



*Dedicated to
Thoroughbred breeders*

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2009 PENNSYLVANIA-BRED CHAMPIONS

Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association has named its champions and leaders for 2009, based upon the unanimous recommendation of its Awards Committee.

Champion Two-Year-Old Male

Turbo Speed

**Bred by Ronald and Elizabeth Houghton's
Sylmar Farm**

(c., Louis Quatorze—Minutes Ahead, by Proud Truth)

Turbo Speed won all three of his starts in 2009. He capped off his season with a length and a half victory in the Pennsylvania Nursery Stakes and earned \$93,390.

Champion Two-Year-Old Filly

Listen In

Bred by Harry L. Landry

(Wiseman's Ferry—Listening Post, by Artax)

Listen In won two of her four starts and never finished off the board. She concluded her season with a four-length victory in the Blue Mountain Futurity for juvenile earnings of \$92,020.

Champion Three-Year-Old Male

Smart Bid

Bred by George Strawbridge Jr.'s Augustin Stable
(Smart Strike—Recording, by Danzig)

Smart Bid won two of five starts in 2009, racing mostly on the West Coast. He won the \$100,000 Damascus Stakes at the Oak Tree meet at Santa Anita, finished second in the Transylvania Stakes-G3 at Keeneland, and completed the year with \$121,200 in earnings.

Champion Three-Year-Old Filly

Best Lass

Bred by Diane Shashura

(Werblin—Tejano's Love, by Tejano)

Best Lass won three of six starts in 2009. Her season was highlighted by a victory in the \$75,000 Prairie Meadows, a second in the \$100,000

Ocala Breeders' Sale Championship Stakes and a fourth in the Falls City Handicap-G2. She earned \$120,695 during her 2009 campaign.

Champion Older Horse and Sprinter

Fabulous Strike

Bred by Walter Downey's Tea Party Stable

(2003, g., Smart Strike—Fabulous Find, by Lost Code)

One of the nation's fastest runners over the past several years, Fabulous Strike won the True North Handicap-G2 at Belmont and Alfred G. Vanderbilt Handicap-G2 at Saratoga, the latter over eventual Eclipse Award-winning sprinter Kodiak Kowboy. He also finished second in the Carter Handicap-G1, Vosburgh Stakes-G1 and General George Handicap-G2, earning \$470,000 for the year and bringing his lifetime bankroll to \$1,409,412.

Champion Older Female and Turf Horse

Sahpresa

Bred by Douglas McIntyre

(2005, Sahn—Sorpresa, by Pleasant Tap)

Sahpresa raced primarily on the turf in Europe, winning two stakes, including the Group 1 Sun Chariot Stakes at Newmarket. She placed in two Group 3 races in France and concluded the season with a third-place finish in Japan's Group 1 Mile Championship for season's earnings of \$568,560.

Champion Claiming Horse

Tease

Bred by E.Q.B. Inc.

(2003, m., Crowd Pleaser—His Ex, by True Colors)

Tease won five of 11 starts in 2009 racing in mostly lower-level claiming contests. She was claimed three times during the year and made her mark for several different trainers. She earned \$147,650 for the season.

Champion Steeplechaser

Mixed Up

Bred by William Pape and Jonathan Sheppard
(1999, g., Carnivalay—Oh Nonsense, by Oh Say)

Mixed Up not only won the PA-bred award for champion 'chaser, but took the Eclipse Award as the nation's champion. At age 10, he won four of his eight starts including the A.P. Smithwick Memorial-NSA1 at Saratoga and Colonial Cup-NSA1 at Camden.

Leading Breeding Fund Award Recipient

Sylmar Farm

Ronald and Elizabeth Houghton

Sylmar Farm earned \$223,540 in Breeders' Awards in 2009. Its leading bonus winners were Whistle Pig and PA-bred 2-year-old champion Turbo Speed.

Leading Overall Breeder of PA-Breds

Augustin Stable

George Strawbridge Jr.

George Strawbridge Jr.'s PA-Breds earned a total of \$1,396,860 in North America and Europe. He was the breeder of three 2009 PA-Bred stakes winners—Auction Watch, Fastongrass and PA-Bred 3-year-old champion Smart Bid.

Leading Stallion

PATTON

(1991, Lord at War—Arg—Slew Me Down, by Seattle Slew)

Regal Heir Farms and/or Thomas N. Reigle

For the fifth time in six years, Patton is Pennsylvania's leading sire. Total 2009 stallion awards of \$59,961 in 168 races.

PA-BRED REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULE REVISED FOR FOALS OF 2010 AND THEREAFTER

Effective with foals of 2010 and thereafter, the fee to register a foal for the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund program will be increased to \$50 (\$125 for non-PHBA members). The time frame for this registration will be extended from the current deadline of 12/31 of the foaling year to within one calendar year from the date of foaling.

For PA-Bred foals of 2010 and thereafter not registered during the period described above, the revised time period for this registration has been extended from 7/31 to 12/31 of the foal's yearling year. Registration fee for this option will be \$100 (\$250 for non-PHBA members). Foals of 2009 remain at the old rate but must be registered by July 31, 2010.

Fee for late registrations – after the yearling year – has not been changed and remains at \$500.

The new fee schedule was approved by the State Horse Racing Commission at its February 18, 2010 meeting.

Current PA-Bred registration fees are by far the lowest in the country, and have been in effect since 1999. Since then, costs to PHBA for Breeding Fund program administration and development, and industry representation on behalf of its membership, have risen significantly.

State-bred registration fees for weanlings of association members across the country range from a low of \$25 in Louisiana and Virginia to \$100 in New Jersey and California. Yearling fees are \$50 in Arizona, Virginia and Kentucky, and rise to \$300 in Florida, \$250 in Louisiana and New Jersey and \$150 in New York. Non-member fees in these jurisdictions are significantly higher.

New 2010 foal registration forms can be downloaded at www.pabred.com. These forms may be utilized for all weanling and yearling registrations of any foaling year. For late registrations, contact PHBA directly for the necessary forms.

2010 PENNSYLVANIA-BRED STAKES SCHEDULE

Race Date	Track	Name of Race	Eligibility	Distance	Value
Sat May 8	Phila Pk	Foxy J. G. S	3&up, f&m	7 Fur	\$75,000
Sat May 8	Phila Pk	Lyman H	3&up	7 Fur	\$75,000
Fri May 28	Penn Nat	Danzig S	3YO	6 Fur	\$75,000
Fri May 28	Penn Nat	Wonders Delight S	3YO fillies	6 Fur	\$75,000
Fri Jun 25	PID	Leematt S	3&up	6 Fur	\$75,000
Fri Jun 25	PID	Northern Fling H	3&up, f&m	6 Fur	\$75,000
Sat Jul 3	Phila Pk	Peppy Addy S	3YO	7 Fur	\$75,000
Sat Jul 3	Phila Pk	Caught in the Rain S	3YO fillies	7 Fur	\$75,000
Fri Jul 30	Phila Pk	Power by Far S	3YO, PA-Sired	6 Fur	\$75,000
Fri Jul 30	Phila Pk	Roanoke S	3YO fillies, PA-Sired	6 Fur	\$75,000
Fri Aug 6	Penn Nat	Robellino S	3&up	1 1/16 M - Turf	\$75,000
Fri Aug 6	Penn Nat	Russian Rhythm	3&up, f&m	1 1/16 M - Turf	\$75,000
Thu Aug 19	PID	Lil E. Tee H	3YO	1 1/16 M	\$75,000
Thu Aug 19	PID	Malvern Rose S	3YO fillies	1 1/16 M	\$75,000

Pennsylvania's Day At The Races - Philadelphia Park - Saturday, September 11, 2010

Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	PHBA Classic	3&up	1 1/16 M	\$100,000
Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	Mr. Jenney H	3&up	5 Fur - Turf	\$100,000
Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	PA Horse Breeders Distaff	3&up, f&m	1 1/16 M	\$150,000
Sat Sep 11	Phila Pk	Mrs. Penny S	3&up, f&m	5 Fur - Turf	\$100,000

Sat Oct 2	Phila Pk	Alphabet Soup H	3&up	1 1/16 M - Turf	\$75,000
Fri Oct 15	Penn Nat	Nepal S	3&up, PA-Sired	1 1/16 M	\$75,000
Fri Oct 15	Penn Nat	Ligature S	3&up, f&m, PA-Sired	1 1/16 M	\$75,000
Wed Nov 24	Penn Nat	Blue Mountain Juvenile S	2YO fillies	6 Fur	\$75,000
Sat Nov 27	Phila Pk	PA Nursery S	2YO	7 Fur	\$75,000

REMINDERS

March 31, 2010 is the deadline for 2010 PHBA membership to be able to vote for the Board of Directors and receive subscriptions to *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred*, *Thoroughbred Times* and *Horse of Delaware Valley*. Follow link for instructions and membership form on the PHBA Web site:

<http://www.pabred.com/about/membership>

**PHBA Annual Meeting – Kennett Square
Wednesday, May 19, 2010**

**Iroquois Awards Dinner – Penn National
Friday, May 28, 2010**

July 31, 2010 is the registration deadline for foals of 2009 – yearlings – to be registered as 2009 PA-Bred foals.

Saturday, September 11, 2010 – Pennsylvania’s Day at the Races at Philadelphia Park - noon.

December 31, 2010 is the deadline for PA Registered Stallions for the 2010 breeding season.

Attention: Current PHBA Members

List PA-Breds for sale on www.pabred.com horse classifieds

Also look for current news Headlines and ENTRIES/RESULTS



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