



August 2025

SEPTEMBER YEARLING SALES In Kentucky and Maryland



The fall yearling sale season is about to arrive.

Keeneland's September Yearling Sale in Lexington, Ky., runs from Monday, Sept. 8 through Saturday, Sept. 20. Fasig-Tipton's Midlantic Yearling Sale in Timonium, Md., is on Tuesday, Sept. 30. Country Life is prepping 13 yearlings for these two sales.

Six of our Country Life Breeding Partnership yearlings are heading to Keeneland to be offered in Books 2, 4 and 5 under the banner of Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services, as agent. These Maryland-bred yearlings will become

the 3-year-olds of 2027, to coincide with the re-opening of a brand-new Pimlico Race Course. Photos and Hip Numbers with links to catalog pages below.

Our first possible Preakness 2027 starter just may be our Keeneland Book 2 colt out of the Bodemeister mare Kenda (winner of Santa Anita's Special Goddess Stakes). We purchased Kenda carrying this Olympiad colt at the 2023 Keeneland November sale for \$70,000. Her pedigree updates since then are significant: Her 3-year-old colt Filoso placed in the 2024 Gr. 1 Claiborne Breeders' Futurity, and her 1/2-sister Goods and Services produced 2024 Gr. 1 H. Allen Jerkens Memorial Stakes winner Domestic Product (now a Coolmore stallion).

In next month's newsletter we'll preview the Maryland sale yearlings. We have youngsters by leading second-crop sire Vekoma, by Gun Runner's promising son Cyberknife, by Curlin's freshman sire Known Agenda, and by Tapit's young son Greatest Honour. We are also prepping a pair of Maryland-bred, Maryland-sired yearlings by our War Front stallion Mosler and by Quality Road's quality son Blofeld.

KEENELAND YEARLINGS



Olympiad - Kenda colt
[Hip #776](#) - Sells Thursday, 9/11



Mandaloun - Make Amends filly
[Hip #2461](#) - Sells Tuesday 9/16



Omaha Beach - Maybe I Will filly
[Hip #2468](#) - Sells Tuesday, 9/16



McKinzie - War Value colt
[Hip #2646](#) - Sells Tuesday, 9/16



Authentic - In It For the Gold filly
[Hip #3676](#) - Sells Thursday, 9/18



Practical Joke - Jennemily filly
[Hip #3684](#) - Sells Thursday, 9/18

**AMIE'S SYMPHONY WINS \$90,000
 COLONIAL MAIDEN RACE ON AUG. 6;
 ENTERED for SEPT. 1**



After four consecutive second-place efforts, Amie's Symphony rallied from off-the-pace to break her maiden on August 6 in an \$87,500 grass race at Colonial Downs (click photo for replay). Her win lifted her earnings to \$100,695, a six-figure benchmark that may pave the way for her future as a broodmare. Her dam is the stakes-winning Not For Love mare Amie's Legend, whose other foals include \$207,606 stakes-winner Ghoul's Night Out. This is a solid Maryland family of racemares.

Amie's Symphony hopes to add to her family's luster on Monday, Sept. 1, when she takes the field in a \$90,000 Labor Day allowance at Colonial. The 4-year-old daughter of Mendelssohn campaigns for the Country Life Racing Partnership who bought her for \$155,000 at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Yearling Sale. She was bred in Maryland by Two Legends Farm and Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds, LLC.

Country Life's partners in Amie's Symphony: Bell Gable Stable (FL); Randy Blurton (TX); Cape Fear T'Breds (NC); Kevin Edwards (MD); Guidera McKenney Equine LLC (FL); Tim Hulings (VA); Tom Knapp (MD); Jim Kuhlman (MD); and C. Frank Morgan (MD).

QUEEN OF WANDS

Bargain Yearling

Promising Prospect



A Country Life Breeding Partnership morphed into a Country Life Racing Partnership in 2024 when bidding stalled at \$5,000 at Fasig-Tipton Timonium for our lovely yearling filly by Divining Rod out of one of our best broodmare families: her dam Fifteen Royals is a daughter of our Malibu Moon foundation mare Fifteen Moons.

Named Queen of Wands, she was broken at our Merryland Training Center last fall, then spent six months with trainer Chris Kolb at the Middleburg Training Center to become Virginia-certified.

"Queenie" came to hand early as a 2-year-old at Laurel for trainer Mike Trombetta, who told Country Life General Manager Christy Holden: "We're gonna have some fun with her."

She debuted in a perfect spot: a \$55,000 Colonial Downs maiden race for auction fillies who sold for \$50,000 or less. Second for much of the race, she tired at the wire and ran fourth. She stepped up in class for an \$87,500 Colonial test on August 16. It took a \$200,000 Vekoma filly to best her by a half-length.

Visions of the \$100,000 Maryland Million Lassie Stakes on October 11 danced in our heads---briefly. The morning after her brave second-place finish, she walked gingerly. An X-ray showed a chip in her left knee. She was sent to New Bolton for surgery and returned to lay-up at Merryland for a few months. With patient partners, Queen of Wands should be able to fulfill her promise as a 3-year-old of 2026.

Country Life's partners in Queenie: Sarah Esposito (CT); Lucy Howard (NY); Jonathan Johnson (CT); Mark and Anya O'Neill (MD); Andrea Perry (IL); Mike and Becky Stone (VA); Don Walsh (MD), and Fritz Weber (MD).

UNDEFEATED 2-YEAR-OLD STAKES WINNER FOR DIVINING ROD



Magic Wallet, a 2-year-old colt by Divining Rod who was foaled at Country Life on April 3, 2023, became the latest stakes winner for Divining Rod when he remained undefeated in 2 starts, winning the \$75,000 Dover Stakes at Delaware Park by 2 3/4-lengths on August 14, after winning his debut by 10 1/2-lengths at Colonial Downs in a \$70,000 Maiden Special event on July 25.

Magic Wallet's dam is the winning Megadlio d'Oro mare In Dad's Wallet. The handsome bay colt was bred by the partnership of William Bayne and Super C Racing. He races in the name of William B. Bayne, Jr.

Country Life Bred or Sired Winners

MOSLER

CAN DO: 7/2 at DEL, Starter (breeder/owner Bell Gable Stable LLC; trainer Gary Contessa)

SHARMIN: 7/10 at CNL, Claiming (breeder South Branch Equine LLC; owner Larry Rabold; trainer Hugh McMahon)

MOSE PERFECT: 7/22 at PRX, Claiming (breeder Charles Parker; owner Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc, Morris E. Kernan, Jr. and Jagger, Inc.; trainer Jamie Ness)

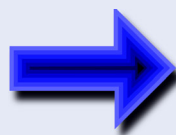
LADY MOSLER: 7/22 at MNR, Claiming (breeder Barak Farm; owner Michelle Helms; trainer Eddie Clouston)

FRIESAN FIRE

MY DEVILS CHILD: 7/8 at PRX, Claiming (breeder Ed Madden; owner Maria Teresa Orantes; trainer J. Guerrero)

JOLLY GREY GIANT: 7/15 at PRX, Maiden (breeder/owner Joe-Dan Farm, Inc.; trainer Richard Vega)

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