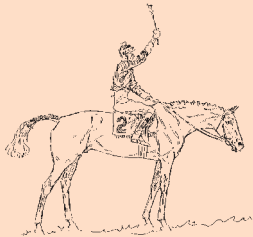


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## Meeting the board

*This is one of a series of profiles of current MHBA directors*

### RONALD S. GREEN

For more than 25 years, Ron Green and his wife Carolyn have lived the American dream at their Green Willow Farms near Westminster, Md.

Starting with eight acres and a vision, the couple gradually assembled one of the largest and most successful Thoroughbred operations in Maryland.

Green Willow, comprised of 200 acres, has in recent years sold two yearlings with price tags of more than a half-million dollars at Saratoga. The farm stands four commercial stallions—proven sires Appealing Skier, In Case, Larrupin' and Meadow Monster.

Hard work and perseverance are behind the Greens' success. Ron grew up in Randallstown, a northern suburb of Baltimore where his father was a service technician for an automotive business. His grandparents owned farms, said Ron, but no one in his family was especially interested in horses.

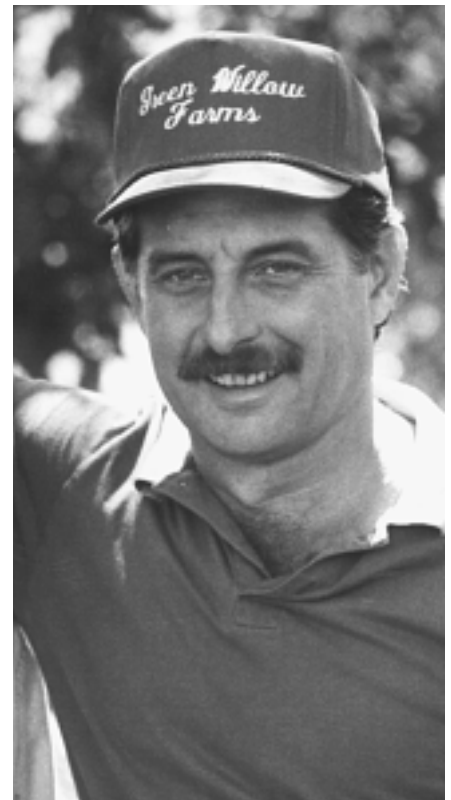
Green's direction in life began to take shape when he went to work for the Reisterstown Veterinary Center in 1964. "Dr. [William] Rosenberger took me around with him as his assistant, and his work was mostly with cattle and horses," Green recalled. "Then I started working with Dr. [Wendell K.] Loomis, who did a lot of surgery on horses."

Green was employed full-time at the Reisterstown Veterinary Center for about 10 years, and while making the rounds with its veterinarians he met Carolyn, who worked as a secretary at the famed Sagamore Farm.

Carolyn had already begun a fledgling horse operation at Green Willow when Ron gave up his day job to join her in the mid-1970s.

"We are involved in all phases [of the horse business] except breaking and training," said Ron. "And sales are among our specialties."

The pinnacles of sales success so far have been a half-brother to Maryland sprint champion Disco Rico, a colt by Boston Harbor—Round It Off, by Apala-



NEENA EWING

chee, sold for \$600,000 in 2000, and a \$525,000 colt by Maria's Mon—Restless Colony, by Pleasant Colony, the following year. Green Willow sold both on its own account at Saratoga.

Green Willow's best race horses to date include multiple stakes winner Holiday Dancer, whom the Greens bred but did not race; and multiple stakes winners Given and Simoom who carried their colors as homebreds.

## Sondra and Howard Bender stage impressive repeat as Maryland's breeders of the year

Sondra and Howard Bender outdid themselves in 2002 while earning their second consecutive title as Maryland's breeders of the year.

The Benders, owners of Glade Valley Farms near Frederick, Md., bred nine horses who won stakes in 2002. Seven of them raced for the Benders and their private trainer Larry Murray, accounting for a grand total of 13 stakes victories.

Highlights came with Secret River, who captured the Grade 3 All Along Breeders' Cup Stakes at Colonial Downs; Maryland Juvenile Championship Stakes hero Foufa's Warrior; and the near-invincible campaigner La Reine's Terms, who notched five stakes wins, including the Maryland Million Turf and NTRA Great State



JIM McCUE

Challenge Turf, and was named Maryland-bred champion turf horse.

For the second season in a row, La Reine's Terms ranked as the Benders' leading earner. His \$320,680 in 2002 earnings

boosted his lifetime total to \$675,266.

In all, horses bred by the Benders made 294 starts, with 55 wins, 42 seconds and 45 thirds, for earnings of \$1,900,256.

## Not For Love: stallion of the year



TONY LEONARD

Not For Love, a 13-year-old son of Mr. Prospector—Dance Number, by Northern Dancer, standing at Northview Stallion Station in Chesapeake City, was the state's leading sire of stakes winners in 2002, as well as the top juvenile sire.

He was represented by 11 stakes winners, including graded stars Duckhorn and Sheila's Prospect, and champion Maryland-bred 2-year-old filly Coquettish.

His other stakes winners were Blinded by Love, Forever Partners, For Rubies, Mad-die May, Shopping for Love, Such a Flirt, Summer Swing and Tori's Thunder.

Not For Love topped the state's juvenile sires lists by money won (\$666,932), winners (18) and wins (25).

A stakes-placed allowance winner of \$178,870, Not For Love comes from one of racing's most renowned families. His Grade 1-winning dam Dance Number produced two stakes winners by Mr. Prospector—champion and sire Rhythm, and Get Lucky (dam of graded winner Accelerator). His second dam is champion and foundation broodmare Numbered Account (by Buckpasser), whose offspring include Grade 1 winner and top sire Private Account.

## Allaire duPont's Shiner: broodmare of the year

Few broodmares have outshone Allaire duPont's third-generation producer Shiner.

The not-so-old gray mare (actually a 13-year-old roan) has produced two top-caliber fillies from her only two foals to race.

Shiner's first foal, Shine Again, a 1997 daughter of Wild Again who joined the ranks of Maryland-bred millionaires with her first outing in 2003, had to her credit 14 stakes wins or placings through 2002, including back-to-back victories (2001 and '02) in both Saratoga's Grade 1 Ballerina Handicap and the Grade 2 First Flight Handicap.

Maryland's champion old-female for the past two sea-

sons, Shine Again owns only slightly more luster than her year-younger half-sister Shiny Band (by Dixieland Band). Both fillies were among the top 10 Maryland-bred earners of 2002. Shiny Band, whose career total stands at \$391,384, won the Grade 2 Shuvee Handicap and twice placed in graded stakes last season.

Shiner (Two Punch—Mari Her, by Maribeau) comes from an illustrious family that dates back to the 1950s at duPont's Woodstock Farm in Chesapeake City, Md. Shiner is one of 13 named foals, produced over a span of 20 years, by her dam Mari Her, who was a winning half-sister to major stakes winners American History and Delaware Chief.

Mari Her's biggest claim to fame, until Shiner came along, was her son Mari's Book (1978, Northern Dancer), who sired turf star Double Booked and graded winner Hot Novel, dam of \$4 million-earner Behrens.

Shiner did not distinguish herself on the race track, campaigning for one season and winning or placing in five of seven starts for earnings of \$61,218.

But her success as a broodmare is likely to keep growing. Barren for 2000 and 2001, after producing a 1999 Wild Again filly named Wild Shine who remains unraced, Shiner has a yearling colt by Forest Wildcat and foaled a colt this year by Belong to Me. She is back in foal to Forest Wildcat.

# Maryland Horse Industry Board distributes grants totaling \$52,000

**T**herapeutic riding programs, youth clubs, horse rescue organizations and educational programs are among the 29 groups receiving more than \$52,000 in grants from the Maryland Horse Industry Board. The grants help build awareness of and involvement in the horse industry through research, education and promotional activities.

"The equine industry is important to the state's economy and to the lives of many Marylanders," said state Agriculture Secretary Lewis R. Riley. "The scope and value of projects that the board evaluated illustrate the demand for these grants and the new 'feed fund' is making it possible to support more of those requests than ever."

For the first time, grants will be awarded entirely from fees collected on the sale of equine feed. The fund, established during the 2002 legislative session, provides an ongoing source of money to promote the horse industry. The refundable \$2 per ton assessment on equine feed costs about \$3 per horse per year to the horse owner and supports this grant program as well as other promotional, research and outreach activities undertaken by the Maryland Horse Industry Board.

This year, the board received 52 grant applications totaling more than \$300,000 with individual requests ranging from \$200 to \$64,000. Projects were evaluated for value to the industry, degree of industry promotion, size and scope of the activity, financial need, and quality of the written presentation.

The Maryland Horse Industry Board was established in 1998 to promote and develop the horse industry. This is

the third year it has given grants.

Following are the 2003 recipients:

**Fair Hill International, \$8,000.** In October Fair Hill International will host the 2003 Pan Am Games Eventing Championships. Teams from Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and the U.S. are expected to compete. This grant will contribute to the preparation of the jumping courses for this world-renowned competition hosted by the state of Maryland.

**The University of Maryland, \$5,000.** The University of Maryland Institute of Applied Agriculture and the Animal and Avian Sciences Department have made a concerted effort over the past four years to bring the University of Maryland to the top as a national equine studies program. With this grant the program will begin to offer research opportunities for graduate students. This project will investigate the physiological and metabolic effects of re-feeding horses who have been starved, and will attempt to explain why many horses known as "hard keepers" poorly utilize feed.

**Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine, \$5,000.** The Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine is the only bi-state veterinary school in the U.S. Its Leesburg, Va., facility, the Marion duPont Scott Equine Medical Center, is dedicated to the treatment of horses. This grant will help fund the establishment of a new collaborative research laboratory. This collaboration will allow the VMRCVM College Park campus, EMC, and the Virginia Tech "MARE

Center" (based in Middleburg, Virginia) the opportunity to further their efforts.

**Great Frederick Fair Inc., \$3,000.** In 2002, the Great Frederick Fair Inc., with help from local business and individuals, constructed an equine show arena. For the first time the fair was able to include classes for mentally and physically challenged individuals. This grant will pay for the construction of a portable mounting and wheelchair ramp, enabling for more classes for these riders to demonstrate their abilities.

**Maryland Combined Training Association Horse Trials Inc., \$3,000.** MCTA Inc. provides one of the finest horse trials in the United States. The organization was offered the opportunity to move the competition to Shawan Downs, one of Maryland's premier equine facilities, which is devoted to green space preservation. With this grant obstacles will be built which will have been designed by Olympic Gold Medalist David O'Connor.

**Salvation Army, Puh tok, \$3,000.** Grant money will be used to purchase construction materials for a 50' by 12' hay and wagon shed for the storage of equine related equipment, hay and straw. This facility will enhance the youth program which centers on teaching young people the joy of caring for horses and the thrill of riding them.

**Days End Horse Rescue Inc., \$2,000.** DEHR Inc. is a 501 ©(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring quality care and treatment of horses through rehabilitation, humane education and community outreach. This grant will help this well respected

organization to continue their educational programs for the general public and animal control investigators. This program provides lectures on equine abuse and the importance of proper care and treatment of animals.

**Tuckahoe Equestrian Center Foundation Inc., \$2,000.** "The Buckaroo's" were established in 2001 as a youth club with TEC Foundation Inc., located in Tuckahoe State Park. With this grant the children will be supplied with safety helmets, educational material regarding horsemanship, educational clinics with equine professionals and promotional ads. The grant will also contribute to funds for facility improvement.

**The University of Maryland, \$2,000.** In 2001, it was decided to expand the 50-year-old Maryland Nutrition Conference to make it a Mid-Atlantic conference, and also to add species-specific breakout sessions on the second day of the conference. Erin Petersen and Amy Ordakowski, along with Marty Adams from Southern States, were invited to be coordinators of an all new equine breakout session, with a lineup of internationally known speakers. This grant will help to recoup costs of the conference, making it more viable for the future.

**Charles County 4-H, \$1,800.** These funds will be used to improve and enhance the educational program offered at the Southern Maryland Spring Horse Clinic, now in its fourth year. Youth from southern Maryland are invited to participate in activities that will improve their knowledge, care and the performance of their horses.

**Adoptions Together Inc., \$1,550.** Just Horsin' Around Camp is a weeklong therapeutic summer day camp for adopted children, ages 7 to 15. To enhance adoptees' self-esteem, this project incorporates hippotherapy into its curriculum, understanding the immediate therapeutic benefits of horse-related activities.

**Frederick County 4-H Horse & Pony Horse Council, \$1,500.** This youth 4-H organization seeks to improve its educational activities by allowing children the opportunity to videotape their riding and speaking exercises. The tapes will allow the children to review their progress with their instructors and will improve their overall education.

**Montgomery County Cooperative Extension, \$1,500.** Funds will help support a rotational grazing study, partially paying for supplies to construct fencing, apply fertilizer, lime and seed to grazing paddocks as well as a chain drag to break up and evenly distribute manure. In addition, field days will be held to exhibit and educate horse owners on the benefits of rotational grazing.

**Frederick Pony Club, \$1,250.** The FPC was organized in 1961 and provides youth with the chance to learn about horses, caring for horses and riding skills. FPC is fortunate to have its own land deeded by Mrs. Rueben Moxley of Baltimore. This grant will allow this nonprofit volunteer organization to maintain this facility.

**Cecil County Breeder's Fair Inc., \$1,000.** Grant money will be used to enhance youth involvement and education at the Cecil County Breeders Fair. The CCBF involves youth in two ways: through the pony races held the morning of the Fair Hill Races, and a week later, through the Youth Breeders Fair featuring equestrian classes and livestock shows for youth from six counties. Grant funds will support promotion and awards

for the pony races and promotions related to the Youth Breeder's Fair.

**Frederick County Therapeutic Riding Program, \$1,000.** Currently FC4-HTRP provides 10 therapeutic riding lessons (six riders per class) each week for seven weeks in the fall and spring. Each class has assigned to it a riding instructor and a licensed physical or occupational therapist who works with the students' physicians, teachers and families. This grant will help to pay for the work of these individuals.

**Freedom Hills Therapeutic Riding Program Inc., \$1,000.** Grant money will be used to buy hippotherapy equipment, and to pay for the salary and expenses of the physical therapy instructor, the riding therapist and college students at clinics to be offered at Freedom Hills.

**Great Falls Vaulting Team, \$1,000.** In August 2003 children ages 9 to 15 from GFVT will compete in the AVA National Championships in Denver, Colo. This grant will help fund the transportation of the children and their horses. The presence of these children at this world-class competition will continue to promote Maryland's image as a state that is home to a broad spectrum of equine activities.

**Horsin' Around 4-H Club, \$1,000.** The program will now be able to set up talks and displays at libraries, as well as county and state fairs, enabling the public to learn more about horses and provide more children the opportunity to join 4-H. Additionally, this grant will support clinics for current 4-Hers.

**Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation, \$1,000.** MAEF has developed the Maryland Agriculture Showcase to take Maryland agriculture's message to the public at fairs, festivals and public events. This grant will support the horse exhibit that will provide facts about Maryland's horse industry.

**Star Community Inc. (formerly Anita Lynne Home Inc.), \$1,000.** This organization was awarded the Seal of Excellence under the Maryland Association of Non-profit Organizations Standards for Excellence Program. In 1998 the Star Equestrian Center began offering therapeutic horseback riding to residential and non-residential riders of all ages with a variety of disabilities. This grant will allow the program to pay instructor fees and will allow for the purchase of resource materials and educational materials.

**Saddle Up Ministries, \$1,000.** Statistics have shown that 65 percent of children who have a parent who is incarcerated will follow in the parent's footsteps and will ultimately be incarcerated as well. The Pegasus Program was developed as an outreach to children in an effort to break the cycle. This grant will be used to acquire proper shoes/boots for the students, safety helmets and snacks and cover transportation expenses in bringing the children to the SUM facility and back home.

**The Ranger Foundation Inc., \$915.** This program was developed to provide a home for horses who provided years of service as park/forest ranger and cavalry mounts. This free program allows the general public the chance to learn about horses. The grant will provide specialized tack and safety helmets for riders involved in the program.

**Misty Rose Farm, \$800.** This program provides less fortunate children the chance to experience horse related activities. In 2002 the program began a horse rescue portion. This grant will allow for more children to be included in the educational programs, to outfit children with safety helmets and riding equipment, to fund the repair and upkeep of facilities used to house rescued horses and to provide educational workshops to the public.

**Baltimore Equine Rescue and Rehabilitation, \$571.** The funds ERRI receives from this grant will go toward educational and promotional literature that will enable ERRI to extend its community outreach program on a more frequent and in-depth level. Through community outreach, ERRI can affect neglected/abandoned horse numbers by educating current and future owners about available programs, responsible horse ownership and the lifetime commitment of owning a horse.

**Horse Lovers United Inc., \$500.** This grant will partially fund a spring festival held to promote the work done by HLU Inc., a non-profit 501c(3) organization founded in 1992. The organization has found homes for over 100 equines. Many of the homes for these horses were of individuals who had not previously owned horses and the education provided by HLU Inc. has allowed these individuals to begin caring for horses.

**Potomac Bridle & Hiking Trail Association, \$500.** PB&HTA is dedicated to the preservation and maintenance of trails/green space for the enjoyment of hikers and equestrians. This grant will allow the program to offer educational workshops to demonstrate to the public that agricultural activities such as horse riding and suburbia can co-exist.

**Cecil County Cooperative Extension, \$300.** Funds will be used to provide an educational workshop or series of educational workshops for equine owners in the fall of 2003. Topics will include equine nutrition and feeding, pasture management and business management.

**Centaur's 4-H Club, \$200.** Centaur's 4-H Club has been in existence for 28 years. With this grant the program will allow the club to host a Gymkhana competition for up to 26 children in October at the Howard County fairgrounds.

## Governor's Cup awards for 2003

**Y**ear-end awards in the Maryland Steeplechase Racing Association's 2003 Governor's Cup Series presented by MidAtlantic Farm Credit went to:

Hunter chase timber horse—Kebo Valley.

Novice timber horse of the year—Nijinski's Pride.

Steeplechase (timber) horse of the year—Secret Impression.

Trainer of the year—Ann Stewart.

High-point scorers were:

Small ponies—Morgan Dvorkin; medium ponies—Ellen Halle; large ponies—Remy Winants; overall pony rider—Remy Winants; junior horse—Remy Winants

Finalists for the Kiser scholarship and the junior fox-chasing scholarship were Remy Winants and Morgan Dvorkin.

## Fundraiser benefits backstretch employees coping with cancer

**T**he second annual fundraising event for the Betsy Wells Cancer Support Fund, on May 4 at the Mt. Washington Tavern in Baltimore, generated nearly \$10,000.

Live and silent auctions highlighted the event, which was also supported by individual donations. The top-priced auction item—at \$1,300—was the opportunity to “write your own race”—setting the conditions of a race (subject to specified limitations) at the Pimlico spring meeting.

Dates with apprentice jockeys Natasha Bracaloni and Ryan Fogelsonger each brought \$575.

Betsy Wells, a lifelong horseperson who most recently worked as the office manager for trainer Graham Motion at Fair Hill Training Center, has battled cancer since 1995. Ms. Wells's courageous spirit, and her many friends within the

industry, inspired the launching of the Cancer Support Fund in 2002.

The Maryland Horsemen's Assistance Fund (MHAF) took over the administration of the Cancer Support Fund, and already has used its resources to aid four people, including Ms. Wells.

“The Cancer Support Fund can't commit to all the astronomical bills that come with this illness,” said MHAF program coordinator Bobby Lillis. “But it can help by paying the rent or utility bill, or buying groceries, when someone is out of work while dealing with pain and/or treatments such as chemotherapy.”

Donations may be sent to the Maryland Horsemen's Assistance Fund, 6314 Windsor Mill Road, Baltimore, Md. 21207. For more information call Bobby Lillis at (410) 265-6843.

## Dr. Phyllis Cassano named state veterinarian

**P**hyllis Cassano, DVM, has been hired as state veteri-

narian and chief of animal health for the Maryland Department of Agriculture. The position had been vacant since the retirement of Dr. Roger Olson in early 2002.

A New Jersey native, Dr. Cassano is a former senior veterinary management executive with a 16-year career in global veterinary medical sales, marketing and technical services for companies such as Hill's Pet Nutrition, Merial, Histacount and IGI (Evsco Pharmaceuticals). She earned her veterinary degree from the Universita di Bologna, Italy, interned at the Animal Medical Center in New York City, and practiced small animal veterinary medicine for three years before entering private industry.

As state veterinarian, Dr. Cassano will oversee Maryland's five animal health diagnostic laboratories, field inspectors and veterinarians, and provide leadership on current animal health issues and trends.

### Maryland's top 20 earners in 2003

(through June 9)

1. New York Hero .. \$417,300
2. Dr. Brendler . . . . . 201,035
3. Cherokee's Boy . . . 186,000
4. Shine Again . . . . . 152,400
5. P Day . . . . . 141,000
6. All the Boys . . . . . 139,400
7. Love Happy . . . . . 127,080
8. Carnie's Dancer . . . 106,925
9. Private City . . . . . 93,710
10. Undercover . . . . . 92,610
11. Foufa's Warrior . . . 88,758
12. Private Chef . . . . . 86,760
13. Astrid . . . . . 85,910
14. Quppy . . . . . 76,880
15. Pickupspeed . . . . . 75,000
16. My Request . . . . . 74,260
17. Bronze Abe . . . . . 74,160
18. Elusive Sara . . . . . 70,920
19. Aggadan . . . . . 70,320
20. Hit Now . . . . . 66,720



## FOAL REPORT

ABIGAIL D'ARGENT, by Perfecting, b.c., March 4, by Cat Country. C. Frank Hopkins. Mare to Cat Country.

ACTION MUSIC, by Seattle Song, b.f., May 8, by Salt Lake. Thornmar. Mare to Boundary.

ADD ONE, by Advan, b.f., May 1, by Eastover Court. Helen M. Polinger. Mare to In Case.

BAG OF COOKIES, by Devil's Bag, dk.b./br.f., April 1, by Our Emblem. Deborah A. Butts. Mare to Waquoit.

BALD BEAUTY, by Baldski, b.c., February 28, by Citidancer. Huckleberry Farm. Mare to Citidancer.

BET NUMBERS, by Polish Numbers, ch.f., April 10, by Mojave Moon. Kennard Warfield Jr. Mare to Mojave Moon.

BOLDEST BLADE, by Highland Blade, b.f., April 11, by Carnivalay. Redmond C.S. Finney and Francis X. Poggi. Mare to Two Punch.

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Barbara M. Kees's Norquestor mare Well Named foaled a Crypto Star colt on April 15 and was bred back to Luftikus.



William E. Gerber bred this Allen's Prospect filly born April 16 from the Regal Classic mare Lady Muskoka.

BOURNE ROYAL, by Exbourne, dk.b./br.c., April 5, by Ops Smile. Hindman Ltd. Partnership LLLP. Mare to Deputed Testamony.

BROAD EXCHANGE, by Broad Brush, b.f., May 16, by Allen's Prospect. Cary W. Jackson. Mare to Two Punch.

CAPITOL REGION, by Manila, b.c., April 21, by Personal Flag. Winmead Farm. Mare to Lion Hearted.

CARSON KITTY, by Carson City, dk.b./br.c., April 26, by Swear by Dixie. Donald G. McClinton.

CAVEAT'S SHOT, by Caveat, ch.c., March 7, by Polish Numbers. Wilbur D. and Joan P. Everett. Mare to El Corredor.

CHALLENGING, by Bet Twice, ch.f., March 9, by Polish Payola. Wilbur D. and Joan P. Everett. Mare to Polish Payola.

CHANCY LADY, by Clever Champ, dk.b./br.c., April 26, by Not For Love. Karol Mowl.

CHAPTER SEVEN, by Clever Champ, b.f., February 27, by Allen's Prospect. Jean B. Morris. Mare to Citidancer.

CHINA BLUE, by Gentleman Gene, b.c., April 28, by Storm Broker. Thornmar.

CLASS AWARD, by Class Chief, ch.c., February 24, by Diamond. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Housebuster.

CLASS EXCELLS, by Class Secret, b.c., April 9, by Mighty Forum (GB). Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Rock Point.

CLASS PROM, by Class Secret, ch.f., March 25, by Citidancer. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to In Case.

CLASS SHARP, by Double Edge Sword, ch.f., March 13, by Dancinwiththedevil. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Rock Point.

CLASS VIM, by Class Secret, ch.c., April 12, by Yarrow Brae.

Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Disco Rico.

CLASS VIVA, by Class Secret, ch.f., March 9, by Alster. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Rock Point.

CLASS VOW, by Spring Double, b.c., April 16, by Partner's Hero. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud.

COFFEE CLUTCH, by Norquestor, dk.b./br.c., May 5, by Malibu Moon. Annette M. Eubanks and Robert M. Parker.

COPPER RIVER ROSE, by River Special, b.c., March 12, by Numerous. Andrea Lematta. Mare to Announce.

COUNTRY LIFE MISS, by Citidancer, b.c., February 18, by Allen's Prospect. Jean B. Morris. Mare to Allen's Prospect.

CRIMSON TALES, by Mokhieba, ch.c., May 13, by Housebuster. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Not For Love.

CYNICISM, by Riverman, b.f., April 27, by Awad. Charles McGill.

DANCER IN THE PARK, by Gorky Park (Fr), ch.c., March 18, by Mojave Moon. Sharon Polk Smith.

DANCING IVORY, by Dancing Czar, b.f., April 23, by Partner's Hero. Patricia Sperow.

DARE TO BELIEVE, by Dare and Go, b.f., April 21, by Corporate Report. Annette and Kelly Murphy.

DECEMBER THUNDER, by Thunder Rumble, b.f., March 12, by Housebuster. Fred T. Lewis DVM. Mare to Crypto Star.

DECISIONIST, by Two Punch, gr./ro.c., May 3, by Secret Hello. Cathy Degges.

D. LADY, by Crafty Prospector, b.c., March 17, by Judge T C. Andrea Lematta. Mare to Patton.

DORMIR, by Halo, gr./ro.c., March 29, by Waquoit. Arlene

R. Daney, Partners. Mare to Waquoit.

DOVIE LEE, by Drone, ch.c., March 10, by Yarrow Brae. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Yarrow Brae.

EMPRESS KELL, by Wavering Monarch, b.f., April 23, by Diamond. R. Larry Johnson.

EVER IMELDA, by Personal Hope, b.f., January 27, by Appealing Skier. Ellen B. Kill Kelley. Mare to Meadow Monster.

FESTIVE FINNISH, by Masked Dancer, ch.f., January 2, by Perfecting. C. Frank Hopkins. Mare to Perfecting.

FOXWOOD SONG, by Baerewood, b.c., May 9, by Our Emblem. Julia Wright and Richard F. Blue Jr. Mare to Eastern Echo.

FOXY TAP, by Pleasant Tap, b.c., April 5, by Allen's Prospect. Redmond C.S. Finney. Mare to Eastern Echo.

FRAN'S SECRETARY, by Clever Secret, b.c., May 6, by Purple Passion. George Swope. Mare to Partner's Hero.

GENES COUNT, by Northern Prospect, dk.b./br.c., March 31, by Puerto Madero (Chi). Susan H. Wantz. Mare to Tejano Run.

HALE BOPPER, by Horatius, ch.f., March 7, by Hydrophonics. Petra Kappel. Mare to Hydrophonics.

HER DUCHESS, by Mr. Leader, ch.f., March 12, by Two Punch. Redmond C.S. Finney. Mare to Allen's Prospect.

HERB GARDEN, by Northern Park, b.f., April 16, by Expelled. Beverly Steinman.

HOLIDAY BALL, by Black Tie Affair (Ire), b.c., May 5, by Jazz Club. Carey K. Miller.

I'M IN HEAVEN, by Saint Ballado, b.f., March 24, by Not For Love. Fred A. Greene Jr. Mare to Allen's Prospect.

IN HER HONOR, by Hero's Honor, ch.f., April 26, by Mojave Moon. Lynda S. Hill. Mare to Housebuster.

JAN'S LITTLE LUCI, by Jan's Kinsman, b.f., April 7, by Judge T C. Fred T. Lewis DVM. Mare to Eastern Echo.

JAZEMA, by Bold Forbes, b.c., April 23, by Ameri Valay. Nancy H. Alberts. Mare to Two Punch.

JOY IN THE MORNING, by Horatius, gr./ro.f., April 29, by Silver Ghost. Thornmar. Mare to Housebuster.

JUST PLAIN JANE, by Sword Dance (Ire), b.f., April 29, by Chief Seattle. R. Larry Johnson.

KARIE A STAR, by Star de Naskra, b.f., March 5, by Unbridled Jet. Redmond C.S. Finney. Mare to Unbridled Jet.

KEIGHT B, by Kyle's Our Man, ch.c., April 4, by Mojave Moon. Peter D. Fuller. Mare to Allen's Prospect.

KRUIS'N KELSEY, by Williamstown, b.f., February 24, by Editor's Note. Wilbur D. and Joan P. Everett. Mare to Partner's Hero.

LADY HOLLYDAY, by Olympio, ch.c., April 28, by Marquetry. Thornmar. Mare to Stormin Fever.

LITTLE WINKEL, by Mt. Ruritania, gr./ro.f., February 13, by Eastover Court. Barbara Ryan for Thunderhill Farm.

LONDONDERRY, by Perfecting, gr./ro.f., March 22, by Cat Country. C. Frank Hopkins. Mare to Diamond.

LULATAR, by Avatar, dk.b./br.f., April 16, by Yarrow Brae. Richard F. Blue Jr. Mare to Root Boy.

MARIA'S TIARA, by Magic Prospect, b.f., April 20, by Eastern Echo. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Friedman. Mare to Eastern Echo.

# Potomac Hunt Races provide grand finale for Maryland's point-to-point circuit

by Joe Clancy Jr.

With its spot late in the spring calendar, the May 18 Potomac Hunt Races always stand out on the Maryland point-to-point circuit. Solid purse money doesn't hurt either.

Potomac gives away almost \$20,000 in total purses, including a pair of \$7,500 races (one over timber and one over hurdles) that attracts an assortment of horses from Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Virginia won the \$7,500 open timber feature when Shanagarry Farm's Words and Music galloped off with a victory for the all-family team of owner/jockey Rick Laimbeer, his sister/trainer Sara Hogan and an ever-growing cast.

Hogan delivered a baby girl, Riley Elizabeth, on May 13 so didn't make the trip to Potomac with the horse. Brother-in-law Matt van der Woude served as trainer-for-a-day and Hogan's son Jared went for the trophy presentation.

"I stayed home with the baby, so I missed it all," said Sara, whose husband Brian operates Hogan Horse Transport. "It's always been a joint effort, so everybody had to pitch in and do a little bit at Potomac. It sounded like the horse ran great—that's what they told me anyway."

Words and Music (a 7-year-old son of Houston) has been on the point-to-point circuit for two years, after washing out as a flat horse.

"[Trainer] Tommy McGivern found him for us," said Hogan. "He was a flat horse at Laurel, but was a bad ulcer case and a stall-walker. He can still be nervous, and has to be outside a lot but he's a great jumper and a lot of fun to ride."

In the race, Words and Music took over the pace after a

mile, settled on the front end and outran Running Light (Richard Boucher) for the win.

"It's about as much fun as you can have," said Laimbeer, of riding races.

"He's a really talented horse, and we've just gone slow with him and now he's to the point where he just loves it. He's just put it all together this year—he's learned this is a game and not work so he's learned to like it."

Laimbeer, 42, works in the equipment financing and leasing business, goes to the gym three days a week to stay fit and relies on wife Alice (and the rest of the family) for help with the horses.

"That's what makes it all worth it," said Laimbeer, who galloped horses for trainer Doug Fout this winter to increase his fitness level. "Everyone has a role in this or I couldn't do it."

Potomac fit in the plans of trainer Ricky Hendriks and Storybook Ending, who bounced out of a May 11 victory at Willowdale to take the \$7,500 open hurdle feature at Potomac. Ridden by Richard Boucher for owner Jim Casey, the winner cruised home by 10 lengths over Muzzleload and Bad Dog Press.

Hendriks, who hadn't been to Potomac since his riding days, was impressed with the course.

"It's not that far off being sanctioned; it's not what you would think of right away when you hear point-to-point," said the Fair Hill-based trainer. "They got very unlucky with the weather, because the ground was very soft, but my horse didn't mind it."

Hendriks kept the success going at Potomac when Contrarian Stable's Salaverry (Tina McDaniel) won the \$1,000 open flat by 12 lengths



Rick Laimbeer piloted family horse Words and Music to victory in Potomac's \$7,500 open timber feature.

over Why Not Baby (Richard Boucher). Hendriks's son McLane started the day with a victory in the medium pony race on Farrashaca.

Jockey Jeff Murphy doubled on the day, opening things with a win in the \$1,000 maiden hurdle. Murphy partnered the McGivern-trained Ambenay home for owner Fergis Galvin. The 5-year-old son of Northern Spur (Ire) won by eight lengths over County Doctor (Ellen Horner) and Private Attack (Boucher).

Murphy was back in the winner's circle four races later when Antonio Star survived in the \$2,500 novice timber. Owned by John Pettibone and trained by Dot Smithwick, the winner prevailed in a four-horse race that featured a fall (Quaremba), a lost rider (Matt Hatcher from Kennelot's Reward) and an off-course (My Mogul).

Trainer Doug Fout and jockey Tiffany Mueller teamed up to win the lady rider flat with Ken Luke's Shining Jack.

DOUGLAS LEES

## Foal report

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MARY LISA, by Poles Apart, b.c., April 5, by Castine. Salvatore J. Cicero.

MCMOMENT, by Timeless Moment, gr./ro.f., May 6, by Two Punch. Thornmar. Mare to Jazz Club.

NORTHERN FLAIR, by Caveat, ch.c., May 6, by Mojave Moon. Richard C. Granville. Mare to Mojave Moon.

OF ALL THE NERVE, by Academy Award, b.c., April 3, by Not For Love. Jack Queen.

OH MY PRIDE, by Oh Say, b.f., April 24, by Partner's Hero. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Mailley Jr. Mare to Partner's Hero.

PALLISER BAY, by Frosty the Snowman, b.f., April 22, by Not For Love. Buckingham Farm.

PARS CAELI, by Fair Skies, b.c., May 3, by Our Emblem. Julia Smith Carter and Joseph Di Rienzi.

PEQUENA, by Slew City Slew, dk.b./br.f., January 9, by Perfecting. C. Frank Hopkins. Mare to Cat Country.

PETUNIA, by Lil E. Tee, ch.f., April 1, by Tale of the Cat. Buckingham Farm.

POLLY GRAM, by El Gran Senor, ch.c., April 1, by Mojave Moon. Nancy B. Stone.

PROAMBIC, by Pridential (Ire), ch.f., March 27, by Allen's Prospect. Susan H. Wantz.

PROPER LASSIE, by Topsider, b.c., April 4, by Numerous. Andrea Lematta. Mare to Announce.

QUOIT A MATE, by Waquoit, ch.c., February 2, by Concern. Quoit a Mate Syndicate LLC. Mare to Polish Miner.

REGAL NIGEL, by Deputed Testamony, dk.b./br.f., April 27, by Ops Smile. Richard D. Eigenbrode. Mare to Ops Smile.

RHODA ELAINE, by Aaron's Concorde, gr./ro.f., April 26, by Waquoit. Arlene E. Kushner. Mare to Malibu Moon.

ROOTEEN, by Baederwood, dk.b./br.c., April 21, by Partner's Hero. Richard F. Blue Jr. Mare to Yarrow Brae.

RUNNIN'S FUN, by Quack, b.c., April 24, by Our Emblem. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Mailley Jr.

RUTHENWOOD, by Baederwood, ch.c., April 29, by Mutakddim. Thornmar. Mare to Partner's Hero.

SAGAN, by Ogygian, b.c., April 22, by Appealing Skier. Gordonsdale Farm.

SASSY CLASSIC, by Northern Classic, ch.f., April 2, by Diamond. Stanley Stables. Mare to Diamond.

SERENITY JANE, by Affirmed, b.f., April 14, by Not For Love. Jonas W. Cash. Mare to Two Punch.

SHEEZAWILDKAT, by Clever Champ, b.f., April 18, by Valley Crossing. Deborah A. Butts. Mare to Aaron's Concorde.

SHOO FOOT, by Brave Shot (GB), dk.b./br.c., May 9, by Wayne County (Ire). Richard F. Blue Jr. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

SHRILL SHREW, by John Alden, b.f., April 5, by My Boy Adam. Buckley and Hochman Partnership. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

SHRIVING, by Irish River (Fr), b.f., April 21, by Not For Love. Cary W. Jackson. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

SMART TALLY, by Smarten, dk.b./br.f., February 26, by Allen's Prospect. Huckleberry Farm. Mare to Mojave Moon.

SMARTLY, by Horatius, b.c., April 2, by Two Punch. Buckingham Farm.

STAR EVENT, by Salt Lake, b.c., April 29, by Partner's Hero. Smart Start Stable.

STAR SUITE, by Bates Motel, b.c., April 23, by Polish Numbers. Conover Stable.

SUM THIN BOUT MARY, by Valley Crossing, dk.b./br.f., May 5, by Swear by Dixie. Bonita Farm. Mare to Swear by Dixie.

SUSQUEHANNA ROSE, by Private Terms, b.c., April 9, by Deputed Testamony. Richard D. Eigenbrode. Mare to Deputed Testamony.

TAYLOR ELISE, by Tank, b.f., April 9, by Cat Country. Tony Sniadowski.

TIME TO COAST, by Coastal, b.f., March 24, by Straight Man. Andrea Lematta.

TIZ AN ANGEL, by Sunny's Halo, b.c., January 17, by Larrupin'. Barbara Ryan for Thunderhill Farm. Mare to Larrupin'.

TRICKY BRIDE, by Clever Trick, b.f., March 16, by Larrupin'. Steve Hochman. Mare to Diamond.

VALUBID, by Spectacular Bid, b.c., April 28, by Partner's Hero. Neal Bauman.

WAQUOIT LANDING, by Waquoit, ch.f., April 11, by Mojave Moon. Bonita Farm and Katherine De Francis. Mare to Mojave Moon.

WAQUOIT'S TUNE, by Waquoit, gr./ro.f., April 29, by Not For Love. D.J. Federico.

WEBER'S MISS SLEW, by Slew City Slew, gr./ro.c., April 2, by Cat Country. C. Frank Hopkins. Mare to Cat Country.

WESHELEN, by Wesham, dk.b./br.c., April 23, by Purple Passion. Susan H. Wantz. Mare to Evansville Slew.

WHAT A GAYLORD, by Lord Gaylord, dk.b./br.c., April 4, by Crowd Pleaser. John A. Guest and Barbara A. Anderson. Mare to Partner's Hero.

WHATA KEY DELITE, by Corridor Key, dk.b./br.c., April 26, by Meadow Monster. John A. Guest and Barbara A. Anderson. Mare to Meadow Monster.

WOODLAND MANOR, by Marine Patrol, ch.c., May 2, by Distorted Humor. Thornmar/Hoglander Partnership.

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