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NEW PARTNERSHIPS FOR 2025

Two to Race

One to Breed



Jimmy Creed colt
out of Fifteen Moons
Maryland-bred/Virginia-Certified

10 Shares at \$1,700 each



Take Charge Indy colt
out of Miss Nondescript
Virginia-bred

10 Shares at \$2,300 each

One, two, three, let's go...

Introducing a Country Life "trifecta" of entry-level partnerships to begin 2025.

For context: The new era of Maryland racing is at hand, and apparently just in time. On January 1, 2025, the brand-new Maryland Jockey Club took over racing from The Stronach Group. Then, just three weeks into the New Year, The Stronach Group announced their Florida track, Gulfstream Park, may be sold for development within four years. Contrast Gulfstream's news with Maryland's \$400-million commitment to a rebuilt Pimlico and a new training center, and we all feel that our horse racing and breeding industry controls its own fate, not some Canadian corporation.

So, now, let's get some future racehorses---and a young broodmare---into the pipeline.

(Click links for deeper dives into pedigrees etc...)

Racehorse #1

At Keeneland's January Mixed Sale, Country Life sought a 2025 market appraisal of two of our 2024 Breeding Partnership colts. The first yearling was [Hip # 651](#), our Maryland-bred chestnut son of Spendthrift Farm's speed-sire [Jimmy Creed](#), and out of our foundation Malibu Moon mare Fifteen Moons. Nicknamed "Jimmy Beefcake," this stout, big-hipped youngster figures to be an early 2-year-old next season. For \$17,000, Country Life made the highest bid and bought the colt from the Fifteen Moons Broodmare LLC.

A number of original Fifteen Moons partners had asked to stay in on the colt, and they hopped into the new Racing Partnership. At no markup, shares are \$1,700 for a 10% share in "Jimmy Beefcake."

On the van ride home from Kentucky, we dropped "Jimmy" off in Middleburg, Va., to spend six months becoming Virginia-certified at the Locust Hill Farm operation of Chris Gracie's Gracie Bloodstock.

Racehorse #2

With Churchill Downs increasing racing dates as the owner of Virginia's Colonial Downs (from 27 in 2024 to 44 in 2025), opportunities grow to earn Virginia developer and Certifier awards. (Click [Virginia Thoroughbred Association](#) for updates, including the \$500,000 Virginia Derby on March 15 at Colonial, the winning horse securing a spot in the Kentucky Derby on May 3 at Churchill.) A year ago, we sent our young stakes winner Miss Nondescript to foal in Virginia at Locust Hill, where she delivered a perfectly handsome colt by noted racehorse sire [TAKE CHARGE INDY](#).

This colt, now a registered Virginia-bred yearling, was offered as [Hip # 743](#) at Keeneland two weeks ago. He was purchased for \$23,000 by Country Life. At no markup, shares in this Virginia-bred colt are \$2,300 for a 10% unit. And again, a number of broodmare partners in Miss Nondescript wanted to stay involved in the racing career of their mare's offspring.

Miss Nondescript, winner of the 2022 Maryland Million Lassie, is enjoying a

solid start as a broodmare. Sired by Country Life's Mosler, she was placed in a Country Life Broodmare Partnership at her auction value of \$20,000. Her first foal, a Maryland-bred colt by farm sire Divining Rod, brought \$40,000 last October at Timonium. Her second foal was this Virginia-bred Take Charge Indy colt, whom we brought straight home from Kentucky to our Merryland Training Center, where he is available for inspection. He will be broken and trained there later this year.

Breeding Partnership:

Response Time

10 Shares at \$4,000 each



Our third new partnership of 2025 features one of the soundest, fastest racemares of recent years in Maryland, the just-retired, \$500,000-earning, stakes-winning Response Time. Sired by Country Life's War Front stallion [Mosler](#), who also is the sire of last Saturday's \$75,000 Jennings Stakes winner Quint's Brew, Response Time was purchased by Country Life at the end of 2024 for \$40,000 from a Fasig-Tipton digital sale, as [Hip # 16](#).

Most exciting is her date for her first breeding season: Spendthrift Farm's red-hot Into Mischief son [Maximus Mischief](#). Last weekend, his 3-year-old son Baby Max, who had broken his maiden in November at Churchill Downs at 1 1/6th-miles, took a big step toward the even-longer 1 1/4-mile Kentucky Derby when he captured the first Derby prep in Kentucky, the \$125,000 Leonatus Stakes at Turfway.

The breeding nick of Into Mischief on Response Time's family is evident under the second dam, the Danzig mare Danzing Celtic, who is the dam of Corderosa, who produced the Into Mischief Grade-2 stakes-winner Lane Way (earner of \$528,560).

Response Time remained in Kentucky following her digital sale, and she is "under lights" and readying for an early date with Maximus Mischief. She is boarded at the Cowles family's Gunston Hall Farm in Lexington for inspection.

So, it's *one, two, three* new horses for the future. All offered at No Markup. Get in the game, or simply stay in it, with affordably priced, conservatively

managed racing and breeding partnerships from Country Life, Maryland's Oldest Thoroughbred Farm. Reach out to us and we'll hold you a share.

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Fastest hoss in Maryland? Maybe Mosler's son QUINT'S BREW



Speed figure gurus freaked out last Saturday at Laurel when just-turned 4-year-old Maryland-bred Quint's Brew blazed to a six-length win in the \$75,000 Jennings Stakes. When the experts clocked his "numbers," they found he ran a "117" Equibase, and a "4" Thoro-manager. That's smoking, but Quint's Brew is just one in a procession of talented runners by Country Life's son of War Front: Mosler. Highlighted by Response Time's half-million in earnings, other Mosler standouts include two-time Maryland Million Turf Stakes winner Wicked Prankster, Hello Hot Rod, Miss Nondescript, and promising stakes-placed 3-year-olds Saxton and Safe Trust.

Congratulations to breeders Paul Berube, Karen Linnell, and Spinnaker Hill Farm. Their faith in Mosler has resulted in three Mosler foals out of their mare Gansett (by A. P. Indy's son Jump Start) who each have earned more than \$100,000. Breeding nicks have a way of proving out.

LONG BRANCH, VIRGINIA

**This Sunday, Jan. 26th, 4-6 p.m.
Presentation by Country Life's Josh Pons**

(postponed by snow last Sunday)

Maryland and Virginia horse racing and breeding have intertwined since Thoroughbreds were first imported from England. Yet perhaps never more so than the present era. This Sunday at the Long Branch Historic House and Farm, Maryland horseman Josh Pons will discuss today's equine co-dependency of these two neighboring states, as well as a look back at Country Life's long history of serving Virginia breeders. (Among them were Harry Isaacs of Long Branch Farm.)

Pons, a two-time Eclipse Award-winning author for his writing in *The Blood-Horse*, will also be signing his latest book:

Letters from Country Life:

*Adolphe Pons, Man o' War,
and the Founding of Maryland's Oldest Thoroughbred Farm*

(*RSVP to the Long Branch website.)



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JOSH PONS

Two-Time Eclipse Award Winner

FOREWORD BY EVAN HAMMONDS, FORMER EDITOR, *BLOODHORSE* MAGAZINE

Foaling Season is Here!



Glittering Judy delivered our first foal of 2025 - a colt by Drain the Clock!
Tune in to our livestream every night on YouTube (link below)

[Foaling Webcam](#)

Country Life Bred or Sired Winners

DIVINING ROD

DATTSAFANCYFOX: 12/4 at MVR, Claiming (breeder Fox Hill Manor; owner/trainer Javier Suarez)

PARTY MONSTER: 12/6 at PEN, Claiming (breeder Charles J. Reed & Henry Hoke; owner/trainer Thomas Iannotti IV)

NEXT GIRL: 12/7 at LRL, Allowance (breeder Country Life Farm & Fleet and Fancy LLC; owner WWCD, LLC; trainer W. Bailes)

WHERE IS LISA: 12/7 at TP, Claiming (breeder Fred T. Lewis, DVM; owner Lisa Tiemeyer Stable LLC; trainer Jerry Antonuik)

DATTSAFANCYFOX: 12/12 at MVR, Claiming (breeder Fox Hill Manor; owner/trainer Javier Suarez)

STICKWITHTHECOLORS: 12/13 at LRL, Claiming (breeder/owner John E. Williamson III; trainer John Salzman, Jr.)

ENABLER: 12/20 at LRL, Maiden (breeder/owner Clover Hill Racing LLC; trainer Timothy Salzman)



Enabler, by Divining Rod

MOSLER

SAPONARA: 12/19 at PEN, Claiming (breeder Barak Farm; owner Guadalupe Perez Aguirre; trainer Elisha Perez)

CAN DO: 12/21 at LRL, Maiden (breeder Bell Gable Stable; owner Sheffield Stable LLC; trainer Kieron Magee)



Can Do, by Mosler

FRIESAN FIRE

UP IN FLAMES: 12/1 at LRL, Maiden (breeder Mr. & Mrs. Charles McGinnes; owner Bird and Grady LLC; trainer John E. Salzman, Jr.)

DOUBLE NICKEL: 12/4 at PEN, Claiming (breeder Brian C. Schartz; owner Ronald Snider; trainer George Albright)

WILLFUL DESIRE: 12/8 at AQU, Claiming (breeder Bell Gable Stable; owner Prestine Racing; trainer Linda Rice)



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