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# Cara Climbs

## Bernard McCormack builds Cara Bloodstock into a Canadian force

BY LENNY SHULMAN

**E**ven given the global recession and resultant downturn of business in the Thoroughbred industry, pockets of progressive commerce exist, particularly in places such as New Mexico, Pennsylvania, and now Indiana, where strong state breeding programs and incentives have powered upturns in monetary metrics. Add Ottawa, Canada, to that list of locales enjoying solid equine trade due to long-term vision and planning. And people such as Bernard McCormack are both taking advantage of and helping to further build that solid foundation.



Bernard McCormack and his son, Connor, at Keeneland's September yearling sale

DAVID YOUNG PHOTOS

**2010 Canada Sires  
By Winners**

Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs
Milwaukee Brew	140	83
Gilded Time	122	67
Bold Executive	121	67
Skimming	85	53
Sligo Bay (IRE)	96	52
Cape Canaveral	98	49
Stephanotis	73	49
Vying Victor	98	45
Formal Gold	89	44
Peaks and Valleys	103	41
Where's the Ring	83	39
One Way Love	89	37
Mass Market	72	37
Trajectory	103	35
Bold n' Flashy	51	27
Pikepass	73	26
Katahuala County	67	26
Perigee Moon	41	25
Regal Intention	52	24
Mobil	54	23
Whiskey Wisdom	50	23
Explicit	54	22
Cobra King	40	22
North Light (IRE)	58	21
Tejano Run	48	21
Kiridashi	45	21
Cat's At Home	49	20
Finality	48	20
Storm Victory	42	20
Wando	42	20
Tomahawk	57	19
Gold Legend	50	19
Mazel Trick	49	19
Kissin Kris	41	19
Rosetti	40	19
Kinshasa	36	19
Swain (IRE)	45	18
Tethra	43	18
Best of the Bests (IRE)	65	17
Compadre	37	17
Dance to Destiny	34	17
Captain Bodgit	38	16
Paynes Bay	34	16
Rock and Roll	31	16
Highland Ruckus	28	16
Old Forester	37	14
A Fleets Dancer	27	14
General Royal	27	14
Tempered Appeal	21	14
Alydeed	32	13
Esteem	23	13
Aljabr	38	12
Forest Grove	29	12
Alfaari	22	12
Foxtrail	25	11
Ascot Knight	19	11
Kahuna Jack	16	11
Yoonevano	31	10
Smile Again	28	10
Wandering	21	10
Brunswick	17	10
Crown Attorney	12	10
Tiger Trap	25	9
Battle Cat	22	9
Cappuchino	20	9
Mr. Jester	16	9
Domasca Dan	30	8
Flaming West	20	8
Orchid's Devil	15	8
Parisianprospector	14	8



McCormack has enjoyed success selling in both Canada and Kentucky

**2010 Canada Sires  
By 2-Year-Old Winners**

Sires	2yos	2yo Rnrs	2yo Wnrs
Old Forester	70	37	14
Forest Grove	58	29	12
Gilded Time	27	12	7
Philanthropist	31	16	6
Formal Gold	36	12	6
Mass Market	21	13	6
Strut the Stage	26	11	6
Finality	27	16	6
Best of the Bests (IRE)	53	25	6
Storm Victory	25	12	5
Quiet Cash	20	6	5
Survivalist	100	23	5
Bold Executive	26	15	5
Milwaukee Brew	36	13	5
Wando	47	16	4
Niigon	51	18	4
Cobra King	20	11	4
Captain Bodgit	16	7	4
Where's the Ring	23	9	4
Mobil	27	14	3
Regal Intention	10	6	3
Gold Legend	16	8	3
Kiridashi	42	14	3
Peaks and Valleys	29	20	3
Stephanotis	21	10	3
Pikepass	11	4	3
North Light (IRE)	59	19	3
Line of Departure	10	6	2
Highland Ruckus	13	6	2
Vying Victor	31	14	2
Esteem	13	4	2
Cape Canaveral	11	5	2
Wandering	8	6	2
Cappuchino	17	8	2
Joey Franco	15	8	2

**2010 Canada Sires  
By Stakes Winners**

Sire	Stks Wnrs	Stks Wins
Peaks and Valleys	5	6
Milwaukee Brew	4	9
Storm Victory	4	7
Mass Market	4	4
Stephanotis	3	5
Striking Song	3	5
Finality	3	4
Gilded Time	3	3

McCormack, after gaining years of experience at famed Windfields Farm in both Maryland and Canada, established his Cara Bloodstock 15 years ago as an auxiliary operation to his work at Windfields. As the Windfields operation faded from the scene, McCormack turned Cara into a full-scale operation as a consignment and sales agency working auctions in both Canada and Kentucky, handling private sales, managing and selling seasons in stallions, managing mares, and doing appraisal and consulting work.

The sales work alone—Cara sells at various Canadian-bred and Canadian mixed sales as well as Keeneland September, November, and January—would constitute a full plate of work, but the 52-year-old McCormack also runs a mom-and-pop breeding operation along with his wife, Karen, a lifelong equestrian, at Mapleshade Farm on 100 acres near Janetville, Ontario, an hour northeast of Toronto.

Shortly after going out on his own, McCormack made an impact by topping the second-day session of the 2009 Keeneland January mixed sale when Cara sold Harlequin Ranches' stakes-winning mare Vestrey Lady for \$300,000. At the

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# 2011 Leading Sires in Canada

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								Foals	Stks Wnrs	*A-E Index	*Comp Index
1	SLIGO BAY (IRE) (98, Sadler's Wells), Adena Springs Canada	\$6,000	23/5	1/1	0/1	(Bourbon Bay, \$90,000)	\$155,085	*219	5	1.16	1.65
2	GILDED TIME (90, Timeless Moment), Bar None Ranches	\$6,500	28/2	0/0	0/0	(Hallelujah Trail, \$24,000)	\$79,442	**1202	48	1.40	1.68
3	MILWAUKEE BREW (97, Wild Again), Adena Springs Canada	\$12,500	37/5	1/1	0/1	(Mazucambra, \$30,000)	\$78,513	*304	12	1.36	1.56
4	FORMAL GOLD (93, Black Tie Affair), Esquirol Farms	\$2,500	24/6	0/0	0/0	(Formula Gold, \$28,080)	\$68,925	446	19	1.20	1.42
5	SKIMMING (96, Nureyev), Pacific Stud	\$4,000	31/4	1/1	0/1	(All Saint, \$21,000)	\$57,805	286	12	0.86	1.16
6	EXPLICIT (97, Distant View), Winsome Acres	Died	12/4	0/0	0/0	(Edplicit, \$18,240)	\$49,683	157	4	0.82	0.86
7	MOBIL (00, Langfuhr), Schonberg Farm	\$4,500	5/3	0/0	0/0	(Mobil the Gambler, \$19,800)	\$43,080	*107	2	1.46	1.57
8	NORTH LIGHT (IRE) (01, Danehill), Adena Springs Canada	\$10,000	15/2	0/0	0/0	(Go Forth North, \$18,000)	\$41,372	*151	3	1.53	1.49
9	CAPE CANAVERAL (96, Mr. Prospector), Highfield Stock Farm	\$4,500	18/3	0/0	0/0	(Titan Launch, \$15,600)	\$40,995	326	17	1.18	1.35
10	PEAKS AND VALLEYS (92, Mt. Livermore), Gardiner Farms	\$4,000	12/3	0/0	0/0	(Norjac, \$13,180)	\$34,186	532	33	1.30	1.44
11	FOREST GROVE (01, Forestry), Canmor Farms	\$3,000	12/3	0/0	0/0	(Forest Meadow, \$13,200)	\$32,820	71	1	0.74	1.39
12	ROCK AND ROLL (95, Cure the Blues), Kirby	\$3,000	6/1	0/0	0/0	(Cosmic Dance, \$13,800)	\$30,475	*102	1	1.00	0.95
13	THE TRADER'S ECHO (94, Eastern Echo), Bar 17 Stable	\$3,000	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Lester's Echo, \$22,200)	\$28,695	50	0	0.67	1.05
14	QUEST (99, Seeking the Gold), Dunroven Farms	N/A	9/2	0/0	0/0	(Rattlin Gypsy, \$10,200)	\$23,844	50	0	0.53	1.58
15	TRAJECTORY (97, Gone West), Gardiner Farms	\$4,000	10/1	0/0	0/0	(T. T.'s Point, \$15,000)	\$23,275	291	12	1.23	1.38
16	BOLD EXECUTIVE (84, Bold Ruckus), Gardiner Farms	\$15,000	9/1	0/0	0/0	(Weekendonthbeach, \$9,700)	\$23,233	711	43	1.72	1.32
17	TETHRA (92, Cure the Blues), Colebrook Farms Stallion Station	\$2,500	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Skootin, \$18,000)	\$19,915	292	10	1.28	1.38
18	WANDO (00, Langfuhr), Schonberg Farm	\$4,500	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Quite a Charmer, \$7,920)	\$19,557	*96	2	1.13	1.26
19	VYING VICTOR (89, Flying Paster)	Died, 2008	13/2	0/0	0/0	(Arrivee Arrivee, \$4,480)	\$16,483	590	35	0.83	0.80
20	BEST OF THE BESTS (IRE) (97, Machiavellian), Norse Ridge Farms	\$2,500	13/3	0/0	0/0	(Ombra Del Vento, \$5,348)	\$13,660	247	2	0.62	0.99
21	PAYNES BAY (98, Mr. Prospector), Norse Ridge Farms	\$2,500	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Ashby Land, \$12,000)	\$12,610	108	1	1.12	1.24
22	TEJANO RUN (92, Tejano), Ascot Stud	\$5,000	7/0	0/0	0/0	(Ksenia, \$4,260)	\$11,599	272	12	1.36	1.18
23	TOMAHAWK (00, Seattle Slew), Firestone Farms	N/A	4/2	0/0	0/0	(Tomahawk Rose, \$6,600)	\$11,590	123	3	1.00	1.77
24	GOLD LEGEND (90, Seattle Slew), Esquirol Farms	Died	9/1	0/0	0/0	(Oro Quest, \$6,000)	\$11,149	385	19	1.27	1.17
25	PERIGEE MOON (98, Hennessy)	N/A	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Shesadozer, \$7,800)	\$11,135	139	4	1.17	1.27

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1	BOLD EXECUTIVE (84, Bold Ruckus), Gardiner Farms	\$15,000	121/67	2/6	1/2	(Sand Cove, \$381,704)	\$3,766,493	690	43	1.72	1.32
2	MILWAUKEE BREW (97, Wild Again), Adena Springs Canada	\$12,500	140/83	4/9	1/4	(Dr. Zic, \$238,879)	\$2,902,387	*273	11	1.36	1.56
3	HERE'S THE RING (99, Seeking the Gold), Gardiner Farms	\$6,000	83/39	1/1	1/1	(Gypsy Ring, \$191,695)	\$2,802,449	135	5	1.72	1.32
4	GILDED TIME (90, Timeless Moment), Bar None Ranches	\$6,500	122/67	3/6	2/3	(Gayego, \$331,500)	\$2,141,903	**1182	48	1.40	1.68
5	PEAKS AND VALLEYS (92, Mt. Livermore), Gardiner Farms	\$4,000	103/41	5/6	4/5	(El Inspirado, \$163,925)	\$2,009,003	522	33	1.30	1.44
6	SLIGO BAY (IRE) (98, Sadler's Wells), Adena Springs Canada	\$6,000	96/52	2/4	0/2	(Bourbon Bay, \$328,800)	\$1,786,329	*200	5	1.16	1.65
7	TRAJECTORY (97, Gone West), Gardiner Farms	\$4,000	103/35	1/1	1/1	(Daniel Be Good, \$133,026)	\$1,658,894	280	12	1.23	1.38
8	MOBIL (00, Langfuhr), Schonberg Farm	\$4,500	54/23	0/0	0/0	(Mobil Unit, \$182,156)	\$1,592,036	*84	2	1.46	1.57
9	ONE WAY LOVE (95, Regal Classic), Norse Ridge Farms	\$3,500	89/37	1/1	1/1	(From Gray to Gold, \$121,430)	\$1,509,878	279	3	0.98	1.39
10	WHISKEY WISDOM (93, Wild Again), Thunderbird Horse Centre	\$1,500	50/23	1/1	1/1	(Fifty Proof, \$312,606)	\$1,374,407	311	16	1.57	1.54
11	CAPE CANAVERAL (96, Mr. Prospector), Highfield Stock Farm	\$4,500	98/49	1/1	0/1	(Made for Magic, \$148,436)	\$1,266,202	310	17	1.18	1.35
12	NORTH LIGHT (IRE) (01, Danehill), Adena Springs Canada	\$10,000	58/21	2/3	0/2	(Arctic Cosmos, \$509,560)	\$1,227,687	*120	3	1.53	1.49
13	SKIMMING (96, Nureyev), Pacific Stud	\$4,000	85/53	2/2	0/2	(Otto Von Voom, \$76,940)	\$1,201,139	272	12	0.86	1.16
14	VYING VICTOR (89, Flying Paster)	Died, 2008	98/45	2/2	0/2	(Garbei, \$75,386)	\$1,122,771	588	35	0.83	0.80
15	PERIGEE MOON (98, Hennessy)	N/A	41/25	1/1	1/1	(Moonlit Beauty, \$153,801)	\$1,051,622	139	4	1.17	1.27
16	¶ OLD FORESTER (01, Forestry), T. C. Westmeath Stud Farm	\$5,000	37/14	2/2	2/2	(Tree Pose, \$158,481)	\$1,045,669	70	2	1.75	1.53
17	FORMAL GOLD (93, Black Tie Affair), Esquirol Farms	\$2,500	89/44	0/0	0/0	(Advance Ticket, \$77,600)	\$1,011,745	421	19	1.20	1.42
18	TOMAHAWK (00, Seattle Slew), Firestone Farms	N/A	57/19	1/1	1/1	(Dancing Raven, \$208,215)	\$986,469	112	3	1.00	1.77
19	BOLD N' FLASHY (89, Bold Ruckus), T.C. Westmeath Stud Farm	\$3,500	51/27	0/0	0/0	(Paso Doble, \$109,423)	\$966,159	278	13	1.32	1.26
20	TETHRA (92, Cure the Blues), Colebrook Farms Stallion Station	\$2,500	43/18	1/1	1/1	(Don's Folly, \$172,028)	\$953,539	285	10	1.28	1.38
21	STEPHANOTIS (93, Regal Classic), Canmor Farms	\$2,500	73/49	3/5	0/3	(Dearest Princess, \$123,376)	\$906,269	238	10	0.71	0.85
22	WANDO (00, Langfuhr), Schonberg Farm	\$4,500	42/20	2/2	1/2	(Turallure, \$110,005)	\$840,807	*79	2	1.13	1.26
23	NOT IMPOSSIBLE (IRE) (97, Sadler's Wells)	Died, 2005	9/5	2/4	1/2	(Impossible Time, \$376,135)	\$755,608	43	3	2.40	0.85
24	KINSHASA (98, Mr. Prospector), Oakwood Stables	\$1,000	36/19	0/0	0/0	(Selembao, \$120,280)	\$730,822	97	1	1.15	1.19
25	ROCK AND ROLL (95, Cure the Blues), Kirby	\$3,000	31/16	1/3	1/1	(Meese Rocks, \$269,550)	\$711,087	*97	1	1.00	0.95
26	COMPADRE (90, El Gran Senor), Colebrook Farms Stallion Station	N/A	37/17	0/0	0/0	(September Square, \$103,196)	\$706,461	247	6	1.09	1.04
27	PAYNES BAY (98, Mr. Prospector), Norse Ridge Farms	\$2,500	34/16	1/2	1/1	(Grazettes Landing, \$170,586)	\$700,117	101	1	1.12	1.24
28	EXPLICIT (97, Distant View), Winsome Acres	N/A	54/22	1/1	0/1	(Top Feeling, \$79,344)	\$691,470	148	4	0.82	0.86
29	CROWN ATTORNEY (93, Silver Deputy), Debany Farm	N/A	12/10	2/3	2/2	(Rahy's Attorney, \$287,954)	\$687,742	132	2	1.41	1.32
30	PIKEPASS (96, Forty Niner), Mountainview Farms	\$3,500	73/26	1/1	1/1	(Hope's Pass, \$48,933)	\$658,707	243	4	0.72	0.95

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Roger Attfield

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Mozart - Last Resort, by Lahib

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1	<b>DOMESTIC DISPUTE</b> (00, Unbridled's Song), Indiana Stallion Station	\$2,000	47/8	0/0	0/0	(Weeper, \$43,500)	<b>\$132,287</b>	*261	1	0.93	1.26
2	<b>SPANISH STEPS</b> (01, Unbridled), Foot Fall Farm	\$2,000	26/5	1/1	0/1	(Little Mike, \$60,000)	<b>\$102,590</b>	168	3	1.03	1.40
3	<b>DESERT WARRIOR</b> (00, Deputy Minister), Swiftly Farms	\$2,000	29/7	0/0	0/0	(Diannedoesthebooks, \$16,200)	<b>\$85,006</b>	*189	0	0.93	0.98
4	<b>CHIEF SEATTLE</b> (97, Seattle Slew), WinRich Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	32/4	0/0	0/0	(Chiefette, \$18,000)	<b>\$83,997</b>	*380	10	1.21	1.35
5	<b>ACTION THIS DAY</b> (01, Kris S.), Indiana Stallion Station	\$1,000	32/5	0/0	0/0	(Afternoon Action, \$18,240)	<b>\$58,132</b>	205	1	0.67	1.34
6	<b>MAX'S PAL</b> (97, Marquetry), Indiana Stallion Station	\$1,500	13/2	0/0	0/0	(Bella Moneta, \$19,300)	<b>\$45,460</b>	134	4	0.97	0.94
7	<b>ZAVATA</b> (00, Phone Trick), Foot Fall Farm	\$2,500	26/2	0/0	0/0	(Flea Hop, \$14,400)	<b>\$39,060</b>	*211	3	1.09	1.13
8	<b>ARROMANCHES</b> (93, Relaunch), Dale Dearth	\$750	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Caixa Electronica, \$27,800)	<b>\$28,520</b>	60	0	1.19	0.59
9	<b>KELA</b> (98, Numerous), Foot Fall Farm	\$2,500	18/2	0/0	0/0	(Sheriff Higgs, \$7,800)	<b>\$26,001</b>	*144	0	0.90	1.09
10	<b>JACKPOT</b> (98, Seeking the Gold)	N/A	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Irenes Jackpot, \$13,800)	<b>\$24,020</b>	49	0	0.54	1.25

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# 2010 Leading Sires in Indiana

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								Foals	Stks Wnrs	*A-E Index	*Comp Index
1	<b>CHIEF SEATTLE</b> (97, Seattle Slew), WinRich Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	103/54	2/5	0/2	(Bold Chieftain, \$419,740)	<b>\$1,875,322</b>	*370	10	1.21	1.35
2	<b>ZAVATA</b> (00, Phone Trick), Foot Fall Farm	\$2,500	91/43	3/5	0/3	(Dakota Phone, \$973,720)	<b>\$1,866,756</b>	*202	3	1.09	1.13
3	<b>DOMESTIC DISPUTE</b> (00, Unbridled's Song), Indiana Stallion Station	\$2,000	113/54	1/1	1/1	(Weeper, \$129,090)	<b>\$1,797,673</b>	*231	1	0.93	1.26
4	<b>DREWMAN</b> (98, Unbridled), Breakway Farm	\$1,500	85/43	3/3	1/3	(Cigar Man, \$170,349)	<b>\$1,389,205</b>	183	3	0.90	1.28
5	<b>ACTION THIS DAY</b> (01, Kris S.), Indiana Stallion Station	\$1,000	107/46	0/0	0/0	(Active Trader, \$69,344)	<b>\$1,279,367</b>	179	1	0.67	1.34
6	<b>DESERT WARRIOR</b> (00, Deputy Minister), Swiftly Farms	\$2,000	82/46	0/0	0/0	(Valentine Daisy, \$125,215)	<b>\$1,155,921</b>	*172	0	0.93	0.98
7	<b>SPANISH STEPS</b> (01, Unbridled), Foot Fall Farm	\$2,000	67/34	0/0	0/0	(Little Mike, \$145,350)	<b>\$1,143,803</b>	141	2	1.03	1.40
8	<b>BLACK MOONSHINE</b> (87, Mt. Livermore)	N/A	40/22	2/2	2/2	(Motown Boy, \$175,645)	<b>\$792,957</b>	95	6	1.01	0.74
9	<b>KELA</b> (98, Numerous), Foot Fall Farm	\$2,500	51/29	0/0	0/0	(Ragabash, \$75,990)	<b>\$738,994</b>	*112	0	0.90	1.09
10	<b>MAX'S PAL</b> (97, Marquetry), Indiana Stallion Station	\$1,500	50/25	1/1	0/1	(Max Me Out, \$122,920)	<b>\$684,488</b>	130	4	0.97	0.94
11	<b>CAT DREAMS</b> (01, Storm Cat), Still Creek Farm	\$2,000	39/20	1/1	0/1	(Caracortado, \$217,320)	<b>\$618,711</b>	86	1	0.82	0.99
12	<b>MORO ORO</b> (93, Moro), L/J Sorrell Farm	\$1,000	32/14	2/2	2/2	(Demido, \$78,703)	<b>\$529,988</b>	106	4	0.73	0.78
13	<b>PATTON</b> (91, Lord At War)	N/A	34/13	0/0	0/0	(Whistle Pig, \$137,030)	<b>\$517,540</b>	399	13	0.97	1.12
14	<b>COMMEMORATE</b> (81, Exclusive Native)	N/A	24/9	1/1	1/1	(Alyssa's Native, \$100,059)	<b>\$443,478</b>	*440	10	1.03	1.50
15	<b>CROWN AMBASSADOR</b> (94, Storm Cat), Swiftly Farms	Died, 2009	30/14	0/0	0/0	(Rapid Survivor, \$54,250)	<b>\$429,959</b>	155	12	0.89	0.97
16	<b>MANCINI</b> (98, Mr. Prospector), Lake Shore Farm	\$4,000	42/19	0/0	0/0	(Pretty Kinzie, \$62,720)	<b>\$427,088</b>	*105	3	0.82	0.92
17	<b>PRESIDENTIAL ORDER</b> (93, Danzig)	Died, 2009	26/11	1/1	1/1	(Spiritual Order, \$86,723)	<b>\$415,191</b>	121	6	0.68	0.70
18	<b>CENTURY CITY</b> (IRE) (99, Danzig), Breakway Farm	\$2,500	37/14	0/0	0/0	(Oculuna, \$59,370)	<b>\$388,472</b>	*137	0	0.59	1.39
19	<b>WILD ZONE</b> (90, Wild Again), Breakway Farm	\$3,000	47/21	0/0	0/0	(End Zone, \$38,275)	<b>\$373,705</b>	*458	12	0.80	1.11
20	<b>HIGH FLY</b> (02, Atticus), WinRich Thoroughbreds	\$2,000	15/10	0/0	0/0	(High Fly Amore, \$51,820)	<b>\$297,276</b>	35	0	1.02	2.12

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2010 Keeneland September yearling sale, the first such edition where McCormack brought a full consignment, Cara sold a Lemon Drop Kid—Snow Lady colt for \$230,000 and a Tapit-Daisy Doolittle colt for \$110,000. He brought 15 head to the recent Keeneland January auction, selling 11 for \$179,200.

McCormack was born to the horses. His father, Tom, served as racing correspondent for the *Irish Independent* newspaper before starting his own magazine, *The Irish Thoroughbred*. Bernard and his brother, John, an international bloodstock agent, got an early exposure to pedigrees in Ireland and attended the races at a tender age. Among the horses raced by their father was Columbanus, a So Blessed horse who won the 1978 Tetrarch Stakes (Ire-III) at the Cur-

ragh and ran third in that year's Irish Two Thousand Guineas (Ire-I). Bernard took to the game and to loving the Thoroughbred, and so after high school he got his hands-on start in the Irish National Stud stud management course. From there he worked at Brownstown Stud and Airlie Stud, foaling mares and learning the business.

After crossing the Atlantic several times accompanying horses such as Alleged to North America, McCormack took a job with Walmac Farm near Lexington in the stallion barn, then seized a chance to work with yearlings at Windfields Farm in Maryland under Tom Coulter. Traveling to Kentucky with yearlings such as Storm Bird and many other high-priced Northern Dancers, McCormack worked prepping yearlings for sale. When his visa was about to expire, McCormack accepted

a full-time position to move to Windfields' Canadian farm, and he has lived in Canada since 1981.

McCormack sold stallion seasons under Windfields manager Peter Poole, and when the latter retired in 1987, McCormack took on the position of general manager, which he maintained until just before Windfields ceased operations two years ago.

"The Taylor family were wonderful people to work for and were very helpful to me along the way," stated McCormack. "They allowed me to initiate my own involvement and transition into my own business eventually. For example, they loaned me money to buy the mare Runaway Babe, who ended up being the dam of the highest-priced (\$320,000, Canadian funds) Canadian yearling in 2000. So while still being an employee, I got a good start on

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1	SHORE BREEZE (98, Danzig), Eagle Valley Farm North	\$3,000	41/24	0/0	0/0	(Takenbythebreeze, \$68,590)	\$596,213	75	1	0.97	0.80
2	UNREAL ZEAL (80, Mr. Prospector)	Died, 2006	43/18	1/2	1/1	(River Bear, \$159,163)	\$567,574	602	30	1.10	1.17
3	CARTWRIGHT (90, Forty Niner)	Died, 2005	64/31	0/0	0/0	(Cart's Zenforus, \$42,935)	\$475,361	*437	18	0.87	0.81
4	CALLER I. D. (89, Phone Trick)	Died, 2006	32/13	0/0	0/0	(Call the Raise, \$57,942)	\$384,441	*517	21	0.96	1.37
5	CASHEL CASTLE (99, Silver Ghost), Hill 'N Dale Farm	\$1,000	28/12	0/0	0/0	(Dashed, \$62,793)	\$335,989	57	0	0.76	1.01
6	FRIENDLY LOVER (88, Cutlass), Three Way Horse Farm	\$2,500	43/18	0/0	0/0	(Hands On, \$59,528)	\$304,933	464	11	1.04	1.06
7	CLASSIFIED FACTS (93, Seattle Slew)	Died, 2005	17/10	0/0	0/0	(Family Facts, \$51,084)	\$294,524	113	1	1.23	0.88
8	FAPPIE'S NOTEBOOK (97, Notebook), Fairberry Farm	N/A	21/12	1/1	1/1	(J's Sundance Halo, \$45,390)	\$255,247	53	1	0.90	0.80
9	DENOUNCER (90, Tsunami Slew), High Prairie	N/A	17/10	0/0	0/0	(Bank Account, \$63,243)	\$251,374	66	2	1.04	0.94
10	CRYPTO STAR (94, Cryptoclearance), Eagle Valley Farm North	\$2,000	29/11	0/0	0/0	(Fred High, \$24,880)	\$238,056	170	3	0.90	1.02

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1	MERCER MILL (94, Forty Niner), Fair Winds Farm	\$2,500	35/17	2/4	2/2	(Gathering Dreams, \$78,675)	\$344,460	195	13	0.69	0.88
2	NOBLE CAT (95, Storm Cat)	Died, 2003	5/1	1/4	1/1	(Catlaunch, \$190,408)	\$192,726	68	4	0.95	0.84
3	BOLD TRUTH (99, Seattle Slew), Belford Farm	\$2,000	13/7	2/2	2/2	(Bold Captain, \$47,238)	\$169,845	*27	2	0.84	1.04
4	TROPICAL STORM (00, Storm Cat), Raimonde Farms	\$1,500	17/8	0/0	0/0	(Sugar Storm, \$31,894)	\$162,738	*67	0	0.56	0.70
5	MUSICAL DREAMER (94, Stop the Music), Blazing Meadows & Raimonde Farms	\$1,500	7/4	1/4	1/1	(Startin Something, \$110,230)	\$153,142	27	3	0.68	0.80

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the other side. This is a game where luck plays a part, and that transaction gave me the belief that when the time came to do this on my own, it would be a worthwhile venture."

Still, it was daunting when McCormack

left Windfields at age 50 to strike forth on his own. He and Karen selected the name Cara after a dog they had while they were dating, and because it is an Irish word that means "friend," something that is key to success.

"To me, the horse business is unique in terms of the people you meet from all walks of life," said Bernard, "and people ultimately do business and buy horses from those they have a genuine affection for.

"It was a bit scary going out on my own, but it was a position I embraced, and a lot of people I'd known in the business in both the States and Canada have been very helpful and supportive in giving me their best horses to sell. And for that I'm very grateful," McCormack stated.

Bob Costigan, a prominent Canadian horseman, is one of those clients. Partly on McCormack's say so, Costigan privately purchased a yearling filly by Regal Classic that was RNA'd for \$6,500 at the 1999 Keeneland January mixed sale. She became Inish Glora, Canada's only two-time turf champion mare who ran up nearly a million dollars in earnings, and has subsequently joined Costigan's broodmare band, producing Roan Inish, who won the 2010 Woodbine Oaks Presented by Budweiser for Costigan.

"I like Bernard's integrity and his overall horse knowledge," Costigan said. "And the horse always comes first, which is a philosophy we share."

Such support has moved McCormack into the position of being one of the leading consignors at the Canadian sales at



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Roan Inish outduels Moment of Majesty to capture the Woodbine Oaks

# 2010 Leading Sires in Minnesota

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1	<b>GOLD FEVER</b> (93, Forty Niner)	N/A	34/16	2/2	2/2	(Minnie Punt, \$90,000)	<b>\$637,381</b>	*432	10	1.23	1.34
2	<b>DEMIDOFF</b> (90, Mr. Prospector), Waverly Stallion Station	\$2,500	55/31	1/1	1/1	(Tez Savitri, \$53,254)	<b>\$496,693</b>	236	20	0.98	0.84
3	<b>GHAZI</b> (89, Polish Navy), Boehlke Farm	\$2,000	32/9	0/0	0/0	(Watch Pat, \$39,505)	<b>\$199,499</b>	424	19	0.95	1.27
4	<b>APPEALING SKIER</b> (93, Baldski), Hanson's Thoroughbreds	\$1,750	19/7	0/0	0/0	(Blushing Skier, \$74,652)	<b>\$158,582</b>	243	5	0.93	1.10
5	<b>SHOT OF GOLD</b> (95, Jolie's Halo), Dove Hill Farm	\$1,200	18/7	0/0	0/0	(Gold Country Cat, \$29,682)	<b>\$118,493</b>	73	0	0.48	0.74
6	<b>CATEGORY FIVE</b> (95, Storm Cat), Triple S Farm	\$1,500	12/7	0/0	0/0	(Gold Category, \$46,324)	<b>\$115,507</b>	104	2	0.72	0.67
7	<b>SAM LORD'S CASTLE</b> (98, Carson City), B & D Thoroughbred Farm	\$1,500	8/5	1/1	1/1	(Special Occasion, \$57,216)	<b>\$113,764</b>	19	1	0.81	0.85
8	<b>MOCHA EXPRESS</b> (94, Java Gold), Epona Farm	\$1,500	14/7	0/0	0/0	(Saygoodnightgracie, \$51,617)	<b>\$93,333</b>	67	0	0.41	0.71
9	<b>SUPREMO</b> (92, Gone West), Benz Lake Farm	\$1,800	17/4	0/0	0/0	(Happy Henrietta, \$38,126)	<b>\$88,579</b>	*430	6	0.75	1.14
10	<b>KYLE'S OUR MAN</b> (88, In Reality)	N/A	18/5	0/0	0/0	(Fergies Gone Wild, \$25,147)	<b>\$86,311</b>	*298	8	0.71	0.95

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Woodbine. In 2009 McCormack sold exclusively in Canada. Now, he is building up his Canadian clientele while looking to expand in the U.S. market with Canadian-breds as well.

"We try to work with people from the ground up, helping with matings, seeing them at the farms through the early stages, and then the sales," said McCormack. "I also sell seasons in about 10 stallions because I've done that for years at Windfields."

Those stallions stand at the top Canadian outfits, including Adena Springs, Curraghmore, Norse Ridge, and Sam-Son farms.

"I try to see all the new stallions to be able to advise clients on matings," said McCormack. "I see the offspring on the ground. Mostly, it's knowing the mares. I work in tandem with several of my owners in terms of deciding what stallions they should breed to, and that's a facet of the game I very much enjoy doing."



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1	<b>WILD GOLD</b> (90, Wild Again), Madison County Thoroughbreds	\$2,000	47/24	0/0	0/0	(Wild for Glory, \$53,085)	<b>\$506,254</b>	211	4	0.82	0.88
2	<b>WINTER GLITTER</b> (97, A.P. Indy), Lee Marie Ranch	\$1,750	21/8	0/0	0/0	(Spirit of Winter, \$54,776)	<b>\$246,547</b>	66	0	0.59	0.76
3	<b>BRAVO BULL</b> (97, Holy Bull), Iowa State University Horse Farm	\$1,000	18/8	1/2	1/1	(She's Better Loud, \$90,200)	<b>\$236,343</b>	38	2	0.80	0.74
4	<b>DOUG FIR</b> (99, Storm Cat), Rockin River Ranch	\$1,500	23/8	0/0	0/0	(Duck Fir, \$40,998)	<b>\$197,713</b>	70	1	0.58	0.59
5	<b>WILLIAMSTOWN</b> (90, Seattle Slew)	N/A	8/5	0/0	0/0	(Stars in My Eyes, \$107,964)	<b>\$194,392</b>	349	15	1.07	1.37
6	<b>IMPEACHMENT</b> (97, Deputy Minister), Rockin River Ranch	\$2,500	26/12	0/0	0/0	(Peach Money, \$27,810)	<b>\$161,836</b>	123	2	0.79	1.24
7	<b>HUMMING</b> (96, Summer Squall), Rockin River Ranch	\$1,500	16/5	0/0	0/0	(West Albany, \$36,531)	<b>\$147,455</b>	62	1	0.66	0.82
8	<b>TIGER TALK</b> (93, Phone Trick)	N/A	10/7	0/0	0/0	(Passion Talk, \$50,184)	<b>\$138,125</b>	43	0	0.60	0.84
9	<b>DIGNITAS</b> (89, In Reality)	N/A	9/5	0/0	0/0	(Jaybird's Miracle, \$35,446)	<b>\$129,779</b>	169	3	0.85	0.94
10	<b>CLASSIC CAT</b> (95, Mountain Cat)	N/A	18/5	0/0	0/0	(Papote, \$40,333)	<b>\$118,410</b>	*101	0	0.44	0.97

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"We're still in flux as far as stallion fees and market conditions. The best way to judge stud fees is to take the median of what the progeny sell for and divide that by three; that would give you a good stud fee range for the stallion. Now, a lot of them wouldn't have commercial value that way, but the problem is breeders can't continue to raise horses (bred) for less than \$10,000 and stay in business. People just want to keep the quality now. You would still like to make a case for the kind of mares that aren't quite commercial anymore, but the options have moved past a lot of them, which means smaller foal crops, and more select race meets because of the lack of horses. Down the road the business will likely regenerate itself based on more demand than product, and when it starts to go back up, we'll see a strong rebound.

"But right now it's about the select good horse running for decent purses. I think what Monmouth Park did last year was very intriguing. We're all gamblers in this game; you have to put your marker down and see where it goes. Contraction will make the sport better in terms of what gets bred; the quality. Forty years ago the game revolved around breeders racing. Now we've had this commercial era and the internationalization of racing, and it's been good, but I think we're going to have to see a return to breeders racing their own horses more."

Bonuses paid to the owners of successful Ontario-breds, favorable conditions for local horses, and lucrative purses at Woodbine have combined to aid the Canadian product. Top horses from New York, California, and points in between are routinely nominated to the top open stakes at Woodbine. And local horses of all ages and at various distances have their own programs. For example, Ontar-

io-sired races at Woodbine allow Ontario-breds to break their maiden against other Ontario-breds, and also run up to the non-winners of three "other than" level in restricted company before then having the opportunity to compete in open allowance company. Purses for those Ontario-bred races are \$60,000, plus there are 23 Ontario-sire stakes in the Wood-

"The more our racing is respected, the more our black type is respected, the more value the horses themselves have. It's a case of a rising tide floating all boats. And you see more respect for horses breaking their maidens at Woodbine. We're not allowed to run on Bute, so even at the claiming level those horses are worth a little more when they go to the States to compete."

The impending opening of Woodbine Live, which will include shopping, theaters, and entertainment on the grounds just outside the race-track, hopefully will increase interest further in Ontario racing, which has been built on a series of five- and 10-year plans.

"What has helped is we've had the horsemen united in our negotiations, and that has kept us from squabbling in front of government, which causes the problems," said McCormack. "The basic relationship we have to maintain and not lose sight of is the one we have with the government."

The Cara consignments include young horses the McCormacks breed and raise at Mapleshade. Their broodmare band of 10 includes new purchase Khazayin, a stakes-producing full sister to European champion Sakhee, whom McCormack bought last November in foal to Lemon Drop Kid. She will be bred back this year to an Ontario-based stallion. Sailing, an English-bred group winner by Arazi, joined the band a year ago, as did Druidess, by Malibu Moon, whose pedigree includes French group horses. Future Equity has thrown four stakes horses including two stakes winners. Costigan has entrusted the McCormacks with the boarding of 2006 Canadian horse of the year Arravale, who is in foal to New Approach and will be bred back to Smart Strike.

Outfits such as Adena Springs have moved stallions to Ontario in the past couple of years, a reflection on the health of



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bine book. Good, solid allowance horses can run up \$300,000 in earnings. This not only helps the local horses at the race-track, but at auction as well.

"Sometimes when you're selling a horse in Canada, a yearling by a \$12,000 Kentucky stallion doesn't get out of the stall nearly as much as the Ontario-sired yearling because the local trainers and owners don't really want to go up against Live Oak and Eugene Melnyk and Lane's End and the big owners in open company," McCormack noted. "Those are very competitive races.

# 2010 Leading Sires in Michigan

State sire lists updated daily online. Go to <http://www.bloodhorse.com/horse-racing/thoroughbred-breeding/sire-lists>

For stallions that stand, will stand, or stood (deceased) in Michigan (exported stallions are excluded), and have runners in North America. Listed below are all available statistics for the Northern Hemisphere through December 31, 2010. As supplied to The Blood-Horse by The Jockey Club Information Systems Inc., earnings exclude monies from Japan and Hong Kong. Current year stakes winners include all N.H.-foaled stakes winners worldwide and any S.H.-foaled horses that won a N.H. stakes. \*Foal counts include Southern Hemisphere. Cumulative stakes winners includes all countries. (A ♯ indicates a sire represented by his first crop to race).

Rank	Stallion (Foaling Year, Sire), Farm Standing	2011 Stud Fee	Rnrs/Wnrs	Stakes Wnrs/Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2010 Earnings	Cumulative			
								Foals	Sik Wnrs	*A-E Index	*Comp Index
1	<b>SYNCLINE</b> (97, Danzig), McMaster Farm	\$1,000	31/19	2/2	1/2	(Sugar Bay, \$172,373)	<b>\$614,880</b>	83	2	1.13	0.96
2	<b>THE DEPUTY</b> (IRE) (97, Petardia), Hubel Farms	\$2,000	59/23	0/0	0/0	(Borden Brave, \$35,816)	<b>\$342,938</b>	214	4	0.56	0.96
3	<b>DEMALOOT DEMASHOOT</b> (90, Bold Ruckus), McMaster Farm	\$1,000	46/18	1/1	1/1	(Valley Loot, \$51,800)	<b>\$341,577</b>	302	9	0.91	1.09
4	<b>EQUALITY</b> (99, Mt. Livermore), Dickinson Farms	N/A	43/18	2/2	2/2	(Noequal, \$47,400)	<b>\$340,816</b>	96	5	0.69	0.81
5	<b>NATIVE FACTOR</b> (87, Foolish Pleasure)	Died, 2009	36/22	0/0	0/0	(Call the Natives, \$36,360)	<b>\$291,445</b>	176	6	0.72	0.74
6	<b>MEADOW PRAYER</b> (95, Meadowlake), Arnold Farms	N/A	25/9	3/4	3/3	(Meadow Magic, \$69,450)	<b>\$291,132</b>	94	11	1.10	0.79
7	<b>SECRET ROMEO</b> (98, Service Stripe), Dickinson Farms	N/A	17/11	2/2	2/2	(Power of Titus, \$70,826)	<b>\$288,891</b>	42	2	0.90	0.82
8	<b>ELUSIVE HOUR</b> (00, Elusive Quality), Belair Farm	\$1,500	23/15	1/1	1/1	(Star Sheba, \$51,274)	<b>\$237,006</b>	49	3	0.85	0.58
9	<b>CREATIVE</b> (96, Forty Niner), Stonewood Farm	N/A	19/8	1/1	1/1	(Cute Creation, \$46,510)	<b>\$182,964</b>	45	6	1.02	0.82
10	<b>FIRE BLITZ</b> (99, Storm Cat), Campbell Stables	\$1,500	16/8	2/2	2/2	(Charles Fire, \$46,320)	<b>\$173,563</b>	23	2	0.54	0.76
11	<b>CAT DOCTOR</b> (95, Mountain Cat), Ricardo Mojica & Arnulfo Mercado	\$900	11/2	0/0	0/0	(Ms. Cat Princess, \$83,957)	<b>\$168,721</b>	40	1	0.64	0.72
12	<b>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS</b> (94, Sky Classic), Stonewood Farm	N/A	18/6	1/1	1/1	(Baba Booyah, \$36,440)	<b>\$110,163</b>	46	3	0.88	0.89
13	<b>ISLAND STORM</b> (94, Island Whirl)	Died, 2007	14/7	0/0	0/0	(Tropic Rose, \$25,825)	<b>\$104,586</b>	31	2	1.08	0.48
14	<b>ULISES</b> (91, Temperance Hill), Pass Horse Farm	N/A	17/7	0/0	0/0	(Web We Weave, \$15,755)	<b>\$83,463</b>	71	1	0.73	0.52
15	<b>RESEARCH</b> (96, Nureyev), Pleasant Valley Thoroughbreds	\$1,000	12/6	0/0	0/0	(Tenn Roses, \$18,515)	<b>\$71,582</b>	50	0	0.53	0.82

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the business there. McCormack stays busy selling seasons, and managing a few, although he doesn't stand stallions, preferring to keep his own farm non-commercial. A lack of mares is the biggest drawback currently in the region.

"Someone who wants to stand a stallion, the best scenario is to have the stallion owner get 20 mares himself to support the horse for the first few trying years," said McCormack. "Hickory Farm has sent 15 mares to Rebellion, a Keeneland stakes winner who has moved up here. I'm part of a syndicate behind Best of the Bests. It's a lot easier managing a horse from 20 to 40 mares than from zero to 40. You've got to try and give them a head start."

With the McCormacks' two children, Clare and Connor, through with their studies (Connor recently began working at Adena Springs), the McCormacks are increasing their time at the

racetrack with a few homebreds.

"With well-bred fillies headed for the broodmare band, it makes a lot of sense," McCormack noted. "The most fun I've had in the business is racing, the little that I've done. I won three races in a row once and thought I was Sam-Son Farms for a minute."

For the time being, McCormack is satisfied with his mom-and-pop, hands-on operation at Mapleshade.

"It's a very personal service," he said. "Sometimes I'm driving down roads in the winter that my GPS says should be open, but they're closed and I'm bogged down in three feet of snow trying to get to see a yearling, and I'm saying, 'Why am I here?' But that good horse at the end of the driveway, that's what makes it like a beautiful summer's day."

While Bernard is a big sports fan who enjoys hockey, rugby, and soccer, Karen is active in trail riding and dressage. The couple bred a horse that was 10th in the Rolex Three Day Event in Lexington, and is in the Canadian Olympic program for 2012.

"So it may go down on my gravestone that I tried to breed a good Thoroughbred," said Bernard, "but ended up with an Olympic horse instead." 🐾



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