



# Country Life Press

## April 2019

### Newsletter

*From Maryland's Oldest Thoroughbred Farm*

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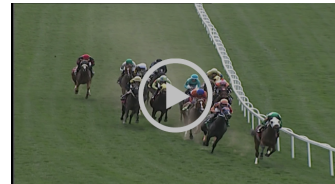
## Into Bluegrass Takes Turf Season Debut!

Country Life racing partnership filly Into Bluegrass returned to the winner's circle on 4/18 in her second start after more than a year off. It was the first turf race of the season at Laurel, and the daughter of Into Mischief loved the fresh, smooth lawn.

She drew off in the stretch to earn her 2nd career win in the 5-1/2 furlong sprint, thanks to the KY Derby-bound duo of trainer Mike Trombetta and jockey Julian Pimentel! The filly has been on the board in 6 of her 10 starts so far.



Jim McCue photo



Into Bluegrass takes  
the Laurel turf  
season opener!

## CLF-Sired Winners

Country Life stallions sired a slew of winners recently. Among the notables were maiden winners Fire Marshal (Friesan Fire) at Laurel and his half-brother, first time starter Ace Nine Nine (Super Ninety Nine) at Parx. The two horses are out of the retired stakes producer Smash Review, by Bates Motel. The mare also produced the multiple stakes winner and twice G3-placed American Dubai, who has earnings of over \$469,000 to date. Both Fire Marshal and Ace Nine Nine were bred by Country Life Farm.

Freedom Child runners are tearing up the track as well, and he sired a very rare Trifecta when his sons Confessor, Nico Bree N Teej and Hall Pass finished 1-2-3 in a Laurel Allowance on 4/7! His daughter Parisian Diva is 2-for-2 so far this year at Charles Town, after winning an allowance and the Its Been Too Long Stakes this month.

**Freedom Child-sired trifecta in Laurel Allowance (5-2-3). Jim McCue photo**



**Fire Marshal maiden win. Jim McCue photo**



**Ace Nine Nine maiden win. Bill Denver/Equi-Photo**



## KENTUCKY DERBY BOUND!

Country Life's trainer Mike Trombetta and regular rider Julian Pimentel are heading to the Kentucky Derby with the Trombetta-trained and Live Oak Plantation-owned Win Win Win!

All of us at Country Life and Merryland are wishing them good luck and a safe trip!

<https://thisishorseracing.com/win-win-win-takes-trombetta-to-derby>

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### **Maryland Farm Tour on Saturday, May 11th**

The Maryland Horse Breeders Association is celebrating their 90th Anniversary, and they have organized a celebration event, a state-wide Thoroughbred Horse Farm tour. Both Country Life and Merryland will open our farms to the public from 11-3 on Saturday, May 11th for people to visit and see what a day on a working Thoroughbred farm is like. If you'd like to sign up to visit, or learn more about the day and other farms participating, click on the links below:

**Sign Up to tour a farm:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/maryland-thoroughbred-horse-farm-tour-tickets-59177869601>

**Brochure:** <https://marylandthoroughbred.com/cms/pdf/FarmTourBrochure2019.pdf>

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## **March Foal Gallery**

Click on pictures for links to Ellen's gallery with more photos!





Fire of Freedom filly by Malibu Moon, foaled 3/3; owned by Candyland Farm

Figlia d'Oro colt by Imagining, foaled 3/3; owned by Candyland Farm



Imagistic filly by Divining Rod, foaled 3/5; owned by CLF & Imagistic II LLC

Splashtackular colt by Divining Rod, foaled 3/7; owned by Gainesway Farm



Curio colt by Mosler foaled 3/10; owned by CLF & Curio LLC

So Far Away filly by Mosler, foaled 3/16; owned by Peter & Betsy Mead



Easy Mover filly by Divining Rod,  
foaled 3/18; owned by Country Life  
Farm

Ann's Smart Dancer colt by Divining  
Rod, foaled 3/18; owned by CLF &  
Ann's Smart Dancer LLC



Carolina Tapper filly by Mosler,  
foaled 3/27; owned by Wes Carter

Blue Indygo filly by Mosler, foaled  
3/28; owned by Leo Holt/Angelinos  
Racing



As Long as Ittakes colt by Divining  
Rod, foaled 3/29; owned by CLF &  
As Long as Ittakes LLC

Matty's Sensation colt by Mosler,  
foaled 3/29; owned by Wes Carter

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