

Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services, Inc.



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Chuck Miller's Incredible Stable Just Gets Better



Potra Clasica (ARG)

(2001 m. by Potrillon (Arg) out of Is You Class by Judger)
She continues to prove that indeed, 'fine wines' do improve with age. Defending her title in the \$150,000 *Hollywood Wildcat Breeders' Cup* on April 28th, she finished 2nd - just 1 length behind. However - just 8 days later, she came back to win the *Emergency Nurse S.* by 2 3/4 lengths!! [Click Here for Potra's Chart](#)

Potra Clasica was G3 stakes-placed when purchased from Argentina. Since she's been running in the states, she has won five stakes, finished 3rd in the G3 *Suwannee River H.* (4th in two other G3 races), and has finished 2nd in two other stakes. Her complete record is 17-6-2-1, earnings of \$211,920. She is trained by Marty Wolfson. From the family of SPEIGHTSTOWN, she was purchased in Argentina by BTSI for just \$50,000.



Somethinaboutlaura

(2002 m. by Dance Floor out of Crystals of Ice by It's Freezing)
The mare ran strong in the *Hillsborough H.* on March 24th, and ended up with the place. But, she was back in top form at Hollywood Park on April 29th, home of her G2 *A Gleam Invitational* victory in 2006. Running in the *B. Thoughtful S.*, against co-favored Getback Time, the stretch proved too much after a bad bump by her rival, and she finished 2nd by 1 1/4 lengths. After a steward's inquiry, Getback Time was disqualified, and Somethinaboutlaura brought home the win. Two weeks later, she made it look easy, bringing home a 2 length triumph in the *Word the Crowd H.* at Hollywood. [Click Here for Laura's Chart](#)

Her record is 25-13-4-3, \$763,270. Somethinaboutlaura is owned in partnership by Charles Miller, John Sikura, George Todaro, & her trainer, Jerry Hollendorfer, and was purchased for \$375,000 out of the 2006 February Fasig-Tipton Mixed Sale by BTSI. Since that time, she has won 6 stakes, one graded stake, and placed in five other stakes - earning an additional \$588,440 for the partnership.

Silver Highlight

(2002 m. by Silver Charm out of Rare Opportunity by Danzig Connection)
She's proven herself time and time again, a graded stakes-placed and stakes winner of over \$350,000. Now, the mare's pedigree is taking off as well - her 1/2-sister, **STREET SOUNDS** (2004 f. by Street Cry (IRE)), won the G2 *Stonerside Beaumont S.* at Keeneland on April 12th. [Click Here for Street Sounds' Chart](#) Street Sounds also won the *Hilltop S.* at Pimlico on May 12th by 5 1/4 lengths! Silver Highlight is trained by Edward Freeman and is owned in partnership by Charles Miller and Dennis Caslon. She was found as a maiden in England and purchased by BTSI for \$100,000.





Sedgefield proves he likes the dirt -

Our two G1 *Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands* contenders, **Sedgefield** and **Bwana Bull**, both went off in the race at serious longshot odds. Bwana Bull, meeting post time at 50.30-to-1, did not rally in this race and unfortunately finished 15th. Sedgefield, however, going off as the longest price on the board at 58.60-to-1, has proven himself not only a worthy contender, but as a horse that can run on any surface.

[Click Here for Sedgefield's Complete Form](#)

[Click Here for Complete Chart of G1 Kentucky Derby](#)



They line up, headed for the gate in the 133rd Kentucky Derby



Sedgefield fights for rail position on the 1st turn

At the end of the day, Sedgefield ended up finishing 5th, but only 1 length off of Curlin's place finish.

The G1 *Preakness* field did not include Sedgefield. His trainer, Darrin Miller, just thought he deserved a little extra time, and running back in the Preakness only two weeks after such a grueling race would be too much. The chestnut colt is expected to start in the G2 *Ohio Derby* at Thistledown on June 2nd, and possibly either the G3 *Colonial Turf Cup* or the G2 *Virginia Derby* on July 21st.

Sedgefield, bred by Keene Ridge Farm, is owned by Tommy & Bonnie Hamilton's Silverton Hill LLC, and is trained by Darrin Miller. This full-brother to MG1SW **ENGLISH CHANNEL** is a multiple graded stakes-placed winner, with a record of 9-2-3-0, and earnings of \$240,093.

Sedgefield (2004 c. by Smart Strike out of Belva by Theatrical (IRE)) was sold by Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services in the 2004 Keeneland November Sale for \$100,000 to Greenwich Cattle Co. The colt was also a \$300,000 Keeneland April 2yo-in-training.



She is, indeed, an 'Upcoming Story' -

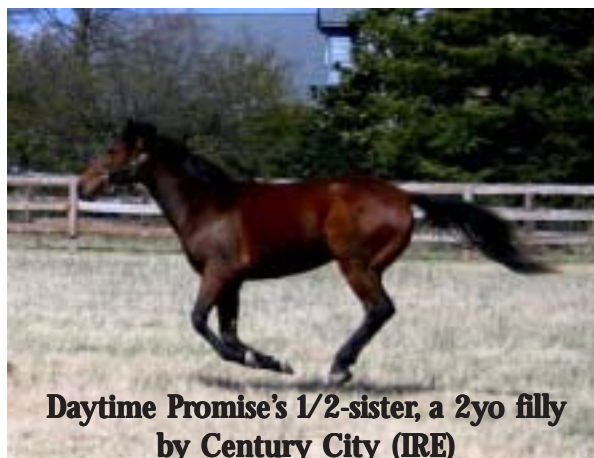
Aptly named **Upcoming Story** (2004 f. by Tale of the Cat) first raised eyebrows when she clocked the 2nd fastest 1/4-mile under-tack preview at Barretts March 2006, at :21 flat. Becky Thomas' Sequel Bloodstock sold her to trainer Patrick Biancone for \$170,000.

Trained by Patrick and racing in the colors of owner Lewis Lakin, the 3yo dead-heated for 2nd place in her first start at Santa Anita in January, losing only by a neck. [Click Here for SA Chart](#) Her next start proved to be the win they anticipated - a MSW at Keeneland, beating 11 fillies - the closest 4 1/4 lengths behind. [Click Here for her maiden win at Keeneland](#)



After proving herself worthy, they decided it was time to try graded stakes company, and on the day of races watched by the world. Upcoming Story was up to the task in the G3 *La Troienne* on Derby Day, finishing 3rd by just over 2 lengths (Silverinyourpocket -1, Suaveness -2). She beat G1 winner **APPEALING ZOPHIE** by over 4 1/2 lengths, as well as G3SP **Pro Pink** (2 lengths behind Appealing Zophie). [Click Here for G3 La Troienne Chart](#)

Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services sold Upcoming Story (2004 f. by Tale of the Cat out of Old Star (ARG) by Southern Halo) in the 2005 Fasig-Tipton July Selected Yearlings Sale for breeder Tom Roha to Becky Thomas for \$80,000. Her 1/2-sister by Dixieland Band was offered in the Midlantic 2yos-in-training Sale at Timonium. [Click Here for Catalog Pg Hip 180](#)



Daytime Promise's 1/2-sister, a 2yo filly by Century City (IRE)

Daytime Promise loses a tight battle -

Darlene Bilinski & Harry Patten's stakes-winning and graded stakes-placed filly **DAYTIME PROMISE** continues to do battle in tough stakes competition. The 4yo by Five Star Day ran in the *Winter Melody S.* at Delaware Park on May 14th. She rallied from 4th place to come up on the leader at the wire, and lost it in a head-bob by a nose. The two top finishers were 8 lengths ahead of the rest of the pack.

[Click Here for Winter Melody S. Chart](#)

Daytime Promise (2003 f. by Five Star Day out of Roan Promise by Wise Exchange) has a record of 17-2-5-7, with earnings of \$191,875 and is trained by Gary Contessa. The filly's 1/2-sister, a 2yo by Century City, was offered at the Midlantic 2yos-in-training sale as well. She is the last foal of the stakes-winning and stakes-producing mare **ROAN PROMISE**. [Click Here for Catalog Pg Hip 257](#)



Eyes on Eddy's still at it -

The multiple stakes-winning and graded stakes-placed mare rarely runs outside of stakes company, but, when she does - she takes no prisoners. She ran in an allowance (optional \$100,000 claimer, she was not in for the tag) at Churchill Downs on May 2nd, overtook the leader, **SUGAR SWIRL**, in the stretch and won by 3/4 length. It was an impressive victory that earned her another \$36,585.

[Click Here for Eyes on Eddy's Chart](#)

Trained by Steve Asmussen and owned by Jess Jackson's Stonestreet Stable, LLC, **EYES ON EDDY** (2002 m. by Touch Gold out of Oedy's Appeal by Valid Appeal) now has a record of 25-7-6-1, total earnings \$491,127.

Eyes on Eddy was sold in the 2003 Keeneland September Yearlings Sale by BTSI on behalf of David Egan et.al. for \$130,000. Jess Jackson purchased her in the 2006 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale for \$400,000.



'So Long Sonoma' isn't ready to wave goodbye



The 4yo filly, one of Bruce Headley's star pupils last spring, is making a comeback and we hope you're watching. As a 3yo, Sonoma won her first two starts at Santa Anita impressively and, in only her 3rd start, she grabbed her graded black-type in the G3 Railbird on Derby Day last year.

After a layoff due to bucked shins, the filly came back ready to fight on March 24th and wound up 2nd in an allowance.

She was out again at Hollywood Park on May 13th, and although finished 2nd again, the win is waiting not far away. [Click Here for Sonoma's Chart](#)

So Long Sonoma (2003 f. by American Chance out of Valay Bullet) is owned in partnership by her trainer Bruce Headley, Bluegrass Farm Partners, and breeder Burning Daylight Farms, Inc. She is G3 stakes-placed, with a record of 5-2-2-1 and earnings of \$60,800.



China Shops Beware: Flashy Bull is back -

Last year's Kentucky Derby contender **FLASHY BULL** has always flown just under the radar for graded stakes victories. He ran 2nd in the G2 *Remsen* as a 2yo, and at 3 was 2nd in the G2 *Fountain of Youth* and 3rd in the G2 *Ohio Derby*.

After winning two allowance races in a row, one in Florida - the other in New York, trainer Kiaran McLaughlin found the 4yo gray colt to be ready to take on 8 other colts, including G1 *Donn H.* runner-up **HESANOLDSALT** (2003 c. by Broad Brush) - the post-time favorite - in the G3 *William Donald Schaefer H.* on Preakness Day.



Flashy prompted the pace outside 4th place finisher Take the Bluff (2002 c. by Pine Bluff), took the lead at the 3/8 pole, then dueled with the favored Hesanoldsalt to win by a head.

[Click Here for G3 WD Schaefer H. Chart](#)

Flashy Bull (2003 c. by Holy Bull out of Iridescence by Mt. Livermore) is owned by West Point Thoroughbreds LLC and trained by Kiaran McLaughlin. His record is 17-4-5-3, earnings of \$330,450.

Flashy Bull's dam, Iridescence, was purchased by BTSI on behalf of Mueller Farms, Inc., in the 2005 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale for \$140,000. She was in foal to The Cliff's Edge, and BTSI sold the weanling filly last November for \$80,000. The mare's 2yo colt by Hold That Tiger sold last September for \$200,000.

The mare now has a very nice suckling colt by Tale of the Cat and has been bred back to Walmac stallion, G1 *Bluegrass S.* winner **BANDINI**.



Iridescence



2007 suckling colt out of Iridescence by Tale of the Cat



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Be on the lookout for:

TORA, (2004 f. by El Corredor out of Everyone's Honour by Mt. Livermore), winner of a tough allowance at Churchill Downs on Oaks Day, beating 11 other fillies. Tora's dam, Everyone's Honour, is owned in partnership by Bluegrass Farm Partners and Mueller Farms, Inc. Everyone's Honour was purchased in the 2006 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale by BTSI on behalf of the partners for \$85,000, in foal to **TAPIT**. She has a Tapit weanling filly, and is back in foal to **ARTIE SCHILLER**.

[Click Here for Tora's Chart](#)

PROPHET JOHN, (2003 c. by Tiznow out of Haunting by Kris S.), is winning all over. He broke his maiden at Gulfstream in March, won at Keeneland in April, and won again at Arlington Park in May. [Click Here for Prophet's latest Chart](#) Prophet John is a 2004 Keeneland January BTSI sales graduate, selling for \$110,000. BTSI is selling a full-brother to Prophet John in the Fasig-Tipton July Selected Yearlings Sale.

EL BANK ROBBER, (2003 f. by Eltish out of Bank Approval by With Approval), a stakes winner at 3, was 2nd in the *Cool Air S.* on May 13th. She is set to run on Saturday, May 26th in the *Sara's Success S.* at Calder as well. El Bank Robber is owned by Jeff Amling and trained by Marty Wolfson.

[Click Here for EBR's Chart](#)

SEA LA VIE, (2004 c. by Sea of Secrets out of Bursting by Caveat), broke his maiden at Mountaineer end of April by 12 1/4 lengths, then made it two-in-a-row on May 7th with another clear victory.

[Click Here for SLV's Chart](#) BTSI is selling Sea La Vie's yearling 1/2-brother by **SONGANDAPRAYER** in the Keeneland September sale.

It's not too early to be thinking about the NOVEMBER breeding stock sales!

Call or email us if you have a weanling, racing prospect, or broodmare you would like to have inspected for possible sale in November.

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