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Alpha being presented at a stallion show for Sequel Stallions in upstate New York

BECKY THOMAS REMEMBERS with absolute clarity the moment she saw Union Jackson at Stonestreet’s Florida farm near Ocala.

“He was drop-dead gorgeous,” she said. “He looked like a little version of the horses we all like to buy and sell as 2-year-olds. He was very precocious-looking.”

The chestnut son of two-time Horse of the Year Curlin and grade 1 winner Hot Dixie Chick hadn’t duplicated the racing success of his parents; his first start came late in his 3-year-old season, and he was lightly raced after that, retiring at age 5 with a record of 11-6-1-2, earning just shy of \$275,000 with two stakes victories and one graded stakes-placing, the Aristides Stakes (G3) at Churchill Downs.

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								Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	FROST GIANT (03, Giant's Causeway), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$5,000	61/15	1/1	1/1	(Giant Expectations, \$686,000)	\$1,285,003	*382	11	1.21	1.17
2	FREUD (98, Storm Cat), Sequel Stallions New York	\$7,500	54/13	2/2	0/2	(Sharp Azteca, \$650,000)	\$1,231,628	*1208	46	1.56	1.26
3	BELLAMY ROAD (02, Concerto), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$6,000	85/21	0/0	0/0	(Total Control, \$89,600)	\$738,535	*606	27	1.20	1.28
4	DESERT PARTY (06, Street Cry), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$2,500	52/16	1/1	1/1	(Orchid Party, \$62,800)	\$567,205	219	5	0.94	1.39
5	HOLD ME BACK (06, Giant's Causeway)	N/A	72/25	0/0	0/0	(Blacktieandtux, \$51,541)	\$500,656	289	8	1.06	1.15
6	MISSION IMPAZIBLE (07, Unbridled's Song), Sequel Stallions New York	\$7,500	40/10	0/0	0/0	(Midnight Mission, \$68,970)	\$430,624	134	2	1.21	1.14
7	BIG BROWN (05, Boundary), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$6,000	63/20	0/0	0/0	(Arewehavingfunyet, \$32,600)	\$396,484	*690	20	1.13	1.56
8	BOYS AT TOSCONOVA (08, Officer), Questroyal North	\$2,500	13/8	1/2	1/1	(My Boy Tate, \$120,000)	\$349,274	59	1	1.21	1.26
9	BUSTIN STONES (04, City Zip), Waldorf Farm	\$5,000	31/8	0/0	0/0	(Tribecca, \$48,200)	\$265,578	189	6	1.34	1.39
10	SOARING EMPIRE (07, Empire Maker), Rockridge Stud	\$2,500	10/7	0/0	0/0	(Soaring Rosa, \$52,020)	\$224,302	54	0	0.96	1.10
11	COURAGEOUS CAT (06, Storm Cat), Questroyal North	\$6,000	34/6	1/1	0/1	(Winter Renaissance, \$22,134)	\$170,854	177	3	0.96	1.14
12	HERE'S ZEALOUS (97, Dehere), Kaz Hill Farm	\$1,000	13/4	0/0	0/0	(Mighty Zealous, \$59,000)	\$130,754	193	1	1.06	0.97
13	TRINNIBERG (09, Teuflesberg), Rockridge Stud	\$3,500	5/3	0/0	0/0	(Belleville Spring, \$44,228)	\$125,080	*34	1	0.99	1.60
14	TEUFLESBERG (04, Johannesburg), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	\$5,000	17/1	0/0	0/0	(Dominic's Smile, \$23,400)	\$86,893	120	4	1.38	1.14
15	DISCO RICO (97, Citidancer)	Died, 2014	9/3	0/0	0/0	(Jewel Can Disco, \$41,300)	\$81,505	268	12	1.39	1.20
16	GIANT SURPRISE (09, Giant's Causeway), Rockridge Stud	\$4,000	7/3	0/0	0/0	(Surprise Wonder, \$27,600)	\$73,170	48	2	1.89	1.25
17	MIDAS TOUCH (GB) (07, Galileo)	N/A	7/1	1/1	0/1	(Primo Touch, \$63,023)	\$71,286	*47	1	0.57	0.91
18	NOBLE CAUSEWAY (02, Giant's Causeway)	Died, 2014	17/3	0/0	0/0	(Altissimo, \$23,375)	\$64,519	244	9	0.78	1.05
19	FORTY TALES (10, Tale of the Cat), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	Private	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Transistor, \$40,300)	\$64,350	43	0	0.71	1.26
20	D' FUNNYBONE (07, D'wildcat), Rockridge Stud	\$2,500	12/1	0/0	0/0	(Nobody Move, \$18,100)	\$57,490	*69	2	1.12	1.29
21	SIR WHIMSEY (04, Jump Start), Mill Creek Farm	Private	2/1	0/0	0/0	(The Cake Is a Lie, \$46,500)	\$56,810	12	1	1.18	1.11
22	HEAVY BREATHING (09, Giant's Causeway), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	Private	8/1	0/0	0/0	(Status Asthmaticus, \$26,487)	\$52,922	29	0	0.19	1.67
23	A SHIN FORWARD (05, Forest Wildcat), Rockridge Stud	Private	14/5	0/0	0/0	(Lord Ace, \$31,957)	\$49,735	23	0	0.34	0.82
24	BANK HEIST (07, Maria's Mon), Kaz Hill Farm	\$5,000	9/2	0/0	0/0	(Merger of Banks, \$13,858)	\$42,159	40	1	1.02	1.36
25	MR. SEKIGUCHI (03, Storm Cat)	N/A	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Pacific Image, \$19,200)	\$35,251	*95	2	0.98	1.18
26	CONGRESSIONALHONOR (01, Forestry)	N/A	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Superling, \$26,710)	\$30,789	161	1	0.74	0.92
27	COSMONAUT (02, Lemon Drop Kid)	Pnsd	11/0	0/0	0/0	(Wonderment, \$10,000)	\$25,172	97	2	1.02	1.03
28	THE CLIFF'S EDGE (01, Gulch)	Pnsd	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Gabbi's Amor, \$14,580)	\$22,040	245	4	0.79	1.14
29	WICKED RICH (06, Yes It's True)	N/A	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Ogeechee, \$10,782)	\$14,802	16	0	0.58	1.28
30	WELL NOTED (95, Notebook), Monhill Farm	\$2,000	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Court Note, \$13,010)	\$13,010	*86	0	0.74	1.01
31	GRIFFINITE (98, Unbridled's Song), Monhill Farm	\$2,000	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Ribbonite, \$12,008)	\$12,008	68	1	0.60	0.89
32	ALEX'S PAL (99, Valid Expectations)	Died, 2015	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Will, \$9,012)	\$10,002	107	2	1.18	0.91

When Stonestreet Farms' bloodstock agent John Moynihan approached Thomas about standing Union Jackson at Sequel Stallions New York, her reaction was mixed.

"I've long respected John and Stonestreet," she said. "They participate at the very top end of our business, they've partnered with Coolmore, WinStar, and Hill 'n' Dale, and Union Jackson's

family is phenomenal."

Above Perfection, the second dam of Union Jackson, is the dam of 2017 Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) winner Always Dreaming; still,



FASIG-TIPTON PHOTOS

Becky Thomas at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream 2-year-olds in training sale

2018 NEW YORK SIRES BY WINNERS

Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs
Hold Me Back	72	25
Bellamy Road	85	21
Big Brown	63	20
Desert Party	52	16
Frost Giant	61	15
Freud	54	13
Mission Impazible	40	10
Bustin Stones	31	8
Boys At Tosconova	13	8
Soaring Empire	10	7
Courageous Cat	34	6
A Shin Forward	14	5
Here's Zealous	13	4
Noble Causeway	17	3
Disco Rico	9	3
Giant Surprise	7	3
Trinniberg	5	3
Bank Heist	9	2
Mr. Sekiguchi	8	2
Forty Tales	6	2

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								Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	FRIESAN FIRE (06, A.P. Indy), Country Life Farm	\$4,000	54/16	0/0	0/0	(Forest Fire, \$81,740)	\$628,859	170	2	1.15	1.28
2	GREAT NOTION (00, Elusive Quality), Northview Stallion Station	\$5,000	43/14	2/2	2/2	(Lewisfield, \$78,345)	\$542,836	310	17	1.51	1.22
3	NOT FOR LOVE (90, Mr. Prospector)	Died, 2016	38/11	0/0	0/0	(Love Rules, \$45,300)	\$342,340	974	81	1.67	1.44
4	ORIENTATE (98, Mt. Livermore), Northview Stallion Station	Pnsd	32/9	0/0	0/0	(Align the Numbers, \$64,584)	\$270,000	*830	32	1.24	1.60
5	PETIONVILLE (92, Seeking the Gold), Murmur Farm	\$4,000	27/8	0/0	0/0	(Graves Island, \$37,310)	\$201,953	*738	42	1.27	1.26
6	STREET MAGICIAN (04, Street Cry), Legacy Farm Stallions Standing at Roland Farm	\$3,000	23/5	0/0	0/0	(Up Hill Battle, \$31,290)	\$183,504	125	3	1.15	1.33
7	FREEDOM CHILD (10, Malibu Moon), Country Life Farm	\$3,000	11/3	1/1	0/1	(Limited View, \$80,000)	\$175,400	51	1	1.48	1.47
8	REDEEMED (08, Include), Northview Stallion Station	\$3,000	19/4	0/0	0/0	(Pikachu Princess, \$22,932)	\$121,978	76	0	0.96	1.05
9	LION HEARTED (96, Storm Cat)	Died, 2015	16/3	0/0	0/0	(Tricky Lion, \$26,320)	\$112,602	*624	18	1.18	1.27
10	OUTFLANKER (94, Danzig), Shamrock Farm	\$3,000	10/2	0/0	0/0	(Crouchelli, \$31,691)	\$97,092	*554	21	1.34	1.13
11	ETCHED (05, Forestry), Bonita Farm	\$2,000	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Tattooed, \$45,663)	\$89,462	42	1	0.69	1.05
12	DESPITE THE ODDS (06, Speightstown), Legacy Farm Stallions Standing at Roland Farm	\$1,000	9/5	0/0	0/0	(Port Louis, \$20,982)	\$87,861	42	0	0.83	1.30
13	LOUIS QUATORZE (93, Sovereign Dancer)	Pnsd	9/2	0/0	0/0	(Miss Nosy, \$29,510)	\$71,424	*989	21	1.14	1.30
14	ROCK SLIDE (98, A.P. Indy)	N/A	10/3	0/0	0/0	(Punch Nephew, \$19,194)	\$57,533	282	10	1.02	1.16
15	SCIPION (02, A.P. Indy), Murmur Farm	\$2,500	13/1	0/0	0/0	(In Arrears, \$32,526)	\$51,745	142	3	1.05	1.05
16	ADMIRAL ALEX (07, Afleet Alex)	N/A	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Admiral Blue, \$46,535)	\$49,384	15	0	0.79	0.85
17	NICANOR (06, Dynaformer), Shamrock Farm	\$2,000	8/3	0/0	0/0	(Lngtermrelationship, \$25,420)	\$48,199	32	0	0.36	0.96
18	CHEROKEE'S BOY (00, Citidancer)	Pnsd	9/1	0/0	0/0	(Jah Grace, \$17,182)	\$46,980	104	1	0.99	0.99
19	M EIGHTY (99, Lite the Fuse)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Star Eighty, \$40,050)	\$40,845	15	0	1.30	0.89
20	CUBA (01, Not For Love)	N/A	4/0	0/0	0/0	(Love in Excess, \$12,402)	\$30,121	14	1	0.87	0.50
21	ETERNAL STAR (04, Five Star Day)	Died, 2013	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Call Me a Star, \$22,800)	\$22,800	14	0	0.48	0.65
22	BALTIMORE BOB (05, Malibu Moon), Shamrock Farm	\$2,500	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Baltimore Street, \$21,450)	\$22,330	23	0	1.70	1.08
23	GANDHI (09, A.P. Indy), Royal Wux Farm	Private	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Sterling General, \$9,110)	\$18,160	22	0	0.32	0.92

Thomas said she was hesitant about the prospect of standing the Stonestreet colt, so Moynihan encouraged the Florida-based Thomas to go see him.

“He looks like a sprinting-type Curlin,” she said. “He was really athletic.”

So last November, Thomas announced that, in the first partnership between Sequel and Stonestreet, Union Jackson would stand in New York this year for a fee of \$5,000.

“(Stonestreet owner) Barbara (Banke) felt strongly about giving this horse a chance,” said Moynihan, “and we felt that a regional market made sense. We love the

New York program, and Becky’s the go-to person for that. She’s very aggressive in how she promotes stallions, and the deciding factor was how she supports them. She gives them every chance. When you stand these stallions, you want your partners to have as much enthusiasm as you do, and Becky does.”

While New York-breds are booming—a 2-year-old sold for a record-setting \$1 million at the recent Fasig-Tipton Florida sale and Mind Your Biscuits just won his second Dubai Golden Shaheen Sponsored by Gulf News (G1), boosting his earnings to \$3.7 million, also a record—their suc-

cess often comes as a result of mating New York mares to Kentucky stallions, then bringing the mares back to New York to foal.

Sequel’s stallion program continues to try to change that, importing high-profile studs to the farm near Hudson, N.Y., with the understanding that their owners will partner with Sequel to support the stallions with mares, and not just for the first year.

“Stonestreet has supported their stallions with mares and in the sale ring,” Thomas noted. “Their first foray into New York is really exciting.”

Established in 2000, Sequel underwent a major renovation in 2012, a year after



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2018 MARYLAND SIRES BY WINNERS

Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs
Friesan Fire	54	16
Great Notion	43	14
Not For Love	38	11
Orientate	32	9
Petionville	27	8
Street Magician	23	5
Despite the Odds	9	5
Redeemed	19	4
Lion Hearted	16	3
Freedom Child	11	3
Rock Slide	10	3
Nicanor	8	3
Outflanker	10	2
Louis Quatorze	9	2
Etched	6	2

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1	HEY CHUB (00, Carson City)	N/A	9/4	0/0	0/0	(Chubble Maker, \$42,440)	\$146,379	37	2	1.78	1.48
2	DEFRERE (92, Deputy Minister)	N/A	8/4	0/0	0/0	(Oak Bluffs, \$39,100)	\$103,224	*590	22	1.20	1.18
3	DON SIX (00, Wild Escapade), Greenfields Farm	Private	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Evil Monkey, \$16,260)	\$26,580	83	3	1.17	1.28
4	SECRET GETAWAY (05, Skip Away)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Getaway's Vow, \$15,620)	\$16,413	4	0	0.44	1.57
5	IL POSTINO (06, Distorted Humor), Colonial Farms	\$1,000	5/0	0/0	0/0	(Gables Girl, \$8,010)	\$15,540	16	0	0.83	0.90
6	MARCH TO VICTORY (04, Dixieland Band)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Sweet Filly o'Mine, \$13,400)	\$15,090	7	0	0.48	0.76

gaming revenue from the Genting Resorts World New York casino at Aqueduct began flowing to the state's racing and breeding industries. The New York breeding industry had been hit hard by the 2008 recession, with farms closing and mares moving out of state; as the financial picture grew rosier, Sequel reacted quickly to take advantage of a New York program that would soon prove lucrative.

In recent years Sequel has added graded stakes winners Mission Impazible and Laoban to its roster; they join Alpha, Stephanoatsee, and the grand old man of New York stallions, Freud, who has finished first or second on New York's general sires list in all but one of the last 10 years.

Thomas watched with satisfaction as Therapist, a New York-bred colt by Freud out of the Smart Strike mare Lady Renaissance, got up in the final strides in the Cutler Bay Stakes at Gulfstream Park on Florida Derby Day March 31 to earn his fourth win in five starts, his lone loss a third-place finish in the Palm Beach Stakes (G3T) in early March.

"Freud's done it all," she said. "It doesn't matter whether his offspring run in re-



Foal plays in the snow

stricted races or open company; his progeny are well-respected outside the state of New York, and we want to keep improving on that."

Though a force in the national breeding, racing, and sales business and the public face of Sequel, Thomas is quick to point out that the farm's success is a team effort, the result of traditions that began at Sequel Florida and that she imported to New York.

"Teamwork is how you get things done," agreed Sequel New York farm manager

Teri Brown. "Everyone has an important role to play."

Brown and her husband, Buster, joined Sequel last year after having worked for eight years at another New York farm.

"Sequel is a step above," Teri Brown said. "Becky doesn't take a stallion just to have a stallion; she takes one that will be successful for her, and for New York. She wants to promote breeding in New York, not just at Sequel."

Among the Florida traditions that have migrated north is a weekly lunch for everyone at the farm, a group of about a dozen that includes management and stable workers.

"We try to find a day that everyone is at the farm," said Brown, "but often, even if it's someone's day off, that person will come and join us for the lunch anyway."

Part of the team-building facilitated by the lunches and other events like barbecues at the farm is the knowledge of other cultures shared by the staff, which includes Latinos and a stallion manager from South Africa.

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Perpetual leading New York stallion Freud, left, and graded stakes winner Mission Impazible



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2018 LEADING SIRES IN VIRGINIA



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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2018 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2018 Earnings	Cumulative			
								Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	FRIEND OR FOE (07, Friends Lake)	N/A	3/2	0/0	0/0	(Mr. Buff, \$40,200)	\$114,050	16	0	2.10	1.58
2	REBELLION (GB) (03, Mozart)	N/A	3/0	0/0	0/0	(Mozart Melody, \$6,018)	\$10,877	*49	2	1.19	1.26

2018 LEADING SIRES IN WEST VIRGINIA



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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2018 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2018 Earnings	Cumulative			
								Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	WINDSOR CASTLE (98, Lord Carson), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$2,000	52/24	1/1	0/1	(William and Mary, \$43,740)	\$416,136	338	12	1.02	1.00
2	FIBER SONDE (05, Unbridled's Song), Beau Ridge Farm	\$1,000	41/19	0/0	0/0	(Court Date, \$31,410)	\$389,746	207	8	1.20	0.80
3	LIMEHOUSE (01, Grand Slam), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,500	43/4	0/0	0/0	(Recount, \$37,120)	\$211,698	*442	21	1.20	1.16
4	CHARITABLE MAN (06, Lemon Drop Kid)	Died, 2016	34/11	0/0	0/0	(Charitable Hero, \$17,840)	\$198,749	169	2	0.97	1.06
5	DENIS OF CORK (05, Harlan's Holiday), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$750	41/10	0/0	0/0	(Scottish Denis, \$29,703)	\$196,278	*123	4	0.68	1.09
6	MR. SIDNEY (04, Storm Cat), Beau Ridge Farm	\$6,500	20/5	0/0	0/0	(Mr Satchmo, \$24,190)	\$112,574	117	0	0.93	1.86
7	PEAK DANCER (97, Mt. Livermore)	N/A	14/5	0/0	0/0	(Braxton, \$34,100)	\$102,844	91	4	0.86	0.83
8	SWISS YODELER (94, Eastern Echo), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,000	26/12	0/0	0/0	(Byebye Mr Swiss, \$12,000)	\$90,883	778	15	0.98	1.02
9	DURING (00, Cherokee Run), O'Sullivan Farms	\$750	7/4	0/0	0/0	(Nellysford, \$33,540)	\$85,369	205	4	0.82	1.07
10	GATTOPARDO (05, Johannesburg), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	8/3	0/0	0/0	(Opera Nite, \$18,320)	\$49,400	25	1	0.95	0.75
11	GARNERED (98, Holy Bull)	N/A	7/1	0/0	0/0	(Riskshighpayslow, \$17,957)	\$45,392	102	0	0.64	0.72
12	REAL ESTATE (04, High Yield)	N/A	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Emblem's Estate, \$15,895)	\$40,322	44	0	0.67	0.80
13	MACHEN (08, Distorted Humor)	N/A	9/2	0/0	0/0	(Dude Cowboy, \$16,130)	\$37,899	61	0	0.52	0.76
14	LUFTIKUS (96, Meadowlake), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$500	7/1	0/0	0/0	(One Day More, \$19,540)	\$30,514	289	8	0.95	1.05
15	OUR ENTOURAGE (09, Street Cry), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,250	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Miss Blue Dot, \$23,130)	\$27,280	21	0	0.33	0.65
16	FEAR THE CAPE (01, Cape Town)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Fly the Coop, \$13,820)	\$20,177	46	1	0.84	0.95
17	BITTEL ROAD (06, Stormy Atlantic)	N/A	5/1	0/0	0/0	(The Names Billy, \$7,305)	\$19,680	19	0	0.35	0.77
18	CIVILISATION (98, Gone West)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Indus Valley Man, \$15,318)	\$16,288	178	0	0.57	0.66
19	CLASSY E. T. (97, Lil E. Tee)	N/A	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Classy Lakefield, \$16,110)	\$16,110	37	0	0.39	0.62
20	YARROW BRAE (95, Deputy Minister)	Died, 2016	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Feel the Funk, \$15,340)	\$16,072	303	6	1.07	0.98
21	THAT'S RICH (06, Chapel Royal), Cedar Rock Farm	\$1,000	2/1	0/0	0/0	(R and R Boy, \$15,950)	\$16,050	9	0	0.14	0.20
22	SPREEBEE (99, Forest Wildcat)	N/A	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Night Spree, \$14,027)	\$14,027	29	0	0.37	0.82
23	GLOBAL FORCE (07, Giant's Causeway)	N/A	6/1	0/0	0/0	(Gone Global, \$8,452)	\$13,878	23	0	0.19	0.71
24	OFFICER ROCKET (GB) (04, Officer)	N/A	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Launch the Cake, \$6,248)	\$13,230	27	0	0.83	0.68
25	THE LADY'S GROOM (00, Runaway Groom), Royal Oak Farm	\$1,000	6/0	0/0	0/0	(Lady Bidder, \$5,539)	\$12,220	46	0	0.29	0.67

agement Excellence at Summerhill Stud in South Africa, Thulani Zamisa joined the Sequel team as a stallion manager in January for a six-month internship, the 12th graduate of the program to work at the farm.

“One of my friends was working at Se-

quel in Florida,” said Zamisa, “so I went to YouTube to search for videos about the farm. I saw Mission Impazible and I loved him. I put him on my screen, on my laptop, and when I got to Sequel, the first thing I asked was, ‘Where’s Mission Impazible?’”

Though the climate was something of a

shock, it was mitigated by the warmth of the team that welcomed him.

“Being here makes me so happy,” he said. “Being with people who enjoy being with you, working with the horses—it makes me happy.”

In recent years Sequel has become a



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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2018 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2018 Earnings	Foals	Cumulative		
									Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	JUMP START (99, A.P. Indy), Northview PA	\$10,000	83/26	1/1	1/1	(Startwithsilver, \$105,400)	\$923,082	*1358	42	1.45	1.30
2	WEIGELIA (01, Safely's Mark), WynOaks Farm	\$3,500	21/12	0/0	0/0	(Chasing My Halo, \$59,304)	\$420,569	*106	5	1.42	1.02
3	DUBLIN (07, Afleet Alex), Mohns Hill Farm	Private	33/10	0/0	0/0	(Goats Town, \$53,397)	\$268,795	166	2	1.04	1.20
4	EL PADRINO (09, Pulpit), Northview PA	Died, 2017	15/8	0/0	0/0	(Whereshetoldmetogo, \$49,612)	\$242,751	95	0	1.30	1.31
5	TALENT SEARCH (03, Catienus), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	31/8	0/0	0/0	(Captain Riley, \$47,961)	\$224,590	*142	2	1.04	1.22
6	SILVER TRAIN (02, Old Trieste)	Died, 2013	37/9	0/0	0/0	(Fiftyshadesofbay, \$41,010)	\$216,979	*535	12	1.00	1.27
7	LORD SHANAKILL (06, Speightstown), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$3,500	39/8	1/1	0/1	(Dark Kingdom, \$48,832)	\$193,200	177	2	1.13	0.90
8	CROWN OF THORNS (05, Repent), Equistar Training Center	\$2,000	20/3	1/1	1/1	(Swagger Jagger, \$66,084)	\$170,095	49	1	0.83	1.13
9	UPTOWNCHARLYBROWN (07, Limehouse), Diamond B Farm	\$1,500	5/4	0/0	0/0	(Dixie Serenade, \$51,520)	\$116,627	27	0	1.78	0.81
10	RIMROD (00, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	11/5	0/0	0/0	(Checkbouncin Billy, \$39,460)	\$115,530	111	2	1.27	1.16
11	BULLSBAY (04, Tiznow), Northview PA	\$3,000	12/7	0/0	0/0	(A True Gentleman, \$24,433)	\$110,921	71	3	1.36	1.24
12	MEDALLIST (01, Touch Gold), Northview PA	\$2,000	15/5	0/0	0/0	(Rock n' Gold, \$24,080)	\$108,730	198	7	1.27	1.35
13	ANDIRON (06, A.P. Indy), Xanthus Farms, Inc.	\$2,000	11/4	0/0	0/0	(Roxbury N Overton, \$51,610)	\$97,509	45	1	0.95	0.59
14	CAL NATION (08, Distorted Humor), Kingfisher Lane Farm	\$2,500	12/2	0/0	0/0	(Parade of Nations, \$35,466)	\$87,893	45	0	1.05	1.21
15	GOT THE LAST LAUGH (04, Distorted Humor), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	8/3	0/0	0/0	(Laughing Best, \$40,896)	\$86,779	51	0	1.21	1.14
16	CITY SHARPSTER (99, Carson City)	N/A	10/3	0/0	0/0	(Colirubia, \$9,844)	\$57,943	63	0	0.76	0.69
17	ACTIVIST (94, Wild Again)	N/A	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Golden Promise, \$20,732)	\$57,302	188	3	0.91	0.87
18	ALBERT THE GREAT (97, Go for Gin)	Pnsd	10/2	0/0	0/0	(The Great Capar, \$11,330)	\$56,308	*407	8	1.11	1.12
19	WISEMAN'S FERRY (99, Hennessy)	Died, 2015	11/4	0/0	0/0	(Fancy Is My Name, \$22,436)	\$55,104	*308	6	1.61	1.05
20	MAD FLATTER (05, Flatter)	Died, 2016	9/2	0/0	0/0	(Flattering Ruby, \$20,300)	\$45,723	40	0	0.93	1.32
21	LITE THE FUSE (91, Buckaroo)	Pnsd	8/1	0/0	0/0	(Hygh Life, \$27,233)	\$42,992	549	22	1.21	1.16
22	FORMAL DINNER (88, Well Decorated)	Pnsd	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Formal Class, \$41,892)	\$42,852	*639	23	1.07	1.09
23	REFLECT TIMES (JPN) (05, French Deputy)	N/A	7/2	0/0	0/0	(You Tell Me, \$13,620)	\$28,893	26	0	0.94	0.28
24	SHOW TUNE (04, Unbridled's Song), Safe Haven Equine	\$1,500	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Wonderfully Tuned, \$24,472)	\$26,772	57	0	0.60	0.99
25	POWER BY FAR (95, Power of Mind), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Powerful Sun, \$18,732)	\$18,732	114	2	1.25	1.16
26	REVIVAL SONG (01, Unbridled's Song)	N/A	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Graphic, \$7,200)	\$18,544	44	0	0.58	0.90
27	LYRACIST (96, Sultry Song)	N/A	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Mousetrap, \$15,120)	\$18,060	25	0	0.87	1.16
28	PARTNER'S HERO (94, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	8/0	0/0	0/0	(Zipper's Hero, \$8,400)	\$16,020	460	15	1.18	1.30
29	IN THE WOODS (04, Forest Wildcat), Xanthus Farms, Inc.	\$1,500	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Banana Kova, \$10,368)	\$15,497	28	0	0.57	1.22
30	AISLE (99, Pulpit)	N/A	3/1	0/0	0/0	(El Chavo, \$14,868)	\$14,868	87	0	0.78	0.77
31	BARONIAL (05, Kingmambo)	N/A	2/0	0/0	0/0	(Baronial Boy, \$13,616)	\$14,800	7	0	0.11	0.56
32	NORMAN ASBJORNSON (08, Real Quiet)	Pnsd	2/1	0/0	0/0	(E'normous, \$7,629)	\$12,400	3	0	0.35	0.89
33	JUST A TOUCH (05, Aldebaran)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Safely Touch, \$10,557)	\$12,114	8	0	0.28	0.15
34	EMPEROR TIBERIUS (04, Storm Cat)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Empress Caro, \$8,346)	\$10,876	22	1	1.51	0.79

more prominent presence on social media, posting regularly on both Facebook and Twitter (@sequelnewyork). A new website is scheduled for a mid-April launch.

Handling the social media is Molly Lightner, who also oversees the stallion nominations and mare bookings from the Ocala farm. She posts about recent winners

by Sequel stallions, links to articles about Sequel horses, and, of course, foal photos.

"It's fun," she said. "I want to get our name out there, especially with the babies."

She's also found that Sequel clients are growing increasingly comfortable with doing business through social media, given the ease of making

2018 PENNSYLVANIA SIRES BY WINNERS

Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs
Jump Start	83	26
Weigelia	21	12
Dublin	33	10
Silver Train	37	9
Lord Shanakill	39	8
Talent Search	31	8
El Padrino	15	8
Bullsbay	12	7
Medallist	15	5
Rimrod	11	5
Andiron	11	4
Wiseman's Ferry	11	4
Uptowncharlybrown	5	4
Crown of Thorns	20	3
City Sharpster	10	3
Got the Last Laugh	8	3
Cal Nation	12	2
Albert the Great	10	2
Mad Flatter	9	2
Reflect Times (JPN)	7	2
Activist	6	2



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contact through Facebook.

“We’ve sold seasons through Facebook,” she said. “And with farms in New York and Florida, we use the cloud for information so that we’re all on the same page. It helps that The Jockey Club farm management system is in the cloud, and we’re trying to go paperless as much as we can.”

The Kentucky native began working at Jockey Club Information Systems shortly after leaving high school, and she worked at farms in Kentucky before heading south to Ocala. Despite not working at the New York farm, she’s as familiar with the stal-

When Thomas was considering adding Union Jackson to the roster, she knew that he met a lot of those criteria, but before she committed, she made one more phone call, to Steve Asmussen, who had trained Union Jackson and both of his parents.

“He told me Union Jackson was a great horse,” she said. “He always had an issue with an ankle, but Steve said he loved the horse, and he came up with that quotation we use in our marketing: ‘A brilliant horse, out of a brilliant horse, by a great horse.’”

So last November at Keeneland, Thomas met with Stonestreet, discuss-

Development Fund.

The Fund currently offers a \$7,000 first-place bonus to offspring of New York stallions that break their maiden at Finger Lakes. At a recent meeting the Fund’s board of directors was planning to consider a similar incentive for New York-sired maiden winners at NYRA tracks, an idea that Thomas favors over bulking up the New York Stallion Series, which is restricted to runners by horses standing in New York.

“Adding money for a restricted program doesn’t help commercial ability,” she pointed out, “because then the horses are pegged into restricted races. Additional money in open races helps the breeders and doesn’t restrict the race.”

She admits to some frustration about the number of mares that ship to Kentucky to be bred, which is why she insists on mare support for the stallions that come to stand at Sequel.

“Twin Creeks and me with Mission Impazible, Southern Equine and me with Laoban—these horses come with large support from all of us,” she said. “Twin Creeks will breed another 12 mares to Mission Impazible this year. If we want to attract breeders, we have to put our money where our mouth is. It’s really special to me that we have mares on the farm for Eddie Woods and a lot of pinhookers.”

That sense of pride in the farm and its work starts with Thomas and extends to the whole staff, nurtured by a community environment and respect and friendship for each other, and then, of course, to the clients and their horses.

“The atmosphere here helps us be a step above in our quality,” said farm manager Brown. “We have a lot of the same outlooks as far as our standards, and we want owners to feel like theirs is the only horse we have. He’s important to us as an individual, and we work to get him to be the best he can be. He’s cared for as a horse, not as a commodity.” **BH**



Two broodmares relax in the paddock on a winter day

lions there as if she saw them daily, reeling off statistics about stallion owners and mare purchases, and praising the program that has facilitated their success.

“Our stallions in New York could stand in Kentucky, no problem,” she said. “But there’s a lot of money on the table in New York, and that’s what we’re doing this for.”

“A horse has to have the right qualities to be standing in New York,” concurred Teri Brown. “This is a tough market, and stallions have to have pedigree, a good race record, conformation, and support from the people who own him.”

ing mare support and ownership.

“I’m all in when I start with new stallions,” she said. “I make a big financial commitment with mares, and they were very, very willing to do the same. We bought half of Union Jackson, and we each allocated half a million dollars to support him with mares this year and next.”

While the financial rewards for New York-sired horses aren’t on par with those for New York-breds, Thomas hopes to see positive movement in that direction as a result of a proposal from the New York Thoroughbred Breeding and

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For stallions that stand, will stand, or stood (deceased) in the states featured in this section (stallions that are dead or exported prior to 2014 are excluded), and have runners in North America. Listed below are all available statistics for the Northern Hemisphere through April 1, 2018. As supplied to *BloodHorse* by The Jockey Club Information Systems Inc., lists 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 2017 is \$22,593 or 47% of the 2017 average purse in Japan. To put earnings on par, all Japanese progeny earnings are multiplied by 47% before being credited to a sire’s progeny earnings. Hong Kong earnings are adjusted by 15%; Singapore by 68%. Current year stakes winners include all Northern Hemisphere black-type stakes results from all available countries. *Foal counts include Southern Hemisphere. Cumulative stakes winners include all countries.

*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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