



# The Horsemen's Newsletter

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## Free seminar on "Training for Injury Prevention" Nov. 6

Beyond The Wire will offer a free seminar, "Training for Injury Prevention," for licensed Maryland trainers, assistant trainers, and owners on Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Laurel Park.

Dr. Sue Stover, a professor and director of the JD Wheat Veterinary Orthopedic Research Laboratory at the University of California-Davis, will cover how injuries develop, why catastrophic injuries occur, and factors that can be managed to reduce the risk of injury. In addition, Dr. Amy Burk from the University of Maryland will speak briefly on nutrition and ulcers in horses.

"I am very excited that we are hosting our second educational seminar since Beyond The Wire was launched almost a year and a half ago," said Jessica Hammond, who administers Beyond The Wire. "I hope to see a lot of trainers in attendance as they make the daily decisions for their horses' training and care regimens. The seminar should give trainers the latest information on effective training and injury detection techniques which will not only enhance their horses' performance, but gives information on ethical considerations in training as well."

Lunch will be served at the event, which will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the International Lounge on the third floor of the clubhouse.

If you wish to register email [jessica@mdhorsemen.com](mailto:jessica@mdhorsemen.com) or visit [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/training-for-injury-prevention-tickets-50122109579?aff=ebdssbdestsea\\_rch](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/training-for-injury-prevention-tickets-50122109579?aff=ebdssbdestsea_rch).



## Maryland horses, connections lead the way in the 2018 Match Series

The return of the MATCH Series after a 16-year absence was well-received and resulted in payment of \$2.9 million in stakes purses and more than \$400,000 in bonus money for owners, trainers and breeders.

The series featured 25 stakes at seven racetracks in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The overall championship came down to one day, Sept. 22 at Laurel Park, when Sycamore Racing V's Jessica Krupnick, who took the

lead a week earlier, held off several challenges to maintain the top spot.

There were five divisions, and each one was won by a Maryland-based horse: Jessica Krupnick and Smiling Causeway are based at Fair Hill Training Center, Page McKenney and Oak Bluffs at Pimlico Race Course, and Laki at Laurel.

MATCH Series organizers and participants will meet in late October to discuss the 2019 program.

## Horsemen urged to use 'In Today' signs on stalls

Horsemen in Maryland are reminded to regularly use the "In Today" stall signs that indicate whether a horse is entered to race on a given day.

Maryland Jockey Club Director of Racing Development Georganne Hale Aug. 22 said the signs were handed out to trainers a while ago for identification purposes. Use of the signs stemmed from broader national industry



discussions about integrity-related issues.

"The signs are supposed to be put on a stall on race day," Hale said, "and one reason is because they help the Lasix vets identify horses racing that day."

Horsemen are instructed to stop in the MTHA racetrack office at Laurel Park for additional signs or call 410-902-6844.



## Rec Report

### Fall Golf Tournament Rescheduled

Because of wet weather the MTHA golf outing held at Compass Pointe Golf Course is rescheduled for Monday, Sept. 15 at 1 p.m. Cost is \$65 per golfer. Call Marty Leonard at 203-733-1367 for further details or to register.

### Texas Hold 'Em

Poker is back for the fall. The September poker tournament was won by Caleb Loehrer. Bird Kaufman came in second place and Noah Abramson finished in third.

The next poker tournament will be on Tuesday, Oct. 23 starting at 12:30 p.m. in the Rec Room on the Laurel backstretch.

### Bowling

The MTHA Bowling league is set to begin in October at Laurel AMF Lanes. Call Marty Leonard at 203-733-1367 to register your team or yourself as an individual.

### Backstretch Appreciation Picnic

The big event for September was the annual MTHA Backstretch Appreciation Picnic held on Monday, Sept. 10 at Laurel Park.

Over 400 backstretch employees attended the event and enjoyed the great food and drink provided by Hideaway Caterers.

In addition to the great food and fun, Maryland Jockey Club generously provided free shirts and hats as well as \$2,500 in cash door prizes for attendees.

\$250 winners included: Alymondo Ravez (Robin Graham), Daniel Young (Maryland McCullough), Juan Pablo (Linda Albert), Gabriel Rodriguez (Gary Capuano), Luis Martinez (Damon Dilodovico), Monica McKinnon, Marie Lopez Morales. The \$500 winner was Tony Aquirre, who used the winnings to host a barn party for backstretch workers.

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# MJC Outlines Environmental Procedures, Sanctions

The Maryland Jockey Club, citing scrutiny from the Maryland Department of the Environment, is requiring horsemen to follow specific procedures or risk fines and potential removal of horses from the grounds.

Major Mike Singletary, MJC Vice President of Security, outlined what he called "common-sense remedies" that can help the MJC avoid severe sanctions from the MDE. He said "all trainers and their employees must do their part to help the situation."

Effective immediately, the MJC is requiring everyone to follow these guidelines:

- All manure bins must be completely covered when not in use.
- Areas around all manure bins must be cleaned/cleared of all loose used bedding and manure.
- All fresh bedding must be covered.
- Areas outside of barns must be cleaned of dirt and other loose materials by using dry sweeping methods, not by hose-ing the area down.
- Horses stabled in barns with wash stalls must be washed and hosed down in those stalls.
- For barns with wash stalls, all wastewater generated from horse related activities should not be emptied into a storm drain.



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- All detergents and soaps used must be biodegradable.
- Water hoses must be shut off and have a working nozzle.
- Washing machines are not permitted in barns unless approved by MJC management.

Singletary said security staff will make rounds to ensure everyone is complying with the policies.

A first offense will result in a warning. A second offense will bring a fine of \$100, and a third offense a fine of \$200. Fines will be paid to Racing Secretary Chris Merz within seven days. With a fourth offense, a trainer will be asked to remove their horses from the grounds.

"We hope everyone realizes that these issues are very important and does their part to make sure we are in compliance with MDE regulations," Singletary said.



The Maryland Racing Commission approved two applications from the Maryland Jockey Club for off-track betting facilities—one at MGM National Harbor Casino and the other in the Clarion Hotel in Frederick County.

The action was taken after public hearings were held Sept. 11 at Rosecroft Raceway and Sept. 20 at the Great Frederick Fair. None of the public comments made or received in writing were in opposition to the OTB proposals.

The pari-mutuel wagering area at National Harbor Casino had a soft opening Sept. 12. The Clarion Hotel betting area, which will be located in an upgraded sports bar with additional room for hundreds of patrons, is expected to open before the end of this year.

MJC President Sal Sinatra said he expects the two new facilities in their first year will generate \$1.2 million to \$1.5 million in additional revenue for purses. When it opens, the Frederick OTB parlor will be the eighth such facility in Maryland.

# 2018 Maryland Million Day Parking Plan Set



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The Maryland Jockey Club will adjust parking protocol to accommodate the first Clubhouse Festival, featuring multiple music acts, at Laurel Park on Oct. 20, Maryland Million Day.

The event, to be held adjacent the clubhouse turn, is a partnership between The Stronach Group and Club Glow, an electronic dance music promotion company headquartered in Washington, D.C. They also partner on the Moonrise Music Festival at Pimlico Race Course.

According to a map, the event area of about 9 acres will be bordered by the one-mile chute, Laurel Park Racetrack Road off of Route 198, and the Racing Office. About 3 acres adjacent the one-mile chute will be used for event-related parking. The MJC is currently in the process of clearing the area and plans to put down asphalt.

The stage will be in front of the clubhouse turn and look out over the parking areas.

The Officials Lot in front of the administrative offices and paddock will be used for parking for horsemen, jockeys and media on Maryland Million Day. The remaining space in the Racetrack Road parking lots will be for VIP and valet parking. Valet for Maryland Million VIPs will again be outside of the Maryland Million Village near the Carriage Room.

Employees will have a designated area in the Howard County Lot, which will also be used for general parking and vendor parking.

Horsemen can access the Officials Lot from Route 198 or Whiskey Bottom Road, as can VIPs and those parking valet. The employee lot and general parking must be accessed from Route 1 and Columbia Street.

Concert-goers will be asked to park in the cricket fields off Whiskey Bottom Road and Brock Bridge Road and ride shuttles to the racetrack. The 29-acre space can accommodate more than 3,500 vehicles.

First post time Maryland Million Day will be noon. The MJC said the track will close for training at 9 a.m. that day.



## 2018 Match Series Final Result

### Overall MATCH Series champion



First place: Jessica Krupnick (34 points)  
Owner: Sycamore Racing V (\$50,000)  
Trainer: Tres Abbott (\$25,000)

### Filly and Mare Sprint-Dirt

First place: Jessica Krupnick (34 points)  
Owner: Sycamore Racing V (\$20,000)  
Trainer: Tres Abbott (\$15,000)

Second place: Liz's Cable Girl (18 points)  
Owner: Lisbeth Dodd (\$15,000)  
Trainer: Pat McBurney (\$10,000)

### 3-Year-Olds and Up Sprint-Dirt



First place: Laki (32 points)  
Owner: Hillside Equestrian Meadows (\$20,000)  
Trainer: Damon Dilodovico (\$15,000)

Second place: Lewisfield (26 points)  
Owner: Linda Zang (\$15,000)  
Trainer: Jeff Runco (\$10,000)

Third place: It's the Journey (7 points)  
Owner: Larry Johnson (\$10,000)  
Trainer: Mike Trombetta (\$5,000)

### 3-Year-Olds and Up Long-Dirt



First place: Page McKenney (22 points)  
Owner: Adam Staple and Jalin Stable (\$20,000)  
Trainer: Mary Eppler (\$15,000)

### 3-Year-Olds and Up Sprint-Turf



First place: Oak Bluffs (25 points)  
Owner: Mary Eppler Racing Stable (\$20,000)  
Trainer: Mary Eppler (\$15,000)

Second place: Dubini (24 points)  
Owner: Pewter Stable (\$15,000)  
Trainer: Kate Demasi (\$10,000)

Third place: Pool Winner (19 points)  
Owner: Colts Neck Stables (\$10,000)  
Trainer: Alan Goldberg (\$5,000)

### Filly and Mare Sprint-Turf



First place: Smiling Causeway (13 points)  
Owner: Audley Farm Stable (\$20,000)  
Trainer: Arnaud Delacour (\$15,000)

Second place: Daylight Ahead (3 points)  
Owner: Winners Circle Partners VIII (\$15,000)  
Trainer: Hugh McMahon (\$10,000)

This year's MATCH Series, for the first time, offered state-bred breeder bonuses. The following breeders will each receive \$5,000 because their horses earned the most points overall in the male or female category.

### Maryland

Laki (Tom Michaels and Lorna Baker)  
Daylight Ahead (Winners Circle Partners VIII)

### New Jersey

Oak Bluffs (Patricia Generazio)  
Liz's Cable Girl (Colonial Farms)

### Pennsylvania

Page McKenney (Dr. Bryant and Linda Davis)

### Delaware

Daylight Ahead (Winners Circle Partners VIII)



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Pumpkins Come and Pumpkins Go but a "Jack o' Lantern" Steals the Show

**Sunday, November 4, 2018 from 1 to 5 p.m.**

Linganore Winecellars | 13601 Glissans Mill Road | Mt Airy, MD 21771

**\$20 per person in advance or \$25 at the door**

*Tickets include 8 Wine Tastings (for those 21 & older), Cheese, Fruit & Chocolates, Trick or Treating, Meet a Retired Racehorse, Costume Contests (even for your dog!), Scavenger Hunt, Moonbounce, Vendors, Silent Auction, \$10,000 Raffle Drawing at 4 p.m. (raffle tickets available)*

**FOR MORE INFORMATION & TICKETS**

Laurie 301-667-2553 or <http://www.mdtix.com/thefoxiegfoundation.html>

*All proceeds from this event help the horses and cats at The Foxie G Foundation.*

**JACK O' LANTERN** is a Graded Stakes Winner of \$160,966. Arriving at Foxie G as a ridgling, he is now a gelding and in our sanctuary program.



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# MTHA GOLF TOURNAMENT

**\*\*\*Rescheduled\*\*\* Monday, Oct. 15  
Compass Pointe Golf Club**

**Entry Fee \$65 Per Person Includes:**

- 18-Hole Tournament with Cart
- Two Drink Coupons with Prizes
- \$500 Team Awards
- Two \$50 Closest to the Pin Awards
- One \$50 Longest Drive Award
- Call Marty Leonard at (203) 733-1367



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