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Captures the \$100,000 Oak Tree Distaff Stakes Pleasanton, California



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Successful Sales Preparations

Connally's RED MILLS

Tips on Feeding and Nutrition

The aim of any feeding programme in the months prior to the sale is to provide the nutrients essential for growth, development, soundness and top line while avoiding excess energy causing obesity. Obesity is undesirable in a growing horses as it places strain on the muscularskeletal system and could in turn affect future performance. Young stock presented for sale should be well muscled and toned, demonstrating their athletic ability.

The key to successful sales prepping is beginning early. If starting late the sudden increase in feed intake can cause rapid growth and/or compensatory growth and this combined with increased work load, can cause developmental problems to occur. It is important to realize that there are limits to what can be achieved in a short time.

"By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail". Benjamin Franklin

True successful sales preparation starts with correct nutrition and management of the broodmare, right through each life stage of the young horse. Ensuring an even steady growth rate is essential in promoting soundness and correct development. As skeletal growth occurs much faster than weight gain, it is essential that the young horse receives the right nutrition in order to maximise on bone density. While producing good growth is the aim for the sale ring, soundness is the key to success on the track.

Age	Height	% Mature Height*	Weight	% Mature Weight*
6 Months	13.2h	84%	228kg	46%
12 Months	15.0h	94%	322kg	65%
22 Months	15.2h	97%	445kg	90%

*Estimates based on 16-hand, 500 kg mature horse

Monitoring each animal individually in the run up to the sales is critical in ensuring that the right nutrition for weight gain and condition relative to work load is received. Feeding rates will vary depending on the genetic make-up, skeletal size, metabolism, age, along with the quantity and quality of forage. Using a commercial feed formulated for the growing horse, such as foal pellets or a foal/yearling feed, will provide the nutrients necessary for optimum growth and development.

Growing foals have the highest protein requirement. High quality protein promotes not only proper weight gain, but also skeletal and muscular growth. Diets deficients in quality protein will lead to reduced growth rates. Supplementing with additional protein through a stud balancer or feed supplement may be advisable for improved top line and muscle mass.

Ad lib access to a high quality, high energy forage is recommended. Using a high quality, early cut hay will help avoid the pot-bellied appearance from gut-fill that is often associated with consumption of a mature hay of high lignin content. Ensuring the forage is clean and dust free is imperative in sales prepping. Nutritional supplements designed to loosen mucus, open up airways and help with coughing can be beneficial to animals that are particularly sensitive.

With high concentrate intake and large meals, starch overload can be common in sales horses causing hind-gut acidosis, diarrhoea, colic, laminitis and behavior problems. Alfalfa chaff added to the concentrate can improve overall digestive health associated with high starch meals as well as providing an excellent source of non heating calories, lysine and magnesium. Top dressing an existing feed with a stud balancer will enhance the nutrient density of the feed providing additional high quality amino acids, vitamins and minerals without the calories.

The composition of the concentrate should also be considered for some animals. Excitability, behavior problems, digestive problems and muscle tightness have been associated in some horses with high starch, cereal based diets. There are now many commercial feeds on the market formulated energy sources such as fermentable fibres and fats rather than cereals that have proven very effective in overcoming some of these issues.

Regardless of the composition of the concentrate. It is important that all dietary changes be made gradually to avoid a digestive upset. Feeding three or more concentrate meal per day, rather than two large meals, allows for more efficient feed utilisation and a healthier gut.

Supplementing the diet with additional fats and oils also recommended in preparing the young horse for sale. Fats and oils improve the condition of the skin, hair coat, and hooves, help decrease the risk of impactions in the gut and provide additional calories to the diet in a safe non heating form. Sources of fats and oils include vegetable and oil seed (Sunflower, linseed oils) and stabilized rice bran. Linseed is an excellent source of omega 3, an essential fatty acid well know for its anti-inflammatory properties, and omega 6. Omega 6 and Omega 3 are fatty acids that cannot be synthesized by the horse and so need to be provided in the diet. Horses on restricted access to pasture will benefit greatly from linseed or flaxseed oil supplementation. Using emulsified oils will allow for improved absorption rates in the horse.

Copper is one of the most important trace elements in the horse and is important for many different processes within the body, in particular, bone development. A good indicator of copper deficiency in the horse is poor coat condition and loss of pigmentation. Supplementing with copper can show a marked improvement in coat color and coat quality. Supplements which balance and aid the immune system and act as natural anti-inflammatories can also benefit to the young horse during the sales prepping period.

Excessive sweating during the sales may cause dehydration and a depletion of electrolytes. The fine balance between water and electrolyte concentration is essential for appropriate muscle contraction and also in the cooling of the horse. An imbalance or a depletion of electrolytes can lead to muscle fatigue, muscle cramps and tying up. Administering electrolytes as well as providing access to clean fresh water is important while at the sale.

Superior nutrition and smart feeding can play a pivotal role in successful sales preparation. \diamondsuit

TURF PARADISE

2014-2015 THOROUGHBRED STAKES AND HANDICAP SCHEDULE • OCTOBER 18th - May 5th ** Denotes: All entry dates are subject to change | Contact the Racing Office for updated entry date information.

RUNS	ENTRY DATES	RACE	VALUE	AGE	DISTANCE
Sat., Oct. 18	Mon., Oct. 13	Bienvenidos Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up	6 1/2 Furlongs
Sat., Oct. 18	Mon., Oct. 13	Trials for ATBA Sales Stakes (Two Div. F	illies and C&G) (Foals of 2012 of	consgn to the 2013 ATBA Sal	e)
Sat., Oct. 25	Mon., Oct. 20	Princess of Palms Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up F&M	6 Furlongs
Sun., Nov. 2	Tue., Oct. 28	ATBA Fall Sales Stake (Fillies)	\$35,000 Added	2 Yo F	6 Furlongs
Sun., Nov. 2	Tue., Oct. 28	ATBA Fall Sales Stake (C&G)	\$35,000 Added	2 Yo C&G	6 Furlongs
(Trials to run S	Sat. Oct. 18, (Foals of 2012	consigned to the 2013 ATBA Sale) + \$50	,000 for Certified Arizona-bred	s)	
Sat., Nov. 8	Mon., Nov. 3	Chandler Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo F	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Nov. 8	Mon., Nov. 3	Jeff & Jack Coady, Sr. Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Nov. 15	Mon., Nov. 10	Caballos Del Sol Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up	6 Furlongs
Sat., Nov. 15	Mon., Nov. 10	City of Phoenix Stakes	\$35,000 Added	3&Up F&M	6 Furlongs
Wed., Nov. 19	Sat., Nov. 15	Trials Arizona Breeders' Futurity (Two I	Div. Fillies and C&G) (Foals of 2	012 AZ-Breds)	
Sat., Nov. 29	Mon., Nov. 24	Queen of the Green	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up F&M	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Nov. 29	Mon., Nov. 24	Walter R. Cluer Memorial Stake	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Dec. 6	Mon., Dec. 1	Arizona Breeders' Futurity (C&G)	\$50,000 Guaranteed	2 Yo (AZBred)	6 Furlongs
Sat., Dec. 6	Mon., Dec. 1	Arizona Breeders' Futurity (Fillies)	\$50,000 Guaranteed	2 Yo F (AZBred)	6 Furlongs
(Trials to run V	Nednesday, Nov. 19, (Foals	of 2012 - Arizona-Breds)			
Sat., Dec. 6	Mon., Dec. 1	Cactus Wren Stakes	\$25,000 Added	3&UP (AZBred)	6 1/2 Furlongs
	(Arizona Bred or	passed through the ATBA Sales)			
Sat., Dec. 6	Mon., Dec. 1	Cactus Flower Stakes	\$25,000 Added	3&UP F&M	6 1/2 Furlongs
	(Arizona Bred or	passed through the ATBA Sales)			
Sat., Dec. 20	Mon., Dec. 15	Hank Mills, Sr. Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up	1 Mile
Sat., Dec. 20	Mon., Dec. 15	Kachina Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	4&Up	1 Mile
Sat., Dec. 27	Mon., Dec. 22	Lost in the Fog Juvenile Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	2 Yo	6 1/2 Furlongs
Sat., Dec. 27	Mon., Dec. 22	Arizona Juvenile Fillies Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	2 Yo F	6 1/2 Furlongs
Wed., Dec. 31	Mon., Dec. 28	Luke Kruytbosch Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo	1 1/16 Mile
Sat., Jan. 17	**Mon., Jan. 12, 2015	Cotton Fitzsimmons Mile	\$75,000 Guaranteed	4&Up	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Jan. 17	**Mon., Jan. 12, 2015	Glendale Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	4&Up F&M	1 1/16 Mile (T)
Sat., Jan. 24	**Mon., Jan. 19, 2015	Swift Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	4&Up	5 1/2 Furlongs
Sat., Feb. 14	Mon., Feb. 09, 2015	Phoenix Gold Cup	\$75,000 Guaranteed	4&Up	6 Furlongs
Sat., Feb. 14	Mon., Feb. 09, 2015	Turf Paradise Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	4&Up	1 1/16 Mile (T)
Sat., Feb. 14	Mon., Feb. 09, 2015	Sun City Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	4&Up F&M	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Feb. 21	Mon., Feb. 16, 2015	Turf Paradise Derby	\$75,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo	1 1/16 Mile
Sat., Feb. 21	Mon., Feb. 16, 2015	Arizona Oaks	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo F	1 Mile
Sat., Mar. 14	Mon., Mar. 9, 2015	Scottsdale Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo F	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Mar. 14	Mon., Mar. 9, 2015	Tempe Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo	1 Mile (T)
Sat., Mar. 28	Mon., Mar. 23, 2015	Coyote Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up	6 1/2 Furlongs
Sat., Mar. 28	Mon., Mar. 23, 2015	Mesa Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up F&M	6 1/2 Furlongs
Sat., Apr. 4	Mon., Mar. 30, 2015	Wildcat Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up	1 3/8 Mile (T)
Sat., Apr. 4	Mon., Mar. 30, 2015	Arizona Stallion Stakes	\$35,000 Added	3 Yo (AZBred)	7 1/2 Furlongs (T)
Sat., Apr. 18	Mon., Apr. 13, 2015	Trials for ATBA Spring Sales Stakes (2 [-	
Sat., Apr. 25	Mon., Apr. 20, 2015	Gene Fleming Breeders' Derby	\$50,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo (AZBred)	1 1/16 Mile
Sat., Apr. 25	Mon., Apr. 20, 2015	Dwight D. Patterson Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up (AZBred)	1 1/16 Furlongs (T)
Sat., Apr. 25	Mon., Apr. 20, 2015	Lyman & Bradley Rollins Hcp.	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up (AZBred)	6 Furlongs
Sat., Apr. 25	Mon., Apr. 20, 2015	Ann Owens Distaff Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up F&M (AZBred)	6 Furlongs
Sat., Apr. 25	Mon., Apr. 20, 2015	Joanne Dye Stakes	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3 Yo F (AZBred)	6 1/2 Furlongs
Tues., May. 5	Sat., May 02, 2015	ATBA Spring Sales Stake	\$35,000 Added	2 Yo	5 Furlongs
		e) + \$25,000 for Certified Arizona Breds-			
Tues., May. 5	Sat., May 02, 2015	Hasta La Vista Handicap	\$35,000 Guaranteed	3&Up	1 7/8 Furlongs (T)

Tax Treatment Of Casualty Losses

by John Alan Cohan, Attorney at Law

Last fall a freak early snow storm killed thousands of livestock and horses in South Dakota. Ranches suffered a tremendous monetary loss of prized livestock and horses. More recently in Kentucky, eight horse were killed in a fire, four of which were yearlings slated for the Keeneland September sale. Three of the four were uninsured.

The financial impact of casualties is significant in that it wipes out potential sales income, and sets back breeding, racing and showing efforts, not to mention the personal trauma of the tragedy.

Under Federal tax law, if you are engaged in a horse or livestock activity as a trade or business, a casualty loss is important to account for. Sometimes a major part of your breeding program can be interrupted by a casualty such as an aborted foal. When the IRS asks for an explanation of why there were several years of losses, sometimes the casualty issue need to be clarified in detail. Sometimes, if there are several casualties the IRS agent might get suspicious of insurance fraud, which requires further explanation. If there is no insurance, the amount claimed in the casualty might be substantial, and will require proof. In other cases, the IRS agent might need to be educated as to the economics of your venture and why the loss of an aborted foal, for example, can really throw a monkey wrench into your profit plans.

Another kind of setback involves illness of owners, resulting in loss of time expended in the activity due to medical treatment and recuperation. While this does not result in a casualty loss as does the death of an animal, nonetheless it impacts one's ability to carry forward business plans, and needs to be explained to the IRS if there is a history of losses.

Under the Tax Code, a casualty loss deduction's available when property is damaged, destroyed or lost due to a sudden, unexpected, or unusual event. IRS form 4684 ("Casualties and Thefts") is submitted along with other tax forms. A sudden event is one that is swift, not gradual, such as a sudden storm, a racehorse casualty, a fire, flood, highway accident, or other misfortune. A loss of horses or livestock in a casualty is allowed only if the animals are part of a horse or ranching business. Livestock bought for resale are deductible, for example, but casualties affecting hobby horses are not.

The amount of the casualty depends mainly on the cost basis of the animals in question. To compute a loss the IRS will look to your adjusted basis in the animals minus any insurance or other reimbursement you receive or expect to receive. Generally, if a single casualty involves multiple animals, you must compute your loss separately for each animal, and then combine the losses to determine your total loss for tax purposes.

If you receive insurance proceeds for the loss, but incurred expenses to collect that insurance, the legal costs are deducted from the amount of insurance reimbursement in calculating the amount to report.

Loss of horses or livestock from disease are considered involuntary. This is the case if you need to sell more than the usual number of livestock because of drought. The sale of animals above the normal volume is treated as an involuntary conversion. Involuntary conversions are reported as Form 4797 along with sales and exchanges of horses and livestock.

There are complications and grey areas in determining the scope of a casualty loss or involuntary conversion, and therefore you should seek the advice of your tax professional regarding the application of these rules to insure accurate reporting on your tax report. \diamondsuit

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BY DENNIS MILLER



Anne explained that she looks forward to any opportunity to escape her wheel chair, whether to swim in the therapy pool or to exercise on various machines designed to keep her muscles toned and stimulated.

When her condition allows, Anne fully expects to return to Arizona where she still owns a home not far from the racetrack. She says that Phil Hartman has been so helpful in taking care of her house and currently is caring for her two dogs, Rebel and Lili, while training at Canterbury Park in Shakopee, Minnesota.

Returning home is a motivation for a number of reasons, not the least of which is to come to the track and personally thank all of those who were kind beyond words in this time of need.

Additionally, she very much wants to return by October so she can give "Running for Annie" some peppermints at the sale to be held a West World in Scottsdale, Arizona.



Weanling "Running For Annie" growing up at the Flemings Thoroughbred Farm in Willcox, Arizona.

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As if that was not enough, all proceeds from the sale of "Running for Annie" at the ATBA Yearling & Mixed Sale this October will go directly to offset Anne's medical costs.

When told of Dorothée's generosity Anne was overwhelmed and when she learned the foal was by Arizona 2013 Stallion of the Year, Margie's Wildcat out of Oklahoma Morn, she was speechless.

Von Rosen recently travelled from Germany where she has been in rehabilitation to Puerto Rico, where Dr. Font who specializes in neuro-medular therapy, is treating her. The Doctor has had great success with this treatment Anne explains. She expects to stay for 3-6 weeks.

Dr. Von Rosen, Anne's father who travelled with her has returned to Germany, but before departing he took Anne to the beach where she enjoyed the warm water while her dad held her.

"Said, Anne, "WOW! The things people are doing for me are unbelievable and don't seem to stop. I get so emotional reading about it... I don't know how I can ever thank them all enough"

Upon arriving in Puerto Rico, Anne's father took her to the beach. Anne enjoyed a sunny day in water, prior to attending her therapy sessions.





Photo of Anne in Puerto Rico working in the pool with therapy instructor.



Photo of Anne engaged with standing rehabilitation apparatus.

RUNNING FOR Annie

CHESTNUT FILLY March 14, 2014

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Storm Cat

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Arizona, \$144,600). Sire of 4 crops of racing age, 76 foals, 56 starters, 39 winners of 91 races and earning \$1,436,-787, including Wildcat Energy (\$31,853, 2nd Gene Fleming Breeders' Derby-R (TUP, \$11,744), etc.), Wildcat Miss (6 wins, \$119,873), Silky Sami (6 wins, \$115,075), Don't Say No (6 wins, \$97,892), Party Boy (4 wins, \$90,549), Hungry Wildcat (\$78,343), Sweet Margi (\$72,799), Winning Wildcat (\$67,843), Endless Drive (\$63,865), etc.

1st dam

OKLAHOMA MORN, by Alwuhush. Winner at 3 and 4, \$93,650. This is her sixth foal. Dam of 5 foals to race, 4 winners, including--

LUTE OATSON (g. by Barricade). 9 wins, 3 to 7, \$57,317, Top Hat S. Bench Mench (g. by Benchmark). 6 wins at 3 and 4, \$47,381, 3rd Top Hat S. Zim's Blur (f. by Urgent Request (IRE)). 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$85,619. Desert Morn (g. by Desert God). Placed at 3, 2011.

2nd dam

SARATOGA TEN, by Saratoga Six. 3 wins at 2 and 4, \$122,620. Dam of--

- Rahrahsixboombah. Winner at 3, \$21,669. Dam of 2 winners, including--LIFE AT TEN (f. by Malibu Moon). 8 wins, 2 to 5, placed at 6, 2011, \$1,267,015,BeldameS.-G1,OgdenPhippsH.-G1,DelawareH.-G2, Sixty Sails H.-G3, Snit S., Rare Treat S., 3rd Personal Ensign S.-G1,
- Delaware H.-G2, Allaire du Pont Distaff S.-G3. Dixieland Fantasy. Unraced. Dam of 11 foals, 8 to race, all winners, incl.--DIXIE DREAMER (f. by Mutakddim), 5 wins at 2 and 5, \$312,252, Pepsi Bassinet S.-L, U Can Do It H., 2nd Sunshine Millions Filly & Mare Sprint S.-L B. 3rd Mountaineer. Invenile Fillies S.-L

Sprint S.-LR, 3rd Mountaineer Juvenile Fillies S.-L. DIXIE HIGH (f. by Anet). 2 wins at 2, \$125,945, Barretts Debutante S.-LR, 3rd Ocala Stud Oaks-LR.

3rd dam
BELLE O' REASON, by Hail to Reason. 7 wins, 3 to 5, \$106,970, Brentwood S., Convenience S., 3rd Santa Ana H. twice. Half-sister to RELAUNCH (\$278,100), MOON GLITTER, BATTLE CALL, Warm Front. Dam of-Winter Belle. 9 wins, 4 to 7, €84,275, in Ireland, 2nd Dennys Gold Medal Stp., Winelectric Novice Stp., etc.; winner at 9 and 10, £11,187, in England, 3rd Guinness Festival Bumper NHF Race. (Total: \$122,055).
Mystic Reason. Winner at 3, €41,925, in France, 2nd Prix Belle de Nuit, Prix du Grand Camp. (Total: \$47,248). Granddam of MEDICINE PATH.

Chimes. 2 wins, \$28,200. Dam of CHIMES BAND (Total: \$416,961), etc. Engagements: Arizona Breeders, Futurity and Derby. Certified for Arizonabred Breeders Awards

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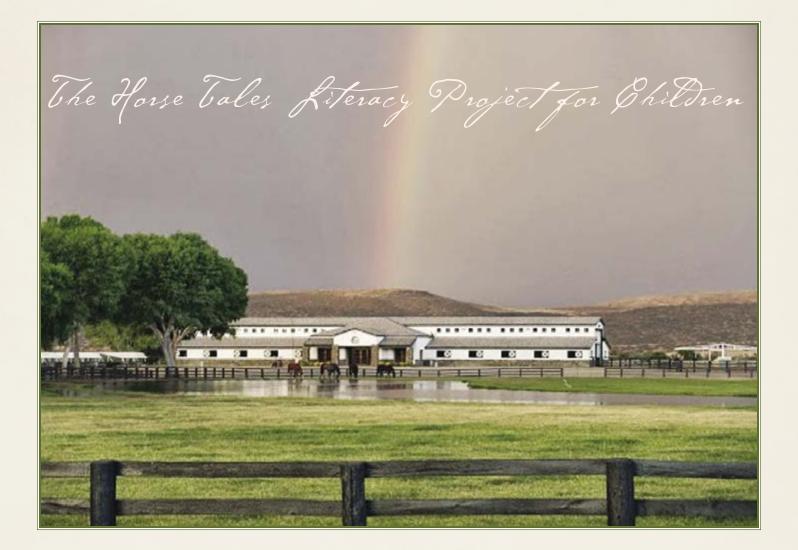
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HIDDEN SPRINGS RANCH

Peeples Valley, Arizona



HIDDEN SPRINGS RANCH—Thoroughbred Training Center opened its doors and welcomed 200 children to explore the ranch utilizing their horses as a live learning tool to encourage the children to read stories about horses. Local elementary schools such as Congress, Kirkland and Skull Valley signed up their classrooms for the "Horse Tales" Literacy Project and organized transportation, volunteers and teachers to accompany the children to visit the ranch. The children's visit consisted of a fun hayride that toured the grounds, while acquiring hands on experience of touching the horses and learning about the types of equipment and care that the horse's need. The up close experience combined with reading a story about "Little Black Goes to the Circus" written by Walter Farley stirred the imagination of the kids and made the subject matter much more intriguing.

The Horse Tales Riteracy Project for Children

INNOVATIVE BEGINNINGS

Tim Farley (son of Walter Farley, Author of "The Black Stallion") and Mark Miller (Owner of Arabian Knights Dinner Attraction, in Florida), became life-long friends and shared a common interest to encourage kids to read. Tim knew his father's classic books had a tremendous influence on motivating children and Mark knew that having the children interact with a live horse would unbridle their imagination's and would help lay the needed groundwork for children to continue to develop their reading skills. Together Tim & Mark founded The Horse Tales Literacy Project (formerly known as The Black Stallion Literacy Foundation), in 2000 as a non-profit company. Horse Tales, has now served over 650,000 children participating in the program to enhance their reading abilities. The project has encouraged children to read other types of horse literature, which has built their aptitudes and self-confidence to a level where they discovered the enjoyment in learning.



Kids arrived on the bus eager to began their tour of Hidden Springs Ranch and a day of reading horse stories.

The Horse Tales Literacy Project continues to partner with volunteers, educators and national companies such as Target, Pepsi, Wal-Mart, Bank of America, Sysco Foods, and various Equine Associations. The curriculum-based literacy programs are age appropriate and are aligned with both state and national standards.

MARTY CROISSANT

Marty is the Southwest Regional Director of the "Horse Tales" Literacy Project. In an interview, Marty said she was visiting her sister, who lives in Congress, Arizona. On her way to Prescott, Marty drove by the Hidden Springs Ranch.



She immediately thought it would be a wonderful place to hold a field trip for local area schools kids and introduce them to the literacy program. She decided to knock on the stable office door and introduced herself. Marty spoke to the owner about participating in the Horse Tales reading project for children.

A DAY AT THE RANCH

It was a sunny morning when four yellow school buses drove up the beautifully tree lined driveway of Hidden Springs Ranch to unload 200 kids to participate in the "Horse Tales" literacy project.

The Hidden Springs staff welcomed the children and adults then directed them to the front pasture, where the ranch tour began. Two of the ranch employees lead out a horse to swim the length of the horse-shoe shaped lake.

Bret Hone explained to the children how swimming the horses was part of a fitness training program or sometimes a rehabilitation routine for Thoroughbred racehorses.

The kids were fascinated to see the horse swim the lake. It was a sight that many of them had never seen before, not even on television.

The ranch tour was organized like a popular amusement park. The staff and teachers organized centers where each group could participate in a different activity.

After the seeing the horse swim, the staff divided the kids into groups of 30-35. Each activity lasted 35 minutes and the schedule was laid out to allow enough time for bathroom breaks and to answer any questions the children may have. The sound of a bell signaled the kids to transition to the next activity station.



THE HAYRIDE

Lizeth Aranda conducted the hayride tour with the children. The hayride took the kids to see paddocks of horses, the stallion and mare barns, and the training track.

She told, them that the ranch was purchased in 1999 by owners Mary Ellen and Robert McKee and consists of 225 acres.

Lizeth explained to the kids about the fencing, sprinklers and the history of the horses residing in some of the paddocks and how the ranch is a training facility for race horses

Most of the horses here are owned by many of our clients. We have clients from the United States, Canada and as faraway as Ireland. We offer our clients a full spectrum of care and training for their horses.

We train the horse(s) on the race track that is located behind the main stable and we have a covered round pen in the back to start young two year old horses. The children watched exercise riders galloping horses on the track.

The paddocks are for boarding horse's that need rest from racing or for rehabilitation from injuries.

We foal out mares for our clients and we have the front lake for swimming and a Eurociser at the side of the main stable for an alternative type of exercise for horses.

The kids also got to view some of the cattle on the ranch. "Lucy the Watusi" (Ankole-Watusi a breed of cattle

originally native to Africa) cow is the one of the main character's of the bovine herd. The kids got to see a new born calf.

Lizeth said, they were expecting the mother to birth her calf all week, but she seemed to hold out for the day the kids arrived for the ranch tour.

The hayride ended back at the main office and the children made their transition to the next station.



The Horse Tales Siteracy Project for Children



THE MAIN STABLE

Bret Hone directed the attention of the group to a long

board that had a variety of horse shoes nailed across it. He explained about each type of horseshoe and the purpose each shoe offered on different track surfaces. He pointed out the main features of each shoe and how some are customized to fit a horses hoof.

Bret then lead the children inside the tack room where they could view all of the saddles, bridles and different types of equipment that is used.

The children followed Bret out through the barn where he told them

"Don't let anyone tell you that you can't do something...if you have a dream...go for it"

Bret Hone, Hidden Springs Ranch Manager

about how and what they feed the horses and how they are cared for on a daily basis. He pointed out to the children a couple of horses getting ready to gallop on the training track and then lead them over to the starting gate.

The starting gate was like a playground jungle-jim for the kids. They loved climbing up on the pontoons and getting a clear view of what a race horse might see as he breaks from the gate in an actual race.

Bret had the entire group of kids stand inside the gate and they all broke from a stand still and ran down the

> track, just like the horse's do. The children were so excited to experience breaking from the gate and it inspired their imaginations to learn more about the horses.

Reading Center

Mary Ellen McKee and staff made sure the ranch was a clean and comfortable environment for the kids to enjoy. Blankets were laid out on the front lawn in front of guest apartments and tables were organized for the kids to work on



Group of Children with Bret Hone in front of starting gate.

their crafts. The kids had fun creating bandanas and book markers with beads.

Mary Ellen saddle her pleasure horse "Charley" and had him tied to a hitching post in front of the grassy lawn of the reading station. Charley is a white quarter horse with patience of a saint and he seemed to listen intensely to each child that read parts of the story to him.

CRAFT CENTER

Hidden Springs Ranch is always in immaculate condition from it's lush green pastures to perfectly manicured shed row's. The modern stable office is a wonderful setting for any top executive to be proud of and you couldn't ask for a better view from the conference table. Outside the office



Kids practicing their reading skills.



The craft center is where the kids created bandanas and beaded book markers.

"If I can make a difference in one child's life, then I will be happy"

Mary Ellen McKee, Hidden Springs Ranch Owner

window is a lovely view of a grassy paddock with frolicking yearlings hanging their heads over the fence and playing with each other like youngsters on a playground.

When Marty Croissant spoke with Mary Ellen about participating in the literacy program, she projected about 30-40 kids in attending. Later, when Marty told Mary Ellen there would be about 200, she took a deep breath and said, well I think its a great opportunity and the Hidden Springs staff enthusiastically welcomed the idea to motivate the children to read books about horses.

The combination of the kids seeing the horses in action at the ranch and anticipating reading the stories about horses made for a magical day.

The kids returned their heartfelt thanks to Mary Ellen and the Hidden Springs staff by sending colorful and creative thank you letters and cards. *

Walter Farley's Classic Books

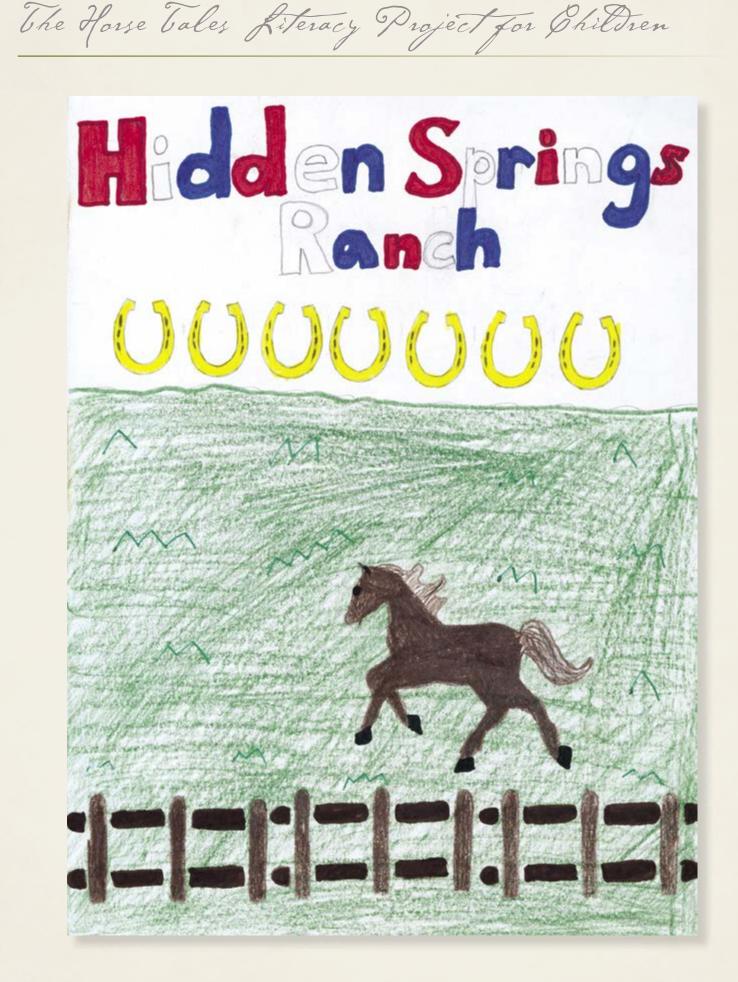
- Little Black, A Pony
- Little Black goes to the Circus
- The Black Stallion
- Return of the Black Stallion



The children proudly display their colorful horse show ribbons that were inside their individual goodie bags.



At the end of the day the buses loaded up the children and returned them to school.



Ihank you for letting our school come and have a tour of your ranch. I really enjoyed when you showed us how you swim your horses. Also when you guys took us on a hay ride. I'm very glad I got to see your ranch and hope to come again. iso thank you staff for putting together. Also last thank you for the treat bags I loved them. incerely



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Doug Chapman passed away in June. Our condolences to his family and friends.

Carol Chappell was hospitalized in June. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Triple AAA Ranches, *Top Fortitude* finished 2nd at Belmont Park in the \$500,000 Woody Stephens.

Mrs. Peggy Hopwood & Karen Yeaman Thoroughbred, *Shewd Move* won at Prairie Meadows by 18 lengths!

Water will be turned off in the barn area until August to repair and install shut off valves at each barn in the A–D rows. Also, the barns of A-D rows are being painted white. A few other improvements are happening over in the grandstand with installation of a few new TV monitors and the racing office is getting a some updated improvements. The entry counter-tops are being tiled and a fresh coat of paint.

Stall Applications for Turf Paradise are Due August 9th, 2014. The barn area will be open for clean up on August 25th. Horse's will be allowed on the grounds September 2nd and the main track will be open for training on September 4, 2014.

QH Trials will be held on September 20th, and the finals will run on October 4, 2014.

Vinnie Barrett was seriously injured, while repairing on the outside railing on the racetrack. He has made a speedy recovery and is back at work.

Sally Matheny, Turf Paradise's Operator/ Receptionist (Switchboard Sally) has been ill. Sally is feeling much better and enjoyed a fun time boating at Lake Pleasant recently, with many of the girls in the front office.

Mike Harlow will be the new Turf Paradise Racing Secretary/Director of Racing for the 2014-2015 meeting.

Shawn Swartz will be the Assistant Racing Secretary.

Troy Smith is having a great meet at Finger Lakes, New York. With 52 starts 13 wins.

Sharlot Martinez is having a great meet at Arapaho in Colorado this summer. She is in contention for leading trainer. Her mare Lady Jila won two Stake races, The Molly Brown Stakes and the Columbine Stakes.

Martin & Krystal Bourdieu welcomed a baby boy into their family on July 30, 2014. He weighed 7 lbs., 4 oz, and was 19 inches tall. The proud parents named him Jionni. Congratulations to the Bourdieu family!

Memorial of Margaret "Mugsy" Seagar. Longtime Turf Paradise pari-mutuel teller passed away in August.

The Arizona Stallion Standings and statistics will be posted on our website: atba.net.

Advance Deposit Wagering (ADW) for Arizona is in the final stages of the "rule making process" and will be submitted to the ADOR and the Governor to review. Once the rules have been established a "host" such as Expressbet, TVG or Twinspires will be selected to handle the ADW accounts. Turf Paradise hopes to have this all in place prior to the opening of the 2014-2015 race meet. Be sure to review the new racing dates and Post Times at Turf Paradise for the 2014-2015 meet.

Molly Pearson is recovering from knee surgery. She is doing well and we wish her a speedy recovery and the best of luck for the upcoming meet at Turf Paradise.

Hidden Springs Ranch has made some improvements to the surface of their training track. They have added 2000 tons of sand to the track and have upgraded the Eurociser. They added rubberized footing to the Eurociser and a misting system. The Eurociser can exercise six head at a time.

Anderson's Feed & Tack Store located on the grounds of Turf Paradise at 1722 Tierra Buena Lane, is now under a new ownership and management.

Fleming Thoroughbred Farm located in Willcox, Arizona reported about the 5.2 earthquake that was felt at their farm and was centered in Duncan, Arizona. �

NEW MEMBERS

The A.T.B.A. would like to welcome the following new members to our organization:

Craig and Christina Minten

Your membership is the best seventy-five dollars you'll "invest" in the Thoroughbred business.

MILITARY HANDS GUIDE THOR

by Susan Salk

rm and arm they walked toward the horse. The blinded Iraq War veteran extended his arm and on faith accompanied Vicki Dryer down the barn isle, his seeing-eye dog trailing close behind.

In a moment the pair, both shattered by war, stood at the door of ex-racehorse Devgru, a fine racehorse who'd weathered his own storms. But on this day the animal, who was almost euthanized during a prolonged recovery from

knee-chip surgery, stood soundly. Able bodied he reported for duty April 4, to enter his second career as therapy horse for veterans and first responders.

From his stall at the Phoenix-based Horse Rhythm Foundation the bay Thoroughbred stood at the nexus of lives affected by military service. The horse himself had passed from caring military hands to those affected by military service. In fact, it was a collaboration between his owner Army veteran and CANTER Arizona founder Dennis Miller and Dryer, mother of a fallen soldier, that put Devgru on a career path helping veterans.

"I look at things in life, like this horse, and the way things just seem

to come full circle and marvel", says Miller, who served in Army intelligence in the late 60's.

After Devgru ran a modestly successful campaign for Miller, the horseman put considerable resources into surgery and rehab for the injured animal.

After enough knee chips and cartilage to fill a three-anda-half-inch vial was removed during surgery, the gelding began a months long recovery that was touch and go.

"While the surgery was successful, it revealed that his injury was more extensive that expected, with numerous bone chips in both his upper and lower knee," he says. "And rehabilitation was not without setbacks. Time and again Devgru appeared to be progressing enough to be turned out, only to limp back, sore and swollen. There was even a time the CANTER board discussed the possibility of euthanasia. All he needed was time.

And when he became sound again on all four feet, Devgru was handed off to Vicki Dryer, whose life had been interrupted by grief.

In 2011, her son, PFC. John Corey Johnson was killed in Afganistan, and she shrank into a self-protected shell.

"Before my son was killed, I'd worked in the Thoroughbred business for 25 years," she says. "I did everything. I exercised horses, I broke them, and my son and I had a lot of great memories of the track."

With him gone, she was unable to return to the track, and even had trouble getting out of the house. But the opportunity to re-train Devgru came along at nearly the same moment that Dryer began looking for project horses. Miller sent Devgru to Dryer's facility, Bit O Luck Farm, and from their first moments together, a spark rekindled.

"The first time I rode him, I allowed myself to open up to him," she says. He made her laugh. She focused her attention on his quirks; he distracted her from grief.

"One day I put a tarp in his round pen, "she says. "Before I could even start training, he was playing with it. He had that thing up on his head, over his back, and was pulling on it-it even brushed his belly. I couldn't believe it."

When she realized what a good horse she had, she contacted Horse Rhythm Foundation, and set up an

"There is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man."

Winston Churchhill



Vicki Dryer smiles more readily these days.

OUGHBRED TO AID VETERANS



Devgru shortly after his surgery to remove knee chips and other debris.



Devgru's life has been surrounded by military connections. It is fitting he now services as a therapy horse for veterans and first responders.



PFC. John Corey Johnson was killed in Afghanistan.

appointment for Devgru. And she began a certification process to qualify herself to work or volunteer with the program helping veterans. Everything–Dryer's struggle and Devgru's– came full circle earlier this month. While shadowing a therapy session involving the blinded Iraq veteran and another horse, Dyer was emboldened to approach the wounded soldier. She asked the man if she

could introduce him to Devgru. "As we were walking he stopped and turned to me to ask if I was the Gold Star mom he'd heard about, and I said that I was, and he started to cry, "she says, explaining her title is a military honor given to mother's who lose a son or daughter in battle. They walked the short distance to Devgru's stall, where the quiet of the barn offered respite. And reaching Devgru, tears pricked her eyes as she watched the handsome gelding touch his warm, soft muzzle to the soldier's chest and blow his warm breath across his hand.

Slowly, so slowly, he lingered near the blind man, joining the unlikely trio in a small moment of peace, a sort of victory over the heartache they'd each suffered. "Devgru held his head over him and breathed all over him. And then he breathed all over the dog"

"It was magic, "Dryer says. 💠

Author's note: The United States Naval Special Warfare Development Group is commonly abbreviated as DEVGRU.

*CANTER Arizona is funding Degru's stay at the Horse Rhythm Foundation. Those wishing to donate to help defray costs are welcome to do so by contacting CANTER Arizona.

Arizona Bred Winners

Listed alphabetically are Arizona Bred Winners from May 12, 2014 through August 08, 2014

ALL MIGHTY BUCK

09 G. Buck Strider - Retax 6/14 Marquis Downs Breeder: Sarival Farms

AWARE

11 F. El Roblar - Glassford Hill 5/28 & 6/6 Assiniboia Downs Breeder: Dennis E. Weir

AWARE

11 F. El Roblar - Glassford Hill 6/25 Assiniboia Downs Breeder: Dennis E. Weir **Chantilly S.**

BARSTOW

09 M. Benton Creek - Fountain Hills 7/12 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Dennis E. Weir

BINGO THE BIRDDOG 10 G. Rocky Bar - Victorian Park 5/13 Les Bois Breeder: Girdner & Jones & Triple AAA

BONITA ROCK 11 G. Distorted Reality - Rosa Amarilla 6/13 & 7/12 Canterbury Park Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

BRASSY PETE 08 G. Top Hit - Lost Lady 8/8 Albuquerque Breeder: Martin Cisneros

BUCKS ARROW 09 G. Buck Strider - Fly Like an Arrow 6/14 Marquis Downs Breeder: Sarival Farms

CHAMPSVILLE 09 G. Champali - Lakesville 6/13 Assiniboia Downs Breeder: Jim Eggar & Betty Bay et al

CHATTERING NIKITA 11 F. Dixie Chatter - Mirabilia 8/1 Grande Prairie Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

CLASHER

09 G. Buck Strider - Cash Collection 6/27 & 7/12 Marquis Downs Breeder: Sarival Farms

CURRENTLY KRAZY

10 G. Bull Krazy - Current Miss 5/17 & 6/10 Sunray Park Breeder: Victor Karns & Hidalgo TB

DAWSON

10 F. El Roblar - Decatur 5/30 Marquis Downs Breeder: Dennis E. Weir

DEADLY BLACK EAGLE 11 G. Top Hit - Benchmark's Bounty 6/7 & 6/29 Canterbury Park Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

DENTON 11 G. Benton Creek - Ann Arbor 5/23 & 6/28 Assiniboia Downs Breeder: Dennis E. Weir

DESERT LIGHTNING 09 G. Never Shamed - Catfit 5/16 & 5/30 & 7/4 Assiniboia Downs Breeder: Dick Hopwood & Peggy Hopwood

ERNA JILLION

11 G. Jila - Trygsalli 6/17 Sunray Park Breeder: Marty Roberts

ESPRESSO SPRINGS 07 G. Rocky Bar - Cappuccino Springs 7/9 Northlands Park Breeder: Robert McKee & Mary E. McKee

FLICKER DOODLE 11 G. Chelokee - Amazia 6/1 & 6/17 Sunray Park Breeder: University of Arizona

FORCED TO WIN 10 F. Ibetiwin - Forcia 6/28 Marquis Downs Breeder: Sarival Farms

FRESHSIDE

08 M. Top Hit - Kickenthecat 7/19 Grande Prairie Breeder: Triple AAA Ranch **Troyer Town Distaff Starter**

FRESHSIDE

08 M. Top Hit - Kickenthecat 8/10 Grande Prairie Breeder: Triple AAA Ranch

GAME KICK

11 F. Tribal Rule - Kick the Can 8/3 Emerald Downs Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

GENERAL HOUSTON

11 G. Chelokee - Miss Santa Ana 5/28 Mountaineer Breeder: Allen Farm, Inc.

GENUINE COWBOY 10 G. Top Hit - Wild Vaquera 6/12 & 6/29 Canterbury Park Breeder: Double Kee, LLC

G FAIKIR

11 G. Top Hit - Hugafool 5/31 & 8/4 Finger Lakes Breeder: Frank Covello & John Bublitz

GRAY INDIAN

09 G. Indian Country - Funallover 6/14 Sunray Park Breeder: Ted Ford

HIDDEN HARBOR

07 M. Top Hit - Miss Catalina 6/29 & 8/3 Hastings Park Breeder: Triple AAA Ranch

HOTNHOTTER

12 F. Fappie's Notebook - You Wait 'n See 6/1 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Hal Snowden Jr.

IDLING

11 F. El Roblar - Sterling Heights 7/4 Assiniboia Downs Breeder: Dennis E. Weir

ARIZONA BRED WINNERS continued

ILIKECHOCOLATEMILK 06 G. Decarchy - Avant's Gold 7/11 Marquis Downs Breeder: H & E Ranch

JAMAICAN MEMORIES 08 G. Slew City Slew - Sallie's Memory 6/22 Canterbury Park Breeder: H & E Ranch

JILA'S BERRY 08 M. Jila - Bob's Bundle 5/25 & 6/29 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Michael J. Barro

JILAS MIRACLE 11 G. Jila - Corvina 6/1 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Michael J. Barro

KEYED TO ROCK 08 M. Rocky Bar - Keyed 5/26 & 8/9 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Arlington Rose Horse Farm, LLC

KRIS'S PARKER 11 G. Tavasco - Victorian Park 5/23 Prairie Meadows Breeder: Tosch Keshian & Cheryl Keshian

LADY JILA 07 M. Jila - Papparratzi 5/25 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Michael J. Barro

> LADY JILA 07 M. Jila - Papparratzi 6/15 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Michael J. Barro Molly Brown S.

> LADY JILA 07 M. Jila - Papparratzi 7/20 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Michael J. Barro

> > Columbine S.

MAX THE CASH 10 G. Rocky Bar - Nofinancenoromance 5/24 & 6/14 & 7/6 & 8/2 Los Alamitos Breeder: Allen Farm, Inc.

MORE BEER FOR PAUL 10 G. Bierstadt - Barfly Nannie 5/24 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC MO ROCK 10 G. Rocky Bar - Choppers Passion 5/13 & 6/3 Sunray Park Breeder: Kevin Eikleberry

MOVED TO PERMA 08 G Khalsa - Moved to Boulder 8/1 Marquis Downs Breeder: Curtiss C. Matt

MRSHAKEY 08 G. Top Hit - Almost 6/27 Les Bois Breeder: Triple AAA Ranch

MYRNA LOU 12 F. Top Hit - Rosa Amarilla 6/8 Santa Anita & 8/6 Del Mar Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

OCTOBER ROAD 07 G. Buck Strider - Weyauwega 6/14 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Darold Andrist

ONE BIG TICKET 08 G. Deposit Ticket - Por Que No 7/6 Ruidoso Breeder: Bart Hone

PURE VERTICAL 07 H. Hidden City - Hagerstown 6/22 Lethbridge Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm

> PURE VERTICAL 07 H. Hidden City - Hagerstown 7/1 Millarville Breeder: Fleming TB Farm Millarville Sprint S.

QUEEN ON THE GREEN 11 F. Distorted Reality - Maryshesaqueen 5/31 Arapahoe Park Breeder: William Matthews Family Trust

REAL SHAKY 10 G. Real Quiet - Shaky Canyon 6/20 & 7/11 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

REGAL RANDY 11 G. Dixie Chatter - Heavenly 5/30 Marquis Downs Breeder: Regan Wright **REGAL TAM** 11 G. Distorted Reality - Beacontree 8/10 Albuquerque Breeder: William Matthews Family Trust

ROCKED TWICE 11 C. Rocky Bar - Double Punch 6/7 Santa Anita & 7/30 Del Mar Breeder: Kevin R. Owens

ROCKY BAR OF GOLD 11 G. Rocky Bar - Laud'n Gold 8/2 Albuquerque Breeder: Chris Thornton & Bryantequine

ROCK YOUR BABY 12 F. Rocky Bar - De Shay 6/19 Oak Tree at Pleasanton Breeder: Kevin R. Owens

SARONNO 10 G. Hidden City - Italian Diva 5/18 Miles City Breeder: Filippo Santoro

SENATE RULES 10 G. Mambo Train - Quiet at the Top 6/28 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

SILVER ALLOVER 10 F. Allover - Skip's Gal 6/11 Les Bois Breeder: Robert Berrett et al

> SHOOTITINTHEBUSH 11 G. Tribal Rule - My Melrose 7/20 Grande Prairie Breeder: Regan Wright Triple K Oilfield Services

STORMY'SLILBROTHER 09 G. Al Ghazi - Artic Heart 7/26 Great Falls Breeder: William Matthews Family Trust

SUNNY CREEK 11 G. Benton Creek - More Than a Lady 8/2 Grande Prairie Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

ARIZONA BRED WINNERS continued

TACTICAL ROCKET

12 F. Deputy Wild Cat - Miss Lieutenant 7/19 Canterbury Park Breeder: Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC

TENILLE

11 F. Top Hit - Nowinatiz 5/26 Golden Gate Breeder: Triple AAA Ranch

TEN NINETY SEVEN

09 G. Sideburn - L.L.S. Cat 6/15 Sunray Park Breeder: Vaughn-Calvert Ranch LLC

TIZ TOP

09 G. Top Hit - Nowinatiz 5/24 Arapahoe Park Breeder: Triple AAA Ranch

TONYS A GENIUS

03 G. Beau Genius - Florida Cracker 6/21 Chippewa Downs Breeder: H & E Ranch

TRIBAL GAL

10 F. Tribal Rule - Famous Gal 6/28 Oak Tree at Pleasanton Breeder: John Pendergast **Oak Tree Distaff S.**

UNCLE RON

11 G. Chief Planner - Nothingbutbluesky 7/4 Canterbury Park Breeder: 2T Ranch

WEDDING BLUSH

12 F. Pure Prize - Autumn Wedding 7/5 Oak Tree at Pleasanton Breeder: H & E Ranch

WHIZ HIT

11 G. Top Hit - Alberta Whiz 6/20 Arapahoe Park Breeder: CJ Racing LLC

YVONS DIXIE MELODY

11 F. Chelokee - Unforgettable One 5/28 Assiniboia Downs Breeder: University of Arizona

ARIZONA THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS ASSOCIATION A.T.B.A. Sales Winners

Listed alphabetically are winners prior to August 11, 2014

SALE OF 2013 • FOALS OF 2012 • TWO-YEAR-OLDS

BOLD TYPE INDICATES INCREASED EARNINGS OR FIRST TIME WINNERS

HIP#	NAME	CONSIGNOR	BUYER	SALE PRICE	EARNINGS
7	AGGRESSIVE BEAUTY	Hidden Springs, Agt	Hidden Springs, Agt	20,000	15,370
22	ANITA SUNSET	H & E Ranch	Jonathan Nance	16,000	6,909
10	BROOKERSON	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	10,000	46,934
1	HIGHWAY BOSS	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	20,000	65,804
8	IKNOWHEKNOWSIKNOW	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	12,000	22,756
40	MAJESTIC AFFAIR	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	12,000	17,000
13	MYRNA LOU	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Stable HMA	6,500	56,263
9	NAOMI'S GIFT	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	10,000	23,113
78	OFF HIS ROCKER	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	9,500	5,921
73	R SWEET ADDICTION	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Myers Racing	14,200	4,253
42	SHREWD MOVE	Hidden Spring, Agt	Hidden Springs, Agt	50,000	28,640
76	TACTICAL ROCKET	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	D. & J. Bates	2,500	28,592
36	WEDDING BLUSH	H & E Ranch	Curt & Lila Lanning	10,000	15,100

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91	ALL SAID AND DONE	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Karl Myers	10,500	14,275
25	BABY'S CORNER	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Mark Breen	6,500	18,936
95	BEAR FACTS	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	0	20,084
33	BONITA ROCK	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	9,000	29,663
13	CHATTERING NIKITA	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Carl Perry	2,000	22,863
98B	CORINTHIANS SECRET	Hidden Springs, Agt	Mark Breen	37,000	17,315
63	DEADLY BLACK EAGLE	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Jan Osborn	5,500	100,602
32	DELIVER THE GOODS	Baker Equine Hospital	Baker Equine Hospital	4,700	9,202
59	DENTON	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Molly Pearson, Agt	13,000	14,440
71	DOUBLE BONITA	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	1,700	5,140
47	DOUBLE NICKEL	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Mark Breen	6,200	12,242
92	EASY HIT	Few Acre Farm, Agent	Doug Oliver	3,700	29,887
78	FASCINATING DIXIE	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	14,500	15,542
26	HAVEUSEENMYDADDY	Few Acre Farm, Agent	Saul Duarte	1,300	9,402
51	HI FASHIONED Sk Wnr	H & E Ranch	H & E Ranch	58,000	105,000
61	HIT THE BOTTLE	Few Acre Farm	Mark Fallon	1,200	19,615
88	HOT WILDCAT	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Ron Ferguson	3,200	7,510
97	I ROCK THE PARTY	Sk Wnr Bar Diamond, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	5,000	40,347
8	INTOCABLE	Cuadra El Tapatio	Cuadra El Tapatio	8,000	5,927
69	KID PARADISE	Bar Diamond Ranch	Bar Diamond Ranch	5,000	31,282
49	KRIS'S PARKER	Few Acre Farm, Agt	Few Acre Farm, Agt	2,200	14,224
79	LAWLY'S GOAL	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Mark Breen	24,000	80,050
54	LAZY DAISY MAY	Sk Wnr John Campo III	Mark Dyer	3,500	138,326
98	MISS SCATALICIOUS	Sk Wnr Bar Diamond, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	7,000	73,000
14	MY FINE LADY	Few Acre Farm	Doug Oliver	3,000	46,471
66	OCOTILLO	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Drew Fulmer	2,500	4,708
94	PRIVATE MONEY GAME	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	15,000	53,476
11	QUEEN ON THE GREEN	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	David Wolochuk	1,500	8,851
48	R LAST HURRAH	Hidden Springs Ranch	Karl Myers	4,000	6,696
76	RAZCAL	Few Acre Farm, Agt	Few Acre Farm, Agt	5,500	6,413
62	REGAL TAM	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Dale Thoreson	1,000	12,266
90	ROCKIN HOME Sk Winner	Few Acre Farm, Agt	Few Acre Farm, Agt	17,000	65,594
1	ROCKY BAR OF GOLD	Chris Thornton et al	Chris Thornton et al	32,000	11,272
39	SIDUS	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	11,000	13,686
10	SON OF A PISTOLA	Baker Equine Hospital	Baker Equine Hospital	2,500	9,288
4	SOUTHERN CHATTER	Sk Wnr Fleming TB Farm, Agt	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	7,000	33,426
18	SUNNY CREEK	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Ed Moger	3,000	13,663
20	UNCLE RON	2T Ranch	D. Miller or P. Hartman	2,700	10,257
98A	VOLLEYBALL SIMBA	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	0	7,992
55	WHIZ HIT	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	4,500	47,289
96	WINNING VISION	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	Bar Diamond Ranch, Agt	5,000	24,089

Listed alphabetically are winners prior to August 11, 2014

SALE OF 2011 • FOALS OF 2010 • FOUR-YEAR-OLDS

BOLD TYPE INDICATES INCREASED EARNINGS OR FIRST TIME WINNERS

HIP#	NAME	CONSIGNOR	BUYER	SALE PRICE	EARNINGS
65	ADDY'S CADDY	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	0	6,350
68	BUBBA ROOSTER	Fleming TB, Agt	J. Lloyd Yother	2,700	18,625
8	CAHUILLA PRINCESS	Fleming TB Farm	Dennis Miller	2,700	8,674
72	CAN'T TEACH SPEED	Fleming TB, Agt	Fleming TB Farm, Agt	3,000	9,255
1	CASCADIAN MATT	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Kenleigh Hobby	1,500	10,466
64	CATLADYDUE	H & E Ranch	J. Lloyd Yother	26,000	16,336
67	CLICKEN FOR GOLD	Hidden Springs, Agt	Craig Griffin	11,000	12,836
69	DISCREET DATE	H & E Ranch	Mark D. Breen	9,500	4,383
15	DISTORTED QUEEN	Fleming TB, Agt	Fleming TB, Agt	4,000	9,226
12	DON'TKNOWTHATSONG	Bart Hone, Agt	Kent Nielson	2,000	4,332
44	DOUBLE FANCY	Fleming TB Farm	Sawyer Cattle Co.	17,000	28,775
36	EARL'S GIRL	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	0	39,757
79	ELITE BOUTIQUE	Hidden Springs, Agt	Hidden Springs, Agt	5,000	17,754
34	FALCON LANE	Fleming TB, Agt	J. Lloyd Yother	12,000	8,450
2	GADSDEN PURCHASE SK	Winner University of AZ	Doug Oliver	2,500	66,310
52	GENUINE COWBOY	Hidden Springs, Agt	Hidden Springs, Agt	4,000	25,206
63	GOLONDRINA	Hidalgo Thoroughbreds	Jose Serrano	1,000	13,599
51	HOLD THE RANSOM	MAC TBs, Agt	Jose Serrano	1,000	2,911
5	IMA ROYAL PRINCE	Bart Hone Agt	Bart Hone, Agt	2,200	12,160
21	IMSEXYANDIKNOWIT	University of AZ	Mark D. Breen	1,000	5,192
27	IT'S SMOKIN	Bart Hone, Agt	Bart Hone, Agt	1,800	9,018
50	JAZMINS LITTLE TOY	Fleming TB, Agt	Priscilla Leon	3,000	4,671
59	LEWISTON Sk Winner	Fleming TB, Agt	Fleming TB, Agt	4,700	100,037
73	LITTLE BIT CACTUS	Hidden Springs, Agt	Hidden Springs, Agt	4,000	26,666
84	MARION'SALILWICKED	Hidden Springs, Agt	Hidden Springs, Agt	9,000	26,464
25	MAX THE CASH	Allen Farm, Inc.	Paul Girdner & Jones	9,000	27,516
83	MIDNIGHT KITTY Sk Winne	er Phil Hartman, Agt	Phil Hartman, Agt	4,000	12,130
56	MIDNIGHT OFFICER	Little Kentucky, Agt	Little Kentucky, Agt	30,000	29,490
20	MISS N SISTER	Fleming TB, Agt	Fleming TB, Agt	3,500	8,670
60	MORE BEER FOR PAUL	University of AZ	Nathan Barrow	1,000	4,350
57	MY LITTLE TWEETY Sk Wir	nner Fleming TB, Agt	Priscilla Leon	3,500	38,212
30	PATRICIAN SNOOP	Fleming TB, Agt	Kenleigh Hobby	2,200	18,083
6	PUNA VIDA	Stephen P. Sage	Joyce Long, Agent	6,000	13,871
40	REAL SHAKY	Fleming TB Farm, LLC	Don Heim	4,700	25,156
71	RED ZEUS Sk Winner	Hidden Springs, Agt	Hidden Springs, Agt	7,000	217,611
58	ROCK THOSE HIPS	Fleming TB Farm	G. Chris Coleman	21,000	37,532
53	ROCKY BARBOA	D. & N. Grenier	D. & N. Grenier	10,000	29,170
78	ROCKY MTN FREEDOM	C & D Ranches	C & D Ranches	1,300	9,556
95	RONDO HONDO	Fleming TB Farm	A. DeMarco & V. Brinker	1,500	26,728

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HIP#	NAME	CONSIGNOR	BUYER	SALE PRICE	EARNINGS
7	SARONNO	Fleming TB, Agt	Fleming TB, Agt	0	18,844
37	SKY'S NO LIMIT	Fleming TB, Agt	Fleming TB, Agt	7,000	6,661
11	SOUTHERN REALITY	Fleming TB Farm	Kevin Eikleberry	10,000	5,126
82	STORMDRIVER Sk Winner	H & E Ranch	Mark D. Breen	40,000	116,707
46	SUNSET CREEK	H & E Ranch	Molly Pearson, Agt	11,000	4,064
19	SWISS ENGAGEMENT	H & E Ranch	Sharlot Martinez, Agt	6,000	32,468
33	TIZ WORTH BELIEVIN	University of AZ	G. & J. Johnson	4,500	11,279
66	UNWRITTEN LAW	Little Kentucky, Agt	Little Kentucky, Agt	20,000	30,169
43	YE CALL ME CHIEF	Little Kentucky, Agt	John Campo III	60,000	12,206
55	YOUBETSHEWON Sk Winne	er Fleming TB, Agt	Dan Brooks	1,200	92,292
86	ZIP THE BAG	Phil Hartman, Agt	Paul Girdner & Jones	8,500	10,233



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From racing to retirement... the birth of Equine Encore Foundation

hile we were racing our homebred Arizona Thoroughbreds all over New Mexico, my husband, Dale E. Shirley, always said, "We're living a dream." Although I continued to train for several more years, that dream died with him on September 23, 2002.

Following his death, the gypsy life of a "racetracker" moving from track to track in New Mexico lost its allure. However, I never lost my love for the horses. I looked at 280 acres of land in Arizona with its many paddocks, big fields and lovely barn and an idea began to form.

Racehorses had no 501 (K) funding or social security to provide for them after they left track. Although their owners and trainers wanted to care for them, racing is a business and if they kept every racehorse, they would soon be broke. The five furlong racetrack and starting gate would no longer be needed, but it would be easy to convert my breeding/training facility into a racehorse retirement home. I sold 160 acres for "seed money" and Equine Encore Foundation was born.

The "birth announcement" was made in the winner's circle before a large crowd at Sunland Park. Sunland's racing secretary, Norm Amundson, always interviewed the connections of the horse which won the featured race of the day. After expressing my excitement generated by the win, I quickly turned the conversation to what I considered to be the biggest problem facing the racing industry of the day and that was caring for these equine athletes when they could no longer race.

I spoke briefly of the newly created Equine Encore Foundation which would provide a dignified retirement for successful racehorses whose days at the track had ended. Within 24 hours I had my first horse. *Rocket On Sound*, a champion Quarter Horse with a severely bowed tendon arrived from the Bob Noel barn and *Oh Gracie*, a well-traveled Thoroughbred with a slabfractured knee came from the Gary Cross barn. Both required several months of stall rest. Ultimately, *Rocket On Sound* returned to Texas to become a riding horse for his owner's grandchildren, but *Oh Gracie* who was foaled February 1, 1995, is still with us today.

A few months after making the announcement at Sunland Park regarding the creation of Equine Encore Foundation, I ran into Bob Noel, in the racing office of Ruidoso Downs. Bob was a big, soft-spoken John Wayne type of guy who commanded a lot of respect and who always had a large barn consisting of both Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds who won lots of races on the New Mexico circuit. After inquiring about *Rocket On Sound*, Bob told me that he had another horse, *Daivon Jones*, who was injured and needed to retire with us. Both Bob and I were in a hurry that morning and he told me that we had lots of time and could talk later.

Unfortunately, we never had the talk because Bob suddenly and totally unexpectedly died that evening! I kept my promise regarding *Daivon Jones* and picked him up from Bob's son, Wayne Noel. At Bob's memorial service, Wayne announced that in lieu of flowers, his family wanted donations to be made to Equine Encore Foundation, and our fund raising efforts began.

Our sign at the entry way of the farm acknowledges our debt of gratitude to Bob Noel and his family and friends. As our herd grew, it quickly became apparent that fund-rasing was going to be the most important and the least pleasant of all of our activities. My years as an English teacher paid off in the grant application department although I would much rather spend my time with the horses than at the typewriter or the computer. One has to complete reams of paperwork each time a grant is solicited. The folks who provide the funds have to make sure they are really going to organizations that are approved by the I.R.S. and actually



providing for horses, but I must confess that I would rather muck stalls than complete grant applications. Even though this is the case, we are deeply appreciative and couldn't function without the generous help of these wonderful organization.

We routinely apply for and receive funding from CARMA, Thoroughbred Charities of America (TCA), Blue Horse Charities who will no longer provide grants after 2014, After the Finish Line, ASPCA, The Arizona Department of Racing, Arizona Community Foundation and the Brennan Equine Welfare Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation. Last year Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance (TAA) was formed and after completing an arduous accreditation application, we were accredited by this outstanding new organization. We are one of only twenty-three aftercare facilities that received accreditation and are very proud of this accomplishment. TAA also supports our efforts. However, we continue to depend heavily upon donations received from horsemen and women and friends of racehorses from all over the country. One special lady, Nadine Maben, from Clovis, New Mexico, made her first donation at Bob Noel's memorial service and has routinely sent checks ever since.

Whenever I look at the diminishing checkbook balance and the feed bills and start to panic, I remember that Rebecca Carrol said, "A pony is a childhood dream; a horse is an adulthood treasure", and I realize that I am surrounded with treasures!

Equine Encore Foundation is a non-profit organization funded entirely through private donation. Help us give these retired racehorses a place to live out their lives.

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New Lessee & Plans For Rillito Park, Tucson, Arizona

Rillito Park Foundation, Inc.

Piima County Administration has selected The Rillito Park Foundation, Inc., (RPF) to operate the historical site of Rillito Race Track & Park. The RPF will be overseeing plans for expansion of community activities at Rillito Park. Their vision for the property is to develop 11 soccer fields, of which four soccer fields will be designated for the infield of the racetrack.

The county has allocated funds for the demolition of barns on the westside of stable area to allow for additional soccer fields. New barns are to be rebuilt on the east side of the park. They are planning for a farmers market venue to open this fall, as well as integrating other attractions such as car shows, food trucks, and concert events.

Plans to operate the 2015 race meet and offtrack betting facility are underway. However, RPF's application for a racing permit is pending, per the Arizona Department of Racing. Jaye Wells, President of Rillito Foundation Board of Directors is going forward with the race meet plans and has appointed Michael Weiss to oversee the racing management of the racetrack.

Weiss has worked in many capacities at various Thoroughbred racetracks. His résumé supports an in-depth knowledge of racing industry experience, entertainment, marketing, pari-mutuel, and community relations. He will certainly have his work cut out for him as the foundation plans to operate the track and apply for more racing days, while upgrading the facility to expand marketing and increase revenues.

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- Operate 2015 Race Meet with added race dates.
- Off-Track betting.
- Demolition/rebuild of barn area, infield access during race days.
- Installation of big-screen monitors.
- Convert east end grandstand into box seating.
- Open race track museum and gift shop.
- Restore J. Rukin Jelks Stud Farm and develop it as the Museum of Western Horse & Rider.

The new operators are enthusiastic and upbeat about the developments and were awarded \$236,000 through a grant to support operations by the Bert M. Martin Foundation. The downturn in our economy has been a financial factor to overcome in horse racing. Perhaps these new innovations will help keep horse racing alive in Tucson and sustain the historical Rillito Racetrack as a viable attraction for people to enjoy. \clubsuit



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