

WEST COAST

# Hello, Daehling

*Horses, grapes, trees thrive at Daehling Ranch*

STORY AND PHOTOS  
BY TRACY GANTZ



Julia Oldfield and Joe Daehling at Daehling Ranch near Elk Grove, Calif.

**PRACTICALITY OFTEN DOESN'T RECEIVE** the proper amount of credit or respect that the trait deserves. Joe Daehling has mastered the art of practicality in a way that makes his Daehling Ranch near Elk Grove, Calif., run at peak cost-efficiency while providing horses with room to run, develop, and grow into athletes.

Diversification dovetails with that practicality. The 400-acre ranch includes 280 devoted to horses, 90 for wine grapes, and 10-acre Big Oak Nursery. Daehling's daughter, Julia Oldfield, has a degree in agricultural business from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and runs the nursery, which provides all types of plants, trees, and shrubs, primarily to wholesalers.

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# Harris Farms Stallions for 2017

CALIFORNIA'S GRADE I SOURCE



Lucky Pulpit



Smiling Tiger



Heatseeker



Tizbud



Clubhouse Ride



Jeranimo



Desert Code



Lakerville

## Lucky Pulpit

Record California progeny earnings of \$10.5 million in 2016 and sire of all-time leading money winner California Chrome (G1, \$14,452,650). Fee: \$7,500 LF

## Heatseeker

Sire of 2016 stakes winners: Ryans Charm-G1, Catholic Cowboy (\$461,489), Speed Seeker (G3, \$266,638) and Isa Firecracker (at 2). Fee: \$3,500 LF

## Clubhouse Ride

Earnings of \$1,342,132 rank this multiple G2 winner as the top money winner at stud by Candy Ride, #4 General Sire of 2016. Fee: \$2,500 LF

## Desert Code

Top 10 active sire by 2016 Cal-bred progeny earnings and a leading fourth-crop sire by lifetime average earnings per runner (\$43,800). Fee: \$2,000 LF

## Smiling Tiger

Nineteen first-crop yearlings sold in California this year averaged \$36,126, including sales toppers at \$190,000 and \$130,000. Fee: \$4,000 LF

## Tizbud

G1 sire of Tiz Flirtatious (\$779,800) and 2016 stakes winners Soi Phet (\$756,816), Ambitious Brew (G3, \$449,570) and Chao Chom (\$146,600). Fee: \$2,500 LF

## Jeranimo New for 2017

Eight-time graded stakes winner of \$1.5 million on turf and main tracks, including the Shoemaker Mile-G1 in 1:33.97. Fee: \$2,500 LF

## Lakerville

Stakes winner of \$318,910 and brilliant sprinting son of Unusual Heat with 5 wins and 4 seconds in 11 starts. First foals are yearlings in 2017. Private Treaty



Stud fees are payable when foal stands and nurses. All Stallions are Breeders' Cup Nominated



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## 2016 LEADING SIRES IN CALIFORNIA

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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB, Sire), Where Stands	2016 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2016 Earnings	Cumulative			
								Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	LUCKY PULPIT (01, Pulpit), Harris Farms	\$7,500	159/74	2/6	1/2	(California Chrome, \$8,130,000)	\$10,533,965	*292	4	1.77	1.17
2	BLUEGRASS CAT (03, Storm Cat), Ballena Vista Farm	\$7,500	227/125	7/9	3/7	(Kathballu, \$163,700)	\$5,217,534	*743	30	1.20	1.79
3	UNUSUAL HEAT (90, Nureyev), Harris Farms	Pnsd	108/54	5/8	3/5	(Cheekaboo, \$274,890)	\$3,543,650	*749	42	1.98	1.24
4	TRIBAL RULE (96, Storm Cat)	Died, 2014	143/71	3/3	3/3	(Tribal Jewel, \$189,210)	\$3,157,376	693	32	1.28	1.07
5	SQUARE EDDIE (06, Smart Strike), Ocean Breeze Ranch	\$25,000	69/43	5/5	5/5	(Allsquare, \$152,910)	\$2,441,078	110	9	1.69	0.95
6	U S RANGER (04, Danzig), Rancho San Miguel	\$3,000	164/76	1/1	0/1	(U S Officer, \$99,565)	\$2,252,873	*309	3	0.65	1.39
7	VRONSKY (99, Danzig), Old English Rancho	\$6,500	61/38	4/6	2/4	(What a View, \$441,523)	\$2,020,893	171	9	1.53	1.10
8	MINISTERS WILD CAT (00, Deputy Minister), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$5,000	84/52	0/0	0/0	(Toledo Eddie, \$183,140)	\$1,846,278	346	14	1.04	0.93
9	HAYNESFIELD (06, Speightstown), Rancho San Miguel	\$5,000	86/44	4/4	1/4	(He'll Pay, \$168,730)	\$1,818,484	*128	4	0.88	1.51
10	STREET HERO (06, Street Cry), Oak Creek Farm	\$3,500	64/36	2/2	1/2	(The Player, \$170,532)	\$1,494,542	*202	4	1.10	0.99
11	PAPA CLEM (06, Smart Strike), Legacy Ranch	\$5,000	89/45	0/0	0/0	(Mon Petite, \$74,845)	\$1,402,740	205	4	0.84	1.15
12	GRAZEN (06, Benchmark), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	31/21	2/4	2/2	(Enola Gray, \$323,100)	\$1,391,308	54	3	1.66	1.34
13	EDDINGTON (01, Unbridled), Ballena Vista Farm	\$3,500	73/36	2/2	1/2	(Gracie Ragazza, \$101,060)	\$1,299,824	*385	10	1.26	1.48
14	SOUTHERN IMAGE (00, Halo's Image), Rancho San Miguel	\$2,500	71/43	1/1	1/1	(Smokey Image, \$162,861)	\$1,288,822	*489	7	1.08	1.17
15	BENCHMARK (91, Alydar)	Pnsd	65/41	1/1	0/1	(Sweetrayofsunshine, \$214,700)	\$1,209,246	721	28	1.20	1.10
16	MARINO MARINI (00, Storm Cat), Rancho San Miguel	\$2,500	88/49	0/0	0/0	(Breakaway Dixie, \$86,035)	\$1,102,853	351	4	0.85	0.99
17	HEATSEEKER (IRE) (03, Giant's Causeway), Harris Farms	\$5,000	53/23	2/2	1/2	(Catholic Cowboy, \$118,191)	\$1,101,054	*180	8	1.09	1.30
18	DECARCHY (97, Distant View), Magali Farms	\$4,500	61/30	0/0	0/0	(Lucy De, \$85,400)	\$1,065,228	359	12	1.03	0.98
19	EINSTEIN (BRZ) (02, Spend a Buck), Magali Farms	\$6,000	66/29	0/0	0/0	(Scholar Athlete, \$124,580)	\$977,478	*139	0	0.71	0.96
20	TIZBUD (99, Cee's Tizzy), Harris Farms	\$1,500	33/17	3/6	1/3	(Soi Phet, \$242,020)	\$965,345	167	6	1.11	0.90
21	BERTRANDO (89, Skywalker)	Died, 2014	46/25	2/3	1/2	(Bert's Melody, \$136,185)	\$957,640	1066	52	1.32	1.47
22	DESERT CODE (04, E Dubai), Harris Farms	\$2,000	45/20	0/0	0/0	(Bad Ju Ju, \$172,565)	\$901,103	96	2	1.00	1.16
23	KAFWAIN (00, Cherokee Run), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$5,000	71/34	0/0	0/0	(Kafister, \$144,820)	\$867,359	*560	18	1.06	1.22
24	TANNERSMYMAN (98, Lord Carson), Woodbridge Farm	Private	37/24	1/1	0/1	(My Friend Emma, \$123,989)	\$804,979	165	3	0.68	0.74
25	CYCLOTRON (00, Grand Slam), Old English Rancho	Private	32/21	0/0	0/0	(He Will, \$164,065)	\$714,023	92	1	1.29	1.23
26	THORN SONG (03, Unbridled's Song)	Died, 2014	58/21	1/2	0/1	(Only You Babe, \$127,400)	\$708,308	108	1	0.52	1.34
27	STORMIN FEVER (94, Storm Cat), Rancho Temescal	Pnsd	52/23	0/0	0/0	(Agonistic, \$82,516)	\$707,363	*763	26	1.13	1.34
28	AWESOME GAMBLER (04, Coronado's Quest), Lovacres Ranch	\$5,000	55/25	0/0	0/0	(One More Roll, \$59,974)	\$645,896	195	1	0.76	0.76
29	GAME PLAN (93, Danzig)	Died, 2015	14/9	1/2	0/1	(Ashleyluvssugar, \$492,000)	\$623,277	440	17	0.87	0.79
30	SOUGHT AFTER (00, Seeking the Gold)	Died, 2015	18/10	1/1	0/1	(Masochistic, \$425,700)	\$610,868	118	2	0.90	0.80
31	OLD TOPPER (95, Gilded Time), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	38/21	0/0	0/0	(Seedsandstemsagain, \$98,736)	\$562,883	533	19	0.94	0.84
32	MCCANN'S MOJAVE (00, Memo)	Died, 2013	44/23	0/0	0/0	(Can Can Babe, \$58,270)	\$562,759	101	0	0.66	1.08
33	DIXIE CHATTER (05, Dixie Union), Ballena Vista Farm	\$3,000	58/20	1/1	1/1	(Yo Y Me, \$86,858)	\$556,761	181	3	0.66	0.98
34	LUCKY J. H. (02, Cee's Tizzy)	Died, 2016	33/16	0/0	0/0	(Matter of Luck, \$70,292)	\$548,614	81	1	0.86	1.22
35	DON'TSELLMESHORT (01, Benchmark), Running Luck Ranch	\$2,500	49/23	0/0	0/0	(The Spiral Jetter, \$108,385)	\$531,901	122	1	0.51	0.72
36	SURF CAT (02, Sir Cat), Old English Rancho	Private	27/16	1/2	0/1	(San Onofre, \$129,690)	\$507,577	98	1	0.76	1.20
37	COMIC STRIP (95, Red Ransom), Gray's Farm	\$5,000	25/15	0/0	0/0	(Light One, \$68,392)	\$493,896	332	11	0.82	1.11
38	MR. BIG (03, Dynaformer), E. A. Ranches	\$3,500	8/6	1/1	0/1	(Big Score, \$147,800)	\$453,133	14	1	2.52	0.76
39	CINDAGO (03, Indian Charlie)	Died	28/13	0/0	0/0	(Be a Lady, \$81,370)	\$430,674	94	3	1.05	1.34
40	PEPPERED CAT (00, Tabasco Cat), Daehling Ranch	\$3,000	34/14	0/0	0/0	(He's a Pepper, \$76,782)	\$413,687	68	1	1.07	0.65
41	SLEW'S TIZNOW (05, Tiznow), Rancho San Miguel	\$2,500	19/13	0/0	0/0	(Dr. Go, \$64,170)	\$398,953	56	0	0.87	1.05
42	BEDFORD FALLS (03, Forestry), Poplar Meadows	\$2,000	19/14	0/0	0/0	(Cuddle Alert, \$81,070)	\$384,994	45	0	0.89	0.93
43	AFFIRMATIVE (99, Unbridled), BG Thoroughbred Farm	\$1,000	24/12	0/0	0/0	(Warren's Nicholas, \$50,653)	\$380,053	92	2	1.14	0.78
44	MAST TRACK (04, Mizzen Mast), Daehling Ranch	Private	24/12	0/0	0/0	(Terra Xpress, \$50,572)	\$359,295	37	0	0.79	1.12
45	TIME TO GET EVEN (04, Stephen Got Even), Lovacres Ranch	\$2,000	23/14	0/0	0/0	(Time for Angie, \$106,200)	\$356,062	49	1	0.82	0.64
46	SEA OF SECRETS (95, Storm Cat), Victory Rose Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	32/16	0/0	0/0	(Cindys Secret, \$121,343)	\$335,486	*476	16	0.84	1.05
47	THE PAMPLEMOUSSE (06, Kafwain), Rancho San Miguel	\$2,500	26/12	0/0	0/0	(Madame Mousse, \$86,007)	\$316,817	61	0	0.67	1.21
48	SIERRA SUNSET (05, Bertrando), Paradise Road Ranch	\$1,500	21/6	0/0	0/0	(Touched by Autism, \$100,937)	\$312,187	53	0	0.80	0.82
49	ROI CHARMANT (01, Evansville Slew), Magali Farms	\$1,500	16/8	0/0	0/0	(Charming Starlet, \$108,985)	\$309,168	25	0	1.32	0.85
50	TERRELL (00, Distorted Humor)	Died	33/14	0/0	0/0	(Pocket Prince, \$46,635)	\$298,540	185	0	0.58	0.94
51	ELUSIVE WARNING (04, Elusive Quality), Madera Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	17/12	0/0	0/0	(Ain't Misbehavin, \$115,718)	\$290,077	44	1	0.66	1.01
52	BIRDONTHEWIRE (89, Proud Birdie)	Pnsd	11/6	2/2	2/2	(Solid Wager, \$99,315)	\$271,419	*271	12	1.30	1.32
53	BOLD CHIEFTAIN (03, Chief Seattle), Victory Rose Thoroughbreds	\$3,000	17/5	0/0	0/0	(I Came to Party, \$133,945)	\$263,436	36	0	0.61	0.96
54	SUNDBARAN (06, A.P. Indy), Milky Way Farm	\$2,500	25/11	0/0	0/0	(Howdy, \$97,510)	\$253,461	76	0	0.49	0.94
55	IDIOT PROOF (04, Benchmark), Victory Rose Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	9/6	0/0	0/0	(Richard's Boy, \$126,570)	\$252,680	37	1	1.33	1.16
56	MANY RIVERS (05, Storm Cat), Victory Rose Thoroughbreds	\$2,000	17/6	0/0	0/0	(Flying Tee, \$91,693)	\$250,899	34	0	0.56	0.90
57	WESTERN FAME (92, Gone West)	Died	11/6	0/0	0/0	(West Mid, \$93,290)	\$247,223	298	12	0.93	0.81
58	INFORMED (04, Tiznow), Ridgeley Farm	\$2,500	22/8	0/0	0/0	(Dragon Flower, \$39,785)	\$236,118	45	0	0.63	0.63
59	LIGHTNIN N THUNDER (01, Storm Cat), Fruitful Acres Farm	\$3,000	15/9	0/0	0/0	(What's Up J P, \$36,529)	\$228,149	197	6	0.87	1.07
60	TRAPPER (00, Iron Cat), Rivendell Ranch	\$2,000	8/2	1/1	0/1	(Toomuchisnotenough, \$115,550)	\$225,932	47	1	1.07	0.79
61	STORMY JACK (97, Bertrando), Brazeau Thoroughbred Farms, LP	\$1,000	23/10	0/0	0/0	(Storm Comin Thru, \$82,822)	\$218,253	206	1	0.56	0.73
62	THISNEARLYWASMINE (94, Capote)	Died, 2013	12/6	0/0	0/0	(Anita Marie, \$71,938)	\$216,188	80	0	0.77	0.68
63	EMPIRE WAY (09, Empire Maker), Lovacres Ranch	\$5,000	11/3	0/0	0/0	(Dutt Bart, \$52,230)	\$208,647	19	0	0.91	0.95
64	GOTHAM CITY (98, Saint Ballado), Daehling Ranch	\$1,500	16/10	0/0	0/0	(Melanie Rose, \$31,115)	\$202,928	183	0	0.70	0.81
65	POPULAR (99, Saint Ballado)	Died, 2014	15/5	0/0	0/0	(Rosarita, \$81,105)	\$201,897	96	1	0.97	0.94
66	GOLDEN BALLS (IRE) (04, Danehill Dancer), Paradise Road Ranch	\$2,000	14/5	0/0	0/0	(Golden Light, \$66,785)	\$193,943	36	0	0.44	0.81
67	STORM WOLF (02, Stormin Fever), Rancho San Miguel	\$1,500	21/11	0/0	0/0	(I'll Run the Show, \$24,804)	\$190,458	54	0	0.55	1.30
68	PERFECT MANDATE (96, Gone West)	Died, 2012	15/7	0/0	0/0	(Aperfectdaytofly, \$56,980)	\$183,164	298	8	0.87	1.20
69	BLAZONRY (00, Hennessy), Running Horse Equine Training Center	\$2,500	14/8	0/0	0/0	(Guy Code, \$77,379)	\$178,007	64	0	0.62	0.64
70	ATTICUS (92, Nureyev), Magali Farms	\$3,500	24/12	0/0	0/0	(Atta' Boy Woody, \$34,311)	\$176,570	476	11	1.00	1.40



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## 2017 STALLION ROSTER



### A Top Twelve Active California Sire

**SOUTHERN IMAGE** Halo's Image – Pleasant Dixie, by Dixieland Band/ **\$1,500 LF**

- A Top Six Active California Sire by 2016 Repeat Winners, incl. **Grade 3-pl FIVE-time SW SMOKEY IMAGE** (\$460,461), won his first six starts by a combined margin of 27 lengths, incl. 2016 \$250,000 California Cup Derby by 8 1/2 lengths, \$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.
- California-sired crops incl. SWs **SMOKEY IMAGE** (\$460,461); **BETTER BET** (\$317,652); 2016 SWs **ZOOKS** and **MIDNIGHT PASSION**; etc.
- His first crop has average earnings over \$77,000 and 11% \$100K+ earners,.

### A Top Five Active Sires by 2016 Cal-Bred Winners

**MARINO MARINI** Storm Cat – Halo America, by Waquoit/ **\$1,500 LF**

- **Ranked among the top ten active sires by 2016 Cal-Bred earnings!**
- Sire of **12% Stakes Horses**, 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.); **SHUDACUDAWUDYA** (\$337,639); **STARLIGHT MAGIC** (\$334,900); etc.
- Outstanding 2016 season with Stakes performers including **Breakaway Dixie**, on-the-board in 11 of 14 starts incl. Wine Country S. and Pleasanton Oaks; etc.



### Leading Active Third-Crop Sire by 2016 Cal-Bred Earnings

**THE PAMPLEMOUSSE** Kafwain – Comfort Zone, by Rubiano/ **\$1,500 LF**

- First crop sire of **14% Stakes Horses**, incl. **Thermodynamics** (\$145,730) – 2nd \$200,000 Melair S., and **Bullwinkle Babe** – 2nd Arizona Oaks.
- Current 2YOs incl. 9 1/2-length maiden winner SHAYDA'S PRINCE, on-the-board in the \$50,000 Cavonnier Juvenile S.
- Yearling prices up to \$160,000 & 2YO prices up to \$105,000.
- Won 3 of 5 starts, incl. **G3** Sham S. by 6L (**107 Beyer**) and **G3** San Rafael S.
- Sire of **\$160,000 BARRETTS SALES TOPPING YEARLING** in his First Crop!

### First Foals Arrived in 2016

**TYPHOON SLEW** Stormy Atlantic – Hepatica, by Slewpy/ **\$1,000 LF**

- Ranked on the **Experimental Free Handicap** ahead of Graded Winners **PRAYER FOR RELIEF** (\$2,027,948), **SWIFT WARRIOR** (\$651,953), etc.
- **10 3/4-length** Maiden Special Winner **on dirt** at second asking, and on-the-board in Keeneland's \$400,000 **Grade 1** Breeders' Futurity **on synthetic** and Saratoga's \$100,000 **Grade 3** With Anticipation S. **on turf**.
- Only son of Leading Sire **STORMY ATLANTIC**, **Typhoon Slew** is a grandson of **Grade 1** 2YO SWs and Leading Sires **STORM CAT** and **SLEWPY**.



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### New to California for 2017

**HAYNESFIELD** Speightstown – Nothing Special, by Tejabo/ **\$5,000 LF**

- First crop sire of **Grade 3** Commonwealth Turf SW **HAY DAKOTA** (\$137,090), **Grade 2**-pl \$100,000 Rushaway SW **HE'LL PAY** (\$173,099), and five-time SW **C U AT EAU CLAIRE** (\$167,211) and recent 3rd place finished of the G1 Cigar Mile, **Realm**.
- Current 2YOs incl. \$100,000 Hillsdale SW **GIFTED JUSTICE**, \$100,000 SPW **Sixers City**, and \$50,000+ SPWs **Prince of Kentucky** and **Hyannisport**.
- Ten wins/Eight Stakes Wins in 19 starts, incl. **Grade 1** Jockey Club Gold Cup, earning \$1,319,481.
- Yearling prices up to \$160,000, juveniles for up to \$310,000.
- California's first son of Eclipse Champion **SPEIGHTSTOWN**, sire of 78 SWs, incl. 2016 **Grade 1** Breeder's Cup winner **TAMARKUZ**.

### 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 three-time Eclipse Champion and three-time **Grade 1** Breeders' Cup SW **BEHOLDER** (\$6,156,600, **114 Beyer**), ten-time **Grade 1** SW, etc.
- Half-brother to **Grade 1** CashCall Futurity SW **INTO MISCHIEF (103 Beyer)**, sire of 19 SWs, incl. two-time **Grade 1** Breeders' Cup SW **GOLDEN-CENTS**, 2016 multiple **Grade 1** 2YO SW **PRACTICAL JOKE**, etc.
- **Half-brother to the \$3,000,000 Record Yearling of 2016!**
- By two-time Horse of the Year/Leading Sire **CURLIN**, sire of 30 SWs, incl. **EX-AGGERATOR (G1)**, **PALACE MALICE (G1)**, **KEEN ICE (G1)**, **STELLAR WIND (G1, Champion)**, **CURALINA (G1)**, **OFF THE TRACKS (G1)**, etc.



### California's C0-Leading Sire of 2016 Two-Year-Old Winners

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

- Current 2YOs incl. SW **U S OFFICER**, 2 1/2-length winner of the \$100,000 open listed Clever Trevor S. and 3rd in \$60,000 Evangeline Downs Prince S.; **Dona Repa**, 5 1/2-length first start maiden special winner & 2nd **Grade 3** Eduardo Cautino Insua S.; etc.
- Fourth Leading Active California Sire of 2016 with Graded Stakes Winners in each of his first two crops, sire of \$250,000 **Grade 3** Dixiana Bourbon SW **LAWN RANGER** (\$211,764); \$150,000 **Grade 3** Arlington-Washington Futurity SW **SOLITARY RANGER** (\$231,932); Australian **Group 3** SW **GET THE NOD**.
- Barretts 2YOs sold for \$160,000, Keeneland Sept. Yearlings for up to \$180,000.

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## Pedigree Powerhouse – First Outstanding Foals Arrived in 2016

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

- Graded Stakes-Winning son of Three-Time Leading Sire **GIANT'S CAUSEWAY**, sire of 185 SWs, 327 SHs & earners of over \$153 Million.
- Out of a half-sister to Leading Sires **GHOSTZAPPER** and **CITY ZIP**, the sires of 133 SWs, 244 SHs & earners of over \$122 Million.
- **NORTHERN CAUSEWAY** is a Graded Derby winner from the foundation family that produces Breeders' Cup Classic & Kentucky Derby winners.



## California's Leading Second-Crop Sire for 2016

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

- **Over 87% of his starters have WON or Placed!**
- Sire of the exciting 2YO, **CLOSING TIME**, Santa Anita MSW winner at a mile and placing at 5 1/2 furlongs. Other notable winners incl. 3 3/4-length Del Mar Maiden Special winner **TIZ LOVE**, 5-length Santa Rosa Maiden Special winner **SUMMERSIMAGE**, Los Alamitos Maiden Special winner **DR. GO**, 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 MSW and 2nd in Keeneland's **G1** Breeders' Futurity at two.
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One of the barns at the 400-acre Daehling Ranch

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“Two hundred acres are irrigated because we have a good underground water supply,” said Daehling.

That is rare in drought-riddled California, though Daehling’s location in the northern part of the state, just south of Sacramento, is faring somewhat better than Southern California.

“The combination works very well,” said Daehling. “For example, we produce a large amount of horse manure, which we put into the grapes. If we need a little tractor for something on the horse side, we can go to the nursery and get one. If they need a big tractor for the nursery, they get one from the horses.”

The 22 employees, eight of whom live on the ranch, are versatile enough to shift back and forth among the operations, though six work exclusively with the horses. Oldfield helps considerably with the horse division in addition to her nursery duties, and father and daughter are particularly fond of the equine side of things. Julia even had the opportunity to attend this year’s Breeders’ Cup World Championships with her husband, Justin, who is

vice president of government affairs for the California Cattlemen’s Association.

Daehling Ranch will stand 11 stallions for the 2017 breeding season, most of them for clients. Daehling owns stakes-placed Fullbridled (Unbridled’s Song—Constantia, by Relaunch) and a half-interest in

graded stakes winner Gallant Son (Malarbar Gold—Explicitly, by Exploit).

Kentucky-bred Fullbridled, raced by his breeder, Barbara Kelly, competed primarily on the Southern California circuit. He ran second in the 2005 Dallas Turf Cup Handicap at Lone Star Park and earned \$115,240.

Gallant Son, also bred in Kentucky, began his career at Emerald Downs in Washington state, where he won four of his first five races, including three stakes. In California he captured stakes at Hollywood Park, Santa Anita, Golden Gate Fields, and Santa Rosa, retiring with earnings of \$552,528.

Peppered Cat, sire of Pepper Crown, a multiple graded stakes winner and earner of \$410,097, stands at Daehling, as do Einstein and Mast Track. Einstein, a Brazilian-bred son of Spend a Buck, earned \$2,945,238 while winning such races as the 2009 Santa Anita Handicap (gr. I) and two editions of the Woodford Reserve Turf Classic Stakes (gr. IT). Mast Track, by Mizzen Mast, compiled a \$928,835 bankroll  
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Daehling with the carriage that appeared in the movie 'Hello, Dolly'

**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 November 27, 2016. As supplied to BloodHorse 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.-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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Francisco Gomez with 15-year-old stallion Fullbridled

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and won the 2008 Hollywood Gold Cup Stakes (gr. I).

The ranch usually houses about 300 horses, including 50 or so owned by Daehling, who has another 20 at various race tracks. He has bred and raced California-bred stakes winner Sing and Tell and graded stakes-placed Aly Bubba, both trained by Holly Evans and both by deceased Almagic, who stood at the farm.

Spendthrift Farm bred Almagic, a son of Alydar—Huggle Duggle, by Never Bend, in Kentucky. Though unraced, Almagic received a chance at stud from Daehling, which paid off. Sing and Tell earned \$256,669 and won the 2014 Luther Burbank Handicap at Santa Rosa. Aly Bubba earned \$218,479, placing in such races as the 2002 Bay Meadows Derby (gr. IIIT), a race he lost by just a neck.

Daehling and Evans also collaborated on Cal-bred stakes-placed Fast and Foxy, a daughter of Thisnearlywasmine, who earned \$296,300.

Evans, a former hunter-jumper rider, is a good fit for Daehling. In addition to training the Daehling runners, primarily at Golden Gate Fields and on the Northern California circuit, Evans finds homes and second careers for those retired runners who don't go on to the breeding shed.

Each stallion on the ranch has a stall with an adjacent run for room to exercise.

"We don't like to keep horses in stalls much," said Oldfield. "They enjoy being outdoors."

Added Daehling, "For the most part, they are left to be horses—it's healthier."

Daehling takes pride in giving horses ample acreage. The variable-sized pastures include some as large as 15 acres for mares and young horses, and Daehling rotates the animals so that he can irrigate the pastures and give the grass time for regrowth.

He also has built shelters in each of the major pastures so that the horses can get out of bad weather.

"That's more for the humans' peace of mind," he said. "The horses usually simply turn their butts to the wind."

Winters are temperate, with summer heat being the most extreme weather that the ranch encounters. Elk Grove temperatures can climb into triple digits, which is when the heritage oak trees throughout the property come in handy.

It is good weather in which to raise horses and grow grapes. Daehling Ranch produces primarily chardonnay and pinot gris grapes, and Daehling sells them to E. & J. Gallo Winery.

While most of the fencing is used to keep horses in, Daehling erected some to keep native deer out.

"The deer eat the grapes," he said. "We

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## 2016 CALIFORNIA SIRES BY WINNERS

Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs
Bluegrass Cat	227	125
U S Ranger	164	76
Lucky Pulpit	159	74
Tribal Rule	143	71
Unusual Heat	108	54
Ministers Wild Cat	84	52
Marino Marini	88	49
Papa Clem	89	45
Haynesfield	86	44
Southern Image	71	43
Square Eddie	69	43
Benchmark	65	41
Vronsky	61	38
Eddington	73	36
Street Hero	64	36
Kafwain	71	34
Decarchy	61	30
Einstein (BRZ)	66	29
Awesome Gambler	55	25
Bertrando	46	25
Tannersmyman	37	24
Heatseeker (IRE)	53	23
Stormin Fever	52	23
Don'tsellmeshort	49	23
McCann's Mojave	44	23
Thorn Song	58	21
Old Topper	38	21
Cyclotron	32	21
Grazen	31	21
Dixie Chatter	58	20
Desert Code	45	20
Tizbud	33	17
Lucky J. H.	33	16
Sea of Secrets	32	16
Surf Cat	27	16
Comic Strip	25	15
Peppered Cat	34	14
Terrell	33	14
Time to Get Even	23	14
Bedford Falls	19	14
Cindago	28	13
Slew's Tiznow	19	13
The Pamplemousse	26	12
Affirmative	24	12
Atticus	24	12
Mast Track	24	12
Elusive Warning	17	12
Sundarban	25	11
Storm Wolf	21	11
Stormy Jack	23	10
Sought After	18	10
Gotham City	16	10
Lightnin N Thunder	15	9
Game Plan	14	9
Tough Game	12	9
Informed	22	8
Best Minister	20	8
Grey Memo	16	8
Roi Charmant	16	8
Blazonry	14	8

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Sire	SWnrs	SWins
Bluegrass Cat	7	9
Unusual Heat	5	8
Square Eddie	5	5
Vronsky	4	6
Haynesfield	4	4
Tizbud	3	6
Tribal Rule	3	3
Lucky Pulpit	2	6
Grazen	2	4
Bertrando	2	3
Birdonthewire	2	2
Eddington	2	2
Heatseeker (IRE)	2	2
Street Hero	2	2

Mast Track, winner of the grade I Hollywood Gold Cup, stands at Daehling Ranch

also see wild turkeys and occasionally mountain lions and coyotes.”

In the winter, Daehling feeds hay in dirt pastures so as not to tear up the grass when it rains. He has constructed cement slabs at ground level running across one fence line so that he can feed hay naturally, the horses able to graze with their heads down. In that way, he doesn't have the waste that would occur in inclement weather if the hay were fed directly on the ground. The slabs are cleaned every day.

Daehling even invented his own method of moving horses into trailers. Along the

fence line of one of his pastures, he seated two movable gates. He explained that after backing the trailer into that area and standing the horse behind the trailer, the gates can be manually brought together slowly, urging the horse into the trailer.

“It makes a chute to load them into the trailer,” he said, “and we rarely have any trouble.”

Daehling's ingenuity stems from a lifetime as a farmer, beginning in his native Germany, coupled with a stint as an auto mechanic in this country. The 79-year-old had studied agriculture in Germany and

came to the U.S. in 1960 “for adventure,” he said.

While he initially planned to stay only two years to learn farming methods in the U.S., he fell in love with June, his wife of 53 years. They raised daughters Julia and Joanna (now Nelson) and are the proud grandparents of four.

Daehling first traveled to South Dakota, “where I thought all the Germans were.” He worked on large farms there, but after about four months the severe weather convinced him to visit relatives in Sacramento, where he met June, a distant cousin.

Daehling first encountered workhorses in Germany, and they instilled in him a love of driving. He keeps a barn full of carriages and two light horses to pull them. He was able to buy a carriage that had appeared in the movie “Hello, Dolly,” and was ridden in by the film's star Barbra Streisand.

“In the first part of October every year we host a big carriage drive,” Daehling said.

Oldfield explained that her parents have been hosting the Antique Carriage Club October Drive for 35 years. About 70 people attend, bringing anywhere from 20-50 carriages, other groups including a competitive driving club and a miniature horse group.

“We have a two-hour open drive on



Daehling's inventive gates help horses load onto trailers

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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2016 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	Cumulative				
							2016 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	<b>PARKER'S STORM CAT</b> (00, Storm Cat), Gibson Thoroughbred Farm	\$2,000	68/31	1/1	0/1	(Ben's Cat, \$149,877)	<b>\$653,085</b>	*313	4	0.97	1.03
2	<b>PRIVATE GOLD</b> (00, Seeking the Gold), El Dorado Farms	\$1,500	33/16	1/3	1/1	(Gold Rush Dancer, \$303,220)	<b>\$518,137</b>	175	4	0.49	0.57
3	<b>ABRAAJ</b> (03, Carson City), El Dorado Farms	\$2,000	27/12	1/1	0/1	(Kaabraaj, \$79,600)	<b>\$334,197</b>	43	3	0.80	0.77
4	<b>RAISE THE BLUFF</b> (03, Pine Bluff), El Dorado Farms	\$1,000	25/17	0/0	0/0	(Percy's Bluff, \$71,285)	<b>\$317,216</b>	88	1	0.53	0.48
5	<b>PREACHINATTHEBAR</b> (01, Silver Charm), Pulse Ranches	\$1,000	36/19	0/0	0/0	(Asleepinchurch, \$26,946)	<b>\$311,640</b>	87	0	0.34	0.50
6	<b>COUNCIL MEMBER</b> (02, Seattle Slew), Dreamstar Farm	\$1,500	26/12	0/0	0/0	(Dano's Dream, \$52,426)	<b>\$258,750</b>	89	0	0.51	0.91
7	<b>MATTY G</b> (93, Capote), Lucky Acres Farm	\$1,500	33/17	0/0	0/0	(Knight Club, \$42,265)	<b>\$249,940</b>	*532	10	0.77	0.98
8	<b>NATIONHOOD</b> (02, Cherokee Run), Blue Ribbon Farm	\$1,500	24/16	0/0	0/0	(Arrom Bear, \$52,722)	<b>\$240,339</b>	42	1	0.52	0.72
9	<b>COAST GUARD</b> (05, Stormy Atlantic), El Dorado Farms	\$1,500	12/7	1/3	0/1	(So Lucky, \$103,835)	<b>\$219,614</b>	23	1	0.80	0.59
10	<b>LIBERTY GOLD</b> (94, Crafty Prospector), El Dorado Farms	\$2,000	12/6	0/0	0/0	(Keller's Gold, \$42,709)	<b>\$127,475</b>	172	4	0.42	0.58

country roads through fields and vineyards and a lunch afterwards," said Oldfield. "My parents love doing it."

Though horses dominate Daehling Ranch today, Joe and June originally purchased some acreage as a cattle ranch in 1973.

"I raised cattle until 1982, but I always liked horses," said Joe. "I started in a small way boarding Thoroughbred horses, and that got bigger and bigger until we didn't have any more cattle."

Cattle didn't re-enter the picture until Julia's husband, Justin, did. Because of his job, they again keep some cattle.

While Julia grew up around the cattle and the horse operations, her parents pushed both daughters toward higher education. Her sister, Joanna, is a teacher. After college, Julia interned with a large nursery in Colorado. She also spent time in Costa Rica to learn Spanish.

"My mom found that program," said Julia. "There is a lot of Spanish education in Costa Rica."

That has come in handy with the employees, many of whom are Hispanic. However, some of the employees are also bilingual.

Three integral members of the Daehling team are brothers Francisco and Jose Gomez and Juan Heredia. Like all of the employees, they pitch in where needed, though Francisco is the assistant manager to Joe Daehling and Heredia breaks and trains the horses.

Jose performs much of the irrigation work, but he also has a knack for horse identification.

"He knows every single horse on the



The training track at Daehling Ranch

property," said Daehling. "He can recognize a horse two years later when it returns to the ranch."

Daehling said that Heredia is very popular in the surrounding area for his expertise with young horses. For example, Daehling installed carpet around a large tie post, and Heredia demonstrated how he teaches a foal or weanling to tie and the role safety plays in the process.

He put shanks on the top and bottom of the post, holding the shanks instead of tying the horse. That way if the horse decides to pull back, Heredia can let out some of play in the shanks so that the horse doesn't feel the abrupt resistance he would if tied.

Daehling noted that Heredia's soothing voice and gentle manner soon allows just about any horse to be handled easily.

"He's a horse whisperer," said Daehling. Heredia also makes use of the farm's

covered round pen and three-furlong training track.

The nearby Cosumnes River provides excellent sand for the surface of the training track, said Daehling. They can screen the sand themselves to provide the cushion.

Daehling said that the river floods almost every year, and he designed the farm in such a way as to prepare for that. The vineyards are closest to the river. Since grapes are traditionally grown on the top rungs of a trellis and they are dormant at that time of year, Daehling Ranch rarely suffers from flood damage.

It is simply one more way that Daehling employs his background in a practical way to make Daehling Ranch an efficient, productive operation. **BH**

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