



## OBS 2-year-old Fillies for Racing Partnerships

Three 2-year-old fillies were purchased at the June OBS 2-year-olds-in-Training Sale for our Racing Partnerships. As was the case with the trio of 2-year-olds from the Fasig-Tipton May sale, shares in these fillies sold quickly.

Our first buy was Hip #93, a KY-bred filly by Super Saver out of the multiple G1 winner Belle Gallantey, for \$28,000. A leggy, attractive dark bay filly, she's bred for two turns and should mature into a very nice racehorse. Next we bought Hip #281, a Virginia-bred Twirling Candy filly out of the El Prado mare Enterprise Beach. This filly will have lucrative Virginia-bred bonuses to run for at all the Mid-Atlantic racetracks, plus restricted Virginia-bred races at Colonial Downs this summer. Our last purchase was a Florida-bred filly by Mineshaft, Hip #517, who breezed in :10 flat. Her dam, the Seeking the Gold mare Luna Dorada, broke her maiden at 2 and placed in a stakes at Churchill Downs at 3. This Florida-bred filly could be a good excuse to visit Gulfstream Park this winter to watch her run in Sunshine Millions events.

There are two shares open in the Virginia-bred filly by Twirling Candy, and one share open in the Mineshaft Florida-bred filly. Contact Christy (410-808-1325) today if you would like to get in the game as a 10% owner of a racehorse with Country Life Farm.





## MHBA Annual Yearling Show on June 30th

The annual Maryland Horse Breeders' Yearling Show will be held on Sunday, June 30, at the Timonium Fairgrounds show ring. This year's judge is trainer Michael Stidham, who recently expanded his training operation to nearby Fair Hill. The Grade 1-winning trainer's runners have earned nearly \$60-million in his 35-year-career. He trained the likes of Her Emmynency (G1 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup), Two Altazano (G1 Coaching Club American Oaks), Sultra (G1 Frizette) and Zipessa (G1 First Lady).

The show starts at 10:00 with Class 1 for Colts/Geldings sired by Maryland stallions (Country Life is exhibiting 5 in this class, with several others by our stallions entered in the class as well). Class 2 is for Colts/Geldings sired by out-of-state stallions, and we'll show one in this class for a client of ours. After the lunch break is Class 3 for Fillies sired by Maryland stallions, and we'll have a record 10 in this class (in addition to others by our stallions being exhibited by their owners). The last class is for out-of-state sired fillies, followed by the Championship class which is comprised of the judge's top 2 yearlings from each of the four classes. In addition to ribbons, prize money will be awarded to the top 4 finishers in each class, plus a groom's award in

each class. All horses exhibited in the ring will also be eligible for a \$40,000 Yearling Show Purse Award, which gets split in 2020 and 2021 among the top earning 2-year-olds and 3-year-olds that were shown this year, regardless of their placing in the classes.

And, there is an amateur judging contest in Class 3 that is open to everyone, with a trophy for the top male and female amateur judges whose picks most closely match those of Michael Stidham.

So come out on Sunday and watch these yearlings strut their stuff at the historic MHBA Annual Yearling Show:

**Sunday, June 30, 10 a.m.**



## The "20+ Retirement Club" gets new member

In December of 2005, at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Mixed Sale, the star of the Country Life Farm consignment was a multiple-stakes-winning, graded stakes-placed daughter of Country Life stallion Allen's Prospect named Your Out. Trained by Graham Motion for her owner/breeder Eugene Ford, Your Out was a spectacular racehorse. She broke her maiden on debut as a 2-year-old at Delaware Park with a

103 Speed figure. Then she reeled off three consecutive stakes wins in the Maryland Million Lassie, Heavenly Cause and MD Juvenile Filly Championship. Racing exclusively in stakes her entire career after her maiden win, she was only off the board twice and won stakes at 3 and 4. As a 4-year-old she was second in the G3 Delaware Handicap and 3rd in the G3 Arlington Matron before finishing her career with a 2nd in the Waya Stakes at Laurel.

Retired at the end of 2002, she was sent to Kentucky to become a broodmare but had trouble staying in foal, aborting the first two years. She was sent to Country Life in the fall of 2004 to be bred to local stallion Lion Hearted the next spring, with hopes of selling her in foal at the end of the year. She had no trouble maintaining the pregnancy, and blossomed into a beautiful broodmare in 2005. Country Life consigned her at the Fasig-Tipton December Mixed Sale and she was the most sought-after horse on the grounds, fetching a sale-topping bid of \$140,000. In the years following she was bred to the likes of Medaglia d'Oro and Malibu Moon, but unfortunately she wasn't able to reproduce her racing ability and only had two winners from five named foals. Her last foal was born in 2012.

As often happens, her whereabouts were unknown for the next several years. Recently she ended up at an auction lot in Pennsylvania known to be frequented by "kill buyers", who buy the old or crippled horses that no one wants and they send them off to slaughter. Many horse rescue groups go to these auctions hoping to identify Thoroughbreds by their lip tattoos in order to contact former connections and save them. That's how Your Out's life drastically changed for the better. Someone was able to read enough of her lip tattoo to identify the emaciated bay mare, who had rain rot all over her, and contacted Sue Kenny at Graham Motion's barn. The team immediately bought her and took her to a quarantine farm to care for her and get her healthy. Knowing she needed a safe forever home, and that she had been with us before, Sue contacted us and asked if we would take her. She arrived last week and settled right in with some of our stellar retired broodmares: Vee Vee Star (dam of Champion Declan's Moon) and Smash Review (dam of graded-stakes placed American Dubai). Combined, the three mares have won or produced \$2,166,346 in earnings on the racetrack. Quite an accomplished group of old gals, and they will all live out their days being well taken care of at Merryland!



Your Out - Smash Review - Vee Vee Star



Your Out at the 2005 December Mixed Sale

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# May Foal Gallery

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Heart Seeker colt by Holy Boss,  
foaled 5/2; owned by Candyland  
Farm.



Liberty Road colt by Divining Rod,  
foaled 5/2; owned by Gainesway  
Farm



Placentia filly by California Chrome,  
foaled 5/4; owned by CLF &  
Placentia LLC



Written Request filly by Divining  
Rod, foaled 5/5; owned by  
Gainesway Farm.

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Lawless Love colt by Divining Rod, foaled 5/8; owned by CLF & Lawless Love LLC.



Rue de Rivoli colt by Twirling Candy, foaled 5/11; owned by CLF & Rue de Rivoli LLC



Lady Krista colt by Divining Rod, foaled 5/12; owned by CLF & Mrs. Glennie Martin.



Union Waters colt by Jimmy Creed, foaled 5/13; owned by CLF & Union Waters LLC.



Gravitar filly by Divining Rod, foaled 5/13; owned by Gainesway Farm.



Two Stars filly by Divining Rod, foaled 5/22; owned by CLF & Mrs. Glennie Martin.



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The LAST one!  
Maid of Cotton colt by Divining Rod, foaled 5/23;  
owned by Country Life Farm.

2019 Foal Count: 75 foals born  
44 fillies and 31 colts

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