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Facilities rebuild, updates have Maryland on the move BY EVAN HAMMONDS

KEY BILLS WORKING their way through the statehouse in Maryland to rebuild Pimlico and revamp Laurel Park, along with updates at the Fair Hill facility, have people feeling optimistic about racing's future in the Free State.

And while the hardy horsepeople of Maryland anticipate the coming breeding season and better racing days ahead with a stronger state-bred purse structure, they took time to honor their best of 2019 Feb. 11 with the Renaissance Awards, which were presented by the Maryland Horse Breeders Association, Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, and the Maryland Jockey Club.

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Uptowncharlybrown	\$7,500 \$5,000 PA mares	4	19%	\$86,839	\$9,281	\$49,346	2.06/0.77
Jump Start	\$10,000 deceased	14	16%	\$87,385	\$4,532	\$32,100	1.40/1.28
Great Notion	\$7,500	12	17%	\$82,128	\$5,294	\$32,291	1.51/1.21
Warrior's Reward	\$5,000	6	14%	\$52,387	\$3,676	\$18,982	1.03/1.34
Friesan Fire	\$4,000	5	13%	\$64,743	\$4,042	\$26,603	1.19/1.25

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2019 LEADING SIRES IN NEW YORK



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				ВТ	Rstrct				Cumu	lative	
Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB, Sire), Where Stands	2020 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2019 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	FREUD (98, Storm Cat), Sequel Stallions New York	\$6,500	130/58	4/4	3/4	(A Freud of Mama, \$342,068)	\$4,013,126	*1309	52	1.51	1.23
2	BIG BROWN (05, Boundary), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$5,000	152/69	5/7	3/5	(Funny Guy, \$352,925)	\$3,701,669	*785	26	1.05	1.47
3	CENTRAL BANKER (10, Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	s \$7,500	94/45	3/5	3/3	(Newly Minted, \$419,613)	\$3,470,715	132	4	1.41	1.22
4	BELLAMY ROAD (02, Concerto), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$5,000	146/75	2/2	0/2	(Hell N Wild, \$125,289)	\$2,786,290	*669	32	1.16	1.25
5	MISSION IMPAZIBLE (07, Unbridled's Song), Sequel Stallions New York	rk \$5,000	108/48	2/3	1/2	(Dream Bigger, \$305,828)	\$2,451,976	206	6	1.16	1.10
6	BUSTIN STONES (04, City Zip), Waldorf Farm	\$5,000	66/44	2/2	2/2	(Fair Regis, \$257,857)	\$2,428,930	207	9	1.33	1.31
7	FROST GIANT (03, Giant's Causeway), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallion	s \$2,500	103/47	4/5	4/4	(Kid Is Frosty, \$327,570)	\$2,391,438	*427	15	1.15	1.15
8	COURAGEOUS CAT (06, Storm Cat), Questroyal North	\$2,500	97/46	2/2	2/2	(Carrera Cat, \$222,140)	\$1,945,799	215	7	0.94	1.09
9	TEUFLESBERG (04, Johannesburg), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	s \$3,000	45/18	0/0	0/0	(Turbo Drive, \$108,510)	\$777,073	150	4	1.21	1.06
10	DISCO RICO (97, Citidancer)	Died	18/8	0/0	0/0	(Playthatfunnymusic, \$196,603)	\$693,594	268	12	1.41	1.19
11	SOARING EMPIRE (07, Empire Maker)	ied, 2018	31/13	0/0	0/0	(Ten Twenty Nine, \$102,925)	\$585,049	64	0	0.88	1.09
12	GIANT SURPRISE (09, Giant's Causeway), Rockridge Stud	\$4,000	37/15	0/0	0/0	(Cause for Surprise, \$53,710)	\$535,703	100	2	1.37	1.21
13	COSMONAUT (02, Lemon Drop Kid)	Pnsd	22/11	0/0	0/0	(Kreesie, \$137,811)	\$470,562	101	4	1.00	1.05
14	BANK HEIST (07, Maria's Mon), Kaz Hill Farm	\$5,000	27/7	0/0	0/0	(Kazmania, \$80,417)	\$419,438	76	1	0.83	1.33
15	CATIENUS (94, Storm Cat)	Pnsd	18/8	0/0	0/0	(Moondance Joy, \$82,479)	\$247,929	*570	23	1.08	1.19
16	A SHIN FORWARD (05, Forest Wildcat), Rockridge Stud	\$3,500	18/12	0/0	0/0	(Lord Ace, \$45,430)	\$235,046	30	0	0.49	0.79
17	MIRACLE MAN (02, Yankee Victor)	ied, 2015	4/3	0/0	0/0	(Jc's Shooting Star, \$159,893)	\$229,371	11	1	2.12	1.58
18	¶ MAJESTIC CITY (09, City Zip), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$3,500	13/4	0/0	0/0	(Candygramformongo, \$61,678)	\$210,485	28	0	0.70	1.03
19	ENCAUSTIC (04, Broad Brush), Foggy Bottom Farm	Private	16/9	0/0	0/0	(Smart Broad, \$38,895)	\$200,695	41	0	0.45	0.65
20	WILLCOX INN (08, Harlan's Holiday)	ied, 2015	11/5	0/0	0/0	(Fotis, \$51,440)	\$183,462	15	0	0.70	0.91

The most pressing matter is the legislation that would authorize up to \$375 million: \$180 million to rebuild Pimlico Race Course, thus keeping the Preakness Stakes (G1) in the Park Heights neighborhood of Baltimore, along with \$155 million for Laurel Park in Anne Arundel County near Washington, D.C.

A deal was reached last fall by the city of Baltimore and The Stronach Group, which owns the two tracks, to have the city take ownership of the Pimlico property for development. The historic grandstand and clubhouse would be torn down and a new clubhouse and events center built. The track would be rotated 30 degrees, and be 15/16ths of a mile. The land would be divided into nine tracts with some being sold for private development.

The Laurel plan includes a new clubhouse, an all-weather Tapeta track (for racing and training), stables, and training facilities. The old Bowie Training Center, also owned by The Stronach Group, would be given to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the city of Bowie, and to Bowie State University.

The legislation also calls for the creation of an Equine Health, Safety and Welfare Advisory Committee under the Maryland Racing Commission to study the welfare of horses engaged in racing and training in Maryland.

"The 'Pimlico' bills are in the house and senate and they get a hearing Feb. 25. From the people I'm talking to, the bills are getting full support," said Cricket Goodall, executive director of the MHBA.

"I have yet to see anyone come out of the woodwork and oppose it, but you never know. It's got the leaders of the house and the senate behind it along with the city of Baltimore. You hate to say it, but if anything can look pretty good, this is it.

"There is a lot of excitement from the horse industry and the city. It's actually the most energized I've seen it. The city has been getting a lot of bad press for other reasons, and this gives them a chance to talk about something good that is going to happen for the city," she continued. "It's brought together a lot of unity that we haven't had in the last few years, and it's long overdue. Over time one thought these discussions would have happened quite awhile ago, but it looks like the stars have aligned.



A current look at Pimlico, which is located in the Park Heights neighborhood of Baltimore



2019 LEADING SIRES IN MARYLAND



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1	GREAT NOTION (00, Elusive Quality), Northview Stallion Station	\$7,500	92/54	3/9	3/3	(Anna's Bandit, \$401,830)	\$3,182,402	335	22	1.51	1.21
2	FRIESAN FIRE (06, A.P. Indy), Country Life Farm	\$4,000	98/51	3/5	1/3	(Call Paul, \$294,220)	\$2,723,790	227	6	1.19	1.25
3	NOT FOR LOVE (90, Mr. Prospector)	Died	47/34	1/2	0/1	(Clubman, \$242,207)	\$2,059,917	975	82	1.65	1.42
4	STREET MAGICIAN (04, Street Cry), Legacy Farm Stallions Stdg at Roland Fa	rm \$2,000	59/27	1/1	0/1	(So Street, \$158,933)	\$1,490,618	137	4	1.10	1.27
5	ORIENTATE (98, Mt. Livermore)	Pnsd	59/37	0/0	0/0	(The Great Provider, \$100,324)	\$1,441,916	*845	32	1.23	1.56
6	SUPER NINETY NINE (10, Pulpit), Country Life Farm	\$3,000	42/24	0/0	0/0	(Tommy Shelby, \$111,596)	\$1,244,650	64	0	1.03	1.36
7	SEVILLE (GER) (08, Galileo)	Died	54/20	2/4	1/2	(Las Setas, \$226,890)	\$1,091,522	*164	2	0.56	1.25
8	REDEEMED (08, Include), Northview Stallion Station	\$3,000	40/21	0/0	0/0	(Friday Mass, \$105,988)	\$963,815	93	0	1.02	1.06
9	BANDBOX (08, Tapit), Northview Stallion Station	\$2,500	32/19	0/0	0/0	(Artful Splatter, \$102,385)	\$938,254	57	1	1.20	1.26
10	TRITAP (09, Tapit)	Died, 2016	27/14	0/0	0/0	(Tappin Cat, \$128,272)	\$737,519	40	1	1.25	1.39
11	PETIONVILLE (92, Seeking the Gold), Murmur Farm	\$4,000	36/14	1/1	1/1	(Trace of Grace, \$161,480)	\$717,118	*752	42	1.25	1.29
12	OUTFLANKER (94, Danzig), Shamrock Farm	\$2,500	28/15	0/0	0/0	(Leap to Glory, \$97,256)	\$668,929	*568	21	1.33	1.12
13	" · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$5,000	18/10	2/3	2/2	(Hello Beautiful, \$166,558)	\$666,471	62	2	1.53	1.30
14	¶ BOURBON COURAGE (09, Lion Heart), Anchor & Hope Farm	\$5,000	22/8	1/1	1/1	(Raging Whiskey, \$111,927)	\$567,242	44	1	1.03	1.17
15	ETCHED (05, Forestry)	N/A	15/13	1/1	0/1	(My Sistersledge, \$122,239)	\$540,368	50	1	1.00	1.04
16	ROCK SLIDE (98, A.P. Indy)	N/A	14/10	1/1	0/1	(Rocky Policy, \$205,631)	\$476,140	282	11	1.01	1.14
17	NICANOR (06, Dynaformer)	N/A	20/13	0/0	0/0	(Fearless Terp, \$82,049)	\$472,250	44	0	0.67	1.01
18	BUFFUM (08, Bernardini)	Died, 2019	13/9	0/0	0/0	(Stormin Hongkong, \$92,965)	\$431,162	23	2	1.80	1.26
19	¶ IMAGINING (08, Giant's Causeway), Anchor & Hope Farm	\$7,500	17/5	1/1	0/1	(Monday Morning Qb, \$105,000)	\$416,937	50	1	0.99	1.45
20	LOUIS QUATORZE (93, Sovereign Dancer)	Pnsd	22/8	0/0	0/0	(Dothat Dance, \$58,530)	\$389,494	*991	21	1.13	1.29
21	LION HEARTED (96, Storm Cat)	Died	16/8	0/0	0/0	(Tricky Lion, \$112,307)	\$305,492	*624	18	1.16	1.25
22	BALTIMORE BOB (05, Malibu Moon), Shamrock Farm	\$2,500	17/5	0/0	0/0	(Dundalk, \$45,285)	\$189,492	31	0	0.85	1.13
23	CUBA (01, Not For Love)	N/A	11/2	1/1	0/1	(Laki, \$113,090)	\$141,223	19	1	1.02	0.48
24	¶ HANGOVER KID (08, Lemon Drop Kid), Murmur Farm	\$2,500	1/1	1/1	0/1	(Miss J McKay, \$131,953)	\$131,953	6	1	5.30	0.97
25	CHEROKEE'S BOY (00, Citidancer)	Pnsd	7/4	0/0	0/0	(Dr Bolt, \$30,946)	\$131,933	104	1	0.97	0.96

"It seems to be coming together. There's still plenty of heavy lifting to do once the bill passes, but it seems to me there is a plan."

The "plan" is one part of the anticipation

of Maryland horsepeople for 2020. The upcoming breeding season has a bit of a buzz to it as well.

"People are excited; we've got some

cially with Pennsylvania. No matter what kind of bloodlines you have, breeders are going to go where the money is if they are breeding to race. "We have a very dedicated, loyal group," she said. "It's a very small group; it's contracted, but they really are dedicated even though each year is nerve-wracking when it comes time to getting mares." According to the recently released The Jockey Club Fact Book, 803 mares were bred in Maryland in 2019. While that is down from 888 a year ago, the figure is higher than the 784 covered in 2017. The number of stallions in 2017 and 2018, 33,

held steady in 2019. By comparison, 814 mares were covered in Pennsylvania in 2019, up from 682 in 2018 and 681 in 2017.

good new stallions," Goodall said. "There's

always some concern because the compe-

tition in this region is pretty strong, espe-

Maryland's foal crop of 672 for 2018 is on the rise, from 660 in 2017, 650 in 2016, and 611 in 2015. The nadir was in (continued on page 62)



Training on the synthetic surface at Fair Hill, which is near the Pennsylvania, Delaware lines

To stallions that stand, will stand, or stood (deceased) in the states featured in this section (stallions that are dead or exported prior to 2015 are excluded), and have runners in North America. Listed below are all available statistics for the Northern Hemisphere through December 31, 2019. 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 2018 is \$23,755 or 50% of the 2018 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 15%: Singapore by 66%. 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. (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.

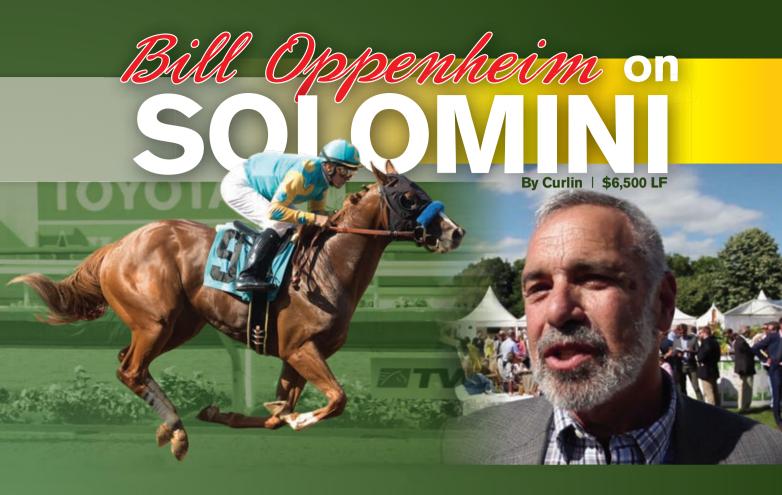
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North America's #2 Third Crop Sire

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	Cumulative Dirt Earnings 02/24/2020													
Rank	Stallion 2020 fee	BTW	GSH	Starters	Winners [% of starters]	Earnings								
1	Goldencents \$25,000	6	2	171	83 [48.54]	\$6,202,344								
2	CENTRAL BANKER \$7,500	4	1	99	46 [46.46]	\$4,538,461								
3	Mucho Macho Man \$10,000	3	1	72	38 [52.78]	\$4,436,577								
4	Cairo Prince \$25,000	4	2	142	64 [45.07]	\$4,414,077								
5	Cross Traffic \$15,000	7	2	98	47 [47.96]	\$4,335,247								
6	Flashback \$3,500	1	2	96	40 [41.67]	\$3,366,593								
7	Will Take Charge \$15,000	2	5	106	38 [35.85]	\$2,975,756								
8	Noble Mission (GB) \$20,000	1	1	59	16 [27.12]	\$2,967,326								
9	Fed Biz \$7,500	5	2	110	48 [43.64]	\$2,889,854								
10	Strong Mandate \$5,000	2	1	82	45 [54.88]	\$2,502,295								





"Curlin has six Grade 1-winning sons standing in Kentucky for between \$20,000 - \$35,000. If Solomini hadn't been controversially disqualified after defeating McKinzie and Instilled Regard in the 2017 G1 Los Alamitos Futurity, he would be too. Even as it stands, in four starts at two Solomini broke his maiden first time out, then placed in three consecutive Grade 1 races: the G1 Frontrunner (second to Bolt D'Oro), G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile (to Good Magic, defeating Bolt D'Oro), and the G1 Los Alamitos Futurity. So Solomini's 2-year-old form ties right in with Good Magic (standing for \$35,000), Bolt D'Oro (standing for \$25,000) and McKinzie (earner of \$3.3-million). Moreover, had he kept the Futurity he would score 7/7 on a scale we use to predict stallion success from 2-year-old form".

-Bill Oppenheim

Already 80+ mares booked for 2020, don't get shut out!



2019 LEADING SIRES IN PENNSYLVANIA



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1	JUMP START (99, A.P. Indy)	Died	164/87	6/6	3/6	(Hey Mamaluke, \$222,019)	\$5,355,014	*1413	51	1.40	1.28
2	WARRIOR'S REWARD (06, Medaglia d'Oro), WynOaks Farm	\$5,000	213/109	2/3	1/2	(Night Ops, \$249,921)	\$4,280,139	*549	17	1.03	1.34
3	EL PADRINO (09, Pulpit)	Died, 2017	84/48	2/2	2/2	(Taco Supream, \$201,127)	\$2,757,418	155	3	1.34	1.28
4	FLASHBACK (10, Tapit), Diamond B Farm	\$3,500	90/37	1/2	0/1	(British Idiom, \$1,381,250)	\$2,645,811	165	1	1.09	1.27
5	DUBLIN (07, Afleet Alex)	N/A	61/37	2/2	1/2	(Shamrocker, \$321,140)	\$2,083,500	176	3	1.09	1.15
6	POSEIDON'S WARRIOR (08, Speightstown), Equistar Training and Breed	ling \$5,000	88/46	1/3	0/1	(Firenze Fire, \$567,650)	\$1,866,305	*196	2	0.93	1.10
7	DESERT PARTY (06, Street Cry), Godstone Farm	\$2,500	68/40	0/0	0/0	(Orchid Party, \$102,847)	\$1,695,888	240	6	0.96	1.33
8	WEIGELIA (01, Safely's Mark), WynOaks Farm	Private	53/32	0/0	0/0	(Chasing My Halo, \$120,434)	\$1,684,841	*131	7	1.45	1.03
9	SMARTY JONES (01, Elusive Quality), Equistar Training and Breeding	\$3,500	71/27	2/3	0/2	(Someday Jones, \$230,850)	\$1,370,694	*751	27	1.38	1.72
10	TALENT SEARCH (03, Catienus), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	41/28	1/1	1/1	(I'm the Talent, \$135,190)	\$1,236,966	*159	3	1.04	1.19
11	UPTOWNCHARLYBROWN (07, Limehouse), Diamond B Farm	\$7,500	20/11	2/3	1/2	(Midnightcharly, \$267,888)	\$955,615	38	3	2.06	0.77
12	BOISTEROUS (07, Distorted Humor), Diamond B Farm	\$3,000	44/21	0/0	0/0	(Loud Mouth, \$96,780)	\$938,841	82	1	0.78	1.08
13	MAD FLATTER (05, Flatter)	Died, 2016	24/18	0/0	0/0	(Glowing Star, \$79,654)	\$703,025	48	0	0.94	1.29
14	MEDALLIST (01, Touch Gold), Northview PA	\$2,000	16/11	0/0	0/0	(Winning the Medal, \$114,220)	\$651,802	204	7	1.28	1.32
15	CAL NATION (08, Distorted Humor)	N/A	28/16	1/1	1/1	(Ournationonparade, \$65,920)	\$639,905	49	1	0.99	1.13
16	CROWN OF THORNS (05, Repent), Equistar Training and Breeding	\$2,000	27/12	1/1	1/1	(Crown and Sugar, \$116,490)	\$621,419	55	2		1.06
17	ALBERT THE GREAT (97, Go for Gin)	Pnsd	28/15	0/0	0/0	(Screen Saver, \$56,990)	\$536,922	*412		1.10	1.10
18	LORD SHANAKILL (06, Speightstown), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$2,500	49/30	0/0	0/0	(Old Fox, \$34,978)	\$499,845	203	3	1.12	0.90
19	WELL SPELLED (09, Spellbinder), Godstone Farm	\$1,500	16/10	1/1	1/1	(Hockey Puck, \$122,430)	\$497,513	24		1.03	0.95
20	FAIRBANKS (03, Giant's Causeway)	Pnsd	30/10	0/0	0/0	(Jeezum Jim, \$70,528)	\$412,803	229	3	1.03	1.18
21	RIMROD (00, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	16/7	0/0	0/0	(J J Loves Billy, \$79,926)	\$363,171	112	2		1.14
22	WINCHILL (08, Tapit), Pointer Farm	\$3,000	11/6	0/0	0/0	(Word On a Wing, \$93,240)	\$281,757	22	0	0.84	1.30
23	PARTNER'S HERO (94, Danzig)	N/A	15/6	1/1	1/1	(Zipper's Hero, \$93,070)	\$277,743	463	16	1.17	1.28
24		Died, 2015	12/4	0/0	0/0	(Wise Jude, \$93,182)	\$267,528	*308	6	1.58	1.03
25	REFLECT TIMES (JPN) (05, French Deputy)	N/A	10/6	0/0	0/0	(Patty's Boy, \$66,972)	\$260,537	27	0	0.86	0.33

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2012 when only 363 foals were part of Maryland's registered foal crop.

Racing in Maryland, too, is rising. In 2019 the average purse per race was \$37,312. Two years ago it was \$34,168. That's a lift of 9.2%.

The breeding, racing, and the state legislature's interest in doubling down on reinvesting in racing facilities, flies in the face of what happened in neighboring Pennsylvania in the first week of February.

Governor Tom Wolf took the state's breeding industry by surprise while delivering his budget address, proposing an end to all Pennsylvania Race Horse Development Fund payments to purses and breeders funds and directing more than \$204 million to college scholarships.

While most believe that won't happen, the state might be able to shave off a portion of that money and more than anything else shake the confidence of breeders in the state.

At least for this cycle, the folks in Maryland are moving the needle when it comes to horse racing awareness and initiatives.

The Stronach Group, along with the MJC, horsemen, and MTHA is getting valuable information out in front of the public. The website, Racing for the Future (www.racingforthefuture.org) offers colorful copy with a comprehensive layout of the plans for the "new" Pimlico with plenty of renderings and overlays of the facility and neighborhood.

"It was designed to get information out there quickly," Goodall said. "It was long overdue because last year they (TSG) learned they needed to have statements ready. They've done a good job with the plan and with showing it around. They've gotten the word out there, and the website is there for the people who haven't heard it yet."

FIVE-STAR GROWTH

Along with the buzz surrounding Pimlico and Laurel, there is quite a bit of construction going on at Fair Hill near Monkton. The haven for horses of all disciplines is continuing on its course to bid for a five-star three-day event. A test event is scheduled for April during Fair Hill's annual spring three-day event, and the five-star



Co-owners Antony Beck, left, and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners' Aron Wellman (jacket and tie) at the Breeders' Cup with Sharing, Maryland's 2019 horse of the year



A SHIN **FORWARD**

« Grade 1 SW by FOREST WILDCAT 3rd All-Time Leading NY-Bred \$3,500 LF



FRANK CONVERSATION

« Graded SW by QUALITY ROAD Mutliple GSW. G1 Stakes Placed \$5,000 LF



DISCO PARTNER by Disco Rico • \$5,000 LF

Multiple GSW & World Record Holder

- » 7x SW, Won/Placed 19 Stakes, Earnings \$1,487,560
- » Set WORLD RECORD in Jaipur Inv. S.-G3 (1:05.67)
- » Placed Breeders' Cup Sprint TWICE

2020 STALLIONS



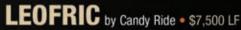
GIANT SURPRISE

« Leading Sire by GIANT'S CAUSEWAY Leading New York Sire by 2YO Winners \$4,000 LF



MICROMANAGE

« GSW/G1 SP by MEDAGLIA D'ORO 2nd Leading New York Freshman Sire \$4,000 LF



Grade 1 SW by CANDY RIDE

- » 8 Wins, 4 Placings from 14 Starts, \$951,040
- » Won Clark H.-G1, Fayette S.-G2, etc.
- » 3rd Woodward S.-G1, beaten only 2 lengths







2019 LEADING SIRES IN WEST VIRGINIA



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				BT	Rstrct				Cumu	lative	
Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2020 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2019 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	FIBER SONDE (05, Unbridled's Song), Beau Ridge Farm	\$1,000	95/67	4/8	2/4	(Runnin'toluvya, \$621,660)	\$3,859,836	242	12	1.34	0.79
2	WINDSOR CASTLE (98, Lord Carson), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$2,000	88/58	3/4	3/3	(Castle Bound, \$152,044)	\$2,236,992	363	15	1.00	1.00
3	LIMEHOUSE (01, Grand Slam), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,500	80/43	0/0	0/0	(Lymebyrd, \$104,492)	\$1,472,131	*462	23	1.13	1.12
4	CHARITABLE MAN (06, Lemon Drop Kid)	Died, 2016	79/37	0/0	0/0	(Hero's Man, \$108,704)	\$1,234,893	189	2	0.84	1.04
5	EXCLUSIVE QUALITY (03, Elusive Quality)	Died, 2019	62/31	0/0	0/0	(Wishful Quality, \$86,060)	\$1,020,023	346	7	0.89	1.06
6	DESPITE THE ODDS (06, Speightstown), Bybee Road Farm on Avonw	ood \$1,500	40/25	0/0	0/0	(Port Louis, \$76,192)	\$1,013,839	67	0	0.97	1.22
7	DENIS OF CORK (05, Harlan's Holiday), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$750	37/17	1/1	1/1	(B's Wild Cork, \$93,190)	\$660,667	*130	6	0.72	1.01
8	MACHEN (08, Distorted Humor), Baird Racing Stable	Private	33/20	0/0	0/0	(Shy Guy, \$59,184)	\$627,219	69	0	0.61	0.69
9	BULLSBAY (04, Tiznow), Pellinor Lane	\$2,500	38/13	0/0	0/0	(Dancing Bull, \$85,660)	\$591,387	86	3	1.13	1.20
10	SWISS YODELER (94, Eastern Echo), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,000	33/17	0/0	0/0	(Alpine Moon, \$56,405)	\$431,510	785	15	0.96	1.02
11	OUR ENTOURAGE (09, Street Cry), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,250	13/10	0/0	0/0	(Chiefs Kingdom, \$89,411)	\$316,720	25	0	0.85	0.64
12	CAPO BASTONE (10, Street Boss), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,000	17/8	0/0	0/0	(Starship Nala, \$70,000)	\$302,706	30	0	0.98	1.12
13	GATTOPARDO (05, Johannesburg), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	10/6	0/0	0/0	(Opera Nite, \$104,622)	\$291,802	28	1	1.15	0.75
14	SIENTE EL TRUENO (07, City Zip), Stehr's Farm	\$500	8/7	0/0	0/0	(Arya Peaceful, \$56,520)	\$234,113	19	0	0.80	0.59
15	OFFICER ROCKET (GB) (04, Officer)	Died, 2019	15/7	0/0	0/0	(Rocket Thunder, \$42,653)	\$207,117	35	0	0.73	0.64

event is slated for October.

The Fair Hill steeplechase races will be run at Laurel this year but will return in 2021.

"Construction is great; right up to par," said Fair Hill's Nancy Simpers. "The turf is in and looks wonderful. It's just a matter of seasoning to have it ready."

There is the hope one day to run a weeklong turf meet, a "Kentucky Downs-type" meeting.

"Everything depends on funding," Simpers said. "We're tight on getting our purse money for the one day. We have eight days; we don't use them because we don't have the support for the purse money. It's Cecil County Breeders' Fair/Fair Hill Races. Cecil County Breeders' Fair is how Mr. du Pont legislated it so we could have parimutuel wagering."

It was in 1975 that the state of Maryland purchased more than 5,600 acres from the William du Pont Jr. estate using open space funds, with the agreement to host various equine activities.

"They are really focused on the fivestar," Goodall said. "They are looking to upgrade the stands and the parking.

"Fair Hill is a jewel for Maryland, and the people in Pennsylvania and Delaware love it, too. The long-term goal is to do more throughout the year, perhaps a turf meet. They have the days, but they've never had the purse money."

RENAISSANCE FARE

The third annual Renaissance Awards was held at the Guinness Open Gate Brewery in Halethorpe, Md., and honored the Maryland-bred champions of 2019, along

with the top Maryland owner, breeder, trainer, jockey, stallion, and broodmare.

The night's big winner was Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Antony Beck's Gainesway Stable's Sharing. The 2-year-old filly was named Maryland-bred horse of the year and awarded championships for 2-year-old filly and turf runner.

She capped her first year of racing by becoming just the fourth Maryland-bred to win a Breeders' Cup race when she landed the \$1 million Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf (G1T) Nov. 1 at Santa Anita Park for trainer Graham Motion.

Bred by Kevin Plank's Sagamore Farm, Sharing is by Speightstown out of the Pleasantly Perfect mare Shared Account. Shared Account won the 2010 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf (G1T) and earned more than \$1.6 million.

Sharing, who won the \$200,000 Selima Stakes at Laurel Park, was a \$350,000 purchase at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga select yearling sale.

Sharing's success was a good part of the reason Sagamore Farm was named breeder of the year. The farm led all breeders in earnings in 2019 and was represented by two additional stakes winners.

Graded stakes winner Blamed, the statebred champion 3-year-old filly of 2018, returned at 4 to win Gulfstream Park's Royal Delta Stakes (G3). The Sagamorecampaigned Where Paradise Lay won



Maryland's champion 3-year-old filly Las Setas, by Seville

2019 LEADING SIRES IN NEW JERSEY



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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2020 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2019 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	HEY CHUB (00, Carson City), Joe-Dan Farm	\$1,000	26/14	0/0	0/0	(Brother Chub, \$158,540)	\$960,549	46	3	1.67	1.40
2	2 CABLE BOY (04, Jump Start)	Died, 2017	6/2	1/1	1/1	(Optic Way, \$205,713)	\$345,101	23	2	1.49	1.05
3	B KING PUMA (06, Forest Wildcat)	N/A	8/2	0/0	0/0	(Love Is Your Name, \$193,815)	\$328,297	26	0	0.99	1.46
4	IL POSTINO (06, Distorted Humor), Colonial Farms	\$1,000	9/5	0/0	0/0	(Irish Meadow, \$70,237)	\$320,261	16	0	1.06	0.79
5	5 DON SIX (00, Wild Escapade)	N/A	15/4	0/0	0/0	(Don's Escapade, \$60,650)	\$271,840	92	3	1.14	1.29
6	DEFRERE (92, Deputy Minister)	Died, 2017	7/1	1/1	1/1	(Oak Bluffs, \$118,400)	\$148,185	*590	22	1.20	1.17

2019 LEADING SIRES IN VIRGINIA

				BT	Rstrct				Cumu	iative	
Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2020 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	SWnrs/ Wns	SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2019 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	MR. SIDNEY (04, Storm Cat), Riverview Farms	\$6,500	35/20	1/1	0/1	(Mr. Alec, \$91,100)	\$765,683	*128	1	1.09	1.66
2	FRIEND OR FOE (07, Friends Lake), Smallwood Farm	\$1,000	8/6	1/5	0/1	(Mr. Buff, \$455,750)	\$571,306	19	1	2.36	1.59
3	REBELLION (GB) (03, Mozart)	N/A	9/5	0/0	0/0	(Blurricane, \$56,848)	\$193,439	*54	2	1.17	1.20
4	COSA VERA (05, Dynaformer)	N/A	9/1	0/0	0/0	(Accountable, \$70,550)	\$121,881	37	0	0.59	1.31

Laurel's Star de Naskra Stakes and earned \$125,215 for trainer Stanley Hough.

Charles and Cynthia McGinnes' Taft Lil Queen, who died in 2015, was honored as broodmare of the year. The dam of two Maryland-bred champions was represented in 2019 by stakes-winning Pete's Play Call (by Munnings).

A \$48,000 purchase in 2001, Taft Lil Queen was a stakes-winning daughter of Irish Open—Eston, by Ancestral. She is also the dam of grade 2 stakes winner Kiss to Remember (by Big Brown) and Puerto Rico champion and Maryland co-champion El Viento.

The stallion of the year award went to

Great Notion, who earned the title for the fourth year in a row. In 2019 his runners earned \$3,195,902, and he was represented by three stakes winners, including Lewisfield, who was named the state-bred champion sprinter, and Anna's Bandit.

The son of Elusive Quality stands at Northview Stallion Station. His fee for 2020 is \$7,500.

The other divisional winners:

Laddie Liam (Golden Lad—Buffgirl, by Quiet American) was named champion 2-year-old male. Owned by Joseph Besecker and bred by Hillwood Stable, the bay colt won Laurel's Maryland Juvenile Futurity and was third in the Maryland Million Nursery Stakes.

Alwaysmining (Stay Thirsty—What Will Be, by Anees) earned champion 3-year-old male honors. Bred by Avla Pitts and raced by Runnymoore Racing, the dark bay gelding was a three-time stakes winner in 2019, taking the Miracle Wood, Private Terms, and Federico Tesio stakes in order from February to April.

Las Setas, a 4-year-old by Seville— Tanca, by Polish Numbers, was the champion 3-year-old filly. Bred by Robert Manfuso and Katharine Voss, she won three stakes at Laurel for Wayne Harrison, Manfuso, and trainer Voss.

The champion older male was Cordmaker, a 4-year-old half brother to Las Setas, by Curlin. Trained by Rodney Jenkins for Ellen Charles' Hillwood Stable, the gelding won a pair of stakes at both Laurel and Delaware Park and was third in the Pimlico Special Stakes (G3).

Lewisfield, bred and owned by Linda Zang and trained by Jeff Runco, is out of the Crowd Pleaser mare Smart Crowd and won or placed in six stakes in 2019.

Hillwood Stable and Richard Golden's Majestic Reason was named champion older female. By Majestic Warrior—Love's Reason, by Not For Love, she was trained by Motion. Bred by Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds and Charles, she was a grade 2-placed stakes winner in 2019, adding the Feb. 15 Runhappy Barbara Fritchie Stakes (G3) to her growing list of accomplishments.

Charles' Hillwood Stable was named owner of the year.



Maryland's 2019 champion sprinter Lewisfield, a son of leading sire Great Notion