



# Eagle Point Farm

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A GOOD SUMMER

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Nick's Picks at Colonial Downs had the following comment "Could a home-grown training talent be emerging here with Dennehy? Bloodlines suggest so." Karen's grandfather T. Edward Gilman used to take a string of horses up to Delaware Park every summer in the 60's. Karen's mother, Donna Dennehy, won first time out when she saddled Mr. Ha Ha at Laurel Park on December 26, 1972. Karen's father Steve raced in Maryland and New York and had several successful runners in the 80's. The Eagle Point Tradition continues, our trainer Karen G. Dennehy finished with 22 starts, 5 wins, 4 seconds, 4 thirds and only twice out of the money. Colonial Downs awarded her trainer of the week for her record.

Sorry, I need to brag some more not only as a horse owner but also as a mother of the trainer. At Colonial Downs we started with a fifth and a fourth but on June 14th Karen had her first owned racehorse, a Boundary filly named LETINERIP (who we nicknamed "Little Brown") making her first start. It was a tense moment for all as it had taken more than 2 years to get the filly to the races. The filly had made quite a reputation for herself as she would routinely jerk away from her handler and run off, most of the time coming back with injuries. Karen didn't sleep well the night before just hoping the filly would make it to the gates. Karen and her father walked the horse to the paddock together. She acted like a pro. LETINERIP broke sharp from the 11 post, circled the turn, gained a short lead in midstretch and dug in to prevail under urging. What a reward! Next our 'old faithful' TOCCOA added a second in her first race back off a layoff. Owners Day was held on June 21 and CRAFTY'S WIND by Crafty Prospector sped to the front, opened up on the turn and was kept under pressure through the stretch to post a win. Finally, we got one of the Owner's Day trophies! The next start was on June 24th, when EZ MAC by Biaconni ran in the last race. Darlene Bowlin of Powhatan owns the gutsy gelding who just kept coming and edged out the winner by a head. This was Darlene's first winner and she shed tears of joy and relief. What a week!!

Eagle Point Farm also shared in the 100% VA bred bonus offered this year at Colonial Downs. Our Homebred FINISHLION, a 2005 gelding by Lionhearted, easily broke his maiden on August 4th in a mile dirt race. The next night was Eagle Point night at the races. Each year we bring all of our farm employees out to watch the races. A lot of pressure on TOCCOA and Karen to put on a show. And what a show it was! TOCCOA, a 2001 by Purple Comet had run 3 seconds in 3 starts that meet. All business as usual she stalked a contested pace three to four wide, cruised up in hand to take command in upper stretch, responded to mild right handed pressure in mid stretch and steadily widened in a time of 1:10.85. It was a big crowd in the winners circle and a lot of happy supporters and first time handicappers when TOCCOA paid 12.80 to win!! TOCCOA never disappoints!

### **We weren't the only ones to have a successful meet!**

Carlos and Jill Gordon Moore's Virginia bred TRIPLEKIN, 2005 by Makin, broke his maiden on June 11 in a 1 1/8 mile MSW turf event at Colonial Downs in his 2nd start. He was in close pursuit near the 5/8 pole, steadily advanced into the lane, took command in mid stretch and drew clear under a drive. TRIPLEKIN also had a game second in an allowance race on July 15th. Then on July 27th Moore's Virginia bred SCRUB ISLAND, 2005 gray filly by Black Tie Affair, won in a 1 1/16 mile turf race when she split rivals, advanced to a stalking position mid way down the stretch and lodged a three wide bid to kick clear. Ferris Allen trained both of the winners.

First time starter NOS MIRAN, 2004 bay filly by Hap, broke sluggishly, was patiently rated, eased four wide at the head of the stretch, closed resolutely and drove clear for a win for owner James F. Thames of Maryland. This one eyed filly was a favorite with our riders and was nicknamed "Eagle" by her owner.

MISTIQUE MOON, 2001 by Yarrow Brae, added another win at Colonial Downs on June 11th for owners Beverly Bower and Christine Bricker of Maryland and trainer, Kathleen Dibbens.

BALTIMORE CLASSIC, by Appitude, broke his maiden on closing night at Colonial Downs on August 6th. He was unhurried early raced three wide around the turn, gained the lead at the 3/16th and prevailed under urging to win by a neck going a mile on the dirt.

**EAGLE POINT FARM is on the Barn Tour on September 21st to benefit the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation. Come out and visit us!!!**

### **Eagle Point Graduates Winning Outside of Virginia....**

LITTLE MISS MARTHA by Smoke Glacken won at Laurel Park when she split rivals and drew off for owner Elmon Gray of Virginia and trainer Robbie Bailes.

LOOKING FOR CLASS won by 1 1/4 lengths at Philadelphia Park when she moved close after a 1/2 mile and ran down the leader in the late stages for owner/trainer Raphael Kissoon of Pa. She was then second on June 28th.

DESTINY'S PET, 2004 by Catienius won on April 13 at Laurel Park when she prevailed under brisk urging.

MISTY COLORS, 2004 gray filly by Diamond won at Charles Town on April 18th for owner and breeder James Arrison of Virginia. She pressed the pace from the rail and gained the lead in the upper stretch and then was all out to last. In July she repeated for another win at Charles Town in a 4 1/2 furlong sprint.

SONOFTHEMORNINGSTAR was never far back in is win on April 24th at Penn National for breeder Fred T. Lewis DVM. The Turn West gelding won again at Philadelphia Park in a mile race on May 25th.

WOODWORKER, by Woodman won May 9th at Charles Town by 3 3/4 miles when he gained the lead near the 1/16 pole and drew off.

SADU by Syncline won by a nose at Pimlico on May 22th for trainer David P. Hill when she pressed the pace two wide and gained the lead in upper stretch and narrowly prevailed. Second on April 17th at Pimlico.

IRISH COLONY, 2001 dk. b. gelding by Larrupin', is still earning money when he won by 1 1/2 lengths at Pimlico on May 30th, stalking the leaders off the rail rallied three wide and took command.

CHRISTMAS AWAY, by Skip Away won on June 7th at Suffolk Downs when he made his signature move of closing on the outside for the win.

SMART 'N FIESTY won at Penn National on June 19th for owner and breeders Raymond T. Jones of Maryland. The Allen's Prospect filly vied for the lead and finished under urging. She was second on 7-23 and 8-7.

DANCED ALL NIGHT by Jazz Club won an Allowance race at Philadelphia Park when she was rated off pace, bid 5 wide and held well with steady encouragement.

APPEALING ROSIE, 2005 Appealing Skier broke her maiden at Charles Town on August 1 for owner Stephen Reggetts and trainer Stephen Spears when she advanced 5 wide and gained the lead in the stretch and drove clear.

VICTORY ISLE, by Spartan Victory won on August 2nd at Penn National in a mile race for owner/breeder Xanthus Farm when he opened up a clear lead in the first turn and drew clear by 11 1/2 lengths.

RED GULCH, by Gulch won by a neck at Delaware Park on August 6th when he raced close and gained a short lead and lasted.

KING ANTHONY, 2004 by Lake Austin doubled up with a win on Aug. 10th and then right back again on Aug. 14th at Thistledown.

APPEAL STAR won on July 12th at Mountaineer Park in a starter Allowance for Paul Brown of Ashland.

WHATAYATHINK, won on July 13th at Charles Town for owner Paul Brown.

PLEASANT HOPE added another win on June 15 at Charles Town for breeder Carl Southworth.

SAPPHIRE RIDGE by Tiger Ridge broke her maiden at Finger Lakes on August 18th for owner Flanken Farms. The filly was never far back in a five wide effort. She was second on July 27th, and August 8th.

URBANNA by Bowler's Wharf broke her maiden on August 20th at Laurel Park for breeder Saul Schultz.

#### **Seconds:**

TWISTED HEART at Monmouth Park on May 15th, June 4th, August 2nd for Roy Simmens.

NO HASSLE at Charles Town on March 29th for owner/breeder Ed Sneed.

KILLICULLEN at Colonial Downs on June 17 for trainer Michelle Sharp.

MIS WES at Colonial Downs on August 3rd in an Allowance for owner/breeder O.J. Peterson III.

GEAUX BAYOU at Colonial Downs on July 8th for Eagle Point Farm and Clive Black.

TOCCOA at Colonial Downs on 6-17, 7-5, and 7-22 for Owner/Breeder Eagle Point Farm

FALSE ALARM, by Lionhearted at Colonial Downs on June 23rd, July 8th.

MIGHTY VALIDAR at Mountaineer Park on August 16th in a 1 3/4 mile race.

**IT'S ALMOST TIME TO START YOUR YEARLINGS!  
ALSO, CONTACT US IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING A HORSE PRIVATELY  
OR AT THE SALES!**

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