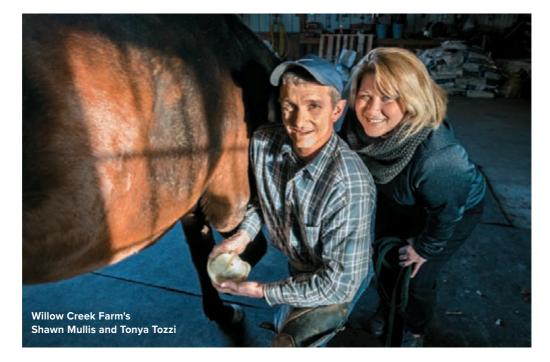
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**GROWING UP ON** the outskirts of Atlanta, Shawn Mullis learned horseshoeing from his father, "one of those old-school cowboy guys," according to his son. "He was a 1960s model."

In his late teens Mullis followed in his father's footsteps. "It was the path of least resistance," he said. Mullis learned his craft from a journeyman farrier before establishing himself, working with horses in a variety of disciplines: Quarter Horses, Thoroughbreds, dressage horses, and jumpers. His work took him to Ocala, Fla., and then to Dubai, where his career took a turn toward technology that he never had expected.

Until he moved to the United Arab Emirates, Mullis was a traditional farrier, albeit one accomplished enough to work for the Dubai Racing Club, shoeing horses for, among others, Sheikh Hamdan and Sheikh Mohammed, the latter the vice president and prime minister of the United Arab Emirates and ruler of Dubai. His time in

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### Made From a SIRE FAMILY

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 Home From Oz (f. by Pulpit). Unraced. Dam of 4 winners, including-351,500, West Virginia Derby [G2] (MNR, \$451,500), Peter Pan S.
 MADEFROMLUCKY (c. by Lookin At Lucky). 6 wins, 2 to 5, 2017, \$1,-351,500, West Virginia Derby [G2] (MNR, \$451,500), Peter Pan S.
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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2017 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2017 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index		
1	FREUD (98, Storm Cat), Sequel Stallions New York	\$10,000	181/92	4/9	1/4	(Sharp Azteca, \$940,490)	\$5,540,084	*1173	46	1.56	1.26		
2	BELLAMY ROAD (02, Concerto), Dutchess Views Farm	\$7,500	174/101	1/3	0/1	(Diversify, \$690,825)	\$4,553,951	*564	27	1.20	1.29		
3	BIG BROWN (05, Boundary), Dutchess Views Farm	\$7,500	148/78	4/5	1/4	(Hard Study, \$227,000)	\$3,123,539	*622	20	1.16	1.58		
4	HOLD ME BACK (06, Giant's Causeway), Irish Hill Century Farm	\$5,000	140/72	1/1	1/1	(Black Tide, \$296,644)	\$2,658,185	256	7	1.08	1.16		
5	FROST GIANT (03, Giant's Causeway), Keane Stud	\$5,000	121/52	3/3	1/3	(Giant Expectations, \$230,000)	\$2,272,593	*361	10	1.17	1.18		
6	BUSTIN STONES (04, City Zip), Waldorf Farm	\$5,000	73/51	2/2	2/2	(Bustin It, \$145,917)	\$2,048,593	165	6	1.35	1.40		
7	DUBLIN (07, Afleet Alex), Keane Stud	\$2,500	81/39	2/3	2/2	(Celtic Chaos, \$232,500)	\$1,707,884	149	2	1.01	1.20		
8	MISSION IMPAZIBLE (07, Unbridled's Song), Sequel Stallions New	York \$7,500	67/23	1/2	0/1	(Pure Silver, \$256,367)	\$1,562,647	109	2	1.18	1.16		
9	DISCO RICO (97, Citidancer)	Died, 2014	32/18	1/4	0/1	(Disco Partner, \$547,000)	\$1,470,243	268	12	1.39	1.20		
10	DESERT PARTY (06, Street Cry), Irish Hill Century Farm	\$2,500	98/39	1/1	0/1	(Top of the Game, \$84,600)	\$1,436,241	203	4	0.93	1.40		
11	COURAGEOUS CAT (06, Storm Cat), Questroyal North	\$6,000	69/28	1/1	1/1	(Lady Joan, \$150,300)	\$1,384,395	130	2	1.01	1.14		
12	HERE'S ZEALOUS (97, Dehere)	N/A	29/21	1/2	0/1	(Green Gratto, \$348,834)	\$1,051,554	192	1	1.05	0.97		
13	D' FUNNYBONE (07, D'wildcat), Rockridge Stud	\$2,500	38/19	0/0	0/0	(D'funnything, \$127,718)	\$931,518	*60	2	1.11	1.31		
14	GIANT SURPRISE (09, Giant's Causeway), Rockridge Stud	\$5,000	22/13	1/1	1/1	(Sudden Surprise, \$132,044)	\$686,991	45	2	1.94	1.24		
15	COSMONAUT (02, Lemon Drop Kid)	Pnsd	34/17	1/2	1/1	(Wonderment, \$124,610)	\$630,893	92	2	1.06	1.03		
16	TEUFLESBERG (04, Johannesburg), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbu	reds \$3,500	27/13	0/0	0/0	(Good Bye Greg, \$100,660)	\$530,388	108			1.15		
17	BOYS AT TOSCONOVA (08, Officer), Questroyal North	\$2,500	18/11	0/0	0/0	(My Boy Tate, \$96,900)	\$482,820	41	0	1.05	1.27		
18	NOBLE CAUSEWAY (02, Giant's Causeway)	Died, 2014	48/20	0/0	0/0	(Altissimo, \$70,393)	\$458,221	243	8	0.79	1.06		
19	SOARING EMPIRE (07, Empire Maker), Rockridge Stud	\$3,500	21/9	0/0	0/0	(Reason to Soar, \$48,225)	\$362,348	38			1.11		
20	MR. SEKIGUCHI (03, Storm Cat)	N/A	19/11	0/0	0/0	(Pacific Image, \$92,210)	\$299,968	*93	2	0.99	1.19		
21	BANK HEIST (07, Maria's Mon), Kaz Hill Farm	\$5,000	14/8	0/0	0/0	(Salori's Bank, \$69,187)	\$267,882	29	1	1.10	1.38		
22	MIRACLE MAN (02, Yankee Victor)	Died, 2015	5/3	0/0	0/0	(Jc's Shooting Star, \$76,425)	\$241,308	10	1		1.56		
23	THE CLIFF'S EDGE (01, Gulch)	Pnsd	24/14	0/0	0/0	(Mellow Fellow, \$27,617)	\$231,522	244	4		1.14		
24	CONGRESSIONALHONOR (01, Forestry)	N/A	10/5	0/0	0/0	(Superling, \$61,819)	\$201,883	161	1	0.74	0.93		
25	GOLDEN MISSILE (95, A.P. Indy), Milfer Farm, Inc.	\$3,500	21/5	0/0	0/0	(Papa's Missile, \$64,465)	\$176,488	*649	14	1.01	1.46		
26	ALEX'S PAL (99, Valid Expectations)	Died, 2015	14/8	0/0	0/0	(Best Choice, \$32,500)	\$174,880	107					
27	MARSH SIDE (03, Gone West), Dutchess Views Farm	\$2,500	16/7	0/0	0/0	(Dr Luber's Kiss, \$32,484)	\$136,868	*150		0.37			
28	¶ EMCEE (08, Unbridled's Song), Sequel Stallions New York	\$5,000	10/2	0/0	0/0	(My Roxy Girl, \$74,640)	\$135,571	25	0	0.64			
29	WICKED RICH (06, Yes It's True), Buckridge Farm	\$2,500	9/5	0/0	0/0	(Jersey Rich, \$37,544)	\$125,444	14	0	0.57			
30	ENCAUSTIC (04, Broad Brush), Foggy Bottom Farm	\$2,000	8/4	0/0	0/0	(Eye's On You, \$50,867)	\$93,793	27	0	0.48	0.65		
31	MIDAS TOUCH (GB) (07, Galileo)	N/A	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Primo Touch, \$31,627)	\$67,730	23	0	0.41	0.94		
32	¶ BRIDGETOWN (07, Speightstown)	Died	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Lover's Leap, \$55,467)	\$56,745	6	0		0.95		
33	DR LARGE (06, A.P. Indy), Oriskany Creek Farm	\$2,500	8/0	0/0	0/0	(Dr Smooth, \$26,080)	\$54,294	25	1				
34	¶ FORTY TALES (10, Tale of the Cat), Sequel Stallions New York	\$6,500	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Scintillation, \$32,751)	\$52,453	19	0	0.62			
35	BELIEVEINMENOW (04, Tiznow)	N/A	4/3	0/0	0/0	(Terralsole, \$19,329)	\$47,265	10	0		1.25		
36	GRIFFINITE (98, Unbridled's Song), Monhill Farm	\$2,000	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Drive At Nite, \$28,860)	\$43,354	68	1	0.60	0.88		
37	¶ TRINNIBERG (09, Teuflesberg), Rockridge Stud	\$3,500	5/0	0/0	0/0	(Velvet Trinni, \$16,158)	\$40,701	9	0		1.74		
38	SMART ALERT (96, Gold Alert)	N/A	2/2	0/0	0/0	(Flash Bullett, \$20,975)	\$36,950	13		0.57	0.36		
39	RELATO DEL GATO (01, Tale of the Cat)	Died, 2014	4/2	0/0	0/0	(Town Kitty, \$16,470)	\$33,499	15		0.92	0.71		
40	WELL NOTED (95, Notebook), Monhill Farm	\$2,000	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Court Note, \$22,490)	\$33,364	*86	0	0.74	1.02		

the Middle East transformed both Mullis' work and his life, leading him and his wife, Tonya Tozzi, to purchase Willow Creek Farm near Fort Edward, N.Y., and to return to the United States. Tozzi grew up in Modena, N.Y., about 80 miles north of New York City, and got her first pony when she was 5 years old.

"Horses were always part of our lives," she said. "We had backyard horses, and I



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Bellamy Road	. 174	101
Freud	. 181	92
Big Brown	. 148	78
Hold Me Back	. 140	72
Frost Giant	. 121	52
Bustin Stones	73	51
Desert Party	98	39
Dublin	81	39
Courageous Cat	69	28
Mission Impazible		
Here's Zealous	29	21
Noble Causeway	48	20
D' Funnybone		
Disco Rico	32	18
Cosmonaut	34	17
The Cliff's Edge	24	14
Teuflesberg	27	13
Giant Surprise		
Mr. Sekiguchi	19	11
Boys At Tosconova	18	11
Soaring Empire	21	9

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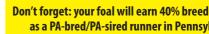
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1	JUMP START (99, A.P. Indy), Northview PA	\$10,000	163/92	2/2	0/2	(Prayer for Relief, \$250,000)	\$5,003,097	*1300	41	1.45	1.31	
2	ROCKPORT HARBOR (02, Unbridled's Song)	Died, 2013	117/55	2/2	0/2	(Weast Hill, \$125,262)	\$2,294,866	470	26	1.33	1.42	
3	SILVER TRAIN (02, Old Trieste)	Died, 2013	97/48	1/1	1/1	(Yeah Rocky, \$138,812)	\$2,101,727	*531	12	1.01	1.28	
4	TALENT SEARCH (03, Catienus), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	56/36	0/0	0/0	(Tipyourwaiterwell, \$115,976)	\$1,315,793	*131	2	1.03	1.22	
5	WEIGELIA (01, Safely's Mark), WynOaks Farm	\$3,500	35/22	1/1	0/1	(Risque's Diamond, \$148,736)	\$1,079,186	*89	5	1.39	1.02	
6	LORD SHANAKILL (06, Speightstown), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$4,000	76/30	1/1	0/1	(Time Shanakill, \$104,421)	\$779,957	170	2	1.14	0.91	
7	MEDALLIST (01, Touch Gold), Northview PA	\$2,000	28/14	1/1	1/1	(Flashy Kyem, \$157,880)	\$765,611	194	7	1.28	1.36	
8	CORINTHIAN (03, Pulpit), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$2,500	66/29	0/0	0/0	(Financial Freedom, \$69,856)	\$714,618	*506	11	0.74	1.38	
9	BULLSBAY (04, Tiznow), Northview PA	\$3,000	31/15	1/2	1/1	(Unrideabull, \$82,722)	\$642,535	55		1.39	1.28	
10	CAL NATION (08, Distorted Humor), Kingfisher Lane Farm	\$5,000	19/8	0/0	0/0	(Faze the Nation, \$150,368)	\$585,220	32		1.09		
11	GOT THE LAST LAUGH (04, Distorted Humor), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	17/13	0/0	0/0	(Dixie's Last Laugh, \$112,416)	\$513,261	48		1.20		
12	ALBERT THE GREAT (97, Go for Gin)	Pnsd	27/15	0/0	0/0	(Ginner, \$56,385)	\$456,929	*387		1.12		
13	RIMROD (00, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	25/12	0/0	0/0	(Checkbouncin Billy, \$89,706)	\$439,687	105			1.16	
14		\$1,500	9/7	0/0	0/0	(Midtowncharlybrown, \$150,250)	\$371,543	16	0		0.82	
15	¶ EL PADRINO (09, Pulpit), Northview PA	\$5,000	13/9	0/0	0/0	(Enchanted Star, \$78,903)	\$369,376	47			1.29	
16	CITY SHARPSTER (99, Carson City), Woodvale Farm	\$1,000	19/6	0/0	0/0	(Campeona, \$104,746)	\$358,112	63	0	0.75	0.69	
17	MAD FLATTER (05, Flatter), Diamond B Farm	Died, 2016	15/10	0/0	0/0	(Madly Precise, \$46,233)	\$319,161	31	0		1.32	
18	LITE THE FUSE (91, Buckaroo)	Pnsd	14/8	0/0	0/0	(Clear Prosperity, \$75,219)	\$317,104	549	22	1.21	1.16	
19	ANDIRON (06, A.P. Indy), Xanthus Farms, Inc.	\$2,000	16/9	0/0	0/0	(Andy's Love, \$87,871)	\$313,708	44	1		0.58	
20	PARTNER'S HERO (94, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	15/10	1/1	1/1	(Zipper's Hero, \$74,482)	\$297,447	456	15	1.18		
21	POWER BY FAR (95, Power of Mind), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	4/2	1/2	0/1	(Power of Snunner, \$235,250)	\$282,518	111			1.16	
22	WISEMAN'S FERRY (99, Hennessy)	Died, 2015	18/10	0/0	0/0	(Fancy Is My Name, \$66,884)	\$276,535	*307	6		1.05	
23	REFLECT TIMES (JPN) (05, French Deputy), Whirlwind Stables	\$1,000	10/4	0/0	0/0	(Hopeful Times, \$61,125)	\$177,594	24	0	0.98	0.29	
24	STONECOLDBROKE (98, Unbridled), Hope Hill Farm	\$1,000	5/4	0/0	0/0	(Portent, \$64,890)	\$171,878	50			1.17	
25	ACTIVIST (94, Wild Again), Godstone Farm	\$1,000	14/6	0/0	0/0	(Only by Grace, \$32,545)	\$166,841	187		0.91	0.88	
26	EMPEROR TIBERIUS (04, Storm Cat), Mountain Springs Racing St		6/3	0/0	0/0	(Piper Hill, \$56,020)	\$125,690	15	1	1.45	0.79	
27	SNOW RIDGE (98, Tabasco Cat)	Died, 2012	6/3	0/0	0/0	(Overland Park, \$84,163)	\$118,335	*288			1.13	
28	FORMAL DINNER (88, Well Decorated)	Pnsd	5/4	0/0	0/0	(Formal Class, \$79,740)	\$118,310	*639	23		1.09	
29	DELAWARE TOWNSHIP (96, Notebook), Maui Meadow Farm	\$2,000	8/5	0/0	0/0	(Goldies Nugget, \$30,967)	\$113,779	286		1.06	1.18	
30	SHOW TUNE (04, Unbridled's Song), Safe Haven Equine	\$1,500	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Jen's Song, \$50,635)	\$95,461	54	0	0.59	0.99	
31	AISLE (99, Pulpit)	N/A	8/4	0/0	0/0	(Black Kiko, \$28,367)	\$93,403	86	0	0.79	0.77	
32	<b>COMEDY SHOW</b> (00, Distorted Humor), Three Point Farm	Private	10/3	0/0	0/0	(Laughs N Kisses, \$54,000)	\$84,777	38	0		0.89	
33	IN THE WOODS (04, Forest Wildcat), Xanthus Farms	\$1,500	11/2	0/0	0/0	(Saratoga Shiner, \$23,404)	\$79,703	27			1.23	
34	HARRY THE HAT (89, Seattle Slew)	Pnsd	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Teflon Tony, \$53,405)	\$73,866	165	5	0.99	0.78	
35	WILDCAT BRIEF (06, Forest Wildcat), Foxfield Farm	\$1,500	4/3	0/0	0/0	(Reggie's Buddy, \$36,538)	\$73,449	6	0	0.69	0.60	

did a little showing when I was young."

But it was the racetrack that called her, and though she didn't live close to any tracks, she didn't let geography deter her.

"Loraine Roe had a farm right near where I lived, and I wanted to learn," said Tozzi. "She was one of the first well-known women trainers, and she taught me everything I know."

Tozzi worked at Roe's Ontrack Training Center in Ulster County, breaking babies, training horses, and learning about mare care and foaling. Perhaps, inevitably, that took her to Ocala, where she met Mullis. They married and started a family, and then Mullis got an opportunity he couldn't refuse.

His nephew, a third-generation farrier working in South Florida, told him he knew someone looking to hire a farrier to go to Dubai. Initially, Mullis didn't follow



Mullis shows the form of a FormaHoof application

2017 PENNSYLV BY WINN		RES
Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs
Jump Start	163	92
Rockport Harbor	117	55
Silver Train	97	48
Talent Search	56	36
Lord Shanakill	76	30
Corinthian	66	29
Weigelia	35	22
Bullsbay	31	15
Albert the Great	27	15
Medallist	28	14
Got the Last Laugh	17	13
Rimrod	25	12
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Mad Flatter		
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				BT	Rstrct			Cumulative				
Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2017 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2017 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index	
1	NOT FOR LOVE (90, Mr. Prospector)	Died, 2016	95/53	1/1	1/1	(Clubman, \$158,755)	\$2,550,293	974	81	1.67	1.44	
2	GREAT NOTION (00, Elusive Quality), Northview Stallion Statio	n \$3,500	79/49	3/4	3/3	(Crabcakes, \$216,442)	\$2,521,594	279	15	1.51	1.22	
3	FRIESAN FIRE (06, A.P. Indy), Country Life Farm	\$4,000	98/50	1/1	0/1	(Fire Key, \$280,245)	\$2,450,478	145	2	1.13	1.28	
4	STREET MAGICIAN (04, Street Cry), Heritage Stallions	\$3,000	56/33	2/3	1/2	(My Magician, \$200,861)	\$1,521,920	99	3	1.15	1.32	
5	<b>ORIENTATE</b> (98, Mt. Livermore), Northview Stallion Station	\$5,000	80/35	0/0	0/0	(The Great Provider, \$113,862)	\$1,306,746	*810	32	1.24	1.61	
6	·	\$5,000	62/28	0/0	0/0	(Heatherly, \$100,740)	\$1,111,110	*728	42	1.28	1.26	
7	LOUIS QUATORZE (93, Sovereign Dancer), Murmur Farm	Pnsd	36/15	0/0	0/0	(Miss Nosy, \$117,203)	\$838,501	*983	21	1.14	1.30	
8		Died, 2015	50/26	0/0	0/0	(Willie B Mine, \$72,539)	\$810,913	*616	18	1.18	1.27	
9	REDEEMED (08, Include), Northview Stallion Station	\$3,000	30/12	0/0	0/0	(Saint Main Event, \$120,729)	\$718,286	61	0	0.95	1.05	
10	ROCK SLIDE (98, A.P. Indy), Shamrock Farm	\$2,000	30/17	1/1	0/1	(Nickyrocksforpops, \$65,842)	\$632,879	277	10	1.02	1.17	
11	SCIPION (02, A.P. Indy), Murmur Farm	\$2,500	35/14	0/0	0/0	(In Arrears, \$72,860)	\$580,401	137	3	1.06	1.05	
12	OUTFLANKER (94, Danzig), Shamrock Farm	\$3,000	28/9	0/0	0/0	(Pinkout, \$54,770)	\$416,446	*548	21	1.35	1.13	
13	¶ FREEDOM CHILD (10, Malibu Moon), Country Life Farm	\$3,000	17/4	1/1	1/1	(Limited View, \$117,096)	\$360,689	32	1	1.00	1.47	
14	ETCHED (05, Forestry), Bonita Farm	\$2,000	17/6	1/1	1/1	(My Sistersledge, \$122,871)	\$308,680	38	1	0.65	1.04	
15	BALTIMORE BOB (05, Malibu Moon), Shamrock Farm	\$2,500	5/4	0/0	0/0	(Baltimore Street, \$92,482)	\$264,581	13	0	1.74	1.08	
16	(,,	Pnsd	20/6	0/0	0/0	(Dr Bolt, \$73,606)	\$235,951	103	1	1.01	0.99	
17	CUBA (01, Not For Love), Royal Wux Farm	\$1,500	5/1	1/1	1/1	(Laki, \$113,655)	\$154,344	13	1	0.98	0.50	
18	¶ BUFFUM (08, Bernardini), Northview Stallion Station	\$2,500	3/3	1/1	1/1	(Clever Mind, \$55,900)	\$109,830	6	1	1.73	0.74	
19	ADMIRAL ALEX (07, Afleet Alex), Shamrock Farm	\$1,500	7/1	0/0	0/0	(Get Rid Of, \$29,834)	\$108,889	13	0	0.70	0.86	
20	ETERNAL STAR (04, Five Star Day), Winding Creek Farm	Died, 2013	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Sippin'onbubbles, \$42,375)	\$96,799	14	0	0.47	0.65	
21	DESPITE THE ODDS (06, Speightstown), Heritage Stallions	\$1,500	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Fenton's Four, \$51,881)	\$71,834	22	0	0.68	1.29	
22	SIR SHACKLETON (01, Miswaki), November Hill	To Be Announced	12/3	0/0	0/0	(Aspic, \$27,978)	\$67,250	*100	1	0.69	1.01	
23	NICANOR (06, Dynaformer), Shamrock Farm	\$2,000	8/1	0/0	0/0	(Nicamore, \$33,435)	\$55,568	23	0	0.28	0.96	
24	M EIGHTY (99, Lite the Fuse), Shamrock Farm	Private	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Star Eighty, \$39,312)	\$53,424	15	0	1.28	0.89	
25	GANDHI (09, A.P. Indy), Royal Wux Farm	Private	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Sterling General, \$34,001)	\$49,123	13	0	0.27	0.93	

up, but six months later he made contact, did a shoeing audition, and got the job.

"I gave my Ocala business away to all my buddies," he said, "and then I was on a plane to Dubai."

Tozzi and their two boys followed six months later, and while Mullis recounts stories of watching Frosted run in the Dubai World Cup Sponsored by Emirates Airline (G1) and of seeing California Chrome win that race, an encounter with someone in his own field changed the course of his career.

He became affiliated with FormaHoof, a synthetic horseshoe designed to support horses with sore feet or laminitis, and an alternative to glue-on shoes, which were ubiquitous in Dubai.

"We thought if we could control the glue a little bit, we could make some type of a form and just put the glue in it," he said. "There were a couple of Indian engineers working on it, and for my industry, it was like being in Steve Jobs' garage, watching the beginning of Apple unfold."

Aside from his interest in the technology, Mullis was also drawn to a product that might preserve horses' lives and careers, as broodmares, racehorses, stallions, or show horses.

"It's a silicon shoe," explained Tozzi. "Lots of horses have really soft feet and have problems keeping shoes on. It might be a horse with laminitis or a mare that needs to get through the end of her pregnancy with a little extra support."



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또 Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2017 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2017 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1 <b>REBELLION (GB)</b> (03, Mozart), Hickory Tree Farm	\$3,500	16/8	1/1	1/1	(Blurricane, \$120,330)	\$397,184	*42	2	1.21	1.26
2 FRIEND OR FOE (07, Friends Lake), Smallwood Farm	\$1,000	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Mr. Buff, \$103,900)	\$201,690	8	0	2.25	1.60
3 COSA VERA (05, Dynaformer), North Cliff Farms	\$2,500	10/4	0/0	0/0	(Zenbennie, \$50,034)	\$180,909	28	0	0.55	1.42

### 2017 LEADING SIRES IN WEST VIRGINIA

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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2017 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2017 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	WINDSOR CASTLE (98, Lord Carson), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$2,000	100/67	2/2	2/2	(Bound to Windsor, \$88,001)	\$1,974,391	315	12	1.02	1.00
2	LIMEHOUSE (01, Grand Slam), O'Sullivan Farms	\$3,500	83/44	0/0	0/0	(Karla With a K, \$134,582)	\$1,602,055	*417	21	1.21	1.17
3	FIBER SONDE (05, Unbridled's Song), Beau Ridge Farm	\$1,000	66/44	1/3	1/1	(Moonlit Song, \$234,140)	\$1,459,935	172	8	1.21	0.80
4	CHARITABLE MAN (06, Lemon Drop Kid)	Died, 2016	76/36	1/1	1/1	(Charitable Annuity, \$197,085)	\$1,284,528	138	2	1.00	1.07
5	DENIS OF CORK (05, Harlan's Holiday), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$500	57/26	1/1	1/1	(Romantic Cork, \$92,860)	\$718,398	*117	4	0.71	1.10
6	SWISS YODELER (94, Eastern Echo), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,000	46/24	0/0	0/0	(W. Giles, \$36,955)	\$502,142	769	15	0.99	1.03
7	PEAK DANCER (97, Mt. Livermore)	N/A	28/18	0/0	0/0	(Sweet Lady Sue, \$38,490)	\$329,096	91	4	0.86	0.83
8	DURING (00, Cherokee Run), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	25/10	1/1	0/1	(Lucy N Ethel, \$66,000)	\$259,961	204	4	0.81	1.07
9	OFFICER ROCKET (GB) (04, Officer), Bybee Road Farm	\$2,500	16/10	0/0	0/0	(Rocket Thunder, \$32,935)	\$221,595	20	0	0.87	0.61
10	LUFTIKUS (96, Meadowlake), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$750	18/8	0/0	0/0	(Lucky Candy, \$40,243)	\$190,825	288	8	0.95	1.05
11	GATTOPARDO (05, Johannesburg), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	9/5	0/0	0/0	(Unaquoi, \$69,739)	\$177,857	18	1	1.07	0.75
12	GARNERED (98, Holy Bull), Naylee Farm	\$1,000	13/7	0/0	0/0	(Mean Bean, \$47,320)	\$163,911	100	0	0.64	0.72
13	MACHEN (08, Distorted Humor), Baird Racing Stable	Private	15/8	0/0	0/0	(Moovin On Machen, \$38,050)	\$159,721	47	0	0.50	0.76
14	REAL ESTATE (04, High Yield), Flamingo Run Farm	\$1,000	12/7	0/0	0/0	(Fifty Nays for Hay, \$33,237)	\$146,695	39	0	0.66	0.81
15	FOREST GROVE (01, Forestry)	N/A	15/9	0/0	0/0	(Eco Charge, \$24,346)	\$144,103	119	2	0.80	1.12
16	REPARATIONS (96, Forty Niner), Blue Spruce Farm	\$1,500	12/6	0/0	0/0	(Sea of Roses, \$32,683)	\$114,690	145	3	0.90	0.79
17	BALLADO'S GOLD (03, Saint Ballado), Witherow Farm	\$1,000	19/6	0/0	0/0	(Little Lies, \$17,836)	\$114,679	50	0	0.32	0.43
18	PROSPECT BAY (92, Crafty Prospector), Naylee Farm	\$1,000	7/4	0/0	0/0	(Snickerdoodle, \$29,649)	\$110,215	286	7	0.93	1.44
19	YARROW BRAE (95, Deputy Minister), O'Sullivan Farms	Died, 2016	6/4	0/0	0/0	(Creative Mist, \$42,340)	\$108,815	300	6	1.07	0.98
20	SIENTE EL TRUENO (07, City Zip), Stehr's Farm	\$500	6/4	0/0	0/0	(Siente El Viento, \$33,531)	\$90,830	11	0	0.80	0.62
21	BITTEL ROAD (06, Stormy Atlantic), Naylee Farm	\$1,500	7/4	0/0	0/0	(The Names Billy, \$33,730)	\$88,835	19	0	0.35	0.79
22	PRIDE OF BURKAAN (90, Burkaan), 6th St. Farm	\$500	14/4	0/0	0/0	(Star Number One, \$19,780)	\$78,109	158	0	0.40	0.99
23	THREE CHOPT ROAD (06, Rock Slide), Bybee Road Farm	\$1,500	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Prince of the Road, \$47,074)	\$69,184	9	0	0.55	0.68
24	COPELAN TOO (95, Copelan), Mullins Farm	Private	4/3	0/0	0/0	(Right On the Money, \$33,215)	\$60,388	32	0	0.70	0.97

While they were in Dubai, Tozzi and Mullis purchased the Fort Edward farm, just outside Saratoga, and leased it out for two years before returning to the United States last summer. They looked at farms in Kentucky, too, but wanted to be closer to

family, and the Fort Edward site was close enough to Saratoga Race Course and other farms that it seemed a promising option for establishing a new business.

The couple combined their strengths to establish what they hope is a unique



Mullis and Tozzi leased their farm for two years before returning to the U.S. last summer

opportunity for horse owners.

The farm has a barn with about 10 stalls, plenty for the boutique facility that they envision, an operation that will combine boarding for mares and lay-ups and a dedicated location for their FormaHoof work.

"I'd like people in racing to know about this podiatry system," said Tozzi. "There are a lot of broodmares with hoof issues, and these shoes are molded on the horses' feet, with a kind of capsule that goes around their foot."

"We have a mold that we use for laminitis, too," she continued. "We've dealt with horses this year that might have otherwise been put down, and they're doing great."

The synthetic hoof offers support around the hoof wall and up into the frog without nails, which gives the horse time to grow new hoof without the discomfort that can accompany pregnancy or laminitis.

"It's almost like a custom-made foot," she added.

"Horses have been around for 2,000 years," said her husband. "There's noth-

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• Under a hand urging **RULE BY NIGHT** won Belmont's Duck Dance S. going 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> furlongs in 1:14<sup>4</sup>/<sub>5</sub> beating **THIS ONES FOR PHIL** (G2), **RILEY TUCKER** (G3), **SUNRISE SMARTY** (G3), etc. • RULE BY NIGHT was on-the-board in 10 of 15 career starts including the \$100,000 Grade 3 Bold Ruler H. over Grade 1 SW JUSTIN PHILLIP, the \$500,000 Gallant Bob S. (2nd by a neck), Belmont's Waldoboro S. to Grade 2 SWs TRAPPE SHOT and D' FUNNYBONE, and the historic Gravesend H.

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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2017 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2017 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	HEY CHUB (00, Carson City), Joe-Dan Farm	\$2,000	20/16	1/2	0/1	(Chublicious, \$230,560)	\$804,672	31	2	1.77	1.48
2	DON SIX (00, Wild Escapade), Greenfields Farm	Private	18/12	0/0	0/0	(Don's Marsh, \$52,030)	\$387,272	82	3	1.18	1.28
3	DEFRERE (92, Deputy Minister)	N/A	21/9	0/0	0/0	(Oak Bluffs, \$53,640)	\$311,597	*590	22	1.21	1.18
4	CABLE BOY (04, Jump Start), Colonial Farms	\$1,000	8/3	0/0	0/0	(Liz's Cable Girl, \$118,720)	\$266,441	20	1	1.33	0.95
5	IL POSTINO (06, Distorted Humor), Colonial Farms	\$1,000	7/3	0/0	0/0	(Postino's Champion, \$82,461)	\$172,074	13	0	0.87	0.90
6	KING PUMA (06, Forest Wildcat), Sleeter Farm	Private	8/4	0/0	0/0	(Love Is Your Name, \$68,790)	\$171,863	18	0	0.92	1.56
7	PARK AVENUE BALL (02, Citidancer)	Died, 2015	6/4	0/0	0/0	(Ebony Ball, \$61,100)	\$163,004	34	0	0.83	1.29
8	TOY SOLDIER (05, Came Home)	N/A	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Sensational Toy, \$86,590)	\$86,590	5	0	2.39	0.86

ing wrong with horseshoes, but the attachment method is medieval. It's time for an upgrade."

He acknowledges that the cost of the product is high—about \$1,000 a shoe—but he suspects that as their use grows, the cost will come down.

"But," he pointed out, "if you've got a \$150,000 mare and paid a \$75,000 stud fee, and the mare can't carry full-term because her feet go bad, \$1,000 isn't a lot of money."

Willow Creek Farm currently houses a broodmare band of about 20 and Tapin Mojo, a Kentucky-bred son of Tapit who will continue his stud career next year. Racing exclusively in New York, Tapin Mojo, out of the Real Quiet mare Midday Runner, compiled a record of 5-1-3 in 14 starts and earned just shy of \$120,000.

Both Tozzi and Mullis do barn chores in the morning; Mullis then heads out to his farrier practice while Tozzi takes care of the mares and does the foaling.

Neither of them foresees growing into a huge operation; they'd like to keep their numbers small, with a couple of stalls reserved to care for horses with laminitis.

"I'm here and I can monitor them on a daily basis," said Mullis.

"We don't want to do things on a huge scale," added Tozzi. "We want to be very



The plan is for Willow Creek Farm to board mares and lay-ups

hands-on. We don't mind hiring people, but we don't want to be spread too thin."

While Tozzi's training days are behind her, her two older sons have a pony and rode regularly last summer. Though they are young, they help with feeding and have already shown an interest in their parents' business.

"At the Fasig-Tipton sale last summer," Tozzi said, "we went through the catalog and one of my sons picked out a Tapit.

"I really want to buy this horse,' he said. 'I have to have him.' "

Turns out he's got good taste—the horse sold for \$750,000.

"He cried the whole way home," she said.

Proving the adage about the apple and tree, he told his mother he liked the horse because he "liked his feet."

A farm in upstate New York, three children, mares, and a stallion; plus horseshoes that are generated not by fire and anvil, but by three-dimensional model scans of a horse's foot—it's a long way from an 18-year-old farrier following his father into the business, and a long way from the 1960s model to this distinctly 21st century one.

"Watching the technology develop in Dubai, and now coming home to see it going to the next level," reflected Mullis, "it's been a heck of ride; and I've enjoyed every step of the way."

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