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## Re-discovering Discovery

*Legendary racehorse, stallion had deep roots in state*

Story by Andrew Hanna and Cindy Deubler

**N**ative Dancer, Bold Ruler and Intentionally. All three stallions appear in the pedigree of 2020 Kentucky Derby-G1 and Breeders' Cup Classic-G1 winner Authentic. At least one can be found somewhere in the pedigrees of nearly every Thoroughbred in the world today. And all three are grandsons of Sagamore Farm's legendary stallion Discovery.

Discovery was born 90 years ago on March 3, 1931, in Kentucky at the Mereworth Farm of his breeder, Walter J. Salmon Sr. The connection to Maryland came two years later through Adolphe Pons, a bloodstock advisor who purchased a farm on the outskirts of Bel Air in 1933 he named Country Life Farm.

A one-time personal secretary to August Belmont II, Pons oversaw the sale of Belmont's yearling colt Man o' War, advising Samuel D. Riddle to make the purchase, and advised a number of other major owners, including Joseph E. Widener, before finding work as Salmon's agent.

After purchasing his first horses in 1919, Salmon had immediate success and was soon building a breeding empire. One of the earliest, and best, horses bred by Salmon was Display, a classic winner who sired Discovery in his first crop.



A son of Man o' War's sire Fair Play, Display was fiery, obstreperous, sometimes a menace-hot-blooded, as the Fair Play male line was described. But Display was one of the best runners of the mid-1920s. After capturing the 1926 Preakness Stakes and a host of other races in 103 starts, winning more than \$250,000 (the equivalent of \$3.6 million today), he was retired to stand at Mereworth.

Display's first book included Ariadne, a daughter of the English imported stallion \*Light Brigade, sire of Mereworth's homebred 1929 Preakness winner Dr. Free-land. Ariadne had an unre-

markable racing career before being retired, and except for Discovery, had an unremarkable broodmare career. But her granddam Adriana was by Hamburg, who stood for most of his life as the property of the Whitney family.

The blaze-faced Hamburg, also described as "fiery," was an exceptional broodmare sire, his daughters producing the likes of Regret, Maskette and Paul Jones. Adriana was a stakes producer, as was her daughter, Discovery's granddam Adrienne, who produced her first foal in 1923. That filly, Adria, was one of six to win stakes from the first crop bred



Adolphe Pons, founder of Country Life farm, raced Discovery 13 times, before the horse was sold to Alfred G. Vanderbilt. At the end of his racing career, the great handicap horse stood at Vanderbilt's Sagamore Farm for 21 years.



by Salmon (a crop that included Display).

In the throes of the Great Depression, and seeking a shift to a commercial breeding market, Salmon began leasing runners to Pons in 1932.

Josh Pons recalled those years his grandfather Adolphe raced the Salmon horses: "He leased the Mereworth racing stable—Swivel in 1932 won the Pimlico Futurity for him, then Discovery raced for him on lease in 1933. Right up until his last start at 2."

Over a storied career, Discovery accumulated virtually every honor available and established himself as one of the greatest racehorses in history. Whereas he possessed every bit of the strength and toughness of Display and Hanover, he didn't inherit their temperaments.

Discovery carried 130 pounds or more in 20 of his 63 races, winning 10, including the Merchants and Citizens Handicap under 139, carried as much as 143 pounds, and over four seasons made no less than 14 starts a year. His

accomplishments were recognized seven decades later when he ranked 37th on the list of the Top 100 Racehorses of the 20th Century compiled by *The Blood-Horse*.

But his career started inauspiciously. Sent out for his first start by trainer John "Jack" Pryce in June 1933 at Belmont Park, he finished fourth. The favorite in his next two, he faded. Making his fourth start in 34 days, at Arlington Park, he figured it out. Discovery broke poorly and was forced to chase the pace from the outside. Just as everything seemed lost, the big chestnut accelerated and thundered under the wire a 5-length winner.

Discovery made his stakes debut in the Arlington Futurity two starts later but was never a factor. From there he shipped to Saratoga and hit the board in the Hopeful, won at Havre de Grace, and was stakes-placed at Laurel. In a span of seven days at Latonia in Kentucky in October, he finished third in the Breeders' Futurity followed by a second

in the Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes. He made 13 starts for Pons—winning twice, with two seconds and five thirds—before moving to Alfred G. Vanderbilt's stable.

Vanderbilt recalled the purchase of the colt with Josh Pons, who chronicled the exchange with the legendary breeder at Saratoga in August 1933 in his *Country Life Diary*: "You know Discovery raced in your grandfather's silks, until I bought the colt late in his 2-year-old year," said Vanderbilt. "Tried to buy him earlier—brought my silks up here for the Hopeful Stakes, as a matter of fact.

"Walter Salmon had everything tied up in real estate when the Depression hit. To keep his Mereworth Farm going, he sold his entire yearling crop to me one year for a thousand dollars a horse—I got five stakes winners from 20 horses—he leased the racing qualities of Discovery to your grandfather, who was his advisor. I was scheduled to go to Africa, and I told Mr. Salmon my final offer, take it or leave

it. I bought Discovery in 1933 for \$25,000. He never could beat Cavalcade in the big races, but he beat everybody else, and carried great weights."

Transferred to the care of Joseph "Bud" Stotler, Discovery made his 14th juvenile start, and first for Vanderbilt, in Pimlico's Walden Handicap, where he finished second. The season had tired him out, so Stotler gave him a long rest.

Discovery opened his 3-year-old season April 28 at Havre de Grace in the Chesapeake Stakes, finishing third, more than a length behind Cavalcade. When Discovery blazed through a workout in 1:37½, it convinced his connections that he was a Kentucky Derby contender.

One week after the Chesapeake, Discovery lined up against Cavalcade and 11 others in the Derby. Sent off at 12-1, he grabbed the lead after a mile but Cavalcade passed Discovery in the final 200 yards to win by 2½ lengths. Discovery settled for second, 4 lengths ahead of Agrarian.



As a sire, Discovery's impact on the breed is best illustrated by Miss Disco (top) dam of Bold Ruler, and Geisha, dam of Native Dancer (shown here with a full sister to the great runner and influential sire).

The rematch with Cavalcade came seven days later in the Preakness Stakes. Both lost to High Quest, who beat Cavalcade by a nose, with Discovery third. Discovery made his fourth start in less than a month in a Belmont Park allowance, which he dominated. And he kept rolling.

His three starts in June included another defeat to Cavalcade when second in the American Derby at Washington Park in Chicago. "[The saying] 'Always a bridesmaid but never a bride,' can be applied to Discovery," wrote one journalist.

In his first start in July, Discovery shipped to New York and faced older horses in the Brooklyn Handicap, in which he defeated the top-class Dark Secret. That summer he destroyed the Whitney at Saratoga by 10 lengths under a feathery 105 pounds. Despite adding three more stakes

wins, winning five of his last seven starts and breaking the 1½-mile world record in winning Narragansett Park's Rhode Island Handicap, Cavalcade had beaten him five times that year and was voted Horse of the Year.

Racing exclusively in stakes in a 19-start 4-year-old season, Discovery began with five losses. Sent out to defend his title in the Brooklyn at Aqueduct in June, he conceded nine pounds, and favoritism, to that year's Triple Crown winner Omaha. Discovery soared to a 8-length victory and smashed the 1½-mile world record.

Seven days later, Discovery decimated Azucar—winner of the Santa Anita Handicap—by 30 lengths. He was on an eight-race win streak, which included the Stars and Stripes Handicap by 6 lengths and the Arlington Handicap in

track-record time, plus Suffolk Downs' Bunker Hill Handicap by 15 lengths (despite conceding nearly 30 pounds).

At Saratoga, Discovery carried 139 pounds in the Merchants and Citizens Handicap, but he brushed it—and the competition—off to become the first horse in more than 20 years to win with such an impost. Eleven days later, under the same impost in the Narragansett Special, he couldn't catch Top Row, in receipt of 29 pounds. Discovery returned three days later to win his second Whitney Stakes.

Discovery won 11 stakes that year, and edged Triple Crown winner Omaha for Horse of the Year while also named champion handicap horse.

While his final campaign wouldn't be as spectacular, his 14 starts yielded five stakes wins, including three-peats in the Brooklyn and Whitney. He also made his first trip to California and won Santa Anita's San Carlos Handicap. And, in one of the most remarkable displays of respect by a handicapper, he was assigned 143 pounds for the Merchants and Citizens.

He tired to finish fifth, as the top three finishers carried 100, 107 and 108 pounds. Vanderbilt said he would retire his champion after 1936, and true to his word Discovery entered stud at Sagamore Farm in Glyndon. Named champion handicap horse a second time, he won 27 times, 22 in stakes, and earned \$195,287. He received racing's highest honor when inducted into the National Racing Hall of Fame in 1969, nearly 30 years before Cavalcade earned the same.

Discovery's brilliance continued. He sired 1948 champion handicap mare Conniver and the enduring Find, who raced 110 times and won more than \$800,000. Discovery's offspring also inherited their father's durability; one of his sons, First Refusal, raced 209 times over a 13-year career.

Discovery sired 26 stakes winners, but his everlasting impact was as a broodmare sire. Vanderbilt bred Discovery's stakes-winning daughter

Miss Disco, who gave birth to Bold Ruler, the 1957 Horse of the Year and one of the top stallions of the 20th century. Vanderbilt sold Miss Disco as a yearling, but kept Geisha, who produced the greatest of all Sagamore runners, Native Dancer, who also stamped his legacy not only as the sire of champion Raise a Native (sire of leading sires Mr. Prospector and Exclusive Native), among others, but as the grandsire of Northern Dancer.

Breeders from around the country supported Discovery, including Salmon, who received as a condition of the sale a breeding right for the stallion's first five seasons (Salmon bred stakes winners Dark Discovery and Dispose in Discovery's first crop). Baltimore County breeder William C. Price bred Discovery's daughter My Recipe, who would add another chapter to her sire's impact.

When owned by Harry Isaacs, My Recipe produced Intentionally, one of the top 2-year-olds of 1958, champion sprinter the next year, and sire of influential In Reality.

Discovery stood 21 years at Sagamore until retired in 1957. He died a year later in August at age 27 and was buried on the farm, not far from his champion granddaughter and fellow Hall of Famer Bed o' Roses. His obituary in *The Maryland Horse* written by Joe B. Hickey read: "The fabled weight-carrier of the '30s, one of the greatest American breeding ever has produced, was known as the Big Train. . . Of this lead-lugging titan whose imposts in 63 sorties totaled 7,855 pounds, John [Salvator] Hervey wrote: 'He was called upon to do things no other Thoroughbred ever attempted; and if he did not uniformly succeed, his success was such that the voice of detraction should be silent in the presence of a performer so transcendent.'"

Vanderbilt summed up what it was like to have such a stallion as Discovery, with a well-known and time-tested breeding theory: "The way to get a good horse is to breed a Discovery mare to anything." 🍀



## MARYLAND FUND STAKES RECAPS



### Jaxon Traveler

**Maryland Juvenile Futurity**  
\$100,000-guaranteed, 7 fur., registered Maryland-bred 2-year-olds. Laurel Park, Dec. 5.

Dk.b./br.c., 2018, by Munnings—Listen Boy, by After Market. Bred by Dr. and Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau; owned by West Point Thoroughbreds and Marvin Delfiner; trained by Steven M. Asmusen. Foaled at Three Pines Farm, Reisterstown, Md.

	Lifetime				
starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings	
3	3 (1)	0	0	\$120,762	(through Dec. 5)

2020: 1st \$100,000 **Maryland Juvenile Futurity**, 7 fur., registered Md.-bred 2-year-olds, Laurel, Dec. 5.

Excitement followed Jaxon Traveler into his stakes debut, the Maryland Juvenile Futurity, after he won his first two starts by a combined 14 lengths. The 3-10 favorite didn't disappoint, setting all the fractions and holding off stakes winner Singlino to win by three-quarters of a length.

From the barn of Hall of Fame trainer Steve Asmusen and owned by Marvin Delfiner in partnership with West Point Thoroughbreds,

Jaxon Traveler captured his first start at Pimlico in September by 10 lengths, and took a 6-furlong allowance at Laurel in October in 1:09.34. In his first start at 7 furlongs, he flew through early fractions of :22.56 and :45.61 and finished in 1:25.07.

Based at Belmont Park, the son of Munnings, a \$140,000 juvenile sales purchase at OBS in June, will continue to target sprints, according to West Point founder and president Terry Finley.

Bred by Dr. and Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau, Jaxon Traveler is the fourth winner from four foals of racing age for his stakes-placed dam Listen Boy, a daughter of After Market the Pineaus purchased for \$26,000 at the Keeneland November sale. In foal to Street Boss, the resulting colt sold as a yearling for \$92,000. The Pineaus sold Jaxon Traveler as a yearling for \$80,000. The mare has an unnamed 2-year-old Street Boss filly, a May foal, wasn't bred for 2020, and is now due to Cross Traffic.



### Street Lute

**Maryland Juvenile Filly Championship Stakes**  
\$100,000-guaranteed, 7 fur., registered Maryland-bred 2-year-old fillies. Laurel Park, Dec. 5.

Ch.f., 2018, by Street Magician—Alottalute, by Midnight Lute. Bred by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Dr. Brooke Bowman; owned by Lucky 7 Stables; trained by John J. Robb. Foaled at Dance Forth Farm, Chestertown, Md.

	Lifetime				
starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings	
6	5 (4)	1 (1)	0	\$290,220	(through Dec. 26)

2020: 1st \$100,000 **Small Wonder S**, 5½ fur., Del.-bred or certified, 2-year-old fillies, Delaware, Sept. 26; \$100,000 **Smart Halo S**, 6 fur., 2-year-old fillies, Laurel, Nov. 14; \$100,000 **Maryland Juvenile Filly Championship S**, 7 fur., registered Md.-bred 2-year-old fillies, Laurel, Dec. 5; \$100,000 **Gin Talking S**, 7 fur., 2-year-old fillies, Laurel, Dec. 26; 2nd **Maryland Million Lassie S**.

The Maryland Juvenile Filly Championship was one of four stakes wins on the year for Street Lute, and proved a chance to turn the tables on Miss Nondescript, winner by a neck in their previous start in the Maryland Million Lassie Stakes. That was Street Lute's only loss of the year.

The Lassie duo ran side-by-side early in the Juvenile Filly Championship, rating off the pace set by Liam's Missy, but soon Street Lute was making a move as Miss Nondescript retreated.

Late runners Juror Number Four, Maxine's Tap Room and Buckey's Charm gave chase as Street Lute opened up at the top of the stretch, but the margin of victory was 1¼ lengths as the winner covered the 7 furlongs, her first time at the distance, in 1:24.83, faster than the boys ran one race later.

Owned by Lucky 7 Stables and trained by Jerry Robb, who purchased her for \$10,500 at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic fall yearling sale, Street Lute came back to win the Gin Talking Stakes in her final start of the year.

Bred by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Dr. Brooke Bowman, the chestnut filly is the second foal out of Alottalute (by Midnight Lute), and her only starter.

Jim McCue (2)



## MARYLAND-BRED STAKES WINNERS

### Pete's Play Call takes Aqueduct's Gravesend Stakes

Michael Dubb's Pete's Play Call kicked off the new year in Aqueduct's \$100,000 Gravesend Stakes Jan. 2, scoring by 2½ lengths.

After closing out last season with a triumph in a 6-furlong optional claimer at Aqueduct in late October, where he was taken by trainer Rudy Rodriguez and Dubb for \$62,500, Pete's Play Call came into the Gravesend as the fourth choice in the five-horse field. He broke quickly to push Happy Farm through an opening quarter-mile in

:23.09, hit the half-mile mark in front by a head in :46.99, opened up in the stretch, then held off a late challenge from Stan the Man.

"He's a hard-knocking horse," Rodriguez said. "He's been doing very well since we claimed him. I thought we paid top dollar for him, but seeing him working in the morning, it looked like he was worth every penny."

Completing 6½ furlongs in 1:17.63, Pete's Play Call secured the second stakes win of his career, following the Bona-



NYRA/Steve Raisher

paw Stakes at Fair Grounds in December 2019 in his stakes debut as a 6-year-old.

Bred by Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGinnes, Pete's Play Call was purchased as a yearling for \$90,000 by Mark Glatt at the 2014 Keeneland September sale. Starting out at Santa Anita in California before shipped to New York, he regularly competed in claimers and allowance races. For four consecutive years Pete's Play Call earned six figures, and completed the 8-year-old has an overall record of 14-9-6 from 46 career starts, with \$648,421 in earnings.

Pete's Play Call is out of the stakes-winning mare Taft Lil Queen, a daughter of Irish Open who has passed on her success to her offspring with nine winners from nine foals, five of them stakes performers. Pete's Play Call half-siblings include graded stakes winner Kiss to Remember and juvenile stakes winners El Viento and For Royalty—all Maryland-bred champions—and multiple stakes-placed The Prince. For Royalty, a \$2.1 million broodmare sales horse, is the dam of Grade 1 winner Constellation.

### V. I. P. Ticket proves himself in A Huevo Stakes

V. I. P. Ticket showed up strong in the \$50,000 A Huevo Stakes, a race postponed twice before it was offered Dec. 11 at Charles Town, winning by 4 lengths over North Atlantic to notch his first stakes win.

After a November trip to Aqueduct, where he finished third in an \$82,000 allowance, the A.R.D. Racing Stables runner shipped to Charles Town where he has never been worse than third in eight starts. He broke from the four post and settled behind leader Opera Nite and favorite Runnin'toluvya. Moving through an opening quarter in :23.88

and half in :47.96, Runnin'toluvya had the lead after 6 furlongs in 1:13.69, but V. I. P. Ticket was gaining four-wide on the turn. He grabbed the lead, opened up down the stretch to hit the wire in 1:53.48 for 1½ miles. West Virginia Breeders Classic Stakes winner Awesome Faith finished third.

It was V. I. P. Ticket's second win of the year, following a head score in a 6½-furlong allowance at Charles Town in June. Just a month prior, he'd finished third in the Confucius Say Stakes behind Penguin Power and North At-



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lantic. The son of the late top West Virginia stallion Windsor Castle made 10 starts in 2020, starting at Laurel Park and hitting Delaware and Monmouth as well, and boosted his record to 6-3-10 in 26 career starts, for earnings of \$221,548.

V. I. P. Ticket made six starts at 2, but wouldn't break his maiden until his ninth start the following March at Laurel.

The Jeremiah O'Dwyer trainee continued his 3-year-old success as he traveled to Charles Town and won his allowance debut less than three weeks later, part of a string of 10 top-three finishes that included a third in Pimlico's Sir Barton Stakes.

Off for nearly seven months between 3 and 4, V. I. P. Ticket

returned last March and made at least one start a month from May through December.

Bred by Dr. Alexandro Rubim Dias, V. I. P. Ticket is the first foal out of Touring Hong Kong, a stakes-placed daughter of Cherokee's Boy. Her 4-year-old filly Award Wanted (by Macho Uno) won first-time out last June at Delaware Park. The mare has a 3-year-old Buffum colt named Award Nominated who has been working steadily at Laurel but has yet to start, missed to Congrats in 2019, and produced a Klimt filly last March. She was bred to Biblical for this year.



## MARYLAND FUND REPORT

Bonuses paid for races at Maryland tracks  
September 1 to September 30, 2020

### Breeder bonuses

Anchor and Hope Farm Inc.—GENNIE HIGHWAY: Sept. 19, 9th race, \$3,135.  
Robert S. Atkinson—ASHARA: Sept. 19, 2nd race, \$1,732.50.  
Robert Atkinson and Mary Atkinson—ORTINOLA: Sept. 3, 2nd race, \$997.50.  
Lorna L. Baker and Thomas H. Michaels Jr.—LAKI: Sept. 5, 8th race, \$2,750.  
Barak Farm—DEEP RED: Sept. 12, 4th race, \$1,237.50. OFFICER COUNTRY: Sept. 4, 5th race, \$1,732.50; Sept. 17, 5th race, \$4,702.50. (\$7,672.50)  
Estate of Earl Barnhart—LOVE YOU MUCH: Sept. 7, 6th race, \$1,375. SOMEKINDOFMAGICIAN: Sept. 10, 6th race, \$1,237.50. (\$2,612.50)  
Patricia Beck and Richard C. Beck—MY MOONSHINE: Sept. 7, 1st race, \$3,135.  
Richard F. Blue Jr.—HAIR OF THE DOG: Sept. 7, 10th race, \$605. PRINCE PERE: Sept. 25, 4th race, \$1,732.50. RISING PERRY: Sept. 18, 2nd race, \$797.50. (\$3,135)  
Richard Blue Sr. and Ann Merryman—RAILMASTER: Sept. 24, 7th race, \$1,155.  
Bonita Farm—CALYPSO GHOST: Sept. 17, 2nd race, \$787.50.  
Bowman and Higgins Stable and Dr. Brooke Bowman—UNREQUITED LOVE: Sept. 25, 3rd race, \$2,205.  
Bowman and Higgins Stable and Cary Frommer—MONDAY MORNING QB: Sept. 7, 7th race, \$2,750.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman—ZIP THE LIP: Sept. 12, 3rd race, \$907.50.  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Dr. Brooke Bowman—GREEN EYES: Sept. 11, 7th race, \$907.50.  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Rebecca Davis—CLAIRE'S DARLING: Sept. 3, 3rd race, \$1,155.  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Milton P. Higgins III—HEART HERO: Sept. 7, 10th race, \$1,155.  
Christine E. Bricker—RONA: Sept. 3, 1st race, \$1,732.50.  
Dorsey Brown and Richard Palmer—MONA LUNA: Sept. 26, 10th race, \$2,205.  
Buckingham Farm—I LOVE YOU: Sept. 12, 7th race, \$1,312.50.  
Deborah A. Butts—KICKSTARTER: Sept. 18, 9th race, \$1,155.  
William Andrew Campbell—SEVEN ON THE ROCKS: Sept. 11, 5th race, \$797.50.  
Christine Claggett and Leslie Elizabeth Wilson—MY SUPER SALLY: Sept. 18, 1st race, \$495.  
Henry S. Clark III—GLENGAR: Sept. 24, 2nd race, \$787.50.  
Classic Thoroughbred XXIX—JUROR NUMBER FOUR: Sept. 11, 7th race, \$4,702.50.  
Randy L. Cohen and Alyse L. Cohen—TOUGH-EST 'OMBRE: Sept. 10, 6th race, \$2,362.50.  
Country Life Farm—MAYAN QUEEN: Sept. 19, 9th race, \$605.

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Country Life Farm and Fifteen Moons LLC—FIFTEEN ROYALS: Sept. 10, 4th race, \$5,985.

Country Life Farm and Fleet and Fancy LLC—FORFIFTYFIVEROCKET: Sept. 17, 6th race, \$1,207.50.

Country Life Farm and Mrs. J.W.Y. Martin Jr.—EARNED IT: Sept. 3, 5th race, \$1,102.50; Sept. 24, 5th race, \$577.50. (\$1,680)

Country Roads Ltd.—BURFORD: Sept. 12, 2nd race, \$687.50. ODDS ON: Sept. 12, 2nd race, \$3,562.50. WINSTON'S WAY: Sept. 4, 6th race, \$412.50. (\$4,662.50)

Crystal Park Stables Inc.—CAROLINA ICE: Sept. 4, 8th race, \$4,987.50.

Dark Hollow Farm—BETCHA BY GOLLY: Sept. 26, 2nd race, \$5,700. TAUBER: Sept. 10, 2nd race, \$770. (\$6,470)

Dark Hollow Farm and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Davidov—COMBAT QUEEN: Sept. 17, 9th race, \$962.50.

Dr. Morgan Dove and Karin Wurttemberger—HALFINTHEWRAPPER: Sept. 25, 1st race, \$2,565.

Dragon's Lair Farm LLC—LIMITED VIEW: Sept. 12, 4th race, \$6,412.50.

Everest Stables Inc.—NIGHTLIFE: Sept. 4, 8th race, \$1,400.

Joan Parker Everett—GIFTED HEART: Sept. 12, 4th race, \$2,362.50.

Christopher J. Feifarek—OUR STAR: Sept. 12, 7th race, \$687.50.

Mrs. Janon Fisher III—FAIRY WISH: Sept. 5, 11th race, \$3,990.

Fitzhugh LLC—LOOKIN DYNAMIC: Sept. 7, 3rd race, \$1,155.

Paul L. Fowler Jr.—TAPPIN CAT: Sept. 10, 7th race, \$1,292.50.

Charles A. Frock—TAM CHAR: Sept. 26, 5th race, \$1,417.50.

Scott C. Fuchs—NO FOOLING DUDE: Sept. 10, 8th race, \$605.

Germania Farms Inc.—GALLINELLA: Sept. 7, 4th race, \$1,207.50.

Glenangus Farm LLC—FIRTH: Sept. 12, 7th race, \$3,562.50.

Greycross Stable LLC—CITY BADGER: Sept. 7, 10th race, \$3,135.

Tiffany Harrison and Justin Harrison—SAN AN-TONE: Sept. 25, 6th race, \$5,700.

Nancy B. Heil—KARAN'S NOTION: Sept. 11, 8th race, \$2,205; Sept. 25, 7th race, \$1,155. (\$3,360)

Hickory Ridge Farm—CAREY TIMES: Sept. 12, 8th race, \$4,987.50.

Hillwood Stable LLC—REASSURED: Sept. 12, 3rd race, \$1,732.50.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Holt—QUEEN OF TOMORROW: Sept. 19, 7th race, \$962.50.

Michael and Debbie Horning—MINT GAME: Sept. 18, 6th race, \$605.

Ann B. Jackson—ARTFUL SPLATTER: Sept. 5, 2nd race, \$2,750.

R. Larry Johnson—I'D LIKE TO KNOW: Sept. 4, 4th race, \$742.50; Sept. 26, 3rd race, \$3,847.50. —KEEPER IN SPITE: Sept. 5, 3rd race, \$605. KING ALAN: Sept. 7, 2nd race, \$742.50. NEVER ENOUGH TIME: Sept. 5, 4th race, \$8,250. NO MO LADY: Sept. 7, 5th race, \$2,750. OLDIES BUT GOODIES: Sept. 26, 8th race, \$6,412.50. SO STREET: Sept. 7, 6th race, \$2,750. STAR OF SHANGHAI: Sept. 26, 5th race, \$742.50. THUNDERINTHEVALLEY: Sept. 18, 1st race, \$945. (\$27,787.50)

R. Larry Johnson and Legacy Farm—GONE HOME: Sept. 18, 3rd race, \$412.50.

Harry Kassap LLC—QUIET IMAGINATION: Sept. 17, 9th race, \$1,837.50.

Carol A. Kaye—AIR TOKEN: Sept. 11, 2nd race, \$3,990; Sept. 19, 8th race, \$1,155. BACK CHARGE: Sept. 5, 7th race, \$1,155. CAN THE QUEEN: Sept. 26, 6th race, \$5,985. CHARM CITY BAND: Sept. 4, 5th race, \$4,702.50. SMOKIN HOT FACTOR: Sept. 11, 6th race, \$3,562.50. (\$20,550)

Gordon Keys—GRATEFUL BRED: Sept. 24, 7th race, \$5,985.

Lady Olivia at North Cliff LLC—LADY FOX: Sept. 12, 9th race, \$605.

Fred T. Lewis Sr. DVM—TRICKY LION: Sept. 24, 4th race, \$787.50.

Little Man Farm—NIC NIC BOOM: Sept. 4, 7th race, \$495; Sept. 19, 3rd race, \$495. (\$990)

Estate of Robert T. Manfuso—CAMPARI: Sept. 24, 2nd race, \$412.50. FEATURE ACT: Sept. 11, 3rd race, \$945. (\$1,357.50)



MARYLAND RACING COMMISSION  
300 East Towsontown Boulevard  
Towson, MD 21286

January 10, 2021

Dear MHBA Breeder/Owner Members:

At the December meeting of the Maryland Racing Commission the plan submitted by the Maryland Bred Race Fund Advisory Committee was approved. The plan calls for the continuance of the Overnight Breeders Bonuses to remain at 25%, Stallion Bonuses at 8.33%, Stakes Breeder Bonuses at 13.75% and Stakes Stallion Bonuses at 4.58% through June 30, 2021. These percentages are based on current financial projections and are subject to change.

The Maryland Racing Commission will continue to monitor the revenue streams to the Maryland Bred Race Fund from the continuance of live racing, simulcast of the MJC racing signal and commissions generated from VLTs. We are expecting the Triple Crown Series races to run on their historical dates this year which will allow us to forecast a brighter financial future for the final six months of 2021.

The Maryland Horse Breeders Association will distribute Breeder and Stallion Bonus checks after Truesdail Laboratories notifies the State Stewards the races have cleared testing procedures. Checks will be distributed on a monthly basis.

Stay safe and have a Happy and Healthy 2021.

Kind regards,

David Hayden

Maryland Racing Commission  
Chair, Maryland Bred Race Fund Advisory Committee

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Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss—LIVE AID: Sept. 17, 1st race, \$770. CORDMAKER: Sept. 5, 6th race, \$2,750.  
 Marathon Farm Inc.—ABUELO PAPS: Sept. 12, 8th race, \$962.50. MAYBE AN OMEN: Sept. 4, 8th race, \$1,400. (\$2,362.50)  
 Daniel E. Marconi—GALERIO: Sept. 17, 4th race, \$5,985.  
 William Meister and Julie Arbogast—ZEN PI: Sept. 18, 5th race, \$1,417.50; Sept. 26, 3rd race, \$1,417.50. (\$2,835)  
 Edwin Merryman and Adena Springs—AWE-SOME JAZZ: Sept. 5, 11th race, \$770.

The Estate of Robert L. Miller—LOOKIN FOR CANDY: Sept. 5, 3rd race, \$1,155.  
 Mill Hill Stable LLC—MILLIE CHILD: Sept. 5, 3rd race, \$3,135.  
 Bryan B. Minnich—NETTI GIRL: Sept. 3, 3rd race, \$3,135.  
 Kevin P. Morgan—MR. CHESAPEAKECITY: Sept. 17, 6th race, \$632.50. MR. D'ANGELO: Sept. 17, 8th race, \$2,205. (\$2,837.50)  
 Morgan's Ford Farm—GOTTAWAY: Sept. 26, 1st race, \$412.50.

Edmund T. Mudge IV—AMPLIO ESQUEMA: Sept. 25, 2nd race, \$1,732.50. LA SILUETA: Sept. 17, 10th race, \$3,135. (\$4,867.50)  
 Audrey R. Murray—POUNDING MUSIC: Sept. 25, 2nd race, \$907.50.  
 Nancy Lee Farms—EASTERN BAY: Sept. 5, 8th race, \$8,250. SING A VERSE: Sept. 4, 6th race, \$787.50; Sept. 19, 1st race, \$945. (\$9,982.50)  
 Leo Nechamkin and Dennis Jankiewicz—BALTIMORE BUD: Sept. 25, 4th race, \$907.50.  
 Cynthia Pence and Phillip Spingler—NICK PAPA-GIORGIO: Sept. 25, 9th race, \$4,387.50.  
 Dr. and Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau—FACTORINTHE-HEAT: Sept. 3, 1st race, \$4,702.50; Sept. 26, 6th race, \$2,205. (\$6,907.50)  
 Dr. and Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau—ALPHA QUEUE: Sept. 10, 3rd race, \$1,100. JAXON TRAVELER: Sept. 25, 8th race, \$5,700. (\$6,800)  
 Vivian E. Rall—EPIC IDEA: Sept. 11, 4th race, \$2,362.50.  
 R.D.M. Racing Stable—WHATS THE CHANCES: Sept. 26, 3rd race, \$742.50.  
 Charles J. Reed and Michael Zanella—PATRIOTIC PUNCH: Sept. 11, 9th race, \$3,847.50; Sept. 25, 10th race, \$3,990. (\$7,837.50)  
 Dr. and Mrs. Richard Reveley—S W BRIAR ROSE: Sept. 3, 8th race, \$1,512.50; Sept. 19, 4th race, \$2,887.50. (\$4,400)  
 Roland Farm—SEVILLA SANGRIA: Sept. 11, 9th race, \$1,417.50.  
 Timothy J. Rooney—MISCHIEFS MODEL: Sept. 11, 7th race, \$1,732.50.  
 Sycamore Farm LLC—HARPERS FIRST RIDE: Sept. 5, 6th race, \$8,250. POLISHED COPPER: Sept. 3, 2nd race, \$2,707.50; Sept. 25, 5th race, \$2,565. QUIET COMPANY: Sept. 19, 7th race, \$4,987.50. RULE YOURSELF: Sept. 3, 7th race, \$577.50. (\$19,087.50)  
 Shamrock Farm—RAN CHAR: Sept. 12, 9th race, \$3,135.  
 Skee-dattle Associates—HOT CHOICE: Sept. 19, 2nd race, \$4,702.50.  
 John D. Stuart—BELFOUR: Sept. 4, 2nd race, \$3,562.50.  
 Sweet Spirits Stables LLC—FILLE D'ESPRIT: Sept. 25, 1st race, \$945.  
 Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds LLC—GIRL NEXT DOOR: Sept. 18, 7th race, \$2,137.50. GIRLS LOVE ME: Sept. 10, 1st race, \$522.50. (\$2,660)  
 Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds LLC and Ellen Charles—CLOSER TO THE HEART: Sept. 24, 6th race, \$2,100.  
 Thornmar Farm LLC—COCONUT CAKE: Sept. 17, 9th race, \$4,987.50. JUST CHILL OUT: Sept. 18, 6th race, \$3,135. (\$8,122.50)  
 Mark Toothaker and Dan White—GREASED-LIGHTNING: Sept. 12, 1st race, \$787.50.  
 Robert S. Vukelic—CROUCHHELLI: Sept. 17, 4th race, \$2,205.  
 Willow Oaks Stable LLC—ABSOLVED: Sept. 12, 8th race, \$1,837.50; Sept. 25, 7th race, \$2,205. (\$4,042.50)  
 Mrs. Frank P. Wright—CANNON'S ROAR: Sept. 25, 9th race, \$4,387.50.  
 ZWP Stable and Non Stop Stable—STEADY LOVE: Sept. 19, 7th race, \$1,837.50.

\$1,187.03. Unrequited Love: Sept. 25, 3rd race, \$734.71. Whats the Chances: Sept. 26, 3rd race, \$247.40; R. Larry Johnson—\$2,718.93.  
 ETCHED (Calypso Ghost: Sept. 17, 2nd race, \$262.40): Bonita Farm Stallion Partnership.  
 FREEDOM CHILD (Glengarr: Sept. 24, 2nd race, \$262.40. Limited View: Sept. 12, 4th race, \$2,136.65. Millie Child: Sept. 5, 3rd race, \$1,044.58): Freedom Child Syndicate—\$3,443.63.  
 FRIESAN FIRE (Gallinella: Sept. 7, 4th race, \$402.34. Hot Choice: Sept. 19, 2nd race, \$1,566.87): Friesan Fire Syndicate—\$1,969.21.  
 GIACOMO (Rona: Sept. 3, 1st race, \$577.27): Giacomino Syndicate.  
 GOLDEN LAD (Air Token: Sept. 11, 2nd race, \$1,329.47; Sept. 19, 8th race, \$384.85): Golden Lad Syndicate—\$1,714.32.  
 GREAT NOTION (Closer to the heart: Sept. 24, 6th race, \$699.72. Epic Idea: Sept. 11, 4th race, \$787.19. Fille d'Esprit: Sept. 25, 1st race, \$314.87. Grateful Bred: Sept. 24, 7th race, \$1,994.20. Halfinthewrapper: Sept. 25, 1st race, \$854.66. Karan's Notion: Sept. 11, 8th race, \$734.71; Sept. 25, 7th race, \$384.85. Railmaster: Sept. 24, 7th race, \$384.85. Sing a Verse: Sept. 4, 6th race, \$262.40; Sept. 19, 1st race, \$314.87. Tam Char: Sept. 26, 5th race, \$472.31. Zen Pi: Sept. 18, 5th race, \$472.31; Sept. 26, 3rd race, \$472.31): Great Notion Syndicate—\$8,149.25.  
 HANGOVER KID (Hair of the Dog: Sept. 7, 10th race, \$201.59. Pounding Music: Sept. 25, 2nd race, \$302.38): Hangover Kid Syndicate—\$503.97.  
 IMAGINING (Claire's Darling: Sept. 3, 3rd race, \$384.85. Green Eyes: Sept. 11, 7th race, \$302.38. Heart Hero: Sept. 7, 10th race, \$384.85. Lady Fox: Sept. 12, 9th race, \$201.59. Monday Morning Qb: Sept. 7, 7th race, \$916. Quiet Imagination: Sept. 17, 9th race, \$612.26. Zip the Lip: Sept. 12, 3rd race, \$302.38): Imagining Syndicate—\$3,104.31.  
 LION HEARTED (Tricky Lion: Sept. 24, 4th race, \$262.40): Lion Hearted Syndicate.  
 MOSLER (Wicked Prankster: Sept. 7, 2nd race, \$472.31; Sept. 25, 6th race, \$699.72): Country Life Farm, Adele Dilschneider and Seth Hancock—\$1,172.03.  
 NICANOR (Nic Nic Boom: Sept. 4, 7th race, \$164.93; Sept. 19, 3rd race, \$164.93. Ran Char: Sept. 12, 9th race, \$1,044.58): Nicanor Syndicate—\$1,374.44.  
 NOT FOR LOVE (Love You Much: Sept. 7, 6th race, \$458): Not For Love Syndicate.  
 ORIENTATE (Cannon's Roar: Sept. 25, 9th race, \$1,461.92. No Fooling Dude: Sept. 10, 8th race, \$201.59. Prince Pere: Sept. 25, 4th race, \$577.27. Rising Perry: Sept. 18, 2nd race, \$265.73): Orientate Syndicate—\$2,506.51.  
 OUTFLANKER (Crouchelli: Sept. 17, 4th race, \$734.71. Nick Papagiorgio: Sept. 25, 9th race, \$1,461.92): Outflanker Syndicate—\$2,196.63.  
 REDEEMED (Gottaway: Sept. 26, 1st race, \$137.45): Redeemed Syndicate.  
 ROCK SLIDE (Seven On the Rocks: Sept. 11, 5th race, \$265.73): Shamrock Farms.  
 SEVILLE (GER) (Amplio Esquema: Sept. 25, 2nd race, \$577.27. Gennie Highway: Sept. 19, 9th race, \$1,044.58. I Love You: Sept. 12, 7th race, \$437.33. La Silueta: Sept. 17, 10th race, \$1,044.58. Mint Game: Sept. 18, 6th race, \$201.59. Mr. d'Angelo: Sept. 17, 8th race, \$734.71. Sevilla Sangria: Sept. 11, 9th race, \$472.31): Seville Syndicate—\$4,512.37.  
 STREET MAGICIAN (Burford: Sept. 12, 2nd race, \$229.08. I'd Like to Know: Sept. 4, 4th race, \$247.40; Sept. 26, 3rd race, \$1,281.99. Some-kindofmagician: Sept. 10, 6th race, \$412.34. So Street: Sept. 7, 6th race, \$916. Winston's Way: Sept. 4, 6th race, \$137.45): R. Larry Johnson—\$3,224.26.  
 SUPER NINETY NINE (Fairly Wish: Sept. 5, 11th race, \$1,329.47. Fortifyverrocket: Sept. 17, 6th race, \$402.34. Gifted Heart: Sept. 12, 4th race, \$787.19. Ortinola: Sept. 3, 2nd race, \$332.37): Country Life Farm and Spendthrift—\$2,851.37.  
 TRITAP (Tappin Cat: Sept. 10, 7th race, \$430.66): Tritap Syndicate.

## Maryland-bred top earners in 2020

(through December 31)

1. Knicks Go . . . . . \$608,440	11. Eastern Bay . . . . . \$190,600
2. Harpers First Ride . . . 495,623	12. Artful Splatter . . . . . 188,717
3. Field Pass . . . . . 450,143	13. Stroll Smokin . . . . . 179,487
4. Sharing . . . . . 362,451	14. Karan's Notion . . . . . 173,131
5. Street Lute . . . . . 290,220	15. Fiya . . . . . 171,526
6. Laki . . . . . 241,030	16. Air Token . . . . . 169,647
7. Galerio . . . . . 229,425	17. Whereshetoldmetogo 151,625
8. Never Enough Time . . . 201,131	18. Double Crown . . . . . 150,625
9. Project Whiskey . . . . . 199,280	19. Hello Beautiful . . . . . 150,552
10. Pete's Play Call . . . . . 190,645	20. Majestic Reason . . . . . 150,000

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### Stallion bonuses

BALTIMORE BOB (Baltimore Bud: Sept. 25, 4th race, \$302.38): Robert Gerczak.  
 BANDBOX (Artful Splatter: Sept. 5, 2nd race, \$916. Coconut Cake: Sept. 17, 9th race, \$1,661.84. Girl Next Door: Sept. 18, 7th race, \$712.22. Queen of Tomorrow: Sept. 19, 7th race, \$320.71. Reassured: Sept. 12, 3rd race, \$577.27): Bandbox Syndicate—\$4,188.04.  
 BOURBON COURAGE (San Antonio: Sept. 25, 6th race, \$1,899.24): Bourbon Courage.  
 BUFFUM (My Super Sally: Sept. 18, 1st race, \$164.93. Steady Love: Sept. 19, 7th race, \$612.26): Buffum Syndicate—\$777.19.  
 CAL NATION (Earned It: Sept. 3, 5th race, \$367.35; Sept. 24, 5th race, \$192.42): Cal Nation Syndicate—\$559.77.  
 CUBA (Laki: Sept. 5, 8th race, \$916): J&S Stables LLC.  
 DESPITE THE ODDS (Gone Home: Sept. 18, 3rd race, \$137.45. Keeper in Spite: Sept. 5, 3rd race, \$201.59. Mr. Chesapeakecity: Sept. 17, 6th race, \$210.75. Odds On: Sept. 12, 2nd race,