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Darryl and Jill Myers are all in on turning Stone Jug Ranch into a breeding operation that shines a spotlight on Pennsylvania's breeding and racing industry

Looking for a Knockout

FIRST-YEAR SIRE TYSON LANDS IN PENNSYLVANIA

By CHARLIE McCARTHY

PENNSYLVANIA RACEHORSE owner/breeder Darryl Myers and his friend and bloodstock adviser Ed Price had discussed finding a high-level stallion prospect for a while.

So, when Price arrived at last year's Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale, he had a list of three horses to scope out. One was an Into Mischief, another was a Giant's Causeway, and the third was a Tapit.

Then, as sometimes happens, two of the three were pulled out of the sale by the owners.

That left Tyson, a son of Tapit, out of the Smart Strike mare Honouring.

"My understanding with one of the horses was that it was a partnership, and one of the owners didn't want to sell," Price said. "The second horse also was pulled out of the sale because the owner basically wanted to stay in on his horse.

"But the horse we were primarily interested in was Tyson. So, it basically worked out for us."

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2024 LEADING SIRES IN NEW JERSEY

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Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB, Sire), Where Stands	2024 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	Cumulative				
							2024 Earnings	Foals	BT SWs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	Sea Wizard (13, Uncle Mo), Pegasus Stud	\$5,000	23/13	3/4	0/3	(Sea Streak, \$218,190)	\$1,099,568	34	4	1.55	1.41
2	Il Postino (06, Distorted Humor)	N/A	6/3	0/0	0/0	(Jasper's Pride, \$166,641)	\$317,015	26	1	1.51	0.94
3	Hey Chub (00, Carson City)	N/A	7/2	0/0	0/0	(Grouch, \$71,061)	\$162,044	66	4	1.68	1.32
4	King Puma (06, Forest Wildcat)	N/A	3/0	0/0	0/0	(T V Man, \$7,912)	\$15,125	35	0	0.95	1.45

* includes Southern Hemisphere foals; † Indicates a first-crop sire

Myers, a 20-year industry veteran who began his career by owning claimers, agreed with Price.

"This guy here," Myers said of Tyson, "we think might end up being better than those other horses."

Myers and his wife, Jill, spent \$175,000 to purchase Tyson, on whom they hope to build a breeding business at their Stone Jug Ranch in Dillsburg, Pa.

A native of Enhaut, Pa., 63-year-old Myers is a welder by trade. He started Myers Steel Works in Dillsburg in 1986.

The structural steel business helped him pursue a love of horse racing, first with claimers and then by sending mares to Kentucky to get covered for foals to race or sell.

One successful venture was purchasing Pharoah's Princess, who at the time was in foal to two-time Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) winner Tiznow, for \$80,000. The foal then was sold for \$125,000.

Nearly eight years ago, Darryl married Jill. She had owned riding horses.

With two adult sons helping to run his steel business, Myers has been able to spend needed time on his horse business and follow through on his desire to breed Kentucky-like horses in Pennsylvania.

"I'm trying to cut my costs," Myers said from his winter home in Port Charlotte, Fla. "It was better to cut my costs having my own stallion and having my mares nick well for this stallion that I have instead of me having to ship everything to Kentucky.

"I would spend more than what the stallion cost by the time I shipped everybody down, set them up at a farm, get them to breed, pay their stud fees, and bring 'em back to (Pennsylvania). There was more cost in doing all that, so I might as well own my own stallion."



The Myerses bought Tyson, a Canadian champion and a multiple graded stakes winner, at auction last fall to stand at Stone Jug Ranch. The 6-year-old's third dam, Better Than Honour, was the 2007 Kentucky Broodmare of the Year

Price has known Darryl for roughly 15 years.

"When I first met Darryl, he had some claimers that he would claim, around Penn National, and he moved from that to buying yearlings and getting them broken, and then racing them," Price said.

"Then he moved from that to foaling some mares, mares he had at the original farm, send them out, foal them, brought them back, all Pa.-bred foals, and then we'd put them in the sale in Kentucky and sell them. Now, he's kind of reverted back to racing a little bit but we've talked about the stallion thing for a couple of years, and when this horse became available, then we got serious about it."

The Myerses and Price see Tyson as creating the foundation for a successful breeding enterprise.

Now 6 years old, Tyson put together an impressive racing career.

He won in his first start as a 3-year-old at Gulfstream Park for Hall of Fame trainer Todd Pletcher in March 2022. A minor physical issue then lingered and forced him to the sidelines for more than a year.

When he returned in May 2023, Tyson won for trainer Josie Carroll on the synthetic surface at Woodbine. He went on to capture Woodbine's Dominion Day Stakes (G3) and Seagram Cup Stakes (G2) in July 2023.

That year, when he hit the board in four consecutive graded stakes, helped the colt earn Canada's 2023 Sovereign Award champion older horse for his owners and breeders, Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings and Stretch Run Ventures.

Tyson's final race was a sixth-place finish in the Dominion Day Stakes last June. In 10 career starts, he posted a record of 4-1-2 and earned \$378,548.

Impressed with the horse's accomplishments, Myers and Price were



The Myerses with Pharoah's Princess, who they bought for \$80,000 in foal to two-time Breeders' Cup Classic winner, Tiznow. They later sold the foal, who is now 5 and winless in eight starts, at auction as a yearling to Barry Schwartz for \$125,000

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1	Cloud Computing (14, Maclean's Music), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$3,500	155/80	1/1	0/1	(I'm Very Busy, \$377,000)	\$4,151,992	*315	5	0.92	1.04
2	Enticed (15, Medaglia d'Oro), Mountain Springs Farm	\$5,000	101/49	3/3	1/3	(Under the Palms, \$231,245)	\$3,219,744	149	3	1.02	1.06
3	Warrior's Reward (06, Medaglia d'Oro)	Pnsd	121/65	3/4	2/3	(The Boy's Warrior, \$162,200)	\$3,108,833	*817	23	0.92	1.20
4	Uptowncharlybrown (07, Limehouse), Mountain Springs Farm	\$3,000	86/38	0/0	0/0	(Confirmed Star, \$245,580)	\$2,770,052	211	5	1.20	1.04
5	Weigelia (01, Safely's Mark), WynOaks Farm	Private	66/35	2/3	0/2	(Smooth B, \$226,830)	\$2,612,862	*237	12	1.35	1.04
6	Brody's Cause (13, Giant's Causeway), Equistar Training and Breeding	\$3,500	115/43	2/2	1/2	(Holly Dolly, \$175,890)	\$2,281,714	285	6	0.77	1.07
7	Wicked Strong (11, Hard Spun)	Pnsd	113/51	2/2	1/2	(Wicked Django, \$186,484)	\$1,988,524	*391	8	0.79	1.27
8	Winchill (08, Tapit), Timber Ridge Farm	\$3,000	31/15	1/2	1/1	(Honorable Win, \$131,600)	\$829,536	87	3	0.94	1.23
9	Flashback (10, Tapit)	N/A	43/16	0/0	0/0	(All West, \$63,903)	\$629,691	298	6	0.86	1.36
10	Well Spelled (09, Spellbinder), Mountain Springs Farm	\$1,500	20/13	0/0	0/0	(Summer's Gift, \$66,600)	\$468,518	88	2	0.79	1.05
11	Red Vine (10, Candy Ride)	N/A	15/7	0/0	0/0	(Wild Vine, \$93,180)	\$454,663	32	0	0.88	1.09
12	Normandy Invasion (10, Tapit)	Pnsd	18/9	0/0	0/0	(Ron Don Scorese, \$145,160)	\$445,687	128	0	0.62	1.08
13	Smarty Jones (01, Elusive Quality), Equistar Training and Breeding	\$3,500	26/7	0/0	0/0	(O K Smarty Pants, \$76,572)	\$441,520	*917	29	1.27	1.56
14	Desert Party (06, Street Cry)	N/A	20/8	0/0	0/0	(S S Sinatra, \$102,515)	\$356,190	276	6	0.87	1.23
15	Eastwood (10, Speightstown), Mountain Springs Farm	\$2,000	13/6	0/0	0/0	(Matty Bo, \$74,421)	\$337,731	22	0	1.05	1.40
16	Il Villano (09, Pollard's Vision)	N/A	6/5	0/0	0/0	(Veeson, \$168,942)	\$322,617	20	1	1.19	0.72
17	Lord Shanakill (06, Speightstown), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$2,500	18/5	0/0	0/0	(Major Thomas, \$70,995)	\$220,108	259	3	0.99	0.90
18	¶ Pat On the Back (14, Congrats), Bonner Hill Farms	\$3,500	4/1	1/1	1/1	(Fenton Forever, \$80,400)	\$140,976	13	1	1.13	1.77
19	Rimrod (00, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	4/1	0/0	0/0	(All American Rod, \$66,000)	\$86,360	119	2	1.19	1.15
20	Command Post (14, Harlan's Holiday), WynOaks Farm	\$2,000	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Tactical Humor, \$50,624)	\$73,736	4	0	0.59	1.29
21	Broad Rule (08, Dixie Union)	N/A	4/3	0/0	0/0	(Clever Tiger, \$37,715)	\$68,549	14	0	0.42	0.38
22	Cozar (94, Cozzene)	N/A	3/2	0/0	0/0	(Keystone Hank, \$32,315)	\$57,720	60	1	0.86	0.44
23	Show Tune (04, Unbridled's Song)	N/A	3/2	0/0	0/0	(Secret Wisper, \$22,670)	\$54,938	70	0	0.64	0.90
24	Got the Last Laugh (04, Distorted Humor), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Empty My Pouch, \$26,761)	\$54,421	67	0	1.05	1.05
25	Partner's Hero (94, Danzig)	Died, 2020	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Hero's Spirit, \$27,044)	\$46,046	468	16	1.17	1.27
26	Biblical (15, Tapit)	N/A	5/0	0/0	0/0	(A B C Ya, \$32,656)	\$41,021	11	0	0.20	1.42
27	Crown of Thorns (05, Repent)	Pnsd	4/0	0/0	0/0	(Crowning Prince, \$9,075)	\$17,505	62	2	0.75	1.00
28	Power by Far (95, Power of Mind)	N/A	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Prince Lucas, \$1,200)	\$1,200	117	2	1.21	1.14
29	¶ Tight Ten (16, Tapit)	N/A	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Smallschool Wonder, \$400)	\$400	10	0	0.01	0.56

* includes Southern Hemisphere foals; ¶ Indicates a first-crop sire

increasingly encouraged after seeing Tyson in person.

"Looking at him, he's a beautiful individual," Price said. "He's very athletic-looking. Very well-balanced. He looks like a racehorse."

Named after former world heavy-weight boxing champion Mike Tyson, the Myerses' new stallion was foaled Feb. 15, 2019, and was the first runner out of Honouring.

A full sister to grade 1 winner Streaming and stakes winner Treasuring and a half to stakes winner Cascading, Honouring is one of five stakes producers out of Better Than Honour's daughter, Teeming.

Better Than Honour, the dam of back-to-back Belmont Stakes (G1) winners, Jazil and champion filly Rags to Riches, set a world Thoroughbred auction record for a broodmare or broodmare prospect in 2008 when her price reached \$14 million during the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Fall Mixed Sale.

Not only that, Tyson's sire has had great success with the family, including grade 2 winner Greatest Honour,



Stone Jug Ranch consists of two separate properties and, combined, they span 165 acres

out of Tiffany's Honour, and stakes performers Sweet as Pie, out of Treasuring, and Soaring, out of Streaming.

Honouring's Tapit half sister, Modeling, is the dam of 2023 Belmont Stakes winner Arcangelo.

With breeding season approaching, Myers planned to travel back to Pennsylvania to host a Feb. 8 stallion show starring Tyson. Two free breeding seasons

with the stallion were to be raffled.

The first-year stud fee for Tyson is set at \$3,500 and \$2,500 for multiple bookings.

The Myerses purchased the Dillsburg property, a former cattle farm, in 2017. They proceeded with a complete renovation that took two years to complete. In 2024 the Myerses bought a nearby property, in Lewisberry, which they also named Stone Jug Ranch and which serves as part of their breeding operation as well.

"I've been around Darryl and Jill a lot; everything he does is first class," Price said. "That's just him. That's how he's made."

Myers said he had seven of his own mares for Tyson and was in the market for another one or two.

Besides cutting costs in shipping his mares to Kentucky for breeding season, Myers also hopes to cash in on bonuses for Pennsylvania-breds.

For the 2024-25 racing season, the Pennsylvania Stallion Series consists of two stakes races on each of three race days at Parx Racing. At the end of the six-race series, bonuses totaling \$50,000 will

2024 LEADING SIRES IN NEW YORK

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1	Central Banker (10, Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	\$7,500	150/77	6/8	6/6	(Bank Frenzy, \$293,950)	\$5,436,573	431	17	1.28	1.12
2	Bucchero (12, Kantharos), Ironhorse Stallions	\$10,000	139/80	6/9	0/6	(Book'em Danno, \$807,500)	\$5,418,856	202	7	1.14	1.05
3	Solomini (15, Curlin), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	\$7,500	89/46	4/4	3/4	(Doc Sullivan, \$347,650)	\$3,387,578	132	4	1.28	1.06
4	War Dancer (10, War Front), Rockridge Stud	\$7,500	81/37	1/1	0/1	(Twenty Six Black, \$213,500)	\$2,439,496	213	4	0.97	1.06
5	Peace and Justice (10, War Front), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$7,500	57/32	1/3	0/1	(Dontlookbackatall, \$436,975)	\$2,172,276	129	3	1.04	1.18
6	Bustin Stones (04, City Zip)	N/A	59/40	0/0	0/0	(Bustin Bay, \$177,330)	\$1,795,134	313	13	1.25	1.17
7	¶ Honest Mischief (16, Into Mischief), Sequel Stallions New York	\$7,500	32/13	2/5	2/2	(Sacrosanct, \$503,250)	\$1,640,491	68	2	1.62	1.30
8	Big Brown (05, Boundary)	Pnsd	54/16	1/2	1/1	(The Big Torpedo, \$246,900)	\$1,187,202	*911	30	1.00	1.33
9	Union Jackson (12, Curlin)	Pnsd	39/19	0/0	0/0	(Jackson's Dixie, \$167,640)	\$1,145,651	93	2	0.90	1.01
10	Freud (98, Storm Cat)	Pnsd	50/23	1/1	1/1	(Dakota Gold, \$180,000)	\$1,136,313	*1445	60	1.41	1.18
11	Mission Impazible (07, Unbridled's Song)	Pnsd	51/23	0/0	0/0	(My Last Mission, \$90,550)	\$1,130,985	335	8	0.99	1.13
12	Redesdale (13, Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	39/18	0/0	0/0	(Midtown Lights, \$191,845)	\$867,954	75	1	0.80	0.89
13	Frost Giant (03, Giant's Causeway)	Died, 2022	24/10	1/2	0/1	(Smithwick's Spice, \$273,775)	\$660,595	*477	16	1.08	1.07
14	Micromanage (10, Medaglia d'Oro)	Pnsd	21/12	0/0	0/0	(Mason Mania, \$85,468)	\$641,057	94	0	0.77	1.15
15	Bellamy Road (02, Concerto)	Pnsd	29/14	1/1	1/1	(Ciccibello, \$115,725)	\$618,403	*756	33	1.07	1.18
16	Majestic City (09, City Zip)	Died, 2022	37/20	0/0	0/0	(Paschal Moon, \$137,115)	\$607,689	130	1	0.60	0.98
17	Slumber (GB) (08, Cacique), Rockridge Stud	\$7,500	11/3	2/2	0/2	(Fluffy Socks, \$226,985)	\$532,024	37	4	1.96	1.04
18	Weekend Hideaway (10, Speightstown)	Pnsd	9/6	0/0	0/0	(Itsallcomintogetha, \$132,390)	\$484,371	19	1	1.20	0.94
19	¶ King for a Day (16, Uncle Mo), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$5,000	18/3	0/0	0/0	(Soontobeking, \$197,878)	\$423,421	36	0	0.80	1.05
20	Courageous Cat (06, Storm Cat), Questroyal North	\$2,500	18/10	0/0	0/0	(Ifihadachance, \$56,440)	\$353,694	243	8	0.84	1.02
21	Honorable Dillon (10, Tapit)	N/A	15/5	0/0	0/0	(Little Linzee, \$89,950)	\$348,513	*158	1	0.69	1.06
22	Bank Heist (07, Maria's Mon), Kaz Hill Farm	\$1,000	12/5	0/0	0/0	(Athena Beach, \$146,300)	\$322,014	108	2	0.77	1.17
23	The Lieutenant (13, Street Sense)	Died, 2019	9/5	0/0	0/0	(Dr. Kraft, \$142,740)	\$291,317	*67	2	1.36	1.06
24	¶ Fog of War (16, War Front)	N/A	27/4	0/0	0/0	(George Briggs, \$41,250)	\$187,092	42	0	0.24	0.80
25	Teufflesberg (04, Johannesburg)	Died, 2022	8/6	0/0	0/0	(Writer's Regret, \$48,750)	\$185,827	183	4	1.09	1.03
26	Giant Surprise (09, Giant's Causeway)	Pnsd	13/3	0/0	0/0	(Giant James, \$61,519)	\$163,528	146	4	1.07	1.16
27	Disco Partner (12, Disco Rico), Rockridge Stud	Private	9/4	0/0	0/0	(Disco Star, \$74,250)	\$142,634	26	0	0.36	1.04
28	A Shin Forward (05, Forest Wildcat)	Pnsd	11/5	0/0	0/0	(Lord Ace, \$20,734)	\$102,027	52	0	0.55	0.83
29	¶ Name Changer (13, Uncle Mo), Kaz Hill Farm	\$2,500	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Storm Changer, \$43,750)	\$100,600	13	0	0.64	1.00
30	Superestrella (08, Storm Cat)	N/A	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Willintoriskital, \$44,190)	\$99,938	17	0	0.65	0.65
31	Encaustic (04, Broad Brush)	Died, 2022	7/3	0/0	0/0	(Impermanence, \$24,385)	\$95,969	63	0	0.50	0.75
32	Beautyinthepulpit (08, Pulpit)	N/A	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Beauty's Bangle, \$34,380)	\$78,240	27	0	0.49	0.80
33	¶ Lookin At Lee (14, Lookin At Lucky), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions	\$2,500	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Missing Rocks, \$40,559)	\$66,865	12	0	0.44	1.36
34	Here's Zealous (97, Dehere)	N/A	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Newsdley, \$55,971)	\$55,971	199	1	1.00	0.86
35	Sakonnet (14, Scat Daddy)	N/A	3/2	0/0	0/0	(Ligon's Legacy, \$28,795)	\$55,486	4	0	0.59	0.76
36	Greek Sun (01, Danzig)	N/A	2/2	0/0	0/0	(She's a Soldier, \$46,626)	\$53,737	39	0	0.89	1.17
37	Zivo (09, True Direction)	Pnsd	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Ancient Man, \$14,780)	\$44,127	34	0	0.48	0.76
38	Snow Trouble (11, Tapit), Foggy Bottom Farm	\$500	4/2	0/0	0/0	(Emily Reward, \$18,650)	\$38,454	14	0	0.37	0.87
39	Hangover Kid (08, Lemon Drop Kid), Majestic View Farms International	\$1,500	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Celtic Bond, \$12,100)	\$32,459	20	1	1.10	0.94
40	Tencendur (12, Warrior's Reward)	N/A	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Supreme Song, \$15,750)	\$15,750	7	0	0.33	1.53
41	¶ Killybegs Captain (14, Mizzen Mast), Mill Creek Farm	\$2,500	4/0	0/0	0/0	(Dear John, \$9,070)	\$12,155	11	0	0.10	0.46
42	Dr Large (06, A.P. Indy)	N/A	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Dr High, \$570)	\$570	42	1	0.44	0.71

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be awarded to the breeders of the horses with the most points after each race.

The Stallion Series is just one way for Pennsylvania breeders to earn bonuses.

During the past 10 years, the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association Breeding Fund distributed an average of \$28.5 million each year in awards, owner bonuses, and restricted race purses, including \$12 million in breeder and stallion awards, \$5.4 million in owner bonuses at Parx, Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course, and Presque Isle Downs.

Besides that, the Breeding Fund and the Pennsylvania Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association and Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's

“I DON’T NEED TO BE ON THE TOP OF THE POLE. I DON’T NEED TO BE THAT. I’M JUST THERE TO BE COMFORTABLE AND HELP EVERYBODY ELSE OUT. HOPEFULLY, THE BUSINESS HELPS OUT PENNSYLVANIA.”

—DARRYL MYERS

Association paid \$8.6 million in purses for the Pennsylvania-bred restricted races.

PHBA executive secretary Brian Sanfratello was with Price at Keeneland when Tyson was purchased.

“Tyson will become one of the six new stallions to date for the 2025 Pennsylvania breeding season,” Sanfratello said. “Thanks go out to the Myerses for their dedication to Pennsylvania breeding with the opening of their new stallion farm. Tyson should fit in very well, and I wish Darryl and Jill good luck in their new endeavor.”

When he spoke to BloodHorse in mid-December, Price said the Myerses had just received their first contract

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1	Street Magician (04, Street Cry)	N/A	28/15	1/1	1/1	(Whenigettoheaven, \$112,285)	\$814,768	195	8	1.09	1.26
2	Hello Broadway (06, Broken Vow), Wind N' Springs Farm	Private	8/3	0/0	0/0	(Cryptonym, \$19,330)	\$93,947	50	1	0.94	0.78
3	Ali (15, Pioneerof the Nile), TNA Stables	\$500	6/1	0/0	0/0	(Rumaway, \$36,110)	\$75,271	6	0	0.41	0.62
4	Gone Clubbing (07, Gone West)	N/A	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Spritzer, \$18,242)	\$35,454	11	0	0.47	0.22
5	Friend Or Foe (07, Friends Lake), Smallwood Farm	\$1,000	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Salty Starkey, \$14,594)	\$34,020	50	1	1.66	1.22
6	Big Picture (02, Pioneering), Virginia Equine Services, P.C.	\$5,000	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Goodluckchuck, \$28,455)	\$28,455	8	0	1.04	1.23
7	Mr. Sidney (04, Storm Cat)	N/A	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Trust Fund Robber, \$14,434)	\$19,165	*143	1	0.99	1.47
8	Fierce Wind (05, Dixie Union)	N/A	3/0	0/0	0/0	(Tolaga Bay, \$7,000)	\$13,635	33	0	0.55	0.33
9	Snappy Halo (ARG) (04, Southern Halo)	N/A	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Wilmas Irish Rover, \$9,360)	\$9,360	*54	2	0.63	1.04

2024 LEADING SIRES IN WEST VIRGINIA

Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2024 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SWnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	2024 Earnings	Foals	Cumulative		
									BT SWs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	Fiber Sonde (05, Unbridled's Song), Beau Ridge Farm	\$1,000	7/1	0/0	0/0	(Cedar Runs Fiber, \$16,428)	\$22,835	365	23	1.26	0.81
2	Barbados (12, Speightstown), Pellinor Lane	\$1,000	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Curb, \$10,356)	\$18,486	45	1	1.02	0.87
3	Golden Years (12, Not For Love), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Best Virginia, \$7,644)	\$12,290	89	1	0.90	0.83
4	Juba (11, Tapit), Casey's Legacy	\$1,500	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Our Brightest Star, \$10,272)	\$11,165	146	9	1.00	1.09
5	Gattopardo (05, Johannesburg)	N/A	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Doctor Pardo, \$6,528)	\$6,934	63	1	0.70	0.78
6	Redirect (16, Speightstown), Beau Ridge Farm	\$1,000	1/1	0/0	0/0	(Direct the Show, \$6,528)	\$6,528	26	2	1.40	0.78
7	Three Chopt Road (06, Rock Slide)	N/A	3/0	0/0	0/0	(Funny Road, \$2,452)	\$3,514	39	0	0.46	0.61
8	Limehouse (01, Grand Slam), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,500	9/0	0/0	0/0	(Kaala, \$1,226)	\$3,460	*524	24	1.05	1.08
9	Sweetontheladies (14, Twirling Candy), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	3/0	0/0	0/0	(Song So Sweet, \$2,520)	\$3,090	10	0	0.14	0.50
10	Bullsbay (04, Tiznow), Pellinor Lane	\$1,500	3/0	0/0	0/0	(Hardly Ever Better, \$1,088)	\$1,368	165	4	0.93	1.15
11	Aaron's Way (08, Yes It's True)	N/A	1/0	0/0	0/0	(True Indy, \$1,016)	\$1,016	9	0	0.35	0.72
12	Mr. Monomoy (17, Palace Malice), Pellinor Lane	\$1,500	2/0	0/0	0/0	(Monomoy's Partner, \$630)	\$800	14	0	0.05	0.73
13	Talent Search (03, Catiemus)	Pnsd	2/0	0/0	0/0	(Search for Silver, \$510)	\$700	*219	5	1.03	1.09
14	Despite the Odds (06, Speightstown)	N/A	2/0	0/0	0/0	(Odds On Mischief, \$326)	\$466	87	0	1.03	1.14
15	Denis of Cork (05, Harlan's Holiday), Casey's Legacy	\$750	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Playing for Two, \$395)	\$395	*174	6	0.71	0.99
16	Aldrin (12, Malibu Moon), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,000	2/0	0/0	0/0	(Pedal to the Moon, \$140)	\$280	74	0	0.43	0.87
17	Monster Mash (09, Ghostzapper)	N/A	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Shiney Ghost, \$226)	\$226	6	0	0.24	0.95
18	Capo Bastone (10, Street Boss), O'Sullivan Farms	\$1,500	1/0	0/0	0/0	(Cappy Hour, \$198)	\$198	85	0	0.82	1.03

* includes Southern Hemisphere foals; ¶ Indicates a first-crop sire

for Tyson. Asked how many trips to the breeding shed he hoped Tyson would see for his first season as a stallion, the bloodstock adviser dreamed big.

“Somewhere in the neighborhood of 2,000,” Price said with a laugh before turning more serious. “If we get a book of 40, that would be great.

“Right now, it’s in the growing pains stages. We don’t want to bite off more than we can handle but at the same time the horse has to have a decent book of mares to get him started. It’s a game of numbers.”

Myers said he would be pleased “getting my feet wet trying to develop something.

“I don’t need to be on the top of the pole. I don’t need to be that,” he said. “I’m just there to be comfortable and help everybody else out. Hopefully, the business helps out Pennsylvania.”

He’s determined to survive, if not thrive.



Ed Price, the Myerses' friend and bloodstock adviser, said the couple is using a first-class approach in turning Stone Jug Ranch into a top-tier breeding enterprise

“I’m trying to make a go of this, trying to make a little bit of money. One way or another I will,” he added.

“If I do well with the stallion, it’ll be

a great thing. If I don’t do well with the stallion, I have him to breed to my own horses, and hope that he does really well.” **BH**

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