

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN



Thoroughbred breeding and racing news

March 8, 2010



Jim McCue

Jim's Prospect gets revenge in Wide Country Stakes, becoming first stakes winner for MD sire St Averil

Jim's Prospect, who finished second to post time favorite Gator Prowl in their previous two meetings, turned the tables on her rival as well as six other 3-year-old fillies to win the \$70,000 Wide Country Stakes on March 6 at Laurel Park.

The Maryland-bred is the first stakes winner from the first crop of St Averil, a son of Saint Ballado standing at Bonita Farm in Darlington, Md., as the property of Maryland Stallion Station and Bradley Thoroughbreds.

Owned by the Estate of James Glenn, Jim's Prospect rallied three-wide into the lane, caught That's How I Roll in mid-stretch and outmuscled her to the finish to win by a head. Vladimir Diaz rode Jim's Prospect for trainer J.B. Secor, completing the seven furlongs in 1:24.67 over the fast main track. Gator Prowl led into the stretch but faded and finished third.

The base purse for the Wide Country was \$50,000. As Maryland-breds, the first two finishers earned portions of a \$20,000 purse enhancement provided by the Maryland Fund.

"I was hoping to get by Gator Prowl sooner or later," Diaz said. "The distance helped her a lot. When I saw the first

quarter and Gator Prowl not getting away with an easy lead it made me feel confident."

Jim's Prospect, who had also finished behind That's How I Roll and fourth-place finisher Imanheires in earlier starts, is now 2-for-7 lifetime with six in-the-money finishes for earnings of \$94,560.

Secor took over training duties on Jan. 1 when previous conditioner Carlos Garcia retired to become a jockey agent.

"The reins were pretty well taken care of and were in pretty good condition," Secor said. "I think she's going to get better as time goes on."

Garcia now represents Diaz, who has moved his tack to Maryland from Penn National. The 32-year-old portrayed jockey Jacinto Vasquez in the movie *Ruffian* three years ago.

Jim's Prospect (out of Pam'ssummerwind, by Rodeo) is a year-younger half-sister to multiple stakes winner Miss Charm City (Bowman's Band; \$132,200, Gin Talking S, Maryland Million Lassie S), the champion Maryland-bred 2-year-old filly of 2008.

Second dam Lunar's Legend (by Polish Numbers) is the dam of three stakes horses: 2005 Maryland-bred champion 2-year-old filly Celestial Legend (City Zip; \$213,730, Holly S, Marshua S, Toddler S, Wide Country S; 2nd Cicada S-G3), Amie's Legend (Not For Love; \$104,370, Shine Again S, etc.) and Legendary Journey (Not For Love; \$63,799, 3rd Little Silver S).

Maryland-bred sells for \$200,000 at Calder

A Maryland-bred filly by Speightstown sold for \$200,000 at Fasig-Tipton Florida's Calder Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training sale on March 2 at Calder Race Course in Miami, Fla.

Bred by Dark Hollow Farm, Fast Kitty Farm, Arnold Davidov and Mr. and Mrs. David Hayden, the filly is out of the A.P. Indy mare Open Flirt, who was purchased by Dark Hollow, in foal to Dixie Union, for \$230,000 at the 2005 Keeneland November sale. (The foal she was carrying sold for \$500,000 at the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's March 2008 2-year-olds in training sale.)

Open Flirt is a daughter of Delaware Handicap-G2 winner and multiple stakes producer With a Wink (by Clever Trick).

Linda Rice, agent, purchased the filly from the consignment of Niall Brennan Stables, agent IX.



Tickets now on sale for “A Triple Crown Affair”

Tickets are still available for the sixth annual Derby After dArc Celebrity Chef & Auction event scheduled for Saturday, March 27 at Maryland Golf & Country Clubs to benefit The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region. Proceeds from this year's event will help adults and children with developmental disabilities.

The Arc welcomes Smyth Jewelers back again as the presenting sponsor and Jennifer McCullough and Rhoula Moniosas as this year's co-chairs along with honorary chairs Billy and Barbara Boniface and Scott and Georgeanna Garceau.

Maryland Golf & Country Clubs will be transformed into a Derby/Preakness style atmosphere complete with games and entertainment including a silent auction and music and dancing to the sounds of DJ Saxman. Auction items will include skin care and cosmetic dermatology packages, sports memorabilia, sporting event packages, golf packages, gourmet baskets, weekend getaways, salon and spa packages and specialty items.

Local “celebrity chefs” will be at the club to show their hospitality-Triple Crown style and include Scott Garceau, Sports Radio; Shari Elliker, WBAL AM Radio; Alan and Lois Elkin, Advance Business Systems; County Executive David Craig, Harford County Government; Jim Welch, Harford County Government; Senator Barry Glassman, Maryland State Senate; Tony Meoli, A&T Properties; William Cox, William Cox Real Estate; Kristy Breslin, WBAL Radio Traffic/Harford Cable Network; Detour Dave, WBAL Radio Traffic; Governor Robert L. Ehrlich Jr. and Kendel Ehrlich; and J. William Boniface, trainer of 1983 Preakness Winner Deputed Testamony.

The event will culminate with the drawing of a “Preakness Stakes” community raffle for tickets to the Preakness, dinner at the Milton Inn, and one night stay at Embassy Suites Hotel in Hunt Valley. This year's raffle is sponsored by Jones Junction Automotive Group in Bel Air and WXCX Radio (103.7FM).

Event ticket price is \$100 per person and can be purchased at www.arcncr.org. For more information, contact Elaine Orbino at The Arc at (410) 879-6785, ext. 350.

University of Maryland schedules Pasture Walk Series

A series of three evening pasture walks and one full-day seminar are planned in 2010 at the University of Maryland's Equine Rotational Grazing Demonstration Site. The educational events are open to everyone interested in implementing best management practices on their farm to improve the health and welfare of horse and the environment.

Each pasture walk will teach participants about a different pasture management topic and provide training on new pasture management skills.

Pasture walks are scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the following dates:

- April 22 (testing and improving pasture soils).
- June 17 (improving grass and pasture quality).
- Aug. 12 (identifying and controlling pasture weeds).

Pasture walks are free, but advanced registration is requested to guarantee a copy of the educational resources.

The horse pasture management seminar will take place on Sept. 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A variety of topics will be covered, including grass and weed identification, weed control methods, runoff management, benefits of pasture for horses and the environment, basic elements of a pasture management plan, and where and how to apply for money for pasture improvements.

Participants will also have an opportunity to practice their newly developed knowledge and skills at the Equine Rotational Grazing Demonstration Site. A \$25 registration per person covers all materials and lunch.

All events are rain or shine and will be held at the site, 4241 Folly Quarter Road in Ellicott City, Md. For more information call (301) 405-5781 or visit www.ansc.umd.edu/ERG.

Maryland-bred stakes horses— 2/22/10 to 3/7/10

1st: JIM'S PROSPECT, f, 3, St Averil—
Pam'ssummerwind, by Rodeo. O-Estate of James Glenn,
B-James Glenn and Kaygar Stable. \$66,000 WIDE
COUNTRY S, Laurel Park, 3/6.

2nd: That's How I Roll, f, 3, Speightstown—Chatter
Chatter, by Lost Soldier. O-Vision Racing LLC, B-Dark
Hollow Farm, George Harris and Will DeBurgh.
\$66,000 WIDE COUNTRY S, Laurel Park, 3/6.

2nd: Regal Warrior, g, 3, Louis Quatorze—Gallaslass,
by Gallapiat. O-Morris Stable LLC, B-Wayne Morris and
Juanita Morris. \$54,000 MIRACLE WOOD S, Laurel
Park, 2/27.



Jockey Club announces Interactive Registration enhancements

From The Jockey Club

The Jockey Club has modified its Interactive Registration platform to expand digital photo processing capacity and to create a "Registration Center" through which registered customers can view and resolve outstanding conditions of registration.

Interactive Registration, the online service of The Jockey Club's Registry, expedites the registration process by eliminating several manual processing steps that can affect turnaround time for issuance of service certificates, name tags, certificates of foal registration and other documents.

Available at no charge at www.registry.jockeyclub.com, Interactive Registration has processed more than one million transactions since its launch in 1996.

The new Registration Center was developed as a result of comments from customers seeking better information on the status of their applications. For more information go to www.jockeyclub.com.

Senate passes Jobs Bill

From the American Horse Council

On Feb. 24, the Senate passed the Jobs for Main Street Act of 2010 (S. 2847). This bill has several provisions of interest to the horse industry including tax benefits.

Tax provision

The Senate-passed bill includes an extension of the Section 179 expense allowance at \$250,000 through 2010. This provision had expired at the end of 2009. The provision allows an individual to deduct up to \$250,000 of the cost of horses purchased and placed in service in 2010. This allowance also applies to farm equipment and most other property with a depreciable life of less than 20 years. Once total purchases of horses and other eligible depreciable property reach \$800,000, the expense allowance goes down one dollar for each dollar spent on eligible property over \$800,000.

The reinstatement of this benefit should provide an additional incentive for people to purchase horses for racing, showing and breeding as part of their business activities.

Another provision in the bill that would benefit the horse industry would forgive payroll taxes for employers hiring unemployed workers and give a business tax credit of \$1,000 for every new employee retained for 52 weeks to be taken on the employer's 2011 income tax return.

Next step

The Senate-passed bill must still be approved by the House of Representatives, which passed a much broader bill last year. The House may simply vote on the more limited bill passed by the Senate and send it to the President for signature.

Jockey Club Fact Book available online

From The Jockey Club

The Jockey Club's 2010 Online Fact Book, published annually as a statistical and informational guide to the North American Thoroughbred industry, is posted at www.jockeyclub.com. The 20th edition of the printed version will be published and distributed in early May.

The Online Fact Book includes state-by-state analysis and multi-year reports. Statistics in the breeding section, which by their very nature change constantly, are updated regularly. A printer-friendly page option on all pages in the breeding, racing and sales sections condenses the width of the online page so that it can be printed in a "portrait" format.

The Fact Book includes a directory of national, state, Canadian and international organizations, with phone numbers for all organizations and Web site links for organizations that have them.

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 2010 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.

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Upcoming Maryland Fund Stakes

Fillies and Mares, Three-Years-Old and Up

March 13 Conniver S \$70,000-guaranteed 7 fur.

These 2010 LAUREL PARK STAKES include a \$20,000 purse premium for Maryland-breds:

February 6	MARSHUA S	Fillies, Three-year-olds	\$70,000-guaranteed*	6 fur.
February 13	JOHN B. CAMPBELL H	Three-year-olds and up	\$70,000-guaranteed*	1 1/8 mi.
February 20	MARYLAND RACING MEDIA S	Fillies and mares Three-year-olds and up	\$70,000-guaranteed*	1 1/8 mi.
February 27	MIRACLE WOOD S	Three-year-olds	\$70,000-guaranteed*	7 fur.
March 6	WIDE COUNTRY S	Fillies, Three-year-olds	\$70,000-guaranteed*	7 fur.
March 20	PRIVATE TERMS S	Three-year-olds	\$70,000-guaranteed*	1 mi.
March 27	HARRISON E. JOHNSON MEMORIAL S	Three-year-olds and up	\$70,000-guaranteed*	1 1/8 mi.
April 3	PRIMONETTA S	Fillies and mares Three-year-olds and up	\$70,000-guaranteed*	6 fur.
April 10	DAHLIA S	Fillies and mares Three-year-olds and up	\$70,000-guaranteed*	1 1/16 mi. turf

*Purse premium included in total guaranteed purse. The stakes schedule is approved through April 10, 2010. For more information, contact the Maryland Horse Breeders Association at (410) 252-2100, fax (410) 560-0503 or visit MHBA's Web site at www.marylandthoroughbred.com.

MARYLAND-BREDS HAVE AN ADVANTAGE FOR PREFERENCE DATES!

Preferences are in order of dates entered or run with the oldest date having first preference. Maryland-breds having an equal date will have first preference. Horses enter for the first time with zero and are behind all those with dates.



SPECIAL Maryland-bred Bonuses

\$5,000 to the owner of a registered Maryland-bred who wins a Maiden Special Weight race.



Maryland Million Rewards

Premium rewards of \$2,500 are offered on Maiden Special Weight races to the winning owner of a Maryland Million nominated horse. Nominator awards will be paid to the foal and stallion nominator as well.



Had Enough Of The Mud?

Please join the Baltimore County Soil Conservation District and Maryland Department of Agriculture for a complimentary "Sweet"* and Horse Talk as we discuss ways to deal with soil and erosion problems on local horse farms

Date

Wednesday, April 7th

Time

7:00pm to 9:00pm

Vendors available from 6:00pm to 6:45pm

Location

Summit Manor

(Hereford Fire Hall Banquet Room)

510 Monkton Road

Hereford, Maryland

Reservations

Please RSVP Ciara McMurtrie (410) 666-1188, ext 112 or by email ciara.mcmurtrie@md.nacdnet.net by March 31, 2010

Reservations are appreciated.

Topics for Discussion

The Importance of Survey and Design

The Cost Share Experience

Available Cost Share Programs

New Office Location and Features

Guest Speakers

Joe Smith – Baltimore County Soil Conservation Cooperator/Participant

Mary-Lynne Campbell – Baltimore County Soil Conservation Cooperator/Participant

Yvonne Roe – MDA, Harford County Soil Conservation Technician

Dave Martin – University of Maryland Extension Baltimore County, Senior Agent

There will also be an opportunity to discuss your Conservation wants and needs as a horse owner.

***Includes dessert, and beverages**

