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MASTERY TO CLAIBORNE FARM UPON RETIREMENT

By BloodHorse Staff

Everett Dobson's undefeated Mastery will stand at Claiborne Farm upon retirement, according to farm representative Bernie Sams.

The 3-year-old son of Candy Ride is four-for-four racing under the silks of Dobson's Cheyenne Stables, including dominant victories in last year's Los Alamitos CashCall Futurity (G1) and Bob Hope Stakes (G3), and this year's March 11 San Felipe Stakes (G2).

Mastery won the San Felipe by 6 3/4 lengths, putting him among the leading contenders for this year's Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1). However, the celebration was cut short when jockey Mike Smith pulled the colt up past the wire. Subsequent examination revealed a condylar fracture in the colt's left front.

Mastery underwent successful surgery March 13, which trainer Bob Baffert said "went very well." He will now be given time off to recover. A decision will be made later as to his racing career.

"We've been so high on this horse, and you see what he did today was just incredible and puts him as the best 3-year-old in the nation," Baffert said following the



BENOIT PHOTO

Mastery draws off to win the San Felipe Stakes at Santa Anita Park

San Felipe, before learning of the injury.

"The power is endless with this guy," Smith said. "He's some kind of strong. He was hitting gears every time I asked him."

Mastery was bred in Kentucky by Stone Farm, and was purchased from the 2015 Keeneland September yearling sale by Gatewood Bell's Cromwell Bloodstock for \$425,000. Mastery has earned \$511,200.

By leading sire Candy Ride and out of the winning Old Trieste mare Steady Course, Mastery is a half brother to stakes winner Clear Sailing. His dam is a half sister to grade 2-winning sire Jump Start (by A.P. Indy). His third dam is a full sister to leading sire Miswaki.

"Clearly his pedigree and race record make him an exciting

stallion prospect," said Sams. "He's in good hands and has a bright future no matter what."

Mastery will remain with Baffert to recover.

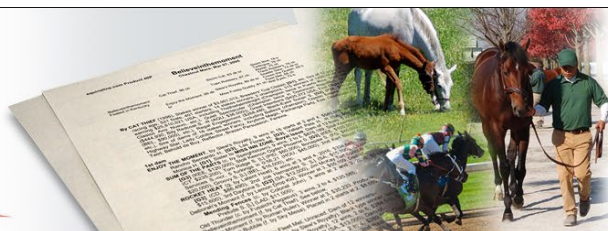
"It's possible for horses to come back from a condylar fracture, but he'll have to be 100% to go back into training," said Dobson. "An exciting stallion prospect; he showed brilliance on the track. If he does retire, he'd retire undefeated, and he's out of a very hot sire with a very good pedigree. We look forward to him standing at Claiborne Farm upon retirement, whenever that may be. Given their tradition and reputation in the marketplace for making top stallions, we felt it was a great fit for Mastery." **BH**

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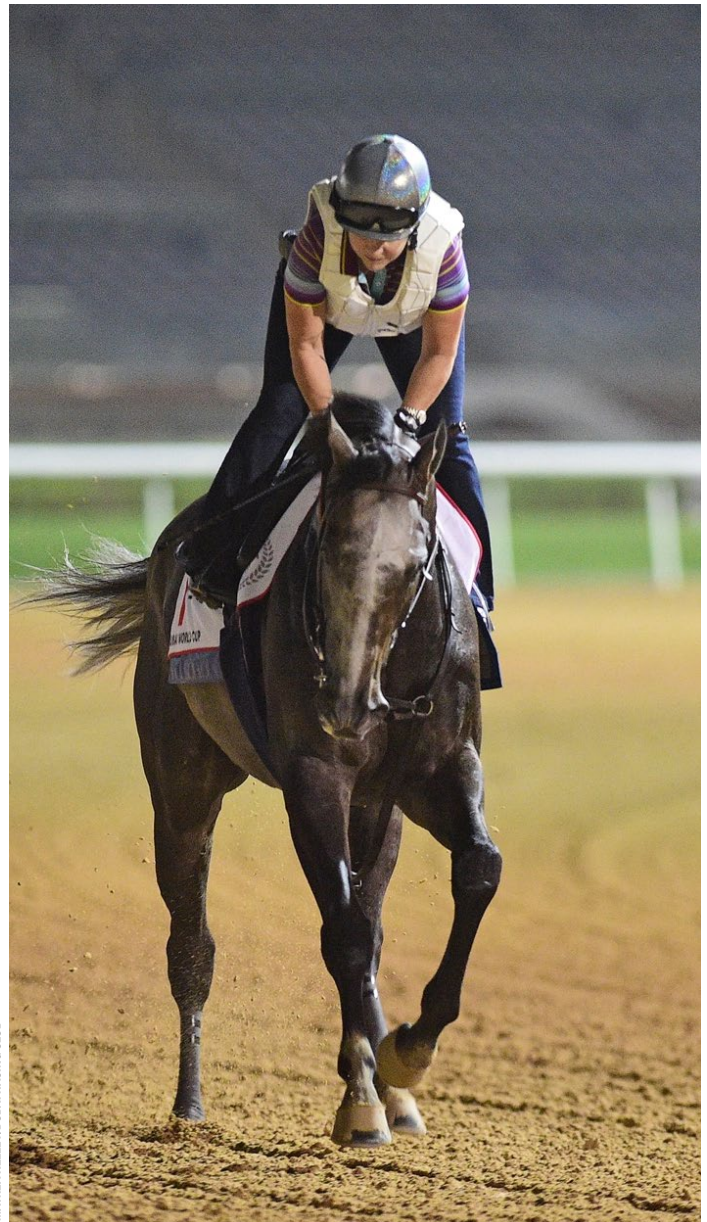
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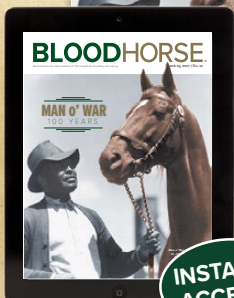


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QATAR RACING BUYS INTEREST IN NEOLITHIC

By BloodHorse Staff

Starlight Racing has reached an agreement to sell a 50% interest in Dubai World Cup contender Neolithic to Qatar Racing.

Neolithic, a 4-year-old son of former Starlight Racing color-bearer Harlan's Holiday, exits a third-place finish in the \$12 million Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes (G1) Jan. 28 at Gulfstream Park. He has a 2-3-1 record from eight starts, with earnings in excess of \$1.1 million.

"Sheikh Fahad was keen to purchase Neolithic as he felt he has potential to go on and win his grade 1 races when he returns from Dubai and potentially make a stallion," said Qatar Racing manager David Redvers. "If he can run a place in the World Cup then all the better, but he's an exciting prospect."

Neolithic will remain with trainer Todd Pletcher and will carry Qatar Racing's silks in the \$10 million Dubai World Cup (G1) March 25. In subsequent starts, he will alternate between Starlight Racing and Qatar Racing silks.



MATHEA KELLEY/DUBAI RACING CLUB

Neolithic at Meydan Race Course

"We are excited to partner with a world-class operation like Qatar Racing," said Jack Wolf, co-managing partner of Starlight Racing. "Neolithic has given our partnership a lot of thrills already, and we are looking forward to the race on Saturday."

Neolithic was bred in Kentucky by Edwin Anthony out of the Victory Gallop mare Swingit, and was a \$460,000 purchase by Starlight from Denali Stud's consignment to the 2014 Keeneland September yearling sale. **BH**

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By the sire of Arrogate, **Emcee** – the horse who won his four races by a combined 19.5 lengths and set a new Stakes record in the seven-panel G1 Forego.

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REAL STEEL OUT OF DUBAI TURF

By BloodHorse Staff

Japan's Real Steel will forego the chance to defend his title in the March 25 Dubai Turf Sponsored by DP World (G1). He was scheduled to work March 21 but instead was withdrawn from the Dubai Turf due to bleeding in both nostrils.

Sunday Racing Co.'s 5-year-old son of Deep Impact edged the grade 1-winning mare Euro Charline by half a length to pick up his first win at the highest level in last year's Dubai Turf. Trained by Yoshito Yahagi and ridden by Ryan Moore, he came in off a third to gallant Dubai Sheema Classic Presented by Longines (G1) runner-up Duramente in the Nakayama Kinen (G2) and was second in the Kikuka Sho (G1) at Kyoto.

Real Steel struggled to regain form after his win at Meydan. He was 11th in the Yasuda Kinen (G1) in his first start back in June, then went to the sidelines until October, when he ran second in the Tenno Sho (G1). A fifth in the Japan Cup (G1) closed out his season. In his lone start of 2017, he was eighth in this year's edition of the Nakayama Kinen Feb. 26.

Bred in Japan by Northern Farm out of the Storm Cat mare Loves Only Me, Real Steel has a 3-5-1 record with earnings of more than \$6.4 million. **BH**

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Real Steel (inside) edged Euro Charline to win the 2016 Dubai Turf Sponsored by DP World



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DE ROYER DUPRÉ AIMS TO REPEAT IN DUBAI

By BloodHorse Staff

For the last couple of years, French trainer Alain de Royer Dupré has left Meydan with at least one valuable prize in his pocket. In 2014 Dolniya was an easy winner of the Dubai Sheema Classic Presented by Longines (G1), and last year, Vazirabad took honors in the Dubai Gold Cup Sponsored by Al Tayer Motors (G2).

This year de Royer Dupré is counting on Zarak and Vazirabad, both owned by the Aga Khan, to continue his winning streak on Dubai World Cup night.

Last year Vazirabad made his seasonal reappearance in the Dubai Gold Cup, but this time the 5-year-old son of Manduro shipped early for a prep run in the group 3 Nad Al Sheba Trophy Sponsored by Al Naboodah-VDL Buses, where he was second.

"Last year Vazirabad had to battle to win," de Royer Dupré said. "It was a hard race, as he hadn't had a prep race. So this year we thought it better to bring him over early and give him a run. He doesn't do much in the morning. Since we have had him, we have always known that he is better on his second or third start.

"Vazirabad is still the same horse as last year, just a year older. I came over last week to watch him and Zarak work. In fact, both horses did their last bit of serious work (March 14). I took them to work on the grass on the training track, as the track is slightly softer than the track at Meydan.

"Zarak worked with a lead horse who came from France. He worked well and quickened well, and I'm very happy with him. He wasn't a hundred percent fit for his last race, which he won well. And he has come on from that.

"As to Vazirabad, he did a good canter, but didn't need to work like Zarak, as

he only ran four weeks ago. From now on, they are just doing some light exercise."

Vazirabad is well used to the atmosphere in Dubai, but for the 4-year-old Zarak it is a new experience as he gears up for the Dubai Turf Sponsored by DP World (G1). An impressive winner in the group 3 Dubai Millennium Stakes Sponsored by Wheels, he seems well adapted to the climate and his new surroundings and his trainer confirmed as much.

"He is in good form and ready for the race. But it is going to be tough, there are some good horses in there," de Royer Dupré remarked.

Zarak was one of France's top 3-year-olds last year. In fact, only Almanzor got the better of him in the Prix du Jockey Club (French Derby, G1). Toward the end of the season, Zarak, who is out of the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (G1) winner Zarkava, lost his form a bit.

"This happens," his trainer said. "He ran well against Almanzor and then he just didn't fire. But he won his prep race well here, in fact, very well.

"He has grown quite a bit since last year and while the race is tough, with some serious horses like last year's Prix Jacques Le Marois (G1) winner Ribchester, I'm hopeful he will run well. What is important for us is that the horse is well." **BH**

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Zarak gallops March 20 at Meydan Race Course

SUFFOLK DOWNS FILES PAPERWORK FOR RACETRACK SALE

By Lynne Snierston

The owners of Suffolk Downs have sent a document to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission asking for formal approval of the sale of the property to a major Boston-based real estate development company. The commissioners will begin to address the matter at a hearing March 22 in Boston.

Though the gaming commission's legal department denied a request for a copy of the document, Chip Tuttle, the chief operating officer of Suffolk Downs, confirmed to *BloodHorse* that the required paperwork has been filed.

"We have sent a letter to the gaming commission requesting its formal approval of the sale of the property to the McClellan Highway Development Company, which is a subsidiary of the HYM Investment Group, one of the Boston area's premier development companies," he said.

The purchase price for the 161-acre property located within the adjacent cities of East Boston and Revere, Mass. was not disclosed. The deal could close as early as May.

Nonetheless, Tuttle maintains that although Suffolk Downs will have a new owner, Sterling Suffolk



CHIP BOTT

A deal for Suffolk Downs could close as early as May

Racecourse LLC will retain its license for live racing and simulcasting in 2017 and 2018.

"As part of the sale we have an agreement with the buyer to lease back the facility for racing and simulcasting in 2017 and in 2018. We will race in 2017 and 2018. We are holding onto the license," Tuttle reiterated.

Suffolk Downs is scheduled to race six days in 2017—July 8-9, Aug. 5-6, and Sept. 2-3.

The matter of the sale of the track is among 28 agenda items for the MGC's March 22 meeting. An MGC spokesperson said the item will not be discussed "in any meaningful way, other than to confirm that it will be on the regular bi-weekly public meeting agenda for March 30."

All relative documentation must be filed with the MGC by March 30 and will not be made public until the morning of the meeting.

The approval of the MGC is required to sell the property because Suffolk Downs is the current licensee. That rule is part of old Massachusetts racing statutes dating to when legislators figured that any buyer of the property would be operating the facility as a racetrack.

HYM Investment Group has developed some of the largest scale projects in Boston in recent years, and it is led by Tom O'Brien, the former head of the Boston Redevelopment Authority. The racetrack property

is considered to be one of the most valuable parcels of undeveloped land on the Eastern Seaboard. It is located close to Logan International Airport, is less than one mile from the Atlantic Ocean, and is situated between two stops on the city's public transport system.

Any demolition of the clubhouse and grandstand or the main track and turf course would not begin until after the 2018 live racing season. **BH**

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Steve Haskin's DERBY DOZEN

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2 | McCRAKEN

Ian Wilkes/Whitham Thoroughbreds
Ghostzapper—Ivory Empress, by Seeking the Gold
Whitham Thoroughbreds (KY)

Because of the preposterous nature of this year's Derby trail with top contenders self-destructing every week, he keeps looking better and better just by staying in the barn and letting Tapwrit boost his reputation. As long as he has no other setbacks, he should come back loaded for bear in the April 8 Toyota Blue Grass Stakes (G2).

1 | GUNNEVERA

Trainer/Owner: Antonio Sano/Peacock Racing Stables
Pedigree: Dialed In—Unbridled Rage, by Unbridled
Breeder: Brandywine Farm and Stephen Upchurch (KY)

Returned to the worktab with a five-furlong breeze in 1:04 3/5 at Gulfstream Park West March 18, with rider Edgard Zayas crouched down and hands motionless. The colt seemed his usual enthusiastic self as he jogged on his toes alongside the pony and was striding out beautifully at the wire over the deeper surface.

3 | TAPWRIT

Todd Pletcher/Bridlewood Farm, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, and Robert LaPenta
Tapit—Appealing Zophie, by Successful Appeal
My Meadowview (KY)

No, he didn't beat much in the Lambholm South Tampa Bay Derby (G2), just the same horses he finished ahead of in the Sam F. Davis Stakes (G3), but with every major stakes falling apart to some degree and he at least has done it with style and looks to be still on the improve.

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4 | GIRVIN

Joe Sharp/Brad Grady
Tale of Ekati—Catch the Moon, by Malibu Moon
Bob Austin and John Witte (KY)

Turned in another sharp work in company, going five furlongs March 18 in 1:01, with Rosie Napravnik again in the saddle and husband Joe Sharp on stakes winner Cool Arrow. Sharp said the work was even better than they expected. Rosie tweeted afterward, "He's as talented as any 3-year-old I've ever sat on." That's good enough for me.

5 | J BOYS ECHO

Dale Romans/Albaugh Family Stable
Mineshaft—Letgomyecho, by Menifee
Betz/Blackburn/J. Betz/Ramsby/CNHNNK (KY)

Returned to Gulfstream Park and breezed a half-mile in an easy :52 2/5 March 18 in preparation for the Blue Grass Stakes. The jury is still out on him, having defeated a colt with only one six-furlong maiden race in the March 4 Gotham Stakes (G3), but we have no idea how good Cloud Computing is and the runner-up finished far ahead of 2-5 favorite El Areeb.

6 | CLASSIC EMPIRE

Mark Casse/John Oxley
Pioneer of the Nile—Sambuca Classica, by Cat Thief
Steven and Brandi Nicholson (KY)

Every time he doesn't work when you think he's scheduled to work, you have to start wondering about him due to his fractured so-called schedule this year. His sharp work March 12 was a reason to become optimistic that all was well and he was back on schedule, but with no work the weekend after, the questions return.

7 | PRACTICAL JOKE

Chad Brown/Klaravich Stables and William Lawrence
Into Mischief—Halo Humor, by Distorted Humor
Whispering Oaks (KY)

Breezed a half-mile in a sharp :48 3/5 March 18, which Chad Brown called a super work. Brown said he has narrowed his decision regarding the colt's next start to either the Xpressbet Florida Derby (G1) or the Blue Grass. He will enter in the April 1 Florida Derby to see where he draws and how the race shapes up.



Fair Grounds-based Girvin ranks high on the Derby Dozen

8 | ILIAD

Doug O'Neill/Kaleem Shah
Ghostzapper—Little Swoon, by You and I
Sungyeoun Lim

Will head a three-pronged Doug O'Neill attack in what promises to be a very wide-open Santa Anita Derby (G1) April 8 that lost its star appeal when Mastery was injured and Gormley tired badly in the San Felipe Stakes (G2). He needs to settle off the pace and show he can come home strongly in his second two-turn race. May have needed the first.

9 | ONE LINER

Todd Pletcher/WinStar Farm, China Horse Club, and SF Racing
Into Mischief—Cayala, by Cherokee Run
Kingswood Farm (KY)

One of three Pletcher hopefuls who will have to buck history by going into the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) with only four lifetime starts. He finally returned to the worktab after a month with a half-mile in :50 1/5 in company March 18, in which he was aggressively ridden in the stretch but failed to catch his workmate who was going much easier.

10 | MALAGACY

Todd Pletcher/Sumaya U.S. Stable
Shackleford—Classiest Gem, by Dehere
John Trumbulovic (KY)

Obviously fast and talented, but like One Liner, will try to win the Kentucky Derby off only four lifetime starts, two of them sprints. It must be noted he carried only 115 pounds in the Rebel Stakes (G2), 11 less than he'll carry at Churchill Downs and defeated a 112-1 maiden with eight starts. And he has the Apollo curse to deal with.

11 | GUEST SUITE

Neil Howard/William S. Farish and Lora Jean Kilroy
Quality Road—Guest House, by Ghostzapper
W.S. Farish and Kilroy Thoroughbred Partnership (KY)

Decided to go back to one of the original 12, and I was encouraged by his bullet five-furlong work in 1:00 3/5, fastest of 10 works at the distance March 14. I will also forgive his fourth in the Risen Star Stakes (G2), in which he came from 13 lengths back to be beaten only 4 1/2 lengths, coming home in an impressive :23 4/5, :24, and :06 1/5. Deserves another chance.

12 | MO TOWN

Anthony Dutrow/Susan Magnier. Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith, and Team D

Uncle Mo—Grazie Mille, by Bernardini
John D. Gunther and Eurowest Bloodstock (KY)

Decided to go back to two of the original 12, a former No. 3-ranked horse whom jockey John Velazquez said did not handle the Fair Grounds track. This move would seem to go against all logic, considering the terrible Remsen Stakes (G2) form, but his six-furlong work in 1:13 1/5, out in 1:27 1/5 at Gulfstream March 16 suggests he too deserves another chance.

FIRST RUNNER IS FIRST WINNER FOR TAKE CHARGE INDY

By Eric Mitchell

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Grade 1 winner and freshman sire Take Charge Indy's first starter became his first winner March 17 in a 2 1/2-furlong maiden race at Hipodromo de las Americas in Mexico City.

Marea Negra is the first foal out of Citizen Emma, a daughter of Proud Citizen and half sister to grade 2-placed winner Escondido (Eskendereya) and black-type stakes winners Cave's Valley (Stephen Got Even) and Getaway Guy (Yankee Gentleman). Black Rock Thoroughbreds bred the filly in Kentucky then sold her as a short yearling for \$35,000 through the 2016 Keeneland January winter mixed sale. She was sold again at the Fasig-Tipton October yearling sale out of the Blake-Albina Thoroughbred Services consignment for \$3,000 to Victor Jimenez Sainz.

The first winner is now owned by Cuadra J-A and trained by Marciano Ponce Ramos. Marea Negra won the straight sprint in :27 4/5 by three-quarters of a length.



CHAD B. HARRISON

Take Charge Indy is standing his first season at KRA Jeju Stud Farm

Take Charge Indy, a son of A.P. Indy—Take Charge Lady, by Dehere, won the 2012 Florida Derby (G1) and the 2013 Alysheba Stakes (G2) and placed in five other graded stakes, including a second in the Clark Handicap (G1). WinStar Farm bought into the colt his last year racing and stood him for three years. Take Charge Indy has been relocated to South Korea, where he's standing his first season at KRA Jeju Stud Farm. **BH**

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MAN O' WAR EXHIBIT SET TO OPEN AT DERBY MUSEUM

By Lenny Shulman

In honor of the 100th anniversary of Man o' War's birth March 29, the Kentucky Derby Museum is mounting a new exhibit entitled "Man o' War: The Legacy" that opens in Louisville April 8. The interactive exhibit will detail the life of the great racehorse and his lasting mark on Thoroughbred racing and breeding.

Featured items include the saddle used on Man o' War during his match race with the first Triple Crown winner, Sir Barton; an admission ticket to that race; and the official program from the 1938 match race between Man o' War's son War Admiral and Seabiscuit. Many of the items are on loan from collector Ken Grayson, who has acquired thousands of pieces related to Man o' War and has also lent memorabilia to the Racing Hall of Fame in Saratoga, N.Y., and to the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, where Grayson resides.

"That saddle represents the Holy Grail of Man o' War collectibles," Grayson noted.



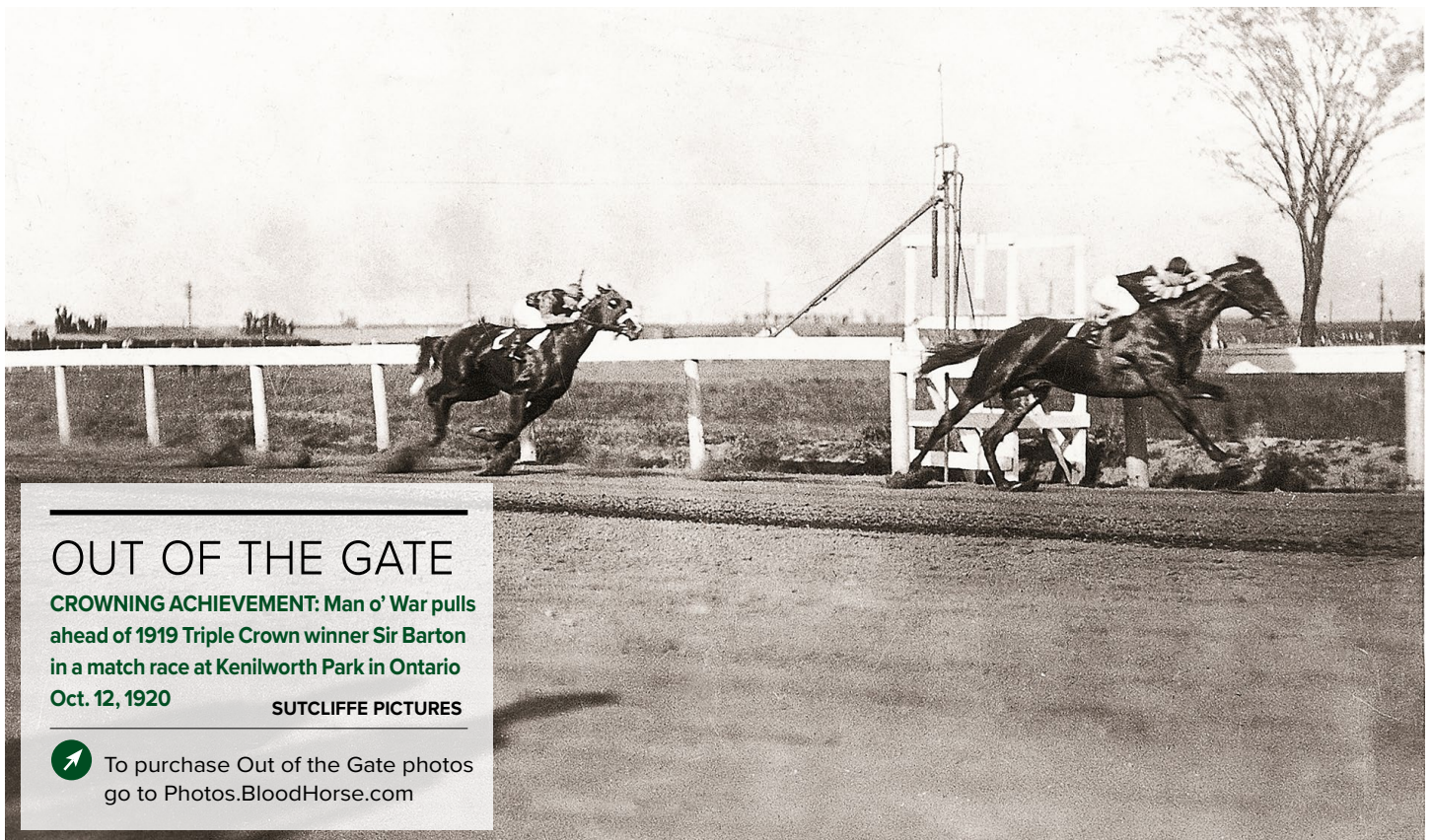
ANNIE M. EBERHARDT

Ken Grayson with some of his Man o' War memorabilia

"The Kentucky Derby Museum is excited to feature an exhibit on the life, career, and legacy of Man o' War," said Kentucky Derby Museum president Patrick Armstrong. "We're especially grateful to Ken Grayson for his continued generosity in sharing pieces from his collection with our visitors."

The museum is located on Churchill Downs property, with the exhibit featured in the Matt Winn Gallery through the end of the year. **BH**

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OUT OF THE GATE

CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT: Man o' War pulls ahead of 1919 Triple Crown winner Sir Barton in a match race at Kenilworth Park in Ontario Oct. 12, 1920

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MACHMER HALL'S BRODGEN BUILDS BRIDGES TO REHOME OTTBs

By Erin Shea

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Soon after multiple graded stakes winner Kid Cruz was pulled up in a claiming race at Aqueduct Racetrack March 19, his breeder, Machmer Hall's Carrie Brodgen tweeted: "Just got the call, Kid Cruz is coming home! He has a tendon, but will be fine. Gelding, vacation and 2nd career next!"

Brodgen, who also runs Select Sales, said she understands that Kid Cruz has name recognition, but was surprised at the attention the tweet got since she has helped rehome approximately 30 horses in the past year. She said she's already received a few inquiries about Kid Cruz, but he isn't ready to go to a new home just yet.

BloodHorse spoke with Brodgen about her rehoming efforts and her thoughts on the state of aftercare.

What happens when you take back a horse, and what kind of undertaking is this for your farm?

I find that mother nature restarts these horses. There are a few who can go right from the track into great homes.

The biggest thing for people to understand is that I need that intermediary person. I realize I need a professional to retrain these (horses), and the way to get professionals to put in their time and money is to do everything (on our end) for free.

I've never charged for anything. A lot of times, I'll pay for the shipping, Dr. (Dwayne) Rodgerson from Hagyard has done several knee surgeries for me, Sallee (Horse Vans) has been great, and Mike Lake from Lake Horse Transportation has been great at helping us.

I'm not naive enough to think that there are homes for everything, but if there's a horse that



can be sound with time and effort, I'm absolutely going to do it, 100%.

How do you go about adopting out OTTBs?

I work with an OTTB Facebook network (OTTB Connect). What I do is I post (to the group). They don't even have to be in my farm. If you give me a good picture and a description of what they are, (I'll post it). It's just translating that and finding the right person to retrain them.

We do rehome (OTTBs) to a lot of retrainers. I think that's a really positive thing. People think that the forever homes just happen. The forever homes happen after the retraining. We need those professional to bridge the racetrack mentality to the riding mentality. There are a lot of people who want to do that with sound horses.

It's just connecting person A to person B. That's all I do for the most part. I use my farm somewhat, but with 75% of the rehomes I do, the horses are not on my farm.

I've heard from others that Facebook is a big help with making connections. And that with The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Incentive Program and Retired Racehorse Project's Thoroughbred Makeover, many people are looking for sound Thoroughbreds.

The incentives are incredible. Whoever came up with The Jockey Club program, the T.I.P. program, I want to commend them.

I think it's all about communication and bridge-building. Even though I don't (retrain OTTBs), there are so many other people who want to do that, which I love.

I think that Thoroughbreds take more care, but their rewards can be fantastic.

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INSIDE **AFTERCARE**

MACHMER HALL'S BRODGEN BUILDS BRIDGES TO REHOME OTTBS

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**Why do you offer to take your homebreds back?
Should more breeders do this?**

I do it because I'm very passionate and I come from the show hunter world, and I get that there has to be a bridge (between racing and riding). I feel like I'm a very educated person to make that transfer. If you don't come from the show hunter world, you don't know how different it is.

I think I'm more proactive sometimes, but there are a lot of breeders who would be more than happy to do it. For me, I get the same joy of our graduates winning graded stakes that I do when Boulder Creek wins reserve champion at a horse show.

It seems that communication is key.

It all comes down to communication. And ultimately (the horses) have to be sound. I'm not saying they have



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Kid Cruz winning the Dwyer Stakes

to jump a 3'6" course and swap their leads, but I don't think trying to rehome an unsound horse works. So if (a racehorse) can be stopped on before that final race, that would be better for everyone—and for the horse, of course. **BH**

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MOR SPIRIT'S COMEBACK WIN EARNS TOP SPEED FIGURE

By Frank Angst

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An extended break after an off-the-board finish in last year's Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) appears to have benefited Mor Spirit, who has earned career-best Equibase Speed Figures in his past three races.

The latest result in that three-race stretch occurred March 18, when Michael Lund Peterson's 4-year-old son of Eskendereya drove clear in the stretch to win the Essex Handicap by 2 1/2 lengths at Oaklawn Park. Bred in Pennsylvania by the Elkstone Group, Mor Spirit completed the 1 1/16-mile race in 1:41.62, the fastest edition of the Essex in more than 30 years.

That effort earned Mor Spirit a 119 Equibase Speed Figure, the best from the past seven days. The race proved to be fast in general, as runner-up Domain's Rap, a 9-year-old who earlier this season earned his



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Mor Spirit earns a 119 Equibase Speed Figure when winning the Essex Handicap at Oaklawn Park

Top 10 Equibase Speed Figures Since Mar. 14

E	Horse	Finish	Race, Track, Distance, Date
119	Mor Spirit	1	Essex H., OP, 8.5f, 3/18
115	Domain's Rap	2	Essex H., OP, 8.5f, 3/18
115	Madefromlucky	3	Essex H., OP, 8.5f, 3/18
114	Prime Attraction	1	AOC, SA, 9fT, 3/18
113	Vale Dori (ARG)	1	Santa Margarita S. (gr. I), SA, 9f, 3/18
112	Kenjisstorm	2	AOC, SA, 9fT, 3/18
112	Dazzling Gem	4	Essex H., OP, 8.5f, 3/18
111	Laki	1	Not For Love S., LRL, 6f, 3/18
111	Finest City	2	Santa Margarita S. (gr. I), SA, 9f, 3/18
110	Lord Simba	1	MSW, SA, 6f, 3/19
110	Pee Wee Reese	1	AOC, SA, a6.5fT, 3/17
110	Westley	1	AOC, GG, 6f, 3/16
110	War Envoy	3	AOC, SA, 9fT, 3/18
110	Rye	4	AOC, SA, 9fT, 3/18

first career stakes win; and third-place Madefromlucky, a two-time grade 2 winner, each earned ESFs of 115, tied for second-best of the week.

Mor Spirit started in last year's Derby after winning the 2015 Los Alamitos Futurity (G1) and the 2016 Robert B. Lewis Stakes (G3) before finishing second in the Santa Anita Derby (G1). After running 10th in the Kentucky Derby, he did not race again until a fourth in a tough edition of the Malibu Stakes (G1) Dec. 26 at Santa Anita Park that saw Mind Your Biscuits and Sharp Azteca come in first and second.

Mor Spirit earned a 113 ESF in the Malibu and followed that effort with a 114 when second to stablemate Hoppertunity in the Feb. 4 San Antonio Stakes (G2) at Santa Anita. **BH**

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SHACKLEFORD'S INFLUENCE ON THE DERBY TRAIL

By Alan Porter

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A son of Forestry out of the celebrated Unbridled mare Oatsee, Shackleford carries a double of Dr. Fager in his pedigree, and he certainly displayed some “Fagerish” traits as a runner. More specifically, like the good Doctor, he had the speed of a high-class sprinter/miler, but at times could carry that speed a surprising distance. The most notable example was the Preakness Stakes (G1), where Shackleford pressured opening fractions of :22.69 and :46.87, but still had enough in hand to hold off the late charge of Animal Kingdom. The following year, Shackleford closed out his career by rationing his speed well enough to go wire-to-wire in the Clark Handicap (G2). That season, he was also a finalist for an Eclipse Award as champion male sprinter, having taken the seven-furlong Churchill Downs Stakes (G2) and one mile Metropolitan Handicap (G1).

Retired to Darby Dan Farm, Shackleford is now represented by his first crop of 3-year-olds, which have already supplied five stakes horses and two graded stakes winners, headed by Malagacy, who placed himself firmly in the picture for the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) with a victory in the March 18 Rebel Stakes (G2). Malagacy appears to be very much a true son of his father: he debuted in early January leading throughout to take a 5 1/2-furlong maiden at Gulfstream Park by 15 lengths, and then had seven lengths to spare when going 6 1/2 furlongs in an allowance race at the same venue. The Rebel saw him press solid early fractions before taking command at the top of the stretch and drawing away to score by two lengths.

Malagacy’s dam, Classiest Gem—by champion 2-year-old male Dehere—is an unraced half sister to Impossible Time, Canada’s champion older mare of 2010. The second dam, the Pleasant Colony mare Classiest Carat, was also unraced, but is a three-quarters sister to Madame Treasurer, a stakes winner

SHACKLEFORD, ch, 2008	Forestry, 1996	Storm Cat, 1983	Storm Bird
		Shared Interest, 1988	Terlingua
Oatsee, 1997	Unbridled, 1987		Pleasant Colony
			Surgery
MALAGACY ch, c March 30, 2014	Dehere, 1991	With Every Wish, 1991	Fappiano
			Gana Facil
CLASSIEST GEM, dkb/br, 2000	Classiest Carat, 1995	Deputy Minister, 1979	Lear Fan
			Amo
		Sister Dot, 1985	Vice Regent
			Mint Copy
		Pleasant Colony, 1978	Secretariat
		Halo Dancer, 1978	Sword Game
			His Majesty
			Sun Colony
			Halo
			Slight Deception

at 2 in Canada. Madame Treasurer is also granddam of Dasher Go Go, a multiple graded stakes winner in Japan. The third dam, Halo Dancer, was stakes-placed in Canada, and was a sister to the King Edward Gold Cup (G3T) scorer Cool Halo. They were by Halo out of the Northern Dancer mare Slight Deception, and inbred 3x4 to Almahmoud.

As that pedigree might suggest, Halo Dancer and Slight Deception were bred by E. P. Taylor, the master of Windfields Farm. The family entered the Windfields broodmare band with purchase of Slight Deception’s dam, Deceit, an accomplished runner who captured the Acorn Stakes and Mother Goose Stakes at a time prior the introduction of the graded stakes program.

Malagacy owns an intriguing pedigree pattern. Shackleford’s sire, Forestry, is by Storm Cat (a Northern Dancer/Secretariat cross) out of a mare by Pleasant Colony. This is paralleled in the Malagacy’s dam, who is by Dehere (Northern Dancer/Secretariat cross) and out of a Pleasant Colony mare. For good measure, Pleasant Colony’s own broodmare sire, Sunrise Flight, is a reverse cross to Deceit, the best runner in the direct female line.

Malagacy actually ran his final furlong at a pace faster than the preceding quarter, which would suggest that he wasn’t reaching the limits of his stamina. These days, as I’ve said before, I believe the Kentucky Derby (G1) is more the province of the stretching out miler than the true 10-furlong horse, and it would be no surprise to see a son of Shackleford prove to be that type. **BH**

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 3, AOC

3/21, \$29,700, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:15.68, track fast.

1—[Blingitonagain](#), 124, gr/ro c, 4, [Too Much Bling](#)—Delitefully Wild, by Offlee Wild, \$17,820, O—Blazing Meadows Farm LLC and Friedman, Michael, B—Blazing Meadows Farm LLC (OH), T—Timothy E. Hamm, J—Luis H. Colon

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Will Rogers Downs, Race 8, ALW

3/21, \$25,080, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:11.68, track fast.

1—[Topofthemountain](#), 124, ch g, 5, [Affirmatif](#)—Snowlark, by Snowbound, \$14,438, O—Liz Horner, B—Peter Hladky

(OK), T—J. Sue Hunt, J—Jason R. Eads

Sale History: 2013 HERDEC, (no bid).

Margin: 1½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

MAIDEN RESULTS

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 8, MSW

3/21, \$26,300, 3yo, f, 6f (dirt), 1:16.23, track fast.

1—[Sheltowee's Gold](#), 122, dk b/br f, 3, [Dialed In](#)—Philadelphia Gold, by Touch Gold, \$15,517, O—Sheltowee Farm, B—Sheltowee Farm, Michael E. Evans II & Travis A. Evans (OH), T—Michael Evans II, J—Edgar Paucar

Sale History: 2015 FTKOCT, (\$26,500 RNA), 2015 KEE-JAN, (\$30,000 RNA).

Margin: 5¼, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 7, MSW

3/21, \$46,000, 3yo/up, 6.5f (dirt), 1:21.88, track fast.

1—[Pioneer Spirit](#), 124, b c, 4, [Malibu Moon](#)—Hafffah, by Machiavellian, \$27,600, O—West, Gary and Mary, B—Mikhail Yanakov (KY), T—Jason Servis, J—Ruben Silvera

Sale History: 2014 KEESEP, \$380,000.



Margin: 1¾, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Will Rogers Downs, Race 6, MSW

3/21, \$23,760, 3yo/up, 5.5f (dirt), 1:04.41, track fast.

1—[Visual Punch](#), 124, gr/ro g, 4, [The Visualiser](#)—Best Punch, by Two Punch, \$13,668, O—Shannon Gunter, B—Center Hills Farm (OK), T—Michael C. Gunter, J—Floyd Wetthey, Jr.

1—[Visual Punch](#), 124, gr/ro g, 4, [The Visualiser](#)—Best Punch, by Two Punch, \$13,668, O—Shannon Gunter, B—Center Hills Farm (OK), T—Michael C. Gunter, J—Floyd Wetthey, Jr.

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Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Saturday, March 25, Race 7
6f (dirt), \$75,000, 3yo f, 3:02 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Tiz a Charm	Colonel John	3/f	No Rider	118	-	Mast Thoroughbreds, LLC
2		Conumdrum Red	Trappe Shot	3/f	Dean A. Sarvis	118	-	Michael A. Foster
3		Cali Dream	Cowboy Cal	3/f	T. D. Houghton	118	-	Marion F. Gorham
4		My Ticket Home	Shackleford	3/f	Dean A. Sarvis	118	-	Glen S. Bromagen, II
5		Cut Rates	U S Ranger	3/f	Godofredo Laurente	120	-	Mast Thoroughbreds, LLC
6		Cat's Rhythm	Wildcat Heir	3/f	Irwin J. Rosendo	120	-	Kris Nemann
7		Grizabella	Lunarpal	3/f	Samuel E. Bermudez	120	-	Jeff Gardella and David and Mark Doering
8		Signora Shipman	Midshipman	3/f	Hector L. Rosario, Jr.	118	-	Tiffany Raimonde
9		Blanconia	Vaquero	3/f	Luis Raul Rivera	122	-	Michael J. Annechino
10		Run Along	Henny Hughes	3/f	Christian P. Pilares	118	-	Penny S. Lauer
11		Ali Blue	Bluegrass Cat	3/f	Jaime Rodriguez	118	-	Duncan Lloyd
12		Shes My Girl	King of the Roxy	3/f	Marco A. Ccamaque	118	-	Bobby R. Rankin
13		Nikki My Darling	Creative Cause	3/f	Luis H. Colon	120	-	Loooch Racing Stables, Inc. and Imaginary Stables

Breeders: 1—Robert Gorham & Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; 2—Langsem Farm, Inc; 3—Robert Gorham & Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; 4—Sheltowee Farm, Mariah Thoroughbreds LLC, James Earl Evans & Timothy Hamm; 5—R Gorham & Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; 6—Fred A. Nemann & Kris Nemann; 7—Dr. George Mapleton Thoroughbreds; 8—Tiffany Raimonde & Brian Raimonde; 9—Raimonde Farms Ltd.; 10—Michael Lauer & Jerry Merritt; 11—Duncan Lloyd; 12—Bobby Ray Rankin; 13—Sheltowee Farm & James E. Evans.

Trainers: 1—Robert M. Gorham; 2—William D. Cowans; 3—Robert M. Gorham; 4—George R. Arnold, II; 5—Robert M. Gorham; 6—Kris Nemann; 7—Mark Doering; 8—Penny Rone; 9—Jeffrey A. Radosevich; 10—Michael E. Lauer; 11—Timothy E. Hamm; 12—Jose L. Lopez; 13—Jeffrey A. Radosevich.

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2017 NORTH AMERICAN LEADING SIRES

Listed below is a comparison of statistics for only North American racing with all available statistics through March 20, 2017. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2011 breeding season), and have runners in North America are included..

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOY	'17 Stud Fee	Farm	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'17 Earnings
1	Unbridled's Song	Unbridled, '93	Died	N/A	Arrogate (\$7,000,000)	\$7,716,486
2	Ghostzapper	Awesome Again, '00	\$75,000	Adena Springs Kentucky, KY	Shaman Ghost (\$2,200,000)	\$3,283,150
3	Harlan's Holiday	Harlan, '99	Died	N/A	Neolithic (\$1,000,000)	\$2,271,844
4	Tapit	Pulpit, '01	\$300,000	Gainesway, KY	Unique Bella (\$300,000)	\$2,215,129
5	Candy Ride (ARG)	Ride the Rails, '99	\$60,000	Lane's End, KY	Gun Runner (\$300,000)	\$1,770,245
6	Malibu Moon	A.P. Indy, '97	\$75,000	Spendthrift Farm, KY	Farrell (\$210,000)	\$1,742,796
7	Curlin	Smart Strike, '04	\$150,000	Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY	Keen Ice (\$250,000)	\$1,597,060
8	Into Mischief	Harlan's Holiday, '05	\$75,000	Spendthrift Farm, KY	One Liner (\$324,000)	\$1,570,060
9	City Zip	Carson City, '98	\$50,000	Lane's End, KY	Finest City (\$200,000)	\$1,527,901
10	Eskendereya	Giant's Causeway, '07	N/A	N/A	Mor Spirit (\$210,000)	\$1,417,014

2017 BROODMARE SIRES

Listed below are the top 10 leading broodmare sires by 2017 Northern Hemisphere earnings through March 20, 2017. All stallions whose daughters are represented by at least one Northern Hemisphere runner in 2017 are included. Cumulative stakes winners includes lifetime worldwide statistics; all other statistics are 2017 Northern Hemisphere only.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOY	Dams	Rnrs	SWrs (% Rnrs)	Cum. SWrs	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'17 Earnings
1	Distorted Humor	Forty Niner, '93	160	225	4 (1.8%)	53	Arrogate (\$7,000,000)	\$9,229,924
2	Sunday Silence	Halo, '86	441	738	7 (.9%)	163	Talking Drum (\$255,123)	\$5,268,808
3	Unbridled's Song	Unbridled, '93	238	319	7 (2.2%)	105	Unique Bella (\$300,000)	\$3,878,945
4	A.P. Indy	Seattle Slew, '89	220	303	5 (1.7%)	146	El Areeb (\$270,000)	\$3,520,596
5	Storm Cat	Storm Bird, '83	234	319	4 (1.3%)	236	Decorated Knight (\$211,864)	\$3,287,669
6	French Deputy	Deputy Minister, '92	215	324	3 (.9%)	69	Gold Dream (\$404,190)	\$2,961,619
7	Gilded Time	Timeless Moment, '90	72	92	3 (3.3%)	54	Shaman Ghost (\$2,200,000)	\$2,833,059
8	Giant's Causeway	Storm Cat, '97	202	250	2 (.8%)	49	Gun Runner (\$300,000)	\$2,465,164
9	Seeking the Gold	Mr. Prospector, '85	163	233	3 (1.3%)	140	Ertijaal (\$201,000)	\$2,136,383
10	Elusive Quality	Gone West, '93	146	195	3 (1.5%)	41	Prize Money (\$281,000)	\$2,136,063

2017 SIRES BY LIFETIME AEI

Listed below are the top 10 leading sires by lifetime Average Earnings Index (AEI) through March 20, 2017. Only active stallions in North America (excluding stallions that were exported prior to the 2011 breeding season) with at least 150 named foals of racing age are included. All statistics are Northern Hemisphere only. AEI indicates how much purse money the progeny of one sire has earned in relation to the average earnings of all runners in the same years; average earnings of all runners in any year is represented by an index of 1.00. CI indicates the average earnings of progeny produced from mares bred to one sire, when these same mares were bred to other sires.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOY	'17 Stud Fee	Farm	Crops	Foals	AEI	CI
1	Uncle Mo	Indian Charlie, '08	\$150,000	Ashford Stud, KY	3	307	2.91	1.68
2	Pioneerof the Nile	Empire Maker, '06	\$110,000	WinStar Farm LLC, KY	5	360	2.71	1.88
3	Curlin	Smart Strike, '04	\$150,000	Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY	6	488	2.44	2.18
4	Tapit	Pulpit, '01	\$300,000	Gainesway, KY	10	1024	2.38	2.15
5	War Front	Danzig, '02	\$250,000	Claiborne Farm, KY	8	510	2.35	2.29
6	Ghostzapper	Awesome Again, '00	\$75,000	Adena Springs Kentucky, KY	9	669	2.21	2.03
7	Into Mischief	Harlan's Holiday, '05	\$75,000	Spendthrift Farm, KY	6	368	2.17	1.55
8	Medaglia d'Oro	El Prado, '99	\$150,000	Darley, KY	10	1087	2.07	2.32
9	Distorted Humor	Forty Niner, '93	\$80,000	WinStar Farm LLC, KY	16	1304	2.06	2.19
10	Awesome Again	Deputy Minister, '94	\$75,000	Adena Springs Kentucky, KY	16	1098	2.03	1.91