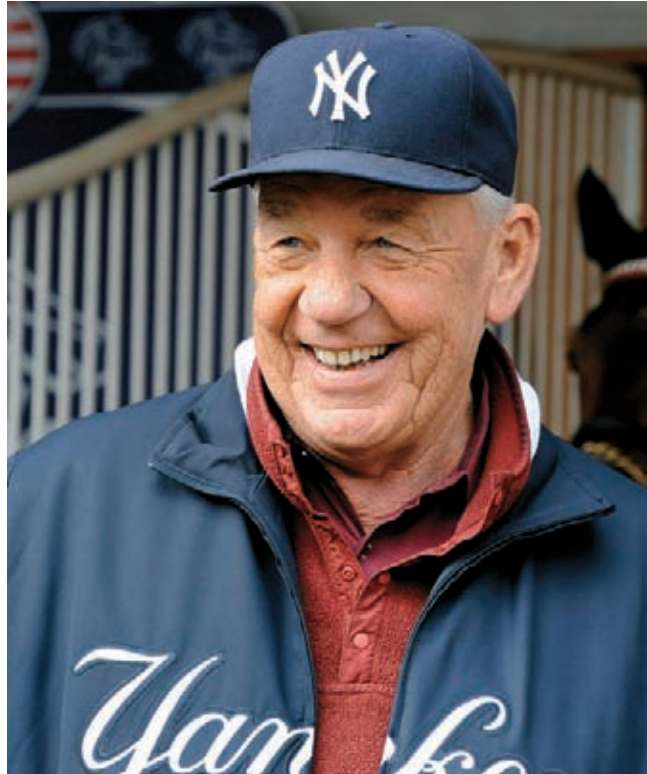


WEST COAST



ANNE M. EBERHARDT

Tough Love

Jim Cassidy can train all types

BY TRACY GANTZ

JIM CASSIDY DIDN'T set out to specialize in training tough horses. But as he continues to succeed with head cases that other trainers might have given up on, that reputation has been building. Take one of his current stars, multiple graded stakes winner Prize Exhibit, owned by Deron Pearson's DP Racing. Cassidy readily admits that he never knows when she'll feel like working.

"You have to let fillies alone and let them do their thing," he said. "The clockers laugh at me. I tell them she's going to work five-eighths, and they say, 'From what pole?' I tell them, 'I don't know.'"

Cassidy intended to work Prize Exhibit at Santa Anita Nov. 24 in preparation for the Nov. 29 Matriarch Stakes (gr. IT) at Del Mar.

"She decided not to work," Cassidy said. "That's okay—if she's not going to work, she's not going to work."

Prize Exhibit's stubbornness might have hurt her Matriarch chances, though she finished a decent sixth in a classy field of 14, about four lengths behind winner Stormy Lucy. Earlier this year Prize Exhibit won the San Clemente Handicap (gr. IIT) and the Senorita Stakes (gr. IIIT). The 3-year-old British-bred daughter of Showcasing—Roodeye, by Inchinor, has placed in the Del Mar Oaks (gr. IT) and the Yellow Ribbon Handicap (gr. IIT).

"Jim is a good, patient trainer," said Pearson. "He takes his time with them and doesn't push them, which I like."

Moscow Burning also benefited from Cassidy's willingness
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Tizbud



Lakerville

Unusual Heat

Nureyev – Rossard, by Glacial

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Heatseeker

*Giant's Causeway – Rusty Back,
by Defensive Play*

Fee: \$5,000 Live Foal

Clubhouse Ride

*Candy Ride – Seeking Results,
by Seeking the Gold*

Fee: \$2,500 Live Foal

Tizbud

*Cee's Tizzy – Cee's Song,
by Seattle Song*

Fee: \$1,500 Live Foal

Lucky Pulpit

Pulpit – Lucky Soph, by Cozzene

Fee: \$7,500 Live Foal

Smiling Tiger

*Hold That Tiger – Shandra Smiles,
by Cahill Road*

Fee: \$4,000 Live Foal

Desert Code

*E Dubai – Chatta Code,
by Lost Code*

Fee: \$2,000 Live Foal

Lakerville

*Unusual Heat – Foreverinthegame,
by Out of Place*

Fee: Private Treaty

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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YO.B. Sire), Where Stands	2016 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	Stakes Wnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	Cumulative				
							2015 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	BLUEGRASS CAT (03, Storm Cat), Ballena Vista Farm	\$6,500	246/141	5/11	0/5	(Bluegrass Singer, \$181,990)	\$5,371,941	*624	25	1.24	1.87
2	TRIBAL RULE (96, Storm Cat)	Died, 2014	164/98	6/7	4/6	(Spanish Queen, \$423,600)	\$3,980,996	638	31	1.31	1.09
3	LUCKY PULPIT (01, Pulpit), Harris Farms	\$7,500	122/54	0/0	0/0	(California Chrome, \$2,100,000)	\$3,917,268	*238	3	1.77	1.23
4	UNUSUAL HEAT (90, Nureyev), Harris Farms	\$20,000	118/67	3/4	2/3	(Bobby Z Man, \$158,084)	\$3,378,547	*710	40	2.01	1.25
5	EDDINGTON (01, Unbridled), Ballena Vista Farm	\$3,500	90/43	3/3	1/3	(Secret Circle, \$1,240,000)	\$2,970,445	*370	9	1.30	1.52
6	DECARCHY (97, Distant View), Magali Farms	\$4,500	75/44	4/4	4/4	(Motown Men, \$259,214)	\$2,357,856	343	12	1.05	0.96
7	SQUARE EDDIE (06, Smart Strike), Ocean Breeze Ranch	\$25,000	60/38	3/3	1/3	(Ralis, \$272,323)	\$2,332,598	84	5	1.66	0.92
8	MINISTERS WILD CAT (00, Deputy Minister), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$5,000	94/46	1/3	0/1	(Singing Kitty, \$267,800)	\$1,630,416	298	14	1.04	0.95
9	SALUTE THE SARGE (05, Forest Wildcat)	N/A	68/39	2/4	1/2	(Salutos Amigos, \$435,000)	\$1,576,278	*199	4	1.08	1.18
10	STREET HERO (06, Street Cry), Oak Creek Farm	\$3,500	70/41	2/2	0/2	(Gabriel Charles, \$264,600)	\$1,564,979	*168	4	1.08	1.00
11	VRONSKY (99, Danzig), Old English Rancho	\$6,500	52/30	2/2	1/2	(Poshsky, \$150,360)	\$1,551,845	155	7	1.50	1.12
12	BERTRANDO (89, Skywalker)	Died, 2014	74/37	1/4	0/1	(Stryker Phd, \$197,430)	\$1,442,468	1066	51	1.32	1.48
13	SOUTHERN IMAGE (00, Halo's Image), Rancho San Miguel	\$2,500	72/36	1/4	0/1	(Smoky Image, \$297,600)	\$1,411,466	*469	6	1.11	1.23
14	U S RANGER (04, Danzig), Rancho San Miguel	\$3,000	122/46	0/0	0/0	(Trigger Finger, \$79,191)	\$1,348,681	*239	2	0.59	1.44
15	PAPA CLEM (06, Smart Strike), Legacy Ranch	\$5,000	82/35	2/2	1/2	(Mischieff Clem, \$139,977)	\$1,335,637	155	4	0.87	1.18
16	STORMIN FEVER (94, Storm Cat), Rancho Temescal	\$2,500	77/37	1/1	1/1	(Just Google Me, \$147,750)	\$1,301,070	*743	26	1.15	1.36
17	BENCHMARK (91, Alydar)	Pnsd	82/42	1/1	1/1	(Frandonjudge, \$102,035)	\$1,283,687	717	29	1.21	1.11
18	KAFWAIN (00, Cherokee Run), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$5,000	76/44	0/0	0/0	(Head South, \$166,374)	\$1,255,621	*521	18	1.10	1.25
19	HEATSEEKER (IRE) (03, Giant's Causeway), Harris Farms	\$5,000	54/22	2/2	2/2	(Heatseeker Sharon, \$134,900)	\$1,225,940	*140	8	1.13	1.35
20	MARINO MARINI (00, Storm Cat), Rancho San Miguel	\$2,500	76/38	1/1	0/1	(Marino's Wild Cat, \$98,978)	\$1,116,002	327	4	0.88	1.02
21	DESERT CODE (04, E Dubai), Harris Farms	\$2,000	47/27	2/2	1/2	(Desert Steel, \$160,772)	\$1,101,330	78	2	1.00	1.15
22	GRAZEN (06, Benchmark), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	33/22	1/1	1/1	(Grazen Sky, \$254,538)	\$1,086,845	46	1	1.38	1.33
23	OLD TOPPER (95, Gilded Time), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	55/35	1/1	1/1	(Chati's On Top, \$204,390)	\$1,027,498	520	19	0.95	0.84
24	AFFIRMATIVE (99, Unbridled), BG Thoroughbred Farm	\$1,000	28/13	1/3	0/1	(Warren's Veneda, \$524,850)	\$945,881	86	2	1.20	0.77
25	DIXIE CHATTER (05, Dixie Union), Ballena Vista Farm	\$3,000	57/26	1/1	1/1	(Forest Chatter, \$220,810)	\$903,464	121	2	0.75	1.01
26	COMIC STRIP (95, Red Ransom), Gray's Farm	\$5,000	29/19	3/3	2/3	(Handfull, \$144,019)	\$802,025	326	11	0.81	1.14
27	MCCANN'S MOJAVE (00, Memo)	Died, 2013	46/24	0/0	0/0	(Missy Mouse, \$119,900)	\$755,584	89	0	0.67	1.08
28	LUCKY J. H. (02, Cee's Tizzy)	N/A	39/20	0/0	0/0	(Lucky J Lane, \$130,310)	\$692,065	70	1	0.90	1.24
29	ROCKY BAR (98, In Excess)	N/A	45/28	0/0	0/0	(Ticaboo, \$77,152)	\$687,369	142	9	0.89	0.86
30	SURF CAT (02, Sir Cat), Old English Rancho	Private	35/25	0/0	0/0	(K Thirty Eight, \$141,584)	\$686,293	78	0	0.72	1.21
31	TIZBUD (99, Cee's Tizzy), Harris Farms	\$1,500	37/21	1/1	1/1	(Ambitious Brew, \$90,460)	\$686,270	156	5	1.08	0.90
32	SOUGHT AFTER (00, Seeking the Gold)	Died	26/11	1/2	0/1	(Masochistic, \$424,800)	\$669,708	108	2	0.83	0.84
33	SILIC (FR) (95, Silery)	Died, 2013	26/8	1/2	1/1	(Chaulk O Lattey, \$235,408)	\$596,784	*182	3	0.95	0.91
34	TANNERSMYMAN (98, Lord Carson), Woodbridge Farm	Private	44/22	0/0	0/0	(Tannersmymuscle, \$77,576)	\$574,611	154	2	0.64	0.75
35	BIRDONTHEWIRE (89, Proud Birdie)	Pnsd	10/4	2/3	2/2	(Sheer Pleasure, \$282,250)	\$563,063	*271	12	1.31	1.33
36	GAME PLAN (93, Danzig)	Died, 2015	22/10	1/2	0/1	(Ashleylvsugar, \$347,050)	\$538,823	436	17	0.85	0.79
37	IDIOT PROOF (04, Benchmark), Victory Rose Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	13/7	1/2	0/1	(Richard's Boy, \$282,060)	\$486,422	26	1	1.31	1.27
38	IN EXCESS (IRE) (87, Siberian Express)	Died, 2013	35/20	0/0	0/0	(Velvet Mesquite, \$82,590)	\$469,846	994	57	1.53	1.37
39	PEPPERED CAT (00, Tabasco Cat), Daehling Ranch	\$3,000	22/14	0/0	0/0	(Pepper Crown, \$93,901)	\$466,850	55	1	1.25	0.67
40	CINDAGO (03, Indian Charlie)	Died	41/18	0/0	0/0	(Midnight Lady, \$38,620)	\$454,557	94	3	1.10	1.37
41	AWESOME GAMBLER (04, Coronado's Quest), Lovacres Ranch	\$5,000	50/18	0/0	0/0	(She's Flush, \$76,526)	\$452,472	165	1	0.83	0.78
42	DON'TSELLMESHORT (01, Benchmark), Running Luck Ranch	\$2,500	47/23	0/0	0/0	(Elmonte Cristo, \$59,557)	\$452,460	113	1	0.52	0.71
43	WESTERN FAME (92, Gone West)	Died	10/5	1/3	1/1	(Go West Marie, \$245,000)	\$443,154	298	12	0.93	0.82
44	GLOBALIZE (97, Summer Squall)	N/A	26/13	0/0	0/0	(Zanbo, \$111,000)	\$438,930	176	4	0.81	0.76
45	TERRELL (00, Distorted Humor)	Died	39/21	0/0	0/0	(Gurnick, \$55,520)	\$408,015	179	0	0.60	0.94
46	ROI CHARMANT (01, Evansville Slew), Magali Farms	\$1,500	10/6	0/0	0/0	(Gangnam Guy, \$112,620)	\$386,129	18	0	1.55	0.95
47	SEA OF SECRETS (95, Storm Cat), Victory Rose Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	46/21	0/0	0/0	(Junstonemorething, \$48,330)	\$361,469	*469	16	0.85	1.06
48	TIME TO GET EVEN (04, Stephen Got Even), Lovacres Ranch	\$2,000	21/10	0/0	0/0	(Xingontothetone, \$105,356)	\$359,666	35	1	0.83	0.61
49	BUSHWACKER (02, Outflanker)	N/A	33/15	0/0	0/0	(Oneandonlylovesman, \$55,665)	\$333,949	59	0	0.52	0.94
50	CYCLOTRON (00, Grand Slam), Old English Rancho	Private	20/11	0/0	0/0	(Mangita, \$65,930)	\$319,716	77	1	1.41	1.23
51	MR. BIG (03, Dynaformer), E. A. Ranches	\$3,500	5/3	0/0	0/0	(Big Book, \$94,400)	\$304,210	11	0	2.34	0.80
52	THE PAMPLEMOUSSE (06, Kafwain), Rancho San Miguel	\$2,500	15/9	0/0	0/0	(Thermodynamics, \$89,970)	\$301,543	34	0	0.82	1.33
53	STORM WOLF (02, Stormin Fever), Rancho San Miguel	\$1,500	25/13	0/0	0/0	(Seven Storms, \$59,695)	\$301,411	44	0	0.54	1.31
54	TRAPPER (00, Iron Cat), Rivendell Ranch	\$2,000	13/10	0/0	0/0	(Papercoversrock, \$47,164)	\$286,930	39	0	1.04	0.79
55	BEDFORD FALLS (03, Forestry), Poplar Meadows	\$2,000	19/7	0/0	0/0	(Zuzu's Petals, \$55,870)	\$280,869	43	0	0.87	0.94
56	SUANCES (GB) (97, Most Welcome), Rancho Temescal	\$1,500	22/14	0/0	0/0	(Suances Dream, \$46,934)	\$270,813	121	1	0.86	1.09
57	STORMY JACK (97, Bertrando), Brazeau Thoroughbred Farms, LP	\$1,000	30/14	0/0	0/0	(Storm Comin Thru, \$61,200)	\$247,476	189	1	0.57	0.75
58	GRACE UPON GRACE (07, Rio Verde), Lovacres Ranch	\$2,000	12/7	0/0	0/0	(London Legacy, \$116,270)	\$236,314	26	0	0.77	0.93
59	TEN MOST WANTED (00, Deputy Commander)	Died, 2013	16/3	0/0	0/0	(Spirit of Ten, \$148,250)	\$231,045	181	2	0.68	1.16
60	GREY MEMO (97, Memo), Ridgeley Farm	Private	28/13	0/0	0/0	(Bushrod, \$33,378)	\$214,833	88	0	0.62	0.73
61	THORN SONG (03, Unbridled's Song)	Died, 2014	22/7	0/0	0/0	(Yodelsong, \$56,500)	\$205,071	64	0	0.38	1.36
62	SIBERIAN SUMMER (89, Siberian Express)	Died, 2011	26/12	0/0	0/0	(Convoy, \$56,655)	\$203,477	*418	12	0.98	0.87
63	ONEBADSHARK (00, Diligence), Rancho San Miguel	\$1,500	13/7	0/0	0/0	(Puttybadshark, \$51,600)	\$200,644	43	1	0.81	1.21
64	SEQUOYAH (05, A.P. Indy), Fruitful Acres Farm	\$3,000	7/2	0/0	0/0	(Kobel, \$168,740)	\$194,060	22	0	0.95	0.96
65	PERFECT MANDATE (96, Gone West)	Died, 2012	18/12	0/0	0/0	(Justification, \$36,460)	\$191,812	298	8	0.88	1.20

Special Note For Sire Lists:

For stallions that stand, will stand, or stood (deceased) in California (stallions that are dead or exported prior to 2011 are excluded), and have runners in North America. Listed below are all available statistics for the Northern Hemisphere through December 6, 2015. As supplied to Blood-Horse by The Jockey Club Information Systems Inc., include adjusted money from Japan, Hong Kong, and Singapore. Adjusted earnings are put on par with average North American earnings from the previous year. For example, the average North American purse in 2014 is \$21,617 or 45% of the 2014 average purse in Japan. To put earnings on par, all Japanese progeny earnings are multiplied by 45% before being credited to a sire's progeny earnings. Hong Kong earnings are adjusted by 19%; Singapore by 54%. 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).

*AVERAGE-EARNINGS INDEX and COMPARABLE INDEX: Lifetime AVERAGE-EARNINGS INDEX indicates how much purse money the progeny of one sire has earned in relation to the average earnings of all runners in the same years; average earnings of all runners in any year is represented by an index of 1.00; COMPARABLE INDEX indicates the average earnings of progeny produced from mares bred to one sire, when these same mares were bred to other sires. Only 32% of all sires have a lifetime AVERAGE-EARNINGS INDEX higher than their mares' COMPARABLE INDEX.

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California's Leading Sire of 2015 Two-Year-Old Winners

U S RANGER Danzig – My Annette, by Red Ransom/ **\$3,000 LF**

- Sire of SIXTEEN 2-year-old winners – TWELVE Maiden Special Winners, TEN first/second start winners, 19 wins by a nearly 61 combined lengths.
- Graded Stakes Sire in each of his first two crops, sire of \$250,000 **Grade 3** Dixiana Bourbon SW **LAWN RANGER** (\$211,304); \$150,000 **Grade 3** Arlington-Washington Futurity SW **SOLITARY RANGER** (\$212,333); Australian **Group 3** SW **GET THE NOD**.
- Champion Miler by Sire of Sires **DANZIG**, o/o 3/4 sister to Leading Sire **DYNAFORMER** and half to dam of Eclipse Champion Sire **OFFLEE WILD**.

California Champion Two-Year-Old

ROUSING SERMON Lucky Pulpit – Rousing Again, by Awesome Again/ **\$2,000 LF**

- Ranked among the **Top NINE Colts of his crop** on the Experimental Free Handicap, 2nd by only a neck in the \$750,000 **Grade 1** CashCall Futurity beating **DRILL (G1)**, **HANDSOME MIKE (G2)**, **BLINGO (G2)**, **SKY KINGDOM (G3)**, etc.
- Ran 1-2-3 in 20 of 36 career starts earning **\$821,571**, winning and placing in 13 Stakes, incl. the \$1,000,000 **Grade 2** Louisiana Derby, \$200,000 **Grade 2** Robert B. Lewis S. and \$150,000 **Grade 3** Native Diver S.
- Offers breeders an **A++ TrueNicks** rated pedigree as a grandson of Sire of Sires **PULPIT** and **AWESOME AGAIN**, o/o a half to millionaire **CHINDI (G3, 111 Beyer)**.



Half-Brother to Grade 1 Winners BEHOLDER & INTO MISCHIEF

CURLIN TO MISCHIEF Curlin – Leslie's Lady, by Tricky Creek/ **\$3,500 LF**

- Half-brother to two-time Eclipse Champion and two-time **Grade 1** Breeders' Cup SW **BEHOLDER** (\$4,436,600, **114 Beyer**), nine-time **Grade 1** SW, incl. **Grade 1** Pacific Classic, **Grade 1** Zenyatta S. (three times), etc.
- Half-brother to **Grade 1** CashCall Futurity SW **INTO MISCHIEF (103 Beyer)**, sire of 13 SWs, incl. two-time **Grade 1** Breeders' Cup SW **GOLDEN-CENTS**, **VICAR'S IN TROUBLE (G2)**, **VYJACK (G2)**, **MISS MISCHIEF (G2)**, etc.
- By two-time Horse of the Year/Leading Sire **CURLIN**, sire of 24 SWs, incl. **PAL-ACE MALICE (G1)**, **KEEN ICE (G1)**, **CURALINA (G1)**, **STELLAR WIND (G1)**, etc.

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A Top Twelve Active Sires by 2015 Cal-Bred Earnings

MARINO MARINI Storm Cat – Halo America, by Waquoit/ **\$2,500 LF**

- Outstanding 2015 season with SIX Stakes performers including Record-setting Graded performer **SWEET MARINI** (\$411,668), 1-2-3 in 10 of 14 starts incl. 1st \$200,000 Fleet Treat S. by 4 3/4 lengths, 2014 NTR at LRC, 5 1/2F in 1:01.95, 2015 2nd in \$200,000 **Grade 2** Santa Monica S., placed in **Grade 3** Rancho Bernardo H.); 2014 & 2015 SW **MARINO'S WILD CAT** (\$271,388), 8 wins incl. \$100,000 Harris Farm S. by 5 3/4 lengths and Lost In the Fog S. in 1:08.92; 2015 SW **ROCK N BUNNY** and 2015 Stakes-placed winners **SILVER SENSATION**, **Chocolate Caliente** and **Tip Top Lady**.
- Sire of **12% Stakes Horses**, including **SHUDACUDAWUDYA** (\$336,859); **STARLIGHT MAGIC** (\$334,900); etc.

California's #4 Juvenile Sire of 2015

SOUTHERN IMAGE Halo's Image – Pleasant Dixie, by Dixieland Band/ **\$2,500 LF**

- Sire of **2015 undefeated FOUR-time SW SMOKEY IMAGE** (\$297,600), five wins by a combined margin of victory of 18 1/2 lengths, incl. \$200,000 Golden State Juvenile S., \$150,000 I'm Smokin S. by 4+, Everett Nevin S. by 6+, and Cavonnier Juvenile S. by 2.
- First two California-sired crops incl. SW **BETTER BET** (\$306,372), on-the-board to **CALIFORNIA CHROME** 4-times, winner of the \$200,000 Golden State Juvenile S. besting **Grade 1** SW **TAMARANDO**; 2015 SPW **Image of Joplin**; etc.
- His first crop, now matured to eight, has average earnings over \$77,000 and has produced 11% \$100K+ earners, like **Grade 1** SW **SOUTHERN SPEED** (\$2.9 Million); **G1**-placed **CALIBRACHOA** (**G3**, \$666,040); etc.



California's Leading Second-Crop Sire of 2015

THE PAMPLEMOUSSE Kafwain – Comfort Zone, by Rubiano/ **\$2,500 LF**

- Sire of **13% Stakes Horses/Runners** in 2015, incl. **Thermodynamics** (\$98,370) – 2nd \$200,000 Melair S., and **Bullwinkle Babe** – 2nd Arizona Oaks.
- The #1 Freshman Sire outside of Kentucky in 2013, ranked among the Top Ten nationally with a seven yearling average over \$53,000.
- Yearling prices up to \$160,000 & 2YO prices up to \$105,000.
- Won 3 of 5 starts, including the **G3** Sham S. by 6L (**107 Beyer**) and **G3** San Rafael S. at one mile.
- Sire of **\$160,000 BARRETT'S SALES TOPPING YEARLING** in his First Crop!

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Typhoon Slew

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Three-Quarter Brother to AMERICAN PHAROAH's dam

STORM WOLF Stormin Fever – Exclusive Rosette, by Ecliptical/ **\$1,500 LF**

- Graded SW full brother to **G1**-performing GSW **MISTY ROSETTE**.
- Won 3 of 5 starts, including the **G2** Lazaro Barrera Memorial S. by 6L in **1:22 1/5**.
- Posted a **104 Beyer** breaking his maiden at Santa Anita and a **101 Beyer** winning an allowance there in 1:09 flat.
- 2013 juvenile sold for **\$95,000** at the Barretts March sale.
- **Solid 71% winners/runners** in first two crops incl. three-time 2015 Canadian SW **SWAYZE ROAD**, 2015 Stakes-placed winner **Vegas Bound**, etc.



A Leading Freshman Sire

SLEW'S TIZNOW Tiznow – Hepatica, by Slewpy/ **\$2,500 LF**

- **Over 83% of his first twelve starters hit the board in their FIRST TWO STARTS!**
- First-crop winners incl. 3 3/4-length Del Mar Maiden Special winner **TIZ LOVE**, back-to-back Golden Gate winner **TRIBAL HEADDRESS**, etc.
- Won on dirt and synthetic, including Del Mar's El Cajon S. at one mile by 3 lengths and Hollywood Park's War Chant S. at 1 1/16 miles in a **TRACK RECORD 1:40.34**.
- Saratoga maiden winner and 2nd in Keeneland's **G1** Breeders' Futurity at two.
- In his final start, posted a **102 Beyer** in Hollywood Park's G2 Californian S.
- **1st Barretts 2YOs sold for up to \$92,000 – 36.8-Times His Fee!**

Pedigree Powerhouse – First Foals Arrive in 2016

NORTHERN CAUSEWAY Giant's Causeway – Getaway Girl, by Silver Deputy/ **\$2,500 LF**

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Prize Exhibit winning the Senorita Stakes at Santa Anita in June

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to figure out her quirks. A \$25,000 claim in Northern California for owner Dallas Van Kempen, she ultimately earned \$1,417,800, competing from 2003-06. The daughter of Moscow Ballet—Burning Desire, by Mr. Leader, is still the leading female California-bred money earner of all time.

“She was crazy,” Cassidy said. “I used to jog on foot with her in the morning from the gap down the track to get her to go. She wouldn’t go with the pony. She wouldn’t back up. I had three different riders on her, and they were all scared to death of her.”

Cassidy eventually put Jorge Alvarez on Moscow Burning, “and that turned her around,” the trainer said. Alvarez is better known today as having been the exercise rider for Triple Crown winner American Pharoah.



Jockey Santiago Gonzalez with Cassidy after the Senorita

Katdogawn, like Prize Exhibit, came from Europe, and though she had decent form, Cassidy was able to buy her fairly easily. He found out why when he got the British-bred daughter of Bahhare—Trempkate, by Trempolino, to California.

“She was a weaver, a stall-walker; you name it,” he said. “But she didn’t do anything when I had her—she was as good as gold. I loved her. Oh, she did cow-kick about half a dozen people. She was mean. But I like mean.”

Racing for a partnership that at various times included Pearson and Jim Ford, Katdogawn won five stakes, including the 2004 Santa Ana Handicap (gr. IIT) and the 2003 San Clemente Handicap (gr. IIT) and Dahlia Handicap (gr. IIT). She earned \$827,553.

Cassidy also does quite well with horses that aren’t head cases. The 70-year-old trainer won the 2009 Hollywood Derby (gr. IT) and the 2010 Eddie Read Stakes (gr. IT) with Cal-bred The Usual Q.T. for Van Kempen. He has also captured grade I stakes with Evening Jewel, Tom’s Tribute, Milk It Mick, Singhalese, and Ticker Tape. Cassidy has amassed total purse earnings of more than \$24 million.

In between training a large stable that includes about 40 at Santa Anita, another 30-plus at Galway Downs near Temecula, and several at farms, Cassidy serves as president of California Thoroughbred Trainers, working closely with Alan Balch, CTT’s executive director. The job often involves going up against the many factions in California racing, as well as leading an independent group of trainers, something akin to herding cats.

“As a leader, Jim is one of those rare individuals who inspire confidence and friendship from across the entire spec-

2015 CALIFORNIA SIRE BY WINNERS

Sire	Rnrs.	Wnrs
Bluegrass Cat	246	141
Tribal Rule	164	98
Unusual Heat	118	67
Lucky Pulpit	122	54
U S Ranger	122	46
Ministers Wild Cat	94	46
Kafwain	76	44
Decarchy	75	44
Eddington	90	43
Benchmark	82	42
Street Hero	70	41
Salute the Sarge	68	39
Marino Marini	76	38
Square Eddie	60	38
Stormin Fever	77	37
Bertrando	74	37
Southern Image	72	36
Papa Clem	82	35
Old Topper	55	35
Vronsky	52	30
Rocky Bar	45	28
Desert Code	47	27
Dixie Chatter	57	26
Surf Cat	35	25
McCann’s Mojave	46	24
Don’tsellmeshort	47	23
Heatseeker (IRE)	54	22
Tannersmyman	44	22
Grazen	33	22
Sea of Secrets	46	21
Terrell	39	21
Tizbud	37	21
Lucky J. H.	39	20
In Excess (IRE)	35	20
Comic Strip	29	19
Awesome Gambler	50	18
Cindago	41	18
Bushwacker	33	15
Stormy Jack	30	14
Peppered Cat	22	14
Suances (GB)	22	14
Affirmative	28	13
Grey Memo	28	13
Globalize	26	13
Storm Wolf	25	13
Siberian Summer	26	12
Perfect Mandate	18	12

trum of success,” said Balch. “From the most successful to those with smaller strings and mainly aspiration, they all realize that he knows their perspectives and will represent them honestly.”

Balch and Cassidy try to ensure the trainers are well represented in the myriad of issues that face the California racing industry.

“I do enjoy it because I think we help, and we’ve brought the CTT back to a little bit of prominence, where it can get something done,” said Cassidy. “Alan Balch is a brilliant man, and I get along with him really well.”

Cassidy even provided Balch with his current riding horse, a Thoroughbred
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Cassidy-trained Moscow Burning, a \$25,000 claim, earned more than \$1.4 million

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with the apt name of Slow Bob.

Cassidy likes to tell the story of Slow Bob's conception. He had purchased the dam, the Moscow Ballet mare Bend My Ear, with a baby at her side. The foal grew up to become I Can Hear, a stakes-placed filly Cassidy trained and co-owned who earned \$122,754.

The mare had some reproductive issues, and Cassidy couldn't get her back in foal. He boarded Bend My Ear at Dr. Melinda Blue's farm, and one of Blue's employees bred the mare to an Argentine-bred stallion named Go Bob who hadn't earned very much money, or in Cassidy's words, "was as worthless as that pole."

"I bred her to four good stallions and could never get her in foal," said Cassidy. "Of course, she got in foal to Go Bob."

The foal was a big, quiet-tempered colt,

and Cassidy started training him. Fellow trainer Jack Carava one day saw the colt on the track.

"I'll pay for the name if you let me name him," Carava said to Cassidy. When Cassidy asked what name, Carava answered, "Slow Bob."

Slow Bob lived up to that moniker so well that he never started and Carava never officially named him. The horse has found a new and much more successful career as a hunter-jumper.

Cassidy began his equine career with hunter-jumpers. He grew up in New York City, where he developed his die-hard passion for the Yankees (his Yankees hat is ever-present), and he rode hunter-jumpers and gave riding lessons.

"At one time I had 33 students—all girls," said Cassidy. "We went to shows in Connecticut and Long Island."



The Usual Q.T. was a grade I winner for Cassidy and Dallas Van Kempen

2015 CALIFORNIA SIRES BY STAKES WINNERS

Sire	SWnrs	SWins
Tribal Rule	6	7
Bluegrass Cat	5	9
Decarchy	4	4
Unusual Heat	3	4
Comic Strip	3	3
Eddington	3	3
Square Eddie	3	3
Salute the Sarge	2	4
Birdonthewire	2	3
Desert Code	2	2
Heatseeker (IRE)	2	2
Papa Clem	2	2
Street Hero	2	2
Vronsky	2	2

Cassidy might have stuck with that career longer, but dealing with the parents and the youngsters proved difficult. Once a friend began sending him Thoroughbred lay-ups and Cassidy was around racehorses, he knew what he wanted to do.

He spent several years working for trainers and as a veterinary assistant. He was an assistant to Dr. Jim Prendergast, whose clients included trainer Frank Whiteley when Whiteley trained Ruffian. Champion 2-year-old filly of 1974 and champion 3-year-old filly of 1975 and a member of the Hall of Fame, Ruffian is often cited as one of the most talented distaffers ever.

"She was incredible," said Cassidy. "She used to be behind a screen (in her stall), and she wouldn't look at you—she'd look through you. She was in another zone, by herself—a big, beautiful mare."

Cassidy later worked for Whiteley and then Joe Cantey, before Cantey trained champion Temperence Hill and major winner Cox's Ridge. Through most of the 1970s Cassidy worked for trainer Charlie Sanborn, primarily at Monmouth Park and Gulfstream Park.

Cassidy struck out on his own in late 1979. A friend suggested he start his new career in California, and while Cassidy loved the area, he found the California training regimen very different.

"We were very detailed, and we worked 18 hours a day on those horses back East," he said.

Cassidy struggled to make it on his own and ended up working for others again, primarily as a vet assistant. He needed a steady paycheck because he was raising a family. His two sons, Christopher and Jonathan, are now 28 and 29, respectively.

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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2016 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	Stakes Wnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2015 Earnings	Cumulative			
								Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	PARKER'S STORM CAT (00, Storm Cat), Gibson Thoroughbred Farm	\$2,000	69/33	2/3	0/2	(Ben's Cat, \$171,415)	\$668,169	*294	4	1.05	1.04
2	RAISE THE BLUFF (03, Pine Bluff), El Dorado Farms	\$1,500	34/22	0/0	0/0	(Lexie Arleen, \$35,680)	\$433,204	85	1	0.51	0.46
3	PRIVATE GOLD (00, Seeking the Gold), El Dorado Farms	\$1,500	48/28	1/1	0/1	(Gold Rush Dancer, \$83,393)	\$427,394	171	4	0.46	0.58
4	ABRAAJ (03, Carson City), El Dorado Farms	\$1,500	19/13	3/5	2/3	(Quatre Cat, \$100,576)	\$412,381	32	3	0.90	0.77
5	MATTY G (93, Capote)	N/A	46/18	0/0	0/0	(Nico Suave, \$42,735)	\$322,834	*532	10	0.78	0.98
6	PREACHINATTHEBAR (01, Silver Charm), Pulse Ranches	\$1,000	36/16	0/0	0/0	(Bella Colomba, \$29,785)	\$280,761	75	0	0.31	0.51
7	CAHILL ROAD (88, Fappiano)	Died, 2010	27/11	0/0	0/0	(Perfect Night, \$40,420)	\$255,921	*655	26	0.91	1.10
8	COUNCIL MEMBER (02, Seattle Slew)	N/A	30/15	0/0	0/0	(Council Rules, \$38,125)	\$252,559	67	0	0.53	0.92
9	NATIONHOOD (02, Cherokee Run), Blue Ribbon Farm	\$1,500	22/13	0/0	0/0	(Arrom Bear, \$45,850)	\$241,162	38	1	0.54	0.74
10	HE'S TOPS (93, Seattle Slew), Woodstead Farm	\$1,000	25/13	0/0	0/0	(Fourth Top, \$28,166)	\$140,388	300	8	0.54	0.64

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He eventually made a permanent jump to training on his own in the early 1990s, with several horses for John Elardi's Southern Nevada Racing Stable.

Cassidy's training career took off after he decided to try buying a few horses in Europe to import to California. He bought five horses for \$500,000, a tough move for him financially, with the idea of moving them up and selling them for a profit.

"There were some sleepless nights," Cassidy admitted.

His ability to select good prospects turned the venture into a success. Four of them went on to do well as racehorses, including 1998 Baldwin Stakes (gr. IIIT) winner Wrekin Pilot and graded stakes-placed Phone Alex. The fifth, Baby Grand, produced Cal-bred Running Free, who for Southern Nevada Racing Stables won the 2005 TVG Khaled Stakes and Harry F. Brubaker Handicap and the 2007 Quick-en Tree Stakes when trained by Kristin Mulhall.

"I like balance in a horse—that's the most important thing for me," said Cassidy. "I like good hind ends, especially hips and gaskins. I like some meat in the gaskins. And I never buy a colt that looks like a filly."

Pearson, who has had horses with Cassidy for about 18 years, noted that Cassidy "has a great eye for horses." A few hours after the Matriarch, Cassidy and Pearson flew to Europe for a buying trip in England and France.

Cassidy also currently trains Yahilwa for Pearson. The 5-year-old Kentucky-bred daughter of Medaglia d'Oro—Verbanella, by Smart Strike, began her career in England. For Cassidy in the U.S., she has won the Sixty Sails Handicap (gr. III) at Hawthorne, the Treasure Chest Stakes at Delta Downs, and placed in four other stakes, including a second in the Clement L. Hirsch Stakes (gr. I) and a third in the Juddmonte Spinster Stakes (gr. I).

The owner and trainer briefly went on the Triple Crown trail with Ocho Ocho Ocho, a \$200,000 purchase at the 2014

Ocala Breeders' Sales Co.'s spring sale of 2-year-olds. The Kentucky-bred son of Street Sense—Winner, by Horse Chestnut, won the 2014 Delta Downs Jackpot Stakes (gr. III) and ran third in the 2015 Toyota Blue Grass Stakes (gr. I). He is back working after being off since late May.

Cassidy's other owners include Marilyn Braly, Martin Kistler, and Kieron and Mary DeLahunt. With his large stable the trainer relies on his staff, primarily Matt

Ashland Stakes (gr. I) and Honeymoon Handicap (gr. IIT) and ran second by a nose to Blind Luck in the Kentucky Oaks (gr. I). Then she added the Del Mar Oaks (gr. IT).

Tom Braly was battling cancer, and Evening Jewel's string helped keep him alive. He eventually succumbed to the disease, and Marilyn honored her husband by naming a horse Tom's Tribute. Cassidy trained Tom's Tribute, and the Kentucky-



Evening Jewel, winning the 2010 San Clemente at Del Mar

Williams and Betty Chavez, the assistant and foreman at Santa Anita, respectively, and John Daley, the assistant at Galway.

Braly is the widow of Tom Braly, and the Bralys owned Evening Jewel, a grade I winner who ran some close ones with champion Blind Luck. Betty Mabee and her son, Larry, bred Evening Jewel (Northern Afleet—Jewel of the Night, by Giant's Causeway) in California. Cassidy bought the filly privately for the Bralys at 2.

Most people want to win Derbys, Oaks, and Breeders' Cups, but Cassidy said that "all Tom ever talked about was winning the San Clemente."

Evening Jewel did win the San Clemente in 2010, as well as the Central Bank

bred son of Lion Heart—Halloween Fun, by El Prado, won the 2014 Eddie Read, Del Mar Mile Handicap (gr. IIT), and two other stakes.

Though many of Cassidy's best horses come from his European forays, he does well with young horses from U.S. sales. He noted that when he returned from Europe, he would be focusing on the 2-year-olds about to turn 3.

That group includes a son of Street Sense named Inhibition and a daughter of Tapit named Floripa that Cassidy said have talent. Couple those with the European horses he planned to bring to the U.S., and 2016 could put more graded stakes in the trainer's win column. **BH**