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Thoroughbred breeding and racing news

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Dark Hollow Farm sweeps top honors at MHBA Yearling Show

David and JoAnn Hayden's Dark Hollow Farm of Upperco, Md., exhibited both the grand champion and reserve champion at the Maryland Horse Breeders Association's 75th annual Yearling Show held Sunday, June 28 at Timonium Fairgrounds.

Buzz Chace, one of the nation's leading bloodstock agents, served as judge.

Both of the top-ranked yearlings were sired by Malibu Moon, a Kentucky stallion part-owned by the Pons family's Country Life Farm in Bel Air, Md.

Taking top honors was a colt out of Kinlin (by Unbridled), described by Chace as a "nice individual who had all the right angles and a great disposition."

The reserve champion, a filly out of Clever Phrase (by Clever Trick), was "racy, with a nice head on her and an elegant good look," commented Chace.

The filly is a half-sister to Grade 2 winner Ready's Image (by More Than Ready), who won his class at the 2006 MHBA Yearling Show judged by Tim Ritchey and was the champion Maryland-bred 2-year-old male of 2007.

Complete results follow:

Class I—For colts and geldings foaled in Maryland prior to April 6, 2008, the produce of mares covered in Maryland in 2007. (15 exhibited)

1—gr./ro.c., Two Punch—Baste, by Broad Brush. Owned and bred by Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss, West Friendship, Md. 2—Gojira, dk.b./br.c., Rock Slide—Golden Court, by Slew o' Gold. Owned and bred by Michael J. Harrison DVM, Butler, Md. 3—Tuscany's Prospect, b.g., M Eighty—Miss Tuscany, by Allen's Prospect. Owned and bred by Tuscany Farm LLC, Columbia, Md. 4—b.c., Not For Love—Indian Head Penny, by Waquoit. Owned and bred by Skeedattle Associates, Clarksville, Md. 5—Lunar Legacy, ch.c., Cherokee's Boy—Single Woman, by Cryptoclearance. Owned and bred by Keith Harpster, Damascus, Md.

Class II—For colts and geldings foaled in Maryland on or after April 6, 2008, the produce of mares covered in Maryland in 2007. (14 exhibited) 1—b.c., Lion Hearted—Mystical Tap, by Pleasant Tap. Owned and bred by Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss, West Friendship, Md. 2—b.c., Not For Love—Parlez, by French Deputy. Owned and bred by Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss, West Friendship, Md. 3—Our Prince Charlie, b.c., Domestic Dispute—Belles Champ, by Clever Champ. Owned and bred by Kaygar Stable and Heishman Partnership, Woodbine, Md. 4—Tribal Code, b.c., No Armistice—Tribal (Ire), by Namaqualand. Owned and bred by Emilie Bateman, Glen Burnie, Md. 5—b.c., Dance With Ravens—Heartful Hero, by Partner's Hero. Owned and bred by Dark Hollow Farm and Anthony Aguirre, Upperco, Md.

Class III—For colts and geldings foaled in Maryland in 2008, the produce of mares covered in states other than Maryland in 2007. (11 exhibited)

1—b.c., Malibu Moon—Kinlin, by Unbridled. Owned and bred by Dark Hollow Farm, Upperco, Md. 2—Balto More, b.c., Inner Harbour—Miss Rolla Punch, by Two Punch. Owned and bred by Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Wright, Hampstead, Md. 3—Zippy's Tiger, b.c., Johar—Das Is Alles, by Roy. Owned and bred by James Martin, Bethesda, Md. 4—b.c., Broken Vow—Pure Glitter, by Glitterman. Owned and bred by Hickory Ridge Farm, Highland, Md. 5—b.c., Silver Train—Bullish Miss, by Holy Bull. Owned and bred by John T. Crane and Margaret Crane, Lusby, Md.

Class IV—For fillies foaled in Maryland prior to April 6, 2008, the produce of mares covered in Maryland in 2007. (11 exhibited)

1—dk.b./br.f., Parker's Storm Cat—Calling Fappiano, by Cryptoclearance. Owned and bred by Peter Fuller, Watertown, Mass. 2—ch.f., Not For Love—Elaines Reason, by Sky Classic. Owned and bred by John T. Crane and Margaret Crane, Lusby, Md. 3—Touch the Birds, dk.b./br.f., Dance With Ravens—All the Words, by Allen's Prospect. Owned and bred by Rebecca

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Bowman Davis, Chestertown, Md. 4—Autumn's Dispute, ch.f., Domestic Dispute—Melissa's Miss, by Two Punch. Owned and bred by Stephen E. McHargue and Tom Shelton, Finksburg, Md. 5—ch.f., Oratory—Lois's Dancer, by Distorted Humor. Owned by Country Life Farm, Bel Air, Md. Bred by Country Life Farm and Lois's Dancer LLC.

Class V—For fillies foaled in Maryland on or after April 6, 2008, the produce of mares covered in Maryland in 2007. (8 exhibited)

1—b.f., Rock Slide—Mark Me Special, by Haymaker. Owned and bred by Michael J. Harrison DVM, Butler, Md. 2—Sweet Valor, b.f., No Armistice—Made From Scratch, by Waquoit. Owned by Sweet Spirit Stables LLC, Silver Spring, Md. Bred by James and Gail Poulos. 3—b.f., Dance With Ravens—Too Fast to Catch, by Nice Catch. Owned and bred by Dark Hollow Farm and Herringswell Stable, Upperco, Md. 4—Art of the Hunt, dk.b./br.f., Lion Hearted—Tamayo, by Tamayaz. Owned and bred by Rosalee C. Davison, Baltimore, Md. 5—Extreme Fourteen, b.f., Louis Quatorze—Experts Only, by Power of Mind. Owned and bred by Rosalee C. Davison, Baltimore, Md.

Class VI—For fillies foaled in Maryland in 2008, the produce of mares covered in states other than Maryland in 2007. (19 exhibited)

1—dk.b./br.f., Malibu Moon—Clever Phrase, by Clever Trick. Owned and bred by Dark Hollow Farm, Upperco, Md. 2—ch.f., Johannesburg—Carna, by Dehere. Owned and bred by Cary W. Jackson, White Hall, Md. 3—Grant Park, dk.b./br.f., Action This Day—Fickle Fate, by Majestic Light. Owned and bred by Ann W. Merryman, Sparks, Md. 4—ch.f., Purge—True Sensation, by Itaka. Owned and bred by Albert H. Cohen, Randy L. Cohen, Alyse L. Cohen and Franklin G. Smith Sr., Monrovia, Md. 5—b.f., Yonaguska—Primequest, by Coronado's Quest. Owned and bred by Carol Kaye-Garcia and Barbara Smith, Lothian, Md.

Northview Stallion Station Challenge Trophy for leading sire: Rock Slide.

Amateur judging contest—Randy Cohen, Marilyn Doetsch.

***Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred* takes honors in American Horse Publications contest**

Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred, the monthly magazine published by the Maryland Horse Breeders Association, took several honors in the American Horse Publications for material published in 2008.

First prize in the class for event coverage (circulation under 20,000) went to "Requiem for a missing crown," Sean Clancy's account of the anticlimactic Belmont Stakes-G1, which appeared in the August issue. Clancy's article was judged best of 21 entries.

"A poignant, exquisitely written tale that is as captivating to the reader as Big Brown," commented a judge. "I found myself rereading sentences with a smile. They just had to be enjoyed again."

Earning an honorable mention in the class for service to the reader (circulation under 20,000, 22 entries) was the article "Region divided over anabolic steroids," by Lucy Acton, published in June. The following comment accompanied the placing—"Entry catapults to the top tier of the class with ease. Overall, in-depth complex information is presented clearly. The organization is strong, the use of sidebars for state rules is exemplary. The Q&A is killer good."

The cover for the July issue, designed by Barrie Reightler and featuring a photograph by Stuart Haman, earned an honorable mention in its class. "Sterling photo with dust particles lighted. Perfect timing of the shot: Big Brown is lit by the sun, competitors in the shade," was the comment.

Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred was one of two publications cited in the category for general excellence—state or regional publication. It earned an honorable mention in the class won by *The Florida Horse*. There were nine entries. The judges noted: "The Statistical Review is one impressive piece of reporting with valuable data and information. The writing is authoritative, and the magazine covers a lot of people within its pages."

Barrie Reightler is the MHBA's director of publications, Lucy Acton is editor, and Cindy Deubler is associate editor.

Izzy Speaking has his say in Colonial Downs's Da Hoss Stakes

Maryland-bred Izzy Speaking rallied to a \$38 upset in the \$50,000 Da Hoss Stakes on Saturday, June 27 at Colonial Downs.

Despite having won his last start, on June 15 at Colonial, the 4-year-old Partner's Hero gelding was being asked to go a distance (one mile) that he had never before attempted, on a surface (turf) that he had tried only once, finishing third. But he proved more than equal to the task, defeating a competitive field of 10 rivals and scoring by a length over Jungle Fighter, with Rosemary Homeister Jr. in the irons.

Owned and trained by Marylander Hamilton Smith, Izzy Speaking was bred by Bob Manfuso and Katy Voss and sold for \$15,000 at the 2006 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall Yearling sale. He is the third foal and second stakes performer

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from his dam, Moonshine Run (by Go for Gin), who also produced Bootleggin Gent (2004, Gentlemen-Arg; \$58,852, 3rd Collegian S).

At 2, Izzy Speaking won the Christopher Elser Memorial and finished second in the Tremont Stakes and third in the Maryland Million Nursery. He has to his credit five wins from 14 career starts, and earnings of \$170,740.

Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred's July issue is now online

The July issue of *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred* is available for viewing at www.midatlantictb.com.

Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred made its online debut with the June 2009 issue, and will continue on a monthly basis with an archive containing back issues. The online version is in addition to the printed magazine, which will be published as usual.

For MHBA members and any paid subscribers access is free, but a user name and password is required. To set up a user name and password, viewers are prompted to contact Anne Warner at (410) 252-2100 or e-mail awarner@marylandthoroughbred.com. Online subscriptions to the electronic version may be purchased online immediately when a viewer clicks on the magazine icon, or through the regular online subscription form. The cost is \$20.

Seminars on animal composting

In response to recent changes regarding Valley Protein and the removal of animal carcasses, there is a need for management options related to the disposal of dead animals. This past year, Dr. Gary Felton with the University of Maryland has been traveling throughout the state to present a seminar to producers on animal composting. As a result, many producers have successfully established compost sites.

This July, Dr. Felton will be offering the seminar to Baltimore, Cecil and Harford Counties. Participation in the free seminar will allow producers to see a demonstration and receive handouts on how to create their own compost site. In addition, Dr. Felton will be available to answer any concerns or questions related to animal composting in Maryland. The location, time and date are yet to be determined.

Composting on private property is legal and has become a viable option for disposing of carcasses. Using several options for inputs, a carcass can become a nutrient-rich material to be incorporated into nutrient management plans. Depending on

Maryland-bred stakes horses— 6/22/09 to 6/28/09

1st: **IZZY SPEAKING**, g, 4, Partner's Hero—
Moonshine Run, by Go for Gin. O-Hamilton A. Smith,
B-Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss. \$50,000
DA HOSS S, Colonial Downs, 6/27.

the size of the operation, compost sites can vary in their set-up and function and may be eligible for NRCS cost-sharing. Composting becomes a great method to dispose of waste silage, spoiled hay and bedding materials throughout the year despite weather conditions and is relatively simple and cost-effective.

A seminar sponsored by Harford County Young Farmers is open to anyone interested in learning about composting. Please contact Harmony Miller at harmony.miller@gmail.com or (410) 457-4287 for further details because space may be limited. The seminar will be held Wednesday, July 1 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The location is My Girls Glen, 1973 Trappe Church Road Darlington, Md.

American Horse Council's Welfare of the Horse forum available on Horse TV's H-SPAN

The American Horse Council's Welfare of the Horse forum, held June 16 in Washington, D.C., is available for on-demand viewing.

To watch the proceedings, go to www.horsetv.com and click on the H-SPAN icon.

H-SPAN is a digital channel providing coverage of industry symposiums, meetings, educational presentations and more on its equestrian television portal, HorseTV.com.

The Welfare of the Horse forum created an opportunity for the industry to provide reports on the welfare and safety initiatives already in place and those that are being undertaken. It also lets the fans, the general public, the media, and elected officials know how important this is to the horse community.

Dr. Scott Palmer, past-president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners, delivered the keynote address. Other featured speakers included Gary Carpenter, executive director of the American Quarter Horse Foundation,

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Cindy Schonholtz, president of the Animal Welfare Council, Dr. Tom Lenz, chairman of the Unwanted Horse Coalition and Dr. Gail Golab, director, Animal Welfare Division of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Welfare and Safety Summit Committee releases free educational DVD on hoof care

The Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit's Shoeing and Hoof Care Committee is offering a free educational DVD entitled, "The Hoof: Inside and Out" that examines the physiology of the equine hoof and demonstrates proper care and shoeing techniques.

The 65-minute DVD was produced by the Keeneland Association's broadcast services department under the

direction of G.D. Hieronymus. It is available for download from the summit's Web site at www.grayson-jockeyclub.org/summitdisplay.asp.

A copy may be obtained free of charge (limit one per customer) by contacting Cathy McNeeley at (859) 224-2728 or cmcneeley@jockeyclub.com.

Foal reports may be submitted online

The Maryland-bred foal report is published monthly in the *Maryland Horse* newsletter in *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred* magazine.

To add your foal of 2009 to this list, fill out the form that appears on our Web site, www.marylandthoroughbred.com. This form may be found by clicking on "Foals" in the column that appears on the left side of the home page.