Arctic Queen Handicap at Finger Lakes on July 17.

Stormin Fever

Two fillies from this Golden Eagle Farm stallion's 2007 crop won stakes races within a two-week period. On July 17, \$341,270-earner Check the Label captured the grassy, \$150,000 Virginia Oaks (grade III) at Colonial Downs; on July 4, Magical Solution upset Finger Lakes' \$50,000 Niagara Stakes at odds of 41-1 to become her sire's 30th stakes winner.

Unusual Heat Moves To Harris Farms

California's top sire, Unusual Heat, has been relocated from his longtime residence at Old English Rancho to stand at Harris Farms in Coalinga. The 20-year-old Nureyev stallion, a group-placed dual stakes winner, is represented by lifetime progeny earnings of more than \$25 million and 27 stakes winners, including the 2010 grade I winner Acclamation. He has ranked as the leading sire in California by annual progeny earnings since 2008.



Unusual Heat



Luckarack

Lucky Pulpit Scores First Stakes Winner

On July 10, the California-based freshman sire Lucky Pulpit achieved his inaugural stakes winner when his undefeated son Luckarack captured the \$51,950 Everett Nevin Alameda County Stakes at Pleasanton in his second career start.

The nine-year-old Pulpit stallion is a dual graded stakes-placed stakes winner who stands at Harris Farms in Coalinga.

CURRENT CALIFORNIA SIRES OF STAKES WINNERS

Stallion	Foals of Racing Age	SWs
Salt Lake (1989)†	1,201	69
In Excess (Ire) (1987)	892	60
Bertrando (1989)	904	50
High Brite (1984)	895	44
Roar (1993)†	649	43
Beau Genius (1985)†	735	39
Cee's Tizzy (1987)	697	39
Turkoman (1982)†	707	33
Olympio (1988)	491	30
Stormin Fever (1994)	561	30
Memo (Chi) (1987)†	507	28
Benchmark (1991)	571	27
Unusual Heat (1990)	455	27
Rhythm (1987)†	965	25
Deputy Commander (1994)†	561	24
Game Plan (1993)	362	22
Lit de Justice (1990)	384	22
Moscow Ballet (1982)†	756	21
Swiss Yodeler (1994)	607	20
Formal Gold (1993)•	417	19
Sea of Secrets (1995)	368	18
Valid Wager (1992)†	498	18
Storm Creek (1993)•	559	17
Houston (1986)†	577	13
Old Topper (1995)	398	13
Siberian Summer (1989)	359	13
Tribal Rule (1996)	245	13
Western Fame (1992)	268	13
For Really (1987)	239	12
Future Storm (1990)•	480	12
Souvenir Copy (1995)•	439	12

† Indicates stallions who have died or have been retired from the stud. • Indicates stallions who have moved out of state but have California-bred two-year-olds of this year. All sires will remain on the list until the year after their last foals are two-year-olds.

Auction Action

During a three-day spell in July, a trio of yearlings with California connections commanded six-figure prices at auctions in Lexington, Kentucky and Hokkaido, Japan.

At Fasig-Tipton's two-day sale of selected yearlings, a Medaglia d'Oro colt out of the seven-time winner Beright, who was bred in California by Cardiff Farm Management Corp., topped proceedings with a \$450,000 winning bid from John Ferguson on July 13. The next day, \$225,000 was paid for a son of Unbridled's Song and Misty Rosette, a graded stakes-winning daughter of the Golden Eagle Farm sire Stormin Fever.

On July 12, a War Emblem filly out of the stakes winner and group I producer Cognac Lady, by Olympio (Victory Rose Thoroughbreds), was knocked down for \$288,888 (26,000,000 yen) at the 2010 JHRA (Japan Racing Horse Association) Select Sale.

Oak Tree Racing Association Update



Oak Tree Meet Stays At Santa Anita

This year's 42nd Oak Tree Racing Association meet will be held at Santa Anita Park in Arcadia from Sept. 29 to Oct. 31.

Five of the non-profit association's board members accepted the offer made of a one-year deal under the same terms of its previous lease by Frank Stronach, representing the track's owner Magna International Developments (MID), at the monthly meeting of the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) that was held at Hollywood Park on June 22, and which attracted a larger than usual crowd of more than 150 people.

Pincay Honor For Oak Tree

Laffit Pincay Jr. (center) presented the seventh Laffit Pincay Jr. Award to the Oak Tree Racing Association, represented by directors John Barr, Thomas Capehart, Dr. Jack Robbins DVM (President), Dr. Rick Arthur DVM, Richard Mandella and Bob Zamarripa Sr., (left to right) in the winner's circle at Hollywood Park on July 10, during this year's Hollywood Gold Cup program.

California Closers

On Saturday, Aug. 7, the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) will host "Ownership 101 – Partnerships & Syndicates" seminars at both the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and Santa Rosa, the site of this year's 2010 Sonoma County Fair meet... The next meeting of the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) will be at the Del Mar Simulcast Facility on Thursday, Aug. 19, while one of its former stewards Pam Berg, the owner of the Glen Ellen Vocational Academy (GEVA) in Sonoma County, will receive a \$400,000 out-of-court settlement for a 2009 lawsuit filed against the agency alleging discrimination and harassment based on age and gender... The Del Mar Hilton Hotel will be the venue for After the Finish Line's Annual Charity Fundraiser, "A Tribute to the Majesty of Thoroughbreds," featuring a reception, dinner and silent and live auctions, on Thursday, Aug. 5... The Edwin J. Gregson Foundation will host its 10th Annual Charity Fundraiser Dinner at The Grand Del Mar resort on Monday, Aug. 9... The Northern California Equine Association (NCEA) will next meet at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Elk Grove on Tuesday, Aug. 24.

Qualifying Claiming Levels

The following claiming levels for California owners premiums and stallion awards are currently in effect:

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club
\$40,000

Santa Rosa: Sonoma County Fair
\$20,000 (closes August 15)

Ferndale: Humboldt County Fair
\$20,000 (August 13-22)

Golden Gate Fields
\$20,000 (opens August 25)



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**\$30,375 Lady Morvich Handicap
August 31, 1985**

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

10 Years Ago

At the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on Aug. 26, 2000, the grade III Rancho Bernardo Handicap was won by Theresa's Tizzy, a six-year-old filly by Cee's Tizzy and out of the 1990 California Champion Two-Year-Old Female, Theresa's Pleasure. Bred in the Golden State by Lester Smith, the dam of 2006 graded stakes-winning juvenile Got the Last Laugh retired five months later with 15 wins, seven placings and \$660,271 in earnings from 35 starts.

25 Years Ago

Trainer Robert Bean and actor Jack Klugman's homebred three-year-old filly Barbie Karen posted her only career stakes victory in the \$30,375 Lady Morvich Handicap at the Bay Meadows Fair on Aug. 31, 1985. The daughter of Out of the East and the eight-time winner Barbie Carol, by Olympiad King, raced through the age of six for a record of 56-7-6-9 and \$132,843 in earnings before becoming the dam of five winners.

50 Years Ago

The two-year-old filly Betty's Fortune, by Conjure and out of the Alibhai (Eng) mare Fortune Teller, was the winner of the \$11,250 Junior Miss Stakes at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on Aug. 3, 1960. Bred and owned in California by Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Johnston, she became the dam of the multiple stakes-winning juvenile Macarthur Park after retiring as the winner of five races and \$29,550 in 42 trips to post.

Betty's Fortune



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IN MEMORIAM

Blane Schvaneveldt

Blane Schvaneveldt, a 12-time leading Quarter Horse trainer in North America and the most successful conditioner in the history of Los Alamitos with 38 training titles at the Southern California track, died at the age of 76 on July 4. Although he was revered for saddling American Quarter Horse Association racing champions such as Refrigerator and First Down Dash, he was also a member of the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) since 1992, and operated the 70-acre Blane Schvaneveldt Ranch in Romoland.



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Maiden Bonus Program Reaps Rewards

As an indication of the success of the California-bred Maiden Bonus Program, there has been a 62 percent increase in the number of Cal-bred or California-sired maiden special weight winners from Jan. 1 through June 30 of 2010, as compared to the corresponding period in 2009.

This year, there have been 102 winners of such races, compared to 63 last year. The 102 winners have earned a total of \$1,680,000 in bonus money.

The Maiden Bonus Program is in place for registered Cal-bred or Cal-sired horses. Funded by the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) and California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA), this new program will greatly increase the return for those investing in Cal-bred or Cal-sired horses. The goal of this program is to increase demand for Cal-bred or Cal-sired horses by significantly increasing the purse money and opportunities available for Cal-bred or Cal-sired horses. The backbone of this new program is the creation of a lucrative Maiden Bonus Program, providing a quick return for those successfully racing Cal-bred or Cal-sired horses.

The program provides a \$20,000 bonus made available for owners of registered Cal-bred or Cal-sired maidens in maiden spe-

cial weight races in Southern California and a \$10,000 bonus for owners of registered Cal-bred or Cal-sired maidens in maiden special weight races in Northern California.

The bonus will go to the owner of the winner and will be paid directly by the CTBA within 30 days after the race. To put this into perspective: In Southern California, at the Santa Anita Park meet, a Cal-bred or Cal-sired maiden special weight race, going long, carried a purse of \$46,000, of which \$27,600 went to the winner. Under the new scenario, the winner received the \$27,600 plus an additional \$20,000 for a net amount of nearly \$50,000. In the North, the same applied with the owner receiving \$10,000 over and above the purse earned.

If a Cal-bred wins an open maiden special weight race, the owner would also receive the current owner bonus available in open company as well as the new amount.

This program, designed to quickly reward those investing in Cal-bred or Cal-sired horses, will significantly increase their value overnight. The various racing secretaries support this tremendous boost and have made a commitment to write and fill more Cal-bred and Cal-sired maiden special weight races.

Cal Cup Nominations Reminder

The Early Bird Nominations for California Cup XXI which will be held on Saturday, Oct. 30, during this year's 42nd Oak Tree Racing Association meet at Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, close on Thursday, Aug. 12, while the regular nominations are due on Saturday, Oct., 16.

This lucrative day of racing exclusively for California-breds will offer seven black-type stakes races worth \$700,000.

Cal Cup Yearling Sale News

To accommodate the dispersal of Martin and Pam Wygod's River Edge Farm bloodstock, the second edition of the California Cup Yearling Sale—co-sponsored by Barretts Equine Limited and the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA)—has been extended to a second day and will now be held in the Hinds Pavilion at Fairplex in Pomona on Tuesday, Oct. 12 and Wednesday, Oct. 13.

Harris Ranch Seminar Update

The 13th renewal of the Harris Ranch Seminar, co-sponsored by the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) and the Oak Tree Racing Association, will be held at the Harris Ranch Inn & Restaurant on Friday, Sept. 24 and Saturday, Sept. 25, following a one-year hiatus.

Among the speakers and panelists already signed up for this year's topic of "Marketing The Thoroughbred" are Dr. Emmeline Hill (Equinome Limited, Dublin, Ireland), Jeffrey Bloom (West Point Thoroughbreds), Michael O'Hagan (Irish Thoroughbred Marketing, County Kildare, Ireland), Dr. Jeanne Bowers (Harris Farms), Barbara Marsh, Debbie Arrington (Sacramento Bee), Jack Shinar (*The Blood-Horse*) and Larry Stewart (*Thoroughbred Times*).

Registration & Nomination Deadlines

Wednesday, September 1, 2010 – Report of Mares Bred due from stallion owners to the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA).

Thursday, September 30, 2010 – California-bred registration of foals of 2009 at \$100 fee for CTBA members and \$125 fee for non-members (Friday, October 1 to Friday, December 31, 2010, \$125 fee for CTBA members and \$150 fee for non-members).

New CTBA Members

The following became members of the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association in May and June of 2010:

Kathleen "Tat" Yakutis
Culver City, CA

Christine Chanley
Livermore, CA

The CTBA Calendar Corner

Event	Date(s)	Venue(s)
CTBA Sales' Northern California Yearling Sale	Tuesday, August 17	Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton
13th Annual Harris Ranch Seminar	Friday, September 24 & Saturday, September 25	Harris Ranch Inn & Restaurant, Coalinga
Barretts/CTBA California Cup Yearling Sale	Tuesday, October 12 & Wednesday, October 13	Hinds Pavilion (Fairplex), Pomona
California Cup XXI	Saturday, October 30	Santa Anita Park, Arcadia

For further information, contact the CTBA's Events Publicist Christy Chapman at either christy@ctba.com or (800) 573-2822 extension 247

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Peter Tunney Elected To Foundation Board



Veteran racing executive and official Peter W. Tunney has been elected a director of the California Thoroughbred Foundation (CTF).

Tunney has been the Executive Vice President of Golden Gate Fields since 1981. Until recently, his duties also have included General Manager and Director of Racing at the Northern California track.

His 50 years of experience in the Thoroughbred industry include working in the racing departments at Santa Anita Park, Hollywood Park, the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and with the Oak Tree Racing Association as a steward, racing secretary, placing judge and patrol judge.

The California Thoroughbred Foundation

The California Thoroughbred Foundation (CTF) is dedicated to the advancement of equine research and education. Since 1958, the Foundation has operated as a non-profit 501(c)3 corporation that can accept tax deductible contributions. For more than four decades, the CTF has sponsored numerous research and educational projects and awarded scholarships to veterinary students at U.C. Davis.

The Foundation maintains the Carleton F. Burke Memorial Library, one of the most extensive collections of equine literature found anywhere. Several generous

donations of book collections and artwork form the core of the library, which is housed in the CTBA offices in Arcadia. Among its 10,000 volumes are current veterinary publications, turf histories, sales catalogs, and books spanning a wide range of subjects from equine nutrition and care to fine arts. The latest instructional videos are also available for viewing in the library.

The resources of the CTF's Carleton F. Burke Memorial Library are available to the public for research and pleasure.

Memorial Donations

The CTF accepts donations in memory of relatives and friends, with all such donations allocated to Scholarship Funds of the Foundation and to the Carleton F. Burke Memorial Library. Please remember members of our industry with a donation to the CTF Memorial Fund. Donations may be sent to CTF, P. O. Box 60018, Arcadia, CA 91066-6018.



Fairplex Park

Enter the Race and the Wagering Action at Fairplex Park, Starting Thursday, Sept. 9!

2010 Stakes Schedule

			NOMS
Thurs., Sep 9	BEVERLY J. LEWIS Fillies, 3-year-olds	\$50,000 Guaranteed 6-1/2 Furlongs	8-28-10
Sat., Sep 11	JIM KOSTOFF 3-year-olds	\$50,000 Guaranteed 7 Furlongs	8-28-10
Sat., Sep 11	E. B. JOHNSTON - Cal Bred F&M, 3-year-olds & Up	\$50,000 Guaranteed 1-1/16 Miles	8-28-10
Sun., Sep 12	BANGLES AND BEADS STAKES F&M, 3-year-olds & Up	\$50,000 Guaranteed 6-1/2 Furlongs	8-28-10
Wed., Sep 15	CB AFFLERBAUGH STAKES 2-year-olds	\$50,000 Guaranteed 7 Furlongs	9-8-10
Fri., Sep 17	PHIL D. SHEPHERD STAKES Fillies, 2-year-olds	\$50,000 Guaranteed 7 Furlongs	9-9-10
Sat., Sep 18	BARRETTS DEBUTANTE Fillies, 2-year-olds	\$110,000 Estimated 6-1/2 Furlongs	Closed
Sun., Sep 19	BARRETTS JUVENILE 2-year-olds	\$110,000 Estimated 6-1/2 Furlongs	Closed
Wed., Sep 22	GOVERNOR'S CUP 3-year-olds & Up	\$50,000 Guaranteed 6-1/2 Furlongs	9-11-10
Fri., Sep 24	PALOMARES Fillies, 3-year-olds	\$50,000 Guaranteed 1-1/16 Miles	9-11-10
Sat., Sep 25	LAS MADRINAS F&M, 3-year-olds & Up	\$50,000 Guaranteed 1-1/16 Miles	9-17-10
Sat., Sep 25	POMONA DERBY 3-year-olds	\$50,000 Guaranteed 1-1/16 Miles	9-18-10
Sun., Sep 26	RALPH M. HINDS POMONA HANDICAP 3-year-olds & Up	\$75,000 Guaranteed 1-1/8 Miles	9-18-10

Fairplex Park Live Racing September 9~27

(Dark Mondays, Sept. 13 & 20 and Tuesdays.)

Fountain Of Youth



*CTBA Sales' Northern
California Yearling Sale*

by LISA GROOTHEDDE

Like the mythical, eternal waters that lured Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de León to the shores of North America in the early 16th century, the annual Northern California Yearling Sale has established itself as a source of youthful talent since it was introduced by the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) in 2004.

While providing an important commercial outlet for regional breeders and owners, the auction has quietly become a conduit for many solid performers who regularly fill training barns, starting gates and winner's circles across the vast Golden State, and even beyond its borders. The vendue also has served as the wellspring for some exceptional individuals who originally sold for modest prices, but who have gone on to earn six-figure profits for their savvy connections.

The last six editions of the CTBA Sales' Northern California Yearling Sale have produced more than 400 winners, collectively, including 22 stakes winners. Five precocious graduates from last year's auction are already winners as two-year-olds in 2010, including the Pleasanton stakes winner Perfect Curls and stakes runner-up Lucky Mr. K.

Gracing the cover of the 2010 sale catalog is California-bred Excessive Passion, whose \$25,000 purchase price was the highest for his gender during the sale's 2008 renewal. The Vronsky colt has earned \$101,440 to date, with the bulk of his bankroll emanating from his victories in the 2009 Everett Nevin Alameda County Stakes on the dirt at Pleasanton and the 2010 Harry Henson Stakes on the turf at Hollywood Park.

Other notable runners who have emerged from this sale include six graduates who sold for a cumulative \$141,200, but who have earned more than \$2 million as a group to date: dual graded stakes winner Autism Awareness (\$301,745), a \$1,000 purchase in 2006; grade II winner Sierra Sunset (\$459,696), a \$40,000 purchase in 2006; the grade I-placed, nine-time stakes winner Bai and Bai (\$724,983), a \$3,200 selection in 2004; 2007 Snow Chief Stakes winner Leesider (\$265,621), the \$50,000 sale-topper in 2005; dual stakes winner Run Brother Ron (\$190,781), another \$40,000 buy in 2006; and stakes winner Maidens Justice (\$109,728), a \$7,000 graduate of the 2007 sale.

Buyer's Market

Due to its reasonable prices for bloodstock, the Northern California Yearling Sale is traditionally viewed as a buyer's market. Since its inception in 2004, the auction has resulted in annual average prices ranging from a low of \$4,761 in 2008 to a high of \$8,192 in 2006, while the median has fluctuated between the extremes of \$2,500 and \$4,350.

In keeping with this budget-friendly trend, the individual sale-toppers have been relatively affordable, ranging in price from \$32,000 in 2009 to \$72,000 in 2006.

In 2009, the auction yielded total receipts of \$566,000 for the reported sale of 110 of the 156 yearlings offered. The average price for a racing prospect was \$5,145, while the median was \$3,250. The buy-back rate was 29.5 percent.

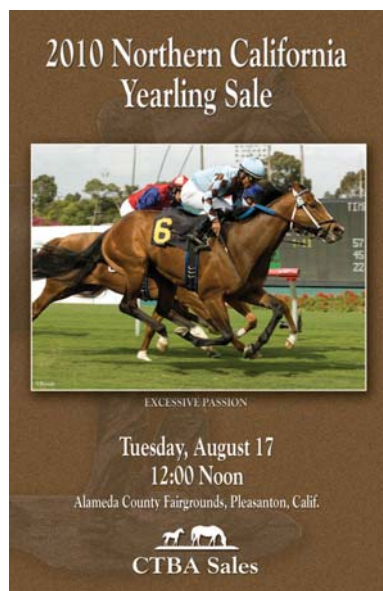
Fetching the highest bid last year, at \$32,000, was the aforementioned Lucky Mr. K, a Benchmark colt out of the Deputy Minister mare Brief Interlude who was consigned by River Edge Farm and purchased by trainer Jeff Bonde on behalf of Sierra Sunset LLC. He has earned \$34,700 in his first two career starts.

The 2010 edition of the sale will return to its regular location at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton on Tuesday, Aug. 17. Bidding will get underway at noon.

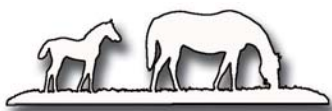
All but two of the 155 yearlings listed in the catalog were bred in California.

Among the state's prominent sires who are represented by available offspring are Atticus, Benchmark, Bertrando, Decarchy, High Brite, In Excess (Ire), Kafwain, Marino Marini, Ministers Wild Cat, Old Topper, Perfect Mandate, Sea of Secrets, Tribal Rule and Vronsky. Yearlings from the first crops of the California stallions Don'tsellmeshort, Jet West and Under Caution are also scheduled to sell, as are youngsters by the East Coast-based sires Lemon Drop Kid, Northern Afleet, Pomeroy and Sharp Humor.

"Our expectations for the sale are similar to the past year," said CTBA Executive Vice President and General Manager Doug Burge. "However, we do believe that we



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CTBA Sales' Northern California Yearling Sale Cont'd.

have an overall more marketable group of yearlings this year, and the recent success of many graduates should bring considerable interest to the sale."

Shipping the most yearlings to Pleasanton among the 17 consignors who are scheduled to participate is Sue Greene, whose Woodbridge Farm consignment has 23 entries, including 15 sons and daughters of resident sire Tannersmyman. Spearheading this group are a filly from the family of Eclipse Champion Two-Year-Old Filly Eliza and a colt out of a winning half-sister to Bai and Bai.

With 19 yearlings cataloged, agent Colleen Turpin-Boyce has the second-largest consignment, highlighted by a pair of colts whose respective pedigrees feature Bai and Bai and multiple California champion Smooth Player.

Agent Sam Hendricks' 18-strong contingent includes a Benchmark filly from the family of 2008 California Champion Two-Year-Old Male Babs Moossa and an Uncle Denny filly out of a winning full sister to former California champion juvenile Moscow Changes.

The catalog lists 16 entries under the Harris Farms banner, including two standouts by resident sire Stormy Jack: a filly who shares a second dam with grade III winner Lucky J. H. and a colt whose second dam, Work the Crowd, reigned as a three-time California champion.

Oak Hill Farm's 12-horse string includes a Sea of Secrets

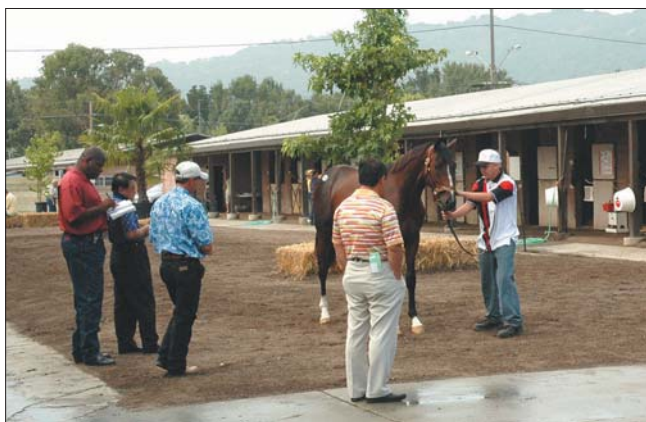
filly out of a winning half-sister to California Cup Distance Handicap winner Special Heather, while River Edge Farm's 12 representatives include two standouts by resident sire Tribal Rule: a filly who shares a second dam with grade I winner Silent Sighs and a colt whose catalog page features dual grade I winner Brother Derek and fellow California champion Don'tsellmeshort.

BTO is offering a Bertrando colt out of grade III winner Magic Broad, while Adrian Gonzalez's Checkmate Thoroughbreds is consigning a Game Plan filly from the immediate family of European champion sprinter Nuclear Debate.

Jack and Barb Hatch's Green Acre Stables group features a Bertrando filly from the family of grade I winner and producer Fran's Valentine, a four-time California champion. A Decarchy filly from the family of California Horse of the Year Golden Act highlights the Sue Hubbard & Associates consignment, while Wheatland Farms will exhibit a Northern Devil filly from the family of two-time California champion sprinter Letthebighossroll. The Willow Tree Farm assembly includes an Atticus colt from the family of California champion Humorous Lady.

Other consignors participating in this year's auction are Applebite Farms, Cheryl Bigon, C-Punch Ranch, Neale Jensen and Stony Creek Farm.

For a copy of the catalog or more information about the 2010 Northern California Yearling Sale, contact CTBA Sales Coordinator Cookie Hackworth at (800) 573-2822 or (626) 445-7800, extension 243, or by email at cookie@ctba.com.



Fulfilling Their Potential



*CTBA Sales' Northern
California Yearling Sale*

by RUDI GROOTHEDDE

EXCESSIVE PASSION

**Sold for \$25,000 to Sierra Sunset LLC as Hip #119,
consigned by Old English Rancho, Agent,
at the 2008 CTBA Sales'
Northern California Yearling Sale.**

Current Record:

5-3-0-0 and \$101,440 including \$75,000
Harry Henson Stakes (2010) & \$60,000
Everett Nevin Alameda County Stakes (2009).

Breeders:

Old English Rancho & Berumen.

Pedigree:

Vronsky—Ms Hearts N Arrows, by In Excess (Ire).

Owners:

Rusty Brown, Philip Lebherz & Alan Klein.

Trainers:

Jeff Bonde.



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PERFECT CURLS

**Sold for \$9,500 to G C C I as Hip #154,
consigned by Old English Rancho,
at the 2009 CTBA Sales'
Northern California Yearling Sale.**

Current Record:

3-2-1-0 and \$66,700 including \$67,850
Juan Gonzalez Memorial Stakes (2010).

Breeder:

Old English Rancho.

Pedigree:

Perfect Mandate—Curves 'n Curls,
by Something Lucky.

Owners:

G C C I.

Trainer:

Clifford DeLima.



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The 2010 Crop: Southern California



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Awesome Gambler—Oozing Class (Arg)

Filly born February 28

Breeder: Terry Lovingier

Farm: Lovacres Ranch

From the family of group I winners Marroqui (Arg) and El Muneco (Arg)



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Stormin Fever—Crystal Marina

Colt born April 9

Breeder: Richard Rosenberg

Farm: Golden Eagle Farm

From the family of grade I winners Miss Josh and Royal Mountain Inn



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Marino Marini—When and Where

Colt born March 25

Breeders: Ron & Pamela Mesaros

Farm: Ballena Vista Farm

Half-brother to graded stakes winner Standard Setter



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Spensive—Improvising Gal

Colt born April 12

Breeder: Judi Partridge

Farm: Ballena Vista Farm

From the family of multiple grade I winner
Versailles Treaty



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One Man Army—Corrinarina

Colt born May 19

Breeder: Jeff Stiefel

Farm: Milky Way Farm

Dam is a half-sister to
multiple stakes-placed Dixie Kiss



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Spensive—Phar Too Reckless

Colt born March 11

Breeder: Y-Lo Racing Stables LLC

Farm: Ballena Vista Farm

From the family of graded stakes-placed Queen Forbes



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Rio Verde—Cause I'm Tricky

Filly born March 5

Breeder: Terry Lovingier

Farm: Lovacres Ranch

Full brother to dual stakes-placed Got Tobe Rio



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Unusual Heat—Papoose Bay

Colt born March 12

Breeder: George Krikorian

Farm: Golden Eagle Farm

From the family of dual grade I-placed multiple graded stakes winner Bolshoi Boy



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Game Plan—Corissa's Birthday

Filly born February 6

Breeder: Academic Farms

Farm: E.A. Ranches

Dam is a half-sister to dual stakes winner Runnin Red



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Awesome Gambler—Cars and Cigars

Filly born January 24

Breeder: Terry Lovingier

Farm: Lovacres Ranch

Dam is a stakes-placed half-sister to multiple stakes-placed Trillion Win



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Stormin Fever—Thunder Goddess

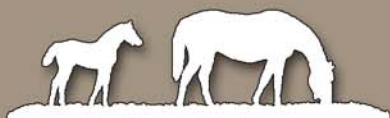
Colt born April 23

Breeder: La Jolla Thoroughbred Stables

Farm: Golden Eagle Farm

Dam is a half-sister to grade I-placed graded stakes winners The Seven Seas and Royal Gem

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Ten Most Wanted—Lulu's Queen
Colt born March 10
Breeder: Miguel Rubio
Farm: Ballena Vista Farm
From the family of grade I winner
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Stormin Fever—Valid Acquisition
Filly born January 14
Breeder: Larry Mabee
Farm: Golden Eagle Farm
Dam is a half-sister to dual graded stakes winner Flying Glitter



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Spensive—Royal Life
Filly born March 12
Breeder: Y-Lo Racing Stables LLC
Farm: Ballena Vista Farm
From the family of stakes winner
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Awesome Gambler—Latinat
Colt born February 22
Breeder: Ross Lovingier
Farm: Lovacres Ranch
Dam is stakes-placed



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Unusual Heat—Lady Manhattan
Colt born February 14
Breeder: Super Horse Inc.
Farm: Golden Eagle Farm
Dam is a half-sister to dual grade I-
placed graded stakes winner Stalcreek



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Sea of Secrets—Lil Nugget
Filly born March 10
Breeders: Arnold Hill, Bill Branch, Ron Holguin &
Bruno De Julio
Farm: Ballena Vista Farm
Dam is a half-sister to graded stakes-placed
stakes winner Ultra Blend



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Rock Hard Ten—Chetak (Ire)
Colt born March 17
Breeders: John & Allegra Ernst
Farm: Ballena Vista Farm
Dam is a full sister to group winner An Tadh (Ire)



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Stormin Fever—Teardrop Tiara
Filly born April 6
Breeders: Nancy Markwell & Kenneth Markwell Jr.
Farm: Golden Eagle Farm
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Defy Logic—Bid It Up
Colt born February 12
Breeder: Auerbach Family Trust
Farm: E.A. Ranches
From the family of stakes winner Rules of War



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Spensive—Nip
Filly born March 15
Breeder: Y-Lo Racing Stables LLC
Farm: Ballena Vista Farm
From the family of multiple stakes winners Big Miss, Lt'l Miss D. S. and Lt'l Mandy A



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Awesome Gambler—Run Kitty Run
Filly born February 3
Breeders: Terry Lovingier & Linda Templeton
Farm: Lovacres Ranch
Dam is a half-sister to stakes-placed Fifteen Love



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Bluegrass Cat—No Turbulence
Colt born February 26
Breeder: Ballena Vista Farm
Farm: Ballena Vista Farm
Dam is a graded stakes-placed multiple stakes winner



CTBA Member Profile

Ed Delaney: Singing Of Success

by EMILY SHIELDS

While growing up in upstate New York, Ed Delaney always knew that one day he would live in California.

Although various work-related adventures delayed his move to the Golden State, Delaney finally arrived 25 years ago, and has never looked back. Now, more than ever, there is a reason to stay: Delaney's homebred stakes winner, Wolf Tail, is on the comeback trail and may resurface this fall.

Delaney was born in Rensselaer, New York, a city located only 35 miles South of Saratoga Springs. At a young age, Delaney started visiting Saratoga Racecourse with his mother. Between the raw displays of speed by the Thoroughbreds and the wild celebrations generated by the huge crowds of fans, Delaney was hooked on racing.

In the 1970s, he invested in harness horses, buying into a few trotters to race at venues such as Saratoga Raceway and the now defunct Green Mountain Race Track. "I didn't know anything about horses at that point," Delaney admits before adding, "it was enjoyable, but I kind of took a little bath there."

Racehorses were merely a pleasant pastime for Delaney, and were far from his main source of income. As a rock and roll musician and aspiring songwriter, he knew that a move closer to the business out in California was imminent, but did not take the plunge until 1985. "As a songwriter, I was always on my way out here and never quite made it, and finally I just up and moved out," he explained.



Friends urged Delaney to get back into the racing game, but he resisted. "I remembered the expense," he joked, "but I finally decided to get back into it about five years ago."

At the 2007 Barretts January Mixed Sale, Delaney purchased a handful of mares, including a three-time winner by Dynaformer named Bright Sunday for \$4,500. At the time, Bright Sunday was in foal to a young son of Deputy Minister named Strive. The resulting foal was an unusual looking bay colt with a long tail streaked with black, white and gray hairs. The strange marking earned the colt the name of Wolf Tail.

"He grew up at Magali Farms, and (farm manager) Tom Hudson always thought he was going to be a good horse," Delaney recalled. "I got kind of lucky with him."

Wolf Tail took to the racetrack right away, and worked well for his debut under the tutelage of trainer Doug O'Neill. After only seven weeks at Hollywood Park, he went to the post for the first time on May 7, 2009, in a 4 1/2-furlong sprint. After racing wide throughout, Wolf Tail finished fifth.

He started in two additional maiden special weight races at the Hollywood Park summer meeting, and finished second both times. "He got to the races so quickly as a juvenile that we thought he'd perform a little better," Delaney said. "It didn't seem like he wanted to win."

When the racing switched to the Del Mar Thorough-



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bred Club meet in July, Delaney and O'Neill made a daring move: Wolf Tail was entered as a maiden into the \$100,000 Graduation Stakes for state-bred two-year-olds. He was sent off at 17-1 against seven rivals, including stakes-placed Grace Upon Grace and the two horses who had beaten Wolf Tail in his recent maiden races, Bertran Hill and dual stakes-placed Sweet Tigger. Under jockey Joel Rosario, Wolf Tail raced second to last early in the 5 1/2-furlong dash, then unleashed a four-wide bid to run down Grace Upon Grace and win by a neck in 1:05.15.

After finishing sixth in Del Mar's \$100,000 I'm Smokin Stakes on Sept. 7, Wolf Tail ran second in the \$100,000 Bob Benoit California Cup Juvenile Stakes at Santa Anita Park in October, during the Oak Tree Racing Association meet. He received a slight break, then returned to competition in the prestigious \$100,000 California Breeders' Champion Stakes at Santa Anita on Dec. 26, finishing fifth. Wolf Tail was third in his sophomore debut, then stretched out to 1 1/8 miles for the first time in Santa Anita's \$150,000 Sham Stakes (grade III) on March 6.

"We thought he would love stretching out," Delaney said. "Unfortunately, he didn't run like it." Wolf Tail finished last, and is now enjoying a freshening at the farm. He is expected to return to O'Neill's care in the fall. "We will let him tell us when he is ready," Delaney said. "I still think he is a distance horse, and hopefully he comes back and shows his true form." Wolf Tail has earned

\$106,840 with one win, three seconds and a third in nine trips to post.

Although Delaney has sold Bright Sunday, the resident of Toluca Lake has much to look forward to. He has three juveniles ready for the racetrack, including a Pure Prize filly named A Natural and a Mutakddim colt named Storddim—both are California-breds. The brightest star on his horizon, however, is Wolf Tail's yearling half-sister by the promising young California sire, Decarchy (Magali Farms). "I hear she is the best yearling of my group," Delaney said.

Although Delaney has now found success as an owner and breeder, he would still like to see changes in daily race-track operations. "I really do like the business; it's thrilling and interesting, and everybody has a chance to win," he said, "but I'd love to see more on-track attendance." He cited his early days as a child at Saratoga. "That track was wall-to-wall with people from all walks of life, and the excitement it generated was unbelievable. I'd love to see those days again, especially here in California. Like our two-year-olds that we need every year to keep the racing industry afloat, we also need a stream of new young human blood to help build the crowds back to where they once were."

With Wolf Tail nearing a return to the races, and Delaney's up and coming young horses ready to take center stage, the coming racing season looks to be, at the very least, entertaining. Perhaps their exploits will even provide him with enough material for a new song! 🎵



Wolf Tail—\$100,000 Graduation Stakes—July 29, 2009



*The 2009 TOBA
State Breeder of the Year
for California*

Hi Card Ranch: Unexpected Thrills

by EMILY SHIELDS

Keith and Barbara Card's Hi Card Ranch has been named the 2009 TOBA (Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association) State Breeder of the Year for California. The recognition, which is yet another surprise in a recent whirlwind of fame for the couple, is due to the suc-

cess of the Cards' homebred California Flag, who ran away with the \$909,000 Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint last fall.

The Cards, who are self-proclaimed "small breeders," own the 10-acre Hi Card Ranch in the rapidly growing city of Murrieta. They have been taken on a wild ride with Cal-

ifornia Flag, a strapping gray or roan son of Avenue of Flags out of the diminutive Afleet mare, Ultrafleet. After the gelding finished a discouraging 10 in the inaugural Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint in 2008, California Flag's connections, including trainer Brian Koriner, regrouped and plotted a course back to the fall championship for 2009.

California Flag kicked off the season by winning the \$106,100 Green Flash Handicap at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on Aug. 19. He had been sidelined for more than eight months since winning Hollywood Park's grade III, \$150,000 Hollywood Turf Express Handicap, his rebound effort from the dismal Breeders' Cup attempt. He then easily handled the grade III, \$100,000 Morvich Handicap at Santa Anita Park on Sept. 30, before bounding clear to Breeders' Cup glory.

Facing a full field of 13 rivals, California Flag was sent off as the 3-1 favorite and won by 1 3/4 lengths in a sharp 1:11.28 for about 6 1/2 furlongs on the downhill turf course. The powerful victory earned him the title as joint California Horse of the Year, as well as the honor of Champion Turf Horse outright.

Since the Breeders' Cup, California Flag has become a globetrotter. He finished fifth in the Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Sprint (group I) in December, then traveled to the United Arab Emirates to compete in Dubai's new Al Quoz Sprint (group III) on Mar. 27. The game gelding finished a heart-breaking third after leading until the final strides. His record currently stands at eight wins and two thirds in 18 starts, with earnings of \$1,104,596.

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California Flag has started working again since the Al Quoz Sprint, and is scheduled to return to the post in the grade I, \$250,000 Bing Crosby Handicap on Aug. 1. "He's training really well now, and will run at Del Mar," Keith Card said. The race is expected to be a stepping-stone towards a defense of California Flag's Turf Sprint title. The 2010 Breeders' Cup will be held at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky, on Nov. 5-6.

Prior to the success of California Flag, the Cards' best homebred was Linda Card, a classy daughter of Noble Monk (Ire) who won eight of her 33 starts. A win in the inaugural \$150,000 California Cup Distaff Handicap was the biggest



California Flag



Keith and Barbara Card a.k.a. Hi Card Ranch

gem on Linda Card's resume when the graded stakes-placed runner retired with earnings of \$340,318 in 1991.

For Keith Card, a Past President of the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA) who has been breeding horses for more than 40 years, the TOBA accolade is just another thrill in a series of unexpected triumphs. "Receiving any award like this is wonderful and I'm very excited about it," Card said. He will be honored in Lexington on Friday, Sept. 10, along with 27 other Breeder of the Year winners from the United States and Canada. 🐾

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Racing in Southern California

by RUDI GROOTHEDDE

As this year's Hollywood Park Spring/Summer meet transitioned into the month of July, inaugural career stakes wins were recorded at six furlongs on the turf by a couple of five-year-old California-breds who had both only started their racing careers at the age of three.

Timing It Just Right

In the \$75,410 Robert K. Kerlan Memorial Handicap on June 27, the Siberian Summer (Victory Rose Thoroughbreds) gelding My Summer Slew posted a three-quarter length victory over Stoneside (Ire) in this event for three-year-olds and up. Ridden by Alonso Quinonez, who rode him previously to a third-placed finish in the grade III, \$100,000 Los Angeles Handicap at the same Inglewood track on June 5, My Summer Slew raced in second behind the four-year-old filly Unzip Me (:23.32, :45.41 and :56.71), a fellow Cal-bred who ran third as the race's 6-5 favorite, before taking command inside the sixteenth pole.

The \$47,790 he earned for this win in 1:08.40 boosted My Summer Slew's earnings to \$196,292 from five wins, a second and three thirds in just 13 starts. A winner of his debut going six furlongs on the all-weather Tapeta main track at Golden Gate Fields on Nov. 2, 2008, My Summer Slew later scored 2009 wins on the dirt at Fairplex Park and the grass at Santa Anita Park before a May 2 triumph on the Hollywood Park lawn.

Trained by Craig Dollase since his sophomore campaign,

My Summer Slew is the third Cal-bred to win this race in its 22-year history, following Scottsbluff in 2007 and the 2000 and 2003 victories by Full Moon Madness. Bred in California by his owner



My Summer Slew—Robert K. Kerlan Memorial Handicap—June 27, 2010

Nick Cafarchia, he is the second foal out of the four-time winner My Bouquet, a 13-year-old daughter of Slewpy.

Game As They Come

Dotsy Jean, a daughter of the Magali Farms sire Lit de Justice who finished third on her stakes debut in the \$200,000 Sunshine Millions Filly and Mare Stakes at Santa Anita on Jan. 30, and whose previous trip to post was a fourth-placed finish in Hollywood Park's May 21 Great Lady M. Stakes, went gate-to-wire in :23.32, :45.49, :56.93 and 1:08.74 as the 5-2 favorite to win the \$72,250 Culver City Stakes for fillies and mares, four-years-old and up on July 2. Claimed for \$16,000 from her breeder Ed DeJoy at Golden Gate Fields on Jan. 19, 2009, Dotsy Jean's owners AJM Racing LLC and J B K Stable have since benefited to the tune of \$268,271 from seven wins, one second and three thirds in 14 starts after her latest \$47,670 payday.

Third in her debut on Golden Gate's Tapeta surface in January of 2008, she made five more trips to post before scoring her first lifetime win on May 16, prior to a couple more wins in claiming company on the same main track during November of that year. Overall, Dotsy Jean boasts a record of 31-10-5-6 and \$318,133 with nine victories coming in her 20 starts at six furlongs, including a five-from-seven win history on the grass at this distance.

Also a winner at both six and seven furlongs on the all-weather Cushion Track surface at Santa Anita, this sixth foal out of the two-time winner Grandjean, by Pentelicus, is trained by Martin "Marty" Jones and was ridden for the 10th time in her late-blooming career by Joel Rosario. 🐾



Dotsy Jean—Culver City Stakes—July 2, 2010



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Northern California Report

by JERRY KLEIN

The California-bred juvenile filly Perfect Curls must have felt right at home when she arrived for the \$67,850 Juan Gonzalez Memorial Stakes at the Alameda County Fair on July 3. It was just last August, that she passed through the sales ring at the same Pleasanton locale, bringing a bid of \$9,500 during the CTBA Sales Northern California Yearling Sale. Purchased by trainer Cliff DeLima for long time client GCCI, she returned the investment in the Gonzalez, powering to a five-length victory.

At the start, it was Southern California shipper Rockin Heather who took the lead but Perfect Curls had enough speed to secure a good stalking position from her outside stall. The pacesetter held sway until the eight-horse field turned for home but readily gave way as Perfect Curls, under Michael Martinez, roared by. The 6-5 favorite Sweet Baguette closed for the place with Rockin Heather finishing third.

Veteran horseman DeLima was looking forward to the 5 1/2 furlongs of the race, following Perfect Curls' initial win going a furlong less. "I figured she'd be better the farther they go," he said afterward, "so I loved her today."

So did Martinez, a cousin of Alex Solis who was winning his first stakes race after relocating to the Bay Area almost 18 months ago. "The race was perfect for me," said Martinez afterward. "Cliff told me to lay back and she would run really nice for me. I had plenty of horse. I knew no one would catch me once I had the lead."

The victory increased Perfect Curls' bankroll to \$66,700 on a 3-2-1-0 record. The winner, a sibling to five other win-

ners including Golden Eagle Farm Stakes winner Throw Me a Curve, was bred by Old English Rancho and is by resident sire Perfect Mandate.

The Luck Continues

Trainer Steve Specht and owner/breeders Larry and Marianne Williams have been a potent force in the Bay Area lately with stakes horses Lady Railrider and Antares World, the latter also second in Hollywood Park's recent grade I American Oaks. Their latest stakes winner is Luckarack, who annexed the \$51,950 Everett Nevin Alameda County Stakes with relative ease on July 10, cruising to a 3 1/4-length win over the 4-5 favorite Lucky Mr. K.

After a slow start in the 5 1/2-furlong race for Cal-bred two-year-olds, the Jeff Bonde-trained runner-up had overtaken Luckarack, who started from the inside post, before winning jockey Frank Alvarado asked his colt to run on the far turn. The response was immediate and Alvarado shifted into high gear as they angled out for the stretch drive. Luckarack quickly went past eventual third-placed finisher Roman Power and galloped home unchallenged.

"I wanted to lay behind the leader, who I thought would be Bonde's horse," Alvarado said afterward. "At the sixteenth-pole, I knew the race was mine."

According to Specht, a few months ago it didn't seem like his colt could win any kind of race, let alone a stakes. "He was kind of lazy and he was pegged as a claimer," Specht said. "Then, just before his first start, he came to life." No one halted the son of Lucky Pulpit for \$32,000 from that debut



Perfect Curls

\$67,850 Juan Gonzalez Memorial Stakes—July 3, 2010



Luckarack

\$51,950 Everett Nevin Alameda County Stakes—July 10, 2010

victory and he remains unbeaten after the Everett Nevin. "As you see, he's continued to come to life," Specht noted with a grin, "and I think the longer he goes, the better."

Out of the graded stakes-placed winner Tamarack Bay, he is the first stakes winner by his freshman sire who stands at Harris Farms for \$2,500. Luckarack has now earned \$40,300.

A Late Developer

Nonagenarian Northern California owner Kjell Qvale has campaigned many a quick horse through the years, most recently Tribesman, the 2008 California Cup Sprint Handicap hero who won last year's Sam J. Whiting Memorial Handicap at the Alameda County Fair. For 2010, trainer Roger Hansen had Restless Youth ready to carry Kvale's silks in the \$62,300 race on July 11, and the veteran gelding led every step to outlast Jiggly by three quarters of a length. Paul's Hope was well back in third in the four-horse field.

The seven-year-old outdid his stablemate as well, posting a time of 1:08.46 seconds for the six furlongs, .06 faster than Tribesman, though the latter carried six pounds more at 123. It was the first career stakes win for Restless Youth, who was making just his third start in a black-type race. He remained undefeated at the Pleasanton oval, having won an allowance optional claiming contest there three years earlier.

Restless Youth took control immediately and zipped the first half-mile in :44.57. "I thought there were a couple who might try and go," said winning rider Chad Schvaneveldt, "so I decided to kick out. I thought Jiggly might get me but he really laid it down when I asked him."

A son of Helmsman, Restless Youth didn't make it to the races until he was four when he won his debut at Golden Gate Fields. He toiled in high-level allowance and optional claiming races, then missed last year before returning to top form this season with three wins in seven starts, including a pair on the turf, before the Whiting. His record stands at 29-9-4-6.

Kvale purchased Restless Youth as a weanling for \$13,000 at the 2003 Barretts October Mixed Sale. He was

bred by the late Robert Lewis and his wife Beverly and is out of the stakes-placed winner Restless Appeal, who followed her son into the ring and was purchased for \$9,000. The year before, she had foaled Charming Colleen, a subsequent grade I-placed stakes winner. Restless Youth has now earned \$318,002.

Class Will Tell

There was no doubt that the four-year-old filly Ultra Blend was the class horse among the seven fillies and mares who lined up for the \$76,000 California State Fair Sprint Handicap at Cal Expo on July 18. Whether she was fit enough to win at stakes level in only her second start of the year was the question that kept her odds from being less than 8-5. Dianne Do, a winner of five of her last six starts, had her supporters and any horse sent north by Bob Baffert, as was Irish Gypsy, always merits attention.

Ultra Blend's prep, as it turned out, was more than enough. Sent south by trainer Steve Sherman, she had closed stoutly in a turf allowance at Hollywood Park on June 23, and was set for the Sacramento race. In the State Fair, Dianne Do, as expected, cut out fractions of :21.50 and :44.18 before shaking off 27-1 longshot Izzy Rules to take the lead in the upper stretch.

Then class took over as Ultra Blend and jockey Russell Baze, who had gradually advanced through the field after an unhurried beginning, moved effortlessly to the front a furlong out and coasted home. The final margin was a widening two lengths. Irish Gypsy edged the pacesetter for the place.

After Ultra Blend won Golden Gate's Tiburon Stakes in January of 2009, Sherman plotted an ambitious schedule that saw the daughter of Richly Blended run second in the grade III, \$100,000 Santa Paula Stakes at Santa Anita Park and place in two stakes races at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club. Ultra Blend, who was bred by BnD Chase Thoroughbreds and Elven Adams, now has a record of 13-5-3-3 and a bankroll of \$232,098. 🐾



Restless Youth
\$62,300 Sam J. Whiting Memorial Handicap—July 11, 2010



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#43 Texcess: A Sizeable Contribution



by EMILY SHIELDS

When Texcess lost his debut at Fairplex Park, no one could have guessed that the strapping gelding would become the 43rd Cal-bred millionaire. He was too big and too mean to be taken seriously as a racehorse; the notion that this oversized bay would win a \$1 million race and try the Triple Crown trail would have been preposterous. Texcess was only too happy to prove everyone wrong.

In reality, that loss at Fairplex wasn't that disappointing. Texcess' debut came in the \$108,927 Barretts Juvenile Stakes on Sept. 19, 2004, where only two of the seven entrants had ever started before. Texcess was bumped at the start, then finished second by a head behind the 2-1 second wagering choice Beat the Chalk, defeating the more experienced and favored Dover Dere. That race was the perfect stepping stone to an electric juvenile season, one that would reward breeder Ron Gomez and owners Omar Aldabbagh and Paul Aguirre for their faith.

At the 1995 Keeneland September Yearling Sale, Gomez purchased a chestnut Regal Classic filly later named Danish Alamode for \$33,000. The filly was a half-sister to two Canadian stakes winners, Sparrow Lake and the British Colombia Derby winner Ever Steady. Danish Alamode did

not show the same class on the racetrack—she went unplaced in four starts—but she was a consistent broodmare, producing six winners from her seven foals to race.

Danish Alamode's first foal was the stakes-placed Gimme the Willys, who earned \$326,090 while winning 14 of her 54 starts. Her next two foals, Willie Cruise and Danish Bonus, were also multiple winners, while her 2004 offspring, a filly named Lt. Lorraine, was a stakes-placed, two-time winner. Foaled on April 8, 2002, Texcess was Danish Alamode's fifth foal.

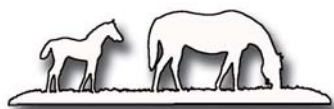
From the start, Texcess was an aggressive, oversized and bullish youngster. He immediately caught the eye of Omar Aldabbagh, a businessman and resident of Las Vegas who was on hand when Texcess was foaled at Gomez's NexStar Ranch. "He's the size of Texas," Aldabbagh was quoted as saying shortly after the colt's birth. Combined with the name of his sire, In Excess (Ire), the name Texcess was derived and stuck.

Aldabbagh liked the colt so much that he paid \$85,000 for him at the 2004 Barretts May Sale of Two-Year-Olds in

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Texcess (left), who became the 43rd California-bred millionaire when he ran second in the grade III, \$400,000 Lone Star Park Handicap in Texas on May 29, 2006, with two-time California Horse of the Year, Lava Man, and Dave Showalter and Sommer Smith at their NexStar Ranch in Temecula during January of 2008.



Cal-Bred Millionaires' Row Cont'd.

Training in partnership with trainer Paul Aguirre. Upon arrival at Aguirre's Hollywood Park barn, the colt immediately posed a problem: he was clearly talented, but also unruly. Aguirre determined that the colt would not be able to race unless he was gelded.

The decision worked: Texcess settled down and trained well for his debut. After that gutsy second place finish, Aguirre chose an even more ambitious spot, the Oak Tree Racing Association's \$125,000 Budweiser California Cup Juvenile Stakes at Santa Anita Park. Still a maiden, Texcess would have to face a field of winners, including stakes-placed Generalist and a colt named Lucky J.H. who was coming off a brilliant seven-length victory at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club.

Texcess didn't mind the step up in class; instead, he relished it. Under new jockey Rene Douglas, the big gelding stalked the pace, took the lead around the far turn and drew off to a dazzling six-length score. The \$75,000 winner's share of the purse boosted his earnings to \$95,007 in just two starts. Aldabbagh and Aguirre had already made back their investment.

At Hollywood Park four weeks later, Texcess went to post in an open company allowance race against only four rivals. Coming off the smashing Cal Cup victory, one would expect Texcess to be favored, but that honor went to a gray Kentucky-bred colt exiting a powerful 10-length maiden

win. That colt's name was Giacomo, and he would go on to win the 2005 Kentucky Derby (grade I).

As was quickly becoming his style, Texcess paid little attention to the competition. On his back was another new pilot, jockey Victor Espinoza, because Douglas opted to ride a Bob Baffert-trainee, the stakes-placed Chips Are Down. Texcess dueled with Chips Are Down early, went wide on the first turn, took back, launched a second bid to gain the lead, and held gamely to win by a length while Giacomo closed to be third.

Handicappers were now forced to take Texcess seriously. For start number four, Aguirre placed his charge in the most ambitious spot yet, the \$1 million Boyd Gaming's Delta Jackpot Stakes at Delta Downs in Louisiana on Dec. 4. Texcess and Espinoza were sent off as the first choice in the wagering at 7-5. The result was never truly in question; after waiting behind the early pace, Texcess took the lead and drew away to win by 1 1/2 lengths. The rich win improved his earnings to \$725,427.

Texcess was named the California Champion Two-Year-Old Male of 2004, but missed the Horse of the Year title to a phenomenal older female, Moscow Burning. He was an obvious choice on many of the early Triple Crown prediction lists, and Aguirre began to plan a crafty campaign to the sport's biggest venues. Unfortunately, Texcess wouldn't win another race for nearly two years.

In his sophomore debut on Jan. 15, Texcess finished third going a mile in Santa Anita's \$150,000 San Rafael Stakes (grade II). In February, he shipped to Northern California for the \$100,000 San Mateo Mile Stakes at Bay Meadows

RACE RECORD	Age	Starts	1st (SW)	2nd	3rd	Earnings
	2	4	3 (2)	1	0	\$725,427
	3	8	0	2	1	\$79,938
	4	9	1 (1)	2	2	\$429,970
	5	1	0	0	0	\$0
	Totals	22	4 (3)	5	3	\$1,235,335

TEXCESS Bay Gelding, April 8, 2002— Bred in California by Ron E. Gomez	In Excess (Ire)	Siberian Express	Caro (Ire)	Fortino (Fr)
			Indian Call	Chambord (GB)
		Kantado (Ire)	Saulingo (GB)	Warfare
			Vi (GB)	La Morlaye
	Danish Alamode	Regal Classic	Vice Regent	Northern Dancer
			No Class	Victoria Regina
		Stray Flight	Viceregal	Nodouble
			Barn Swallow	Classy Quillo
				Northern Dancer
				Victoria Regina
				Mongo
				Chimney Swallow

Racecourse, and although he was nine lengths clear of the third place finisher, Texcess ended up in second. In March, Aguirre kept Texcess on the road, entering him into the \$500,000 Lane's End Stakes (grade II) at Turfway Park in Kentucky. Texcess finished last in a field of nine.

With the Triple Crown now off the radar, Aguirre brought the gelding back home to Hollywood Park for the \$250,000 Cal National Snow Chief Stakes, a 1 1/8-mile contest against fellow state-bred sophomores. Texcess finished fifth with a rough trip. He was switched to the turf for his next start, the \$100,000 Will Rogers Stakes (grade III) on May 28. Again, Texcess finished fifth, and was sent back to the farm to recuperate from this demanding spring campaign.

Texcess did not resurface until October, going to the post in a Santa Anita allowance race against four rivals. He finished a game second behind grade II winner Surf Cat, but the result was encouraging and set him up for the \$250,000 California Cup Classic Handicap where he finished fourth. Texcess was given one final shot as a three-year-old in Hollywood Park's \$101,000 On Trust Handicap for state-bred sprinters, but wrapped up the year quietly by again finishing fourth.

At a loss of how to improve their star, Aldabbagh and Aguirre decided to sell him. Texcess went through the ring at the 2006 Barretts January Mixed Sale and brought a sale-topping bid of \$300,000. New owners Scott and Wayne Anastasi and Carl Van Burger turned Texcess over to trainer Mike Mitchell, notoriously successful with older geldings.

In his first start for his new connections, Texcess finished third in Santa Anita's \$1,000,000 Sunshine Millions Classic Stakes. The \$120,000 that Texcess earned that day immediately cut their investment nearly in half. After a sixth-placed finish in the \$1,000,000 Santa Anita Handicap (grade I), Texcess showed a spark of life when running a gutsy second to grade II winner Preachinattthebar in the \$110,600 Tokyo City Handicap (grade III), missing by only a length.

Next, Texcess boarded a plane bound for the state for which he was named, Texas. He finished third in the \$300,000 Texas Mile Stakes (grade III), beaten in a three-horse photo finish at the wire. He stayed in Texas to run in the grade III, \$400,000 Lone Star Park Handicap on May 29. The \$80,000 in purse money for finishing second pushed the gelding's earnings to \$1,057,735, making him the 43rd Cal-bred to reach the million-dollar mark.

Three straight unplaced finishes led Texcess to his second \$250,000 Cal Cup Classic start on Oct. 28. This time, the gelding turned in a strong performance, holding on gamely in the stretch to secure a three quarters of a length victory, his first win since that Delta Jackpot score in 2004. Van Burger and the Anastasis had earned back their investment in less than a year.

Texcess started only once more, finishing ninth in the Sunshine Millions Classic on Jan. 27, 2007. He was retired after suffering a life-threatening break in his left hind stifle. Texcess earned \$1,235,335 while winning four times in 22 starts, with five seconds and three thirds.

Texcess now resides at his childhood home of NexStar Ranch, which was purchased by the husband and wife team of Dave Showalter and Sommer Smith when Ron Gomez decided to retire from the Thoroughbred industry. The couple raised all of Danish Alamode's offspring, and Texcess resides alongside three of his siblings: Gimme the Willys, Lady Danish and the four-time winner Sixcess. Smith calls them her "Danish Alamode Collection."

She also reports that Texcess has adapted well to retirement and loves life on the farm. "He hangs out and eats all day," she said.

However, it may be a while before Texcess can be given a second job. Several months ago, Smith attempted riding the burly gelding, but has put that option on the shelf for now. "He's still kind of a handful," she explained.

That belligerent attitude is what made Texcess into a hard-knocking force throughout his career. 🐾



Texcess—\$125,000 Budweiser California Cup Juvenile Stakes—October 16, 2004



Representing The California Racing Fan

Article & Photo by MARCIE HEACOX

As horse racing struggles to attract and retain fans, never has the voice of existing fans been more important. For more than 17 years, the Southern California Horse Racing Industry Fans Committee has been providing that voice.

"Any track not talking to their players and racing fans is missing a big opportunity for invaluable input from its best customers," said Allen Gutterman, the Vice President of Marketing at Santa Anita Park.

The Fans Committee was created in February of 1993, and the first meeting was held the following month in Santa Anita's executive conference room. The committee began as part of the now-defunct California Horse Racing Industry Coalition (CHRIC), a group that included committees of horsemen, tracks, media and industry regulators, among others. One person from each committee was chosen to sit on the coalition's panel, and David Pascale was selected to represent the fans as their first elected Chairman.

The CHRIC dissipated, but the Fans Committee lives on. Its stated role is to 1) "Act as a sounding board or focus group on specific topics when requested to do so by those within the industry" and 2) "Generate ideas, proposals, etc. that it believes will contribute toward the health, survival and growth of the industry."

Instead of ranting and raving, the committee seeks to work together with industry leaders in a "rational, informed and non-adversarial manner." Gutterman said the committee members are "decent, fair, full of suggestions and also understanding why sometimes you can't make a change that they suggest or seems obvious."

In the beginning, members met with tracks and industry groups such as the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC), but now they meet primarily with representatives at Santa Anita and Hollywood Park.

"The feedback from the fan's perspective is given back to management—such as promotions that have had favorable review, and some changes made that had negative feedback," said Gayle Clark, Hollywood Park's relationship marketing manager.

Committee members have offered recommendations on the format of everything from daily programs to simulcast signals. They also provide feedback on such topics as parimutuel integrity, new wagers, track surfaces, medication regulations and promotional giveaways.

The most ubiquitous advent spawned from Fans Committee recommendations is the uniform colored saddle cloth system, whereby viewers can readily identify a horse's post position by the color of its cloth.

In 1994, the group successfully lobbied the Thoroughbred Racing Associations and *Daily Racing Form* to give a special Eclipse Award to jockey Johnny Longden, who

retired before the Eclipse Awards existed. It is considered one of their proudest achievements.

In 1999, they adopted an informal Racing Fans Bill of Rights that states basic expectations for prices, facilities, the wagering product, information and more.


Two years ago, the committee supported the introduction of the Super High Five wager that is now offered throughout California. Clark said Hollywood Park is working on possible new handicapping contests and tournaments suggested by the committee.

Lower ticket prices and standard-color saddle cloths at the 2009 Breeders' Cup World Championships are due in part to Fans Committee recommendations funneled through track management.

The Fans Committee has stayed steady with about 15 members at a time. Three people have been on the committee since the beginning—Duke Freyermuth, Bob Malconian and the aforementioned Pascale, who stepped down from his role as Chairman in 2005, but remains a member.

The current Chairman is business owner Albert Cristofano, who, like many racing fans, fell in love with the sport during Secretariat's 1973 Triple Crown run. Retiree Holly Walker has been a fan of California racing for more than four decades. Malconian, artist Joyce Canaday and barter franchise owner Juliet Hogue have all been fans of racing since childhood.

"The animals are beautiful, gambling is fun and I like poring over all of the bloodlines and statistics," Hogue said. "It keeps my mind, body and soul engaged."

The passion of these and other members is what's given the Fans Committee its staying power, and why Cristofano said it will continue as the representative of local racing devotees. "As far as the future goes, we will remain available to anyone in horse racing who wants to know what the fans think of any particular issue that relates to California horse racing." 



Fans committee chairman, Albert Cristofano, leads the discussion during the June 12 meeting at Hollywood Park.

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Jack and Susie Farmer who still own the beautiful facility and live right on the premises. Once an abandoned alfalfa field, the ranch is a striking portrayal of early California architecture, right down to the adobe and mission-style construction of the barns and office complex.

The main barn contains stalls for 40 horses in training and the foaling barn comes equipped with closed circuit television monitors that are linked up to the farm manager's office and residence 24 hours a day. Newborns are kept in stalls with their dams for the first 36 hours of life and monitored closely. After that, they are moved outdoors to grassy paddocks and pastures. The region's temperate climate allows for horses to live outdoors year-round, and the ranch's pastures range from two acres to almost 50 and follow the contours of the foothills.

To date, more than 200 stakes winners have been foaled and raised on the ranch's green fields. Others, like last year's Eclipse champion juvenile colt Valid Point, were brought to the ranch as yearlings for breaking and schooling. California Thoroughbred Ranch also has an excellent reputation as a training center. It



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Dad is the sire of 22 graded stakes winners and countless other stakes performers. His champion daughter Daddy's Little Gal captured last year's Cal Cup Juvenile Fillies and this year's grade I Santa Anita Oaks. MoneyMaker was foaled at the ranch and now stands at stud here. This graded stakes winner of nearly \$400,000 has thrust himself into the national spotlight when his son Hayburner captured this year's Travers Stakes at Saratoga. Winner of the Wood Memorial and second in both the Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes, Hayburner now has earnings over \$1 million. The Cal-bred is now pointing for the Breeders' Cup Classic.

Farm manager Bob Trainer has more than 30 years of experience in this business and gives your horses the personal care and attention they deserve. Assistant manager and yearling trainer Steve Winner also has many years of veterinary experience, although the farm's main vet lives just down the road and is on call 24 hours a day, especially during the busy foaling season. Visitors are welcome and encouraged to come and tour the facilities. Also visit their impressive website at www.Califthoroughbredranch.com.

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Environmentally Friendly Fly Trap

by HEATHER SMITH THOMAS

The battle against flies is constant, but there are ways to reduce these costly and irritating pests—without the use of pesticides and toxic chemicals. One of the most effective methods is the Epps Biting Fly Trap™, invented by a cattleman in Oklahoma. It is now made and marketed by Mark and Virginia Bonacquistia (Horseline Products) in Henderson, Tennessee. A growing number of stockmen and horse owners are using it to reduce fly problems in barnyards and pastures.

Alan Epps, who had about 250 cattle, came up with the idea after being frustrated by his inability to adequately control biting flies. “His steers were tormented by horse flies—miserable and bloody, and covered with welts from the bites. He’d tried everything, but nothing worked very well,” says Mark Bonacquistia.

For three years, Epps kept tinkering with different things and did research on the habits of biting flies. Flies are attracted to the shape and silhouette of an animal, so Epps made a framework of wood to attract them. The frame contained a large contrasting surface area, utilizing a dark portion and some transparent panels to simulate the air space above an animal and under its belly—the areas where flies normally circle before landing on the animal to bite and feed. When the flies hit the transparent sheets, they ricochet into trays of water below them and drown.

By 1998, Epps had developed a unit that was working well, and presented the idea to Farnam. “Farnam took the concept and manufactured it, until 2007. At that point, Farnam was bought out by a larger company, Central Life Science, and they closed the farm division. Every product in the farm division was discontinued,” says Bonacquistia. This included waterers, gates and the fly trap.

“We’d been using their fly trap on our own farm for five years with great success, and called the company to order more of the clear plastic sheets, which every two years need

to be replaced—the only things we’d ever had to replace on the traps. We loved those traps; we’d found out about them through our veterinarian. We’d come to the same point of frustration after using all the sprays, fly collars, rub-ons and feed throughs. Nothing seemed to work, especially for two of our mares. They were running through thickets and brush, cutting themselves up trying to get the flies off,” he says.

“When I called to order more of the sheets and found they were no longer available, I was upset. This was the only thing we’d found that works! So we contacted Mr. Epps directly and signed a contract with him to manufacture the product ourselves and distribute it,” says Bonacquistia.

“There were about 6,000 units already in use. After purchasing a unit, the only thing that ever needs replacing is the transparent sheets.” You merely add water and a few drops of dishwashing soap to the catch trays during fly season.

“Farnam’s entomologists did some research and made a claim that it will attract and kill the flies in a 40-acre area. I didn’t want to make such a bold statement, but we can guarantee that it will clear the biting flies from 20 acres,” he says. This does not include houseflies, just biting flies.

All biting flies (horse flies, deer flies, stable flies, black flies, mosquitoes, etc.) are attracted to large dark objects. “If you have a black horse and a light horse, or a black cow and a light colored cow, flies are more attracted to the dark one. They tend to fly around the animal two or three times before they attack. The two plastic sheets are on a 45-degree angle with the trap. That’s the only place there is light,” he explains. The flies run into these sheets, thinking they are flying over the animal or around its legs.

“They hit the clear plastic sheets, fall into the water, and drown. You add eight drops of dishwashing soap to each tray, and the soap breaks the surface tension of the water so the insects can’t float. They are immediately wetted completely, and sink and drown quicker.” They are unable to float, swim



or climb out. "When we starting using our trap, within less than a month we'd reduced our fly problem. Research showed that a trap kills, on average, about one pound of biting flies every day," says Bonacquisti. The actual amount will depend on the fly population in your area.

"Each year, our fly population is less. Now we're only getting a pound of flies every week. When you start killing off half a million biting flies, it starts to make a dent in the population because they can't reproduce that quickly."

He refers to a three-year research project at Cornell University, University of Florida and New York Pest Management. "One of the researchers told me our trap's effectiveness was about 10 to one compared to any other method they tried, looking at 15 other products. They also tested our trap for three years in upstate New York on dairy farms, looking at a non-chemical approach versus use of pesticides." The problem with pesticides is that they only work short term and some insects develop resistance. Another drawback: many chemicals are toxic to other forms of life as well.

Fly predator wasps help control houseflies and stable flies that lay eggs in manure and rotting organic matter like old hay or bedding, but have no effect on horse flies and deer flies. The fly trap is more efficient in that it will kill any of the biting flies.

The idea is very simple. "All Alan Epps did was look at the natural behavior of these flies and created this trap to trick them. It's black, produces a silhouette and gives off heat. It catches a lot of flies in the evening when the dark portion is still warm." When air cools off, the black trap is warmer, and the fly thinks this is an animal. The fly can still see the light part, so that's where it flies. If you stand nearby you can hear flies hitting the sheets—ping, ping, ping—and falling into the water traps.

The trap costs \$295. "This is a one-time investment. I've talked with people who've had their traps since 1999 and they still work very well. You just need to replace the clear plastic sheets because they deteriorate, but those only cost \$8," he says. This is inexpensive, compared with what you'd spend for sprays, repellents and wipe-on products for horses, or for chemicals to treat cattle. Customers in regions with a long fly

season might need to replace the sheets every year, whereas in other areas the sheets might last for three years. Bonacquisti replaces his every two years.

The traps work best when placed in an open area where flies see it from a distance. When set up, the trap is about five feet tall and seven feet long. All you have to do is scoop out the dead flies every other day or so with an aquarium net, add more water and soap if needed, and change the water about every two weeks. Each tray holds about 3.5 gallons of water. There's no messy bait to handle, and it doesn't matter what kind of dish soap you use. If the trap is in a pasture or barnyard, you can put an electric wire

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around it so animals won't rub on it or damage it. "We have ours about 12 feet outside the pasture so the horses won't bother it. Cattle ranchers often put it inside the pasture with a hot wire around it," he says.

"Farnam never promoted the trap. They had some tax breaks because they had a non-chemical product and that's why they carried it, but preferred to sell fly sprays, wipes, etc., because there was more money to be made with those," says Bonacquist. "I talked with Tractor Supply, Southern States, Farm Tech and other distributors and they'd never heard of these traps. Farnam's rep never told them about it. I don't think they wanted to promote it. They could sell a


lot more bottles of fly spray and make more profit than by selling a fly trap once."


Last year, Bonacquist started marketing a portable trap as well. Many ranchers are now using rotational grazing and want something they could move from pasture to pasture. The portable model has an aluminum frame (lightweight and easy to move) but is very durable, able to withstand 90 miles per hour wind. Though it's light, it won't blow over.

"We include four empty sandbags with that unit, to hold it steady in the wind. Most people just use two. When you move the trap you just pick up the sandbags and put them on your trailer or the back of a pickup when you move the trap from pasture to pasture. Sandbags were the only things we found that could actually hold it down in a 90 mph wind. We tried stakes, but the wind could pull them out.

The sandbags are green and match the environment, and sit on the legs of the unit," he says. Some of his customers move their cattle quite often in an intensive grazing system, and they move the trap each time they move cattle to the next pasture.

The traps on his place have reduced fly populations significantly. "Last summer we went riding in August. We got about a half-mile from our ranch and got hammered by horse flies. We decided that was no fun and turned around and went home. When we got within about a quarter mile of our house there were no more biting flies! Sometimes you don't realize how well it works until you go outside the range of the traps."

Bonacquist says the government recently came out with a new conservation stewardship program for farmers and ranchers. "Part of the criteria is that you use environmentally friendly fly control. There are specifications about what you can or can't use. You have to incorporate things like fly predator wasps, traps for house and stable flies, traps for biting flies, walk through traps for horn flies, fly vacuums, bug zappers, or use ways to enhance populations of martins, swallows, bats, etc., that eat flies. These are some of the criteria for non-chemical livestock pest control. Our product fits nicely, because soap is not harmful to the environment. Some organic dairy farmers use a soap product made by Amway, called LOC (liquid organic concentrate), which is safe enough to drink. They put this in their fly traps and it works just as well as any other liquid soap. Common dishwashing soap is also fine, however." 




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Leading Sires by Money Won

Rank Sire	Runners	Starts	Races Won	Earnings
1. Unusual Heat	93	443	65	\$2,309,787
2. Stormin Fever	98	435	51	1,561,277
3. Benchmark	136	566	89	1,372,435
4. Salt Lake*	91	405	73	1,231,006
5. In Excess (Ire)	95	382	70	1,136,011
6. Bertrando	87	363	56	1,115,408
7. Tribal Rule	60	231	41	994,749
8. Decarchy	61	295	49	955,466
9. Old Topper	118	500	79	952,656
10. Deputy Commander*	112	472	58	892,967
11. Swiss Yodeler	113	474	65	888,314
12. Sea of Secrets	93	417	43	857,031
13. Redattore (Brz)*	42	153	26	790,904
14. Southern Image#	59	250	42	781,821
15. Kafwain#	86	372	51	766,349
16. Siberian Summer	58	235	44	739,989
17. Skimming*	72	294	56	730,984
18. Cee's Tizzy	63	249	44	698,372
19. High Brite	67	308	39	614,203
20. Marino Marini	63	256	36	587,629
21. Formal Gold*	69	278	39	558,127
22. Atticus	62	209	27	554,892
23. Lit de Justice	63	294	34	538,265
24. Valid Wager*	50	240	35	488,526
25. Freespool	51	246	32	452,907
26. Comic Strip	45	205	35	443,586
27. One Man Army	23	103	14	405,519
28. Souvenir Copy*	43	197	24	349,207
29. Ten Most Wanted	59	267	26	347,863
30. Rio Verde	46	181	27	342,377
31. Roar*	42	195	29	341,191
32. Ministers Wild Cat	28	139	23	341,002
33. Beau Genius†	51	236	25	312,238
34. Muqtarib†	41	164	31	304,256
35. Perfect Mandate	35	162	22	300,632
36. Flame Thrower	29	110	13	298,261
37. Game Plan	39	177	30	291,250
38. Vronsky	12	49	8	266,908
39. Momentum	41	164	16	265,883
40. Gotham City	33	115	20	260,427
41. Western Fame	34	161	24	251,262
42. High Demand*	32	120	17	228,208
43. Memo (Chi)*	30	128	16	223,317
44. Mud Route	26	123	17	209,005
45. Silic (Fr)	24	87	11	200,508
46. Globalize	38	148	17	198,668
47. Stormy Jack	18	78	7	191,321
48. Royal Cat	26	116	13	191,161
49. Tizbud	15	52	8	183,771
50. Crafty C. T.*	21	73	11	178,988

Leading Sires by Number of Races Won

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1. Benchmark	136	566	89	\$1,372,435
2. Old Topper	118	500	79	952,656
3. Salt Lake*	91	405	73	1,231,006
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15. Sea of Secrets	93	417	43	857,031
16. Southern Image#	59	250	42	781,821
17. Tribal Rule	60	231	41	994,749
18. High Brite	67	308	39	614,203
Formal Gold*	69	278	39	558,127
20. Marino Marini	63	256	36	587,629

Leading Sires by Average Earnings Per Runner (Minimum 10 Runners)

Rank Sire	Runners	Races Won	Earnings	Average Earnings/Runner
1. Unusual Heat	93	65	\$2,309,787	\$24,836
2. Vronsky	12	8	266,908	22,242
3. Redattore (Brz)*	42	26	790,904	18,831
4. One Man Army	23	14	405,519	17,631
5. Tribal Rule	60	41	994,749	16,579
6. Stormin Fever	98	51	1,561,277	15,931
7. Decarchy	61	49	955,466	15,663
8. Salt Lake*	91	73	1,231,006	13,528
9. Southern Image#	59	42	781,821	13,251
10. Bertrando	87	56	1,115,408	12,821
11. Siberian Summer	58	44	739,989	12,758
12. Popular	14	13	178,569	12,755
13. Tizbud	15	8	183,771	12,251
14. Ministers Wild Cat	28	23	341,002	12,179
15. In Excess (Ire)	95	70	1,136,011	11,958
16. Cee's Tizzy	63	44	698,372	11,085
17. Stormy Jack	18	7	191,321	10,629
18. Grey Memo	10	8	103,243	10,324
19. Flame Thrower	29	13	298,261	10,285
20. Skimming*	72	56	730,984	10,153

Leading Sires by Number of Winners

Rank	Sire	Runners	Winners	Races Won	Earnings
1.	Benchmark	136	68	89	\$1,372,435
2.	Old Topper	118	52	79	952,656
3.	Salt Lake*	91	49	73	1,231,006
4.	In Excess (Ire)	95	48	70	1,136,011
5.	Deputy Commander*	112	46	58	892,967
6.	Unusual Heat	93	45	65	2,309,787
7.	Swiss Yodeler	113	44	65	888,314
8.	Bertrando	87	38	56	1,115,408
	Kafwain#	86	38	51	766,349
10.	Stormin Fever	98	35	51	1,561,277
	Sea of Secrets	93	35	43	857,031
12.	Skimming#	72	34	56	730,984
13.	Decarchy	61	31	49	955,466
14.	Siberian Summer	58	30	44	739,989
15.	Tribal Rule	60	28	41	994,749
16.	Marino Marini	63	27	36	587,629
	Formal Gold#	69	27	39	558,127
18.	Southern Image#	59	26	42	781,821
	Cee's Tizzy	63	26	44	698,372
	High Brite	67	26	39	614,203

Leading Sires by Turf Earnings (Minimum 50 Starts Lifetime)

Rank	Sire	Runners	Starts	Winners	Races Won	Earnings
1.	Unusual Heat	56	145	15	20	\$1,327,018
2.	Bertrando	29	64	5	7	433,503
3.	Redattore (Brz)#	12	30	4	6	366,034
4.	In Excess (Ire)	30	71	12	14	348,567
5.	Stormin Fever	26	59	6	8	326,123
6.	Atticus	21	42	8	9	271,964
7.	Siberian Summer	19	44	8	13	260,603
8.	Tribal Rule	15	33	6	7	226,999
9.	Benchmark	23	56	7	8	218,391
10.	Skimming#	16	28	5	8	189,322
11.	Cee's Tizzy	12	28	5	6	183,560
12.	Deputy Commander*	36	75	6	6	181,292
13.	Decarchy	17	40	4	5	176,107
14.	High Brite	9	23	3	4	169,628
15.	One Man Army	10	24	3	4	162,778
16.	Vronsky	8	20	4	5	150,137
17.	Flame Thrower	8	14	1	3	124,986
18.	Swiss Yodeler	15	36	4	5	124,134
19.	Old Topper	18	38	5	5	119,694
20.	Kafwain#	16	28	5	5	116,203

Leading Sires by Median Earnings Per Runner (Minimum 10 Runners)

Rank	Sire	Runners	Winners	Earnings	Median Earnings/Runner
1.	Unusual Heat	93	65	\$2,309,787	\$10,140
2.	Vronsky	12	8	266,908	9,660
3.	Popular	14	13	178,569	8,263
4.	Ministers Wild Cat	28	23	341,002	8,002
5.	Terrell	17	10	146,141	7,753
6.	Grey Memo	10	8	103,243	7,615
7.	Siberian Summer	58	44	739,989	7,340
8.	Western Fame	34	24	251,262	6,924
9.	In Excess (Ire)	95	70	1,136,011	6,796
10.	One Man Army	23	14	405,519	6,558
11.	Salt Lake*	91	73	1,231,006	6,107
12.	Kafwain#	86	51	766,349	5,819
13.	Tribal Rule	60	41	994,749	5,740
14.	Roar*	42	29	341,191	5,718
15.	Game Plan	39	30	291,250	5,640
16.	Southern Image#	59	42	781,821	5,618
17.	Capsized	18	11	153,379	5,578
18.	Ancient Art†	17	5	151,552	5,480
19.	Souvenir Copy#	43	24	349,207	5,215
20.	Marino Marini	63	36	587,629	5,105

Leading Sires by Average Earnings Per Start (Minimum 50 Starts)

Rank	Sire	Runners	Starts	Earnings	Average Earnings/Start
1.	Unusual Heat	93	443	\$2,309,787	\$5,214
2.	Redattore (Brz)	42	153	790,904	5,169
3.	Tribal Rule	60	231	994,749	4,306
4.	One Man Army	23	103	405,519	3,937
5.	Stormin Fever	98	435	1,561,277	3,589
6.	Tizbud	15	52	183,771	3,534
7.	Popular	14	53	178,569	3,369
8.	Decarchy	61	295	955,466	3,239
9.	Siberian Summer	58	235	739,989	3,149
10.	Southern Image#	59	250	781,821	3,127
11.	Bertrando	87	363	1,115,408	3,073
12.	Salt Lake*	91	405	1,231,006	3,040
13.	In Excess (Ire)	95	382	1,136,011	2,974
14.	Cee's Tizzy	63	249	698,372	2,805
15.	Flame Thrower	29	110	298,261	2,711
16.	Atticus	62	209	554,892	2,655
17.	Skimming#	72	294	730,984	2,486
18.	Ministers Wild Cat	28	139	341,002	2,453
	Stormy Jack	18	78	191,321	2,453
20.	Crafty C. T.	21	73	178,988	2,452

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No	Crops of Stallion, Year Foaled, Sire	Crops of Racing Age	Average Crop Size	Foals of Racing Age	Runners	Winners	2-Y-O Winners	Stakes Winners	Graded Stakes Winners	Progeny Earnings	Average Earnings Index	Comparable Index
1.	Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	10	46	455	310-68%	221-49%	25-5%	27-6%	9-2%	\$25,384,661	2.18	1.09
2.	Vronsky, 1999, by Danzig	3	17	51	13-25%	7-14%	1-2%	1-2%	0-0%	\$453,333	1.79	0.78
3.	In Excess (Ire), 1987, by Siberian Express	15	59	892	609-68%	453-51%	104-12%	60-7%	11-1%	\$39,332,366	1.78	1.45
4.	Cee's Tizzy, 1987, by Relaunch	17	41	697	470-67%	340-49%	56-8%	39-6%	9-1%	\$34,126,469	1.73	1.18
5.	Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	5	49	245	123-50%	80-33%	31-13%	13-5%	2-1%	\$6,468,475	1.62	1.18
6.	One Man Army, 1994, by Roman Diplomat	6	10	62	40-65%	25-40%	2-3%	4-6%	1-2%	\$1,808,514	1.54	0.90
7.	Roar*, 1993, by Forty Niner	11	59	649	497-77%	382-59%	90-14%	43-7%	22-3%	\$22,971,156	1.52	1.39
8.	Salt Lake*, 1989, by Deputy Minister	15	80	1,201	965-80%	779-65%	233-19%	69-6%	23-2%	\$55,594,263	1.46	1.43
9.	Bertrando, 1989, by Skywalker	14	65	904	641-71%	452-50%	108-12%	50-6%	11-1%	\$38,060,971	1.44	1.58
10.	Memo (Chi)*, 1987, by Mocito Guapo (Arg)	13	39	507	313-62%	223-44%	41-8%	28-6%	9-2%	\$17,192,400	1.40	1.15
11.	Good Journey, 1996, by Nureyev	5	35	173	68-39%	35-20%	5-3%	2-1%	2-1%	\$1,870,505	1.35	1.03
12.	Birdonthewire, 1989, by Proud Birdie	13	19	242	175-72%	126-52%	37-15%	9-4%	1-0%	\$10,991,905	1.32	1.41
13.	Lit de Justice, 1990, by El Gran Senor	11	35	384	315-82%	240-63%	70-18%	22-6%	2-1%	\$20,229,710	1.31	1.19
14.	Benchmark, 1991, by Alydar	9	63	571	391-68%	286-50%	80-14%	27-5%	7-1%	\$19,740,268	1.30	1.21
15.	Rhythm*, 1987, by Mr. Prospector	16	60	965	626-65%	332-34%	39-4%	25-3%	11-1%	\$37,872,046	1.27	1.19
16.	Deputy Commander*, 1994, by Deputy Minister	9	62	561	453-81%	295-53%	73-13%	24-4%	4-1%	\$26,600,882	1.25	1.65
	Robannier, 1991, by Batonnier	11	8	92	55-60%	33-36%	7-8%	3-3%	0-0%	\$2,733,874	1.25	1.13
	Stormin Fever, 1994, by Storm Cat	8	70	561	407-73%	282-50%	100-18%	30-5%	10-2%	\$21,902,600	1.25	1.49
19.	Formal Gold*, 1993, by Black Tie Affair (Ire)	9	46	417	316-76%	246-59%	70-17%	19-5%	5-1%	\$16,664,423	1.24	1.45
20.	Suggest, 1992, by Topsider	9	7	59	42-71%	35-59%	4-7%	4-7%	1-2%	\$2,366,161	1.23	0.80
21.	Beau Genius†, 1985, by Bold Ruckus	17	43	735	600-82%	452-61%	138-19%	39-5%	5-1%	\$33,993,634	1.22	1.18
	Turkoman†, 1982, by Alydar	21	34	707	541-77%	390-55%	75-11%	33-5%	9-1%	\$25,614,031	1.22	1.42
23.	Moscow Ballet*, 1982, by Nijinsky II	22	34	756	541-72%	364-48%	70-9%	21-3%	6-1%	\$20,401,446	1.20	1.30
24.	Decarchy, 1997, by Distant View	4	44	176	95-54%	64-36%	20-11%	5-3%	0-0%	\$3,372,812	1.14	1.03
	Kelly Kipt†, 1994, by Kipper Kelly	7	15	105	82-78%	67-64%	15-14%	2-2%	1-1%	\$4,126,830	1.14	1.03
26.	Atticus, 1992, by Nureyev	10	39	392	272-69%	158-40%	37-9%	11-3%	5-1%	\$10,965,184	1.13	1.57
	Kafwain#, 2000, by Cherokee Run	4	75	300	179-60%	110-37%	41-14%	9-3%	3-1%	\$5,768,928	1.13	1.34
	Olympio, 1988, by Naskra	15	33	491	378-77%	283-58%	60-12%	30-6%	4-1%	\$18,644,684	1.13	1.34
29.	Swiss Yodeler, 1994, by Eastern Echo	9	67	607	436-72%	308-51%	134-22%	20-3%	1-0%	\$20,213,520	1.11	1.07
30.	Redattore (Brz)*, 1995, by Roi Normand	4	63	252	183-73%	103-4%	28-11%	11-4%	10-4%	\$2,654,266	1.10	1.22
	Tannersmyman, 1998, by Lord Carson	5	11	55	24-44%	13-24%	4-7%	1-2%	1-2%	\$710,129	1.10	0.79
32.	Bartok (Ire)†, 1991, by Fairy King	11	19	205	153-75%	94-46%	27-13%	7-3%	0-0%	\$6,264,669	1.08	0.92
	Valid Wager*, 1992, by Valid Appeal	11	45	498	391-79%	310-62%	100-20%	18-4%	3-1%	\$18,327,012	1.08	1.24
34.	Snow Chief*, 1983, by Reflected Glory	19	14	261	179-69%	111-43%	27-10%	9-3%	1-0%	\$5,630,682	1.07	1.32
	Souvenir Copy*, 1995, by Mr. Prospector	9	49	439	323-74%	249-57%	70-16%	12-3%	2-0%	\$14,653,611	1.07	1.26
36.	High Brite, 1984, by Best Turn	19	47	895	682-76%	549-61%	141-16%	44-5%	7-1%	\$33,407,641	1.06	1.20
	Siberian Summer, 1989, by Siberian Express	10	36	359	264-74%	184-51%	26-7%	13-4%	3-1%	\$10,417,847	1.06	0.90
38.	Silic (Fr), 1995, by Sillery	6	20	122	98-80%	61-50%	11-9%	1-1%	1-1%	\$6,034,518	1.05	0.95
	Stormy Jack, 1997, by Bertrando	4	18	73	36-49%	20-27%	7-10%	1-1%	1-1%	\$1,203,650	1.05	0.72
40.	Old Topper, 1995, by Gilded Time	7	57	398	279-70%	209-53%	89-22%	13-3%	0-0%	\$10,345,466	1.04	0.92
	Perfect Mandate, 1996, by Gone West	7	36	254	115-45%	70-28%	14-6%	11-4%	0-0%	\$4,390,936	1.04	1.27
42.	Lake George, 1992, by Vice Regent	11	13	146	89-61%	55-38%	9-6%	5-3%	1-1%	\$3,992,187	1.02	1.05
43.	Huddle Up, 1982, by Sir Ivor	16	9	142	85-60%	60-42%	9-6%	2-1%	0-0%	\$2,937,144	1.01	0.79
44.	Sea of Secrets, 1995, by Storm Cat	8	46	368	272-74%	210-57%	67-18%	18-5%	2-1%	\$14,261,958	1.00	1.11
45.	Iron Cat, 1995, by Storm Cat	9	13	118	81-69%	66-56%	7-6%	5-4%	0-0%	\$2,885,968	0.98	0.95
	Thisnearlywasmine, 1994, by Capote	6	8	50	28-56%	21-42%	5-10%	0-0%	0-0%	\$1,134,244	0.98	0.78
47.	High Demand*, 1997, by Danzig	5	24	120	58-48%	32-27%	8-7%	1-1%	1-1%	\$1,568,290	0.96	1.26
48.	Sought After, 2000, by Seeking the Gold	5	10	51	23-45%	16-31%	8-16%	0-0%	0-0%	\$614,574	0.95	0.83
	Western Fame, 1992, by Gone West	9	30	268	165-62%	123-46%	41-15%	13-5%	0-0%	\$6,474,485	0.95	0.83
50.	Michael's Flyer†, 1986, by Flying Paster	15	7	104	47-45%	23-22%	5-5%	3-3%	0-0%	\$1,768,313	0.94	0.60

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Leading Sires Of Two-Year-Olds by Money Won

Rank Sire	Runners	Races Starts	Won	Earnings
1. Swiss Yodeler	15	39	4	\$144,887
2. Tribal Rule	13	28	4	110,692
3. Benchmark	10	21	6	92,703
4. Perfect Mandate	2	4	3	79,180
5. Ministers Wild Cat	2	9	2	76,208
6. Rio Verde	9	22	3	74,800
7. Sea of Secrets	7	18	1	58,295
8. Stormin Fever	3	5	1	46,850
9. Nineeleven	4	14	2	45,805
10. Salt Lake*	5	9	2	43,372
11. Doc Gus*	3	4	2	42,200
12. Momentum	9	20	0	31,274
13. Freespool	8	29	1	30,967
14. Tizbud	3	9	1	26,110
15. Redattore (Brz)•	4	6	1	26,070
16. In Excess (Ire)	2	4	1	25,400
17. Crafty C. T.•	1	1	1	24,600
18. Northern Devil	1	1	1	21,840
19. Cayoke (Fr)	3	10	0	21,508
20. Fusaichi Accele	2	3	1	20,313
21. Iron Cat	2	2	1	19,815
22. Bertrando	3	10	1	19,371
23. Crown the King	1	2	1	17,200
24. Marino Marini	4	7	1	15,876
25. Lucky Pulpit	4	4	1	14,466
26. For Really	1	1	1	12,480
Popular	1	1	1	12,480
28. Decarchy	1	2	1	12,400
29. Kafwain#	7	11	0	12,052
30. Terrell	1	1	1	12,000



STORMIN FEVER (GOLDEN EAGLE FARM)

Leading Two-Year-Old Sire in California
by Average Earnings Per Runner
through July 4, 2010

Leading Sires Of Two-Year-Olds by Average Earnings Per Runner

(Minimum 2 Runners)

Rank Sire	Runners	Races Won	Earned	Average Earnings/Runner
1. Stormin Fever	3	1	\$46,850	\$15,617
2. Doc Gus*	3	2	42,200	14,067
3. Nineeleven	4	2	45,805	11,451
4. Swiss Yodeler	15	4	144,887	9,659
5. Benchmark	10	6	92,703	9,270
6. Tizbud	3	1	26,110	8,703
7. Salt Lake*	5	2	43,372	8,674
8. Tribal Rule	13	4	110,692	8,515
9. Sea of Secrets	7	1	58,295	8,328
10. Rio Verde	9	3	74,800	8,311
11. Cayoke (Fr)	3	0	21,508	7,169
12. Redattore (Brz)•	4	1	26,070	6,518
13. Bertrando	3	1	19,371	6,457
14. Marino Marini	4	1	15,876	3,969
15. Freespool	8	1	30,967	3,871
16. Lucky Pulpit	4	1	14,466	3,617
17. Momentum	9	0	31,274	3,475
18. Singletary	3	1	10,144	3,381
19. Tannersmyman	3	0	6,959	2,320
20. Kafwain#	7	0	12,052	1,722

Leading Sires Of Two-Year-Olds by Number of Winners

Rank Sire	Runners	Winners	Races Won	Earnings
1. Benchmark	10	6	6	\$92,703
2. Swiss Yodeler	15	4	4	144,887
Tribal Rule	13	4	4	110,692
4. Rio Verde	9	3	3	74,800
5. Perfect Mandate	2	2	3	79,180
Ministers Wild Cat	2	2	2	76,208
Nineeleven	4	2	2	45,805
Salt Lake*	5	2	2	43,372
Doc Gus*	3	2	2	42,200

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Regional Race Meetings, Stakes Races and Sale Dates

2010 REGIONAL RACE MEETINGS

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, Del Mar	July 21-Sept. 8
Sonoma County Fair, Santa Rosa	July 28-Aug. 15
Humboldt County Fair, Ferndale	Aug. 13-22
Pacific Racing Association, Golden Gate Fields, Albany	Aug. 25-Oct. 3
Fairplex Park, Pomona	Sept. 9-27
Santa Anita Park (Oak Tree Racing Association), Arcadia	Sept. 29-Oct. 31
The Big Fresno Fair, Fresno	Oct. 6-17
Pacific Racing Association, Golden Gate Fields, Albany	Oct. 20-Dec. 19
Hollywood Park, Inglewood	Nov. 3-Dec. 19

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2010 REGIONAL STAKES RACES

Date	Track	Stakes (Grade)	Conditions	Distance	Added Value
Aug. 1	Dmr	Bing Crosby Stakes (Gr. I)	3-y-o & up	6 f.	\$250,000g
Aug. 4	Dmr	Graduation Stakes	2-y-o, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	5 1/2 f.	100,000g
Aug. 6	Dmr	Sorrento Stakes (Gr. III)	2-y-o f.	6 1/2 f.	150,000g
Aug. 7	Dmr	Clement L. Hirsch Stakes (Gr. I)	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 1/16 m.	300,000g
Aug. 7	SR	Wine Country Debutante Stakes	2-y-o f.	6 f.	50,000g
Aug. 8	Dmr	Best Pal Stakes (Gr. II)	2-y-o	6 1/2 f.	150,000g
Aug. 8	SR	Joseph T. Grace Handicap	3-y-o & up	1 1/16 m. (T)	50,000g
Aug. 11	Dmr	Real Good Deal Stakes	3-y-o, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	7 f.	100,000g
Aug. 13	Dmr	Daisycutter Handicap	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	5 f. (T)	75,000+
Aug. 14	Dmr	La Jolla Handicap (Gr. II)	3-y-o	1 1/16 m. (T)	150,000g
Aug. 14	SR	Cavonnier Juvenile Stakes	2-y-o	6 f.	50,000+
Aug. 15	Dmr	John C. Mabee Stakes (Gr. II)	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 1/8 m. (T)	250,000g
Aug. 18	Dmr	Green Flash Handicap	3-y-o & up	5 f. (T)	75,000+
Aug. 20	Dmr	Sandy Blue Handicap	3-y-o f.	1 m. (T)	75,000+
Aug. 21	Dmr	Del Mar Oaks (Gr. I)	3-y-o f.	1 1/8 m. (T)	300,000g
Aug. 21	Fer	Les Mademoiselle Stakes— Don Harmon Memorial	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 1/16 m.	10,000g
Aug. 22	Dmr	Rancho Bernardo Handicap (Gr. III)	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	6 1/2 f.	150,000g
Aug. 22	Dmr	Solana Beach Handicap	3-y-o & up, f. & m, Cal-Bred	1 m. (T)	100,000g
Aug. 22	Fer	C. J. Hindley Humboldt County Marathon Starter Stakes	3-y-o & up	1 5/8 m.	15,000g
Aug. 25	Dmr	Harry F. Brubaker Stakes	3-y-o & up	1 1/16 m. (T)	75,000+
Aug. 27	Dmr	CTT and Thoroughbred Owners of California Handicap	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 3/8 m. (T)	75,000+
Aug. 28	Dmr	Pat O'Brien Handicap (Gr. I)	3-y-o & up	7 f.	300,000g
Aug. 28	Dmr	Del Mar Mile (Gr. II)	3-y-o & up	1 m. (T)	250,000g
Aug. 28	Dmr	Pacific Classic Presented by TVG (Gr. I)	3-y-o & up	1 1/4 m.	1,000,000g
Aug. 29	Dmr	Del Mar Handicap (Gr. II)	3-y-o & up	1 3/8 m. (T)	200,000g

Date	Track	Stakes (Grade)	Conditions	Distance	Added Value
Sept. 1	Dmr	Generous Portion Stakes2-yo f., Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired6 f.	\$.100,000g
Sept. 3	Dmr	El Cajon Stakes3-y-o1 m.100,000g
Sept. 4	Dmr	Darley Debutante (Gr. I)2-yo f.7 f.250,000g
Sept. 4	Dmr	Windy Sands Handicap3-y-o & up1 m.75,000+
Sept. 5	Dmr	Del Mar Derby (Gr. II)3-y-o1 1/8 m. (T)300,000g
Sept. 5	Dmr	Torrey Pines Stakes3-yo f.1 m.100,000g
Sept. 5	Dmr	Adoration Stakes3-y-o & up, f. & m.1 m.75,000
Sept. 6	Dmr	Palomar Handicap (Gr. II)3-y-o & up, f. & m.1 1/16 m. (T)150,000g
Sept. 6	Dmr	I'm Smokin Stakes2-y-o, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired6 f.	\$.100,000g
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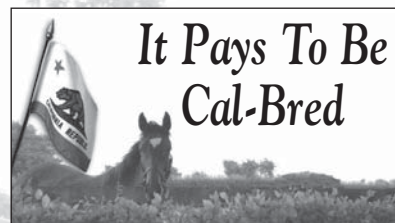
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Guest Forum

Eddie Schmidt: A Diminutive Dynamo In The San Diego Handicap

by JACKIE BARNES

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Eddie's Schmidt's victory in the 1960 San Diego Handicap, a race he also won in 1957. Bred and owned by the Elobe Farm of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Burns and trained by Frank Carr, this tiny terror was known as one of the toughest major stakes stars of his era. If championships were based on weight, he would have been the bantam king of Thoroughbreds.

On July 31, the 69th edition of the grade II, \$200,000 San Diego Handicap was run at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club. Since its first running in 1937, the race has grown in stature, with its reputation for attracting top quality fields, resulting in it becoming a major prep for the grade I Pacific Classic.

The legendary Native Diver is the only three-time winner of the race. Fellow California-breds Eddie Schmidt and Super Diamond, along with handicap stars Choctaw Nation, Skimming Nation and Prevaricator, are the only two-time winners. In their careers, Native Diver and Eddie Schmidt won stakes at each of California's six major tracks: Tanforan, Golden Gate Fields, Bay Meadows Racecourse, Hollywood Park, Santa Anita Park and Del Mar.

It was not an uncommon practice for horses to start twice or maybe even three times within a span of 10 to 14 days. In the case of Eddie Schmidt, for example, he ran fourth to the legendary Round Table in the 1 1/4-mile Hollywood Gold Cup on July 13, 1957, then was wheeled right back 10 days later in the 1 5/8-mile Sunset Handicap where he was narrowly beaten by the 13-time stakes winner Find.

Not the most fashionably bred horse, he was by Count Speed out of the winning Cal-bred mare Paradise, by Alibhai (Eng), a half-sister to the dam of stakes winner and stakes-producer, Ellen Gruder. Eddie Schmidt broke his maiden for an \$8,000 claiming tag before winning his first stakes race.

Eddie Schmidt was also not the most sociable of Thorough-

breeds, as he did not like people. He preferred to be left alone, and usually managed this by nipping at anyone who got too close. The only person who he got along with was his groom. He was also a difficult horse to train and had to be cajoled into working. The least little thing in either his races or works would throw him off his game. But when he was good, it made no difference who was his competition, as he was the picture of supreme confidence.

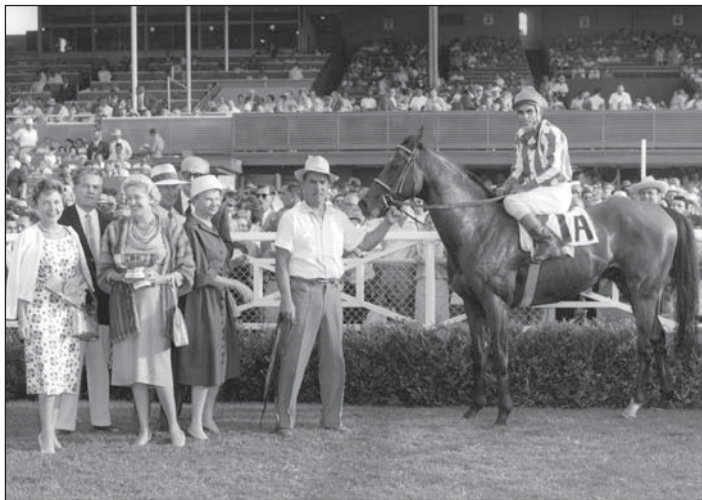
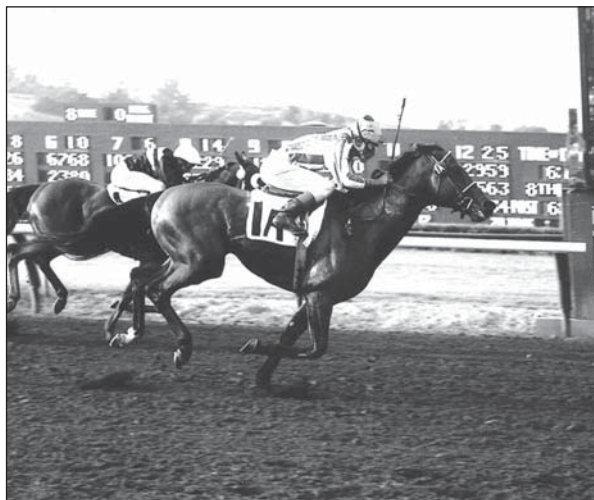
Eddie Schmidt was at the height of his four-year-old campaign when he won his first San Diego Handicap on Aug. 3, 1957, defeating Gigantic and Pirnie. At that time, he stood 15 hands and weighted about 900 pounds. That season he also won the Gallant Fox and Golden State Breeders Handicaps.

In 1960, the seven-year-old horse had come away with a win at Santa Anita early in the meet in the San Gabriel Handicap. The San Diego Handicap seemed to bring out the best in Eddie Schmidt. An even money favorite in his first victory, he now found himself a longshot.

The field of 14 were sent on their way on Aug. 6, as How Now set a furious pace with six furlongs run in 1:09 2/5. Under jockey Alex Maese, Eddie Schmidt made one of his spectacular stretch runs, weaving through horses to win by a length over King's Marshall and Honeys Gem. His final time of 1:41 1/5 was one second off the track record and he paid \$27.60 to win.

Eddie Schmidt was retired in 1961. His final totals were 101-20-10-18 with earnings of \$526,292. Among the other seven stakes races he won were the Idlewild, Inglewood and Nassau County Handicaps. If you took the money he won and converted it to today's purses, his approximate total would most likely be in excess of \$1 million.

The story of this amazing Cal-bred with the heart of a champion is one for the ages. May the legend of the Eddie Schmidt and the San Diego Handicap continue to make history. 🐾



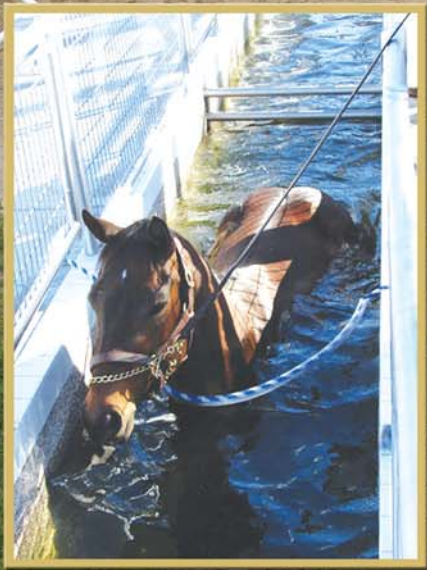
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