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## Maryland Hunt Cup has everything

Story by Joe Clancy. Photographs by Douglas Lees.

The day before the Maryland Hunt Cup, Julie Colhoun stopped an interviewer short and asked her own question.

"You are coming by the house for juleps aren't you? You must. Win or lose, you must."

Colhoun hails from the long and storied Maryland Hunt Cup-connected Fisher family and hosts a post-race party each year. The gathering includes friends and family, young and old, and showcases the passing of community mint juleps for sipping. The icy drinks flow around the house, through the crowd, out to the porch, to the yard and back to the bar where the process begins again. On a spring evening on the last Saturday



Rider Blythe Miller Davies is all smiles as Private Attack, owned in partnership by Julie Fisher Colhoun (left) takes victory in the 115th running of the Maryland Hunt Cup.



Blythe Davies on Private Attack and Billy Meister on And the Eagle Flies lead the field over the third fence in the Maryland Hunt Cup.

in April in Maryland horse country, the juleps refresh and renew. They also provide history lessons for they are served in silver trophies won by the Fisher horses such as the legendary Mountain Dew.

"This is a Maryland tradition, as much as the race," said one guest.

"You probably weren't born when Mountain Dew won that trophy, son," bragged another.

"I've come to the race before, but I didn't quite get it until this year," said another, cradling an infant in her arms. "After seeing what I saw, I understand. It means so much to people."

None more than Colhoun. Her father, Janon Fisher Jr., trained Blockade to three consecutive wins (1938-'40) and was the breeder, owner and trainer of Hunt Cup legend Mountain Dew (three wins, three seconds and a third in

eight starts from 1961-'68). Colhoun's brother, Janon Fisher III, rode Mountain Dew. Colhoun lives a few miles from the course on a unique farm inhabited by horses, ponies, a donkey, a flock of peacocks and enough historic farm equipment to plow Walton's Mountain. The annual julep party only completes the picture.

Especially after a winner. Ending a long family dry spell in America's oldest steeplechase, Private Attack dominated the 115th Maryland Hunt Cup over the fabled Worthington Valley course in Glyndon on April 30. The 12-year-old, racing in the Sportsman's Hall colors of Colhoun and her son Dan, took over the race just before the three-mile mark—winning by 60 lengths as just three horses (from 10 starters) finished. Private Attack, trained by Alicia Murphy, covered the

four miles in 9:27.60 for jockey Blythe Miller Davies. And the Eagle Flies (Billy Meister) stayed for second with Volle Nolle (Michael Traurig) a distant third. The others fell or lost their riders with jumping mistakes along the way though there were no major injuries to horses or jockeys.

Among an endless line of well-wishers, Colhoun beamed.

"I have so many relations and friends here you wouldn't believe it," she said. "I've been brought up in it and every single hunter, every horse we ever had was thought of as a Hunt Cup horse. Could he do this? It was always a consideration. Even these things that couldn't jump were thought of as potential Hunt Cup horses for a while. Until we figured out they couldn't jump anyway."

The win brought back memories of Mountain Dew,

whose Hunt Cup career began with a third in 1961 and progressed to a win in 1962, seconds to fellow legend Jay Trump in 1963 and 1964, a win in 1965, another second to Jay Trump in 1966, a win in 1967 and a pull up (while leading late) with a bowed tendon in 1968. The family hero retired to a life as a foxhunter. The homebred son of \*Hunters Moon IV also won Maryland's Grand National a record six times.

Dan Colhoun bought Private Attack, a New Jersey-bred son of Private Interview, as a polo prospect in 2002. He spent \$1,000, and asked for a partial refund when he saw the horse—a skinny, sick 3-year-old with no racing history, very little training and few prospects.

"He had a nice look to him, but he was sick and emaciated," said Dan Colhoun. "Apparently, he was supposed to



run at Charles Town, but the trainer left town and left the horse in a pasture. He had sold at a sale for \$600. He was broke and you could ride him, but he was so sick he couldn't do much."

Colhoun nursed his new purchase along, taught him polo, even played two seasons on the dark bay. As he got healthy, he grew out of his polo job and moved on to foxhunting. He got so good at that, Colhoun called Murphy and suggested a racing career.

"He could really jump, and was a great hunter," said Colhoun. "Alicia deserves all the credit for making it work, but he tried to tell us."

Murphy took one look at her new horse and relaxed.

"One of the first things I said was 'Thank God he's too little to be a Hunt Cup horse,'" she recalled while poulticing the Hunt Cup winner's hind shins after the race. "I know that's what the Colhouns and the Fishers think about and I know what it takes. It's a tough race. He didn't look like a Hunt Cup horse."

Murphy went to work creating a mere steeplechase horse and Private Attack continued to grow up. He couldn't keep up over hurdles, but blossomed once stretched out for timber races. The three-plus miles and the

testing fences provided the ideal conditions for the muscle, size and power he added to his frame.

Private Attack won two point-to-point starts in 2005, another in 2007.

Along the way, Private Attack proved to be a training challenge. He tied up, he battled issues with his hooves. Murphy drew a laugh from friend/groom Michael Wharton when she called Private Attack "very fragile to train." After he pulled up in a race at Nashville last spring, Private Attack's blood work revealed he had tied up somewhere during the trip.

"You have to watch what you feed him, can't give him

Clockwise from top left: Prospectors Strike and Battle Op clear the third fence; Haddix and Incomplete jump as Won Wild Bird and Volle Nolle approach. Volle Nolle over the 13th. On the winner's wagon (from left): Blythe Davies with her children Teddy and Scarlet, Julie Colhoun Deford, Dan Colhoun Sr., Julie Colhoun, Alicia Murphy, Dan Colhoun Jr., his wife, Kelly, their sons William and Warry and cousin Conor Evans (blond), Billy Santoro, Herman Stump, Missy Schlesinger.

too much alfalfa, limit his sugar intake," said Dan Colhoun. "You have to keep him busy. He can't get too many days off, and I don't think shipping a long distance suits him—he can pretty much stay in Maryland now."

This year, an abscess and a case of lymphangitis threatened his spring campaign, but he won at Elkridge-Harford (his first start with Davies). Murphy went to the Grand National on April 23, looking for a good effort and a build-



Blythe Davies is greeted by her husband, Joe Davies, who piloted three Hunt Cup winners: Make Me a Champ (2005), Swayo ('00) and Florida Law ('98). Michael Wharton leads Private Attack.

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ing block for the Hunt Cup. Private Attack won, without ever feeling Miller's whip.

"He's powerful and can jump but, mainly, he loves it," Murphy said. "He focuses, he doesn't stress over it. It is his game. You just get lucky when you get a horse like this."

Private Attack had been to the Hunt Cup before. In 2008, he won the Grand National by four lengths over Askim (NZ) and Bubble Economy. A week later, Askim won the Hunt Cup as Murphy had to scratch after Private Attack tied up. In 2009, he lost the Grand National by a neck and made the Hunt Cup field as a contender. Jockey Billy Santoro nearly went off course and then was dislodged with a jumping mistake. Last year, Private Attack tangled with Twill Do over the Hunt Cup's final two fences but settled for second.

"I still really am not believing it," Murphy of the win. "I've thought about it before. I thought I knew what this race was about and I now GET what everybody's talking about when it comes to this

race. It's much more fun to watch the film, when you already know what happened. It's kind of stressful watching the whole thing live."

The \$75,000 Hunt Cup lured a field of 14 to the program, and wound up with 10 starters after the scratches of Fort Henry (Ire), A Fine Story (GB), Professor Maxwell and Bon Caddo. And the Eagle Flys and Private Attack jumped to the front early and took the field over the first three fences. Gorgeous Charger fell at the third, leaving nine runners still on course. Prospectors Strike and Battle Op completed a breakaway quartet with the leaders and that group built a huge lead on the others.

"He doesn't care where he is, he just wants his lick, so I let him hit his lick," said Davies. "I knew Billy would be there because I watched his race last week and he's almost always on the front end. I didn't want to follow Billy because you don't really want to follow anyone around here. You want your own path. Pri-

vate is so dead straight, you can pick where you jump at every fence."

Won Wild Bird lost her jockey at the eighth, but was well off the pace. Nearer the front, Battle Op lost his jockey with a mistake at the 10th to reduce the field to seven. Private Attack flew the 12th and led Prospectors Strike over the 13th with And the Eagle Flys just behind. Prospectors Strike lost his jockey at the 15th, where Private Attack inched away. The winner landed steeply at the tricky, uphill 16th, but stayed on his feet and widened his advantage to 15 lengths.

And the Eagle Flys stayed on, but Incomplete lost his jockey with a bad jump at the 16th. The 18th nearly claimed And the Eagle Flys, and did send Western Fling to the turf—leaving just three on the course.

Private Attack led by many over And the Eagle Flys and Volle Nolle even further behind in third. Three fences remained and they were the only questions.

"I know people were saying I was 20 lengths ahead, and it should be easy; it wasn't easy," said Davies, who returned as an amateur after nearly nine years in retirement from her professional career. "We were struggling and we were that far in front. That's why it's such a great race. It's not easy. For anyone. That's also what's so fun about it."

Private Attack handled the 20th efficiently, crossed Tufton Avenue with the finish line in sight. Davies, like many before her, had an anxious moment at the water jump (the smallest on the course and the second-last) when Private Attack balked slightly and bobbled on landing. Davies bounced to her left, but stayed on board. The winner popped the last fence and cantered in all alone.

The victory was not as simple as it looked.

"I almost came off him at the water jump," said Davies. "The last mile I just had to keep him focused. He wasn't

tired, just bored or looking for the others or something. I couldn't wait for them, I had to go on no matter what everyone else was doing."

A Pennsylvanian by birth, Davies grew up hearing about the Hunt Cup from her father, Bruce Miller, and rode the race twice early in her career. She won more than 200 races as a professional and captured most of the sport's major races. She retired in 2002 with no Hunt Cup and only truly realized the race's impact when she moved to Maryland after marrying Joe (himself a Hunt Cup winner).

"If you're going to live in Maryland and send your children to school here and be in this, it doesn't matter if you've won the Breeders' Cup or if you've won races in England," she said. "Nobody really cares. You win this or the Preakness, it's OK, you've won something. Otherwise, you might as well toss out your resume." Her father, now 76 and far from his heyday as a champion trainer of five-time Eclipse Award winner Lonesome Glory, two Hunt Cup winners and others, sat on a chair next to his daughter and smiled.

"Somebody asked me what's so special about it?" he said. "You win the Maryland Hunt Cup, you've done something. Every other race, you've just won a race. And that's the truth. The history, the course, the challenge. The Maryland Hunt Cup has everything." 🐾

#### MARYLAND HUNT CUP

(Glyndon, April 30)

4 miles over timber, 5 & up. Purse \$75,000. Time: 9:27.60. Winning margin—60 lengths. 1-Sportsmans Hall's PRIVATE ATTACK (dk.b./br.g., 12, Private Interview—Ruby Sunset, by Red Attack; bred by Colonial Farms in New Jersey); trainer Alicia Murphy; rider Blythe Miller Davies. 2-Mrs. William D. Class Jr.'s And the Eagle Flys; trainer/rider William Meister. 3-Northwoods Stable's Volle Nolle; Regina Welsh; Michael Traurig. Also ran: Western Fling (fell), Incomplete (lost rider), Prospectors Strike (lost rider), Battle Op (lost rider), Won Wild Bird (lost rider), Haddix (lost rider), Gorgeous Charger (fell).

In a 15-year career, steeplechase jockey Blythe Miller made a reputation for coming through in big moments. She won two races in England, one at world-famous Cheltenham Racecourse. She piloted Lonesome Glory to five Eclipse Awards. She was money for loyal New York bettors at Saratoga. She collected multiple Grade 1 victories in the Iroquois, Colonial Cup, Carolina Cup, New York Turf Writers Cup and so on.

So it was no real surprise that she won in her return, after nearly nine years away from the race course, as an amateur in the historic Grand National timber stakes at Butler, Md., on April 23. Now Blythe Miller Davies, she guided Sportsmans Hall's Private Attack home in the \$30,000 race (run for the 109th time) for trainer Alicia Murphy. The 12-year-old covered three and one-quarter miles in 6:39 and denied Incomplete's late charge by a neck with Volle Nolle a distant third.

The horse who improved his Grand National record to two wins and two seconds in four starts flew his fences, raced near the front throughout, landed running over the last and held sway in a battle to the line. But the moment belonged to Davies.

Davies last rode a race at Saratoga in 2002 when back-to-back falls left her with concussions. She retired as the active leader in victories with 202, a two-time champion. She married former amateur jockey Joe Davies, had two children and moved on to a life as a wife, a mom, a car-pool driver. She rode with the Elkridge-Harford Hounds, helped get horses ready on the farm, showed Teddy and Scarlet how to ride the ponies, but being a jockey again?

No, that wasn't going to happen.

Well... never say never.

Blythe and Joe prep timber horses on their Monkton farm and found a promising one in Irish import Vinnie

# Grand National showcases triumphant comeback for Blythe Miller Davies

Story by Joe Clancy. Photographs by Douglas Lees.



Private Attack leads the field over the fourth, and Haddix follows. Davies could place Private Attack wherever she wanted—sometimes leading, sometimes back a horse or two.

Boy (Ire). Blythe rode him at home, schooled him, watched him run in the 2010 Maryland Hunt Cup (sixth under Patrick Worrall). The Davieses planned a return trip to the great race in 2011 and started talking jockeys. Blythe began her career as an amateur, including two rides in the Hunt Cup and a Grand National victory in 1991 aboard Cabral (Chi) for her father. She could do it again, couldn't she? With Vinnie Boy, a horse she rode in

the mornings and knew well? Why not?

"I got fit riding him all winter; he's like riding a pony," Blythe said of Vinnie Boy. "That was the plan, to come back and ride him."

Only him. Blythe went to the gym, rode more often, got fit, got competitive, got ready. Vinnie Boy, as fate will have it, went to the sidelines with an abscess days from the Elkridge-Harford point-to-point on April 9.

On the other side of Maryland's timber country, trainer Alicia Murphy prepped Private Attack for his 2011 campaign. His 2010 jockey, Mark Beecher, was due back from Ireland but sent Murphy an update that hinted at a delay with his visa. Murphy looked for a Plan B, and entered Private Attack in two races at Elkridge-Harford (the open timber with Beecher, the ladies timber with no rider named).



Alicia Murphy and Blythe Miller Davies join forces in the paddock. Co-owner Dan Colhoun Jr. walks Private Attack after the race. Presentation, above, brings together family and friends, including co-owner Julie Fisher Colhoun (green jacket).

"I had heard Vinnie Boy was having problems so I thought it's worth inquiring," Murphy said of the call to Davies.

Blythe thought it over, briefly, and rode the horse to victory at Elkridge-Harford.

"I just saw magic there, I know it was just a silly little race, but there was good stuff to see," Murphy said. "You could tell they got along."

Beecher arrived the next week, but had lost the mount.

"It was a very tough decision," said Murphy. "[Private Attack] could very well have done the same thing with Mark."

Two weeks later, Murphy, Davies and Private Attack went to the Grand National.

Twenty years earlier, Miller went postward in the race as a young amateur and won by a head aboard the frontrunning Cabral. This time around, as a 42-year-old mother, she again put her horse on the lead, practiced the ground-saving lines she walked earlier in the week, saved ground, didn't panic when Uppercut galloped past, and waited for the race's other main contender Incomplete, ridden by Charlie Fenwick III.

"We didn't want to get to the bottom of him and I came to the last thinking, still thinking, 'Where's Charlie? Where is he? Where is that horse?'" Davies said. "I knew somebody was coming. I could hear him and at the last fence, I knew it was him, knew it

was that horse. He was coming, really coming."

Full of run after bidding his time for more than two miles, Incomplete chipped into the advantage and loomed like a storm cloud on a hot day at the beach.

He reached Private Attack's hip on the takeoff side of the final fence, touched down at his shoulder, clawed to his cheek in the stretch but never got past.

Davies enjoyed the ride and marveled at the circumstances.

"If they had come to me in November or December about doing this I would have said no," Davies said. "As old as I am? I wasn't fit. It wasn't something I wanted to do. I was coming back to ride my horse. Private is a great ride, he's so cat-like, so honest. He just focuses on the fence and takes you there. He's a sweet ride for an old lady like me."



The old, gray mare ain't what she used to be—she's better. As a half-sister to multiple Grade 1 winner and \$600,000-plus steeplechase earner Rowdy Irishman, Won Wild Bird labored through a career of potential but futility as she lost 29 starts over hurdles and timber. The 9-year-old flashed plenty of jump with solid finishes around the circuit, but couldn't break through, until powering through the stretch of the

\$15,000 Benjamin H. Murray Memorial allowance timber.

Racing for trainer Regina Welsh's Pink Ribbon Racing, Won Wild Bird (Kristin Fischer) rated in the middle of the field of 11 and worked her way into the race. Fort Henry took over from And the Eagle Flies at the second-last, and carried an advantage into the last before Won Wild Bird rallied past in the lane to win by seven and a half lengths in 6:32 for three and a quarter miles. Fort Henry stayed for second with Gorgeous Charger a distant third.

The moment wasn't lost on Welsh, who leases the Florida-bred from owner/breeder Anne Haynes.

"I feel so good for her—she's a neat horse and deserved a win," the trainer said. "She means a lot to Anne and meant a lot to Bruce (who died in 2008), so there's a lot there to like. She can really run too. She's got a good close on her and she's a good jumper."

Bruce Haynes trained \$1,500 purchase Rowdy Irishman to two wins in the Iroquois, two more in the Breeders' Cup Grand National and a spot in the top 10 lifetime earners in U.S. jump racing. Anne Haynes bought the horse's dam, Rowdy Bird, and bred her to Wild Wonder. The foal, Won Wild Bird, helped the Haynes' sons Russell and Will learn to ride races and worked her way into a tim-



Thomas L. Macfarlane pony races are a tradition at the Grand National. Cap Tap (Georgia Knox), on the outside, won the Junior Horse division over Exactly So (Meriwether Morris) and Year of the City (Eric Poretz). Coming over the last in the Western Run Plate, George Hundt Jr. and Justpourit (Ire) lead eventual winner Like A Bee (Ire) (Mark Beecher). Won Wild Bird gave Kristen Fischer her first official NSA win in the Murray. The Blythe Davies-trained Fort Henry (Ire) finished second with Joseph Delozier aboard.

ber prospect while knocking heads with such standouts as Erin Go Bragh (NZ), Bubble Economy, Move West and He's a Conniver. She got to the Grand National with a victory at Cheshire point-to-point in Pennsylvania on March 27.

Fischer, an exercise rider for Tom Voss, picked up her first NSA win in her first try.

"I've always thought about riding some races, I just needed a push," she said. "I've got a little push from a lot of people—Regina, (jockey) Jacob Roberts, some others—and now I think it's in my blood. (Won Wild Bird) is so ratable and so handy that you can save that kick for the end."



After absorbing tough falls, and watching former mount Private Attack win the Grand National to start the day, jockey Mark Beecher got some payback by guiding Rosbrian Farm's Like A Bee (Ire) home first in the finale, the Western Run Plate. The \$7,500 amateur highweight timber turned into a two-horse race late as Like A Bee and Justpourit (Ire) slugged it out over the final three fences.

My Lady's Manor day winner Justpourit took the lead from Sky Count after more than two miles and carried it

into the stretch, where Like A Bee struck.

The 13-year-old rolled past to win by three-quarters of a length in 7:09 for trainer Tara Elmore. Sky Count was third.

Beecher started the day by falling heavily when Haddix collided with loose horse Twill Do at a jump, then followed that up with another fall aboard Take Harry in the allowance.

"I didn't change anything, just went back out," said Beecher. "I've been through this game long enough to know that you have to take your share of it all—the bad and the good."

After 28 starts under rules in England and Ireland, Like A Bee made his first American start in the New Jersey Hunt Cup at Far Hills last year.

"He was thrown into the deep end at Far Hills and he battled very well there and jumped super," said Beecher. "I knew today if I could get as many breathers into him as I could he would be OK. Tara has done a great job with the horse."

**GRAND NATIONAL** (Butler, April 23)

**Grand National**, 3¼ miles over timber, 5 & up, amateur riders up. Purse \$30,000. Time: 6:39. Winning margin—neck. 1-Sportsmans Hall's PRIVATE ATTACK (dk.b./



br.g., 12, Private Interview—Ruby Sunset, by Red Attack; bred by Colonial Farms in New Jersey; trainer Alicia Murphy; rider Blythe Miller Davies. 2-Robert A. Kinsley's Incomplete; Ann Stewart; Charles Fenwick III. 3-Northwoods Stable's Volle Nolle; Regina Welsh; Michael Traurig. Also ran: Uppercut (pulled up), Prospectors Strike (lost rider), Haddix (fell), Twill Do (lost rider).

**Benjamin H. Murray Memorial**, 3¼ miles over timber for non-winners of two sanctioned races over timber, 5 & up, amateur riders up. Purse \$15,000. Time: 6:32. Winning margin—7½ lengths. 1-Pink Ribbon Racing's WON WILD BIRD (gr./ro.m., 9, Wild Wonder—Rowdy Bird, by Topsider; bred by Anne Haynes in Florida); trainer Regina Welsh; rider Kristin Fischer. 2-Joseph G. Davies's Fort Henry (Ire); Blythe Miller Davies; Joseph Delozier III. 3-Irvin S. Naylor's Gor-

geous Charger; William Meister; Michael Traurig. Also ran: And the Eagle Flies, Flying Contraption (Ire), East Coker, Professor Maxwell (fell), Little Dewey Know (pulled up), Bug Eyed Willy (pulled up), Bold Quest (pulled up), Take Harry (fell).

**Western Run Plate**, amateur highweight timber, 3 miles over timber, 5 & up who had not won \$9,000 once in 2010-2011, amateur riders up. Purse \$7,500. Time: 7:09. Winning margin—¾ length. 1-Rosbrian Farm's LIKE A BEE (Ire) (b.g., 13, Montelimar—Das-dilemma, by Furry Glen; bred by T.J. Rice in Ireland); trainer Tara Elmore; rider Mark Beecher. 2-Lucy Stable's Justpourit (Ire); Richard Valentine; George Hundt Jr. 3-Daniel R. Baker's Sky Count; trainer/rider William Meister. Also ran: Western Fling, Template (pulled up), Excentrikbydesign (fell).

# Bon Caddo shines in rain-soaked My Lady's Manor

Story by Joe Clancy. Photographs by Douglas Lees.



Braving the elements in the My Lady's Manor, from left: Prospectors Strike (Justin Batoff), More Fascination (Jeff Murphy, runner-up), Bon Caddo (Blair Wyatt, winner), South Monarch (Jody Petty, third) and Delta Park (K. Fritz Boniface).

**T**he weather? Dreadful. The horse? Amazing.

Twenty years from now, the 2011 My Lady's Manor timber stakes will be remembered for its wind, its rain, its cold, its mud, its tornado warnings.

And its winner. Bon Caddo put on a timber-racing lecture for his five rivals, running and jumping with ease (despite conditions) and winning the

\$35,000 event on April 16 in Monkton, Md.

Owned by Charlie Noell's Merriefield Farm, Bon Caddo raced on the lead throughout, and fought off several late challengers, including a final try from More Fascination, to win by three-quarters of a length in 7:22.20 for three miles in a driving rainstorm.

Ridden by Blair Wyatt for trainer Dawn Williams, the 10-

year-old jumped flawlessly and ended a run of seven tough-luck defeats in National Steeplechase Association races.

Besides the miserable conditions, pre-race discussion centered on 2010 winner South Monarch and Bon Caddo. They lorded over the others in terms of credentials and looked like the race's true win threats. Each owned a stakes victory and came into the

Manor off winning point-to-point efforts (South Monarch at Cheshire in Pennsylvania, Bon Caddo at Piedmont in Virginia).

Wyatt knew it and planned accordingly.

"I was going to drop in behind [South Monarch], but he almost fell at the first so I wound up in front," she said.

Half to conserve her horse and half hoping someone else

would take up the running, Wyatt slowed the pace while Bon Caddo continued to jump with style.

South Monarch followed along for a while, but was soon joined by Prospectors Strike and More Fascination in the chase. The former made a big play for the lead on the final turn, but lost jockey Justin Batoff after hitting a beacon. More Fascination emerged with the most run late, and threatened the winner over the final two fences. Bon Caddo responded, however, and prevailed with a gutsy stretch run.

"There were moments when I felt like we might trot, but no one came by us," Wyatt said of the pace chores. "He grabbed the bit like a fresh horse when [More Fascination] came to me."

Bon Caddo came to timber racing in the usual round-about way. He was bred in Canada by Marablue Farm and made 10 flat starts for trainer Jonathan Sheppard, winning once (going five and a half furlongs at Colonial Downs in 2006) while being risked for as little as a \$10,000 claiming price. Sheppard ran the son of Bon Point (GB) five times over hurdles and received three not-very-good seconds.

Maryland horseman and farm-equipment dealer Bruce Fenwick spied Bon Caddo on a trip to Sheppard's Pennsylvania farm and bought the horse as a project—a two-year project. Bon Caddo went to horse shows, point-to-points, pretty much anything but a real race between April 28, 2007 (his last hurdle start) and April 18, 2009 (his first timber start). He won that one, added a stakes that fall, and weathered a storm of five seconds and thirds in his next seven starts.

Along the way, Fenwick sold Bon Caddo to Merriefield and the horse placed in the Pennsylvania Hunt Cup, International Gold Cup, Virginia Gold Cup and Grand National timber stakes.

Wyatt, a mother of two and the wife of trainer Todd Wy-



**John Rush Streett Memorial (from left): Big Bad Joe leads the field over the tenth as Yin Yang (#6) sits just off the pace. Others are Native Mark, You and I (Ire) (third) and He's Got Mojo (second).**



**John D. Schapiro Memorial: Victorious Justpourit (Ire) races behind eventual second-place finisher Bar Nuit, followed by Thermostat (third) and Incaseyouraminer (fourth).**

att, got on board this year and won the Piedmont race as a prep for the Manor.

"I like him," she said. "He's got a huge heart and he's a real neat, tidy, quick jumper."

As for the weather, Wyatt laughed it off while feeling bad for the spectators.

"The race was the only seven and a half minutes of the day I didn't think, 'Man it's raining.'"



One race later, jockey Erica Gaertner collected her first NSA win with a timely move on Yin Yang in the \$10,000 John Rush Streett Memorial maiden timber. Owned by NoGo Stable and trained by Billy Meister, the winner didn't arrive on the scene until the final yards, but closed with such a rush that he won by a length over He's Got Mojo with You And I (Ire) third. The winner scored for the first time in four NSA starts,

and covered the three miles in 7:16.40.

Gaertner picked up her first NSA win by following instructions, exactly.

"Billy and I walked the course and he said not to move until after the second-last," said Gaertner, a 30-year-old pre-med student at Towson University.

Yin Yang sat second behind Big Bad Joe early, then dropped back to fourth as He's Got Mojo, Big Bad Joe

and You and I battled up front. He's Got Mojo took a clear lead into the stretch, put away You and I and looked like a winner touching down over the final two fences until Yin Yang came running.

The 9-year-old son of Not For Love was fast enough on the flat to break his maiden at Colonial Downs in 2005 and even started in Pimlico's Humphrey S. Finney Stakes that summer for Ferris Allen. Bred by Nancy Lee Farms in Maryland, Yin Yang made his steeplechase debut in 2009 and prepped for the Manor with a win at Pennsylvania's Brandywine point-to-point.



The finale, the John D. Schapiro Memorial, a \$7,500 amateur highweight allowance timber, went to soft-turf loving Irish-bred Justpourit and owner/rider George Hundt Jr. The 12-year-old took over from Voler Bar Nuit late and powered away with

an eight-length lead by the stretch and a 16¼-length romp at the wire in 7:19 for three miles. Voler Bar Nuit stayed for second, with Thermostat a distant third.

The winner, once owned by a syndicate of cement workers in Ireland, came to the U.S. last season after winning five of 46 starts in Ireland and England for trainer Dessie Hughes. The son of Glacial Storm found success over hurdles and the larger chase fences, and even started in the Irish Grand National (ninth), Midlands National (third), Galway Plate (seventh) and Royal and Sun Alliance (eighth). Purchased by trainer Richard Valentine as a horse for Hundt to ride, Justpourit won two of three American starts over timber in 2010 and made it three in a row at the Manor.

"Richard has done a great job teaching him to jump the timber fences, which is pretty

different from what he was used to," said Hundt. "The horse is a complete dude. He takes a deep breath right before the race, and then just takes me along. He never felt like he was sinking into the mud—he was just loping along and the others were having a much harder time of it."

#### MY LADY'S MANOR (Monkton, April 16)

**My Lady's Manor**, 3 miles over timber, 5 & up. Purse \$35,000. Time: 7:22.40. Winning margin—¾ length. 1-Merriemfield Farm's BON CADDO (b.g., 10, Bon Point-GB—Tactical Info, by Tactical Advantage; bred by Marablue Farm in Canada); trainer Dawn Williams; rider Blair Wyatt. 2-Rosbrian Farm's More Fascination; Tara Elmore; Jeff Murphy. 3-Morning Star Stables's South Monarch; Sanna Hendriks; Jody Petty. Also ran: Delta Park, Haddix, Prospectors Strike (lost rider).

**John Rush Streett Memorial**, 3 miles over timber, 5 & up, non-winners over timber, amateur rid-

ers up. Purse \$10,000. Time: 7:16.40. Winning margin—1 length. 1-NoGo Stable's YIN YANG (ch.g., 9, Not For Love—Say It's Cold, by Oh Say; bred by Nancy Lee Farms in Maryland); trainer William Meister; rider Erica Gaertner. 2-Waverton Farm's He's Got Mojo; Christopher Lyons; Mark Beecher. 3-Estate of Cary W. Jackson's You and I (Ire); Neil Morris; Christopher Read. Also ran: Native Mark, Big Bad Joe, Monsooned Malabar (pulled up).

**John D. Schapiro Memorial**, amateur highweight, 3 miles over timber, 5 & up who had not won \$9,000 once in 2010-2011, amateur riders up. Purse \$7,500. Time: 7:19.20. Winning margin—16¼ lengths. 1-Lucy Stable's JUSTPOURIT (Ire) (b.g., 12, Glacial Storm—Gale Choice, by Strong Gale; bred by Edmond Coleman in Ireland); trainer Richard Valentine; rider George Hundt Jr. 2-Mrs. William D. Class Jr.'s Voler Bar Nuit; William Meister; Michael Traurig. 3-Morning Star Stables's Thermostat; Ricky Hendriks; Ivan Dowling. Also ran: Incaseyouraminer, Genghis (pulled up), Western Fling (pulled up).

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## MARYLAND FUND STAKES RECAPS



### Ben's Cat



#### Mister Diz Stakes

\$75,000-guaranteed, 5 fur. (off turf), registered Maryland-breds, 3 & up. Pimlico, April 9.

Dk.b./br.g., 2006, by Parker's Storm Cat—Twofox, by Thirty Eight Paces. Bred by K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc.; owned by The Jim Stable; trained by King T. Leatherbury. Foaled at Northview Stallion Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

Lifetime					
starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings	
13	9 (4)	1 (1)	0	\$271,230	(through April 30)

**2010:** 1st \$50,000 **Mister Diz S**, 6 fur., turf, registered Md.-breds, 3 & up, Laurel, Aug. 21; \$100,000 **Maryland Million Turf Sprint H**, 5½ fur., turf, 3 & up, sired by eligible Md. stallions, Laurel, Oct. 2; \$50,000 **Find H**, 1¼ mi., turf, registered Md.-breds, 3 & up, Laurel, Oct. 30; 2nd **Forty Niner S**. **2011:** 1st \$75,000 **Mister Diz S**, 5 fur. (off turf), registered Md.-breds, 3 & up, April 9.

The Jim Stable's Ben's Cat captured the off-the-turf \$75,000 Mister Diz Stakes for registered Maryland-breds on April 9 at Pimlico, the race that marked his climb into the ranks of stakes winners in 2010.

Bred, owned and trained by the legendary King Leatherbury, Ben's Cat was winning for the ninth time in 12 lifetime starts. The son of

Parker's Storm Cat has won four stakes since his debut as a 4-year-old last year—and was voted champion Maryland-bred turf runner and sprinter—but this edition of the Mister Diz was his first added-money victory on the main track.

In the five-furlong test over a track rated good, Ben's Cat dropped back off a contested pace before charging up three-wide into the lane and driving by the frontrunners to win by one and a quarter lengths under jockey Jeremy Rose. Sandbagin' Lover finished second with Digger third. Completing the field were Norjac, DeLaunay and Music City.

"I still think he is a little better on the turf but this was his strongest effort on the dirt," said Leatherbury, who ranks third on the trainers' all-time win list with 6,316. "It is hard to say who he beat. The one horse I was worried about [Digger] did not fire but he ran well."

Ben's Cat completed the distance in :57.82.

The former claimer, whose debut had been put on hold

due to a broken pelvis, won his first eight career starts, including three stakes on the Laurel Park turf course. He had not won since November but was competitive in three stakes efforts, including a fourth-place finish in the Grade 2 General George Handicap in his previous start.

Heros Reward, the 2007 Maryland-bred Horse of the Year who has not raced since his fifth-place finish in the Maryland Million Turf Sprint won by Ben's Cat last October, was entered in the Mister Diz but trainer Dale Capuano scratched him when the race came off the turf.

Ben's Cat, who has earned \$268,230 in his career, was back on the turf three weeks later in Pimlico's one-mile Henry S. Clark Stakes. Pinched back soon after the start, he raced evenly and finished fifth, seven lengths behind winner Pocket Patch.

Ben's Cat, out of Twofox (\$76,753, 2nd Pearl Necklace S, 3rd Maryland Million Ladies S), a daughter of Thirty Eight Paces, comes from a family that has brought Leatherbury many successes. Twofox is a full sister to 1987 Maryland-bred champion 2-year-old filly and 1989 champion older female Thirty Eight Go Go, whom Leatherbury trained to win multiple

graded stakes and earn \$871,229, and a half-sister to graded winner Notches Trace (\$360,562), the Maryland-bred champion older female of 1988. Twofox's full sister Endette produced Leatherbury's outstanding homebred Ah Day (\$914,024), the champion Maryland-bred 3-year-old male of 2006, as well as Maryland Million Classic winner Due.

### D Day



#### Shine Again Stakes

\$50,000-guaranteed, 1¼ mi., registered Maryland-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up, non-winners of a sweepstakes. Pimlico, April 2.

B.m., 2005, by Polish Miner—Hill Keys, by Ten Keys. Bred by Daniel Hall; owned and trained by Samuel F. Cronk. Foaled at Barclay's Square Farm, Colora, Md.

Lifetime					
starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings	
23	5 (1)	2	6	\$161,206	(through April 29)

**2011:** 1st \$50,000 **Shine Again S**, 1¼ mi., registered Md.-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up, non-winners of a sweepstakes, Pimlico, April 2.

Samuel F. Cronk's D Day ran by the pacesetters and drew away to a handy score in the opening weekend feature at Pimlico, the \$50,000 Shine Again Stakes for registered Maryland-bred fillies and mares on April 2.

Craftily ridden by Jeremy Rose, the 6-year-old launched her bid around the far turn in



the mile and a sixteenth test, coming off the rail to swing widest into the stretch before blowing past speedsters Lily Quatorze (the 3-2 favorite) and Secret Peace to win in hand by four and three-quarters lengths. A 40-1 longshot, Grandiloquent, came along late to edge out Amelia's Brio for second. Completing the field were Secret Peace, Lily

Quatorze, Trez and Princess Malka.

The winner, who is trained by her owner, had not won on the main track since July 2008, and was making her first start since December.

"It was pretty the way the race was being drawn up," Rose said. "She was ready after the long layoff and we got a perfect trip. I wanted to save

something for the stretch coming off that long layoff. You never know how tired she was going to get. She actually got really tired, which makes sense, but it shows you how classy she is."

D Day (by Polish Miner) is Maryland Million eligible. She improved her record to five wins and 13 in-the-money finishes in 22 career starts

with earnings of \$160,066. The Shine Again was both her first stakes win and first appearance at a Maryland track. The majority of her starts have come at Delaware Park.

Bred by Daniel Hall and Joann E. Hall, D Day is the fourth foal and first stakes performer for her dam, Hill Keys (by Ten Keys).



## MARYLAND-BRED STAKES WINNERS



LYDIA A. WILLIAMS

### Sweet times continue for Sweet Goodbye

Maryland-bred Sweet Goodbye said hello to her eighth career stakes win while capturing the \$250,000 Sugar Maple Stakes by an easy six and a quarter lengths over a sloppy, sealed track on April 16 at Charles Town. It was the richest victory to date for William R. Harris's homebred 6-year-old mare who has been trained throughout her career by Bowie-based conditioner Chris Grove.

Sweet Goodbye raised concerns that her best racing days were behind her when she failed to find the winner's circle in her first three starts of this season, including the Barbara Fritchie Handicap-G2, in which she was seeking a

repeat of her 2010 victory. But the outlook brightened when she prepped for the Sugar Maple with an 11½-length allowance score at Charles Town on March 26.

"She was getting her act together in those first few races," Grove said after the Sugar Maple. "The last two races have been very impressive. She turned for home tonight like she wanted to go further. She loves the slop and she loves this track. Maybe she got her confidence back last time. Tonight, she was able to get to the front. I'm going to try to get her to a million like Silmaril [the Maryland-bred millionaire whom Grove trained a few years ago]."

Sweet Goodbye has earned \$684,072 while winning 12 of her 21 career starts, and is nearly undefeated in seven starts at Charles Town—her only loss coming in last year's edition of the Sugar Maple, when she flipped and fell in the paddock before the race, but still came on to finish second.

From the first Maryland-sired crop of 1996 Preakness Stakes-G1 winner Louis

Quatorze, who stands at Allen and Audrey Murray's Murmur Farm in Darlington, Md., Sweet Goodbye is a two-time Maryland-bred champion, having taken titles as the state's top 3-year-old filly of 2008, and older female of 2010.

Sweet Goodbye is the best horse ever to campaign for Harris, the retired owner of a mechanical contracting firm in the Richmond, Va., area who has been in the horse business since 1961. Harris typically foals mares in Maryland to take advantage of the Maryland Fund, and raises them at his large farm in Virginia. He bought Sweet Goodbye's great-granddam, Amaranth Street (by Up the Ensign), off the race track at Charles Town in the early 1970s. Bred to Anticipating, a Bold Ruler son then standing in Maryland, Amaranth Street produced Amanti, who won or placed in 20 stakes for Harris, earning \$306,981 in the 1980s.

Amanti became the dam of three stakes horses, including multiple stakes winner Nawmon (\$276,701), but it was her unraced daughter Thirty Eight Steps (by Thirty Eight Paces) who took the family to new heights. Thirty Eight Steps produced four stakes winners, all by stallions standing at Murmur Farm—Five Steps (2001, by Yarrow Brae, \$413,746, R.R.M. Carpenter Jr. Memorial S, etc.), Deer Run (1997, by Deerhound, \$408,530, Maryland Million Sprint H, etc.), Norstep (1992, by Norquestor, \$229,845, Politley S, etc.) and, finally, Sweet Goodbye, who arrived

a few months before Thirty Eight Steps died in 2005.



JIM MCCUE

### Baltimore Belle digs in for Dahlia Stakes score

R. Larry Johnson's Baltimore Belle wore down the frontrunner to win the \$75,000 Dahlia Stakes for fillies and mares on April 23 at Pimlico. The Dahlia, which included a \$25,000 purse premium for Maryland-breds, had been scheduled to be run over the turf but was switched to the main track because of a drenching rain in Baltimore on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

Julian Pimentel was atop Baltimore Belle for trainer Mike Trombetta. He kept the filly racing comfortably in third through the far turn before circling wide into the lane and driving past Volare Cantare a furlong from the wire and catching Weeper in deep stretch. Baltimore Belle won

by a length and three-quarters and completed the mile and a sixteenth in 1:46.69.

"We had a really good trip," said Pimentel. "They were going really slow in front but I was able to just keep it together and when I asked her to run she kept digging. Mike told me to stay off the rail. He didn't think it was good on the inside."

Baltimore Belle, now 4, became a stakes winner when she captured the Maryland Million Oaks for owners Carol Kaye and Robert Gerczak this past October while in the barn of J.B. Secor. The daughter of Bowman's Band subsequently topped the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic December Mixed sale at Timonium on a \$130,000 bid by Johnson, who sent her to Trombetta. She finished fourth for her new conditioner in both the one-mile Nellie Morse and seven-furlong Conriver Stakes at Laurel Park.

"She's a nice filly from a good family. She just needed

this kind of race," said Trombetta. "The first time we ran her at Laurel the track was very deep and she struggled on it. The second start she caught a very fast half-mile and they really didn't back up to her."

In a rare turn of events, Baltimore Belle's 6-year-old half-brother, Baltimore Bob (by Malibu Moon), won the \$50,000 Grand Prairie Turf Challenge at Lone Star Park minutes before the Dahlia. (Writeup on Baltimore Bob follows.)

Both current stakes winners were bred by Kaye and Barbara Smith from multiple stakes-placed Gabby's Love (by Perkin Warbeck), who is also the dam of Gabianna (f., 2000, Deerhound; \$136,610, The Very One S).

Kaye privately purchased Gabby's Love as a broodmare prospect and the mare produced seven foals before dying from foaling complications in 2008.

Baltimore Belle has a career record of five wins, five seconds and one third-place finish in 16 starts with earnings of \$194,064.

### Baltimore Bob wins Grand Prairie Turf Challenge

Maryland-bred Baltimore Bob was a convincing winner in the \$50,000 Grand Prairie Turf Challenge for 3-year-olds and up over a firm turf course on April 23 at Lone Star Park.

Making his second start—and recording his second consecutive win—for owner Charles Fletcher and trainer Cody Autrey, the 6-year-old dark bay son of Malibu Moon enjoyed a comfortable trip while sitting just off of early leader Snow Drift through fractions of :24.76, :49.29 and 1:12.53. When jockey Cliff Berry asked him to go after the leader at the top of the stretch, Baltimore Bob

surged to the front and then held off a late bid from runner-up Alwayswithapproval, who was three-quarters of a length back at the finish. The mile was completed in 1:35.95.

Baltimore Bob raced for Carol Kaye (who bred him in partnership with Barbara Smith) until his third-from-last start, when he finished a close second, while in for a \$100,000 claiming tag, to Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile-G1 winner Furthest Land at Gulfstream Park.

A winner in 11 of his 31 career starts, he captured the 2010 editions of the Henry S. Clark and Da Hoss Stakes, finished second in the Find Handicap and third in the Fair Grounds and John B. Connally Turf Handicaps (both Grade 3). At ages 3 and 4, he had three stakes placings. His latest victory boosted his lifetime earnings to \$367,265. 🐾

## Two Punch packs a wallop with first 2-year-old starters of 2011

**T**wo Punch, the 28-year-old son of Mr. Prospector standing at Northview Stallion Station in Chesapeake City, Md., is going like gangbusters with his current crop of 2-year-olds.

From two starters as of mid-April, the long-successful sire is represented by two first-time-out maiden special weight winners. His son Friscan scored at Keeneland on April 14, and the following day at Pimlico his daughter Bluegrass Atatude captured Maryland's first race of this season for juveniles.

Through early May, Two Punch ranked as one of the leading juvenile sires in the nation by earnings (\$43,500) and tied for second by number of winners.

Both of his juvenile winners are Maryland-breds.

Friscan (out of Otherwise Perfect, by Lemon Drop Kid) was bred by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Quin Bowman and Rebecca Davis; he campaigns for owner Dunbarton Stable LLC and trainer Al Stall.

Bluegrass Atatude (out of Potomac Bend, by Polish



Bluegrass Atatude (Two Punch—Potomac Bend, by Polish Numbers) was all alone at the wire in Maryland's first race for 2-year-olds of 2011.

Numbers) was bred by Bowman and Higgins Stable, Anthony W. Dutrow and Rebecca Davis. All of the Above Racing owns the chestnut filly, who added to a remarkable skein for her trainer, John Salzman Jr.

This is the third year in a row that Salzman has won the first baby race of the season, the 2009 and 2010 trailblazers

being eventual stakes stars Gator Prowl and Twelve Pack Shelly. Ten of the last 12 years, the winner of the first juvenile race in the state has been conditioned by a Salzman (John Sr., Tim or John Jr.).

Salzman indicated the \$150,000 My Dear Stakes at Woodbine on June 25 is under consideration for Bluegrass Atatude. 🐾



## MARYLAND FUND REPORT

Bonuses paid for races at Maryland tracks from March 21 to April 17, 2011.

### Harrison E. Johnson Memorial Stakes

March 26. \$25,000 Maryland Fund purse premium. For 3-year-olds and up. 1½ mi. 5 competed. (Closed with 18 nominations.) Winner: EIGHTTOFASTTO-CATCH, by Not For Love. Owner bonus: Sylvia E. Heft (\$15,000). Second: None. Third: None. Fourth: None. Fifth: None.

### Shine Again Stakes

April 2. Purse \$50,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-olds and up, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds, non-winners of a sweepstakes. 1¼ mi. 7 competed. (Closed with 12 nominations.) Winner: D DAY, by Polish Miner. Breeder bonus: Daniel Hall (\$4,650). Stallion bonus: Polish Miner Syndicate (\$2,325). Second: GRANDILOQUENT, by Oratory. Breeder bonus: A. Brice Ridgely (\$1,550). Stallion bonus: Country Life Farm and Darley (\$775). Third: AMELIA'S BRIO, by Crowd Pleaser. Breeder bonus: Mrs. Janon Fisher III (\$852.50). Stallion bonus: Crowd Pleaser Partnership (\$426.25). Fourth: SECRET PEACE, by Indian Charlie. Breeder bonus: Bender and Bender LLC (\$465). Stallion bonus: None.

### Mister Diz Stakes

April 9. Purse \$75,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-olds and up, registered Maryland-breds. 5 fur. (off turf). 6 competed. (Closed with 17 nominations.) Winner: BEN'S CAT, by Parker's Storm Cat. Breeder bonus: K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc. (\$6,975). Stallion bonus: Country Life Farm and B. Wayne Hughes (\$3,487.50). Second: SANDBAGIN' LOVER, by Outflanker. Breeder bonus: Frances Moser (\$2,325). Stallion bonus: Outflanker Syndicate (\$1,162.50). Third: DIGGER, by Yonaguska.

Breeder bonus: Skeedattle Associates (\$1,278.75). Stallion bonus: None. Fourth: NORJAC, by Peaks and Valleys. Breeder bonus: Andrew Doyle (\$697.50). Stallion bonus: None.

### Primonetta Stakes

April 16. \$25,000 Maryland Fund purse premium. For 3-year-olds and up, fillies and mares. 6 fur. 6 competed. (Closed with 19 nominations.) Winner: None. Second: None. Third: TOUGH TALKIN LADY, by Oratory. Owner bonus: Kenneth Holt and Montuori Racing Stable (\$2,750). Fourth: None. Fifth: FIVE DIAMONDS, by Flatter. Owner bonus: Ralph Patten and William Inman (\$750).

### Breeder bonuses

Bender and Bender LLC—SECRET PEACE: April 2, 10th race, \$465.  
John E. Bennett Jr. and Roderick Haddaway—DOMESTIC AFFAIR: April 17, 8th race, \$883.50.  
Bonita Farm—DIRECT ASSAULT: March 23, 9th race, \$883.50.  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman—COUNT ON LOU: March 24, 7th race, \$1,767. OH PICKLES: March 25, 2nd race, \$1,060.20. (\$2,827.20)  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Rebecca Davis and The Thoroughbred Corp.—TRUE TO A POINT: April 1, 4th race, \$1,060.20.  
Bowman and Higgins Stable and Patricia L. Chapman—CONCEALED IDENTITY: April 15, 6th race, \$2,738.85.  
Bowman and Higgins Stable, Anthony Dutrow and Rebecca Davis—BLUEGRASS ATATUDE: April 15, 1st race, \$2,650.50.  
Marshale E. Bassford Burgess—CAROLYN'S MOON: April 9, 8th race, \$2,650.50.  
Corby Caiazzo—SWALLOW THE FIELD: April 16, 6th race, \$1,678.65.  
CandyLand Farm—FROCKS VALLEY GIRL: April 17, 10th race, \$1,060.20.  
Phil Capuano—OUR COMMANDER: April 7, 2nd race, \$1,060.20.  
Country Life Farm and Conradley LLC—CITIGAMBLER: April 8, 5th race, \$1,590.30.  
Dark Hollow Farm and Herringwell Stable—EIGHTTOFAST-TOCATCH: March 26, 9th race, \$6,975.  
Rosalee C. Davison—ART OF THE HUNT: April 8, 8th race, \$2,738.85. LION IN THE SUN: April 16, 9th race, \$2,562.15. (\$5,301)  
Andrew Doyle—NORJAC: April 9, 10th race, \$697.50.  
Hassan Elamri—TWOTOKISS: April 3, 7th race, \$1,590.30.

## Breeder loyalty bonuses

Additional 14.5 percent bonus paid to breeders of all maiden race winners at the Pimlico spring meet.

Bowman and Higgins Stable, Anthony Dutrow and Rebecca Davis—BLUEGRASS ATATUDE: April 15, 1st race, \$2,479.50. (total breeder bonus—\$5,130)  
Marshale E. Bassford Burgess—CAROLYN'S MOON: April 9, 8th race, \$2,479.50. (total breeder bonus—\$5,130)  
Carol A. Kaye—SAINTLY LOVE: April 8, 10th race, \$826.50. (total breeder bonus—\$1,710)  
Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss—MISS PSYCHE KEY: April 2, 3rd race, \$826.50. (total breeder bonus—\$1,710)  
Charles Reed and Michael Zanella—BOLD AFFAIR: April 1, 6th race, \$2,479.50. (total breeder bonus—\$5,130)  
Summer Wind Bloodstock and Wilbur D. and Joan Everett—PHIL'S TANGO: April 17, 4th race, \$1,653. (total breeder bonus—\$3,420)  
Sally Thomas and Ferris Allen—NO SATIS ACTION: April 7, 3rd race, \$1,487.70. (total breeder bonus—\$3,078)  
Dr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Wells—SIMPLE SONGS: April 3, 9th race, \$1,487.70. (total breeder bonus—\$3,078)

Wilbur and Joan Everett—SILENT SHOT: April 7, 4th race, \$1,060.20.  
Mrs. Janon Fisher III—AMELIA'S BRIO: April 2, 10th race, \$852.50.  
Fitzhugh LLC—BRACE: April 1, 9th race, \$2,738.85. BROAD RULE: April 3, 8th race, \$2,738.85. OUR JAKS: April 9, 1st race, \$1,060.20. (\$6,537.90)  
Daniel Hall—D DAY: April 2, 10th race, \$4,650.  
William R. Harris—SIGNOFFSPRING: April 9, 4th race, \$883.50.  
Hickory Plains LLC—BALTIMORE RAVEN: April 15, 5th race, \$1,236.90.  
Hickory Ridge Farm—DUNRAVEN LAD: March 24, 6th race, \$2,650.50.  
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Holt and Theodore Montuori—TOUGH TALKIN LADY: April 16, 10th race, \$1,278.75.  
John Franzone Jr. Racing Inc.—NO BRAKES: April 1, 7th race, \$1,767.  
Carl B. Johnson Sr.—THE DEVIL YOU SAY: March 24, 3rd race, \$883.50.  
Carol A. Kaye—SAINTLY LOVE: April 8, 10th race, \$883.50.  
K.T. Leatherbury Assoc. Inc.—BEN'S CAT: April 9, 10th race, \$6,975.  
Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss—CAPTAIN TWITCH: March 24, 9th race, \$1,060.20. MISS PSYCHE KEY: April 2, 3rd race, \$883.50. (\$1,943.70)  
J.W.Y. Martin Jr.—TUFTON: March 24, 5th race, \$1,236.90; April 1, 1st race, \$1,413.60. (\$2,650.50)  
Mr. and Mrs. William J. Miller—BELLA RICO: March 24, 4th race, \$2,120.40.  
Gretchen B. Mobblerley—MORE PUNCH: April 1, 1st race, \$883.50.  
Wayne and Juanita Morris—REGAL WARRIOR: April 1, 8th race, \$2,915.55.  
Frances Moser—SANDBAGIN' LOVER: April 9, 10th race, \$2,325.  
Nancy Lee Farms—SAINT SARAH: March 23, 2nd race, \$1,590.30.  
Northwest Stallion Station—RONNIE JAMES JR: March 23, 1st race, \$2,120.40.  
Payson Stud Inc.—GRAND GRACIE: April 15, 8th race, \$1,236.90.  
PTK LLC—CONCATENATION: April 1, 3rd race, \$1,060.20.  
Yigal Rappaport—DANCE RAVEN DANCE: March 26, 1st race, \$1,060.20; April 14, 2nd race, \$1,501.95. SILVER PARTNER: April 1, 5th race, \$1,413.60. (\$3,975.75)  
Charles Reed and Michael Zanella—BOLD AFFAIR: April 1, 6th race, \$2,650.50.  
A. Brice Ridgely—GRANDILOQUENT: April 2, 10th race, \$1,550.  
Anton and Rita Riedlbauer—MALIBU ROCK: March 24, 2nd race, \$883.50.  
Rob Ry Farm and Jayne Marie Slyszy—SUMMER WIND HALEY: March 25, 1st race, \$1,148.55.  
William T. Shook—SHOOKSTOWN ROAD: April 3, 1st race, \$1,501.95.  
Dr. Stephen Sinatra—DISCO DORA: April 1, 2nd race, \$883.50.  
Skeedattle Associates—DIGGER: April 9, 10th race, \$1,278.75. SO PICKY: March 25, 5th race, \$2,650.50. (\$3,929.25)  
Summer Wind Bloodstock and Wilbur D. and Joan Everett—PHIL'S TANGO: April 17, 4th race, \$1,767.  
Sycamore Hall Farm LLC—ONE ROLL: March 26, 10th race, \$1,060.20.  
Sally Thomas and Ferris Allen—NO SATIS ACTION: April 7, 3rd race, \$1,590.30.  
Dr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Wells—SIMPLE SONGS: April 3, 9th race, \$1,590.30.  
Wirth Brothers—BRIGHT GEM: April 2, 9th race, \$1,060.20.

### Owner bonuses

All of the Above Racing—BLUEGRASS ATATUDE: April 15, 1st race, \$2,650.50.  
Elaine C. Bassford—CAROLYN'S MOON: April 9, 8th race, \$2,650.50.  
Bonita Farm and Pieces of Eight Stable—DIRECT ASSAULT: March 23, 9th race, \$883.50.  
Jerry D. Chapman—LION IN THE SUN: April 16, 9th race, \$2,562.15.  
Rosalee C. Davison—ART OF THE HUNT: April 8, 8th race, \$2,738.85.  
Carl Doran—RONNIE JAMES JR: March 23, 1st race, \$2,120.40.  
Dumbarton Farm—DUNRAVEN LAD: March 24, 6th race, \$2,650.50.  
Hassan Elamri—TWOTOKISS: April 3, 7th race, \$1,590.30.  
Fitzhugh LLC—BRACE: April 1, 9th race, \$2,738.85. BROAD RULE: April 3, 8th race, \$2,738.85. (\$5,477.70)  
Linda S. Norwood-Gaudet and Morris Bailey—CONCEALED IDENTITY: April 15, 6th race, \$2,738.85.  
Holly House Farm—SUMMER WIND HALEY: March 25, 1st race, \$1,148.55.  
Estate of Cary W. Jackson—CAPTAIN TWITCH: March 24, 9th race, \$1,060.20.  
Carl B. Johnson Sr.—THE DEVIL YOU SAY: March 24, 3rd race, \$883.50.  
Carol A. Kaye—SAINTLY LOVE: April 8, 10th race, \$883.50.  
William J. Miller—BELLA RICO: March 24, 4th race, \$2,120.40.  
Morris Stable LLC—REGAL WARRIOR: April 1, 8th race, \$2,915.55.  
Steven T. Newby—PHIL'S TANGO: April 17, 4th race, \$1,767.  
Yigal Rappaport—DANCE RAVEN DANCE: March 26, 1st race, \$1,060.20.  
Charles Reed and Michael Zanella—BOLD AFFAIR: April 1, 6th race, \$2,650.50.  
Skeedattle Associates—SO PICKY: March 25, 5th race, \$2,650.50.

## SPECIAL \$5,000 BONUS PAYMENTS

MSW PAYMENTS (March 21 - April 17, 2011):

All of the Above Racing; Elaine C. Bassford; Dumbarton Farm; Charles Reed and Mike Zanella; Skeedattle Associates.

Warwick Stable—NO SATIS ACTION: April 7, 3rd race, \$1,590.30.  
 Bruce Wells—SIMPLE SONGS: April 3, 9th race, \$1,590.30.  
 George Whims—MISS PSYCHE KEY: April 2, 3rd race, \$883.50.

#### Stallion bonuses

BOWMAN'S BAND (Shookstown Road: April 3, 1st race, \$750.98. Simple Songs: April 3, 9th race, \$795.15): Maryland Stallion Station and Martin Schwartz—\$1,546.13.

CITDANCER (Citigambler: April 8, 5th race, \$795.15): Country Life Farm.

CROWD PLEASER (Amelia's Brio: April 2, 10th race, \$426.25): Crowd Pleaser Partnership.

DANCE WITH RAVENS (Dance Raven Dance: March 26, 1st race, \$530.10; April 14, 2nd race, \$750.98): Dance With Ravens Syndicate—\$1,281.08.

DEPUTY STORM (Ronnie James Jr: March 23, 1st race, \$1,060.20): Deputy Storm Syndicate.

DIAMOND (Bright Gem: April 2, 1st race, \$530.10): Diamond Syndicate.

DISCO RICO (Bella Rico: March 24, 4th race, \$1,060.20. Disco Dara: April 1, 2nd race, \$441.75): Alfred and Joseph DiRico—\$1,501.95.

DOMESTIC DISPUTE (Domestic Affair: April 17, 8th race, \$441.75): Domestic Dispute Syndicate.

GATORS N BEARS (Tufton: March 24, 5th race, \$618.45; April 1, 1st race, \$706.80): Gators N Bears Syndicate—\$1,325.25.

GO FOR GIN (Direct Assault: March 23, 9th race, \$441.75): Bonita Farm and Joe Cornacchia.

GREAT NOTION (Oh Pickles: March 25, 2nd race, \$530.10): Great Notion Syndicate.

KEN DOLL (Concatenation: April 1, 3rd race, \$530.10): PTK LLC.

LION HEARTED (Art of the Hunt: April 8, 8th race, \$1,369.43. Lion in the Sun: April 16, 9th race, \$1,281.08. So Picky: March 25, 5th race, \$1,325.25. Twotokiss: April 3, 7th race, \$795.15): Lion Hearted Syndicate—\$4,770.91.

LOUIS QUATORZE (Regal Warrior: April 1, 8th race, \$1,457.78): Louis Quatorze Syndicate.

NO ARMISTICE (Malibu Rock: March 24, 2nd race, \$441.75): Country Life Farm and B. Wayne Hughes.

NOT FOR LOVE (Eighttofastocatch: March 26, 9th race, \$3,487.50. Our Jaks: April 9, 1st race, \$530.10): Not For Love Syndicate—\$4,017.60.

ORATORY (Grandiloquent: April 2, 10th race, \$775. Tough Talkin Lady: April 16, 10th race, \$639.38): Country Life Farm and Darley—\$1,414.38.

OUTFLANKER (Sandbagin' Lover: April 9, 10th race, \$1,162.50): Outflanker Syndicate.

PARKER'S STORM CAT (Ben's Cat: April 9, 10th race, \$3,487.50. No Brakes: April 1, 7th race, \$883.50): Country Life Farm and B. Wayne Hughes—\$4,371.

PARTNER'S HERO (More Punch: April 1, 1st race, \$441.75. Silver Partner: April 1, 5th race, \$706.80. Swallow the Field: April 16, 6th race, \$839.33): Partner's Hero Syndicate—\$1,987.88.

POLISH MINER (D Day: April 2, 10th race, \$2,325): Polish Miner Syndicate.

ROCK SLIDE (Summer Wind Haley: March 25, 1st race, \$574.28): Shamrock Farms.

ST AVERIL (Saintry Love: April 8, 10th race, \$441.75): Maryland Stallion Station and Bradley Thoroughbreds.

TWO PUNCH (Bluegrass Aratude: April 15, 1st race, \$1,325.25. Bold Affair: April 1, 6th race, \$1,325.25. Captain Twitch: March 24, 9th race, \$530.10): Two Punch Syndicate—\$3,180.60.

YARROW BRAE (Signofspring: April 9, 4th race, \$441.75): Yarrow Brae Syndicate.



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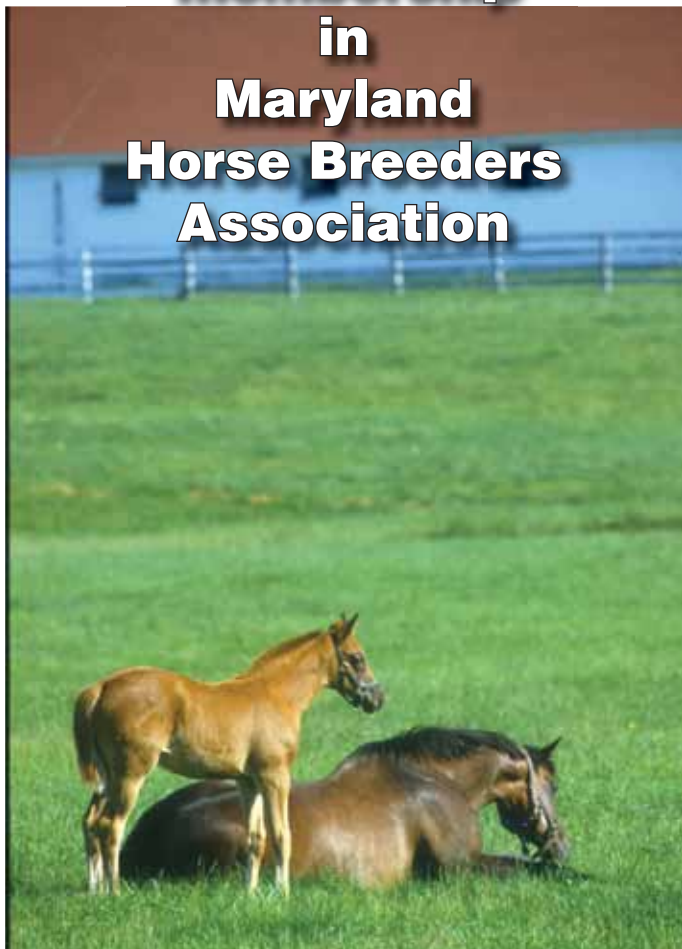
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5. Fascinatn' Rhythm... \$67,500	15. Lion in the Sun... \$46,250
6. Eighttofasttocatch... \$64,950	16. Monzon... \$45,000
7. Comet of Love... \$60,270	17. Gators Choice... \$43,870
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## Maryland's leading sires

Supplied by Bloodstock Research Information Services (BRIS),  
these statistics were compiled on May 5. Lifetime earnings  
for stallions with at least one starter in 2011. † denotes freshman sire.

### Earnings in 2011

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Not For Love.....	101	310	38	52	\$995,627
Lion Hearted.....	103	358	36	49	966,433
Louis Quatorze.....	73	258	26	33	798,457
Dance With Ravens..	64	217	21	31	673,360
Oratory.....	45	163	19	25	520,435
Rock Slide.....	50	156	13	18	362,430
Great Notion.....	24	70	13	17	358,228
Two Punch.....	49	141	15	18	318,509
Gators N Bears.....	27	88	10	14	260,255
Outflanker.....	34	109	9	10	230,244
Go For Gin.....	33	104	11	12	166,505
Seeking Daylight....		53	7	8	127,927
Deputy Storm.....	13	45	6	7	118,406
Fantasticat.....	24	64	8	9	109,851
Cherokee's Boy.....	8	21	2	2	78,410

### Earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Allen's Prospect.....	927	23,193	768	3,354	\$54,270,900
Not For Love.....	620	12,681	496	1,965	54,188,200
Two Punch.....	840	16,006	647	2,425	48,708,900
Polish Numbers.....	439	9,143	362	1,347	32,883,200
Carnivalay.....	494	13,304	405	1,818	30,440,800
Louis Quatorze.....	517	9,094	366	1,201	26,571,800
Waquoit.....	468	11,032	355	1,484	26,141,800
Citidancer.....	296	7,012	254	1,212	25,289,200
Eastern Echo.....	416	8,477	289	1,103	22,352,400
Norquestor.....	293	8,732	252	1,242	20,943,900
Outflanker.....	306	6,528	240	972	20,034,500
Deputed Testamony..	352	10,202	267	1,403	18,497,500
Lion Hearted.....	332	5,129	252	729	16,574,000
Go For Gin.....	279	4,946	181	610	16,414,700
Hail Emperor.....	201	5,684	133	718	7,389,320
Wayne County (Ire)..	152	2,960	99	343	5,964,630
Mojave Moon.....	146	2,684	102	295	5,169,590
Crowd Pleaser.....	101	1,631	72	217	5,019,850
Aaron's Concorde...	84	1,915	62	203	3,942,760
Rock Slide.....	110	1,207	64	142	3,730,900
Perfecting.....	65	1,561	48	162	2,602,400
Dance With Ravens..	113	929	58	111	2,550,890
Great Notion.....	53	525	40	96	2,297,790

### 2-year-old earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Allen's Prospect.....	458	1,558	175	240	\$5,629,410
Two Punch.....	411	1,310	159	197	5,153,780
Not For Love.....	277	878	105	142	5,070,720
Polish Numbers.....	229	700	84	122	3,672,570
Citidancer.....	153	575	82	124	3,220,990
Louis Quatorze.....	250	770	77	98	3,081,820
Eastern Echo.....	220	812	73	100	3,032,700
Carnivalay.....	249	1,010	88	122	2,480,130
Outflanker.....	169	699	71	97	2,444,400
Lion Hearted.....	161	537	63	89	2,408,410
Waquoit.....	198	681	56	81	1,920,960
Norquestor.....	136	508	47	64	1,316,410
Go For Gin.....	143	455	29	36	878,240
Deputed Testamony..	174	695	38	51	761,008
Rock Slide.....	57	196	13	22	682,211
Dance With Ravens..	67	230	15	18	576,091
Mojave Moon.....	80	305	23	25	556,258
Oratory.....	37	134	20	20	469,881
Wayne County (Ire)..	63	208	22	24	408,713
Deputy Storm.....	11	49	6	10	333,702