



# Country Life Press

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### Newsletter

*Maryland's Oldest Thoroughbred Farm*

Established 1933: Celebrating Our 90th Anniversary in 2023



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## BEST BABIES EVER IN OUR 90 YEARS?



In the foaling barn at Country Life Farm this spring are arriving the finest crop of babies in the 90-year history of this nursery. They carry the hopes not only of our fabulous clients, but also of the members of our select band of Breeding Partnership mares.

Imagine the future successes of this foal crop just by highlighting our farm mares. Who could not leap forward in time by seeing the family markings imprinted on these babies? Take for example Grecian Maiden's March 21st colt by Divining Rod. He carries the same lightning-strike blaze as Divining Rod. That same strong hip. That same beautiful bay coloring.

Who couldn't see the father in this son? The sire led American Pharoah turning for home in the 2015 Preakness Stakes before finishing third in that Grade One classic. Who couldn't help but dream of the 2026 Preakness for this colt out of \$213,224 stakes-winner Grecian Maiden? It's all there. Strength in the dam; strength in the sire.

Or recall how the young Mosler mare Miss Nondescript defeated stakes star Street Lute by a nose in the 2020 Maryland Million Lassie, then look at her 2023 filly by Divining Rod? An All-Maryland pedigree born on this state's oldest Thoroughbred farm.

Or consider a sampling of the high-quality mares we've imported from Kentucky? The Malibu Moon mare Make Amends foaled a 2023 Yaupon colt; her 2022 Maryland-bred colt by MacLean's Music brought \$130,000 for our partners last fall. Jennemily, a \$60,000 Keeneland 2023 January sale mare, delivered a filly by 2022 Leading Freshman sire Bolt d'Oro. The Malibu Moon mare Indexation foaled a 2023 colt by the promising speed son of City Zip, Improbable.

A quick shout-out to the other Country Life Breeding Partnership mares, all of whom were selected on the strength of their race records and/or their sires:

- Basedonatruestory, (by Broken Vow)
- Fifteen Moons (by Malibu Moon)
- Fifteen Royals (\$108,709 earnings)
- Lunar Rille (\$109,998)
- Missy Rules (SW of \$146,270)
- Moon Vision (\$244,395)
- Playful Love (by Tapit)
- Starr of Quality (SW of \$307,529)
- War Value (by War Front)

Way back in 1933, Adolphe Pons dreamed of establishing a farm that would provide the highest quality of essential horse-farm services---stallions at stud, mare care, racing and breeding partnerships. Ninety years later, with arguably the best foal crop ever born on his Country Life Farm, we continue to carry out that mission.

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**BLESSED ARE THE YEARLINGS (we hope)**



Malibu Moon colt out of Basedonatruestory

Aiming for select sales at Fasig-Tipton and Keeneland, our Breeding Partnerships yearling crop of 2023 is a small but select group.

1. If our Gun Runner filly out of Starr of Quality turns heads at the sales, look out. The chestnut filly's father earned \$15-million and is the super-sire of this decade. The filly's mother won Santa Anita's \$100,000 Dream of Summer Stakes, proving her soundness for racing with 6 wins, 4 seconds, and 7 thirds, in route to \$307,529 in earnings.
2. If our Omaha Beach yearling filly out of the farm-foundation family of Fifteen Moons looks as good as her pedigree, take heed. She could be a standout Maryland-bred anywhere. Omaha Beach is by War Front; Fifteen Moons, by Malibu Moon, is a half-sister to Grade 1-winner Hookedonthe feelin, dam of Grade 1-winner Jimmy Creed.
3. If our Malibu Moon colt out of the Broken Vow mare Basedonatruestory matures to look like his famous sire did as a yearling, stand back. Here in the spring of his yearling year, he already favors his Papa.
4. If both the yearling colts by Bolt d'Oro, respectively, out of Laura's Moon and out of Lunar Rille garner the attention of pinhookers, well done. Bolt d'Oro is a special sire, with high-class runners all round the country.
5. If the Liam's Map filly out of stakes winner Missy Rules looks as fast as the mare's New York sprinting son Secret Rules (\$273,609), listen up. Everything out of Missy Rules runs, including the solid Divining Rod filly Liquidator, winner of four nice Maryland races.

A select half-dozen high-bred yearlings. It's not how many you have, it's how high the quality you have.

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## March Foals

(click pictures for links to Ellen's galleries)

### Jennemily - Bolt d'Oro filly

March 2nd 2023 at 8:05 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

### Golden Causeway - Accelerate colt

March 4th 2023 at 9:14 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm



In My Time -  
Practical Joke colt

March 5th 2023 at 1:01 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Glittering Judy -  
Mosler colt

March 6th 2023 at 6:30 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Moon Vision -  
Mo Town filly

March 10th 2023 at 10:05 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Emperadora -  
Mosler colt

March 10th 2023 at 10:36 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Lunar Rille -  
Bolt d'Oro colt

March 11th 2023 at 1:11am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

My Magician -  
Golden Lad colt

March 11th 2023 at 2:35 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Oh What A Delite -  
Mosler colt

March 12th 2023 at 1:37 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Danica -  
Divining Rod filly

March 12th 2023 at 3:44 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm



Streak Of Hope -  
Long River filly

March 13th 2023 at 8:55 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Glamour Puss -  
Rock Your World filly

March 15th 2023 at 3:46 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Suzy Z -  
Mosler filly

March 16th 2023 at 10:34 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Grecian Maiden -  
Divining Rod colt

March 21st 2023 at 9:26 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Important -  
Weigelia filly

March 22nd 2023 at 8:41 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Palace Lush -  
Friesan Fire colt

March 22nd 2023 at 9:56 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Bells Of War -  
Mitole filly

March 25th 2023 at 4:30 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Indexation -  
Improbable colt

March 25th 2023 at 10:55 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm



Grand Banks -  
Lumino filly

March 26th 2023 at 7:11 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Amphitrite -  
Lumino filly

March 29th 2023 at 1:07 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Vibrant Spirit -  
Blofeld colt

March 30th 2023 at 4:56 am



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Basedonatruestory -  
Jimmy Creed filly

March 31st 2023 at 11:26 pm



Foaled at Country Life Farm

Foaling Webcam

Country Life Bred or Sired Winners

## **DIVINING ROD**

**LOOSE ENDS:** 3/1 at PRX, Allowance (breeder Greg & Caroline Bentley; owner Runnymore Racing LLC; trainer Cal Lynch)

**LIQUIDATOR:** 3/3 at LRL, Allowance (breeder Country Life Farm/Stone LLC; owner Not the 1 Stable, Inc.; trainer Linda Albert)

**DIVINARY:** 3/7 at PRX, Maiden (breeder Smith Farm & Stable; owner SD Trading; trainer J. Guerrero)

**RUSTYS GFIVEFIFTY:** 3/12 at LRL, Allowance (breeder Bowman & Higgins Stable; owner Robert D. Bone & Edward J. Brown, Jr.; trainer Rodolfo Sanchez-Salomon)

**BATON:** 3/13 at PRX, Allowance (breeder Helen Alexander; owner Gregory Carlevale; trainer Michael Pino)

**WATER FIGHT:** 3/17 at TAM, Maiden (breeder Mr. & Mrs. Roy Jackson; owner A.O.M. Racing Stables, LLC & Diamond Hands Racing, LLC; trainer Pedro Posadas)

**ALPHA WHISKEY:** 3/24 at OP, Maiden (breeder Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd.; owner D D Stables LLC/Randy L. Morse; trainer Randy L. Morse)

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## **MOSLER**

**MOONSAFE:** 3/2 at PEN, Allowance (breeder Country Life Farm & Fifteen Moons LLC; owner Richard Dancsok; trainer Michael Salvaggio, Jr.)

**GAVICHI:** 3/13 at PRX, Claiming (breeder James Anderson; owner Marco Arriaga; trainer Ruperto Perez)

**PEPE AND HEYWOOD:** 3/25 at LRL, Claiming (breeder Country Life Farm & Sassy Molly LLC; owner Robert D. Bone; trainer Damon Dilodovico)

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## **FRIESAN FIRE**

**HE'S ON FIRE:** 3/24 at LRL, Claiming (breeder Susan Wantz; owner Michael Scheffres; trainer Carlos Mancilla)

**SHADY MUNNI:** 3/31 at LRL, Claiming (breeder Dr. Mrs. Thomas Bowman &



Rebecca Davis; owner Robert D. Bone & Edward Brown Jr.; trainer Rodolfo Sanchez-Salomon)

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