

# Country Life Press May 2022 Newsletter



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# **New Partnership: Gun Runner colt**



The hottest sire on the planet right now is Gun Runner, with an incredible four Grade 1 winners, including Preakness winner Early Voting, from his first-crop to race. Country Life picked up a 2-year-old colt by him at the recent Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-year-olds in Training Sale for \$150,000. Named Sage Runner, the bay colt breezed in 10.3 and was the second horse in the ring on the first day of the sale.

The colt was sold out almost immediately to a fine, small group of partners. In addition to Country Life, partners Kevin Edwards, Mike Stone, Bob Kern, Guidera-McKenney Equine LLC and Cape Fear Thoroughbreds all stepped up to buy shares in this exciting prospect. Watch his breeze video below.

He'll get some time at Merryland to decompress after the rigorous sales prep routine these 2-year-olds undergo, and then he'll head to trainer Mike Trombetta when ready. Look for Sage Runner at the races this fall.



# **Maiden Win for Mosler Safe**



Partnership runner Mosler Safe got his maiden win at Pimlico on May 19th. The bay gelding had a string of runner up finishes in three of his previous five lifetime starts but got it done in the 5 furlong sprint at Old Hilltop. Several excited partners were on hand to celebrate the victory in the winner's circle.

Bred by Susan Wantz and foaled at Country Life out of the Sky Mesa mare Sky Given, the 4-year-old should like the turf too. His dam is a half-sister to two turf blacktype runners - stakes winner Giada Vegas and stakes-placed Battleofwinterfell. We'll hope to get him on the grass too.

# Highest Priced Mid-Atlantic Sired Horses at Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-year-old Sale



Friesan Fire - Kiss in the Forest filly

(Sara Gordon photo)

Hip #456

Sold for \$350,000



Mosler - Keep Right colt
(Serita Hult photo)
Hip #454
Sold for \$165,000

Country Life stallions Friesan Fire and Mosler topped all other Mid-Atlantic sires at the recent Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-year-olds in Training Sale on May 23-24.

A filly by Friesan Fire out of Kiss in the Forest, bred in Maryland by Charles Parker's Barak Farm & Sharon Dodgen, worked in :10 flat and was purchased by Marette Farrell as agent for Exline-Border Racing LLC for \$350,000. The filly was pinhooked into this sale by Tom McCrocklin, who bought her as a yearling for \$50,000. Her dam is a multiple stakes-placed winner by Forest Wildcat.

Mosler made his mark at the sale as well, with a big bay colt out of Keep Right bringing \$165,000 from Maddie Mattmiller for Jonathan Kinchen & Black Type TB. Bred in Maryland by Country Life Farm & Keep Right LLC, the colt won his class at the 2021 MHBA Yearling Show judged by Gary Contessa before being sold to Grassroots Training & Sales for \$27,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Fall Yearling Sale last October.

# **April Foals**

(click pictures for links to Ellen's galleries)

# Starr Of Quality Gun Runner filly April 2nd 2022 at 9:55 pm

Bred by Country Life Farm & Starr of Quality LLC



**Bred by Randy & Gary Ridgely** 

# Meadow Gem Madefromlucky filly April 3rd 2022 at 8:16 am

Bred by Lawrence M. Smith Racing



Bred by Charles Parker's Barak
Farm

# Blisstikus -Divining Rod colt April 9th 2022 at 3:52 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

# Bred by William Bayne & Super C Racing



Bred by Leo Holt's Angelinos
Racing

# Missy Rules -Liam's Map filly April 11th 2022 at 2:30 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Bred by Country Life Farm/Stone LLC



Foaled at Country Life Farm

**Bred by Warning Drums Racing** 



# **Bred by All the Way Stables LLC**



Parade Of Colors -Divining Rod colt April 20th 2022 at 6:01 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

**Bred by Jay Williamson** 

Bred by All the Way Stables LLC

**Foaling Webcam** 

**Country Life Bred or Sired Winners** 

## **DIVINING ROD**

**CLIMBER:** 5/9 at IND, Maiden (breeder Dawn Martin; owner Southwest Racing Stables Inc. and Bruce Murphy)

**DIVINING STAR:** 5/14 at CMR (PR), Claiming (breeder Country Life Farm, Divining Rod Syndicate & Luisa Cuprill; owner Establo Carmen Anita)

**PARTY MONSTER:** 5/21 at CT, Maiden (breeder Charles J. Reed & Henry Hoke; owner Charles J. Reed)

**JASONTAKESLONG:** 5/27 at CT, Allowance (breeder Country Life Farm & As Long As Ittakes LLC; owner Timothy Freitag)

# **MOSLER**

I'M BLUSHING: 5/12 at PIMLICO, Allowance (breeder/owner John & Cheryl Banner)

FULL MOON LOVER: 5/12 at CT, Maiden (breeder/owner Ronney & Nicole Brown)

**MOSLER SAFE:** 5/19 at PIM, Maiden (breeder Susan Wantz; owner Country Life Farm & Mosler Safe LLC)

# **FRIESAN FIRE**

**MISSION OBERON:** 5/9 at PARX, Claiming (breeder Country Life Farm & Friesan Fire Syndicate; owner Dante Carlo Stable)

**AZURE FIRE:** 5/18 at CT, Claiming (breeder Monte Steele; owner Joseph Pyke)

## **OTHER COUNTRY LIFE/PARTNERSHIP-bred winners:**

**ONE SILK STOCKING:** 5/21 at GG, Maiden (breeder Country Life Farm & Keep Right Broodmare LLC; owner Roadrunner Racing, Neil A. Haymes, Dennis O'Neill and William Strauss)

**ACE NINE NINE:** 5/26 at PEN, Claiming (breeder Country Life Farm; owner Larry Rabold)

# **Virtual Stallion Show**

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