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Building on a Solid Foundation: The Next Phase in the UK Ag Equine Programs

As the third director of UK's Ag Equine Programs (EP), I have the privilege following in the footsteps of two former directors who helped the program grow exponentially. I am passionate about the EP and am excited about the opportunity to serve the College of Ag and the University of Kentucky in this way.

We have come a long way since the EP was first envisioned. The last time a new director was hired, we were known as the Equine Initiative. Now, as we have become more established with a flourishing undergraduate degree program and outstanding research and outreach components, we are known as UK Ag Equine Programs. In many ways, however, I feel that we are only just beginning, and I am excited to lead the EP team as we strive to maximize our potential.

There are a number of goals that I hope to help the EP achieve during the course of my term, and of course, many of those relate to the undergrad degree program. First, I believe strongly in the value of international experiences. To that end, I would like to establish a regularly-occurring global education opportunity for our ESMA students. I envision these study-abroad courses occurring every other year, targeting different parts of the world. ESMA students would then have the opportunity to participate in two such experiences during their time here.



Photo by Audrey C. Crosby

Another goal of mine, which is not unlike those of the previous directors, is to always look for ways to more deeply integrate our students with the industry in order to take advantage of the rich equine opportunities here in our area. And, it is important to remember that as this occurs, we must always exemplify professionalism in order to build the reputation of being one of the best equine programs in the world.

What are you excited about? How can we serve you better? What sort of opportunities would you like to have? Please let me know how we can help you make the most of your undergraduate experience!

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Jill Stowe Named UK Ag Equine Programs Director

By Holly Wiemers

Jill Stowe has been named director of University of Kentucky Ag Equine Programs and Dickson Professor of Equine Science and Management beginning May 1. Stowe, an associate professor within the College of Agriculture's Department of Agricultural Economics, follows Ed Squires as the leader of the multidisciplinary equine program that serves as a gateway to all equine activities in the college.

Since her arrival at UK in 2008, Stowe has taught in the recently established and rapidly growing equine undergraduate degree program and conducted equine economic research. She led the 2012 Kentucky Equine Survey, the first comprehensive equine industry study done in Kentucky since 1977, which was implemented in partnership with dozens of organizational partners. The project inventoried the state's equine industry and is in the final stages of determining an economic impact of the industry to the state. Stowe also serves as faculty advisor for UK's Dressage and Eventing Team and has served as part of the faculty leadership for UK Ag Equine Programs for the past several years.



"It is a privilege to have the opportunity to serve this program, which has already given so much to me both professionally and personally," Stowe said. "I am excited to be able to work alongside others on the Equine Programs team to help the program continue to reach its potential."

"Having a leader such as Jill Stowe, a horsewoman and a scholar of big picture issues, such as the Kentucky Equine Survey, represents another milestone in the college's efforts to dedicate more programs to the horse," said Nancy Cox, associate dean for research in UK's College of Agriculture, Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station director and administrative leader for UK Ag Equine Programs. "Dean Smith's original call to enhance programs for our signature industry will realize an even greater potential through Jill's leadership."

Prior to joining UK, Stowe was an assistant professor in The Fuqua School of Business at Duke University. She earned her bachelor's degree in mathematics, summa cum laude, from Texas Tech University and her doctorate in economics from Texas A&M University. Her research areas of interest include equine markets, incentives in individual decision making, decision making under risk and ambiguity and sports economics.

"I have a number of goals that I hope to help the UK Ag Equine Programs achieve during the course of my term, and many of them focus on leveraging our rich equine opportunities, not only in this area, but also abroad. Ultimately, doing so will help UK's equine program achieve excellence, both nationally and internationally," Stowe said.

Stowe has been actively involved in the horse industry since she was a child, starting with local Quarter Horse show circuits, 4-H, Pony Clubs and later hunter/jumper, combined training and dressage. She currently competes in dressage shows and horse trials with her off-the-track Thoroughbred and is on the board of directors for the Lexington-based Masterson Equestrian Trust.

"The appointment of Dr. Stowe as director of Ag Equine Programs and Dickson Professor of Equine Science and Management indicates the tremendous diversity, and highest levels of expertise, available to the horse industry from the University of Kentucky," said Norm Luba, executive director of the North American Equine Ranching Information Council and chair of the College of Agriculture's UK Equine Advisory Committee.

UK Equine Careers Class Reveals Huge Impact Students Can Make

By Kelli Crosby

What happens when students are challenged to make a difference in the equine community? A lot, it turns out. Whether the effects were felt by a single horse, an entire farm or the local equine community at large, the results of one such assignment to a class of students at UK had an overwhelmingly positive influence on the lives of many.

In the fall of 2012, 14 Equine Science and Management students from an Equine Career Prep course offered through the College of Agriculture at UK, participated in a service learning project that ended up having a large impact on not only their education, but also on several local equine businesses. The students' assignment was to design, plan and carry out a project that would help a local equine facility or organization. The students worked alone or in small groups and used their individual skills to brainstorm ways they could impact their local industry.

"With students like these, all they need are some guidelines and support and it's amazing the ideas they come up with - especially when they care about what they are doing and are invested in the outcome," said Elizabeth LaBonty, lecturer and internship coordinator within the equine undergraduate program at UK.

At the beginning and end of the semester, students presented their project to the class. In between, they gave weekly updates to gain feedback from each other.

Erin Morgan, a sophomore in the class, used her photography and marketing skills to take photos, design a logo, update the website and help implement a new marketing plan for Blue Ribbon Farm located in Lexington. Her talents led to an overhaul of the company website, social media pages and other marketing materials for the farm. The farm's owners, Bruno Mazzer and Fernanda Camargo (a professor in the equine program at UK), had high expectations and were thrilled with the final result.

"Erin was wonderful to work with, and she gave us wonderful, timely and useful marketing advice. By being in the careers class and working with a client (myself), she realized she wants to follow a career in equine marketing and photography, and I am confident she will be highly successful," Camargo said.

According to the participating students, they also benefitted greatly.

"I learned that I have good communication skills and that marketing is where my passion lies," Morgan said.

Another group within the class raised more than \$150 in one afternoon for the Rainhill Equine Facility in Bowling Green, Ky. Rainhill is a non-profit organization that is a sanctuary and a "forever home" for blind horses. Though blind horses are their main focus, the organization also provides a home for slaughter-bound horses and for horses with other physical disabilities. The students working on this project partnered with Mellow Mushroom to generate a donation. Mellow Mushroom agreed to donate a portion of all sales on a specific day to Rainhill. The group promoted the event by creating fliers to hand out and post around campus.

When asked what she learned from working on this project, Courtney Schneider, a student in the Equine Science and Management undergraduate degree program at UK, said, "I learned that networking is key and you really have to make an effort to put yourself out there to get others involved."

The Kentucky Equine Humane Center was another beneficiary of this service project. Several students spent time volunteering at the center and were able to witness first-hand what is required to run a shelter and find forever homes for their equine rescues.

Another student group volunteered their time and labor to help with some needed improvements at Fantasia Farm, a boarding and lesson facility in Lexington.

"I felt very satisfied with how much help I was to the farm. The owner was so grateful and it made me so happy knowing that I could help," said Fallon Jackson, a sophomore in the program.

Other student service learning projects included cataloging a database for a local program, designing promotional materials for a local non-profit and organizing an intercollegiate equestrian club.

According to LaBonty, the class was a huge success. The students who participated learned how to plan events, fundraise, raise awareness about issues, talk to businesses and the general public and work together, all while positively impacting the industry they love.

Welcome to the World, Marshall!

This story is the first in a series about a foal born on the University of Kentucky's Maine Chance Farm. We will continue to follow his growth, progress and development in subsequent stories, and include some pictures as well.

Story and photos by Erin Morgan

At approximately 3 a.m. on Sunday, April 14, University of Kentucky's Maine Chance Farm welcomed its newest addition, Marshall. With big expressive eyes and the natural inquisitiveness foals seem to inherently possess, Marshall became the 13th foal born at the farm this year.

Marshall is a colt by Tizdejavu, out of Maine Chance's mare Italian Opera. Tizdejavu won four graded stakes and \$693,153 in his career and currently stands at Crestwood Farm, one of the very generous area farms that donates stallion seasons to Maine Chance.

"Central Kentucky Thoroughbred farms have been very generous by donating stallion seasons and quality mares (like Italian Opera)," said Bryan Cassill, who manages the Department of Animal and Food Sciences Horse Unit at the University of Kentucky's Maine Chance Farm. "This enables our faculty to complete re-



Marshall standing outside with Italian Opera (not pictured) at 2 days old.



Marshall outside the barn at 2 days old with Italian Opera

search on horses that are comparable to other farms within the industry."

Having horses comparable to other farms in the area is important because it allows UK to offer practical and targeted research for the types of horses and operations found in the region.

Cassill said the foaling went smoothly and that Marshall was quick to get to his feet and very strong.

Italian Opera has been a resident of Maine Chance for the past four years and participates in various research studies. Marshall is her third foal. All of her foals have turned grey, so it is likely that Marshall's dark bay coat will also turn grey as he matures. Maestro, one of her other foals, is currently being used in EQM 105, a behavior and handling class within the Equine Science and Management undergraduate degree program.

According to Cassill, Marshall is already spending most of his time outside in a paddock with Italian Opera, enjoying the warm weather and playing in the field. He shares the paddock with Whom Shall I Fear, another broodmare, and her filly. So far, the mares have been protective of their foals, so the two have not socialized much. Marshall is brought into the barn every day, which will help him get used to being brushed and having his feet picked out.

Join us next month as we continue to follow Marshall's progress. You can also follow Maine Chance Farm on Facebook @ UKMaineChanceFarm.

Tennessee Native Finds His Passion For Horses in Kentucky

By Alexandra Harper

Jackson Buchanon, an Equine Science and Management sophomore from Nashville, Tenn., moved to Kentucky to live with his grandmother the summer of his sophomore year in high school. During that time, he worked for 3-T Farm, a Saddlebred operation in Scottsville, Ky. Buchanon hoped the short term move would help him decide if he wanted to pursue a career in the horse industry. After that summer, the answer was a resounding yes.

Buchanan said he was drawn to UK for its equine undergraduate degree program and because of its location in the Horse Capital of the World, where he felt the opportunities in sales and breeding were incomparable.

Buchanon's horse experience increased greatly once he was in Kentucky. He gained experience in the bloodstock industry, yearling prep, mare and foal care and has worked numerous Keeneland and Fasig-Tipton sales.

Initially, Buchanon said he wanted to be a veterinarian, but after working the sales he realized he enjoyed working with both horses and people in the context of selling horses.

"The business model and watching the process of a horse going through the sale really appealed to me," he said.

Buchanon is now finishing his internship at Ashford Stud, where his responsibilities consist of mare and foal care, learning about the foaling process, monitoring pregnant mares near their foaling date, learning the process of getting mares in foal, as well as the teasing and palpating mares.

"Placing Jackson at Ashford Stud was a natural fit based on in his experience in the industry," said Elizabeth LaBonty, lecturer and internship coordinator. "Ashford is one of the best in the business and they have been very supportive of our internship program. I knew Jackson's work ethic would meet their high expectations."

"Learning the teasing process and assisting the in-house veterinarian with an emergency accident out in the field were probably my favorite moments of the internship," Buchanon said.

"Jackson was an extremely nice kid and really got along well with everyone at the farm," said Malachy Ryan, farm manager. "Ashford Stud believes it is important to support our local university and the community."

After graduation, Buchanon said he plans on applying to the Darley Flying Start Program and hopes to someday work in the breeding and sales industry. His internship at Ashford Stud prepared him for a career in the industry and he was able to experience firsthand how a large-scale, internationally-recognized breeding farm operates.



UK Ag Equine Programs Participates in Locust Trace Field Day



More than 250 Fayette County middle school students attended the Locust Trace AgriScience Farm field day April 23. UK Ag Equine Programs provided educational materials and an interactive display about different forages. Students visited various stations to learn about different equine organizations and topics.

Locust Trace AgriScience Farm is a career and technical high school in Lexington, Ky., that opened in 2011.

Energy and environment are key factors in the facility design and agriculture the educational focus.

America's Best Racing Bus Coming to a Location Near You!

By Alexandra Harper

America's Best Racing launched a national bus tour in March to promote the lifestyle and competition of Thoroughbred horse racing. The 45-foot-long tour bus will travel around the country with six young, enthusiastic brand ambassadors.

According to the campaign's website, the ambassadors will meet with national and local media outlets and appear on college campuses, and in high-traffic areas and strategic locations within each destination city. The energetic group will focus on attracting a younger audience to the sport of horse racing.

The six brand ambassadors are Jose Contreras, John Cox, Mary Frances Dale, Victoria Garofalo, Hallie Hardy and Chip McGaughey. Both Cox and Hardy are graduates of the University of Kentucky.

Cox was born and raised in Lexington, Ky., and grew up attending the races at Keeneland, Churchill Downs and Saratoga. He served as a marketing intern at Keeneland, an assistant staff writer for Brisnet.com, tote-board operator for Fasig-Tipton Sales Co. and spent a summer working with yearlings at Lane's End Farm, in addition to marketing and sales responsibilities at Thorough-Graphics.

Hardy grew up in Frankfort, Ky. and began riding Saddlebreds at the age of 6. She received her Equine Science and Management undergraduate degree in December 2012. Hardy's experiences at Royal Pegasus, Three Chimneys and WinStar farms included farm management, bloodstock research, tours and marketing. Also during Hardy's time at UK, she helped raise a significant amount of money for Make a Wish Foundation and participated in UK's largest fundraiser, Dance Blue.

The brand ambassadors will also contribute blogs, videos and images from their journey that will be posted on the America's Best Racing website, www.followhorseracing.com.

Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital Scholarship Spotlight

By Alexandra Harper

Jillian Gordon, a senior majoring in Equine Science and Management and minoring in Agricultural Economics, was the recipient of the Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital Scholarship from 2011-2012 and 2012-2013.

Originally from The Woodlands, Texas, Gordon said she hopes to step into the Thoroughbred sales and consignment industry after college. Gordon has previously worked with Warrendale Sales and Select Sales and is currently completing an internship with the Jockey Club.



"This scholarship has aided both financially and personally," Gordon said. "Every employer I have shared my resume with has commented on the Rood and Riddle scholarship; presumably because of the reputation for excellence that Rood and Riddle embodies. Having received the scholarship for two consecutive years, I am hugely grateful for the generosity that Rood and Riddle has presented."

Some of Gordon's hobbies include music and dancing. She also rides jumpers for Split Rock Farm, and spent the past fall breaking yearlings for Kenny McPeck's Magdalena Farm.

Jillian and her 5 year old Hanoverian jumper she is currently training



Travel Photo Contest

By Erin Morgan

With school out, warm weather and good times, UK Ag Equine Programs is hosting a summer photo contest. Take a picture with your UK equine gear, email it to equine@uky.edu, and you could win a gift certificate to the Ag Equine Store! Photo submissions should be e-mailed no later than Aug. 15. Up to three images may be submitted per person. Two winning entries will be announced in the August issue of the *Wildcat Canter*.



Financial Aid Facts

By Ann Leed and Kristen Wilson, academic program coordinators

According to the University of Kentucky's Financial Aid Office, the estimated cost for a student's education for the 2013-2014 academic year is \$23,800 for Kentucky residents living in a residential hall, \$15,400 for a Kentucky resident living with a parent and \$34,900 for an out-of state student living in a residential hall. (Estimated costs include tuition and fees, book and supply allowance, room and board and a personal spending allowance).

No matter what figures and estimates you look at, seeking a degree in higher education is a large expense. UK's Financial Aid Office is a great resource for students in need of financial assistance to pay for their education and additional expenses that come along with the experience. Below are some frequently asked questions to assist you when exploring the world of financial aid.

What types of financial aid are available to students?

Below are the various types of financial aid students can access at UK. It is important to remember that not all students will qualify for all types of aid available.

1. University Controlled Aid

- Scholarships – Generally awarded to students with an ACT score of 28 or higher.
- College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Scholarships - Awarded to students enrolled in the College. Freshmen applications are due Jan. 15. Returning and transfer student applications are due April 1. More information can be found at www2.ca.uky.edu/academics/scholarships.
- Federal Perkins Loans - Repaid at 5 percent interest. Repayment begins nine months after graduation, or when a student drops to less than half-time enrollment or leaves school. No interest accrues on this loan until the borrower graduates or drops below half-time enrollment status.
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) – Gift assistance awarded to students demonstrating substantial financial need as determined by federal guidelines. Recipients must be Pell eligible.
- Federal Work Study (FWS) Program – Work opportunities are available for students awarded FWS. Students are paid an hourly wage from mostly federal funds. FWS recipients must report to the FWS Office in August to obtain a job packet.
- Federal Pell Grant – Gift assistance for eligible undergraduate students.
- State College Access Program (CAP) Grant - Gift assistance to Pell-eligible Kentucky residents.

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2. Federal Direct Stafford Loans

- Subsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loans – Loans are need-based and interest is paid by the government while the student is enrolled at least half time. Repayment begins six months after the borrower leaves school or drops below half-time enrollment status.
- Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loans – This program enables students, regardless of income, to obtain student loans. Loan limits, deferments and the interest rate are the same as the subsidized Direct Stafford Loan. Students will pay interest while enrolled in school and during deferment periods.
- Federal Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) – A parent may borrow the difference in cost of attendance minus any other aid for each undergraduate dependent student.
- Federal Direct Grad/PLUS Loan – A graduate student may borrow the difference in the cost minus any other aid.
- Other Employment, Part-Time Opportunities (STEPS) – The University Employment and Temporary Services Office will assist you in finding part-time jobs that relate to or are in your major area of study. Their office is located at 104 Scovell Hall.

How do I apply for financial aid and what is the deadline?

Students may apply for many of the financial aid opportunities by filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The priority filing date is Feb. 15 for incoming freshman and March 15 for all other students. Students are strongly encouraged to apply on Jan. 1 or as soon as possible after this date.

How do I know if I have received an award?

All financial aid award information is available at myUK (<http://myuk.uky.edu>), located under the financial tab. Students may accept awards, check the status of their aid and missing information, as well as update addresses via myUK. Incoming freshmen will be notified in February via email and will also be sent a paper packet. Returning and transfer students will be notified in late May/early June via email only.

How often is my account evaluated for eligibility?

The end of the spring semester is when the Financial Aid Office re-evaluates your eligibility for financial aid for future semesters. In order to continue receiving funding, all students must have successfully completed two-thirds (67 percent) of all courses attempted and earned at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA at the end of each spring semester. If you do not meet these criteria, students are entitled to submit one appeal for your file to be reevaluated. Note: University and College scholarships may have different criteria that must be met.

Can I use financial aid to pay for summer school?

Generally, students receiving financial aid for full time enrollment for both the Fall and Spring semesters will have no financial aid left to attend summer school. In order to qualify for financial aid for the Summer semesters (if available), a student must take a minimum of six credit hours.

How many students at UK take advantage of the various financial aid opportunities?

Approximately 85-90 percent of students at UK receive some type of financial aid. Sixty-percent of these students receive financial aid through grants and/or loans.

How do I find out more about financial aid assistance?

If you have questions about financial aid you can visit www.uky.edu/financialaid or you may call the office directly at (859) 257-3172. You may also visit the office located in 128 Funkhouser Building.

(Note: Adapted from Financial Aid Facts 2013-2014 information sheet provided by UK's Financial Aid Office)

Clubs and Teams

Dressage and Eventing Team

As the University of Kentucky Dressage & Eventing Team closes out its season for the semester, its riders have many good things to look back on. Recently, the IDA Team competed at Miami of Ohio College and placed seventh on Saturday and third on Sunday as a team. Individual ribbons were awarded to team member Maura Goldner for both her sixth place finish and third place finish, as well as team member Connor Giesselman for her third place finish. The team's first level rider, Amalie Hordem took home a second and third place ribbon in her division and qualified for nationals, which will be held April 27 and 28 in Massachusetts at Mt. Holyoke College.

This past weekend, five members of UK's Dressage and Eventing Team headed south to Tryon, N.C., for the FENCE (Foothills Equestrian Nature Center) Horse Trials. This horse show was the team's first college team challenge, meaning it was the first time any school had ever competed against one another in the three-phase sport that involves dressage, cross country and stadium jumping. We were joined by Clemson University and the University of Georgia Eventing teams.



"I had such a wonderful time. I was so happy I was able to compete," said new team president, Aileen O'Brien. "The great thing about the formation of the Intercollegiate Eventing League is that students get to continue to compete together in college. Riding while in school can be a challenge, and as a team we want to ensure that everyone can have the great experience they want in a fun and competitive atmosphere."

Georgia and Clemson both had three teams competing, while UK only had one, and O'Brien said one of the team's main goals for next year is to send more members to compete.

This year's competitors from UK included Kimmy Cecere, Hannah Kembel, Elizabeth McCorvey, O'Brien, and Natalie Senn.

Team highlights for the weekend included Senn getting first place in the Intro division and Cecere first place in both the Beginner Novice and Novice divisions.



As a team, UK placed fifth out of nine other college teams. While not everyone placed individually, the team agreed that it was a great learning experience and everyone was beyond pleased with their horses and their performances as a pair. Along with the riders, the team had five extra members travel with the group to assist with grooming and preparing the horses, while also providing great moral support to those that were riding.

The team's main goal for next year is to recruit more members to make the trek down to North Carolina and to other upcoming team challenges.

Liz Wise, one of the five team members that came to support, said, "Having 10 people at FENCE this weekend was such a great bonding experience and involving more people next year, whether they come to ride or just to support, would be a great way to get the team's name out there. Riders that are interested in attending the University of Kentucky and getting involved with the team can see us competing together; something that will surely bring in new members."

To help decrease the costs of attending FENCE next year, the team will hold several fundraisers around campus.

Next year the team also hopes to see the Intercollegiate Eventing League, co-founded by one of the Clemson riders, continue to expand in recognition and number of schools involved.

The team thanks the University of Georgia and Clemson University for competing with its riders and making for a great first experience at the FENCE HT. A very large team thank you also goes out to the supporters at home who helped riders acquire the funds necessary in order to be able to compete. Go Intercollegiate Eventing and go UK!

Another team highlight during the Spring Bay HT two weekends ago was Talia Henkle's first place finish on her horse Charles in the training division.

Although the IDA showing season has come to an end, the UKDET still looks forward to volunteering at the Rolex Three Day Event during the last weekend in April. Congratulations to all of the members on all of the accomplishments this past school year! The team will be back in action in the fall of 2013!

Information contributed by Daisy Alexander and Samantha Franke

Equestrian Team

Hunt Seat Team

The Hunt Seat Team had a successful weekend at Zones in West Virginia. Kennedy Ellingson and Taylor Hayden both qualified for nationals. Ellingson qualified in the Open Division and is competing for the Cacchione Cup. Hayden qualified to ride in Advanced Walk, Trot and Canter on the flat. Nationals will be held the first weekend in May, in Harrisburg, Pa.

Western Team

The Western Team has qualified to take a team to nationals for the first time. Riders Allie Board, Jackie Dinnebeil, Fallon Jackson, Emory Thomas and Lydia Uhlyarik will represent UK as team riders. Individual rider Lindsey Scherer will ride in the Walk/Jog division and Allie Board will represent Zone 6, Region 3 in the AQHA Cup at nationals, which will be held May 2-5 in Harrisburg, Pa.

Horse Racing Club

“Inside Horse Racing: Picking a Winner” drew a large crowd of around 50 people. Club members, equine majors and other students gathered to learn about how to make professional observations when betting at the racetrack.

To start, Sean Feld of Bullet Train presented the basics of how to read PPs (Past Performances), a tool that most handicappers use that give statistics on each horse in a particular race. From the PPs, Sean examined the past races the horse either won or placed at, how they typically run and the change in their positioning during the race. He also explained the various surfaces the horse has run on and the earnings each horse has acquired. Not only does this help predict a winner, but the order in which the horses will place to help bet on exacta and tri-fecta bets.

Next, Mike Penna hosted the panel of Sean Feld, Ed DeRosa and Tom LaMarra. Each handicapper described their betting style, bets that have worked for them in the past, and what qualities to look for on race day. The panel also discussed current issues in the industry, such as race-day medication and incorporating slot machines at the race tracks. Each panel member went on to announce their pick for this year’s Kentucky Derby.

Stallion hats provided by Darley Stud were raffled off to 19 lucky winners. The Horse Racing Club thanks Mike Penna, Sean Feld, Ed DeRosa, Tom LaMarra and all who came out to learn about professional handicapping.

Follow the Horse Racing Club on Facebook University of Kentucky Horse Racing Club or Twitter UKHRC.



Upcoming Events

April 30-May 3

Finals Week

May 4

Kentucky Derby, Churchill Downs

May 5

Graduation at Rupp Arena

May 18

Preakness Stakes

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