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GOOD FINISHES!

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IRISH COLONY keeps adding to his account with a second in the \$100,000 Jennings Handicap going 1 1/8 mile at Pimlico on December 18, 2004. Owner Jim Ryan and trainer Ron Cartwright continue their success with this one.

Christmas Away has found his winning ways with two back to back wins at Aqueduct on January 16, 2005 and February 12, 2005. In the first race going 1 1/16 mile, **Christmas Away** was rated along the inside, saved ground, rallied inside stretch, shut off in deep stretch and altered course. He dug in determined and was up in time. In the second race, he was outrun early, made a four wide move into the stretch and was determined on the outside. Two good races for the new Skip Away gelding owned by Elmon T. Gray and trained by Robbie Bailes. Looks like he has his mind on racing now. Notice the VMI colors!



MYSTIQUE MOON, 2001 filly by Yarrow Brae, broke her maiden at Laurel on February 18 in a mile race by four lengths. Christine Bricker is the owner and breeder. **SOLITARIUS** won by two at Pimlico in a 5 1/2 furlong race on December 26th. The Diamond filly is owned by KC Farms. Carlos Gracia trained both winners.

Mrs. Frank Wright had a couple of winners when A Firm Bridge broke his maiden by 1/2 length at Charles Town on December 18. The 2001 gelding by Peteski held sway for his owner and trainer Jeff Runco. Next time, A Firm Bridge gave away grudging on February 4th at Laurel in a six furlong race. Mrs. Wright also bred Blythewood who added another win at Charles Town on December 26th. Blythewood is the leading money earner for 2004 for the deceased Root Boy. United Notion owned by Mrs. Frank Wright ran second in a Maiden Special Weight on 12-15 and on 1-8 at Pimlico.

Sonothemorningstar by Turn West was a winner at Charles Town on December 2nd in a 7 furlong race for owner and breeder Dr. Fred T. Lewis. Dr. Lewis also owned and bred the Storm Broker winner, A Firm Prospect, who broke her maiden at Laurel on March 5th. The filly won by a nose. After being fractious in the starting gate. She was a handful to break.

Returning to action was Grant's Moon who has been off over a year. She ran second in her first start an allowance race at Laurel on February 6th. She came back in two weeks in a 1 1/8 mile Allowance race at Laurel and won by 5 3/4 lengths. The Malibu Moon filly prompted the pace, lodged a two wide bid nearing the three furlong pole and took over nearing the stretch and drew clear for owner Kevin C. Burton and owner/trainer Donovan Haughton.

Tallulah Mae, 1999 by Allen's Prospect added another win at Charles Town on December 2nd where she set the pace and again on February 19 in a 4 1/2 furlong race at Charles Town. Ryver Meadow Farm is the breeder of this winning mare.

Tayazi by Larrupin was rated off the pace inside, aim off the rail on the turn and drew clear on December 18th at Philadelphia Park. She repeated the win on February 5th at Philly. Dan Ryan owns Tayazi.

Haughton was busy breaking a few other maidens recently. All came to Eagle Point Farm from the Fasig Tipton Sales for training. Handy Prospect by Allen's Prospect won by 4 1/4 lengths at Pimlico in a 5 1/2 furlong race. He dueled on the rail, edged clear and widened under the drive. Clive Black is the owner. Then on January 27th at Laurel, Lady Saw by Thunder Rumble was unhurried early, swung wide and was driving at the end. Junior Cooper is the owner. And not to be outdone was I Am The Don, by Distant View, who won broke his maiden at Laurel on February 2nd. He had a long lead and was ridden out. Race call was 1 by 7 lengths, 1 by 15 lengths, 1 by 12 lengths, and won by 1 1/4 lengths.

Bee's Cat by Tomorrow Cat won by 10 1/4 lengths on a muddy track at 1 1/16 Maiden claiming at Charles Town. She drew off under a drive for owner Benjamin Burroughs and trainer Jeff Runco on November 28th.

IRISH WARNING won on January 2, 2005 for owner Dan Ryan and trainer Mike Pino in a six furlong race at Philadelphia Park. Irish Warning forced the pace on the three path, dropped back on the turn and came again late with a strong finish to win by 2 1/2 lengths.

MITOTE MAYA, 2000 filly by Polish Numbers won by one on December 15th at Charles Town. She settled back early, advanced five wide, closed well to get up late under a drive. Rvyer Meadow Farm is the breeder HANOVER WHARF, by Bowler's Wharf showed her heart when she won by a neck at Charles Town on January 30 for owner/ trainer Denise Franklin. In the seven furlong race she was bumped at the start, reserved early and came into the stretch six wide to close well and got up in time.



It is great when directions are followed. I requested our farrier Steve Spike to put winning shoes on Up Front Now for her upcoming race. Eagle Point's mainstay, James Braxton and I headed out for Charles Town on February 23 for the races. I was pointing out some signs along the way. I even had to go through Warrenton to show James the Frosty Diner. In the seventies when I was running off the farm, Robert Green, a long time employee, and I would stop on the way home from Charles Town to get some coffee for the long ride home. So James, Up Front Now, and I arrived at Charles Town. A lot has changed and a lot has remained the same. The receiving barn has moved but the backside is still my favorite- Talking with your stable mates, replaying the last race and wishing each other luck at the races. I saw a lot of familiar faces. My daughter Karen and her friend, Dana, arrived from Sweet Briar College to help run the filly. Everything was going smoothly until we were heading up the hill out of the paddock. Up Front Now decided to forget all her good training at Eagle Point. In other words she acted like an idiot in the post parade- freezing, rearing, and lounging. Danny, a groom from Franklin Smith's barn jumped in to help, as well as Joe the pony boy. Luckily we had Shannon Campbell, a local girl, riding for us because she had to be thrown up on our horse I know six times. I figured that the stewards would scratch us. Finally they got her moving forward and I was off to the window. The fans were not saying very nice things about our filly. But after the race we were proud of her. She broke third, laid second on the rail, and won by a neck. It was a photo finish for second. We were screaming, we couldn't believe it after all her shenanigans in the post parade. Up Front Now took forever to return to the winners circle as they were taking off her blinkers, tongue tie, etc. Finally she arrives at the winner's circle, our jockey Shannon sees James who she has worked with at another farm in our area. I thought she was going to fall off the filly hugging and patting him. Of course Up Front Now was an angel and quiet as could be for the winning picture. Up Front Now was named, co-bred and co-owned by our long time partner Harry Loving who passed away last year. What a fun time! Oh by the way she paid \$34.00 to win. It was an easy trip home after a nerve racking start.

Sunday, morning February 27th, I was awoken by a phone call- THE FOAL ALERT HAS BEEN ACTIVATED. Then another call from Heather La Rosa who was already haying the horses. Thank heavens that alarm when off. When I got to the stall I realized that the mare was red bagging. This occurs when the whole placenta and the foal come out at the same time. This premature detachment of the placenta causes the foal not to receive any oxygen from the naval cord. Heather and I pulled the foal out as soon as possible. But the foal was not breathing when we got her out. Luckily many years ago I purchased a foal resuscitator for \$150 which at the time I thought was a expensive price. But it was worth it on my first use, because it did the trick and got the filly breathing on her own. It was a rough start for this newcomer. We needed to bottle feed her, help her to stand up and hold her up, give her artificial serum, the mare was given medication to help bring in her milk, and then the foal received plasma IV the next day. That was last week. Now we have a small but healthy first foal for Kinito. Kinito and her St. Jovite filly are owned by Al Griffin of Warrenton. A rough start but a good ending!



February 27th



March 9th

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