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ENGLISHMAN'S 1/2-Sister by MANDALOUN
Keeneland Book One
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MANDALOUN --- IN IT FOR THE GOLD filly
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On the heels of superstar 3-year-old Englishman's brilliant win in last Saturday's G1 Allen Jerkens Stakes at Saratoga, a Country Life Farm Breeding Partnership --- the IN IT FOR THE GOLD LLC --- will offer his attractive yearling 1/2-sister by Into Mischief's Kentucky Derby-winning son MANDALOUN at the Keeneland September Sale, the first-ever Book One yearling in Country Life's long history.

Later this fall, Englishman's dam, the winning Speightstown mare IN IT FOR THE GOLD, and her 2026 colt by Belmont Stakes winner TIZ THE LAW (sire also on Saturday of FULLY SUBSCRIBED, winner of the G1 Personal Ensign S.) will be offered at the Fasig-Tipton Night of the Stars sale in Lexington two days after the Breeders' Cup at Keeneland.

Acting on the advice of longtime Country Life bloodstock agents John and Sandy Stuart of Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services, IN IT FOR THE GOLD was purchased for \$75,000 at the 2023 Keeneland November sale on behalf of Country Life and the following partners: Dennis Bartos, MD; Dr. Peter Bloom, CT; Randy Blurton, TX; Tim Burr, MA; Joe Fonte, MD; Jim Guidera and Dave McKenney, FL/VA; and David and Diana Sedney, VA.

The purchase of IN IT FOR THE GOLD and a dozen other similar mid-market mares to fill Country Life's 10-share breeding partnerships not only increases the number of mare owners entering the Thoroughbred industry but is delivering quality Maryland-breds to compete in the exciting future of Maryland racing.

Our goal is to breed the winner of a future Preakness Stakes --- and perhaps own it in a Country Life racing partnership as well. Such lofty ambitions are the direct result of Gov. Wes Moore and the state of Maryland's half-billion-dollar investment in Pimlico, Laurel, and the Preakness brand.

QUEEN FOR A DAY!
...and maybe Maryland Million-bound?



Divining Rod's 3-year-old daughter QUEEN OF WANDS is a farm favorite. And why not? Her grandmother is our Malibu Moon mare FIFTEEN MOONS, a daughter of the fleet stakes mare PROSPECTIVE JOY, who was sired by farm stallion ALLEN'S PROSPECT.

QUEEN OF WANDS's dam is the Palace Malice mare FIFTEEN ROYALS, who we offered at the Saratoga select sale for a breeding partnership and bought back at \$50,000 for a racing partnership. FIFTEEN ROYALS was a speedy allowance winner who earned \$108,709.

Not every future racehorse is an expensive acquisition. As a yearling at Timonium, QUEEN OF WANDS traded hands for only \$5,000. We formed a 10-share racing partnership for her with the following partners: Tom and Sarah Esposito, CT; Lucy Howard, MD; Jonathan Johnson, CT; Mark and Anya O'Neill, MD; Andrea Perry, IL; Mike and Becky Stone, VA; Don Walsh, MD; and Fritz Weber, MD.

This third-generation homebred filly for Country Life partners scored a stylish maiden win at Colonial Downs on Thursday, Aug. 27. Ridden by Paco Lopez, the Mike Trombetta-trainee stalked the pacesetter into the turn before powering home to a 3-length victory on the turf.

A graduate of our Merryland Farm Training Center, QUEEN OF WANDS resided in Virginia for six months of certification time in the barn of veteran horseman Chris Kolb at the Middleburg Training Center. She displayed ability right away last season at two. She ran a promising second in a Colonial Downs Maiden Special Weight race but came out of it with a knee chip.

Under a well-timed and patient ride by Paco Lopez, QUEEN OF WANDS galloped home a three-length winner last week. She earned the winner's purse of \$24,000, and may have run herself into contention for the Maryland Million card on Saturday, October 24, at Laurel. Kudos to assistant trainer Tana Aubrey

for overseeing Trombetta's success at Colonial, and to our staff at both Country Life and Merryland, where win or lose, the horse comes first.

THIRD STAKES WIN FOR MOSLER'S SON THUNDERING



Not only has his Maryland-bred son QUINT'S BREW banked \$671,740 to date to become his sire's leading earner, but MOSLER is also represented this season by another durable Maryland-bred in the 4-year-old THUNDERING. His win in the \$125,000 FIND STAKES in mid-August boosted his career earnings to \$361,418. He also won the Japan Racing Association Turf Cup Stakes at Laurel in June, to go with his win as a 2-year-old in Woodbine's Display Stakes.

Foaled at Country Life Farm for owner/breeder Jal Dastur of Dastur Racing, THUNDERING is trained by Derek Ryan at Monmouth Park. Listen for THUNDERING to thunder down the stretch in the October 24 Maryland Million Turf next.

PREPPING FOR FASIG-TIPTON'S EASTERN FALL YEARLING SALE AT TIMONIUM OCTOBER 27



The fall yearling sale season is upon us after a record-breaking Fasig July sale in Lexington and a spectacular Fasig Saratoga sale in upstate New York in August. The Fasig talent comes to Timonium on October 27, and Country Life is prepping 18 partnership and client yearlings for the annual Mid-Atlantic venue.

In next month's edition of COUNTRY LIFE PRESS, this Newsletter will preview our Maryland sale yearlings. We have youngsters by leading sire VEKOMA, top-3 First-Crop sire FORTE, Gun Runner's quick-starting son CYBERKNIFE, Into Mischief's MANDALOUN, Curlin's KNOWN AGENDA, Medaglia d'Oro's BOLT d'ORO, among other noted Kentucky stallions.

We are also prepping a handsome crop of Maryland-bred, Maryland-sired yearlings by our farm stallions MOSLER, FRIESAN FIRE, and DIVINING ROD.

Among our homebred offerings is our Blue Ribbon and Grand Champion winner of the 92nd Maryland Horse Breeders Association Yearling Show, judged by prominent trainer Ron Moquett. We are referring to our big, rangy filly by MANDALOUN out of Maryland Million Lassie Stakes winner MISS NONDESCRIPT (by Mosler).

If you would like to be apprised of the racing partnerships we will be forming out of this fall's yearling purchases, drop us an email and we'll add your name to our prospective 10% ownership ranks.

Country Life Bred or Sired Winners

DIVINING ROD

KITTEN'S PLOY: 7/1 at PEN, Starter (breeder Bell Gable Stable, LLC; owner/trainer Jose Ramirez)

DIVINE ROMANCE: 7/2 at CT, Claiming (breeder Country Life Farm & Imagistic Broodmare LLC; owner John Fanelli; trainer Anthony Farrior)

DIVINE INTENTIONS: 7/7 at PRX, Allowance (breeder Ed Bussinger; owner Carguys Racing, LLC; trainer J. Servis)

J C'S BOYS: 7/13 at CNL, Maiden (breeder Country Life Farm & Miss Nondescript LLC; owner WWCD, LLC; trainer Robbie Bailes)

VIOLET'S CHARM: 7/21 at DEL, Starter (breeder Roland Farm; owner Elizabeth R. Jackson; trainer William Downing)

MOSLER

PAY ZONE: 7/15 at MNR, Claiming (breeder Country Life Farm and Keep Right LLC; owner/trainer Adam King)

PUT A ROCK ON IT: 7/18 at CNL, Starter (breeder Country Life Farm & Rock Sapphire LLC; owner Gokmen Kaya; trainer Kieron Magee)

WHATCHASAYNOW: 7/22 at PEN, Maiden (breeder Wendy Komlo; owner/trainer Kieron Magee)

RAPIDO ROSA: 7/25 at BTP, Allowance (breeder Barak Farm; owner/trainer Colby Williams)

COUNTRY LIFE/PARTNERSHIP-bred or OWNED winners:

J C'S BOYS (Divining Rod - Miss Nondescript) - Maiden win on 7/13 at Colonial Downs. Bred by Country Life Farm & Miss Nondescript Broodmare LLC; owned by WWCD, LLC and trained by Robbie Bailes. He's been on the board in 4 of his 5 starts so far.

CREED'S VISION (Jimmy Creed - Moon Vision) - Allowance win on 7/13 at Colonial Downs. Bred by Country Life Farm & Moon Vision Broodmare LLC; owned by West Point Thoroughbreds, Michael Lyden and CJ Stables and trained by Arnaud Delacour. This was his 3rd lifetime win, with a record of 3-6-2 in 12 starts (he's only been off the board once) and earnings of \$165,055. He may be pointed for a stakes next.

OUR HAM SANDWICH (Improbable - Starr of Quality) - Maiden win on 7/24 at Colonial Downs. Bred by Country Life Farm & Starr of Quality Broodmare LLC; owned by Tanterra Stables and trained by Miguel Vera. He's a half-brother to multiple stakes-winner Fulmineo.

LADY ENSIGN (Midshipman - Sister State) - Starter win on 7/26 at Colonial Downs. Bred by Country Life Farm & Sister State Broodmare LLC; owned by Larry Rabold and trained by Hugh McMahon. She has 4 wins and earnings of \$185,770 so far in her career.

Other notable stakes results:

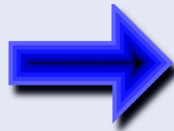
MAGIC WALLET (Divining Rod - In Dad's Wallet) - 3rd in the \$125,000 Star De Naskra Stakes at Colonial Downs on 7/11. Bred by William Bayne, Jr. & Super C Racing; owned by William Bayne, Jr. and trained by Kieron Magee. He won the Dover Stakes as a 2-year-old and has earned over \$100,000 so far in his career.

SAXTON (Mosler - Winning Thread) - 2nd in the \$125,000 Punch Line Stakes at Colonial Downs on 7/11. Bred by Lazy Lane Farms, LLC; owned by The Elkstone Group LLC and trained by Brittany Russell. He is multiple stakes-placed with earnings over \$290,000 so far.

WAR HUMOR (Mosler - Hollywood Humor) - 3rd in the \$125,000 Punch Line Stakes at Colonial Downs on 7/11. Bred by Nancy & Eric Rizer; owned by Eric Rizer and trained by Robbie Bailes. This is his first blacktype placing, but he won the Jamestown Stakes at 2 and the Edward P. Evans Stakes in June.

QUINT'S BREW (Mosler - Gansett) - 2nd in the \$200,000 Mr. Prospector Stakes at Monmouth Park on 7/17 (to Champion Book 'Em Danno). Bred by Paul Berube, Karen Linnell & Spinnaker Hill Farm; owned by Paul Berube, Karen Linnell and Heather Hunter and trained by Ned Allard. He's only been off the board once (a 4th place finish in this year's G3 Westchester Stakes), and is multiple graded-stakes placed with 6 stakes wins to his credit and earnings of \$671,740 so far.

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