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The BIG 12

A dozen new stallions take up residence in New York for 2016

BY EVAN HAMMONDS



Al Khali, a multiple grade II winner by Medaglia d'Oro, is at Keane Stud for 2016

IF EVER A REGIONAL MARKET was in full expansion mode, it's New York for the 2016 breeding season. The Empire State's stallion roster for this year adds not one, not two, not three, but a dozen incoming stallions. With the growing purses and breeder and stallion awards offered in New York, it represents a bigger gold rush than California in 1849. (continued on page 32)

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				Stakes	Rstrct				Cumi	ılative	
Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2016 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	Wnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2016 Earnings	Foolo	Stks Wnrs	A-E	Comp Index
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1	BELLAMY ROAD (02, Concerto), Dutchess Views Farm	\$7,500	97/26	2/2	0/2	(Land Over Sea, \$80,000)	\$769,649	*465	23	1.20	1.32
2	POSSE (00, Silver Deputy), Rockridge Stud	\$5,000	72/20	0/0	0/0	(Royal Posse, \$45,000)	\$580,234	*675	30	1.36	1.35
3		\$10,000	72/18	0/0	0/0	(Perfect Freud, \$51,400)	\$577,948	*962	40	1.63	1.29
4	BIG BROWN (05, Boundary), Dutchess Views Farm	\$10,000	79/17	1/1	0/1	(Adore, \$84,600)	\$543,675	*494	14	1.34	1.77
5	HOLD ME BACK (06, Giant's Causeway), Irish Hill Century Farm	\$5,000	60/17	2/2	2/2	(Jet Black Magic, \$97,500)	\$503,317	185	4	1.11	1.26
6	BUSTIN STONES (04, City Zip), Waldorf Farm	\$2,500	24/7	0/0	0/0	(Bust Another, \$77,600)	\$331,829	139	2	1.32	1.46
7	FROST GIANT (03, Giant's Causeway), Keane Stud Operations	\$7,500	27/7	1/1	1/1	(Frosty Margarita, \$85,000)	\$285,345	*219	6	1.69	1.17
8	DUBLIN (07, Afleet Alex), Keane Stud Operations	\$2,500	21/5	0/0	0/0	(Celtic Chaos, \$37,050)	\$196,492	94	0	0.75	1.26
9	HERE'S ZEALOUS (97, Dehere), Kaz Hill Farm	\$1,000	21/5	0/0	0/0	(Here's a Jetpack, \$35,400)	\$157,881	190	- 1	0.99	0.99
10	GIANT SURPRISE (09, Giant's Causeway), Rockridge Stud	\$5,000	10/1	0/0	0/0	(Taken by Surprise, \$47,310)	\$123,571	29	2	3.04	1.25
11	NOBLE CAUSEWAY (02, Giant's Causeway)	Died, 2014	33/4	0/0	0/0	(Noble and a Beauty, \$41,400)	\$115,546	233	7	0.82	1.10
12	DESERT PARTY (06, Street Cry), Sequel Stallions New York	\$4,000	31/5	0/0	0/0	(Bringyourownsand, \$14,700)	\$107,369	130	3	0.94	1.46
13	DISCO RICO (97, Citidancer)	Died, 2014	20/2	0/0	0/0	(Marriedtothemusic, \$39,666)	\$105,707	260	11	1.38	1.22
14	TEUFLESBERG (04, Johannesburg), McMahon of Saratoga Tbreds	\$5,000	12/5	0/0	0/0	(Crystal's Cantata, \$22,100)	\$86,407	83	4	1.60	1.16
15	THE CLIFF'S EDGE (01, Gulch), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbre	ds \$2,500	17/6	0/0	0/0	(The Edge of Wind, \$20,005)	\$80,857	242	4	0.82	1.18
16	MR. SEKIGUCHI (03, Storm Cat), Irish Hill Century Farm	\$2,500	14/5	0/0	0/0	(Little Daniella, \$23,227)	\$76,432	*90	2	0.95	1.24
17	D' FUNNYBONE (07, D'wildcat), Rockridge Stud	\$2,500	14/0	0/0	0/0	(Silly Face, \$10,230)	\$68,872	*39	0	0.64	1.33
18	SIR WHIMSEY (04, Jump Start), Mill Creek Farm	\$2,500	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Organic Gemini, \$33,228)	\$66,878	10	1	1.44	0.93
19	STONESIDER (03, Giant's Causeway), Keane Stud Operations	\$3,500	16/4	0/0	0/0	(Stoneheartedlover, \$25,123)	\$58,924	*189	4	1.17	1.20
20	RELATO DEL GATO (01, Tale of the Cat)	Died, 2014	3/2	0/0	0/0	(Down Town Kitty, \$42,150)	\$56,330	14	0	1.10	0.74
21	MARSH SIDE (03, Gone West), Dutchess Views Farm	\$2,500	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Dr Luber's Kiss, \$42,680)	\$54,174	*119	0	0.23	1.25
22	COURAGEOUS CAT (06, Storm Cat), Questroyal North	\$6,000	9/0	0/0	0/0	(Amber Louise, \$17,920)	\$36,862	56	1	0.86	1.21
23	HERE COMES BEN (06, Street Cry), McMahon of Saratoga Tbreds	\$7,500	10/1	0/0	0/0	(Big Band Benny, \$22,972)	\$34,990	56	0	0.60	1.15
24	COSMONAUT (02, Lemon Drop Kid), Keane Stud Operations	\$5,000	11/1	0/0	0/0	(Moldavite, \$12,900)	\$32,157	79	2	1.07	1.05
25	ALEX'S PAL (99, Valid Expectations)	Died, 2015	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Gypsy Fire, \$15,120)	\$30,898	105	2	1.25	0.93
26	MIRACLE MAN (02, Yankee Victor), Pucker Ridge Farm	Died, 2015	2/0	0/0	0/0	(Jc's Shooting Star, \$16,800)	\$25,850	8	1	1.94	1.59

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With the influx of new blood comes an unparalleled competition among stallion operators and owners for mares in the state. According to The Jockey Club Fact Book, in 2015 there were 60 stallions in New York and 1,547 in-state mares were covered. While a mare doesn't have to be covered by a New York stallion to have a registered state-bred foal, the 2015 foal crop in New York, as of March 7, 2016, stands at 1,203 foals.

"One word summarizes today's New York breeding environment: competitive," said Jeffrey Cannizzo, president of New York Thoroughbred Breeders. "It has become very competitive on all fronts for those who have upped their game and are taking advantage of the lucrative environment.

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Japan, a full brother to Al Khali (Medaglia d'Oro-Maya, by Capote), stands at Waldorf

2016 NEW YORK SIRES BY WINNERS

Sire		
Bellamy Road		
Posse	72	20
Freud		
Big Brown	79	17
Hold Me Back	60	17
Frost Giant	27	7
Bustin Stones	24	7
The Cliff's Edge	17	6
Desert Party	31	5
Dublin	21	5
Here's Zealous	21	5
Mr. Sekiguchi	14	5
Teuflesberg	12	5
Noble Causeway	33	4
Stonesider	16	4
Disco Rico	20	2
Alex's Pal	8	2
Marsh Side	5	2
Relato Del Gato	3	2
Cosmonaut	11	1
Giant Surprise	10	1
Here Comes Ben	10	1
Golden Missile	9	1
Sir Whimsey	4	1
Wicked Rich	1	1

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_	_		Stakes Rstrct							Cumulative				
Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2016 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	Wnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2016 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E	Comp Index			
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1	()	Died, 2013	95/23	2/2	1/2	(Weast Hill, \$107,600)	\$714,576	463		1.35	1.42			
2	JUMP START (99, A.P. Indy), Northview	\$10,000	80/18	0/0	0/0	(Prayer for Relief, \$44,552)	\$620,964	*1161	38	1.52	1.34			
3	CORINTHIAN (03, Pulpit), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$4,000	77/14	0/0	0/0	(Pancake, \$40,360)	\$269,737	*478	11	0.78	1.40			
4	(-)	Died, 2013	62/14	0/0	0/0	(Ogermeister, \$43,715)	\$261,876	*493	10	0.98	1.29			
5	FAIRBANKS (03, Giant's Causeway), Northview	\$2,500	47/8	0/0	0/0	(Welcome Fairbanks, \$22,730)	\$174,087	204		1.09	1.28			
6	WEIGELIA (01, Safely's Mark), WynOaks Farm	\$3,500	22/4	0/0	0/0	(Secret Garden, \$48,488)	\$173,614	71		1.27	1.03			
7	MEDALLIST (01, Touch Gold), Northview	\$2,000	24/5	1/1	0/1	(Love Came to Town, \$45,000)	\$142,370	192		1.29	1.41			
8	TALENT SEARCH (03, Catienus), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	22/5	0/0	0/0	(Taste for Talent, \$31,600)	\$122,246	*102		1.06	1.27			
9	ANDIRON (06, A.P. Indy), Xanthus Farms	\$2,000	12/4	0/0	0/0	(Roxbury N Overton, \$43,680)	\$106,262	37	0	0.94	0.56			
10	LORD SHANAKILL (06, Speightstown), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$5,000	28/6	0/0	0/0	(Dark Kingdom, \$16,503)	\$91,975	107	1	0.89	0.94			
11	GIMMEAWINK (00, Elusive Quality), Mountain Springs Racing Stable	\$2,500	16/3	0/0	0/0	(Gimmeaclue, \$29,669)	\$85,164	*222	1	0.78	1.05			
12	CITY SHARPSTER (99, Carson City), Woodvale Farm	\$1,000	17/3	0/0	0/0	(Diadema, \$22,169)	\$67,185	59	0	0.64	0.72			
13	SIR SHACKLETON (01, Miswaki), Dana Point Farm	\$1,000	7/3	0/0	0/0	(Ameridude, \$24,360)	\$50,868	*97	1	0.69	1.06			
14	BULLSBAY (04, Tiznow), Northview	\$3,000	9/2	0/0	0/0	(Bronze Bull, \$9,900)	\$49,463	44	1	1.95	1.12			
15	WISEMAN'S FERRY (99, Hennessy)	Died, 2015	11/2	0/0	0/0	(Tough Weather, \$26,220)	\$47,992	*289	6	1.67	1.08			
16	GOT THE LAST LAUGH (04, Distorted Humor), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Boston Humor, \$15,936)	\$45,708	41	0	1.20	1.21			
17	MORE SMOKE (02, Smoke Glacken), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$1,500	5/1	0/0	0/0	(A Lil More A J, \$20,865)	\$42,460	52	1	1.01	1.21			
18	RIMROD (00, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	11/2	0/0	0/0	(Tiz Crafty, \$12,120)	\$40,640	101		1.34	1.17			
19	ALBERT THE GREAT (97, Go for Gin), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$2,500	17/2	0/0	0/0	(Smooth Approach, \$11,565)	\$39,447	*378	8	1.14	1.13			
20	LITE THE FUSE (91, Buckaroo)	N/A	8/1	0/0	0/0	(Haversack, \$12,321)	\$32,994	548	22	1.22	1.18			
21	SNOW RIDGE (98, Tabasco Cat)	Died, 2012	11/2	0/0	0/0	(Bon Bon's Ace, \$12,900)	\$31,566	*288	5	0.99	1.14			
22	AISLE (99, Pulpit), Whirlwind Stables	Private	7/1	0/0	0/0	(Aisle Ring, \$11,733)	\$29,518	84	0	0.79	0.78			
23	REVIVAL SONG (01, Unbridled's Song), Woodvale Farm	\$500	7/1	0/0	0/0	(Comisario, \$6,696)	\$26,027	43	0	0.61	0.87			
24	HARRY THE HAT (89, Seattle Slew)	Pnsd	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Mack the Knife, \$23,946)	\$24,360	165	5	1.01	0.78			
25	IT'S A BIRD (03, Birdonthewire)	N/A	4/2	0/0	0/0	(Nancy Pants, \$10,746)	\$21,113	14	0	0.49	1.08			
26	FORMAL DINNER (88, Well Decorated)	N/A	14/3	0/0	0/0	(Special Flyer, \$11,878)	\$20,644	*639	23	1.07	1.10			
27	EMPEROR TIBERIUS (04, Storm Cat), Mountain Springs Racing Stable	e \$1,500	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Saratoga Jack, \$19,980)	\$19,980	12	0	1.18	0.76			
28	CAPITANO (01, Belong to Me), Fox Tale Stud	\$1,250	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Eight Dancers, \$11,808)	\$16,189	29	0	0.58	1.10			
29	POWER BY FAR (95, Power of Mind), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Powerful Sun, \$15,048)	\$15,548	109	2	1.22	1.17			
30	PARTNER'S HERO (94, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	7/0	0/0	0/0	(Not for Fun, \$8,344)	\$14,650	451	15	1.19	1.32			



Bellamy Road is the sire of 28 stakes winners

SIRES BY	WINNERS
Rnrs	Wnrs
95	23
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62	14
47	8
28	6
24	5
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11	2
11	2
9	2
5	2
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Special Note For Sire Lists:

For stallions that stand, will stand, or stood (deceased) in the states featured in this section (stallions that are dead or exported prior to 2012 are excluded), and have runners in North America. Listed below are all available statistics for the Northern Hemisphere through March 13, 2016. 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 2015 is \$21,782 or 50% of the 2015 average purse in Japan. To put earnings on par, all Japanese progeny earnings are multiplied by 50% before being credited to a sire's progeny earnings. Hong Kong earnings are adjusted by 17%; Singapore by 57%. Current year stakes winners include all N.H.-black-type stakes results from all available countries. *Foal counts include Southern Hemisphere. Curmulative stakes winners includes all countries. 4 ¶ 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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1	FRIESAN FIRE (06, A.P. Indy), Country Life Farm	\$4,000	27/9	1/1	0/1	(Tisdale, \$54,400)	\$347,826	91	1	1.01	1.32
2	NOT FOR LOVE (90, Mr. Prospector)	Pnsd	50/13	0/0	0/0	(Lovable Lady, \$45,630)	\$347,733	950	77	1.70	1.45
3	LION HEARTED (96, Storm Cat)	Died, 2015	39/8	0/0	0/0	(Gwendolyn, \$28,536)	\$221,307	*606	18	1.21	1.29
4	GREAT NOTION (00, Elusive Quality), Northview Stallion Station	\$3,500	18/5	1/1	0/1	(Great Soul, \$65,000)	\$213,496	232	13	1.53	1.23
5	ORIENTATE (98, Mt. Livermore), Northview Stallion Station	\$5,000	43/9	0/0	0/0	(Woodland Walk, \$46,080)	\$206,861	*777	31	1.27	1.70
6	LOUIS QUATORZE (93, Sovereign Dancer), Murmur Farm	\$2,500	33/7	0/0	0/0	(Dothat Dance, \$27,194)	\$153,424	*974	21	1.14	1.32
7	PETIONVILLE (92, Seeking the Gold), Murmur Farm	\$5,000	35/7	0/0	0/0	(Rapid Rouge, \$24,800)	\$133,814	*707	41	1.31	1.28
8	SCIPION (02, A.P. Indy), Murmur Farm	\$2,500	22/4	0/0	0/0	(Whiskey Sour, \$28,158)	\$132,721	123	3	1.08	1.06
9	ROCK SLIDE (98, A.P. Indy), Shamrock Farm	\$2,000	18/3	0/0	0/0	(Sliding Lady, \$17,740)	\$94,241	275	8	1.02	1.20
10	OUTFLANKER (94, Danzig), Shamrock Farm	\$3,000	18/4	0/0	0/0	(Andiemac, \$23,115)	\$67,374	*531	21	1.37	1.14
11	STREET MAGICIAN (04, Street Cry), Heritage Stallions	\$3,000	12/1	0/0	0/0	(Up Hill Battle, \$15,390)	\$51,449	74	2	1.12	1.23
12	M EIGHTY (99, Lite the Fuse), Shamrock Farm	Private	3/2	0/0	0/0	(Fran's Buckaroo, \$27,933)	\$48,137	14	0	1.41	0.91
13	CHEROKEE'S BOY (00, Citidancer), Murmur Farm	\$2,000	16/1	0/0	0/0	(Stylish Step, \$8,330)	\$28,891	98	1	1.12	1.02
14	GATORS N BEARS (00, Stormy Atlantic)	Died, 2012	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Gator Gold, \$12,075)	\$28,083	151	5	1.04	1.19
15	ADMIRAL ALEX (07, Afleet Alex), Shamrock Farm	\$1,500	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Captain Alex, \$11,294)	\$19,694	9	0	0.69	0.97

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"New stallions have entered the market here in New York due to the incentives. When stallions are earning \$250,000 and up in stallion awards alone, it helps make it an easier decision to try a horse here," he said. "Also, there is no better opportunity to make a stallion based on the restricted races, purses, and stakes that are offered to New York-breds."

For 2016 there are stallions literally from A to Z: from Medaglia d'Oro's son Al Khali to the grade II-winning New York-bred Zivo.

"The stallions coming in are a sign of strength in the program," said Rick Burke, owner of Irish Hill Century

Farm near Stillwater, N.Y. Irish Hill Century stands new stallion Zivo and Hold Me Back (from WinStar Farm in Kentucky) for 2016. "There are better stallions and broodmares coming in. The stallion awards and the purses are just so good. When the economy tanked in 2008 and 2009, the guys on the racetrack took such a beating, and on the breeding end of it, people were doing everything they could just to hold on. Now everybody who has stayed in can reap the benefits."

But while the benefits for racing New York-breds have gotten much better over the last few years, the mare population has not kept pace as quickly... hence making the competition among stallions that much more fierce.

"The mare population hasn't grown the way we'd like to see it the last couple of years," said Erin Robinson, the season sales/stallion director for Rockridge Stud near Hudson, N.Y. Rockridge has newcomer Micromanage for Mike Repole for 2016 and has added Galileo's son Midas Touch from Kentucky this year. "Everybody wants to have a stallion in New York, but at the same time we don't have enough mares to cover the stallions here. It's very competitive."

But for those who can break through, the upside is tremendous.

"The mare population is evolv-(continued on page 38)

Golden Ticket, winner of the Travers in 2012, is at Questroyal North

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1	SWISS YODELER (94, Eastern Echo), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,000	32/12	0/0	0/0	(W. Giles, \$86,160)	\$281,877	757	15	1.01	1.04
2	LIMEHOUSE (01, Grand Slam), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,500	44/12	0/0	0/0	(Just Kissing Buck, \$54,810)	\$275,691	*385	19	1.23	1.20
3	B BOP (97, Rahy)	Died, 2012	29/11	0/0	0/0	(Bops Gold, \$29,100)	\$182,882	*192	4	0.94	0.88
4	BROTHER DEREK (03, Benchmark), Naylee Farm	\$3,500	39/6	0/0	0/0	(Sibling War, \$49,800)	\$176,662	*130	4	1.20	1.22
5	WINDSOR CASTLE (98, Lord Carson), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$3,500	43/6	0/0	0/0	(Ischia, \$20,460)	\$144,091	291	10	1.07	1.03
6	CHARITABLE MAN (06, Lemon Drop Kid), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$4,000	30/6	0/0	0/0	(Classy Di, \$18,240)	\$121,509	112	2	1.07	1.15
7	DENIS OF CORK (05, Harlan's Holiday), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$500	22/5	0/0	0/0	(Gaelic Man, \$14,220)	\$91,517	88	0	0.64	1.17
8	FIBER SONDE (05, Unbridled's Song), Beau Ridge Farm	\$1,000	19/4	0/0	0/0	(Gianna Bella, \$19,220)	\$77,903	116	6	1.40	0.79
Ç	LUFTIKUS (96, Meadowlake), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$750	19/4	0/0	0/0	(Blisstikus, \$31,290)	\$76,093	284	8	0.99	1.09
10	DURING (00, Cherokee Run), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	7/2	1/1	0/1	(Lucy N Ethel, \$61,380)	\$74,451	193	4	0.84	1.10
11	PEAK DANCER (97, Mt. Livermore)	N/A	17/6	0/0	0/0	(Whispering Bill, \$14,380)	\$72,318	90	4	0.93	0.87
12	PROSPECT BAY (92, Crafty Prospector)	N/A	7/5	0/0	0/0	(Forty One and Out, \$17,210)	\$66,260	286	7	0.93	1.47
13	XCHANGER (04, Exchange Rate), O'Sullivan Farms	\$500	12/3	0/0	0/0	(World Changer, \$15,480)	\$52,169	54	0	0.31	1.13
14	REAL ESTATE (04, High Yield), Flamingo Run Farm	\$1,000	8/3	0/0	0/0	(March Wind, \$19,380)	\$51,000	38	0	0.66	0.84
15	GRAND RESERVE (02, Theatrical), One Sparrow Farm	\$1,000	11/3	0/0	0/0	(Colton's Grand, \$8,240)	\$33,664	47	0	0.35	0.77
16	OFFICER ROCKET (GB) (04, Officer), Bybee Road Farm	Private	5/1	0/0	0/0	(A. P. Rocket, \$30,440)	\$31,772	20	0	0.69	0.66
17	YARROW BRAE (95, Deputy Minister), O'Sullivan Farms	\$750	7/1	0/0	0/0	(Mr. Prosecutor, \$20,310)	\$28,530	299	6	1.09	0.99
18		N/A	5/3	0/0	0/0	(Arborville, \$14,800)	\$26,465	111	2	0.83	1.18
19	GHOSTLY MINISTER (97, Deputy Minister), Buckstud	\$2,500	9/3	0/0	0/0	(Garlic Jack, \$6,237)	\$21,152	69	1	0.87	0.95
20	SIENTE EL TRUENO (07, City Zip), Stehr's Farm	\$500	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Siente El Viento, \$14,775)	\$19,795	7	0	0.48	0.58

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ing, too, due to the marketplace being very stingy toward commercial appeal," Cannizzo said. "Better stallions are coming to the state, and the value of state-breds has soared at auctions nationally. The competition for the instate mare population has never been so challenging. This is forcing an attrition of stallions who can't compete, essentially a natural evolution. Fifty-five percent of New York's mares are bred by New York stallions due to the value in earning a 30% breeder award (double that of out-of-state). When the

erage breeder award check is \$20,000 and purses are \$45 million, it's a lucrative annuity to stay home with a New York stallion."

Of the dozen incoming stallions a pair are full brothers. Al Khali and Japan offer different body types and different race records despite both being sons of Medaglia d'Oro out of Maya, by Capote.

Al Khali stands at Keane Stud near Amenia. His fee for 2016 is listed at \$2,500. Now 10, the bay horse began his racing career in Peru before venturing to North America as a 3-year-old. In all he was a two-time graded stakes winner at Saratoga: the Saranac Stakes (gr. IIIT) at 3 and the Bowling Green Handicap (gr. IIT) at 4. For three years running he hit the board in Saratoga's grade I Sword Dancer Invitational Stakes at 12 furlongs.

Japan, 4, raced for Barry K. Schwartz (continued on page 40)

Hold Me Back is the sire of Kentucky Oaks hopeful Jet Black Magic

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Sire
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Swiss Yodeler
Bop
Windsor Castle
Brother Derek
Charitable Man
Peak Dancer
Denis of Cork
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and was trained by Michael Hushion in his debut and then by Bill Mott. A \$300,000 yearling purchase by Schwartz at the 2013 Keeneland September yearling sale, Japan made five starts last year at 3, winning twice and placing on two other occasions. He shone brightest on Belmont Stakes (gr. I) day, winning the 11/16-miles WinStar Farm Easy Goer Stakes. He later was third to Texas Red and Frosted in Saratoga's Jim Dandy Stakes (gr. II) at nine furlongs.

He stands at Waldorf Farm near North Chatham, N.Y., for \$7,500.

The brothers trace to a strong female family anchored by third dam Chic Shirine, winner of the grade I Ashland Stakes and dam of two graded stakes winners. Chic Shirine is the second dam of the grade I-winning Somali Lemonade and of Enchanted Rock, the dam of multiple grade I winner Verrazano. A daughter of grade I winner Too Chic, by Mr. Prospector, Chic Shirine is a full sister to 1991 champion older female Queena.

Medaglia d'Oro, second to Tapit last year on the general sire list, already has 89 stakes winners-including Rachel Alexandra, a finalist for the Hall of Fame in her first year of eligibility this year, to last year's champion 2-year-old filly Songbird.

A familiar name to breeders but new to New York for 2016 is Bellamy Road. The WinStar Farm stallion, who began his career with Ben P. Walden Jr. at Hurricane Hall and then Pauls Mill, is standing this year at Dutchess Views Farm near Pine Plains for \$7,500.

At 3 in 2005, Bellamy Road turned the racing scene on its ear with his 17½-length, track record-equaling victory in the Wood Memorial Stakes (gr. I) at Aqueduct. Later that season he was second to Flower Alley in the Travers Stakes (gr. I). Bellamy Road, a son of Concerto out of Hurry Home Hillary, by Deputed Testamony, is the sire of 28 stakes winners, including fellow Wood Memorial winner Toby's Corner and Canadian champion older female Sisterly Love.

He has an "old-school" pedigree with but one line of Mr. Prospector in his four-cross, so he serves as a good outcross to a lot of North American-based broodmares.

Questroyal Stud North near Still-(continued on page 42)



Majestic City, by City Zip, stands for \$3,500 at Questroyal North



Major Gain, shown winning the grade III Arlington-Washington Futurity, is at McMahon of Saratoga



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1	DEFRERE (92, Deputy Minister)	N/A	14/4	0/0	0/0	(Maybe Tonight, \$23,940)	\$71,355	*587	22	1.23	1.18
2	PARK AVENUE BALL (02, Citidancer)	Died, 2015	4/2	0/0	0/0	(Park Avenue Appeal, \$15,570)	\$33,010	34	0	0.74	1.31
3	CABLE BOY (04, Jump Start), Colonial Farms	\$1,000	2/1	0/0	0/0	(She's Hot Wired, \$28,560)	\$28,560	17	0	0.94	0.89
4	DON SIX (00, Wild Escapade), Greenfields Farm	Private	4/0	0/0	0/0	(Royal Six Shooter, \$6,618)	\$15,415	78	3	1.17	1.26

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water has two new stallions for 2016, including the grade I-winning Golden Ticket. The 7-year-old dark bay or brown son of Speightstown—Business Plan, by Deputy Minister, was campaigned over five seasons and made 33 starts. His top win came in the 2012 \$1 million Travers in which he dead-

plaint we've heard, but he won \$1 million with the bone he has. The front end of him reminds me more of Deputy Minister, and as you tail off to the back, he looks more like Speightstown with that sprinter back end."

Hold Me Back makes his way to Irish Hill Century Farm. Winner of the Lane's End Stakes (gr. II) at 3 in 2009,



Distance-loving Micromanage stands at Rockridge Stud for 2016

heated with Alpha at Saratoga. Earlier that year he placed in the Tampa Bay Derby (gr. II) and later added a pair of stakes wins and ran second in the grade I Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile and Stephen Foster Handicap Presented by Abu Dhabi.

"He's a legitimate horse," said Questroyal's assistant farm manager Michael Brown. "He could have stood in Kentucky if they had retired him after his 4-year-old year.

"Golden Ticket looks a lot like both his sire and damsire. He's got a lot of Speightstown in him. He's about 16 hands. He's nicely balanced and has a strong rear end; a strong gaskin. He may be a touch light on bone for some people, but that's about the only comHold Me Back (Giant's Causeway—Restraint, by Unbridled's Song) was later second in the Toyota Blue Grass Stakes (gr. I) and second to sophomore champion Summer Bird in the Shadwell Travers.

"Everybody thought his offspring were going to be mile-plus runners, but he's getting winners at six, 6½ furlongs," said Burke. "I think he's going to be a sleeper stallion. He's going to be around New York for quite awhile. He got here late and missed some of the open and early-foaling mares, but people have called and said they want to breed to him next year."

Hold Me Back is the sire of Jet Black Magic, winner of the March 4 Azalea Stakes at Delta Downs and who is on the trail for the Longines Kentucky Oaks (gr. I). She also landed the \$400,000 Delta Downs Princess Stakes (gr. III).

WinStar, which previously stood Hold Me Back, has had a solid history of supporting the New York-bred program. Sixteen years ago they bred Funny Cide, the Derby and Preakness Stakes (gr. I) winner of 2003 by Win-Star stallion Distorted Humor.

Joining Golden Ticket at Questroyal in 2016 is Majestic City. The hard-knocking son of City Zip—It'schemistrybaby, by Meadowlake, made 30 starts from 2 through 6, winning five times and placing eight times. He was brilliant at 2 winning the sixfurlong Hollywood Juvenile Championship (gr. III) and was able to stretch his speed later in the season, running second in the 11/16-mile Dixiana Breeders' Futurity (gr. I) at Keeneland. Between those efforts he was third in the seven-furlong Del Mar Futurity (gr. I).

Solid at 1% miles as an older horse, he annexed the Lone Star Park Handicap (gr. III) at 6 in 2015.

City Zip, who began his stud career in New York, has been a true bread-andbutter stallion for the industry—nothing flashy, but just producing winners.

"For a City Zip he's got a lot of scope," said Questroyal's Brown. "He's got bone and nice feet. He's got a huge rear end, and he's got a nice shoulder to him. What he did at 2 gets a lot of people fired up.

"He's a touch offset in his left front, but I don't know of a City Zip that isn't a bit offset, so everybody seems to be OK with that. Some people are unfamiliar with him because he didn't run in New York, but he was so good at 2 and with the purse structure up here he's going to be perfect for New York."

McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds introduces Major Gain to the New York market this year. A sharp 2-year-old, Major Gain won the Arlington-Washington Futurity (gr. III) at 2 and was third in the Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes (gr. II) at Churchill Downs.

He's a son of More Than Ready out of (continued on page 44)

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	1 COSA VERA (05, Dynaformer), North Cliff Farms	Private	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Max Crown, \$26,150)	\$26,710	25	0	0.57	1.43
1	2 REBELLION (GB) (03, Mozart), Hickory Tree Farm	\$3,500	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Volstead, \$12,128)	\$17,737	*42	1	1.17	1.31

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the stakes-winning Dream Lady, by Old Trieste. Major Gain is a full brother to American Oaks (gr. IT) winner Room Service and a half brother to the stakeswinning Oscar Party. The family in-



Midas Touch, by Galileo, was second in the 2010 Irish Derby



Spendthrift stallion Normandy Invasion stands at Keane Stud

cludes Lilly Capote, the dam of Aubby K, a grade I winner and \$2.4 million Fasig-Tipton Kentucky November sale graduate last fall.

He'll be the first son of More Than Ready to stand in New York.

Rockridge Stud near Hudson features a pair of fresh faces for 2016: Micromanage and Midas Touch, a son of Galileo, who has stood for three seasons in Kentucky.

Micromanage, another son of Medaglia d'Oro in New York, went 7-4-6 in 30 starts over a four-year campaign and earned \$790,551. A good 3-year-old, he was third in the William Hill Haskell Invitational Stakes (gr. I) in the summer of 2013. He was strong later in his racing career and excelled over a route of ground. Stakes wins came from 81/2 to 14 furlongs and perhaps his most impressive run was a second-place finish in Belmont's 12-furlong Brooklyn Invitational Stakes (gr. II) in 2014.

He is out of stakes winner Catnip, a mare by Flying Paster, who is a half sister to three other stakes winners, including Belmont Stakes (gr. I) winner Editor's Note and champion Hold That Tiger.

"He's got plenty of female family," said Robinson. "You don't see Flying Paster in too many pedigrees these days; I like that as an opportunity as an outcross for a lot of pedigrees.

"He's 16.2 hands; he's correct. He's got good bone and muscle," Robinson said. "Some people have been drawn to him just on pedigree, but when they come to see him, they are impressed.

"Everybody likes different forms in their horses," Robinson added. "Some people are really into type. I've seen Japan, but I haven't seen his brother. I know Japan is a different type, and I assume his brother is as well. Some will be drawn to one or the other-it's a matter of personal taste."

As for Midas Touch, who is out of the stakes-winning Darshaan mare Approach, he stood the last three years at War Horse Place in Kentucky and also shuttled the 2014 season to Haras Cordillera in Chile. Winner of the Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial (Ire-II), he

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The 2015 New York-bred divisional champions and Horse of the Year will be announced at NYTB's annual awards banquet April 4 at the Saratoga National Golf Club in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Also to be honored at the banquet will be Broodmare of the Year, champion trainer, champion jockey, and outstanding breeder.

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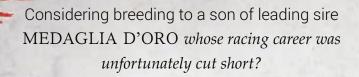
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was the highweighted 3-year-old colt in Ireland in 2010, running second in both the Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby (Ire-I) and Ladbrokes St. Leger (Eng-I).

"We started getting calls on him right away," Robinson said of Midas Touch. "If people want 'turf' horses, he's one to look at. He kind of got lost in the shuffle in the group of horses he was in with in Kentucky at his stud fee range."

He'll stand for \$3,500 at Rockridge, and he covered 22 mares last year after

covering 25 the year before.

Normandy Invasion (Tapit—Boston Lady, by Boston Harbor) will stand the 2016 season at Keane Stud Operations as property of Spendthrift Farm. The bay colt was certainly a "talking horse" on the racetrack despite making only 12 starts in a four-year racing campaign.

A \$230,000 sale 2-year-old, Normandy Invasion was second in the Remsen Stakes (gr. II) at 2 and second in the Wood Memorial Stakes (gr. I) leading up to the 2013 classics. The

fifth choice in the Kentucky Derby, Normandy Invasion finished fourth, just missing third by a head. He was sidelined for the remainder of his sophomore year due to a deep abscess in a front hoof. He returned at 4 to set a track record of 1:33.13 for a mile at Gulfstream Park and placed in the New Orleans Handicap (gr. II). He later fractured his right front sesamoid, which hindered his racing career.

"He's a tall, 16.1 Tapit; he's got length and is a pretty good mover," said Spendthrift's Des Dempsey. "A lot of people really like him in the New York market. He's been well placed and well priced (at \$5,000)."

New to Sequel Stallions (near Hudson, N.Y.) and the New York market is Stephanoatsee, who will stand privately for Leonard Riggio's My Meadowview Farm.

The 7-year-old stakes-winning son of A.P. Indy is out of Oatsee, Kentucky Broodmare of the Year for 2011 and the dam of Preakness Stakes winner Shackleford and grade I winner Lady Joanne, grade II winner Afleeting Lady, and grade III winner Baghdaria.

"He's a good-looking horse out of a broodmare of the year," said Lincoln Collins of Kern Thoroughbreds, which assists Riggio. "We thought we'd give him a shot with some of My Meadowview's own mares. Others are welcome to breed to the horse, but he's not being put out there as an overwhelmingly commercial proposition."

Meanwhile, Thomas Coleman's Zivo takes up residence at Irish Hill Century Farm. By True Direction (a grandson of Deputy Minister) out of American Skipper, by Quiet American, Zivo won nine of 19 starts and earned just more than \$1 million. A three-time stakes winner against state-breds, Zivo stepped out to win the Suburban Handicap (gr. II) in 2014 and ran second later that year in the Jockey Club Gold Cup Stakes (gr. I).

"He looks great," said Burke. "He was never injected and ran sound. To have a horse of this caliber who never had anything done to him on the racetrack—that's huge.

"Thomas Coleman will support him heavily, and I'm going to support him with farm mares and we've had some outside mares already covered by him."

With 12 new stallions from which to choose from in New York this season, there should be something for everybody.



Stephanoatsee is out of Kentucky Broodmare of the Year Oatsee



New York-bred Zivo is at Irish Hill Century Farm

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