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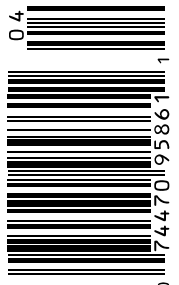


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One of two stakes-winning 2-year-old colts among **CANDY RIDE**'s 24 graded winners, **CLUBHOUSE RIDE** won or placed in 15 stakes and 11 graded races from 6 furlongs to 1 1/4 miles, including back-to-back wins in Californian Stakes-**G2**, and 105 Beyers in the Santa Anita Handicap-**G1**, Charles Town Classic-**G2** and San Antonio Stakes-**G2**.

CLUBHOUSE RIDE's second season bookings include California champion and **G1** winner **WARREN'S VENEDA**.

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CTBA PRESIDENT

More Northern Opportunities

While striving to continue to offer more California-bred restricted racing opportunities in Northern California, the CTBA is pleased to announce the second running of the Cal-bred Turf Extravaganza, to be held Sunday, May 1, at Golden Gate Fields. This event will again offer four Cal-bred turf races, including both the \$100,000 Silky Sullivan for 3-year-olds and the \$100,000 Campanile for 3-year-old fillies, as well as two first-condition allowance races.

With many Cal-bred days highlighting the Southern California racing year, it has been our goal to provide a showcase of California-bred racing in the north. The major obstacles in offering such an event have been the limited purse money allocated to stakes in the north and the emphasis on open overnight races, given the limited inventory based in Northern California. As Cal-breds make up more than 60% of the field sizes in the north, the focus has been on open races due to the added 30% bonus awarded to California-breds in open races.

This year I am pleased to announce that the number of restricted opportunities will expand even more as we will include two maiden special weight races to be featured on Saturday, April 30, as part of the Golden Gate Fields Turf Festival. Therefore, six Cal-bred races for various categories of horses will be offered over the two-day period.

The California-bred restricted races

carded for the turf weekend will have total purses equivalent to the open races through supplements from our Cal-bred Race Fund. We are hoping this will be something we can build on in the future, and appreciate the support from Golden Gate and the TOC. A complete listing of race conditions and purses is presented in the table below.

We also continue to have discussions with the California Authority of Racing Fairs to provide more restricted racing opportunities at various Fair locations. The \$100,000 stakes at Pleasanton and the \$100,000 Harris Farms Stakes at Fresno will again be part of the Golden State Series of races and will be featured later this year. There is also a good pos-

sibility that several Cal-bred allowance races will be available during the Fair meets. The CTBA Racing Committee continues to focus on providing more restricted racing opportunities for owners/breeders both in the north and south.

Speaking of Southern California racing, California-breds are picking up where they left off last year with many graded stakes wins already at Santa Anita, highlighted by the recent grade I win by What a View in the \$400,000 Frank E. Kilroe Mile. His accomplishment is highlighted on the cover. Congratulations to Old English Rancho, who has been breeding and racing classic Cal-breds for many decades. [CTB](#)

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS

Saturday, April 30

Maiden Special Weight – Cal-bred – 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$35,000
(Includes \$5,000 from Cal-bred Race Fund)

Maiden Special Weight – Cal-bred – F/M 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$35,000
(Includes \$5,000 from Cal-bred Race Fund)

Sunday, May 1

Allowance Non-Winners of 1 – Cal-bred – 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$41,000
(Includes \$10,000 from Cal-bred Race Fund)

Allowance Non-Winners of 1 – Cal-bred – F/M 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$41,000
(Includes \$10,000 from Cal-bred Race Fund)

Campanile Stakes – Cal-bred – Fillies 3YO – 1M – Turf - \$100,000

Silky Sullivan Stakes – Cal-bred – 3YO – 1M – Turf - \$100,000



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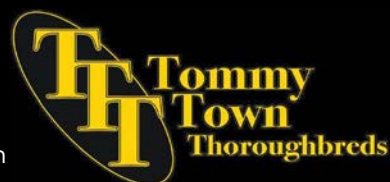


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Dancingwiththecars Wins California Performance Award

California-bred Dancingwiththecars, who shows under the name of Samadhi, received the California-bred Performance Award sponsored by the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association. The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Incentive Program announced a host of 2015 performance awards, designed to encourage the retraining of Thoroughbreds for other disciplines after racing.

Dancingwiththecars not only won the CTBA-sponsored award, he was named the top performer in the equitation category. Vanessa Leigh of Colorado owns and rides Dancingwiththecars, an 11-year-old son of Order—She Can Dance, by Fred Astaire. Robert Moreno bred Dancingwiththecars.

The performance awards recognize Thoroughbreds that accumulate the most points at all horse shows in each of 12 award categories and multiple divisions throughout the year. Winners will receive ribbons, prize money, and such items as coolers, saddle pads, leather halters, and lead shanks.



THE JOCKEY CLUB

MORE ACCOLADES FOR ESPINOZA

Victor Espinoza, the regular rider for California Chrome and American Pharoah, was honored with the George Woolf Memorial Jockey Award at Santa Anita March 13. He was also named as a finalist in this year's National Museum of Racing's Hall of Fame ballot.

Santa Anita presents the Woolf Award annually in honor of the late George Woolf. Jockeys nationwide vote on the recipient each year. Espinoza was honored not only for his riding exploits but also for his many efforts and donations on behalf of cancer-stricken youth at the City of Hope.

Espinoza has ridden back-to-back Horses of the Year, first piloting California-bred California Chrome to the title in 2014 and then American Pharoah last year. He has purse earnings of more than \$186 million and has won well over 3,000 races.



Three other jockeys, four racehorses, and two trainers are also on the Hall of Fame ballot this year. Espinoza joins fellow riders Ramon Dominguez, Garret Gomez, and Craig Perret; champions Zenyatta, Rachel Alexandra, Kona Gold, and English Channel; and trainers Steve Asmussen and David Whiteley.

Up to four of the finalists will be elected to the Hall of Fame, with the announcement scheduled for April 25.

WARRENS PUPPY LOVE WINS AT SUNLAND

California-bred Warrens Puppy Love captured the \$75,000 El Diario Overnight Stakes at Sunland Park March 1. She scored by three-quarters of a length in the six-furlong event for fillies and mares 3-year-olds and up, completing the distance in 1:10.09.

Bred by Benjamin Warren, Warrens Puppy Love is a 5-year-old daughter of Mongol Warrior—Brneedfur, by Mecke. Ken Tohill rode her for owner Donna Eaton and trainer Camille Telford.



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NEW TURF COURSE FOR SANTA ANITA

Santa Anita management is planning to install a new turf course in time for this year's Breeders' Cup. The course will consist of Bermuda grass, and installation is scheduled to begin in June, a few weeks before the end of Santa Anita's spring meeting.

"With the impact of additional racing dates and increased demand for turf racing, the replacement of the course is something we have been anticipating and planning for several months," said Joe Morris, senior vice president of West Coast operations for The Stronach Group. "Turf racing is extremely popular with our fans and horsemen, and with our expanded racing calendar we are placing demands on this course that have never before existed. The new turf is designed to be robust enough to handle the additional use."

Preparations will begin on the hillside portion of the course June 6, with the turf oval scheduled for closure beginning June 20. After removal of the existing turf and preparation of the soil, installation will begin of the fully mature Bermuda, which has been grown in La Quinta, Calif.

Santa Anita management said that no turf racing would be conducted at the track from June 23 through the end of the meet, July 10. It will resume during the autumn meet, from Sept. 30 through Nov. 6.



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CURRENT CALIFORNIA SIREs OF STAKES WINNERS

STALLION	NAMED FOALS OF RACING AGE	SWs
UNUSUAL HEAT (1990)	759	51
TRIBAL RULE (1996) †	739	42
BENCHMARK (1991) †	757	42
STORMIN FEVER (1994)	802	32
BLUEGRASS CAT (2003)	770	31
SWISS YODELER (1994)	786	29
GAME PLAN (1993) †	448	25
OLD TOPPER (1995)	551	25
KAFWAIN (2000)	603	22
SEA OF SECRETS (1995)	498	21
ROCKY BAR (1998)	160	20
MINISTERS WILD CAT (2000)	360	19
DECARCHY (1997)	367	15
WESTERN FAME (1992) †	315	15
ATTICUS (1992)	490	15
COMIC STRIP (1995)	341	14
BIRDONTHEWIRE (1989) †	294	12

† Indicates stallions who have died or have been retired from stud.

● Indicates stallions who have moved out of state but have California-bred 2-year-olds of this year. All sires will remain on the list until the year after their last foals are 2-year-olds.

QUALIFYING CLAIMING LEVELS

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

SANTA ANITA/\$40,000

LOS ALAMITOS/\$40,000

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS/\$20,000

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

10 YEARS AGO

One day before owner Cecil Peacock's 79th birthday, his California-bred **BROTHER DEREK** captured the \$750,000 Santa Anita Derby (gr. I) April 8, 2006. Trained by Dan Hendricks and with Alex Solis aboard, Brother Derek turned in a strong performance as the 1-2 favorite, defeating Point Determined by 3¼ lengths in 1:48 for the 1¼ miles. Mary Caldwell bred Brother Derek, a son of Benchmark—Miss Soft Sell, by Siyah Kalem. Peacock's wife, Fran, and several other family members sang "Happy Birthday" to him in the winner's circle after the victory.



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and John Coelho's Valiant Pete faced the Quarter Horse Griswold, a world-record holder who would ultimately win three Quarter Horse championships as best distance horse. Pete Parrella, now a California Thoroughbred Breeders Association board member, owned Griswold, the 2-5 favorite. The Quarter Horse, not surprisingly, outbroke Valiant Pete, but the Thoroughbred overhauled the Quarter Horse to win by a neck in :44½. The time broke Santa Anita's track record and equaled the Thoroughbred world record. Julio Garcia rode Valiant Pete (The Irish Lord—Courageous Girl, by Terresto) for trainer John Sadler.

50 YEARS AGO

Barry J. Richards' California-bred **TRAGNIEW** battled to a gritty nose victory in the California Derby at Golden Gate Fields April 23, 1966. The historic race traced back to 1873 at the Oakland Trotting Track and was sporting a \$75,000 purse for the first time. Tragniew, a son of Grounded II—Pilikia, by Imbros, edged Elmendorf's Postage, with Howard B. Keck's Drin running third. Don Pierce rode Tragniew for trainer Lester Holt. Richards bred Tragniew and nearly sold him at auction the previous year, but the colt didn't bring his \$5,000 reserve. Tragniew ultimately won four of 17 starts for earnings of \$100,110.

25 YEARS AGO

Bragging rights were on the line at Santa Anita April 20, 1991, when California-bred **VALIANT PETE** successfully represented Thoroughbreds in the first Thoroughbred vs. Quarter Horse match race at the track. The \$100,000 winner-take-all race was carded at a half-mile—short for a Thoroughbred and long for a Quarter Horse—with a 60-foot running start. Pete Valenti



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"I feel he is a special horse," Garcia said. "In only his second race going a distance, he beat good ones. Just look at how he did it."

"We didn't figure the extra eighth of a mile would be an issue," Pegram said. "He is getting better with each race. Martin told him to go, and he went."



2016 fee: \$3,000 LF

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HAIMISH HY AT E.A. RANCHES

Haimish Hy, winner of the 2010 Hollywood Derby (gr. IT), is newly standing at stud at E.A. Ranches in Ramona, Calif. He will stand for \$1,500 and complimentary to approved mares.



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Haimish Hy winning the 2010 Hollywood Derby

Art Sherman trained Haimish Hy, a son of Ecton Park—Tifonica, by Equalize, and co-owned the horse in a partnership. Bill Currin bred Haimish Hy, who had been retired to present owner George Krikorian's farm in Kentucky. The horse is beginning his stud career at E.A.

In addition to the Hollywood Derby, Haimish Hy won the 2010 El Cajon Stakes, and he placed in three graded stakes, earning a total of \$360,988. Ecton Park is a leading sire in North Korea, and Tifonica is a stakes-placed winner of more than \$140,000.

UNUSUAL HEAT REACHES \$50 MILLION

Perennial leading California sire Unusual Heat became the first stallion in California history to surpass progeny earnings of \$50 million while standing his entire career in the state. He currently stands at Harris Farms in Coalinga.

When California-bred Boozier won the Feb. 27 Sensational Star Stakes at Santa Anita, he put his sire over the \$50 million mark. Unusual Heat, a 26-year-old son of Nureyev—Rosard, by Glacial, has sired 18 crops and is the all-time leading sire in California by total progeny earnings. He set the all-time single-season California record for progeny earnings with more than \$5.8 million in 2008, the first of six consecutive years he led the state's sires.



RON MESAROS

Unusual Heat

Unusual Heat went over \$3 million in progeny earnings again in 2015 for the ninth consecutive year. He also won his 12th consecutive title as the leading sire of California-conceived foals by turf earnings last year.

FIRST FOALS FOR CLUBHOUSE RIDE

Two fillies by Clubhouse Ride became the first foals for the stallion upon their arrival in early March. The Stormin Fever mare Fever's Bet foaled a filly for owner/breeders Michael Frazee and Neale Jensen, and the Decarchy mare Oscillator foaled another for owner/breeder Rick Seidner's Six-S Racing Stable.

Clubhouse Ride stands at Harris Farms in Coalinga. He twice won the Californian Stakes (gr. I), and he ran second in the Santa Anita Handicap (gr. I) and Gold Cup at Santa Anita (gr. I) en route to earnings of \$1,341,132. Clubhouse Ride is an 8-year-old son of Candy Ride—Seeking Results, by Seeking the Gold.

DADDY NOSE BEST GETS FIRST FOAL


A colt out of the Smarty Jones mare Rachel Jones is the first by the stallion Daddy Nose Best. BG Stables bred the youngster, who is a half brother to stakes-placed Spring Song.



DEANNA SPARKS

Daddy Nose Best stands at BG Thoroughbreds in Hemet. He won six stakes, including the 2012 El Camino Real Derby (gr. III) and Sunland Derby (gr. III) and 2014 Colonel E.R. Bradley Handicap (gr. IIIT) en route to earnings of \$957,303.

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With progeny earnings already surpassing \$900,000 through mid-March, **BLUEGRASS CAT** leads California sires by money won, graded winners (2), stakes horses (7), number of winners and races won.

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Greg Baugh Joins Barretts

Greg Baugh has been named to the newly created position of director of business development for Barretts Sales. For the past year he has worked with the company in its transition to Del Mar, and he also is the customer service manager for the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club during the race meets.

In his new position, which he will perform while continuing to work for the DMTC, Baugh will be in charge of Barretts auction operations at Del Mar and oversee its outreach program in the San Diego equine community. He will also ensure that the needs of consignors and purchasers are met during Barretts' sales at Del Mar.

"Greg brings to this position a solid history of success in operations, customer service, and sales," said Kim Lloyd, general manager of Barretts.

WILLIAM MAHORNEY

Former jockey and trainer William Mahorney died March 10 at age 75 after contracting pneumonia. Born in Washington, D.C., he spent much of his career in Northern California.

The leading apprentice jockey by wins in 1965, Mahorney won the 1975 Golden Gate Fields riding title and was often in the top three at Golden Gate and Bay Meadows. He won stakes with such California-breds as Maheras (1978 All-American Handicap), Imaginative (1972 San Francisco Mile), Ready Wit (1974 California Jockey Club Handicap), and Gala Host (1966 Golden Poppy Stakes).

Mahorney injured his knees in a 1965 auto accident and was able to return to riding to win titles in Chicago and New York. After several surgeries he received an artificial knee and earned the nickname of Bionic Bill.

As a trainer, Mahorney saddled stakes winners Zeeskite and Marty's Zee, both Cal-breds.



Blue Viewer with Bill Mahorney up wins the 1974 La Potranca S. at Hollywood Park

BARBARA KELLY

Barbara Kelly, who bred and owned California stallion Fullbridled and was a longtime California Thoroughbred Breeders Association member, died March 11 at age 78. She not only raced Fullbridled, she also bred many of his winners.

"Her love of horses lives on in all of us," said friend Deborah Ossanlo. "Whenever I look into a horse's eyes, I will be looking at Barbara."

Kelly bred Fullbridled, who stands at Daehling Ranch in Elk Grove. He is a son of Unbridled's Song—Constantia, by Relaunch. Fullbridled earned \$115,240 and finished second in the 2005 Dallas Turf Cup Handicap at Lone Star Park.

Wonforgus, a son of Fullbridled out of the Pleasant Tap mare Sister Patsy, bred by Kelly, placed in three stakes in Canada. Kelly also bred such Fullbridled winners as Full Dancer, Awesome Prospect, Klassy Saint, Glitter of Silver, and Full's Figurehead. She owned and bred three more winners by the stallion, Full Instinct, Full Fashioned, and Full Deputy.

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SPOTLIGHTING FOALS OF 2016

With foaling season upon us, now is the time to spotlight your foals in *California Thoroughbred*. The May through August issues will feature Thoroughbreds foaled in California, with advertorials consisting of six to eight photos of foals per page.

The cost to publish a full-page insertion will be discounted down to \$500. This represents a discount of more than 50% off the regular full-page advertisement price. Insertions should include a caption with each foal's sire, dam, broodmare sire, sex, date of birth, and breeders, as well as the details, including a logo, of their farm location.

Photos need to be submitted by the following deadlines: April 4 (May issue), May 9 (June issue), June 6 (July issue), and July 5 (August issue).

For additional information please contact the magazine's Advertising Manager, Loretta Veiga, at Loretta@ctba.com or at 626-445-7800, ext. 227. Additionally, photos can be submitted to Ken Gurnick at kgurnick@ctba.com for free inclusion on the CTBA's website.

Northern Sale Slated for Aug. 16

The CTBA Sales Northern California Yearling & Horses of Racing Age Sale is scheduled for Aug. 16. It will be held at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. Entries will close June 13.

For further information, contact Cookie Hackworth at 800-573-2822 x 243 or Cookie@ctba.

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CTBA Ag Day

California Thoroughbred Breeders Association sponsored a booth at Ag Day at the California Capitol March 16 to educate legislators about the importance of the Thoroughbred industry to the state's agricultural economy. As part of Healing Arenas Inc., Viva Pentelicus, right, a 20-year-old retired racehorse used for equine-assisted psychotherapy for combat veterans, was part of CTBA's Ag Day presentation. Julie Baker is president of Healing Arenas and CTBA board member Sue Greene is vice president. Many legislators enjoyed their meet and greet with Viva Pentelicus. CTBA Board members Sue Greene and Leigh Ann Howard, and CTBA Event Coordinator Christy Chapman represented the CTBA at the booth.



Assembly member Brian Jones with former Assembly member Steven Bradford, who is a candidate for Senate



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For the second consecutive year the Southern California Equine Foundation (SCEF) and its affiliate, the Dolly Green Research Foundation, have generously supported the California Thoroughbred Foundation (CTF) and its work to provide student scholarships.

The CTF has long provided two scholarships at the U. C. Davis School of Veterinary Medicine. Those scholarships are now named the California Thoroughbred Foundation/Southern California Equine Foundation Scholarship and the California Thoroughbred Foundation/Dolly Green Foundation Scholarship.

The goals of the CTF, SCEF, and Dolly Green Research Foundation are similar. The SCEF is dedicated to the care of the injured horse and seeks to stimulate, fund, and oversee medical research so that equine athletes can benefit from the advancements in knowledge necessary to ensure their better protection and treatment.

The Dolly Green Research Foundation seeks to emphasize research with a practical benefit to the racehorse. Dolly Green, who died in 1990 and endowed the namesake organization, was a prominent owner whose horses included 1986 2-year-old filly champion Brave Raj.



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The California Thoroughbred Foundation

The California Thoroughbred Foundation 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 and Western University of Health Sciences.

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 also are 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.

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- **Colts Sold at Barretts March 2YO Sale for \$400,000 & \$120,000**
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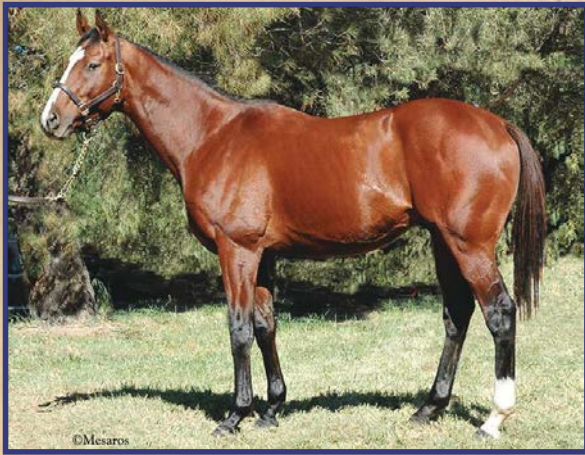


Wolfcamp

El Prado (Ire)-Bauhauser (Arg), by Numerous

Fee: \$3,000-LF

- **Stakes-Placed Multiple Allowance Winner**
- **Wolfcamp** was **on-the-board in 18 of 24** career starts with **7 victories** by a combined winning margin of **24 lengths** and placed in Laurel's \$100,000 **Dave's Friend** stakes beating **Grade 2** Swale SW **THIS ONES FOR PHIL** and \$400,000 Oklahoma Derby winner **FIDDLERS AFLEET**.
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- **Wolfcamp** is out of **Grade 3/Group 3** Stakes Winner **BAUHAUSER** (9 wins in 16 starts) and from the **foundation sire-producing family of DAME FRITCHIE!**



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- By champion sprinter **ORIENTATE** (\$1,716,950). Out of Graded stakes-placed producer **FAST 'N FLEET**.
- A half-brother to multiple graded stakes-placed **Remand** and Graded stakes winner **Kara's Orientation**.
- Retired from racing with a career of 7-4-10 and earnings of \$178,030.



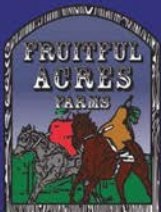
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Even as he walked the racetrack barns as a practicing equine veterinarian, Dr. Dana Stead knew he “wanted to make more of a difference.”

The hard work wasn't what bothered Stead, despite starting between 4:30 and 5 in the morning, often seven days a week. He genuinely felt that he could have a wider impact in a more significant position, such as when he became Santa Anita's track veterinarian in 2009.

Stead did not lack the necessary qualifications for such a post. He completed veterinary school at Colorado State University and graduated in 2007 before a year-long internship at Weatherford Equine Medical Center in Texas. Having grown up in Glendale, Calif., he thought that a return to a familiar locale at Santa Anita seemed logical. Stead ended up working as a private practitioner on the backside for a year and a half.

Still, there was some hesitation before Stead received the job offer.

“Traditionally, it's more of an end-of-career position,” he explained. “It's for someone who has been in practice a long time and wants to slow down and not be on the job seven days a week. Since I'm at the beginning of my career, there were some reservations.”

Dr. Rick Arthur, the California Horse Racing Board's equine medical director, had been selecting temporary substitutes and needed a more permanent placement.

“It's a difficult job to fill,” Arthur said. “It usually goes to someone wanting to

“I wouldn't put just anyone in this position. He is one of the better recommendations I have made.”

— Dr. Rick Arthur, equine medical director California Horse Racing Board



As track veterinarian, one of Stead's duties is to ride in the chase truck following the field through the entirety of each race

slow their practice for any number of reasons. The position was being held by Dr. Jill Bailey, but she wanted to move into a less physically demanding position.”

The demands of the job are numerous, both physically and emotionally.

“The physical demand comes from dealing with the injured horses themselves, but professionally you also have to deal with trainers,” Arthur said. “You have to have both veterinary skills and personal skills.”

After conversing with Stead several times, Arthur felt confident in his choice. “I was looking for someone young and ambitious who could make a career out of being the track vet. I put time into interviewing him, and his demeanor, intelligence, and clinical experience showed me he had it all to do the job. There was push back, but I wouldn’t put just anyone into this position. He is one of the better recommendations I have made.”

Arthur selected Stead in October, just one month before the 2009 Breeders’ Cup World Thoroughbred Championships. Stead passed the test with flying colors, and he now travels from Santa Anita to Los Alamitos and Del Mar for each race meet.

“I believe I proved any concern wrong,” Stead said. “You see a lot more young people entering the field across the industry.”

Stead was introduced to the game by his grandfather, who owned horses when Stead was growing up.

“I just came as a fan when I was young,” he said. “My passion was and still is cutting horses. I really thought I would pursue work in the sport of cutting. But this is where I grew up.”

Watching as a fan and watching as the eyes of the veterinarian representing the track are polar opposites, as Stead is responsible for trying to stop accidents before they happen while protecting both the bettors and the horses themselves. While the schedule is less grueling than a racetrack practitioner — instead of arriving to administer Lasix shots starting at 5 in the morning, he can arrive at 7 — it is possibly even more detail-oriented and complex.

“I work race days with the occasional dark day all the



Dr. Dana Stead is out to make a difference as Santa Anita’s track veterinarian, even though the job is physically and emotionally demanding



“I’m definitely the first responder. I provide immediate medical aid to help comfort the horse, whether that is sedation or pain medication.”

— Dr. Dana Stead, Santa Anita track veterinarian

way through the last race,” Stead said. He and Dr. Tim Grande, the veterinarian representing the California Horse Racing Board, split the workload of watching every single horse entered on the card jog off and back 50 feet and palpating their legs.

“We can do 10, maybe 15 horses per hour each,” Stead said. “We are watching their motion and observing for lameness. You note if they are crossing behind or paddling up front. We feel for heat in the legs, flexion of the joints, any thickening of the tendons, and look for general pain or anything that indicates the start of a problem. A horse may jog sound but have some heat or a profile beginning in the tendon.”

The fine line between a horse’s regular quirky way of moving and a real problem is one Stead must walk carefully.

“If the problem is new, we might scratch,” he said. “We keep detailed records on every horse so we can remember what is typical for the horse and what is new.”

On busier mornings, Stead presides over workouts that determine whether a horse can be removed from the vet’s list.

“Horses that work for us have been previously declared unsound,” he said. “It is the same routine as on a race day. We watch them jog, check their legs, watch them work at least five furlongs, and come back and do it all over again as well as take a blood sample to ensure the horse is safe to race.”

After a quick lunch that is often overlapped by endless paperwork, Stead assumes his race-day task of following the horses from the saddling paddock to the walking ring and out to the track for each race.

“My race time job is to start in the paddock, where I watch as they are being

saddled,” Stead said. “I’m mostly looking for potential injury, such as if a horse flips over while being saddled, or kicks the wall and lacerates themselves. I make an evaluation and decide if they are unfit to race.”

Some decisions are easier than others. For instance, if a horse flips, that is a likely scratch.

“The majority of the time if a horse flips while being saddled, I don’t take any chances,” Stead explained. “They may have injured or strained something and it won’t show because of adrenaline.”

After watching for the same kind of incident in the walking ring, Stead follows the horses out to the racetrack to observe the post parade. “Out there I’m watching them move. If anything was questionable during the morning exam, I’m watching for it.”

As with any other athlete, the horse’s own fitness and style of moving can come into play.

“No athlete is 100% all the time,” Stead said. “Does the horse just need to stretch and warm up, or is it injured? It’s never black and white and definitely shades of gray in terms of racing soundness. Sometimes I will confer with the jockey, or if they have a concern, they will approach me and we scratch the horse. Then we follow up with the horse a minimum of 10 days later.”

The starting gate is another area to watch for: Horses can break through the front doors and run off, or flip over inside. “I’m closing monitoring for any potential injury in there.”

As soon as the horses break from the gate, Stead leaps into a chase truck and drives behind the field through the entirety of the race.

“I follow them every step of the way until they cross the finish line and gallop out,” he said. “Then I go back to the pad-

dock and do it again.”

Because he’s so close behind the field, if an accident or breakdown occurs, Stead is the first line of defense. Although seeing gruesome injuries or horses that need to be euthanized due to injury takes its toll, it is a job that the veterinarian doesn’t shy away from.

“I’m definitely the first responder,” he said. “I provide immediate medical aid to help comfort the horse, whether that is sedation or pain medication. I stabilize whatever may be broken so that often the horse is at least able to walk onto the equine ambulance, even if the injury is life-ending. If the horse is able to be ambulated, then we can move them to wherever they need for surgery or back to the stall for X-rays. No rash decisions are made; there is time allowed as long as the horse is comfortable.”

Although Stead tries everything in his power to allow the horse’s owners and their personal veterinarians to make the decisions on behalf of their animal, he is authorized to make the call on track to end pain and suffering.

“If there is even a 1% chance the horse will live, I let them make that decision,” he said. “But the owners sign away on their stall application that I can make those calls on the track, and if it is a complete 100% chance the horse will not survive, that is the only time I make that call.”

While it is Grande’s job to oversee the pulling of blood samples on horses after the race in the test barn and decide if any horse that has been claimed needs its claim voided due to unsoundness, Stead finds himself achieving exactly what he hoped: making a difference to the animals he is protecting.

“Dr. Grande’s job is to do the administrative procedures that protect the best interest of the gambler,” Stead said. “I am protecting the horse, trying to stop problems before they happen, and being there if something does happen. The reward is being able to provide both medical care and comfort.”

He has impressed many in the industry with his dedication and skill.

“He has served the racing community in Southern California very well,” Arthur said. “Everyone is confident he will continue to do an excellent job.” **CTB**

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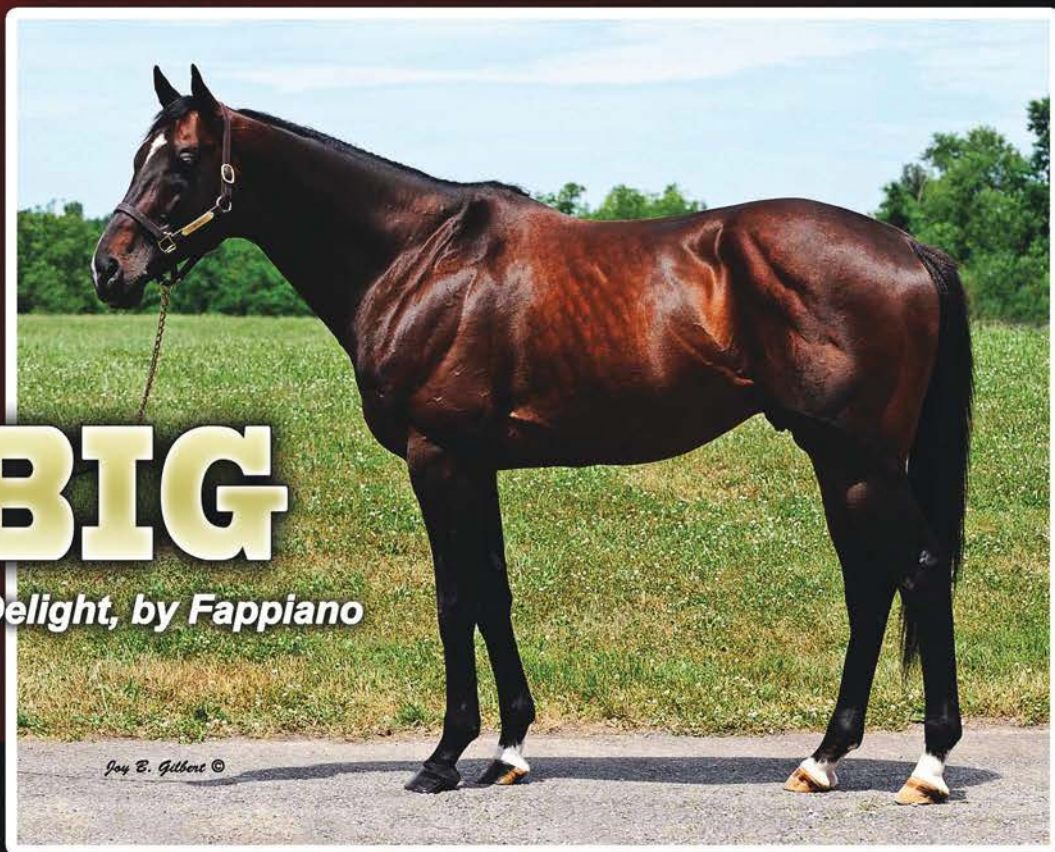
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GROOM TO THE STARS

THE HEADLEY BARN'S GENERAL FACTOTUM

BY GENE WILLIAMS

We've heard a lot over the years about trainers who have started their careers with Quarter Horses and then moved to Thoroughbreds. With the success and celebrity of D. Wayne Lukas and Bob Baffert, both graduates of Quarter Horse ranks and Hall of Fame conditioners, references to their backgrounds have become fairly commonplace.

The fact that Baffert-trained American Pharoah became the first Triple Crown champion since Affirmed in 1978 just added glitter to the matter and could

easily create interest in who might be the next Quarter Horse graduate to make a mark with Thoroughbreds.

If trainers can do it, why not other horsemen? Say, groomers.

Trainer Bruce Headley has a candidate for that in Juan Gonzales, a 61-year-old native of Jalisco, Mexico, who came to Headley as a groom from a longtime connection to Quarter Horses 25 years ago and has handled some of Headley's premier runners. Think Kona Gold, Son of a Pistol, Kalookan Queen, Got Koko, and California-breds San Onofre and Softshoe Sure Shot.

The feisty Headley holds nothing back when it comes to Gonzales. "He's my number one choice for my best horses," the veteran trainer said, adding,

"he's a great caretaker."

Gonzales, who also answers to Juan Soto, now has 2016 Midnight Lute Stakes (gr. III) winner San Onofre as his top equine pupil, as well as other Cal-bred winners Mangita and Silver Spirit. Karen Headley, Bruce's daughter, chief assistant, and trainer in her own right, is quick to emphasize her father's stance on Gonzales.

"He truly does handle all of our best horses and right now San Onofre is our top runner," said Karen. "Juan has been handling our best ever since Softshoe Sure Shot. He took that horse from claiming ranks all the way to stakes winner when he beat both Cardmania and Bertrando in the 1995 San Carlos Stakes [gr. II at age 9]."

Gonzales, she said, is a perfect han-



Juan Gonzales has handled some of trainer Bruce Headley's premier runners, including current star San Onofre

TRACY GANTZ

dlar for San Onofre “because he’s a very headstrong horse and Juan knows how to keep his feet on the ground. He’s a beautiful, lovely man and a great horseman.” In an obvious nod — and compliment — to her father as well as Gonzales, she said, “He’s Bruce Headley in Mexican form.”

It comes as no surprise that Gonzales would give the nod to Kona Gold as his No. 1 choice among the many fine steeds he’s handled. The Eclipse Award-winning champion sprinter of 2000, Kona Gold won that year’s Breeders’ Cup Sprint (gr. I) and twice placed in the race, and he has been named a finalist in this year’s balloting for the National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame.

“He listened; he paid attention,” said Gonzales, a slender, laid-back 61-year-old. “He knew me, he knew my hands, and he responded. He was easy to handle, never crazy.”

Gonzales did recall, however, a day when Kona Gold bounded out of his stall and out of the barn to head for potential trouble in the eyes of his groom and his trainer.

“But I just called out his name,” Gonzales said, “and he stopped and came back to

me. He knew his name and he knew my voice. And he knew what he was supposed to do.”

The speedy gelding showed himself as something of a ham, too, posing for pictures when called on by visitors.

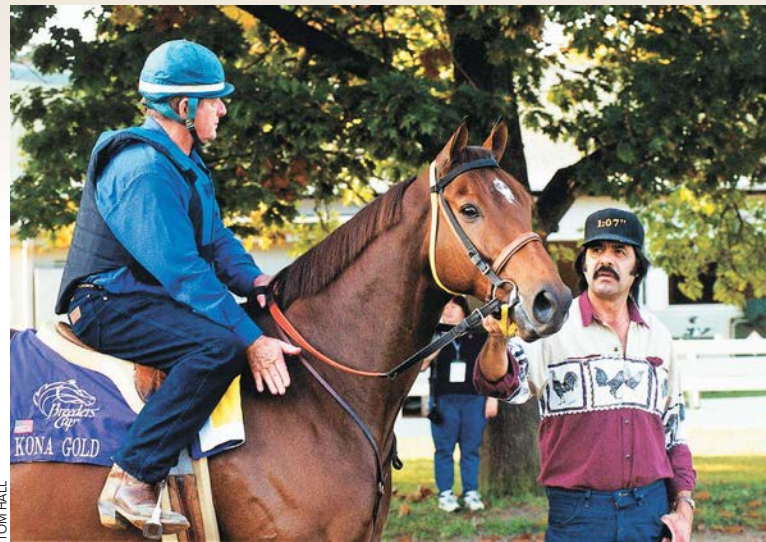
“He loved to have his picture taken,” Gonzales said. “He would stop and pose when the cameras started clicking. He had a lot of personality. He knew he was a special horse.”

The “special horse” was under Gonzales’ care from Day One of his racing life, a life that included racing to age 9 and five times a competitor in the Breeders’ Cup Sprint. In his winning run in 2000, Kona Gold set a Churchill Downs and Breeders’ Cup six-furlong record of 1:07.77. His career record shows 14 wins, seven seconds, and two thirds in 30 lifetime starts for earnings of \$2,293,384.

Gonzales, the oldest of 10 children, left Jalisco, on the west coast of Mexico, after spending his early years with animals on a farm in his home territory.

“I was always with horses,” he said proudly. “People tried to get me to change to something else, but I just told them I wanted to stay with the horses.”

And horses brought him to



Kona Gold, Eclipse Award-winning champion sprinter in 2000, shown here with trainer Bruce Headley aboard and Gonzales, is “numero uno” among the many good horses Gonzales has handled. Kona Gold is a finalist in this year’s balloting for the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame

Southern California in 1976, when he landed a job with veteran Quarter Horse trainer Blane Schvaneveldt at Los Alamitos racetrack. Schvaneveldt noticed Gonzales’ fine touch with horses right away, and the native of Mexico was soon caring for a number of top-notch speedsters, two of which — Town Policy and Super Sound Charge — became champions under his care.

Even though he rubbed a number of the ultra-successful Schvaneveldt’s finest over a 14-year period, Gonzales grew weary of racing at night after long days of grooming. Ironically, his brother Jose was working for Bruce Headley at the time but was ready to try something new. So he mentioned leaving to Headley and at the same time told him about his older brother wanting a change. Headley, never one to hesitate, told Jose to have his brother come and take his place.

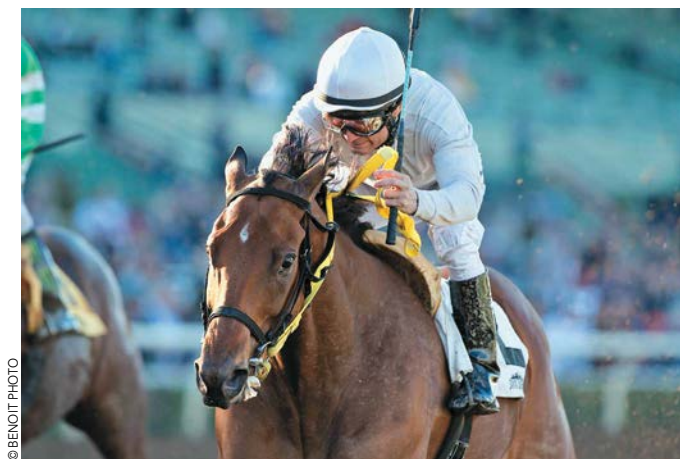
That was 1990, and Headley says he and Juan Gonzales have become “quite a dynamic duo.” The groom nodded approval with a bit of a chuckle.

Of Gonzales’ handling, Headley says, “When he takes a horse to the paddock on race day, the horse looks good and acts good. The horses are never nervous, always calm.”

Hall of Fame jockey Alex Solis, who spent several years as Headley’s “go-to” rider and was astride most of the trainer’s prime runners, seconded the trainer’s kind words about Gonzales.

“He’s a very good horseman and takes a lot of pride in preparing his horses,” Solis said. “He loved Kona Gold and took great care of him. He was always in perfect shape when he went to the races, and that makes it good for us jockeys.”

While he’s been working at it longest, Juan Gonzales isn’t the only family member working on the racetrack. Brother Javier is a groom with trainer Phil D’Amato’s string at Los Alamitos, and the youngest brother, Antonio, works for a feed company that services racing stables. **CTB**



Cal-bred San Onofre and jockey Alex Solis win the grade III Midnight Lute Stakes for the Headley barn

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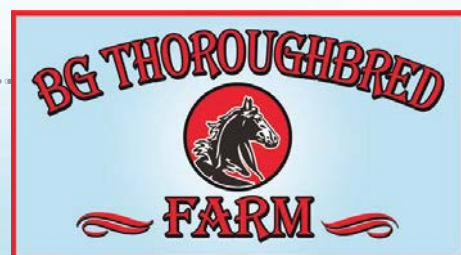
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Frank E. Kilroe Mile

Cal-bred What a View wins the grade I Frank E. Kilroe Mile over a classy field of turf runners



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BY TRACY GANTZ

Trainer Kenny Black knew that jumping into grade I company with What a View was asking a lot. The 5-year-old California-bred had never competed in a graded race before tackling the \$400,345 Frank E. Kilroe Mile (gr. IT) at Santa Anita March 12.

WHAT A VIEW SEES OFF ALL COMPETITION TO WIN THE KILROE MILE

“I wish we had someplace else to run,” Black mused a week before the race.

Still, the former jockey also knew that What a View, an Old English Rancho homebred, had talent. After all, the gelding was coming off a smashing victory in the California Cup Turf Classic.

“He beat Alert Bay last time, and that’s a *nice* horse,” said Black. “He’s one who stepped out of the ranks and has held his own with the open horses.”

If millionaire Cal-bred Alert Bay could do it, Black figured,

What a View deserved a chance as well.

Black also wanted to win a big race for the Johnston family. Old English bred What a View, a son of Vronsky—Oceans N Mountains, by Manila, with Patsy and Sal Berumen. He competes for the trust of the late E.W. (Buddy) Johnston, Rob Riggio’s Finish Line Racing, and the Berumens.

The Riggio family goes back a long way with the Johnstons. Rob’s father, Bob, has owned several horses with Old English, and Rob and Old English are partners on Acceptance, the champion Cal-bred 2-year-old male of 2014.

Major winner Obviously dropped out of the Kilroe, but What a View had to face five very tough rivals, including multiple graded winner Om (who once beat Horse of the Year American Pharoah), recent Arcadia Stakes (gr. IIT) winner Bolo, and Brazilian Triple Crown winner Bal a Bali.

What a View has performed well while setting the early pace, having won a couple of allowance optional claiming races that way in 2015. Black and jockey Kent Desormeaux thought others would go to the front in the Kilroe, however.

“We didn’t think we’d be in front early—we didn’t even talk about being on the lead,” said Black. “But I was yelling at Kent crossing the wire the first time, ‘Let him go; let him go!’”

Desormeaux did just that and yet was able to keep What a View loping along so comfortably that he kept plenty in reserve.

"I thought that if they all wanted to come at him, then he'd run them into the ground, and I wanted to try and win the race that way," said Desormeaux. "He was loaded turning for home."

Bolo tried to challenge What a View in the stretch, but he couldn't reach the Cal-bred, who defeated Bolo by 3¾ lengths in 1:35.57. Bal a Bali finished third. Om steadied on the first turn and ultimately finished last. A foot issue surfaced following the race, according to Dan Hendricks, Om's trainer.

What a View liked the turf course, which was labeled good following rain the day before.

"He was enjoying himself, and I think he enjoyed the soft ground," said Desormeaux. "The time is incredible because the turf has a tremendous amount of give in the ground. For him to put that number up on the clock—he's a real racehorse."

Black noted that he had been "praying for rain, to be honest."

When What a View crossed the line in first, he was winning his fifth race in 11 starts. That brought his lifetime earnings to \$532,148.

"It just feels really good to win a race like this—he ran against some really good horses today," said Judy Johnston, who had been unable to attend the Cal Cup

“The time is incredible because the turf has a tremendous amount of give in the ground. For him to put that number up on the clock—he’s a real racehorse.”

— Kent Desormeaux

race but was at Santa Anita for the Kilroe.

The winner's circle celebration included Judy, Rob and Bob Riggio, Judy and Buddy's daughters Mary and Darlene, and grandson Jonny Hilvers.

Judy and Buddy have headed to win-

ner's circles countless times after victories, and she couldn't help but think of him. "He's in the skybox up there—I'm sure he's watching," she said.

The entire Old English team has contributed to What a View's success. His sire, Vronsky, stands at the farm and also sired Cal-bred Norvsky. Old English bred Norvsky, and Buddy and Judy, along with Bob Riggio, raced him to become a graded stakes winner. Jonny manages Old English and so was also instrumental in What a View's development.

What a View has endeared himself to the family, not only by his ability, but also his personality.

"The horse is an absolute sweetheart," said Rob Riggio. "I give him neck massages."

Added Judy, "He's really friendly. He just lays his head there and you rub him—he's like a dog."

Also like a dog, What a View relishes his treats. After Judy accepted the Kilroe trophy in the winner's circle, she knew the next step.

"We promised him carrots and apples," she said, "so we've got to go to the store." **CTB**



Trainer Kenny Black gives What a View a joyous greeting following the Vronsky gelding's Kilroe victory



Hail, hail, the gang's all here as the connections gather in the Santa Anita winner's circle to celebrate What a View's winning performance



Golden State Series Stakes



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Paul and Zillah Reddam's Smoove It, a Cal-bred daughter of their stallion Square Eddie, didn't need a four-leaf clover in her Irish O'Brien Stakes win at Santa Anita

weather. As an added bonus, this year, City National Bank sponsored the event, and several of their representatives enjoyed the day of racing in the Directors' Room.

Five faced the starter in the Irish O'Brien, carded at the downhill turf sprint of about 6½ furlongs and officially listed as Presented by City National Bank. Velvet Mesquite, most recently victorious at that distance in the Sunshine Millions Filly and Mare Sprint, went off as the 2-5 favorite.

Reddam Racing's 5-year-old homebred Smoove It, the fourth choice, had run unplaced in the Sunshine Millions race, but she had also competed formidably in graded company. Trainer Doug O'Neill was in Arkansas to saddle Cal-bred Ralis in the Rebel Stakes (gr. II), and Steve Rothblum, representing the barn, explained some equipment changes O'Neill had made.

"We took the blinkers off and switched to a leather prong (bit)," Rothblum said.

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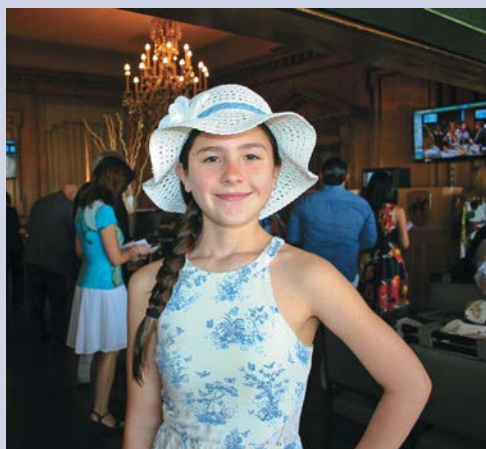
BY TRACY GANTZ

The \$100,000 Irish O'Brien Stakes celebrated a variety of elements in its 22nd running at Santa Anita March 19—the excellent California-bred mare Irish O'Brien, St. Patrick's Day, current Cal-bred fillies and mares, and gorgeous



LORETTA VEGA PHOTOS

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Ally Davies, daughter of Samantha Davies, Senior Vice President Marketing



The Directors' Room where representatives of sponsor City National Bank enjoyed a day of racing

Of necessity, they also had to switch riders. Mario Gutierrez had always ridden Smoove It, but he too was in Arkansas for the Rebel, to ride Ralis, who finished unplaced. Flavien Prat deputized on Smoove It.

“She has a lot of speed and a great turn of foot,” said Prat.

Nite Delite scooted out to the lead early in the Irish O’Brien, with a zippy first quarter in :21.70 and the half in :43.78. By then both Smoove It and Velvet Mesquite were revving up for their runs. In midstretch Smoove It had the lead but drifted toward the rail, and Kent Desormeaux aboard Velvet Mesquite checked his mount.

Smoove It drew away to win by 3¼ lengths in 1:12.83. Velvet Mesquite finished second, a half-length in front of late-running Qiaona.

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to examine whether Smoove It impeded Velvet Mesquite enough to cost the favorite a placing.

“Once we crossed the dirt, she wanted to go down towards the rail,” Prat explained. “Once she was there, she was fine.”

Desormeaux felt that he had been in danger of clipping heels. “I don’t know how you could say that he (Prat) had sufficient clearance because I had to give it to him,” Desormeaux said.

The stewards ruled unanimously that Smoove It did not cost Velvet Mesquite a placing and did not change

“She (Smoove It) has a lot of speed and a great turn of foot.”

— jockey Flavien Prat



City National Bank representatives present the trophy to the connections of Reddam Racing’s Irish O’Brien Stakes winner, Smoove It

the order of finish.

Paul and Zillah Reddam, who compete as Reddam Racing, bred Smoove It from their Distorted Humor mare Smoove, an earner of \$131,120. Smoove It is still another talented runner by the Reddams’ California-based stallion Square Eddie. While the Irish

O’Brien was Smoove It’s first stakes victory, she had run second in the 2015 Wilshire Stakes (gr. IIIT) and third in the 2013 Anoakia Stakes and 2014 Sweet Life Stakes.

Smoove It was winning her fifth race in 23 starts and ran her bankroll to \$338,575. **CTB**

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Al and Sandra Kirkwood's Cal-bred Boozer edges Richard's Boy in the Sensational Star Stakes

VICTORY DRINK

BY TRACY GANTZ

Boozer may be a professional racehorse today, most recently capturing the \$102,070 Sensational Star Stakes. But he comes by his name honestly.

“When he was a yearling, he walked like he was drunk,” said Harris Auerbach. Auerbach’s mother, Madeline, bred Boozer in partnership with Barry Abrams, Vincenzo Loverso, Chris Perez, and Huston Racing. The 6-year-old California-bred gelding is by Unusual Heat—Kitty and Boo, by Cape Canaveral.

After his first start at 2, Boozer came up with a tibia problem and was away from the races for more than eight months. He returned to break his maiden on Santa Anita’s downhill turf course after first tossing jockey Garrett Gomez near the gate.

After that victory, Al and Sandra Kirkwood of Ridgefield, Wash., bought Boozer privately. He has become one of their favorite horses.

“We’ve had a lot of fun with him,” said Sandra. “He’s a big horse, and we had to take some time with him.”

“He’s always competitive—he’s hardly ever off the board,” said Al.

Boozer performed well in allowance company and in his stakes debut captured

the 2014 California Flag Handicap, also down Santa Anita’s hillside turf course. He has twice placed in the California Cup Turf Classic Stakes at 1½ miles, and he finished third in last year’s Sensational

Star Stakes on the downhill course.

Alert Bay defeated Boozer in both Cal Cup races, winning the 2015 edition and running second to What a View this year. In this year’s Sensational Star, Alert Bay went off as the second choice to Forest Chatter, the 2015 California Flag winner. Boozer was the 6-1 third choice.

“He loves this turf course,” said Gary Stevens, who has ridden Boozer several times. “He runs well off the hill, even though he hasn’t run off it for a while. He broke real sharp. When we crossed the dirt, I pushed the button and he just ground it out.”

Fourth early behind the early pace of Richard’s Boy, Boozer ranged up outside of Richard’s Boy in the stretch. Richard’s Boy didn’t want to quit, but Boozer managed to edge him by a head in 1:13.03. Forest Chatter finished third, with Alert Bay fifth behind McHeat.

“He comes with his game every time,” said trainer Mark Glatt of Boozer. “I think a mile, a mile and a sixteenth are his best distances. A mile and an eighth is a hair too far. And he runs good down the hill.”

Boozer was winning his sixth race in 20 starts, bringing his earnings to \$463,192.

“He’s a lot of fun to ride—he’s a true professional,” said Stevens. **CTB**

BOOZER SETS FORTH ON ANOTHER DOWNHILL TURF BENDER



Trainer Mark Glatt, second right, joins jockey Gary Stevens and the winning connections of Boozer in the Santa Anita winner’s circle

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RUBEN ARROYO

BY EMILY SHIELDS

Special T Thoroughbreds owner Rick Taylor never frets when he has to leave the Temecula property. That is because he trusts his farm manager and right-hand man, Ruben Arroyo, so completely, and Arroyo has the track record to back up that faith.

“He’s done everything for me for 16 years,” Taylor said. “He has done everything I’ve asked of him, and more.”

Taylor and Arroyo met while working at Golden Eagle Farm in Ramona,

Special T Thoroughbreds’ farm manager Ruben Arroyo is not only a jack of all trades but a master of them as well

where Taylor was the general manager. In 1999, Taylor struck out on his own to start Special T and took Arroyo with him.

“He was in both the stallion barn and the foaling barn at Golden Eagle, and when I left, there were so many guys ahead of him in line, so he followed me to Temecula,” Taylor said. “We had a little 10-acre place there, then got our current place at 35 acres, which at one time was as much as 60 acres.”

Arroyo immediately pitched in, rebuilding the fence line on the entire property.

“He’s one of those guys where if you show him one time, you never have to show him again,” Taylor said. “He’s an expert fencer and an expert horseman.”

Now Arroyo lives on the Special T grounds with his family, including several children. The Mexico native had already been working with horses his entire life when he arrived at Golden Eagle.

“He is the guy who gives any foals fluids overnight if they need them, and does everything from landscaping to working with the mares during the day,” Taylor said. “He also handles our studs.”

Arroyo’s favorite stallion is \$547,800-earner and grade 1 winner Ultimate Eagle, who won five of 13 starts and is one of four stallions on the farm for 2016. The son of Mizzen Mast – Letithappencaptain, by Captain Bodgit, entered stud in 2014, and his first foals are now yearlings. The other stallions at Special T are Balance the Books, Big Surf, and Kate’s Event.

Trisha Taylor, Rick’s daughter and office manager, explained Arroyo’s daily schedule.

“He starts at 7 in the morning and feeds for about an hour, then usually works on landscaping and doing the daily procedures with the horses,” she said. “Three days a week he works with the veterinarian, and during breeding season it can be more work. He holds horses, helps load and unload the vans, and really he is just our number one guy. The fact that he is on the grounds is great for any urgent matter. Otherwise, he’s done with the feeding and care by 4 every afternoon.”

Arroyo works every day, but takes Friday nights and Saturday mornings off to prepare for the week ahead.

“He’s been a godsend for me, to be honest,” Rick Taylor said. “Clients love him because he has a great personality, spends as much time with them as they need, and he speaks very good English. When I go out of town, I don’t have to worry about things.”

The Taylors are fiercely proud of Arroyo and grateful not only for his tireless work on the farm, but for the peace of mind he provides. **CTB**

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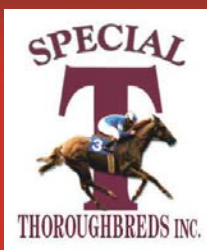
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JOSEPH LACOMBE

BY EMILY SHIELDS

TRICKS OF THE TRADE

Affable Joe LaCombe has been around some of the best in racing, including his family's own 1997 Horse of the Year Favorite Trick. Now the San Diego resident is enjoying a newer venture—standing stallions in California—while still managing the racing and breeding strings of Joseph LaCombe Stables.

The stable is named for Joseph LaCombe Sr., who resides in Florida at age 83 and is still in regular communication with his son.

“He still tries to do too much,” the younger LaCombe lamented, “but we talk almost every day and review the horses.”

The elder LaCombe entered the sport by way of a partner at his auditing company, and went to purchase a juvenile son of Phone Trick for \$100,000 at the 1997 Ocala Breeders' Sales Company February sale.

Turned over to trainer Patrick Byrne, Favorite Trick reeled off eight consecutive victories that season, including the \$200,000 Hopeful Stakes (gr. I) at Saratoga and the \$427,600 Lane's End Breeders' Futurity (gr. II) at Keeneland.

Favorite Trick's tour de force climaxed in a runaway victory in the \$916,000 Breeders' Cup Juvenile (gr. I) at Hollywood Park. Favorite Trick's 5½-length romp sealed his dual Eclipse Awards as champion 2-year-old male and Horse of the Year, the first juvenile with that honor since Secretariat in 1972.

Recalling the hype around Favorite Trick brings back fond memories for the younger LaCombe, who reveled in the win streak at the time.

“When you're in this business, you're doing jumping jacks just to win two in a row,” he said. “Favorite Trick ended up winning nine in a row, including eight stakes. That kind of stuff rarely happens,

especially at such a high level. That's what sparked my interest level.”

Turned over to trainer Bill Mott, Favorite Trick went on to win his sophomore debut in the \$100,000 Swale Stakes (gr. III) and finished third, beaten two heads, in the \$500,000 Arkansas Derby (gr. II). After running eighth in the Kentucky Derby (gr. I), Favorite Trick won a pair of grade II events, including the \$272,250 Keeneland Breeders' Cup Mile Stakes (gr. IIT) on the grass. He retired with 12 wins from 16 starts and earnings of \$1,726,793.

Favorite Trick wasn't the only LaCombe standout in 1997. The family's Polished Brass added the \$109,200 Sanford Stakes (gr. III) at Saratoga that summer, giving them a clean sweep of the track's juvenile races open to both sexes. The LaCombes later had homebred Deputy Glitters win the Ohio Derby (gr. II) and Tampa Bay Derby (gr. III) in 2006, but it was Trick's Pic who brought the operation to California.

Then multiple stakes-placed, the homebred daughter of Favorite Trick was racing well on the East Coast, but it was felt that the firmer turf in California would suit her better. When trained by Doug O'Neill, Trick's Pic won the \$110,300 Tuzla Handicap (gr. IIIT) at Santa Anita, paving the way for more California-based LaCombe horses.

Another homebred, the Lion Heart son Azul Leon, won a pair of stakes in 2008: the \$150,000 Best Pal Stakes (gr. II) and the \$106,000 Hollywood Juvenile Championship (gr. III).



COURTESY OF JOSEPH LACOMBE

Left to right, Joe LaCombe and trainer Dan Dunham with stable hopeful Slew's Trick, a 17-hand 3-year-old son of Slew's Tiznow, California's leading freshman sire in 2015



SKIP DICKSTEIN

Undeclared winner of the Breeders' Cup Juvenile, Favorite Trick was champion 2-year-old male and Horse of the Year in 1997 for Joseph LaCombe Stables



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Joe LaCombe is in charge of the family racing business in California

"Trick's Pic is how we got started in California, and things subsequently grew until we had just about everything out here," LaCombe said. "That was the time when we were really enjoying the sport because we know we can go from the highest highs to the lowest lows so quickly."

A single broodmare has made the biggest impact on LaCombe's relationship with breeding in California. The LaCombe family privately purchased the winning California-bred Slewpy mare Hepatica while she was in foal to Cee's Tizzy. The resulting filly, Helleborus Blue, was a winner and as a broodmare produced grade I winner The Hangman and grade II winner Trip to Heaven in South Africa.

Hepatica was bred back to Tiznow for the 2004 season. That colt, Slew's Tizzy, went on to be a multiple graded stakes winner, while his younger brother Slew's Tiznow was a graded stakes-placed stakes winner.

Slew's Tizzy won five times in 20 starts and earned \$619,619. After winning both the \$325,000 Coolmore Lexington Stakes (gr. II) and \$300,000 Lone Star Derby (gr. III) at 3, he added the \$108,200 Native Diver Handicap (gr. III) at 4. He is standing in Venezuela and already has a stakes winner to his credit.

Full brother Slew's Tiznow won

four of 14 starts and earned \$321,100. As a juvenile, he finished second in the \$560,000 Lane's End Breeders' Futurity (gr. I), then set a new track record at Hollywood Park when he won the \$69,150 War Chant Stakes at 3. He entered stud at Rancho San Miguel and quickly flourished, becoming California's leading freshman sire of 2015.

"He was a hard-luck kind of horse," LaCombe said. "We had a few big offers to sell him, but we never did because to me he was always a grade I kind of horse. He's really balanced, and when people see him, they're impressed."

LaCombe moved many of his Kentucky mares to California to visit Slew's Tiznow, saying, "We are so happy with him. His first crop was very small, but his upcoming 2-year-old crop is strong."

LaCombe also stands his half brother, Typhoon Slew. The Stormy Atlantic son

started only four times, but broke his maiden by a widening 10¾ lengths at Ellis Park. He finished third in the With Anticipation Stakes (gr. IIIT) and fourth in the \$400,000 Dixiana Breeders' Futurity (gr. I) before retirement.

"I bred a few of my own mares to him," LaCombe said. "I was worried about him, but Clay Murdock (general manager at Rancho San Miguel) asked why. The horse is gorgeous, and how many stallions have a dam like Hepatica?"

Currently, the Joseph LaCombe Stables has 10 horses in training, with another 10 broodmares and yearlings on the farm. LaCombe was quick to thank the team surrounding his horses, such as trainer Dan Dunham at San Luis Rey Downs and Dr. Stacy Potter, who is based out of Rancho San Miguel.

"She's super," LaCombe said. "The biggest thing we have to sell when breeding mares is that the mare will be well taken care of and that you will get a healthy baby. We feel that way with Dr. Potter on the farm."

LaCombe has the family racing business in California for the long haul and believes the California breeding incentives make up "a great program." With Slew's Tiznow seeing quality mares and Typhoon Slew's first foals on the ground this spring, the LaCombe family story is still being written, long after Favorite Trick's escapades on the track. **CTB**



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Joseph LaCombe and his wife, Irene



Winners

FEBRUARY 22, 2016 – MARCH 20, 2016

The accompanying list includes runners that are both California-foaled and California-sired winners in 2016 of all recent North American races, except straight claiming races.

Abbreviations used for the class of race are similar to those used by Equibase: Alw—allowance; Hop—overnight handicap; names of stakes race are spelled out, with the grade of the race, when applicable, in parentheses.

3-YEAR-OLDS & UP

Aragorn (IRE)—Big City Danse: Small Town Shuffle (41-12), g, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, STR, 3/10, 6f, 1:11.43, \$12,240.

Atticus—Mylittletart: Miz Strawberry Dee (14-5), m, 6 yo, Turf Paradise, AOC, 2/24, about 7 1/2f, 1:29.17, \$10,525.

Awesome Gambler—Global Meeting: One More Roll (30-8), g, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, ALW, 3/4, 6f, 1:9.49, \$34,800.

Beau Genius—Perfect Slew: Perfect Genius (2-1), g, 7 yo, Los Alamitos, WCL, 3/20, 4 1/2f, 52.54, \$4,310.

Bertrando—Unchanged Melody: Bert's Melody (32-10), m, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, AOC, 2/27, 1mi (T), 1:35.13, \$45,240.

Bertrando—Golden Ballerina: Ballerina Headline (32-10), f, 4 yo, Golden Gate Fields, STR, 3/12, 6f, 1:11.12, \$12,240.

Birdonthewire—Emotion: Emotional Drive (8-2), m, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, WCL, 3/19, 5 1/2f, 1:5.81, \$9,600.

Bring the Heat—Frysland: Lost Bus (25-4), f, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, AOC, 3/11, 7f, 1:21.48, \$46,800.

Cindago—Nandu: Canducharlie (19-9), g, 5 yo, Turf Paradise, AOC, 3/6, 6f, 1:8.50, \$10,850.

Comic Strip—Rowdy Angel: Private Joke (16-2), g, 4 yo, Golden Gate Fields, ALW, 3/5, 6f, 1:10.76, \$21,060.

Decarchy—Feel the Rush: Watch It Buster (50-13), g, 5 yo, Sunland Park, ALW, 3/1, 6f, 1:10.16, \$18,333.

Decarchy—Blue Ice Shark: Zoom Bag (50-13), h, 6 yo, Turf Paradise, AOC, 3/14, 6f, 1:8.64, \$11,294.

English Channel—Phi Beta Heat: Rye (74-9), c, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, STR, 3/19, 1 1/16mi, 1:46.21, \$11,220.

First Dude—Exonerated: Skye Diamonds (39-13), f, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, AOC, 3/6, 6f, 1:10.54, \$34,800.

Ghostzapper—Lucky C. H.: Awesome Luck (101-25), m, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, ALW, 3/17, 1mi, 1:37.97, \$34,800.

Good Journey—Jen's New Chapter: Jennyway U Want It (29-5), m, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, STR, 3/10, 1mi, 1:38.17, \$21,600.

Grazen—Rule the Storm: Precious Time (24-7), f, 4 yo, Golden Gate Fields, ALW, 3/12, 6f, 1:11.45, \$21,060.

Isla Vista—Wellingtons Arch: Nevaeh's Promise (4-2), m, 6 yo, Golden Gate Fields, STR, 3/6, 1mi, 1:41.10, \$6,300.

Kafwain—Lost Bride: Alwazabridesmaid (32-11), f, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, AOC, 2/27, 6f, 1:10.18, \$34,800.

Kafwain—Lost Bride: Alwazabridesmaid (32-11), f, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, AOC, 3/13, 6 1/2f, 1:16.78, \$30,160.

Lucky Pulpit—Dang You Sindy: Sindys Luck (79-20), g, 4 yo, Turf Paradise, ALW, 3/16, 7 1/2f (T), 1:29.52, \$8,420.

Marino Marini—Pundit: Nthpreznzofgraynes (52-13), g, 4 yo, Golden Gate Fields, STR, 3/13, 6f, 1:9.59, \$12,240.

Mr. Big—Roxanne's Game (GB): Big Move (4-2), f, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, ALW, 3/17, about 6 1/2f, 1:14.37, \$34,800.

Misty'sgoldentouch—Yo Sal: **World Famous Sam T** (3-1), g, 7 yo, Fonner Park, STK, Grasmick S., 3/5, 4f, 45.80, \$6,135.

Misty'sgoldentouch—Yo Sal: World Famous Sam T (3-1), g, 7 yo, Fonner Park, STR, 3/13, 6f, 1:12.40, \$4,140.

Mongol Warrior—Brnneedfur: **Warrens Puppy Love** (3-2), m, 5 yo, Sunland Park, STK, El Diario Overnight S., 3/1, 6f, 1:10.09, \$45,000.

Old Topper—Fair Wager: **My T Quick** (20-3), g, 10 yo, Rillito, STK, John K. Goodman S., 2/27, 6f, 1:14.10, \$2,750.

Old Topper—Miss Pitz (GB): Seedsandstemsagain (20-3), h, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, STR, 3/20, 1mi (T), 1:35.14, \$21,600.

Old Topper—Fair Wager: **My T Quick** (20-3), g, 10 yo, Rillito, STK, Budweiser Pima County Classic S., 3/20, 1 1/16mi, 1:48.65, \$5,500.

Papa Clem—Queen of Paris: Prince of Paris (54-17), g, 5 yo, Turf Paradise, ALW, 3/2, about 7 1/2f, 1:30.55, \$9,207.

Peppered Cat—Prochonic: Peppery (17-3), m, 6 yo, Rillito, ALW, 3/5, 5 1/2f, 1:8.70, \$1,705.

Robador—Count Them All: **Count Your Money** (1-1), g, 5 yo, Rillito, STK, Rillito Park Hopeful S., 3/12, 5 1/2f, 1:8.20, \$3,465.

Salt Lake—Red Neck Gal: **Lake Piru** (11-3), m, 5 yo, Rillito, STK, Pete Selin Memorial S., 2/28, 5 1/2f, 1:8.00, \$2,750.

Salt Lake—Red Neck Gal: **Lake Piru** (11-3), m, 5 yo, Rillito, STK, DeFazio Distaff S., 3/13, 6 1/2f, 1:20.60, \$2,750.

Sierra Sunset—Beau's Gem: Touched by Autism (10-2), c, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, AOC, 3/5, 1mi, 1:40.19, \$21,060.

Songandaprayer—Silent Demand: Songforjohnmichael (70-17), g, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, AOC, 3/5, 7f, 1:22.33, \$46,800.

Southern Africa—Be Right Back: Back From Africa (4-1), g, 5 yo, Fonner Park, ALW, 3/19, 6f, 1:13.40, \$4,800.

Square Eddie—Dinner At Lido's: Eddie and the King (40-13), c, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, STR, 2/28, 1mi, 1:39.20, \$12,240.

Square Eddie—Smooove: **Smooove It** (40-13), m, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, STK, Irish O'Brien S., 3/19, about 6 1/2f, 1:12.83, \$60,000.

Sundarban—Foxy Babe: Howdy (9-4), c, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, ALW, 2/26, 1 1/16mi, 1:42.68, \$34,800.

Swiss Yodeler—Laugh N Yodel: W. Giles (32-12), g, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, STR, 3/6, 5 1/2f, 1:2.47, \$16,560.

Time to Get Even—Amorous Angie: Time for Angie (11-2), m, 5 yo, Aqueduct, WCL, 2/26, 6f, 1:13.32, \$15,000.

Tizbud—Mi Mi Mine: Tiz Partners (25-8), m, 6 yo, Golden Gate Fields, ALW, 3/11, 1 1/16mi, 1:46.42, \$21,060.

Tribal Rule—Serena's Echo: Tribal Echo (82-27), g, 4 yo, Fonner Park, ALW, 3/12, 6f, 1:13.20, \$5,520.

Unbridled Native—Oceans N Mountains: Surf N Ski (1-1), g, 8 yo, Sunland Park, STR, 3/1, 6f, 1:9.46, \$6,111.

Unusual Heat—Kitty and Boo: **Boozer** (67-20), g, 6 yo, Santa Anita Park, STK, Sensational Star S., 2/27, about 6 1/2f, 1:13.03, \$60,000.

Unusual Heat—Treasure Chest: Los Gatos (67-20), c, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, AOC, 2/28, 1mi (T), 1:36.72, \$34,800.

Unusual Heat—Chi Chi Nette: Real Heat (67-20), g, 6 yo, Sunland Park, STR, 3/5, 1mi, 1:35.98, \$18,333.

Unusual Heat—Lady Evergreen: Unusually Green (67-20), g, 5 yo, Golden Gate Fields, ALW, 3/6, 1 1/16mi, 1:44.76, \$21,060.

Valid Wager—Miss Kristin: Bruno's Wager (2-2), g, 9 yo, Turf Paradise, STR, 3/6, 6f, 1:9.61, \$4,604.

Vronsky—Oceans N Mountains: **What a View** (39-15), g, 5 yo, Santa Anita Park, STK, Frank E. Kilroe Mile S. (gr. IT), 3/12, 1mi (T), 1:35.57, \$240,000.

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Awesome Gambler—A B C Me Gone: Freaky Moniquee (30-8), f, 4 yo, Los Alamitos, MCL, 3/4, 4 1/2f, 52.53, \$3,200.

Awesome Gambler—Got Tobe Rio: Got Tobe Awesome (30-8), g, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MCL, 3/6, 6f, 1:12.44, \$18,600.

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Brave Badgett—Good Golly Lolly: Red Hot Tip (2-1), f, 3 yo, Los Alamitos, MCL, 2/27, 4 1/2f, 53.78, \$3,200.

Chattahoochee War—Switch It Up: Ranger School (1-1), g, 5 yo, Oaklawn Park, MCL, 3/18, 1mi, 1:41.12, \$13,500.

Cindago—Trauma Queen: Juju's Mojo (19-9), f, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/6, 1 1/16mi, 1:50.14, \$4,400.

Council Member—Jillbean: Council Miss (14-2), m, 6 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/5, 5 1/2f, 1:4.73, \$4,400.

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Desert Code—Cee's Lilly: Code Lilly (27-7), g, 4 yo, Los Alamitos, MCL, 3/5, 4 1/2f, 52.56, \$3,200.

Desert Code—Series of Dreams: Awesome Series (27-7), f, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/19, 6f, 1:12.89, \$4,400.

English Channel—Phi Beta Heat: Rye (74-9), c, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 2/28, 1mi, 1:40.25, \$7,800.

Ghostzapper—Beauty Unbridled: Geistreiter (101-25), f, 4 yo, Parx Racing, MCL, 2/28, 5f, 59.97, \$10,800.

Giacomo—Moonlight Tizzy: Moonlight Music (29-10), f, 3 yo, Turf Paradise, MCL, 2/27, 1mi, 1:43.31, \$4,253.

Global Hunter (ARG)—Excessive Susan: Cool Green (5-2), c, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, MSW, 3/19, 1mi (T), 1:35.51, \$33,600.

Heat Shield—Franjelica: Naughty Haughty (3-1), f, 3 yo, Turf Paradise, MCL, 3/8, 6f, 1:11.54, \$4,166.

Indy Film—Wicked: A P Devil (4-1), c, 3 yo, Los Alamitos, MCL, 2/27, 4 1/2f, 53.39, \$3,260.

Jet West—Meet Me in Fargo: Meet Miss Kitty (7-2), m, 5 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/18, 6f, 1:11.17, \$8,400.

Kafwain—Natural Singer R N: Herunbridledpower (32-11), f, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MCL, 2/26, 5 1/2f, 1:5.22, \$18,600.

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Lucky Pulpit—Dadslittlemaria: Sailor's Cry (79-20), f, 4 yo, Los Alamitos, MCL, 3/19, 4 1/2f, 53.23, \$3,260.

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Marino Marini—Bellsblade: Lizzy Marini (52-13), m, 5 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 2/25, 5 1/2f, 1:4.45, \$3,850.

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Midnight Lute—Shalini: Midnight Lien (79-25), m, 5 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/4, 1mi, 1:39.96, \$3,850.

Midnight Lute—Ride Me Fast: West Coast Wheelie (79-25), g, 4 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MSW, 3/6, 1mi, 1:39.86, \$20,280.

Ministers Wild Cat—Main Street: Back Street Cat (43-15), f, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, MCL, 3/13, 5 1/2f, 1:6.02, \$11,400.

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Mr. Broad Blade—Illybilly: Sharp Dressed Gal (3-2), f, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/19, 6f, 1:12.04, \$4,400.

Mizzen Mast—Goodtobehome: Miz Rizen (67-19), f, 3 yo, Los Alamitos, MCL, 3/11, 4 1/2f, 52.95, \$3,200.

More Than Ready—Wild About Sonny: Tinderette (93-19), f, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MCL, 3/11, 6f, 1:10.80, \$13,800.

Paddy O'Prado—Betar B Sharp: Dyved (49-9), g, 3 yo, Mahoning Valley Race Course, MSW, 2/22, 1mi, 1:49.09, \$10,200.

Papa Clem—Warmth: Cordiality (54-17), f, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MCL, 3/3, 1mi, 1:39.58, \$13,800.

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Robador—Count Them All: Count Your Money (1-1), g, 5 yo, Rillito, TRL, 2/27, 5 1/2f, 1:8.60, \$935.

Run Brother Ron—Rutters Renegade (IRE): Renegade Run (4-2), f, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 2/27, 5 1/2f, 1:5.14, \$4,400.

Sidney's Candy—Miss Afleet Alex: Foxy Fresh (37-9), f, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MCL, 3/17, 5 1/2f, 1:4.61, \$21,000.

Sierra Sunset—Spanish Crayon: Spanish Sunset (10-2), g, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 2/28, 5 1/2f, 1:4.75, \$4,400.

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Square Eddie—If Not for You: Etaier (40-13), g, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MSW, 2/25, 1mi (T), 1:37.32, \$33,600.

Square Eddie—Prima Creatura (IRE): Hacktivism (40-13), f, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MSW, 3/10, 1mi (T), 1:36.75, \$33,600.

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Tannersmyman—Adriftinthebay: Bay Area (20-8), g, 5 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/3, 1 1/16mi, 1:47.40, \$5,500.

Terrell—Charmin Dot: Pointsettia Park (18-6), h, 5 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/18, 5f, 58.43, \$3,850.

The Pamplemousse—Tiara Glow: And in the End (9-3), f, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 2/27, 1mi, 1:41.29, \$7,800.

Tough Game—Imagoldseeker: Game Seeker (11-4), m, 6 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/13, 1mi, 1:43.60, \$4,950.

Tribal Rule—Tense Wager: Wagered (82-27), f, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 3/5, 6f, 1:11.37, \$8,400.

Tribal Rule—Lucera (IRE): Tribal Fighter (82-27), c, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MSW, 3/13, 6 1/2f, 1:15.99, \$33,600.

Twirling Candy—Flaming Dixie: Bako Sweets (40-16), f, 3 yo, Santa Anita Park, MSW, 2/25, 6 1/2f, 1:17.97, \$33,600.

Unbridled Man—Miraloma Park: El Alazan (4-3), g, 4 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MCL, 2/26, 5 1/2f, 1:4.71, \$3,850.

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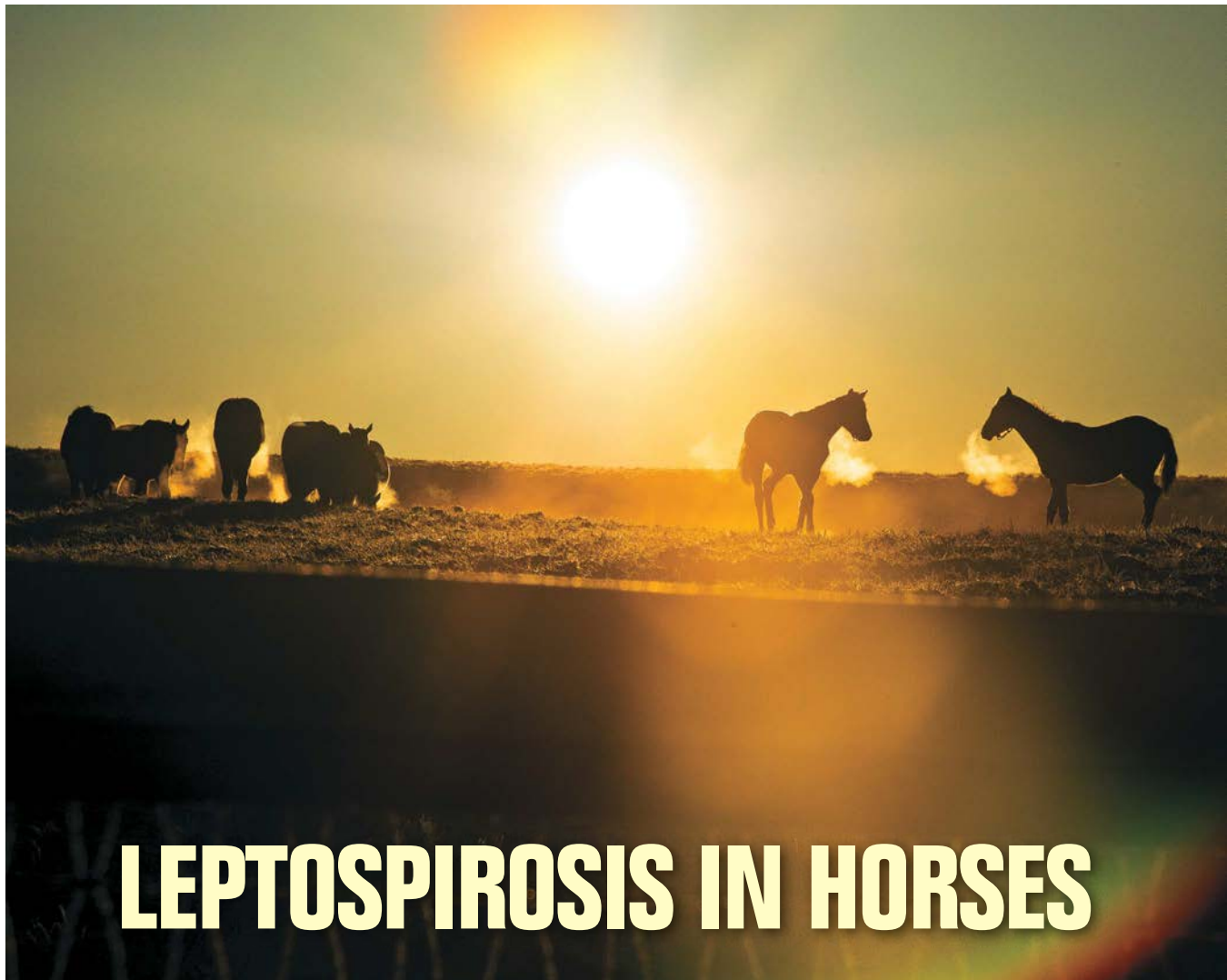
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Vronsky—Thorellen: Algorithmic (39-15), f, 4 yo, Santa Anita Park, MSW, 3/17, about 6 1/2f, 1:15.66, \$33,600.

Western Fame—Corazon de Leo: Compadre Sam (8-2), g, 3 yo, Golden Gate Fields, MSW, 3/13, 5 1/2f, 1:4.84, \$20,280.



LEPTOSPIROSIS IN HORSES

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The disease leptospirosis can affect many species, including humans, dogs, livestock, and horses. Spiral-shaped bacteria called spirochetes cause “lepto.” These pathogens are often found in wildlife populations, including rats and mice. The leptospires can survive in surface water, stagnant ponds, streams, or moist soil for long periods at mild temperatures. They are short-lived in cold or hot, dry weather.

Discharges and secretions (especially urine) of sick and carrier animals, which often contaminate feed and water, spread

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lepto. Some infected animals, particularly with certain strains of lepto, appear to be healthy, yet harbor the bacteria in their kidneys and reproductive tract, shedding the bacteria in urine or reproductive fluids. In this carrier status, they can transmit the disease to other animals, even though they themselves are not sick.

Bacteria may enter a susceptible animal via the nose, mouth, or eyes by contact with contaminated feed, water, or urine, or through breaks in the skin on feet and legs when the animal walks through contaminated water. Urine or contaminated

water splashing into the eyes of susceptible animals can spread the disease, as can breeding.

Having entered an animal, the leptospires multiply in the liver and migrate through the bloodstream to the kidneys, where they often remain. They release toxins that can damage red blood cells, the liver, and kidneys, especially in animals that are not an adapted host for that particular strain of leptospires.

In cattle, leptospirosis is a cause of infertility, delayed breeding, and early

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RECURRENT UVEITIS

Leptospirosis is often a mild disease in horses, but secondary effects may have serious consequences in the eye. "Moon blindness" (the old term for recurrent uveitis) has been linked with leptospira infections.

Dr. Brian Gilger, professor of ophthalmology at North Carolina State University, says studies during the past 12 years have shown that leptospira is one of the things that can induce uveitis, but the actual cause of recurrent uveitis is autoimmune disease after the infection's initial inflammation sets the stage for this side effect.

"Leptospira organisms have an interesting ability to set up autoimmune disease," said Gilger. "Some of the leptospira proteins are very similar to ocular tissue, especially the horse's ocular tissue. Research has shown that there are some normal antigens in the eye—in both the cornea and retina—that are very similar to *Leptospira* antigens. This is one of the reasons we think this immune response (attacking the eye tissue itself) is so common after an infection with leptospira."

Even if the disease itself is mild and you may not realize the horse was infected, the horse may later develop recurrent uveitis. Leptospirosis affects different species of animals in different ways, and Gilger says that it is uncommon for it to cause severe illness in horses.

"If you look back in the literature regarding leptospirosis and uveitis over the past 30 years, there has not been a clear distinction between many of the horses that have uveitis (which is simply inflammation of the eye) and horses with moon blindness," said Gilger. "These are two very different diseases. Any horse that has injury to the eye or a systemic infection gets some inflammation in the eye. But moon blindness is a specific disease that occurs when there is recurrent uveitis, and these recurrent episodes are not associated with systemic disease."

"The researchers who have studied true moon blindness have found that this is an autoimmune disease."



COURTESY OF DR. RICHARD MCWULLEN

Moon blindness, the old term for recurrent uveitis, has been linked to leptospira infections. While typical uveitis will eventually clear up and the eye recover, recurring uveitis can damage the eye irreparably, leading to blindness.

There is still a lot of confusion between the two—among horsemen and veterinarians."

Typical uveitis will eventually clear up and the eye will recover. Recurrent uveitis keeps damaging the eye with each subsequent episode/flare-up and may eventually result in blindness. Leptospirosis is just one of several initiating causes.

"We don't know how many horses go on to develop recurrent uveitis," said Gilger. "Maybe 10 to 20% of the horses that get uveitis for whatever reason (trauma, infection, etc.) develop true moon blindness."

The ocular disease occurs many months after *Leptospira* infection.

"The pathogens may not persist in the eye, in most cases, but they trigger the immune problem," said Dr. Ann Dwyer of the Genesee Valley Equine Clinic. "Once the horse starts showing signs of uveitis, none of us have much success in treating it with antibiotic therapy."

"Doxycycline, an antibiotic related to tetracycline, is often given for a few weeks to horses experiencing their first or second bout of uveitis, and it may mediate signs of disease because it mediates inflammation. Recurrent uveitis is a life sentence for the horse, so once you've made the diagnosis, you might as well try something."

Treatments for the affected eye have been improving.

"There is more awareness among horse owners about this disease," said Dwyer. "They may start some anti-inflammatory therapy if the horse has a bout with uveitis. Early intervention may ward off the blinding effects for that particular bout. Still, if the horse keeps having bout after bout, with progressive damage to the eye, blindness may eventually occur."

Dwyer noted that long-range statistics in her area showed that about 60% of horses with this condition lost vision, no matter how diligent owners were about treatment.

"We are recommending to owners, if they can afford it, to have the suprachoroidal cyclosporine implant surgery that Dr. Brian Gilger of North Carolina State University developed," Dwyer said. "It is a useful aid to try to minimize severity of the recurrent attacks. The suprachoroidal implant was developed as a surgical option for treatment, but it's still not the whole answer."

Now that there is a vaccine against one of the more common strains of leptospira that affect horses, some owners will probably vaccinate their horses in hopes of preventing the secondary eye problem that can occur after infection from leptospira.



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embryonic death, as well as abortions or birth of premature and weak calves. Lepto is also implicated in abortions in mares. An effective vaccine has been available for cattle, swine, and dogs for many years, but to date no approved vaccine exists for horses.

Peggy Marsh of Equine Medical Associates in Lexington, Ky., says this disease can be a frustration for horse owners, especially when it causes abortions. It's not always easy to determine the cause of an abortion, and if diagnostic tests point toward lepto, it's hard to know whether there will be more losses. It's also a frustrating cause of eye problems (recurrent uveitis, originally known as moon blindness).

"Occasionally, it will also cause systemic disease in horses, like it does in other species, but this is less common," said Marsh. "This bacterium is very good at hiding in the eye, the kidney, or the uterus rather than causing systemic disease. In yearlings, however, we sometimes see kidney problems and fever, and upon investigation discover lepto as the cause. Most of these cases respond well to antibiotic treatment."

Dr. Ann Dwyer of the Genesee Valley Equine Clinic in Scottsville, N.Y., has worked with many cases of leptospirosis and uveitis, and has been involved in research looking at these diseases. When horses are exposed to pathogenic strains of leptospirosis and pick up the bacteria, the resulting disease is generally mild and may not even be noticed.

"The few times I have diagnosed acute leptospirosis, the horse is just a bit off and may have had fever for a few days, but is not very ill," Dwyer said.

A blood test might show the horse to be mildly anemic, with some minor alteration in the complete blood count, Dwyer says, "but nothing that would actually point toward leptospirosis." The few horses she has diagnosed with lepto have recovered quickly.

"If the veterinarian thinks the premises might be at risk (perhaps because of proximity to water, or cases of leptospirosis in the past or on nearby farms) and decides to pursue some diagnostic tests," said Dwyer, "he/she could look for antibodies in the serum a few weeks after the horse was



COURTESY OF DR. DWYER

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ill or send urine samples for testing. It's uncommon that anyone would think to do this, however, unless there was a problem on this farm already."

Horse owners often ask if lepto is contagious from horse to horse. The answer is maybe.

"Early on in the disease, there probably is a short window of time when the horse may be shedding organisms in urine," said Dwyer. "It would be a minor mode of transmission, however, compared with getting the disease from wildlife on the premises. There is a theoretical possibility of transmission from horses because the infected horse may harbor leptospire in the kidneys for a short period of time—perhaps a few months. During that time, there might be leptospire in the urine."

Dwyer feels that the incidence of leptospirosis in horses may vary from year to year in her region. Some years are worse, and it's generally the wetter years. The organism lives longer in moist conditions.

A person generally doesn't have the opportunity to treat a horse when it is initially ill because usually the disease is not recognized as leptospirosis and the horses

tend to recover fairly quickly and without treatment. By the time a horse develops recurrent uveitis, the initial illness is long past.

"I have diagnosed a few lepto abortions, but I don't know what the exposure interval is for that," said Dwyer. "We do know that the ocular disease occurs many months later. Dr. Steve Roberts of Cornell University published clinical observations on natural disease in Ithaca, N.Y., a long time ago that suggested this. Experimental work done by Dr. Ray Morter at Purdue University in the 1960s confirmed that development of uveitis is much later, after the initial infection."

VACCINE

Researchers have been working toward an equine vaccine for years, but one roadblock was funding.

Dr. Craig Carter, professor of epidemiology at the University of Kentucky, spent several years working to build a case for an equine vaccine.

"We did two studies," said Carter. "One was done by one of my graduate students, Gloria Gellin, in the College of

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Public Health here at the University of Kentucky. She went to a number of horse farms and equine veterinary hospitals and collected blood samples from equine farm workers and veterinarians who have strictly equine practices. She found that many of these people were sero-positive to the leptospira organism. This study doesn't identify exactly where or how they are getting exposed. It just shows that they have been exposed.

"There are only sporadic cases of leptosporosis diagnosed in horses around various parts of the country. Yet we are sure that many cases go undiagnosed due to inaction and lack of testing facilities.

"There isn't much in the scientific literature about the horse being a leptosporosis risk for people, but there are many discussions about the risks from other species. If there is zoonotic potential from horses, it



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Leptospirosis can have serious economic implications for the breeding industry, including early embryonic death and aborted foals as these fetal dissection photos of lepto abortions show.

builds a better case for an equine vaccine."

While at Texas A&M University, Carter worked on canine leptospirosis. When the 2006-07 reproductive season in Kentucky showed a number of cases of lepto abortion, he was involved in a study on the problem.

"As part of the study we did that year, we gathered the estimated value of the foals that were lost—on just the cases we saw here in the lab that we determined were lepto abortions," Carter said. "We

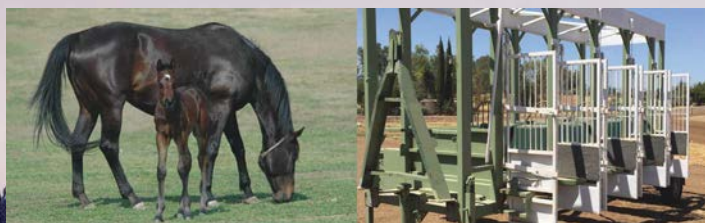
always know that what we diagnose in the laboratory is just the tip of the iceberg. The value of the foals lost in the 2006-07 reproductive season alone was \$3.5 million. Calculating that for a 20-year period, in which 541 cases were confirmed at this lab, represents a very large economic loss to horse farms in Kentucky."

Carter and other researchers approached several drug companies, but the companies didn't think there was enough market to warrant an equine vaccine—until now.

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Sat., Apr 9	SA	Echo Eddie Stakes		Three-Year-Olds	6 1/2 F, Dirt	\$200,000
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Sun., May 1	GG	Campanile	Fillies	Three-Year-Olds	1 M, Turf	\$100,000
Sun., May 1	GG	Silky Sullivan		Three-Year-Olds	1 M, Turf	\$100,000
Sat., May 28	SA	Tiznow Stakes		Four-Year-Olds & Up	1 M, Dirt	\$150,000
Sat., May 28	SA	Snow Chief Stakes		Three-Year-Olds	1 1/8 M, Turf	\$200,000
Sat., May 28	SA	Melair Stakes	Fillies	Three-Year-Olds	1 1/16 M, Dirt	\$200,000
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Mon., Jul 4	SA	Spring Fever Stakes	F/M	Three-Year-Olds & Up	6F, Dirt	\$100,000
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July	DMR	California Dreamin' Handicap		Three-Year-Olds & Up	1 1/16 M, Turf	\$150,000
July	DMR	CTBA Stakes	Fillies	Two-Year-Olds	5 1/2 F, Dirt	\$100,000
August	DMR	Real Good Deal Stakes		Three-Year-Olds	7F, Dirt	\$200,000
August	DMR	Graduation Stakes		Two-Year-Olds	5 1/2 F, Dirt	\$100,000
August	DMR	Solana Beach Handicap	F/M	Three-Year-Olds & Up	1 M, Turf	\$150,000
August	DMR	Generous Portion Stakes	Fillies	Two-Year-Olds	6F, Dirt	\$150,000
September	DMR	I'm Smokin Stakes		Two-Year-Olds	6F, Dirt	\$150,000
October	FNO	Harris Farms Stakes		Three-Year-Olds & Up	6F, Dirt	\$100,000
October	SA	California Distaff	F/M	Three-Year-Olds & Up	6 1/2 F, Turf	\$125,000
October	SA	California Flag Handicap		Three-Year-Olds & Up	6 1/2 F, Turf	\$125,000
November	SA	Golden State Juvenile Fillies	Fillies	Two-Year-Olds	7F, Dirt	\$200,000
November	SA	Golden State Juvenile		Two-Year-Olds	7F, Dirt	\$200,000
November	DMR	Betty Grable Stakes	F/M	Three-Year-Olds & Up	7F, Dirt	\$100,000
November	DMR	Cary Grant Stakes		Three-Year-Olds & Up	7F, Dirt	\$100,000
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Health

“The perception for many years was that lept abortion in horses only occurs in central Kentucky,” Carter said. “So to learn if that was true, we conducted a nationwide sero-epidemiologic study in 2010-11 that involved 30 laboratories in the U.S. and Canada. In that study we found that 45% were sero-positive for at least one leptospirosis serovar, which indicates broad exposure to leptospirosis in the horses of North America.”

Another study done more recently, funded by Zoetis, showed a higher exposure rate. At least 75% of healthy horses have been exposed to at least one type of lepto (69.1% of horses in the Northeast, 77% of horses in the South, 76.2% of horses in the Midwest, 69% of horses in the Pacific Northwest, and 77.5% of horses in the Southwest). This information prompted Zoetis to invest in creating a vaccine for horses.

Many people felt that a vaccine would be especially important for broodmares in hopes of preventing abortion, but would also be of interest for all horse owners.

“Leptospirosis can cause severe system-

ic disease and death of horses, and also severe uveitis (moon blindness), which can lead to the loss of one or both eyes,” Carter said.

Some horsemen who have had problems with leptospirosis over the years have worked with their veterinarians and used the cattle vaccine off-label, feeling that it helped prevent abortions in broodmares. The use of cattle vaccine in horses is controversial, however.

“Most veterinarians felt it would be better if we had an equine vaccine,” Carter said.

Dwyer occasionally used the cattle vaccine for horses.

“My impression has been that if it was used cautiously, with owner permission and education, it helped,” Dwyer said. “I have used it only on horses that were sero-negative when I tested their blood to see if they have antibodies to the more common pathogenic serovars that are implicated in uveitis (*L. grippotyphosa* and *L. pomona*). I also made sure they had a normal eye exam and were on a property that I considered high risk, meaning

it was a property where multiple horses had been diagnosed with uveitis believed to be associated with leptospirosis, and risk factors such as proximity to ponds, wildlife, etc.”

Dwyer had one horse react to the cattle product. “It wasn’t life-threatening, but it was a significant local reaction at the injection site that ended up with a small permanent lump,” she said.

Zoetis announced the introduction of its new equine vaccine in October 2015, and it became available for use in November. The company’s Lepto EQ Innovator is the only vaccine licensed for use in horses, but it only protects against one strain (*L. pomona*).

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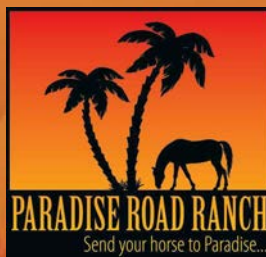
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2016 LEADING BREEDERS IN CALIFORNIA BY EARNINGS (THRU MARCH 20, 2016)

Breeder	Starts	Wins	Stakes Wins	Leading Earner	Earnings
Harris Farms	137	21	1	Velvet Mesquite (\$110,250)	\$465,689
Old English Rancho, Patsy Berumen & Sal Berumen	16	6	2	What a View (\$377,500)	\$442,032
Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC	140	20	1	Alwazabridesmaid (\$64,960)	\$403,713
Terry C. Lovingier	156	16	0	Time for Angie (\$61,800)	\$398,311
Nick Alexander	57	6	1	Sunday Rules (\$90,000)	\$344,946
Reddam Racing LLC	82	14	1	Smoove It (\$63,345)	\$331,567
Perry Martin & Steve Coburn	5	2	1	California Chrome (\$210,000)	\$211,577
John R. Haagsma & Wesley Ward	3	3	1	Lost Bus (\$166,800)	\$210,480
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Williams	49	11	0	Woodmans Luck (\$29,600)	\$195,994
Benjamin C. Warren	75	6	1	Warrens Puppy Love (\$49,000)	\$166,815
C Punch Ranch, Inc.	13	2	1	Smokey Image (\$145,500)	\$155,300
Old English Rancho	31	6	1	Somethings Unusual (\$49,640)	\$141,369
George Schmitt & Mary Clare Schmitt	41	8	0	Touched by Autism (\$54,885)	\$135,967
Heinz H. Steinmann	12	5	0	W. Giles (\$86,160)	\$130,982
Harris Farms & Donald Valpredo	8	2	1	Pacific Heat (\$116,030)	\$123,825
Heinz Steinmann	14	4	0	Swissarella (\$70,764)	\$106,391
B Abrams, V Loverso, C Perez, Huston Racing & M Auerbach	4	1	1	Boozier (\$104,660)	\$104,660
Madeline Auerbach	8	2	0	McHeat (\$93,840)	\$98,665
Donald Valpredo	42	7	0	Bako Sweets (\$33,945)	\$94,804
Nick Cafarchia	17	2	0	Tale of Papa Nick (\$45,240)	\$94,605
Ed Delaney	17	3	0	Cool Green (\$58,240)	\$90,705
B & B Zietz Stables, Inc.	8	2	0	Qiaona (\$64,620)	\$89,415
Daehling Ranch LLC	30	4	0	Fast and Foxy (\$37,960)	\$85,478
Dahlberg Farms LLC	18	2	0	Image of Joplin (\$32,995)	\$82,343
Liberty Road Stables	45	6	0	Prince of Paris (\$16,052)	\$78,571
Joseph P. Morey Jr. Revocable Trust	13	3	0	Toomuchisnotenough (\$29,560)	\$76,120
Howard & Janet Siegel Racing LLC	30	5	0	Brownie Finale (\$21,942)	\$74,471
Bruce Headley	6	2	1	San Onofre (\$69,345)	\$73,696
Rod Rodriguez & Lorraine Rodriguez	23	5	0	Private Joke (\$37,620)	\$69,191
Donald R. Dizney	15	3	1	Diamond Cut (\$46,400)	\$67,407
Madeline Auerbach & Barry Abrams	9	2	0	How Unusual (\$44,370)	\$66,748
Oakcrest Stable	17	2	0	Bert's Melody (\$45,585)	\$65,070
Jim Robinson, Ron Brewer & Jim Lyberger	4	2	0	Seedsandstemsagain (\$63,936)	\$64,161
Lou Neve	15	2	0	Avanti Bello (\$50,265)	\$63,988
William L. Hedrick & Judy Hedrick	25	4	0	Awesome Silver (\$27,540)	\$63,930
Roger Stein	39	5	0	Luckbox Sam (\$27,650)	\$57,937
Lee Searing & Susan Searing	12	4	0	Canducharlie (\$25,989)	\$57,579
Dr. & Mrs. William T. Gray	24	2	0	Light One (\$22,870)	\$57,450
Carol A. Lingenfelter	16	3	0	Magnum Force (\$19,890)	\$56,788
Madeline Auerbach, Richard Rosenberg & Barry Abrams	3	1	0	Cheekaboo (\$56,760)	\$56,760
Mark Tatch	38	4	0	Pat's Gray Ray (\$26,442)	\$56,602
Halo Farms	9	2	0	Righteous Ruler (\$33,600)	\$56,509
Ellen Jackson	36	5	0	Lil' Chieftain (\$11,146)	\$52,908
Tom Lenner, Jeff Davenport, Bob Waltos & Alex Solis II	6	1	0	Madame Mousse (\$48,905)	\$52,805
Thomas W. Bachman	15	2	0	Miss Star Maker (\$26,145)	\$52,613
Walther Solis	4	1	0	Xingontothebone (\$42,580)	\$52,525
Stormy B. Hull & Ginger A. Samples	3	2	0	Nine Point Nine (\$51,945)	\$51,945
Angel Crest Farms Ltd.	4	1	0	Nite Delite (\$51,740)	\$51,740
Crystal Valley Farms Inc.	4	1	0	Howdy (\$46,400)	\$51,340
Thomas Newton Bell & Ross John McLeod	3	0	0	Alert Bay (\$49,500)	\$49,900
Dizney Double Diamond, LLC	3	1	0	Skye Diamonds (\$49,880)	\$49,880
Old English Rancho & Berumen	15	0	0	Poshsky (\$27,345)	\$48,555
Mercedes Stables LLC	8	1	0	True Brilliance (\$33,600)	\$47,808
Black Diamond Racing, LLC	3	1	0	Sweetrayofsunshine (\$47,680)	\$47,680
Milt A. Policzer	22	2	0	Watch It Buster (\$19,555)	\$47,105
Kathleen Kennedy	1	1	0	Songforjohnmichael (\$46,800)	\$46,800

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2016 LEADING LIFETIME SIRES IN CALIFORNIA

(50 OR MORE NAMED FOALS)

Stallion (Foreign Foaled), Year, Sire	Crops	Avg Size	Named Foals	Runners	Winners	2YO Winners	Stakes Winners	Graded Stakes Winners	Progeny Earnings	AEI	Comp Index
1 Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	16	46	738	535-72%	388-53%	52-7%	40-5%	11-1%	\$49,966,216	2.01	1.25
2 Lucky Pulpit, 2001, by Pulpit	7	41	284	178-63%	111-39%	39-14%	3-1%	1-0%	\$13,273,044	1.69	1.22
3 Square Eddie, 2006, by Smart Strike	4	24	95	69-73%	51-54%	16-17%	6-6%	1-1%	\$4,386,979	1.66	0.92
4 Vronsky, 1999, by Danzig	9	19	169	104-62%	68-40%	9-5%	9-5%	3-2%	\$7,319,471	1.55	1.10
5 † In Excess (IRE), 1987, by Siberian Express	19	52	994	748-75%	562-57%	117-12%	57-6%	11-1%	\$46,657,584	1.53	1.36
6 Grazen, 2006, by Benchmark	4	13	52	38-73%	29-56%	8-15%	1-2%	0-0%	\$1,928,573	1.43	1.34
7 Cyclotron, 2000, by Grand Slam	7	13	91	34-37%	28-31%	0-0%	1-1%	1-1%	\$2,129,879	1.42	1.22
8 † Bertrando, 1989, by Skywalker	18	59	1066	820-77%	578-54%	124-12%	51-5%	15-1%	\$49,293,136	1.32	1.48
9 † Birdonthewire, 1989, by Proud Birdie	18	15	271	199-73%	142-52%	40-15%	12-4%	1-0%	\$12,953,567	1.31	1.32
† Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	11	62	684	466-68%	346-51%	116-17%	31-5%	6-1%	\$29,577,672	1.31	1.08
11 Eddington, 2001, by Unbridled	8	48	380	301-79%	221-58%	58-15%	9-2%	3-1%	\$18,628,039	1.30	1.51
12 Bluegrass Cat, 2003, by Storm Cat	7	102	716	469-66%	341-48%	115-16%	27-4%	6-1%	\$28,129,830	1.24	1.85
13 Peppered Cat, 2000, by Tabasco Cat	9	8	68	37-54%	26-38%	4-6%	1-1%	1-1%	\$2,229,319	1.22	0.68
14 † Benchmark, 1991, by Alydar	15	48	720	555-77%	426-59%	107-15%	28-4%	9-1%	\$33,739,804	1.20	1.10
15 Affirmative, 1999, by Unbridled	7	13	92	60-65%	38-41%	5-5%	2-2%	1-1%	\$3,491,954	1.19	0.78
16 One Man Army, 1994, by Roman Diplomat	9	9	84	55-65%	38-45%	3-4%	2-2%	1-1%	\$2,832,495	1.17	0.95
17 Stormin Fever, 1994, by Storm Cat	14	54	761	558-73%	391-51%	117-15%	26-3%	9-1%	\$30,081,488	1.15	1.36
18 Heatseeker (IRE), 2003, by Giant's Causeway	5	35	176	100-57%	65-37%	21-12%	7-4%	1-1%	\$4,965,334	1.13	1.34
19 † Cindago, 2003, by Indian Charlie	6	16	94	69-73%	54-57%	11-12%	3-3%	0-0%	\$3,426,540	1.12	1.36
20 Southern Image, 2000, by Halo's Image	8	61	484	221-46%	153-32%	43-9%	7-1%	1-0%	\$12,229,249	1.11	1.22
21 Kafwain, 2000, by Cherokee Run	10	56	557	396-71%	294-53%	93-17%	18-3%	6-1%	\$19,050,747	1.10	1.25
22 Prime Timber, 1996, by Sultry Song	11	22	238	185-78%	148-62%	29-12%	4-2%	1-0%	\$10,045,643	1.09	1.21
23 Street Hero, 2006, by Street Cry (IRE)	5	38	192	98-51%	61-32%	18-9%	4-2%	1-1%	\$4,526,640	1.08	1.00
Tizbud, 1999, by Cee's Tizzy	9	18	165	107-65%	69-42%	9-5%	5-3%	1-1%	\$5,335,555	1.08	0.89
25 Hold for Gold, 1995, by Red Ransom	12	11	135	105-78%	75-56%	16-12%	4-3%	0-0%	\$5,567,807	1.06	1.11
26 Decarchy, 1997, by Distant View	10	36	358	256-72%	177-49%	43-12%	12-3%	1-0%	\$13,527,953	1.04	0.97
Ministers Wild Cat, 2000, by Deputy Minister	8	43	340	245-72%	178-52%	45-13%	14-4%	2-1%	\$12,964,079	1.04	0.95
Robannier, 1991, by Batonier	17	7	112	71-63%	41-37%	8-7%	3-3%	0-0%	\$3,032,962	1.04	0.99
29 Formal Gold, 1993, by Black Tie Affair (IRE)	15	35	518	414-80%	326-63%	83-16%	17-3%	5-1%	\$20,394,261	1.03	1.27
30 Atticus, 1992, by Nureyev	16	30	475	343-72%	211-44%	40-8%	11-2%	4-1%	\$14,634,407	1.01	1.41
Desert Code, 2004, by E Dubai	4	23	93	53-57%	34-37%	12-13%	2-2%	0-0%	\$2,099,395	1.01	1.12
32 • Redattore (BRZ), 1995, by Roi Normand	5	143	715	155-22%	104-15%	10-1%	3-0%	1-0%	\$7,222,183	0.98	1.19
Safe in the U S A, 1999, by Gone West	8	9	72	59-82%	50-69%	20-28%	1-1%	0-0%	\$3,550,152	0.98	0.98
Slewescent, 1988, by Seattle Slew	22	13	275	214-78%	94-34%	19-7%	5-2%	3-1%	\$7,531,134	0.98	0.78
35 † Popular, 1999, by Saint Ballado	9	10	94	65-69%	50-53%	19-20%	1-1%	1-1%	\$3,092,196	0.97	0.96
Sierra Sunset, 2005, by Bertrando	2	25	50	14-28%	6-12%	4-8%	0-0%	0-0%	\$263,325	0.97	0.83
37 Old Topper, 1995, by Gilded Time	13	41	532	420-79%	326-61%	112-21%	19-4%	1-0%	\$20,566,956	0.95	0.84
38 Silic (FR), 1995, by Sillery	12	16	186	138-74%	86-46%	13-7%	3-2%	1-1%	\$8,267,679	0.94	0.91
39 † Western Fame, 1992, by Gone West	14	21	298	201-67%	148-50%	46-15%	12-4%	0-0%	\$8,668,150	0.92	0.81
40 Papa Clem, 2006, by Smart Strike	4	49	195	109-56%	63-32%	23-12%	4-2%	0-0%	\$3,189,124	0.89	1.19
41 Lucky J. H., 2002, by Cee's Tizzy	5	16	80	52-65%	32-40%	11-14%	1-1%	0-0%	\$1,853,767	0.88	1.24
Marino Marini, 2000, by Storm Cat	9	39	348	246-71%	168-48%	38-11%	4-1%	0-0%	\$9,780,303	0.88	1.01
Rocky Bar, 1998, by In Excess (IRE)	9	17	151	101-67%	86-57%	27-18%	9-6%	1-1%	\$4,988,126	0.88	0.86
44 Crafty C. T., 1998, by Crafty Prospector	5	44	221	52-24%	41-19%	9-4%	2-1%	0-0%	\$2,862,434	0.87	1.05
Lightnin N Thunder, 2001, by Storm Cat	10	20	197	140-71%	92-47%	28-14%	6-3%	0-0%	\$5,553,572	0.87	1.08
46 † Game Plan, 1993, by Danzig	17	26	439	323-74%	255-58%	57-13%	17-4%	3-1%	\$14,299,695	0.85	0.79
Sea of Secrets, 1995, by Storm Cat	14	34	476	390-82%	282-59%	79-17%	16-3%	2-0%	\$18,693,125	0.85	1.06
Suances (GB), 1997, by Most Welcome (GB)	9	14	128	72-56%	44-34%	4-3%	1-1%	0-0%	\$2,751,322	0.85	1.08
49 Iron Cat, 1995, by Storm Cat	14	11	150	117-78%	95-63%	8-5%	3-2%	0-0%	\$4,353,785	0.83	0.92
† Sought After, 2000, by Seeking the Gold	11	11	118	77-65%	50-42%	13-11%	2-2%	1-1%	\$2,726,565	0.83	0.83
The Pamplermousse, 2006, by Kafwain	3	18	55	21-38%	12-22%	5-9%	0-0%	0-0%	\$465,679	0.83	1.27

These statistics are for active California-based sires with a minimum of 50 foals of racing age, ranked here by their lifetime Average Earnings Index (AEI). The statistics shown here are compiled by The Jockey Club Information Systems (TJCS). While every effort is made to prevent errors and omissions, California Thoroughbred cannot guarantee their complete and total accuracy. A dagger (†) indicates a stallion that has been pensioned or has died, a dot (•) that he is now standing elsewhere (sires no longer standing in California remain on these lists until their last Cal-bred crop turns 3 years old). Freshman sires are highlighted in bold text. Statistics cover racing in North America (U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico), England, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) only. Stakes winners and wins follow TJCS stakes rules. Percentages are based upon number of named foals of racing age.

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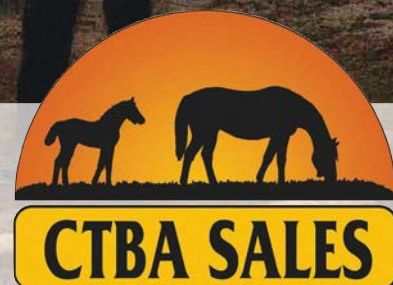
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2016 LEADING SIRES IN CALIFORNIA BY AVERAGE EARNINGS PER RUNNER (MINIMUM 10 RUNNERS)

Sire	Rnrs	Races Won	Earned	Earnings/Runner
1 Vronsky, 1999, by Danzig	39	16	\$693,397	\$17,779
2 Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	67	22	\$900,046	\$13,434
3 Cyclotron, 2000, by Grand Slam	14	6	\$184,644	\$13,189
4 Surf Cat, 2002, by Sir Cat	13	4	\$148,293	\$11,407
5 Sequoyah, 2005, by A.P. Indy	5	1	\$55,500	\$11,100
6 † In Excess (IRE), 1987, by Siberian Express	12	2	\$133,139	\$11,095
7 Trapper, 2000, by Iron Cat	5	2	\$55,060	\$11,012
8 † Cindago, 2003, by Indian Charlie	19	11	\$207,353	\$10,913
9 Time to Get Even, 2004, by Stephen Got Even	11	4	\$116,924	\$10,629
10 Grazen, 2006, by Benchmark	24	10	\$253,908	\$10,580
11 Bold Chieftain, 2003, by Chief Seattle	7	3	\$72,737	\$10,391
12 The Pamplemousse, 2006, by Kafwain	9	3	\$93,250	\$10,361
13 Thisnearlywasmine, 1994, by Capote	6	4	\$61,667	\$10,278
14 Southern Image, 2000, by Halo's Image	42	18	\$408,310	\$9,722
15 Square Eddie, 2006, by Smart Strike	40	14	\$372,743	\$9,319
16 Sundarban, 2006, by A.P. Indy	9	4	\$82,699	\$9,189
17 Elusive Warning, 2004, by Elusive Quality	5	2	\$45,930	\$9,186
18 † Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	82	29	\$724,442	\$8,835
19 Kafwain, 2000, by Cherokee Run	32	15	\$275,034	\$8,595
20 Heatseeker (IRE), 2003, by Giant's Causeway	20	6	\$168,312	\$8,416

2016 LEADING TURF SIRES IN CALIFORNIA (MINIMUM 50 STARTS)

Sire	Rnrs	Strts	Wnrs	Wins	Earned
1 Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	29	60	6	7	\$552,904
2 Vronsky, 1999, by Danzig	11	16	3	4	\$515,465
3 Square Eddie, 2006, by Smart Strike	12	18	4	4	\$195,189
4 Bluegrass Cat, 2003, by Storm Cat	30	55	5	6	\$143,919
5 Decarchy, 1997, by Distant View	18	29	4	4	\$123,347
6 † In Excess (IRE), 1987, by Siberian Express	3	5	1	1	\$118,770
7 † Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	13	19	2	2	\$116,056
8 Papa Clem, 2006, by Smart Strike	15	26	3	4	\$111,366
9 † Bertrando, 1989, by Skywalker	8	16	2	2	\$98,114
10 Old Topper, 1995, by Gilded Time	2	5	1	2	\$73,281
11 U S Ranger, 2004, by Danzig	20	27	2	2	\$52,692
12 Cyclotron, 2000, by Grand Slam	4	8	1	1	\$50,386
13 Desert Code, 2004, by E Dubai	4	5	1	1	\$47,050
14 The Pamplemousse, 2006, by Kafwain	2	3	1	1	\$45,450
15 Mr. Big, 2003, by Dynaformer	2	2	1	1	\$35,050
16 Southern Image, 2000, by Halo's Image	6	8	1	1	\$33,800
17 Dixie Chatter, 2005, by Dixie Union	3	5	1	1	\$29,279
18 Einstein (BRZ), 2002, by Spend a Buck	7	15	0	0	\$26,856
19 † Benchmark, 1991, by Alydar	3	6	1	1	\$26,348
20 Rocky Bar, 1998, by In Excess (IRE)	4	5	1	1	\$22,480

2016 LEADING SIRES IN CALIFORNIA BY MONEY WON

Sire	Rnrs	Strts	Races Won	Earned
1 Bluegrass Cat, 2003, by Storm Cat	132	333	40	\$1,011,659
2 Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	67	171	22	\$900,046
3 † Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	82	196	29	\$724,442
4 Vronsky, 1999, by Danzig	39	88	16	\$693,397
5 Lucky Pulpit, 2001, by Pulpit	79	194	22	\$556,603
6 Southern Image, 2000, by Halo's Image	42	109	18	\$408,310
7 Square Eddie, 2006, by Smart Strike	40	100	14	\$372,743
8 Papa Clem, 2006, by Smart Strike	54	150	21	\$362,064
9 Decarchy, 1997, by Distant View	50	130	17	\$327,387
10 Ministers Wild Cat, 2000, by Deputy Minister	43	110	16	\$305,270
11 U S Ranger, 2004, by Danzig	71	153	14	\$281,873
12 Kafwain, 2000, by Cherokee Run	32	71	15	\$275,034
13 † Bertrando, 1989, by Skywalker	33	82	11	\$271,893
14 Grazen, 2006, by Benchmark	24	60	10	\$253,908
15 Marino Marini, 2000, by Storm Cat	53	124	16	\$249,592
16 Stormin Fever, 1994, by Storm Cat	33	94	16	\$246,658
17 † Benchmark, 1991, by Alydar	39	99	14	\$215,362
18 Awesome Gambler, 2004, by Coronado's Quest	30	76	8	\$213,162
19 † Cindago, 2003, by Indian Charlie	19	51	11	\$207,353
20 Eddington, 2001, by Unbridled	38	90	9	\$192,197
21 Cyclotron, 2000, by Grand Slam	14	35	6	\$184,644
22 Desert Code, 2004, by E Dubai	27	62	7	\$182,399
23 Street Hero, 2006, by Street Cry (IRE)	30	78	7	\$182,068
24 Tizbud, 1999, by Cee's Tizzy	25	59	9	\$170,524
25 Heatseeker (IRE), 2003, by Giant's Causeway	20	48	6	\$168,312
26 Don'tsellmeshort, 2001, by Benchmark	31	80	12	\$148,767
27 Surf Cat, 2002, by Sir Cat	13	35	4	\$148,293
28 Tannersmyman, 1998, by Lord Carson	20	54	8	\$148,280
29 Old Topper, 1995, by Gilded Time	20	52	7	\$147,365
30 † McCann's Mojave, 2000, by Memo (CHI)	28	75	12	\$141,167
31 † In Excess (IRE), 1987, by Siberian Express	12	33	2	\$133,139
32 Rocky Bar, 1998, by In Excess (IRE)	27	70	8	\$123,983
33 Time to Get Even, 2004, by Stephen Got Even	11	30	4	\$116,924
34 Lucky J. H., 2002, by Cee's Tizzy	22	55	7	\$99,852
35 Affirmative, 1999, by Unbridled	19	47	4	\$99,464
36 The Pamplemousse, 2006, by Kafwain	9	18	3	\$93,250
37 Bedford Falls, 2003, by Forestry	15	42	5	\$92,977
38 Comic Strip, 1995, by Red Ransom	16	33	3	\$87,953
39 Sierra Sunset, 2005, by Bertrando	12	30	5	\$87,178
40 Mr. Big, 2003, by Dynaformer	4	9	2	\$87,005
41 Einstein (BRZ), 2002, by Spend a Buck	27	61	2	\$84,115
42 Skimming, 1996, by Nureyev	10	26	6	\$83,996
43 Sundarban, 2006, by A.P. Indy	9	20	4	\$82,699
44 Dixie Chatter, 2005, by Dixie Union	25	50	4	\$81,544
45 Terrell, 2000, by Distorted Humor	18	58	8	\$81,025
46 † Thorn Song, 2003, by Unbridled's Song	21	49	3	\$79,827
47 Bold Chieftain, 2003, by Chief Seattle	7	18	3	\$72,737

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**2016 LEADING SIRES IN CALIFORNIA
BY MEDIAN EARNINGS PER RUNNER
(MINIMUM 10 RUNNERS)**

Sire	Rnrs	Races Won	Earned	Median
1 Cyclotron, 2000, by Grand Slam	14	6	\$184,644	\$7,887
2 The Pamplemousse, 2006, by Kafwain	9	3	\$93,250	\$6,970
3 Elusive Warning, 2004, by Elusive Quality	5	2	\$45,930	\$6,720
4 Trapper, 2000, by Iron Cat	5	2	\$55,060	\$6,240
5 † Cindago, 2003, by Indian Charlie	19	11	\$207,353	\$5,600
6 Stormin Fever, 1994, by Storm Cat	33	16	\$246,658	\$5,410
7 Bedford Falls, 2003, by Forestry	15	5	\$92,977	\$5,160
8 Grazen, 2006, by Benchmark	24	10	\$253,908	\$5,145
9 Slewescent, 1988, by Seattle Slew	6	1	\$32,385	\$4,997
10 Bold Chieftain, 2003, by Chief Seattle	7	3	\$72,737	\$4,965
11 Sundarban, 2006, by A.P. Indy	9	4	\$82,699	\$4,730
12 † Bertrando, 1989, by Skywalker	33	11	\$271,893	\$4,719
13 Tannersmyman, 1998, by Lord Carson	20	8	\$148,280	\$4,464
14 Decarchy, 1997, by Distant View	50	17	\$327,387	\$4,335
15 Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	67	22	\$900,046	\$4,180
16 † Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	82	29	\$724,442	\$4,085
17 Lightning N Thunder, 2001, by Storm Cat	7	2	\$47,543	\$3,885
18 Papa Clem, 2006, by Smart Strike	54	21	\$362,064	\$3,871
19 Vronsky, 1999, by Danzig	39	16	\$693,397	\$3,870
20 Surf Cat, 2002, by Sir Cat	13	4	\$148,293	\$3,800

**2016 LEADING SIRES IN CALIFORNIA
BY AVERAGE EARNINGS PER START
(MINIMUM 50 STARTS)**

Sire	Rnrs	Srts	Earned	Earnings Start
1 Vronsky, 1999, by Danzig	39	88	\$693,397	\$7,880
2 Cyclotron, 2000, by Grand Slam	14	35	\$184,644	\$5,276
3 Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	67	171	\$900,046	\$5,263
4 The Pamplemousse, 2006, by Kafwain	9	18	\$93,250	\$5,181
5 Trapper, 2000, by Iron Cat	5	11	\$55,060	\$5,005
6 Surf Cat, 2002, by Sir Cat	13	35	\$148,293	\$4,237
7 Grazen, 2006, by Benchmark	24	60	\$253,908	\$4,232
8 Sundarban, 2006, by A.P. Indy	9	20	\$82,699	\$4,135
9 Thisnearlywasmine, 1994, by Capote	6	15	\$61,667	\$4,111
10 † Cindago, 2003, by Indian Charlie	19	51	\$207,353	\$4,066
11 Bold Chieftain, 2003, by Chief Seattle	7	18	\$72,737	\$4,041
12 † In Excess (IRE), 1987, by Siberian Express	12	33	\$133,139	\$4,035
13 Time to Get Even, 2004, by Stephen Got Even	11	30	\$116,924	\$3,897
14 Kafwain, 2000, by Cherokee Run	32	71	\$275,034	\$3,874
15 Southern Image, 2000, by Halo's Image	42	109	\$408,310	\$3,746
16 Square Eddie, 2006, by Smart Strike	40	100	\$372,743	\$3,727
17 † Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	82	196	\$724,442	\$3,696
18 Heatseeker (IRE), 2003, by Giant's Causeway	20	48	\$168,312	\$3,507
19 † Bertrando, 1989, by Skywalker	33	82	\$271,893	\$3,316
20 Skimming, 1996, by Nureyev	10	26	\$83,996	\$3,231

**2016 LEADING SIRES IN CALIFORNIA
BY NUMBER OF RACES WON**

Sire	Rnrs	Srts	Races Won	Earned
1 Bluegrass Cat, 2003, by Storm Cat	132	333	40	\$1,011,659
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† Cindago, 2003, by Indian Charlie	19	51	11	\$207,353
20 Grazen, 2006, by Benchmark	24	60	10	\$253,908

**2016 LEADING SIRES IN CALIFORNIA
BY NUMBER OF WINNERS**

Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs	Races Won	Earned
1 Bluegrass Cat, 2003, by Storm Cat	132	34	40	\$1,011,659
2 † Tribal Rule, 1996, by Storm Cat	82	27	29	\$724,442
3 Unusual Heat, 1990, by Nureyev	67	20	22	\$900,046
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Santa Anita Park, Arcadia	Dec. 26-April 10
Golden Gate Fields, Berkeley	Dec. 26-June 14
Los Alamitos Race Course, Los Alamitos	April 14-May 1
Santa Anita Park, Arcadia	May 5-July 10
Oak Tree at Pleasanton, Alameda County Fair, Pleasanton	June 15-July 5
California State Fair (Cal Expo), Sacramento	July 6-26
Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, Del Mar	July 15-Sept. 5
Sonoma County Fair, Santa Rosa	July 27-Aug. 16
Humboldt County Fair, Ferndale	Aug. 17-30
Golden Gate Fields, Berkeley	Aug. 17-Sept. 20
Pomona Fair at Los Alamitos Race Course, Los Alamitos	Sept. 7-27
San Joaquin County Fair, Stockton	Sept. 21-Oct. 4
Santa Anita Park, Arcadia	Sept. 28-Nov. 8
Fresno County Fair, Fresno	Oct. 5-18
Golden Gate Fields, Berkeley	Oct. 19-Dec. 20
Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, Del Mar	Nov. 10-Dec. 4
Los Alamitos Race Course, Los Alamitos	Dec. 7-20

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SATURDAY, APRIL 9

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Three-Year-Olds
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\$200,000 Evening Jewel Stakes

Three-Year-Old Fillies
6½ furlongs

SATURDAY, MAY 28

\$200,000 Snow Chief Stakes

Three-Year-Olds
1½ miles (Turf)

\$200,000 Melair Stakes

Three-Year-Old Fillies
1¼ miles

\$150,000 Tiznow Stakes

Four-Year-Olds & Up
1 mile

\$125,000 Fran's Valentine Stakes

Four-Year-Olds & Up, Fillies and Mares
1 mile (Turf)

\$100,000 Lennyfromalibu Stakes

Four-Year-Olds & Up
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Four-Year-Olds & Up
1 mile (Turf)

LOS ALAMITOS

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

\$100,000 Bertrando Stakes

Three-Year-Olds & Up
1 mile

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS

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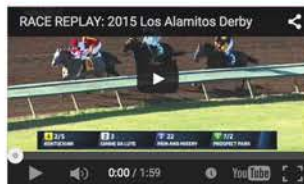
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April 2	SA	San Simeon Stakes (Gr. III)	4-y-o & up	abt. 6 1/2 f. (T)	\$100,000
April 3	SA	Tokyo City Cup (Gr. III)	4-y-o & up	1 1/2 m.	\$100,000
April 9	SA	Santa Anita Derby (Gr. I)	3-y-o	1 1/8 m.	\$1,000,000
April 9	SA	Santa Anita Oaks (Gr. I)	3-y-o f.	1 1/16 m.	\$400,000
April 9	SA	Providencia Stakes (Gr. III)	3-y-o f.	1 1/8 m. (T)	\$150,000
April 9	SA	Echo Eddie Stakes	3-y-o, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	6 1/2 f.	\$200,000
April 9	SA	Evening Jewel Stakes	3-y-o f., Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	6 1/2 f.	\$200,000
April 10	SA	Las Cienegas Stakes (Gr. III)	4-y-o & up, f. & m.	abt. 6 1/2 f. (T)	\$100,000
April 10	SA	San Juan Capistrano Stakes (Gr. III)	4-y-o & up	abt. 1 3/4 m. (T)	\$100,000
April 16	LA	Bertrando Stakes	3-y-o & up, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	1 m.	\$100,000
April 16	LA	Los Angeles Stakes (Gr. III)	3-y-o & up	5 1/2 f.	\$100,000
April 23	LA	Great Lady M Stakes (Gr. II)	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	6 1/2 f.	\$200,000
April 24	LA	Surfside Stakes	3-y-o f.	6 f.	\$75,000
April 30	LA	California Chrome Stakes	3-y-o	1 1/16 m.	\$150,000
April 30	GGF	San Francisco Mile (Gr. III)	3-y-o & up	1 m. (T)	\$100,000
May 1	GGF	Silky Sullivan Stakes	3-y-o, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	1 m. (T)	\$100,000
May 1	GGF	Campanile Stakes	3-y-o f., Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	1 m. (T)	\$100,000
May 5	SA	Royal Heroine Stakes (Gr. II)	4-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 m. (T)	\$200,000
May 6	SA	American Stakes (Gr. III)	3-y-o & up	1 m. (T)	\$100,000
May 7	SA	Senorita Stakes (Gr. III)	3-y-o f.	1 m. (T)	\$100,000
May 7	SA	Desert Code Stakes	3-y-o	abt. 6 1/2 f. (T)	\$75,000
May 8	SA	Adoration Stakes (Gr. III)	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 1/16 m.	\$100,000
May 14	SA	Lazaro Barrera Stakes (Gr. III)	3-y-o	7 f.	\$100,000
May 14	SA	Singletary Stakes	3-y-o	1 m. (T)	\$75,000
May 14	GGF	Golden Poppy Stakes	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 1/16 m. (T)	\$50,000
May 15	SA	Angels Flight Stakes	3-y-o f.	7 f.	\$75,000
May 15	GGF	Alcatraz Stakes	3-y-o	1 m. (T)	\$75,000
May 21	SA	Mizdirection Stakes	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	abt. 6 1/2 f. (T)	\$75,000
May 21	SA	Kona Gold Stakes (Gr. II)	3-y-o & up	6 1/2 f.	\$200,000
May 22	SA	Californian Stakes (Gr. II)	3-y-o & up	1 1/8 m.	\$200,000
May 28	SA	Snow Chief Stakes	3-y-o, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	1 1/8 m. (T)	\$200,000
May 28	SA	Melair Stakes	3-y-o f., Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	1 1/16 m.	\$200,000
May 28	SA	Tiznow Stakes	4-y-o & up, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	1 m.	\$150,000
May 28	SA	Lennyfromalibu Stakes	4-y-o & up, Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	abt. 6 1/2 f. (T)	\$100,000
May 28	SA	Fran's Valentine Stakes	4-y-o & up, f. & m., Cal-Bred/Cal-Sired	1 m. (T)	\$125,000
May 29	SA	Charles Whittingham Stakes (Gr. II)	3-y-o & up	1 1/4 m. (T)	\$200,000
May 30	SA	Gamely Stakes (Gr. I)	3-y-o & up, f. & m.	1 1/8 m. (T)	\$300,000
May 30	GGF	All American Stakes (Gr. III)	3-y-o & up	1 m.	\$100,000



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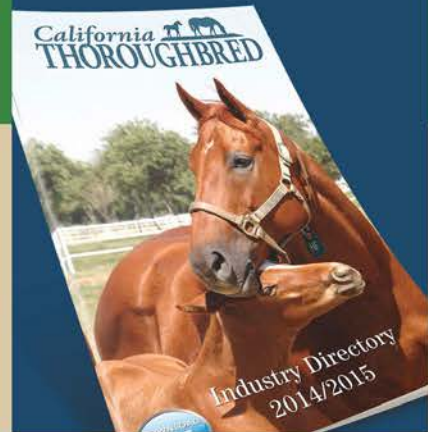
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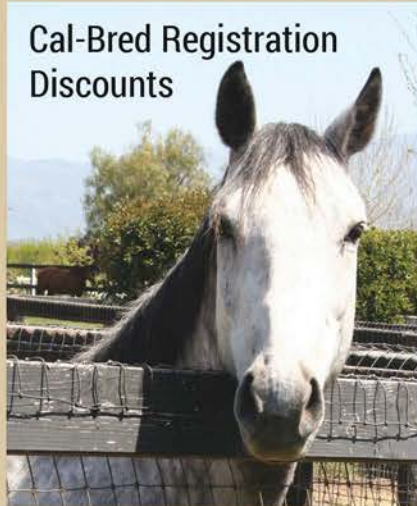
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