

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club Owner Profiles – 2011



John and Jerry Amerman

Born: (John) January 28, 1932
Newark, New Jersey
(Jerry) September 11, 1937
Gadsden, Alabama

Reside: Palos Verdes Estates,
California

Silks: Royal blue, blue A on white
ball on back, white bars on
sleeves, blue cap

- Earned first Breeders' Cup championship win in 2003 as Adoration cruised to a front-running victory in the Distaff under Patrick Valenzuela, paying \$83.40 to win. It was Amermans' second run in the Breeders' Cup; Siphonic finished third in 2001 Juvenile. Multiple graded-stakes winner Balance finished sixth in 2007 Distaff.
- Adoration returned in 2004 to win Santa Anita's Santa Margarita Invitational Handicap, Churchill Downs' Fleur de Lis Handicap and the Arlington Matron Handicap at Arlington Park. An ankle injury forced retirement before she could defend her Breeders' Cup title, but for her career she had more than \$2 million in purse earnings. The mare has had an overnight stakes named in her honor at Del Mar.
- Began as partners in horses with Team Valor before starting own racing stable in 1996. First stakes winner was Valor Lady – bought from Team Valor – who won the Ballston Spa Breeders' Cup in 1997. Earlier had partnered with Team Valor in the ultra-successful, multiple Grade I winner Star of Cozzene.
- Along with Adoration, Amermans were represented by millionaires and multiple stakes winners Happyanunoi, a New Zealand-bred mare, and Chilean champion Lido Palace.
- They also raced the multiple-stakes winning millionaire Balance, a half-sister to champion mare Zenyatta. In 2010 they sold her first foal (a colt by super sire A.P. Indy) for a Keeneland September Sales topping \$4.2 million.
- Spoken Fur was a two-time Grade I winner, with victories in the 2003 Mother Goose Stakes and Coaching Club American Oaks.
- Other stakes stars: Printemps, Heads Will Roll, Blue Steller, No Slip, Siphonic, Drama Critic, Mash One, Six Zero and Sacred Light.
- Amermans have horses with several trainers, including Paul McGee and David Hofmans.
- John is retired; formerly was chief executive officer of Mattel Toys.
- Member of the California Horse Racing Board from 2006 to 2008.
- Amermans have been generous to good causes in racing, notably their major support of the California Equine Retirement Foundation (CERF). He also serves on the board of directors of the Winner's Foundation and Tranquility Farm.
- Operate Peacefield Farm in Temecula, CA, a rehabilitation facility for injured horses, with daughter Anne serving as manager.
- 2010 racing record: 140 starts, 22 wins for earnings of \$891,932.
- Family: One daughter, one son



Madeline Auerbach

Born: October 4, 1944
Yorkshire, England

Resides: Bell Canyon, California

Silks: Navy blue, red cap

- She and her late husband, Jim, claimed their first horse in 1977, an entrance into the racing game that has now grown to the point that she owns outright or in partnership approximately 32 racehorses and 70 broodmares, weanlings and yearlings, as well as one very successful stallion, Unusual Heat.
- Unusual Heat, a now 21-year-old by the Northern Dancer stallion Nureyev, is Auerbach's pride and joy and a classic rags-to-riches racing tale. The well-bred, near-black horse was claimed by a partnership led by Auerbach and her husband on the recommendation of trainer Barry Abrams for \$80,000 in 1996 at Hollywood Park. Several races, a bowed tendon and two years later, the group found themselves in the stud business with 15 foals comprising Unusual Heat's first crop.
- The horse's initial success as a sire of winners subsequently mushroomed into a solid flow of versatile runners that do well on all surfaces and include a fair share of stakes winners/performers in their ranks. His stud career hit its peak in 2008 and 2009 when he rang the bell twice as California's leading sire working out of Old English Rancho in Sanger, near Fresno.
- In 2008 Unusual Heat's offspring earned \$5,827,513, the most ever banked by the get of a Sunshine State sire. In 2009 his runners went past the \$5-million mark once again. He was the state's leading sire once more in 2010 with earnings of \$4,342,128. For the 2011 season, the stallion has switched headquarters to Harris Farms in Coalinga, heading its roster of nine California sires.
- Through the midway point of 2011, the robust stallion had sired more than 80 earners of \$100,000 or more, more than 20 black type winners, including Golden Doc A, Lethal Heat, Pretty Unusual and Unusual Suspect (who was sold to Australian interests as a stud horse). Among his other stakes winners are Lightmyfirebaby, Lennyfromalibu, Bel Air Sizzle, America's Friend, Medzendekron, Beltene, Mr. Chairman, Unusual Smoke, Ballistic Heat and Brushburn.
- Additionally, two of his best stakes stars currently are racing on the Southern California scene – The Usual Q.T. and Acclamation. The Usual Q.T. is a multiple-stakes winning millionaire who counts Del Mar's Grade I Eddie Read Stakes in 2010 among his honors. Acclamation is a long-winded 5-year-old who also is a multiple-stakes winner, including the last two running of the Grade I Charles Whittingham Memorial Handicap at Hollywood Park.
- Auerbach is in partnership on Unusual Heat and virtually all of her racing and breeding stock with the ebullient trainer Barry Abrams, the former Standardbred conditioner who switched to

Thoroughbreds and is now one of Southern California's most successful practitioners of his trade.

- Auerbach's family moved from England to the U.S. in 1948, starting in Philadelphia before moving on to Texas and Ohio. She did a year at the University of Michigan, then headed to Los Angeles on her own at the age of 19.
- She met her husband-to-be, James, at a custom shirt store in Beverly Hills when she took her mother there to see about possible employment. Five months later the two were married. Seven years on they had three children.
- After several different business ventures, the couple started a wholesale furniture manufacturing business that took off in the mid-70s and that they grew together until his death in 2000. Madeline and her oldest son, Harris, continued on with the business until she sold it in 2004.
- Jim was a sharp handicapper and horse player and did well enough at it to be able to buy their first horse through the claiming box in 1977. Though Madeline was at first a reluctant visitor to the track, she grew to love the game and threw herself into it wholeheartedly following the sale of their furniture business. Harris has joined her in her Thoroughbred passion.
- She currently is a member of the board of directors of the Thoroughbred Owners of California.
- With TOC backing, in the summer of 2008 she helped found – and now runs – CARMA, the California Retirement Management Account, which steers purse money to worthy organizations in California that care for, house and find new careers for retired racehorses. In its first year the unique program – which earmarks .03% of winning purses in California to its goal – provided \$144,000 to rescue farms and horse retirement facilities throughout the state. In its second year that sum had jumped to \$264,000 and in the third to \$315,000.
- Family: Two sons; one daughter.



Burt Bacharach

Born: May 12, 1928
 Kansas City, Missouri
 Resides: Santa Monica, California
 Silks: Light blue, royal blue musical notes in circle on back, royal blue cap

- Famed entertainer-composer who has been successful in racing with such headliners as Heartlight No. One, Soul of the Matter and Afternoon Deelites.
- Heartlight No. One, named for the Bacharach song performed by Neil Diamond and inspired by the film "E.T.," won an Eclipse Award as 1983's top 3-year-old filly.
- Soul of the Matter was fifth in the 1994 Kentucky Derby, second to Cigar in the 1996 Dubai World Cup and retired with \$1.4 million in earnings.
- Afternoon Deelites was eighth in the 1995 Kentucky Derby.
- Bought first horse, Battle Royal, for \$14,500 in 1968 and the horse won in his first start for the owner.
- His first trainer was Charlie Whittingham.
- First stakes winner: Advance Guard, who won the 1971 San Diego Handicap at Del Mar. Other stakes winners: Crumbs, who won Del Mar's 1975 El Cajon Stakes, Video Kid and No No.
- Breeding operation goes by the name of Blue Seas Music, also the

- name of his music publishing firm. Breeding farm, Country Road Farm, originally was in West Virginia but now is in Maryland.
- Won an Eclipse Award for national television achievement in 1971; named "Big Sport of Turfdom" that same year, and was named 1995 breeder of the year for Maryland division of Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association.
- Son of famed New York-based newspaper columnist Bert Bacharach who spent his early years in Forest Hills, New York, and numbered New York Giants and Knicks among his sports heroes.
- Introduced to racing as a youngster by friends of his parents, attending races at the old Jamaica racetrack in New York.
- Came west for summer school at UCLA but spent most of his time at the beach and the track.
- Internationally acclaimed composer, producer, performer and conductor.
- Winner of three Academy Awards, two for best song; several Grammy Awards, two Emmys, one Tony and a Drama Desk Award.
- Composed music scores for films "What's New, Pussycat?," "Casino Royale," "After the Fox," "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," "Arthur" and "Night Shift." Among top songs: "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head," "Alfie," "Walk on By," "The Look of Love" and "What the World Needs Now Is Love."
- Family: Wife Jane; two sons, one daughter



Cecil and Gary Barber

Born: (Cecil) (left) May 23, 1949
 Johannesburg, South Africa
 (Gary) 1957 Johannesburg, South Africa
 Reside: (Cecil) Sherman Oaks, California
 (Gary) Los Angeles, California
 Silks: Hot pink, black "BB," black epaulets, black cap

- Brothers grew up racing fans in their native South Africa, then transferred that love to the U.S. when business brought them here.
- Older brother Cecil came Stateside in 1979 and has had good success running a property-management firm (Ross Morgan & Co.) for the past three decades that deals primarily with home owner associations in the Los Angeles area.
- Gary started as a chartered accountant in SA, then in the U.S. after immigrating in 1982. He has gone on to a Hollywood career as the co-founder (with Roger Bimbaum) and CEO of Spyglass Entertainment, a film and television production company that is among the most successful in the business.
- Among Spyglass' movie hits have been "The Sixth Sense" (nominated for six Academy Awards), "Memoirs of a Geisha" (winner of three Academy Awards), "The Insider" (nominated for seven Academy Awards) and "Seabiscuit" (nominated for seven Academy Awards).
- Other Spyglass productions include "Shanghai Noon" and "Shanghai Knights," "Bruce Almighty," "The Recruit" and "Star Trek."
- Both brothers became U.S. citizens in the mid-1980s.
- While still in South Africa in 1982, Gary won a newspaper handicapping contest which earned him an all-expenses-paid trip to the Arlington Million.
- Brothers have owned horses, often in partnership, since the 1990s.

- One of Gary's earliest successes came in a partnership with Team Valor with Irish-bred The Deputy, who captured 2000 Santa Anita Derby, then ran 14th as the second choice in that year's Kentucky Derby behind favored Fusaichi Pegasus.
- More recently brothers established a new standard at Del Mar in 2008 when together they won 14 races – the most ever by an owner in a season at the seaside track – and also wound up the meet's leading owners by money won with \$633,700 in purses.
- Between them, the brothers at any one time have had as many as 80 horses, with about 50 of those racehorses and the rest breeding stock. By Cecil's own admission, Gary is "the majority-majority owner in the partnership."
- Brothers have horses in California with trainers John Sadler and Peter Miller.
- Together the brothers continue to race the extremely rapid 8-year-old gelding Cost of Freedom, a \$50,000 claim in 2008 who has gone on to be multiple-stakes winner with a bankroll that has gone past \$900,000, the majority of it for them. With other partners, Gary is currently racing the multiple-stakes winning gelding Comma to the Top, a winner of more than three-quarters of a million who is currently recovering from an ankle chip suffered in this year's Kentucky Derby.
- Gary has raced stakes horses like Becrux, Sweet Stream and Carnadore with Team Valor International and has horses in Kentucky with trainer Dale Romans, Europe with John Hammond and South Africa and Dubai with Mike De Kock.
- 2010 racing record: (Gary and Cecil in partnership) 85 starts, 16 wins for earnings of \$692,480.
- Family: Cecil – Wife Avril; one son, one daughter; Gary – three daughters.



**Casner Racing/
Bill Casner**

Born: March 12, 1948
El Paso, Texas
Resides: Flower Mound, Texas
Silks: White, white "KC" on green and white diamond, white "KC" on left sleeve, white cap

- After racing for the past decade as WinStar Farms with his partner and longtime business associate Kenny Troutt, Casner chose to go off on his own starting in November, 2010.
- "It just was the right time for it to happen," Casner said. "It was a business decision I made with my friend and partner of 35 years. We did it under the best of terms and we remain friends."
- Casner continues to keep his broodmares – he has 18 – at WinStar in their state-of-the-art facility in Versailles, KY, a 1,400-plus-acre layout that is home to 10 stallions, including Tiznow and his son, Colonel John, both of whom raced at Del Mar.
- "We put a wonderful team together at WinStar and I'm very comfortable having my horses there," said Casner.
- Also standing at the farm is Super Saver, the horse that Casner and Troutt hit the racing heights with in 2010 when they won the Kentucky Derby, an event that left the long, tall Texan stunned and grateful: "This is why you do this," Casner said after the race, "why you're in this business, this game. It's an out-of-body experience."
- Besides his 18 broodmares and their 15 foals, as well as his ownership of parts and shares of several stallions, Casner currently has about 15 runners at the racetrack.

- His racing stock is split among three trainers: veteran New York conditioner Bob Dunham (who Casner worked for as a young man), trainer Shannon Ritter, a former rider who scored the first graded stakes win of her training career with Casner's Endorsement in the 2010 Sunland Derby and, in the west, Eoin Harty, the Irish expatriate who won both the Santa Anita Derby and the Travers Stakes with Casner's Colonel John in 2008.
- Casner put himself through Tarleton State University (Stephenville, TX) by galloping horses, then later took up training for a time.
- After interacting as owners in racing, he and Troutt hit the jackpot in the business world with the founding of the long-distance and telecom provider Excel Communications in 1988, which was sold 10 years later for \$3.5 billion. Casner also developed and still runs the heavy equipment company B & R Equipment in Dallas/Fort Worth.
- Casner has had his share of good horses but perhaps his best, and likely his all-time favorite, was the remarkable gelding Well Armed. The son of Tiznow came back from a series of injuries, including a broken hip, to win several major stakes and more than \$5.1-million in purses, highlighted by a runaway 14-length victory in the Dubai World Cup in 2009.
- Among his current stock he's got high hopes for a pair of comebackers who have been away for over a year – Endorsement and 2010 Illinois Derby winner American Lion.
- Casner is a past chairman and current board member of the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders' Association; a co-founder and board member of the Kentucky Equine Education Project (KEEP); and a founding member of The Race For Education, a national scholarship foundation providing educational opportunities to children of racing's backstretch and farm workers.
- He is a multiple-award winner for his charity work both inside and outside the racing industry.
- 2010 racing record for WinStar Farms: 248 starts, 46 wins for earnings of \$5,183, 379 (tops among all North American owners).
- Family: Wife Susan; one daughter



**Craig Family Trust/
Jenny Craig**

Born: Berwick, Louisiana
Resides: Rancho Santa Fe and Del Mar, California
Silks: White, black horse emblem on back, blue hoop on front and bar on sleeves, blue and white cap

- Sid and Jenny Craig forged a 30-year marriage and partnership that lasted until his death on July 21, 2008. Sid, a native of Vancouver, B.C., Canada, was 75 at his passing. Jenny has continued on with the family racing tradition.
- Sid's business background began with his founding of Body Contour, Inc, a women's figure salon operation. The Craigs met while she worked at the company's salon in New Orleans and were married in 1979.
- That business was sold to a competitor in 1982 and the Craigs went to Australia and opened a chain of weight-loss centers in 1983, the beginnings of Jenny Craig, Inc., which now has locations in the United States, Mexico, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.
- One of the key elements in their life together was the owning, racing and breeding of horses, something they did for more than 20 years. Sid became interested in racing while serving in the Navy in San Diego, becoming a frequent attendee at Del Mar. Sid became

- friends with veteran trainer Hal King, who conditioned horses for him and later served as racing manager until his death in 1994.
- Attained one of their most cherished goals when their private purchase, the Argentinian-bred Candy Ride, won Del Mar's signature race, the \$1-million Pacific Classic in 2003.
 - Another outstanding runner for the Craigs was Paseana, two-time Eclipse Award winner as older filly or mare and 1992 Breeders' Cup Distaff champion. She lost by a nose in the '93 Distaff.
 - Still another star for the couple was Exchange, who was claimed for \$50,000 and earned \$1.2 million. Exchange won the 1992 Grade II Chula Vista (now the Clement L. Hirsch), and finished second to stablemate Paseana in 1994.
 - In an attempt to accomplish another major goal – victory in the Kentucky Derby – Jenny Craig bought husband Dr Devious as a \$2.5-million 60th birthday gift, only to have the colt finish seventh in the 1992 Kentucky Derby. All was not lost, however, because he was taken back to England and won the Epsom Derby before being sold to Japanese interests as a stallion prospect.
 - Jenny has continued the Kentucky Derby quest: In 2009 her homebred colt Chocolate Candy finished fifth in the race, while in 2010 her Santa Anita Derby winner Sidney's Candy helped carve out the pace before falling back to finish 17th.
 - Both her recent Derby colts – and many of the horses she currently races – are by Candy Ride, who has begun a most promising stallion career at Lane's End Farm in Versailles, KY. Further in that all-in-the-family regard: Sidney's Candy is out of Fair Exchange, who is a daughter of Exchange.
 - In 2011 Craig sold Sidney's Candy, a winner of more than \$900,000, to WinStar Farm as a racing and breeding prospect.
 - Her current stable ace is yet another Candy Ride offspring, Twirling Candy, a multiple-stakes winner of more than \$600,000 whom she sold pieces of to Will Farish and Marty Wygod.
 - Among the Craigs' other major winners: Tossofthecoin, Alpride, Different (1996 Hirsch winner), Brave Act, Victory Stripes, Bienvenido and Golden Arches.
 - The Craig Family Trust also owns Rancho Paseana, a first-rate training and lay-up facility near Del Mar that the late Eugene Klein, the former owner of the San Diego Chargers, originally built.
 - 2010 racing record: 41 starts, 15 wins for earnings of \$1,462,769.
 - Family: Three daughters, two sons.



C R K Racing/Lee and Susan Searing

Born: (Lee) March 15, 1948
 Inglewood, California
 (Susan) North Carolina
 Reside: Arcadia, California
 Silks: White with maroon diamonds; white cap with maroon diamonds

- Lee Searing went to the races from age 8 with his father, who owned several horses beginning in 1966, many of whom ran at Agua Caliente in Tijuana, Mexico.
- Had numerous horses in partnership with his father, beginning in 1968 until his father's death in 2002.
- Their top horse so far – Our New Recruit, winner of the 2004 Dubai Golden Shaheen and an earner of \$1.4 million – was a stallion at Central California's Legacy Ranch near Sacramento until his death in 2009.

- Current stable ace is the 4-year-old Quiet American filly Switch, a multiple-stakes winner who is approaching millionaire status.
- The Searings also have raced these other stakes winners: Ceeband, Dr. Park, Scooter Brown, She's an Eleven, Jump On In and Cindago. At Del Mar, Scooter Brown won a division of the Oceanside Stakes in 1998 as did Dr. Park in 2001; Our New Recruit won the 2004 Pirate's Bounty Stakes and Cindago won the 2006 El Cajon Stakes, defeating a couple of top colts in Brother Derek and Bob and John. Cindago now stands at Legacy Ranch.
- Searings have upgraded stock since moving their horses to the barn of trainer John Sadler and started buying at 2-year-olds-in-training sales. First 2-year-old bought, Hasty Kris, won Santa Anita's Grade II San Carlos Handicap in 2005.
- Searing and his brother, Jim, operate Searing Industries, specializing in the manufacture of welded steel tubing used in such things as racking systems, dinette furniture, medical equipment and scaffolding, in Ontario, CA.
- The Searings have been married 36 years and the stable name reflects the names of their children – Christina, Richard and Katherine. The Searings met while attending Pomona High School.
- 2010 racing record: 28 starts, 7 wins for earnings of \$749,092.
- Family: Two daughters, one son



**Diamond A Racing/
 Gerald J. Ford**

Born: August 8, 1944
 Pampa, Texas
 Resides: Dallas, Texas
 Silks: Blue, yellow diamond emblem on back, blue cuffs on yellow sleeves, blue cap

- Reached one of the pinnacles of Thoroughbred racing with the victory by Pleasantly Perfect in the 2003 Breeders' Cup Classic. Added to that illustrious effort with wins in the 2004 Dubai World Cup and 2004 Pacific Classic. The son of Pleasant Colony stands at Lane's End Farm in Versailles, KY.
- Other top runners include Minister Eric, runner-up in the 2003 Del Mar Futurity and 2003 Breeders' Cup Juvenile, and Dixie Union, winner of the Best Pal, Norfolk and Hollywood Juvenile Championship at 2, the Haskell Invitational and Malibu at 3 and now a successful sire at Lane's End Farm.
- Became interested in racing when friend took him to 1994 Breeders' Cup at Churchill Downs and to the following year's Kentucky Derby.
- Bought his first Thoroughbreds at 1995 Keeneland July yearling sale.
- In 2000, bought 815 acres of the former Brookside Farm near Versailles for \$11 million and renamed it Diamond A Farm. Farm is home to about 40 of his broodmares and numerous boarders. Depending on season, there are between 70 to 100 mares there.
- Owner, also, of 120,000-acre Diamond A Ranch in New Mexico, populated by cattle, sheep and Quarter Horses.
- Chairman of the board of Liberte Investments, Inc., listed on New York Stock Exchange.
- Former chairman and chief executive officer of Golden State Bancorp, Inc., prior to it being acquired by Citigroup. Also, is a director of AmeriCredit Corp., a consumer-finance firm.
- Began in the banking business by purchasing several small banks in rural areas of Texas.
- He's a 1966 graduate of Southern Methodist University and in 1969

earned a degree from the university's School of Law.

- Billionaire was named a distinguished alumnus of SMU in 1995; serves as chairman of the SMU board and donated \$20 million toward the building of the Gerald J. Ford Stadium at the university, which opened in 2000.
- 2010 racing record: 74 starts, 16 wins for earnings of \$406,683.
- Family: Wife Kelli; four children



Hal and Patti Earnhardt

Born: (Hal) March 20, 1956 in Mesa, Arizona
(Patti) July 2, 1957 in Columbus, Ohio

Reside: Queen Creek, Arizona

Silks: Blue, yellow "NO BULL" on back, blue bars on yellow sleeves, blue cap

- Their homebred Indian Blessing, by the Earnhardts' stallion Indian Charlie, won the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies in 2007 and was named an Eclipse Award winner as the nation's top 2-year-old female after an undefeated season. For an encore in 2008 she finished first or second in nine stakes and picked up more hardware as the filly Sprint champion. She won more than half-a-million dollars in 2009, including a second-place finish to colts in the \$2-million Dubai Golden Shaheen, and finished her remarkable career with a bankroll that read \$2,995,420.
- Earnhardts won the 1998 Santa Anita Derby with Indian Charlie, who was retired with an injury after finishing third in the Kentucky Derby. He's turned into a fine stallion at Airdrie Stud in Midway, KY.
- Other major winners: Soviet Sojourn, the dam of Indian Charlie, won two graded stakes and was the Earnhardts' first Breeders' Cup runner, finishing 11th in the 1991 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies; multiple graded stakes winner El Corredor (which translates into "the runner" in Spanish), who won seven of 10 starts, including the Cigar Mile and the Del Mar Breeders' Cup twice with purse earnings of \$727,920. He has been a successful stallion at Hill 'n' Dale Farms near Lexington.
- Earnhardt is president of Earnhardt Auto Centers, operating 10 dealerships in the Phoenix area and one in El Paso, plus two RV centers. The dealership brands include BMW, Chrysler, Ford, Honda, Jeep, Nissan, Dodge, Hyundai and Mazda. The company was started by Earnhardt's father and grandfather in 1951, has annual sales of nearly \$1 billion and employs about 2,000.
- Attended Central Arizona College on a rodeo scholarship.
- Is trainer Bob Baffert's longest-tenured owner, dating to Baffert's Quarter-horse racing days.
- The "No Bull" that appears on his racing silks is a long-standing slogan used in his automobile advertising.
- Has three Arizona cattle ranches, and donates time and money to a child crisis center and other charities in the Phoenix area.
- 2010 racing record: 58 starts, 15 wins for earnings of \$464,530.
- Family: Two sons, two daughters



Glen Hill Farm/ Leonard Lavin

Born: October 19, 1919
Chicago, Illinois

Resides: Glencoe, Illinois; Ocala, Florida

Silks: Black and orange halves, white yoke, gold cap

- Became a Thoroughbred owner in 1966 when he bought Gabby Abby, who was a winner for him that year and a stakes winner the next.
- Even at that time, he wasn't exactly new to racing, having watched Reigh Count win the 1928 Kentucky Derby. His father and uncle were avid sportsmen.
- Bought Glen Hill Farm in Ocala, Florida, in the late 1960s and has produced more than 40 stakes winners with earnings of more than \$21 million on the 400-acre spread. Owns about 40 broodmares.
- Achieved greatest moment in racing when One Dreamer won the 1994 Breeders' Cup Distaff in a gate-to-wire performance that rewarded her backers \$96.20 on a \$2 win ticket. What made it even sweeter was the fact his company, Alberto-Culver, sponsored the race.
- Primary trainer for 32 years was old-school conditioner and tough Texan Willard Proctor. Others in the family – Allan, Willard's brother, who managed Glen Hill for many years; trainer Tom Proctor, who handles a major string in the Midwest for Lavin and trained One Dreamer, and Tom's brother, "Hap," who now oversees the Ocala farm – have been longtime Lavin associates.
- Lavin's grandson, Craig Bernick, took control of Glen Hill in 2008 and is now its president and chief operating officer.
- Patrick Gallagher trains the Glen Hill string in Southern California.
- Other major winners for Glen Hill: Relaunch, winner of the 1979 Del Mar Derby and major stallion for many years; Uniformity, Convenience, Concept Win, Top Rung, Star of the Crop, Split Run and Rich in Spirit.
- His filly Convenience was involved in a \$250,000 winner-take-all match race with champion mare Typecast in 1972 at Hollywood Park. Convenience, under Jerry Lambert, held off the odds-on favorite and Bill Shoemaker by a head in 1:47 3/5 for nine furlongs before more than 53,000 fans in what was then the richest match ever held.
- He and his late wife, Bernice, bought the Alberto-Culver Company in 1955 for \$400,000 and turned it into a multi-billion dollar firm.
- Honored as Breeder of the Year for 1994 by the Florida division of the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association.
- 2010 racing record: 117 starts, 24 wins for earnings of \$849,496.
- Family: Two daughters



Godolphin/Darley Stable/Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum

Born: July 22, 1949
Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Resides: Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Silks: Godolphin – Royal blue, royal blue cap
Darley Stable – Maroon, white sleeves, white star on maroon cap

- One of the world’s richest men (Forbes estimates his fortune at \$16 billion) is the ruler of Dubai and the prime minister and vice president of the seven emirates that sit on the Persian Gulf and make up the United Arab Emirates.
- He is the third of four sons and has 19 children of his own (8 sons, 11 daughters); his senior wife is Sheikha Hind bint Maktoum bin Juma Al Maktoum, whom he married in 1979, and his junior wife is HRH Princess Haya bint Al Hussein, the daughter of the late King Hussein of Jordan, whom he married in 2004.
- He has helped shape the city of Dubai – once a tiny fishing village – into one of the world’s great metropolises, akin to a Hong Kong or Singapore, and overseen its rise as the economic hub of the Gulf region and a tourist magnet, populated by approximately 250,000 “locals” and roughly one million foreign workers.
- Among the major projects he has realized are the creation of Dubai International Airport, world-traveling Emirates Airlines, the striking, sail-like, “seven star” Burj Al Arab hotel and the Burj Khalifa, a \$1.5-billion project that features the world’s tallest skyscraper (2,717 feet) which opened in 2010 as the heart of a \$20-billion mixed-use development in downtown Dubai.
- Sheikh Mohammed was schooled as a young boy in Arabic and Islamic studies in his native land, then completed his education in England at a prestigious English language school at Cambridge and a military academy at Aldershot.
- He grew up with a close-association to, and kinship for, horses (riding in his first race at age 12) and saw his first western horse races at Newmarket in 1967, highlighted by Royal Palace winning the 2,000 Guineas.
- His quote on horses: “A love for horses runs in my blood. Don’t forget that horses have been bred for centuries by Arabic tribes.... they symbolize our history. Horse riding is more than merely sitting on a horse’s back. It is nobility and chivalry.”
- He purchased his first racehorse – a filly named Hatta – in 1976 and she went on to be a stakes winner for him. Since then he has gone on to invest a fortune, likely several billion dollars, in some of the world’s best bloodstock.
- His initial run of serious horses began to pick up steam in 1985 when he was England’s leading owner (a title he’d win 12 more times in the following 14 years) and raced a pair of remarkable fillies – Oh So Sharp, winner of the British fillies’ Triple Crown, and the American Breeders’ Cup Turf winner Pebbles.
- Since then his list of equine stars would fill a desert sky – Balanchine, Lamtarra, Swain, Sakhee, Shamardal, In the Wings, Indian Skimmer, Carnegie and Baratheia to touch on a few.
- Perhaps his best – and apparently his favorite – was the mercurial Dubai Millennium, a winner of nine of 10 starts who earned a remarkable 140 Timeform rating in 2000. Unfortunately, he died of a rare grass sickness just one year after entering stud.
- Starting in 1996, he sponsored the world’s richest race – the Dubai

World Cup, which now carries a purse of \$10 million – and has seen his horses win five of its 14 runnings – Singspiel (1997), Dubai Millennium (2000), Street Cry (2002), Moon Ballad (2003) and Electrocutionist (2006).

- Among the Sheikh’s more notable recent U.S. triumphs are the championship season of Bernardini in 2006 (Preakness, Travers, Jockey Club Gold Cup) and the tally by Raven’s Pass in the 2008 Breeders’ Cup Classic.
- The Sheikh’s horses have won Grade I or Group I races in 12 different countries.
- As part of his showcasing of Dubai, Sheikh Mohammed built both the Al Quoz training center and the Nad Al Sheba Racecourse there, then got many of the best horses in the world to ship to the desert starting in 1996 to run in a rich festival of racing topped by the Dubai World Cup.
- Sheikh Mohammed one-upped himself by opening in 2010 the world’s most spectacular racetrack – Meydan Racecourse – adjacent to Nad Al Sheba. The multi-billion dollar project, which includes a hotel, restaurants, a museum and a marina, hosted its first World Cup on March 27, 2010 – the 15th running of the race.
- The Sheikh’s second-oldest son, Sheikh Hamdan, is – like his father – an accomplished equestrian and also involved in Thoroughbred horse ownership.
- Sheikh Mohammed races under two banners – Godolphin and Darley Stable. Godolphin runs under the command of his head trainer, Saeed bin Suroor, and races in Dubai from January to March, then in England and the U.S. The Darley horses race all around the world with many of the world’s top trainers, including Andre Fabre and Jean-Claude Rouget in France, Michael Stoute and John Gosden in England, John Oxx and Jim Bolger in Ireland, and Kieran McLaughlin and Tom Albertrani in the U.S.
- In 2010 in North America, Darley started 267 horses, won 50 races and earned purses of \$2,916,205. Godolphin Racing, meanwhile, started 46 horses in their silks, won nine races and earned \$1,130,878. In 2009, Godolphin was awarded its first Eclipse Award as North America’s top owner. Darley previously had shared (with Lael Stables) that honor in 2006.
- Darley also is one of the world’s foremost breeding entities, standing more than 50 stallions in six countries (including Australia and Japan). Their U.S. farm in Lexington, the former Jonabell Farm renamed Darley at Jonabell, stands 16 stallions, including the one-two finishers in the 2007 Kentucky Derby, Street Sense and Hard Spun, as well as the sires of America’s last two Horses of the Year – Rachel Alexandra (Medaglia d’Oro) and Zenyatta (Street Cry).



Golden Eagle Farm/Larry Mabee

Born: March 25, 1943
Henderson, Nevada

Resides: Rancho Santa Fe, California

Silks: Burgundy, gold eagle on back, gold sleeves, burgundy and gold cap

- Farm was started in 1957 by the late John C. (2002) and Betty L. (2010) Mabee with the purchase of two horses from the 1957 Del Mar yearling sale. Mabees were married for over 60 years and were partners in building the farm’s successful racing and breeding programs.

- Among their many accomplishments, they were Eclipse Award winners as the nation's top breeders three times (1991-'97-'98). They bred over 150 stakes winners. They were the leading breeders in California for 19 years in a row and leading owners at Del Mar a record six times.
- John Mabee was a founding member of the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and served as its president from 1978 to 1990, then as its chairman of the board from 1990 to 2001. Betty Mabee was appointed to the board of DMTC in 2002 and assumed the role of director emeritus in 2008. Mr. Mabee also was a founding member of Breeders' Cup Ltd. and was elected to The Jockey Club in 1985.
- The Mabees took great pride in racing their homebreds and ran more than 60 stakes winners in their own silks. Their list of successful horses bred from their 540-acre farm in Ramona, CA, is extensive and the purses won, breeding and stallion awards, and horses sold amounted into multiple millions.
- From all the many Golden Eagle homebreds, the best and most beloved was Best Pal, a foal of 1988 who covered himself in racing glory with 18 victories and \$5,668,245 in purses, including an especially sweet tally as a 3-year-old over older horses in the inaugural Pacific Classic in 1991. The extra-game and ultra-consistent gelding was voted into racing's Hall of Fame and the Mabees' son, Larry, accepted his award at ceremonies last August in Saratoga, NY.
- Golden Eagle has been under the control and direction of Larry Mabee since John Mabee's passing in 2002. The farm's intended new location – on 30 acres in Rancho Santa Fe – has been acquired and is being developed to shift the entire operation in keeping with intentions to downsize.
- Currently Golden Eagle stands Stormin Fever (Storm Cat) and has a number of mares in Kentucky in support of the current breeding program. The farm has undergone a major redirection of its operation since 2002. There has been a reduction of horse inventory from over 800 head in 2002 to a lineup of quality stock numbering in the 60 to 75 range.
- 2010 racing record: 27 starts, one win for earnings of \$66,764.

- One of his early runners was Halo in the Sky, who stole his heart and fattened his wallet and gave him his idea for a racing nom de course that has stuck.
- Had his first experience with notable Thoroughbred success when he partnered on a very fast horse named Shanekite, who wound up a multiple-stakes winner and then a leading California sire.
- Aroney got lucky even further when he wound up buying several mares in a package deal with the intention of breeding them to Shanekite. One of them was already in foal to a young Mr. Prospector stallion named Naevus and when she dropped her foal he was named King Glorious. The name turned out to be a quite appropriate.
- King Glorious won Hollywood Park's first million dollar race, the 1988 Hollywood Futurity, and went on the next year to capture the Haskell Invitational and Ohio Derby en route to earning more than \$1.1 million. He was Aroney's first millionaire and the "breakout" horse for a hard-working California trainer named Jerry Hollendorfer. King Glorious, voted California's top Thoroughbred in 1988, finally was sold as a stallion to Japanese interests.
- Aroney has had several notable racing partners along the way, including Alan Magerman (Four M Stables) and the late Sid Craig and his wife Jenny. He was a longtime friend and stable advisor to the Craigs, whose exceptional racing successes included campaigning two-time champion mare Paseana and Pacific Classic hero and blossoming sire Candy Ride. He continues to serve as a trusted equine advisor to Jenny Craig, the lady behind the worldwide weight-loss empire that carries her name.
- Currently, Aroney has 32 horses either racing or breeding, including nine mares.
- Caught lightning in the bottle in 2010 with his old pro Dakota Phone, a multiple-stakes winning millionaire who captured the 2010 Breeders' Cup Mile at a \$77.40 mutuel.
- Among his current partners are John Carver, George Todaro and Ron Judy.
- Along the way he has owned parts, or all, of several stakes winners for racing and/or breeding purposes, among them Candy's Gold, Crowning Storm, Tossoftheocoin, Candy Ride, Yougottawanna, Evita Argentina and Babs Moossa.
- His runners are with trainers Hollendorfer, John Sadler and Clifford Sise, Jr. and he keeps his breeding stock at Lane's End Farm in Kentucky and Legacy Ranch and Ballena Vista Farm in California.
- Aroney's sweetest moment in racing? "I thought I'd had that already, but they just seem to keep happening," he says. "I hope there are more to come."
- 2010 racing record (including five different partnerships): 105 starts, 16 wins for earnings of \$1,334,382.
- Family: Wife Leslie; three children, Paul, Andrea, Kenny



Halo Farms/ Teddy Aroney

Born: November 20, 1939
Los Angeles, California

Resides: Rancho Santa Fe, California

Silks: Gray and burgundy vertical stripes, gray and burgundy cap

- First recollection of the racetrack was at the age of 10 when his dad took him to Santa Anita for the day. He's come back to the races thousands of times since.
- When he was growing up, family ran a dairy farm in Artesia in southeastern Los Angeles County, approximately 18 miles from Hollywood Park to the west in Inglewood and 18 miles from Santa Anita Park to the north in Arcadia.
- Young Teddy started out in the construction business, which segued into development, with his love for the track and horses always prominent.
- In 1970 he bought a piece of his first racehorse and he's been an owner for 40-plus years since.



**Harris Farms, Inc./
John C. Harris**

Born: July 14, 1943
Fresno, California
Resides: Sanger, California
Silks: Green and white diamonds,
green sleeves, green and white
cap

- Longtime prominent breeding and racing figure in California has horses throughout the state – with Carla Gaines and Martin Jones in Southern California and several trainers in the north.
- In 1966, began raising and training Thoroughbreds on his 400-acre horse division at the 1,800-acre agricultural complex known as Harris Farms, created mostly as a cattle ranch in 1937 by Harris' father, Jack, near Coalinga, CA, in the San Joaquin Valley. Farm owns 60 broodmares with room for another 60, and stands nine stallions – Downtown Seattle, Lucky J.H., Lucky Pulpit, Singletary, Stormy Jack, Swiss Yodeler, Tizbud, Thorn Song and Unusual Heat. The last named, the most successful sire in the state for the past three years, began his first season at the farm in 2011.
- Alphabet Kisses gave the farm its first Grade I victory with a win in Santa Anita's La Brea Stakes in 2004. She also captured Hollywood Park's 2005 Grade II A Gleam Handicap.
- Most outstanding horse campaigned was the brilliantly speedy female Soviet Problem, in partnership with frequent collaborator Don Valpredo. She was retired in 1996 with 15 victories in 20 lifetime starts, for earnings of \$905,416, during a brilliant career that included a second to Cherokee Run in 1994 Breeders' Cup Sprint. In that same year she also won two match races, including one at Del Mar, and was voted California's Horse of the Year, champion older female, sprinter and turf horse, the first time a horse won three divisions and Horse of the Year.
- Another major runner was Work The Crowd, a multiple graded stakes winner and 1993 champion Cal-bred 2-year-old filly, 1994 Cal-bred 3-year-old filly, 1995 Cal-bred turf horse and 1995 Northern California Horse of the Year.
- Current stable stars are Compari, a homebred gelding who reeled off six straight victories on the grass, including four stakes, in 2009 and 2010, and Unzip Me, a homebred mare whose speedballing ways have seen her win 11 races and more than \$700,000, including a half-dozen stakes
- Other California champions: Moscow Changes and Teresa Mc. Other stakes winners: Top Of Our Game and Super High, winners of Del Mar's Solana Beach Handicap in 2001 and 2002, respectively; Spot the Diplomat, who won Del Mar's 2006 Graduation and I'm Smokin stakes; and El Don, winner of Del Mar's 2006 California Dreamin' Handicap.
- Harris earned a degree in agricultural production from University of California-Davis. Agriculture awards include 1989 Beef Cattle Businessman of the Year. Under his management, Harris Farms, Inc. is one of the nation's leading producers of agricultural products, most notably beef cattle. The farm also produces tomatoes, almonds and cotton, and has a feed lot that handles 100,000 head of cattle. In addition to the Coalinga operation, runs 7,000-acre Harris River Ranch, about 70 miles east of Sanger, CA. The ranch includes a 160-acre facility devoted to yearlings and lay-ups, and is home to citrus groves, grapevines, olive trees and cattle pastures.
- Member of The Jockey Club since 1988, and is a past president and still a board member of the California Thoroughbred Breeders

- Association. He twice has served as Chairman of the California Horse Racing Board and currently is one of its members.
- Commenced his association with racing when his father began owning Thoroughbreds in the 1950s. Young John worked at racetracks as a teen-ager and had his first horse (Jogaway Miss) in 1958. First winner: The Blend in 1961.
- 2010 racing record: 198 starts, 55 firsts for earnings of \$950,405.
- Family: Wife Carole



B. Wayne Hughes

Born: September 28, 1933
Gotebo, Oklahoma
Resides: Malibu, California, and
Spendthrift Farm, Lexington,
Kentucky
Silks: Orange and purple quarters,
orange sleeves and cap

- Has numerous horses in training in Southern California, mostly with Richard Mandella, as well as in Kentucky with Albert Stall, Jr. and Paul McGee.
- His Action This Day won an Eclipse Award as 2003's top 2-year-old male following his victory in Breeders' Cup Juvenile.
- Finished fourth in the 2003 Kentucky Derby with Atswhatimtalknbut. The horse had finished fourth, also, in the Santa Anita Derby.
- In 2005, Greeley's Galaxy won the Illinois Derby and Don't Get Mad scored in the Indiana Derby. Don't Get Mad won that year's Derby Trial and finished fourth in the Derby itself. Greeley's Galaxy was supplemented to the Derby and was 11th. In another Kentucky Derby effort, Action This Day finished sixth to Smarty Jones in 2004.
- Has shown great patience with talented but tender Crown of Thorns, a now 6-year-old who has managed only a handful of starts over the past six seasons, but now may be ready to breakout as one of the nation's top handicap horses.
- Bought historic Spendthrift Farm in Lexington, KY, in 2004 and keeps about 60 broodmares on the 700-acre nursery that was founded by Leslie Combs II in 1937 and served as home to stallions Jet Pilot, Dark Star and Majestic Prince, winners of the Kentucky Derby, as well as Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew, Preakness and Belmont Stakes winner Nashua, and outstanding sire Raise a Native.
- The farm currently stands Into Mischief, Malibu Moon, Notional, Tiz Wonderful, Line of David, Temple City and Warrior's Reward. They also will stand the 2011 Arkansas Derby winner Archarcharch starting in 2012.
- Hughes became involved in racing as a partner with some neighbors. Bought his first horse on his own, Patmoss, in 1972. Among other prominent winners: Turf star Joyeux Danseur, winner of Churchill Downs' Grade I Early Times Classic in 1998; Siphonizer, winner of the 2003 Del Mar Futurity, and Trishyde, who gave Hughes his first graded stakes winner in 1994's Grade III Fleur de Lis Handicap at Churchill Downs; Malabar Gold, My Pal Charlie and Temple City.
- Founder of Public Storage, which grew to a company with about 1,400 storage sites and about 600,000 tenants across the country. Began it in 1972 with a \$50,000 investment. He and his family retain 39 percent of a company that ranked him a billionaire and

among Forbes 400 of the country's wealthiest people.

- Created and supports the Parker Hughes Cancer Center in Minnesota. The research center employs about 200 people and has developed a drug that treats leukemia in children. The center is named for Hughes' son, who died of leukemia at the age of 8.
- Former member of the board of directors of Thoroughbred Owners of California, Breeders' Cup Ltd. and TOBA.
- 2010 racing record: 110 starts, 21 wins for earnings of \$983,839.
- Family: One son, one daughter



Jay Em Ess Stable/ Mace and Samantha Siegel

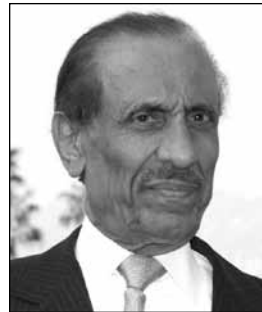
Born: (Mace) September 1, 1925
Jersey City, N.J.
(Samantha) May 10, 1965
New York City, N.Y.

Reside: Beverly Hills, California

Silks: Blue, lime green MS on
back, blue and green cap

- First stakes win came in 1976 at Calder Race Course with Wininreno.
- The late Brian Mayberry trained for the Siegels from 1977 to 1995. Ron Ellis now trains their horses in California and Paul McGee and Richard Durtrow, Jr. train for them in the east.
- Jan Siegel was a big band singer who married Mace in 1962, became the mother of his daughter Samantha and son Evan, as well as his racing partner right up until her death in 2002.
- Though Evan showed no interest in racing, Samantha dove right in.
- The father-mother-daughter team campaigned more than 25 stakes winners as well as an additional 10 under Mace Siegel's name.
- The Siegels have been serious buyers at yearling sales throughout the country since 1988, with Samantha a key person at the sales with her knowledge of conformation and pedigree. She also has been active in naming many of their horses.
- The father-daughter team currently has more than 100 Thoroughbreds, including broodmares boarded in Kentucky.
- Came up with their best horse so far in the gelding Declan's Moon, 2004 Eclipse Award winner as the nation's top 2-year-old male and the undefeated Del Mar and Hollywood Futurity winner.
- Currently racing a pair of older stakes aces in the 8-year-old gelding Arson Squad, a millionaire who has won stakes in four different years, and the swift 6-year-old Rail Trip, who captured his first five starts and captured the 2009 Hollywood Gold Cup.
- Other top runners: Stormy But Valid, Hedonist, Denim Yenem, Fluttery Danseur, Urbane, I Ain't Bluffing, Ramblin Guy, Suave, Miss Iron Smoke, Ifyoucouldseemenow, Distinctive Sis, Garden Gal, Zealous Connection, I Believe in You, How So Oiseau and Prospectors Gamble.
- Won Hollywood Park's Landaluce Stakes for 2-year-old fillies three years in a row (1990-92) with Garden Gal, Fluttery Danseur and Zealous Connection. Had won the race, also, in 1988 with Distinctive Sis.
- Posting Grade I wins for the Siegels: Urbane, 1995 Ashland Stakes and then finished second in the Kentucky Oaks; Miss Iron Smoke, 1991 Spinaway Stakes; Stormy But Valid, 1990 Santa Monica Handicap; I Ain't Bluffing, 1997 La Brea Handicap and 1998 Milady Handicap; Hedonist, 1998 Santa Anita Oaks, and Declan's Moon, 2004 Hollywood Futurity; Boys At Tosconova, 2010 Hopeful Stakes, and Rail Trip.

- Mace Siegel got interested in horse racing as a fan while growing up in New Jersey and New York. Jan became a fan of the sport while attending the University of Kentucky. They bought their first horse in 1964 at the Timonium, MD, yearling sale and named her Najecam (Mace and Jan spelled backwards).
- Jan and Mace Siegel met on a blind date at Aqueeduct in 1962 and were married two months later.
- The Siegels started in business in the Midwest building shopping centers. He founded Macerich Company in Santa Monica, CA, which develops, owns and manages regional shopping centers. Mace retired in 2008 as chairman of the board of Macerich and is now its chairman emeritus.
- The father and daughter were honored in 2008 by the Gregson Foundation, which raises money for college scholarships for children of backstretch workers.
- Mace is a former director and vice president of the Thoroughbred Owners of California.
- 2010 racing record: 263 starts, 40 wins for earnings of \$2,434,889.



Juddmonte Farms/ Prince Khalid Abdullah

Born: 1937
Taif, Saudi Arabia

Resides: Saudi Arabia; Lexington,
Kentucky; Newmarket, London
and Kent, England

Silks: Green, pink sash, white sleeves,
pink cap

- Juddmonte Farms is prince's nom de course. Has won some of the world's most important races, including the Arc de Triomphe and Epsom Derby. Stable races at the top levels in both Europe and North America.
- Prince owns five breeding farms in Europe and an 1,800-acre spread in Kentucky.
- Often races horses in Europe in their early years and sends them to North America to run as older horses.
- Named North America's top breeder for the fifth time in 2009.
- Scored an Eclipse Award double in 2003 as North America's leading owner and breeder, making him the fourth breeder/owner to score the double, joining Paul Mellon for 1971, Meadow Stable for 1972 and '73, and Frank Stronach for 2000 and 2008. Previous breeder Eclipses came in 1995, 2001 and 2002 and previous win as top owner came in 1992.
- Dr. John C. Chandler is president of North American operation.
- Had a near two-decade relationship with Hall of Fame trainer Robert Frankel that proved beneficial to both, but ended with Frankel's passing at the end of 2009.
- Farm has captured four Breeders' Cup races: Filly & Mare Turf in 2001 with Banks Hill, 2005 with Intercontinental and 2009 with Midday, as well as Filly & Mare Sprint in 2008 with Ventura.
- Standout stakes winners at Del Mar: Two-time Pacific Classic victors Tinnors Way and Skimming (the latter also won the San Diego Handicap twice); Intercontinental, who won the 2005 Palomar Breeders' Cup Handicap and Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf and won the Eclipse Award as champion turf female; Etoile Montante, 2004 Palomar Breeders' Cup Handicap winner; Marquetry and Expelled, winners of the 1992 and '97 Grade I Eddie Read Handicap, respectively; True Flare, 1996 San Clemente victress, and Marine, 2001 La Jolla winner.
- Other outstanding runners in North America over the years:

Empire Maker, winner of 2003 Florida Derby, Wood Memorial and Belmont Stakes; Sightseek, Heat Haze, Mizzen Mast, Aptitude, Flute, Beat Hollow, Banks Hill, Chester House, Honest Lady, Wandesta, Toussaud, Exbourne, Quest for Fame, Bates Creek, Ryafan, Defensive Play, Alhabatim, Cacique, Latent Heat and Proviso.

- Accomplished historic double in 1993 as Commander in Chief won both the English and Irish Derbys to join Nijinsky II and Shergar as the only ones to do that.
- Developed a love for English racing when family rented a house in London for the summer during the 1960s. Became an owner in 1977 with purchase of four yearlings, posted his first win in 1979 and first classic win with Known Fact in the 1980 English Two Thousand Guineas.
- A member of the ruling family of Saudi Arabia.
- Prince is a quiet man who shuns publicity and prefers to be known as Mr. Khalid Abdullah.
- Presides over a massive conglomerate known as “Mawared” and says he is semi-retired. His sons are highly involved, managing such ventures as catering, cleaning, cement, electronics and insurance.
- 2010 racing record: 88 starts, 15 wins for earnings of \$2,670,041, a sum good enough to rank second in the nation.
- Family: Four sons



**La Canada Stables, LLC/
Ron Valenta**

Born: October 29, 1958
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Resides: La Canada, California and
Wolfsberg, Austria
Silks: Red, black crest on white hoop,
white hoop on sleeves, red cap

- First stuck his toe in the racing waters back in 1995 when he went in three ways on a low-level claiming horse with a childhood buddy named Rick Pielago and Rick’s father, Peppy.
- Their trainer was Jack Carava and Valenta has been with him ever since, going so far as to hire the California native to train exclusively for him starting in 2008.
- The Valenta-Carava connection has worked well so far, including their top year for wins in 2009 with 61 firsts (26th best in the country) and in 2010 when they came home first on 59 occasions.
- Valenta likes to see his horses in action and has runners at all levels in the game, from lowest claimer to stakes stock. He claims, purchases privately, buys at yearling sales and this year, for the first time, even went into the breeding end with a few head.
- Usually has between 30 and 40 runners with Carava in Southern California and five to 10 more with trainer John Martin on the Northern California circuit.
- Among his top stakes horses so far have been Pure as Gold, winner of the Grade I Bing Crosby at Del Mar in 2006; Soul City Slew, Beltene, Epic Power, Mr. Napper Tandy and She’s Sensational.
- La Canada Stables, LLC has been the leading owner by wins at the big Santa Anita meet in four of the last five years, topped the Oak Tree meeting in three of the last five years and led the Del Mar session for victories in 2007.
- Valenta is a graduate of Loyola University in Los Angeles in 1980 who worked for a major accounting firm, then became a senior vice president for Public Storage Inc. (PS), a company

founded by another Thoroughbred owner, B. Wayne Hughes. Valenta subsequently went out on his own in 1988 and founded Mobile Storage Group, Inc., then the Portosan Company, LLC, and currently has multiple other investments in brick and mortar businesses.

- He has an Austrian heritage and an Austrian wife, which has led to a second home in Wolfsberg, Austria, in the southeastern portion of the country a bit more than 100 miles south of the capital in Vienna. Working in concert with the state there, Valenta refurbished an ancient edifice as both his home and a national landmark. The Valenta family spends several months there each year.
- 2010 racing record: 322 starts, 59 wins for earnings of \$1,362,135.
- Family: Wife Lydia; two daughters, one son.



Robert and Beverly Lewis Family Trust

Born: (Beverly) San Francisco, California
Resides: Newport Beach, California
Silks: Green, yellow hoops, yellow sleeves, green and yellow cap

- In the wake of Robert Lewis’ death in 2006, widow and a son, Jeff, have carried on the racing tradition.
- Lewises were on the brink of winning racing’s Triple Crown twice, in 1997 when Silver Charm won the Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes only to be beaten in the Belmont Stakes, and two years later when Charismatic duplicated that feat but lost in the Belmont Stakes, too. Both Silver Charm and Charismatic won the Eclipse Award as North America’s top 3-year-old and Charismatic was named Horse of the Year as well.
- Silver Charm went on to win the 1998 \$4-million Dubai World Cup and finish second in that year’s Breeders’ Cup Classic before being retired with career earnings of \$6.9 million. He was inducted into racing’s Hall of Fame in 2007.
- Finally got the elusive Belmont Stakes win when longshot Commendable turned the trick in 2000.
- Robert Lewis grew up in Glendale, CA, and when the 10-year-old ventured to Santa Anita on its opening day in 1934 with his parents, it triggered a lifelong love for the sport.
- Bought first horses – two 2-year-olds – at Southern California’s Barretts sale in 1990. Sunshine Machine was first winner and first stakes winner, in 1990.
- First Grade I victory came when Twice the Vice won the 1994 Del Mar Oaks.
- Over a span of years from the beginning until midway in this decade, Lewises had most of their horses with Bob Baffert and D. Wayne Lukas.
- Other premier runners for the Lewises: Serena’s Song, winner of the Eclipse Award as nation’s top 3-year-old filly in 1995 and retired with purse earnings of \$3,283,388; were partners in Timber Country, 1994 juvenile champion who went on to win the ’95 Preakness Stakes, and 2002 Breeders’ Cup Sprint and Eclipse winner Orientate.
- In addition, raced these other stakes winners: Consolidator, Senior Swinger, Exploit, Hennessy, Straight Man and High Yield.
- Following World War II, Lewis returned to the University of Oregon to earn a degree and the affection of bride-to-be Beverly. Stable silks are University of Oregon colors.

- After graduation, Lewis returned to Los Angeles for a position as a beer sales representative, which he eventually parlayed into a distributorship, the Foothill Beverage Co. in Pomona, CA. The company was sold to Anheuser-Busch in 2003.
- Served on several racing-related boards, among them the Thoroughbred Owners of California, Oak Tree Racing Association and California Equine Retirement Foundation. The Lewises received the Big Sport of Turfdom award from the Turf Publicists of America and were voted an Eclipse Award of Merit in 1997.
- Beverly was honored in 2006 with Arlington Park's Penny Chenery Distinguished Woman in Racing award.
- For many years, the Lewises have been benefactors of the Pomona Valley Hospital, including a \$5-million gift toward the Robert and Beverly Lewis Family Cancer Care Center, which opened in 1993.
- 2010 racing record: 33 starts, three wins for earnings of \$193,871.
- Family: One daughter, two sons



**Mercedes Stable/
Ernie Moody**

Born: July 25, 1948
Elizabeth, New Jersey

Resides Las Vegas, Nevada, and
Moody Creek Ranch, Bonsall,
California

Silks: Black, yellow M zigzag hoop
and bar on sleeves, yellow and
black cap

- Operates Mercedes Stable, named for his friend Mercedes Vila.
- Jumped into the racing game in 2000.
- Bought Brookside West, formerly owned by the late Allen Paulson and his wife, Madeleine, and renamed it Moody Creek Farm, located in Bonsall, CA, close by San Luis Rey Downs and about 25 miles from Del Mar racetrack.
- Top horse so far has been Rock Hard Ten, owned in partnership with Madeleine Paulson (now Madeleine Pickens); had seven wins in 11 starts and career earnings of \$1,870,380. Among victories: Strub Stakes, Santa Anita Handicap and Goodwood Handicap, all in 2005. Big son of Kris S. stands as a stallion at Lane's End Farm in Versailles, KY.
- Had good luck with top class mare Seattle Smooth, who reeled off five straight stakes wins in 2008-09, climaxed by a score in the Grade I Ogden Phipps at Belmont Park. Millionaire daughter of Quiet American was stakes-placed in New York in 2010, but retired in June because of ankle problems.
- Currently partners (with Lanni Family Trust and Bernie Schiappa) on the 2011 Santa Anita Handicap winner Game On Dude, a 4-year-old who has won more than \$900,000.
- Other stakes winners: She's a Jewel, winner of Del Mar's Aladdin Resort and Casino Handicap; Laura's Lucky Boy, winner of Del Mar's Escondido Handicap; Indian Ocean, Twice as Bad, Storm Wolf, Try To Fly, Spacy Tracy, Bank the Eight and Run It.
- Has had several different western trainers for his horses, including Richard Mandella, Bruce Headley, Vladimir Cerin, Julio Canani, Jay Robbins and Tim Yakteen. Anthony Dutrow handles his horses in the east.
- Keeps about 20 broodmares at Diamond A Farm near Versailles, KY, plus yearlings, and has about 30 mares at another farm he owns, Running Luck Ranch, near Fresno, CA.
- Moody is president of Action Gaming and holds patents on several hand-held video poker machines. Company was founded in 1997

- and while his invention was received coolly, he persevered and eventually International Game Technology licensed his multi-hand poker invention, Triple Play Draw Poker, which was introduced in casinos in 1997.
- Company is geared to invention, not manufacturing.
- 2010 racing record: 165 starts, 42 wins, \$1,219,203.
- Family: One son, one daughter



**Jerome and Ann
Moss**

Born: (Jerome) May 8, 1935
New York City, New York
(Ann) Salt Lake City, Utah

Reside: Los Angeles, California

Silks: Green, pink hoop and bar
on sleeves, green cap

- Climaxed one of the most amazing campaigns in racing history by winning the Eclipse Award for Horse of the Year with their four-time champion mare Zenyatta in 2010.
- The strapping daughter of Street Cry came up half a head short of completing a perfect 20-for-20 career record last November at Churchill Downs in the Breeders' Cup Classic, losing to the colt Blame. She had won the B.C. Classic the year before at Santa Anita over 11 male rivals, becoming the first female to do so.
- Zenyatta was voted an Eclipse Award in 2009 as champion older female for the second year in a row (she was awarded that honor in 2010, also), but finished second in the voting for Horse of the Year to the mercurial 3-year-old filly Rachel Alexandra. The Mosses initially planned to retire their mare, but changed course following the Eclipse voting and announced her return for another season of racing in 2010.
- Among Zenyatta's tallies in her remarkable run were back-to-back-to-back scores in Del Mar's Grade I Clement L. Hirsch Stakes (2008-09-10).
- Mosses grabbed one of Thoroughbred racing's sweetest prizes in 2005 when their Giacomo won the Kentucky Derby, looping the field and pulling away for a decisive victory at odds of 50-1. Subsequently, finished third in the Preakness Stakes and seventh in the Belmont Stakes.
- Their homebred colt was sidelined with bone chips in his left front ankle, but returned in 2006 to win Del Mar's San Diego Handicap before finishing fifth in the Pacific Classic. The gray completed his career with a gritty fourth to Horse of the Year Invasor in the Breeders' Cup Classic to run his career earnings to \$2.5 million.
- Son of Holy Bull now stands at stud at Adena Springs Kentucky in Paris, KY.
- Couple was back on the Triple Crown trail again in 2007 with Giacomo's half-brother, Tiago, who won the Santa Anita Derby in a 29-1 upset. He finished seventh in the Kentucky Derby and third in the Belmont Stakes. The son of Pleasant Tap captured the Oaklawn Handicap at 4 and finished third in the Breeders' Cup Classic. He retired following the 2009 season with earnings of more than \$2.3-million and has joined his half-brother at stud at Adena Springs Kentucky.
- The stable's 2008 purses of \$4,148,872 were a personal best and sixth-highest in the country for the year. They topped their numbers in 2009 with earnings of \$4,172,533, seventh-best among all owners in the nation.
- Other 2010 stakes winners that race in their distinctive green and pink silks are the 7-year-old horse Neko Bay and the 4-year-old filly

Alpha Kitten.

- Currently rooting for a pair of female stakes stars, the 4-year-old Cozi Rosie and the 3-year-old Zazu.
- Moss has been involved in racing for about 35 years, starting by claiming horses in the 1970s with brothers Herb and David Alpert.
- Upgraded Thoroughbred holdings in the 1980s and posted his first stakes victory with Lovely Robbery in Santa Anita's Santa Ysabel Stakes in 1981.
- Has raced more than 60 stakes winners alone or in partnership, including multiple Grade I winners Ruhlmann, winner of the 1989 Santa Anita Handicap, and Sardula, winner of the 1993 Del Mar Debutante and the 1994 Kentucky Oaks.
- Other Del Mar stakes winners: Night Mover, 1984 Bing Crosby Handicap; Aberushka, 1986 Palomar Breeders' Cup Handicap, and Zoonagua, 1992 Sorrento Stakes, and Madeo, 2008 Del Mar Derby.
- Other stakes winners: Delicate Vine, Altazarr, Lexicon, Galunpe, Brulay, Rhapsodic, A La Reine, Lake William, Palmeiro, Van Rouge, Western Scout, Set Them Free, Wild Harmony, Princess Kali, Dixie Pearl and Fighting Fit.
- Mosses own about 35 Thoroughbreds, including about 30 in training with John Shirreffs, Richard Mandella and John Sadler in Southern California. Husband-wife team has about 20 broodmares, mostly in Kentucky at Mill Ridge Farm and Crestwood Farm.
- Moss was the "M" to Herb Alpert's "A" in A & M Records of the 1970s and '80s that grew into the world's largest independent record company. Alpert's Tijuana Brass was the cornerstone of the record label. Other artists on the label included Burt Bacharach, Joe Cocker, Rita Coolidge, The Police and Janet Jackson. A & M was bought by Polygram Records in 1990. Rondor Music, Inc., their music-publishing company, was sold in 2000. Moss and Alpert were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2006.
- Ann Moss, an artist, is also an avid environmentalist who founded the Dolphin Connection, and spent time on a project in Antarctica in 2005.
- 2010 racing record: 111 starts, 25 wins for earnings of \$2,697,333.



Marsha Naify

Born: San Francisco, California
 Resides: Long Beach and Del Mar, California
 Silks: Royal blue and white stripes, blue cuffs on white sleeves, blue and white cap

- Sometimes runs under the name of Liberty Road Stable.
- Her trainers are Bruce Headley and Julio Canani.
- Most recently had good luck with stakes mare Free Flying Soul, a six-time winner of more than \$400,000.
- Best horses so far: Dublino, winner of the 2002 Grade I Del Mar Oaks; Amorama, winner of 2004 Del Mar Oaks and 2005 Grade I John C. Mabee Handicap; Blackdoun, winner of a division of Oceanside Stakes, Grade II La Jolla Handicap and Grade II Del Mar Derby, all in 2004, in which he was named Horse of the Meet; Surf Cat, Storm Wolf, High Society, Top Honors and Little Treasure, winner of the 2002 Grade II San Clemente Handicap.
- Daughter of the late Marshall Naify of the former 505 Farms and owner of multiple stakes winner Bertrando. Bertrando was second to Arazi in the 1991 Breeders' Cup Juvenile after winning the Del Mar Futurity and second in the 1993 Breeders' Cup Classic after

winning that year's Grade I, \$1-million Pacific Classic at Del Mar. He won an Eclipse as champion older male in 1993.

- Marsha has become very active as a racehorse owner since 2000 after being an important part in her father's 505 operation as well as his United Artists Theater Circuit, which during the 1970s and '80s was the country's largest theater chain.
- Has a broodmare band of approximately 30 head at Gainesway Farm in Kentucky and River Edge Farm in Buellton, CA.
- Is a graduate of the University of Southern California in sociology and cinema and also holds certificates in nonprofit program administration and nonprofit executive management from Cal State Long Beach and UC Irvine, respectively.
- Divides her time among investments and real estate businesses, civic and philanthropic efforts and Thoroughbred breeding and racing interests.
- Served as chairperson for the Thoroughbred Owners of California from 2007 to 2010 and also is active in local politics as a commissioner for the City of Long Beach on the State Human Relations Commission, as well as having served on the city's inaugural Hate Crimes Response Team.
- 2010 racing record: 60 starts, nine wins for earnings of \$488,356.
- Family: Single



Mike Pegram

Born: February 16, 1952
 Fort Knox, Kentucky
 Resides: Scottsdale, Arizona, Mt. Vernon, Washington, Del Mar, California
 Silks: Red, red MP on yellow ball, yellow stripes on sleeves and red and yellow cap

- Latched on to his latest piece of Thoroughbred lightning when he partnered with a pair of Tucson, AZ, auto dealers – Karl Watson and Paul Weitman – to purchase and race Lookin At Lucky, who in 2009 won four graded stakes, including Del Mar's Best Pal and Del Mar Futurity, and finished second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile to earn 2-year-old champion honors. Colt showed more promise this year and was favored in both the Santa Anita Derby and Kentucky Derby, but won neither due to some tough racing luck. He subsequently bounced all the way back to win the Preakness, Haskell and Indiana Derby, then finished fourth in the Breeders' Cup Classic and was named 3-year-old champion.
- Also raced champion Midnight Lute in partnership with Watson and Weitman. The big horse won the Breeders' Cup Sprint back-to-back in 2007 and 2008 and won an Eclipse for top sprinter in 2007. The trio of owners may be at it again this year with a promising 3-year-old son of Point Given named Coil beginning to bloom.
- Pegram owned 1998 Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes winner Real Quiet, who cost \$17,000 as a yearling. Missed winning the Triple Crown by nose when caught at the wire by Victory Gallop in the Belmont Stakes. As a 4-year-old Real Quiet won the Pimlico Special and retired to stud with earnings of \$3,271,803. Among the horses he has sired is Midnight Lute.
- Also raced the super filly Silverbulletday, winner of Eclipse Awards in 1998 (2-year-old filly) and 1999 (3-year-old filly), and enshrined in racing's Hall of Fame.
- Was the owner of Captain Steve, who won the 2001 \$6-million Dubai World Cup, retiring to stud with earnings of \$6,828,356 – 11th best all-time.

- Other major winners: Pussycat Doll, a Grade I-winning daughter of Real Quiet; Icecoldbeeratreds, winner of the 2002 Del Mar Futurity; Wanna Runner, Danthebluegrassman, Commiticize, Isitingood, Preachinatthebar, Miss Gibson County, Arches of Gold, High Stakes Player, Argolid and Letthebigbossroll.
- First runners were Quarter Horses bought in partnership with his father in the 1970s. Met trainer Bob Baffert through Arizona-based car dealer Hal Earnhardt, both of whom continue to be Baffert clients in Thoroughbred racing. Made the switch to Thoroughbreds with Baffert in 1988.
- First Thoroughbred bought by Baffert for him was Thirty Slews, in partnership with three others. The \$30,000 purchase was a multiple stakes winner, including the 1992 Breeders' Cup Sprint.
- Got acquainted with racing by going to Ellis Park, in Western Kentucky, while growing up in Southern Indiana not far from Ellis.
- Has been extremely successful in fast-food business with ownership in numerous McDonald's franchises. In the past few years also has partnered in a pair of casinos in the Reno, NV, area
- Brother Jim and nephew Brad are both successful jockey agents in Southern California.
- 2010 racing record: 14 starts, two wins for earnings of \$101,676. (Record for 2010 in partnership with Watson and Weitman: 30 starts, 10 wins for earnings of \$2,461,423.)
- Family: Wife Mary Ellen; one son, one daughter.



J. Paul Reddam

Born: July 28, 1955
Windsor, Ontario, Canada
Resides: Laguna Beach, California
Silks: White, purple hoop, white bar on purple sleeves, purple cap

- Has had two Breeders' Cup champions: 2004 Juvenile winner Wilko, as a partner, and the solely owned Red Rocks, victor in the 2006 Turf.
- On July 12, 2008, Red Rocks upset Horse of the Year Curlin in the Grade I Man O' War in New York, while on the same afternoon his Mistical Plan tallied in the Grade I Princess Rooney Handicap at Calder in Florida.
- Also won Grade I heats with Spring At Last (2007 Donn) and Square Eddie (2008 Lane's End Breeders' Futurity).
- Other top runners include Dancing Edie, as part owner, winner of the 2006 John C. Mabee Handicap at Del Mar; Great Hunter, a Grade I winner who finished third to Street Sense in 2006 Breeders' Cup Juvenile and was 13th in the 2007 Kentucky Derby; Elloluv, multiple graded stakes winner who finished second in the 2003 Breeders' Cup Distaff; Cash Included, fifth in the 2006 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies; Momentum, second to Came Home in the 2002 Pacific Classic; Repo; Wesley; Pt's Grey Eagle, Liquidity, Andujar, Winendynme, Ten Most Wanted (as a partner), Swept Overboard, Zillah the Hun, Winston Chi and Jekyll and Hyde.
- Most of his horses are trained either by Craig Dollase or Doug O'Neill.
- Became interested in horse racing as a teen-ager through a high school buddy who was a groom at Windsor Raceway.
- Interest continued after he moved to Southern California, where he watched Spectacular Bid win the Santa Anita Handicap in 1980.
- Bought his first horse, Ocean Warrior, in 1988, but he never won.

- Received a Ph. D in philosophy from the University of Southern California and taught the subject at Cal State Los Angeles following graduation.
- Entered mortgage business to supplement his income, founding Ditech.com in 1995 to offer mortgage loans; sold the company to General Motors in 1999.
- Not long after that, created CashCall, a high-risk lending agency based in Irvine, CA. His company is the sponsor for Hollywood Park's Grade I CashCall Futurity.
- 2010 racing record: 108 starts, seven firsts for earnings of \$377,248.
- Family: Wife Zillah; one daughter



Frank Stronach

Born: September 6, 1932
Weiz, Austria
Resides: Homes in Switzerland, Canada, Austria and United States (Florida, Colorado, Kentucky)
Silks: Light blue, black diamond on back, black hoop on sleeves, light blue and black cap

- Has eight Sovereign Awards as Canada's leading owner, four as its leading breeder and 13 for his Canadian-raced horses. He's a member of the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame.
- In the United States, holds four Eclipse Awards as owner, and six as leading breeder, including five straight (2004-08) for his breeding farm, Adena Springs, as well as four additional for horses he has owned, including 2004 Horse of the Year and top Older Horse Ghostzapper.
- Has campaigned more than 100 stakes winners, including 1980 Canadian Horse of the Year Glorious Song, other Canadian champions Canadian Factor, Sintrillion, Cash Deposit, Awesome Again, Hero's Love, Mi Selecto, Yonder and Alwuhush, and 1997 Belmont Stakes winner Touch Gold, whose victory foiled Silver Charm's run for racing's Triple Crown.
- Registered another Classic winner when Red Bullet won the 2000 Preakness Stakes, the same year his Golden Missile made Maryland a special place for Stronach by winning the Pimlico Special.
- Raced five Breeders' Cup champions: Awesome Again, 1998 Classic; Ghostzapper, 2004 Classic; Ginger Punch, 2007 Distaff; Perfect Sting, 2000 Filly & Mare Turf, Macho Uno, 2000 Juvenile.
- Has breeding farms in Aurora, Ontario, Canada; Kentucky and Florida. Stands 13 stallions in the U.S., including Alphabet Soup, Awesome Again and Ghostzapper, all Breeders' Cup Classic champions. Others of note: Touch Gold, Macho Uno, Red Bullet and Giacomo. Purchased five-time Grade I winner Einstein in 2009 and added him to his stallion band in Kentucky.
- In 2008, he was America's leading breeder for money won at \$19,217,703, as well as its leading money-winning owner at \$6,677,124. He won both awards in 2000, also.
- With a \$700 claimer as his first horse, Stronach seemed a long and winding way from the prominence he now possesses in the Thoroughbred world. His racing and breeding success are among the best the game has ever seen. His role as a racetrack owner, however, has run into hard times. He owned or operated as many as 10 racetracks in North America at one point, using his racetrack company – Magna Entertainment Corp. – as his controlling tool. But Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection led to the selling or shifting of those assets to his Ontario-based MI Developments (MID), the parent company for his auto parts business. For a time,

MID controlled Santa Anita, Golden Gate Fields, the Maryland Jockey Club (Pimlico and Laurel Park), Gulfstream Park, Portland Meadows, the bet-processing company AmTote and the XpressBet account-wagering firm. Through a stock and power agreement, Stronach has taken over the racing assets in exchange for giving up his control of the parent company.

- Besides his other racing properties, he also is a partner (with Churchill Downs) in the horse racing TV network HRTV.
- Stronach founded Magna International, one of the world's leading specialists in electronic technology and manufacturer of auto parts. In 1957, he formed Multi-Matic Investments Ltd., which merged with Magna Electronics Corp. in 1969. Magna currently employs more than 96,000 people in plants in 25 countries and supplies nearly every auto company in the world with virtually anything and everything needed to make a car. Its annual revenue in 2010 was more than \$24 billion.
- Stronach grew up in an agricultural atmosphere in Austria, moved to Canada in 1954 and washed dishes at Kitchener Waterloo Hospital in Ontario before going to work in the tool and die industry.
- 2010 racing record: 280 starts, 38 wins for earnings of \$1,471,348.
- Family: Wife Frieda; one son, one daughter



**Suarez Racing/
Pablo Suarez**

Born: July 22, 1968
Los Angeles, California
Resides: Valencia, California
Silks: Blue, with red S on yellow background diamond, red cap

- Hit the heights in racing career in 2006 when Thor's Echo, whom he owned in partnership with Royce S. Jaime, won the Breeders' Cup Sprint. Earlier in the year, finished second in the rich Dubai Golden Shaheen, and after the Breeders' Cup triumphed in the Frank DeFrancis Memorial Dash to salt away the Eclipse Award as the nation's top sprinter.
- Has been a racing fan for many years, but has been an owner only since 2001 when he and two partners claimed Runaway Thunder for \$12,500 and ran him back in five days to finish second and get claimed for \$20,000.
- Owns about 30 Thoroughbreds, with a dozen or so in training with Doug O'Neill, his West Coast trainer.
- Estate Collection brought him his first graded stakes victory as an individual owner with a win in the Kentucky Cup Sprint at Turfway Park. Following the race, sold 50 percent of the horse to J. Paul Reddam.
- Owned 25 percent of Grade I winner Sharp Lisa, with Reddam and Mark Schlesinger. Also campaigned stakes winners Super Freaky, winner of La Habra and Providencia at Santa Anita in 2007; Dancing Olivia, winner of the 2005 Bustles and Bows Stakes at Fairplex Park, and See to Sea, winner of the 2003 Khaled Stakes at Hollywood Park.
- Has a trio of stakes winners performing in 2011 — No Advantage, a winner of nearly \$500,000 in the east and a pair of fillies — the 3-year-old California Nectar and the 4-year-old Separate Forest. Both are graded stakes winners in 2011, California Nectar in Santa Anita's Grade II Santa Ynez and Separate Forest in Santa Anita's Grade III Las Cienegas

- Has gotten into breeding in past couple of years and owns a dozen broodmares divided between Magali Farms in Santa Ynez, CA, and Bluewater Farm in Kentucky. Stands stallion Atticus at Magali Farms in partnership with the farm.
- Son of Cuban immigrants.
- Graduated with a degree in psychology from San Francisco State where he was a pitcher on the college's baseball team for two years. Had played baseball previously at Cal State Northridge and College of the Canyons.
- Owns Nectar Pharmaceutical, Inc. in Valencia, CA.
- Says he's surprised at how deeply involved he has become in racing in such a short time.
- Currently a member of the board of directors of the Thoroughbred Owners of California and fills TOC seat on the NTRA Board of Directors.
- 2010 racing record: 43 starts, 14 wins for earnings of \$373,707.
- * Family: Wife Michelle; three sons, one daughter.



**Dawn and Ike
Thrash**

Born: (Ike) March 17, 1953
Meridian, Mississippi
(Dawn) August 14, 1954
New Orleans, Louisiana
Reside: Hattiesburg, Mississippi
Silks: Royal blue, silver "IT", yellow sunrise and belt, yellow sunrise and band on sleeves, royal blue cap

- Got in the horse business in the 1980's when, as compensation for a business deal with a Florida farm, they were paid with five horses.
- Three of the five turned out to be winners and they were off and running. These days Ike jokes: "It was the most expensive lesson ever. I should have just taken the money."
- Thrashes subsequently got so far into the game they even lived on a farm outside Versailles, KY, for several years, breeding and raising their own horses.
- Their current trainer is John Sadler and they have somewhere between 15 and 20 head with him.
- They've had several top-of-the-line stakes runners since teaming up with Sadler in 2007, most notably Line of David, the colt who won the 2010 Arkansas Derby and was a forward factor in the subsequent Kentucky Derby before falling back and finishing 18th. The son of Lion Heart subsequently was sold by the Thrashes as a stallion prospect.
- Other notable runners who fly/flew their silks are Dawn After Dawn, Dawn Before Dawn, Third Dawn, Emmy Darling, Hurricane Ike and Dave in Dixie.
- Two of their "Dawn" horses won back-to-back runnings of Del Mar's Torrey Pines Stakes – Dawn Before Dawn taking the 2008 edition and Third Dawn winning in 2009.
- Couple likes to name their horses with family in mind. The Dawn and Ike connections are obvious, while Emmy Darling is named for a granddaughter and Dave in Dixie was for a son-in-law.
- The Thrashes met when Ike came to New Orleans to play baseball and attend school at Tulane University. They both subsequently graduated from University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg.
- The couple operate Dawn Properties Inc. in Hattiesburg, which primarily builds, buys and sells apartment complexes throughout the country.

- On the Hattiesburg sporting scene, the Thrashes are usually forced to play second fiddle to a long-time retiring local resident named Brett Favre.
- 2010 racing record: 77 starts, 22 wins for earnings of \$1,788,685.
- Family: Two daughters, two sons.



**Tommy Town
Thoroughbreds/
Tom and Debi Stull**

Born: (Tom) May 18, 1948
Los Angeles, California
(Debi) January 28, 1954
Whittier, California

Reside: Santa Ynez, California

Silks: Black and silver diamonds,
black oval on back with
three yellow Ts, black and
gray cap

- Stulls have been involved in racing and breeding since the early 1980s, first with a farm in Hemet, CA.
- It all started with ownership as partners with Jim Wilson of Wilson Stock Farm in a horse called Fa La Te Dough, who won seven stakes races and \$254,050. Owned a few more horses before deciding “to do it right,” meaning the purchase in 2000 of D. Wayne Lukas’ former Westerly Training Center in the Santa Ynez Valley east of Santa Barbara. Original 160-acre plot has been expanded twice to cover approximately 350 acres and serves as home to some 260 horses.
- Farm’s breaking and training operation features 100 stalls and a 7-furlong track. In breeding, farm has a 15-stall foaling barn. Farm’s focus is breeding for the sales ring, but they also race across the country and in Canada.
- Tommy Town offered money-back guarantee on top stallion Old Topper’s stud fees if the stallion wasn’t California’s leading freshman sire in 2004. Stallion sent out 10 winners in first crop and registered progeny earnings of \$498,815 to rank first in the state. He followed that up by being leading second-crop sire in 2005 and leading third-crop sire in 2006.
- Old Topper was major winner while being trained by the late Noble Threewitt for Kentucky owner-breeder Barbara Hunter, capturing Del Mar’s Best Pal Stakes in 1997 and Pat O’Brien Handicap in 1998.
- Farm issued a similar 2009 money-back guarantee for their stallion Ministers Wild Cat, a son of Deputy Minister they promise will be the state’s leading freshman sire. They again were correct with their assumption.
- Besides those two stallions, Tommy Town also stands Irish-bred multiple-stakes winner Whatsthescript, Kafwain, Grazen and Safe in the U S A.
- Among stakes winners bred and owned by Tommy Town was Shout to the North, who won the 2004 Glorious Song Stakes at Woodbine Race Course in Ontario, Canada. Also bred stakes winners Beat the Chalk, Go Kitty Go, Random Memo, She’s Gottogetaway and Sierra Sweetie, 2005 Cal-bred 2-year-old filly champion.
- Were partners in Untouched Talent, who won Del Mar’s Grade II Sorrento Stakes in 2006 and followed that up with a runner-up finish in the Grade I Del Mar Debutante.
- Tommy Town has about 50 horses in training, with John Sadler, Jerry Hollendorfer, Eric Kruljac, Steve Miyadi and Bill Morey

- heading up their trainer corps.
- Among their runners in 2011 are stakes runners U R All That I Am, Ain’t No Other and Screaming Regal, all bred by the farm.
- Tom Stull was a success in business prior to getting into racing and breeding. Established a machine shop in Santa Fe Springs in Southern California in the mid-1970s and built it into Tower Industries with 200 employees in shops in Wisconsin, as well as Anaheim and Ontario in Southern California. He’s also involved in real estate sales and purchases.
- Debi Stull has been an accomplished equestrienne so it was somewhat natural for the Stulls to eventually get involved with Thoroughbreds.
- 2010 racing record: 224 starts, 51 wins for earnings of \$1,256,018.
- Family: One daughter, one son.



**Don Van Racing Inc./
Don Van Kempen**

Born: May 26, 1940
Jersey City, New Jersey

Resides: Vista, California

Silks: Black, blue, white and red
bullseye, red, white and blue
bars on sleeves, red cap

- A Jersey Boy who came west as a young man. “It rained too much in New Jersey and Johnny Carson was always on TV talking about what a great place California was. So I said ‘What the heck?’” Van Kempen explains. More than 40 years later, he’s a California Guy for sure.
- Remembers going to the races for the first time at the age of 12 with his mother at Atlantic City racetrack, then later becoming a semi-regular at the trotters at Yonkers in New York.
- Came to Los Angeles in the mid-60s and tried his hand at several business ventures with good success, including an international publishing company and a series of schools for contractors and real estate agents.
- Along the way he bought himself a Tennessee Walker to ride and found out he still had an itch for the horses.
- Through a friend he got an introduction in 1972 to the late trainer Lin Wheeler, who claimed a filly for him named Lacey Lil for \$10,000, then sent her out for four straight last-place finishes on California tracks, followed by a similar performance in Tijuana at Caliente.
- Despite that less-than-auspicious beginning, Van Kempen hung tough and turned the subsequent bargain sale of Lacey Lil into his initial winner, Snow Louis, at Golden Gate Fields.
- His first real taste of the better side of the game came with a \$12,500 claimer he took named Princes Fir, who won a series of races climbing up the ladder, then ran third to the rapid stakes ace Cherry River in the Governor’s Cup at Pomona in 1976.
- He’s been horsing around since – mostly in the claiming ranks — with a series of trainers that included Paul Kooba, Phil Hronek, Neil French, Casey Doyle and, currently, Jim Cassidy.
- It was with Cassidy that Van Kempen found racing electricity — not once, but twice. The owner claimed a filly named Moscow Burning for \$25,000 out of the fourth start of her career in 2003, then – with ex-New Yorker Cassidy at the controls – went on to win more than \$1.3 million with her, including a half dozen stakes.
- “She (Moscow Burning) gave me my biggest thrill in racing,

without a doubt,” Van Kempen says. “We went back to New York (in May, 2004) and won the Sheepshead Bay Handicap (Grade II on the grass at Belmont Park). I had all my old buddies from the area there that day and Jimmy (Cassidy) got his first New York stakes win, too. It was the best.”

- Moscow Burning, voted California’s Horse of the Year in 2004, ran through 2006, then was sold by Van Kempen to Japanese buyers for \$1 million.
- His latest piece of sweet racing pie has come via The Usual Q.T., a now 5-year-old son of California’s top stallion, Unusual Heat, out of a mare named Lunge, whom he and Cassidy claimed for \$20,000 in 2004. The Usual Q.T. reeled off six wins in a row in 2009, including four stakes, won the Grade I Eddie Read at Del Mar last summer and finished up 2010 by running third in the Breeders’ Cup Mile behind champions Goldikova and Gio Ponti. He started 2011 with more than \$1.4 million in the bank.
- Van Kempen sold three friends – Michael Nentwig, George Saadeh and Jeff Byer – a small piece of Lunge, then, when she went from racehorse to broodmare, asked them if they wanted to stay on board for the breeding part. They said they did and when The Usual Q.T. came along, they all looked like geniuses.
- He lists his main business now as Eqyss Grooming Products, a high-end line of shampoos, hair and skin products that are good for animals, notably horses, as well as humans.
- Currently has his hand in the breeding end of the racing business with three broodmares, three weanlings, three yearlings and three 2-year-olds to go along with his racing stock.
- 2010 racing record (with partners): 9 starts, 2 wins for earnings of \$659,250.
- Family: Two sons; one daughter.



**West Point Thoroughbreds/
Terry Finley**

Born: January 3, 1964
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Resides: Mount Laurel, New Jersey
Silks: Gold, black star, gold bar on black sleeves, gold star on black cap

- Flashy Bull became West Point Thoroughbreds’ first Grade I winner by capturing the 2007 Stephen Foster Handicap at Churchill Downs. He finished his career with \$844,313 in earnings and the son of Holy Bull now is a stallion at Airdrie Stud in Midway, KY.
- Stable’s current star — as he has been for the past several years — is the old pro Awesome Gem. The now 8-year-old gelding has banked more than \$2.5-million with no signs of slowing down. He’s won or placed in stakes all over the country and could be a candidate for a record fifth try in this year’s Pacific Classic.
- Yet another promising runner presently flying silks for the partnership is King Congie, the 3-year-old colt who was considered Triple Crown timber this year after proving his stakes mettle in Florida and Kentucky.
- They also did well on the black type front recently with \$1.8-million winner Macho Again, \$500,000 winner El Gato Malo and \$450,000 earner Justwhistledixie, all multiple-stakes winners.
- Stable additionally can boast of having sent out three Grade I-winning fillies – Irish Smoke, Lear’s Princess and Dream Rush.
- Another top performer for the stable was Argentinian Seattle

Fitz, who posted six wins – including a trio of graded stakes – for earnings of \$594,371. Horse now stands at Buck Pond Farm in Versailles, KY, and West Point is currently racing one of his daughters.

- First graded-stakes victory came with Ethan Man in the 2002 Swale Stakes, and Big City Bound brought West Point its first black-type win in the 1995 Miss Liberty Stakes.
- West Point Thoroughbreds maintains stables in New York, New Jersey, Kentucky, Florida, Louisiana and California. Training for West Point in Southern California are Craig Dollase and John Sadler. Among its other trainers are Todd Pletcher, Dale Romans, Graham Motion, Tom Albertrani, Dallas Stewart, Mark Casse and Wayne Catalano.
- Terry Finley is founder and president of West Point Thoroughbreds, creating racing partnerships. It is estimated he has syndicated more than 200 horses for more than \$20 million over the years and is currently managing the portfolios for nearly 400 investors and a stable of approximately 80 horses.
- Stable’s beginning was something less than spectacular, starting in 1991 with a \$5,000 claimer at Philadelphia Park who won his debut for West Point Thoroughbreds two weeks later at that track.
- Finley is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY and served as an airborne ranger. He holds a master’s degree in business from Boston University.
- Established the Thoroughbred Thank You Fund that took 400 soldiers to the Kentucky Derby in 2005.
- 2010 racing record: 242 starts, 48 wins for earnings of \$2,304,788.
- Family: Wife Debbie; one son, one daughter



Warren B. Williamson

Born: July 30, 1928
Los Angeles, California
Resides: Pasadena, California
Silks: Orange, yellow w-hoops, yellow sleeves, yellow and orange cap

- Family owned a large ranch near Ramona, CA, and horses have been a part of his life since childhood.
- Highly successful businessman who worked for an oil company, then in stocks, securities and investments, rising from a broker’s desk to the executive suites.
- First involvement with owning horses came via partnerships in the late 1960s and early ‘70s.
- Had runners with trainers L.J. Brooks, Muzzy Francis and Michael Stidham, but took a chance with a young lady named Carla Gaines in 1989 and she’s been his trainer, with good results, ever since.
- Currently owns about two dozen horses, mostly racing stock. Sam Semkin readies his 2-year-olds at the San Luis Rey Downs training center, then Gaines conditions them on the Southern California circuit. His small broodmare band is in Kentucky.
- Best horse he’s had to date is one he bred himself, Nashoba’s Key. In 2007 she won her first seven starts, running on both the main and turf, before suffering her only defeat when she finished fourth on a soft grass course at Monmouth Park in New Jersey in the Breeders’ Cup Filly & Mare Turf.
- Nashoba’s Key came back that winter to capture the Grade I Santa Margarita, but then fell victim to a freak stall injury at Hollywood Park in May, 2008 in which she suffered a severe leg injury forcing

- her to be euthanized. She won more than \$1.25 million in purses.
- Gaines welcomed a homebred half-sister to Nashoba's Key to the barn this year. The 3-year-old is by Breeders' Cup Mile winner Artie Schiller.
- Other stakes runners he has raced and/or bred include Blending Element, Foxysox, Tiz Elemental and Excessive Blend.
- Currently sits on the board of directors of the Oak Tree Racing Association and previously was on the board at Hollywood Park, including the role of chairman, for a decade.
- Among his community involvements are as a trustee for Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles, as a board member for the Los Angeles Philharmonic and as a life trustee of Claremont McKenna College.
- Known to family, friends and colleagues by the nickname "Spud."
- 2010 racing record: 45 starts, 5 wins for earnings of \$151,703.
- Family: Wife Alyce; one son, two daughters.



Martin and Pam Wygod

Born: (Martin) February 1, 1940
New York City, New York
(Pam) Rockville Center, New York

Reside: Rancho Santa Fe, California

Silks: Light blue with white diamond hoop, white diamonds on sleeves, white cap

- Snared a sweet prize when their crackerjack filly Life Is Sweet pulled off a smashing score in the Breeders' Cup Ladies Classic in 2009, turning back a top field at Santa Anita. She was retired in 2010 with more than \$1.8-million in earnings.
- Won their first Breeders' Cup championship day race and eventual Eclipse Award when Sweet Catomine won the B.C. Juvenile Fillies in 2004. Earlier, she had won the Grade I Del Mar Debutante. Life Is Sweet and Sweet Catomine are full sisters. Their dam, the Wygods' Sweet Life, was honored as Broodmare of the Year for 2009 by the Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders.
- In 2010, Wygods sold their River Edge Farm, the 170-acre breeding facility in Buellton, CA, where there were more than 90 broodmares and 40 horses in training. The farm also was homebase for sires Bertrando, Benchmark, Tribal Rule and Dixie Chatter. Those stallions were shifted downstate this year to Ballena Vista Farm in Ramona.
- Wygods have bred more than 50 stakes winners and have raced about 20.
- California's leading breeders in 2006, 2007 and 2008.
- Raced grass ace After Market, a son of Storm Cat out of the Wygods' brilliant racemare Tranquility Lake. After Market upset California Horse of the Year Lava Man in the Grade I Whittingham Memorial in 2007, as well as winning the Inglewood Handicap before that and Del Mar's Grade I Eddie Read Handicap and the Grade II Del Mar Handicap. He figured to be one of the top choices in the Arlington Million and later in the Breeders' Cup Turf, but he was declared out of both races because of soft turf. He now stands at stud at Lane's End Farm in Kentucky.
- Current stable star is After Market's full brother, Courageous Cat, a multiple-stakes winner of more than \$750,000. Bay horse made the lead in the stretch, but fell a half-length short to superstar Goldakova in the 2009 Breeders' Cup Mile at Santa Anita.

- Also a standout for the stable was the sprint star Idiot Proof, who had four victories in seven starts going into the 2007 Breeders' Cup Sprint, where he finished a solid second to the runaway winner Midnight Lute. The son of Benchmark came back in 2008 to finish second to Benny the Bull in Dubai's Golden Shaheen and finished his career with earnings of nearly \$1.3-million. He, too, currently stands at Ballena Vista Farm.
- Wygods' trainer for Life Is Sweet and After Market was John Shirreffs. Couple also employ trainers Clifford Sise, Jr. in the west and Hall of Fame conditioner Bill Mott and Jimmy Jerkens in the east.
- Among other stakes runners for Wygods: Pirate's Bounty, Twice the Vice, Pharma, Private Persuasion, Exotic Wood, Key Phrase, Benchmark, Bountiful Native, Feverish and Silent Sighs.
- Martin went to the racetrack often as a youngster, hanging out with the late Bobby Frankel while attending high school and college (New York University). Frankel was just getting started on what became a Hall of Fame career.
- In 1965, Wygod received two horses (Verification and Heliotropic) as a birthday gift from friend and business associate Fletcher Jones, who owned a computer science company at the time. Both horses were winners in New York.
- Wygods moved to California from New Jersey in 1995 to be closer to their horse operations. He had been involved in business as a health-care entrepreneur and sold his company, Medco Container Services, in 1993 to pharmaceutical giant Merck & Company for \$6.5 billion.
- Resigned as a director and chief executive officer in 1994 in order to return to his specialty of deal-making and building small companies. Says five companies he created had earned about \$7.5 billion for investors since the mid-1970s.
- Serves as board chairman and CEO of WebMD.
- Became a TOBA trustee and a member of The Jockey Club in 1996. Also serves on the board of directors of Del Mar Thoroughbred Club.
- 2010 racing record: 86 starts, 24 wins for earnings of \$952,342.
- Family: One son, one daughter



Arnold Zetcher

Born: August 30, 1940
St. Louis, Missouri

Resides: Century City, California

Silks: Shocking pink, chartreuse "Z" on back, chartreuse dots, teal cuffs on sleeves, teal and chartreuse cap

- Longtime racing fan first saw the sport at little Cahokia Downs near his hometown of St. Louis. He can also remember trips to Chicago in the '60s and '70s to see racing greats like Buckpasser and Secretariat doing their thing.
- Had huge success as a businessman, notably in the women's apparel industry: Was former chairman, president and CEO of Talbots, the highly successful manufacturer and retailer of stylish women's wear with over 1,100 specialty stores worldwide. Also held executive positions with Federated Stores, Bonwit Teller, Kohl's Food and John Breuner Company.
- Graduate of prestigious Washington University in St. Louis is currently on that institution's board of directors.
- Jumped in as a horse owner in 2000 with Hall of Fame conditioner Ron McAnally as his trainer.

- Second horse he owned – Gabriellina Giof – became a stakes winner, then rewarded him further when she foaled his recent Grade I winner Gabby's Golden Gal.
- Had stakes success with Nicobar, Good Student, Alozaina, Fairly Ransom, Private Banking, House of Fortune and Tizzy's Tune.
- Besides Gabriellina Giof, several of his other runners, including House of Fortune, Tizzy's Tune and Alozaina, form the nucleus of his small broodmare band headquartered in Kentucky.
- In 2008 he shifted his racing stock to the high-profile barn of trainer Bob Baffert, a move that has paid some major dividends.
- Besides Gabby's Golden Gal, Baffert clicked for him with a private purchase named Richard's Kid, who pulled off a nifty upset in Del Mar's 2009 Pacific Classic giving Zetcher the biggest win of his career. The horse was subsequently sold for a nice profit to Zabeel Racing International Corporation (the racing stable of Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed al Maktoum, the oldest son of Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, the ruler of Dubai) and came back to win the 2010 Pacific Classic in a new set of silks.
- Yet another daughter of Gabriellina Giof – Always a Princess – set the pace, then was beaten less than two lengths in the 2009 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. She went on to win a trio of stakes and more than \$500,000, but was retired earlier this year when she suffered an injury during the running of the Grade I Santa Margarita Stakes at Santa Anita.
- Owner had a sparkling 2010 starting off with his mare Zardana shipping to New Orleans and hanging it on odds-on Rachel Alexandra in the New Orleans Ladies. He also won a pair of Grade I sprints with E Z's Gentleman (Hollywood's Triple Bend) and El Brujo (Del Mar's Pat O'Brien).
- Another noteworthy Del Mar win for Zetcher was Fairly Ransom's tally in the 2003 Del Mar Derby.
- Current stable ace among his 20-or-so runners is Midnight Interlude, the Santa Anita Derby winner who didn't have much luck in the Kentucky Derby or Preakness, but now will try to put his turf pedigree to work on the greensward.
- Was a director, then chairman, of the Thoroughbred Owners of California between February 2009 and February 2011. Stepped down from the latter role to spend more time having fun with his horses.
- 2010 racing record: 70 starts, 20 wins for earnings of \$1,702,419.
- Family: Wife Ellen