

# LONGRUN



THOROUGHBRED RETIREMENT SOCIETY

FALL/WINTER 2024

## WHAT A GREAT DAY!!

**LONGRUN WAS BLESSED** with unseasonably fair weather this past October 16<sup>th</sup> for our second annual Graduate Showcase. It was with great pleasure that we welcomed 15 adoptees and their loving adopters, all

eager to strut their stuff! The day was also enhanced by vendor displays, lots of visitors and many of the graduates' racetrack connections who came to cheer their former charges on.



JANE HAZELTINE'S MR. DIFFLEY, SHOWN HERE WITH RIDER MONIKA LE ROY, AND HUSHIN' RUSSIAN, ADOPTED AND RIDDEN BY ABIGAIL DINWOODIE, WERE CROWNED CHAMPIONS OF THE HUNTER & FLAT DIVISION RESPECTIVELY



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# LONGRUN GRADUATE SHOW RESULTS HORSE & RIDER

## HUNTER COURSE 1

- **Sponsored by the Jockeys' Benefit Association of Canada**

Mr. Diffley – Monika Le Roy  
Watery Moon – Rob Marling  
I'm a Wanted Man – Landen Bury  
City Boy – Bailey Keller  
Quixotical – Maddie Schmitt

## HUNTER COURSE 2

- **Sponsored by C.T.H.S. (Ont. Div.)**

Mr. Diffley – Monika Le Roy  
Rule the Sea – Andrea McGowan  
Asha Ironborn – Tarin Johnston  
Watery Moon – Rob Marling  
Quixotical – Maddie Schmitt

## HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

- **Sponsored by The Jockey Club of Canada**

Mr. Diffley - Monika Le Roy  
Hushin' Russian – Abigail Dinwoodie  
Quixotical – Maddie Schmitt  
Watery Moon – Rob Marling  
Jimmy Hot – Addie Turner

## PLEASURE HACK

- **Sponsored by Chiefswood Stables**

Paint the Stage – Monika Le Roy  
Hushin' Russian – Abigail Dinwoodie  
Watery Moon – Rob Marling  
Quixotical – Maddie Schmitt  
Jimmy Hot – Addie Turner

## DRESSAGE

- **Sponsored by Ontario Racing**

Hushin' Russian – Abigail Dinwoodie  
Watery Moon – Rob Marling  
Paint the Stage – Monika Le Roy  
Quixotical – Maddie Schmitt  
Rule the Sea – Andrea McGowan

## CONFORMATION

- **Sponsored by The H.B.P.A. of Ontario**

Watery Moon – Rob Marling  
Hushin' Russian – Abigail Dinwoodie  
Rule the Sea – Andrea McGowan  
Tale of Perfection – Laura Bishop  
Paint the Stage – Monika Le Roy

# HILTON HELPS!

LONGRUN WAS HAPPY TO WELCOME friend and fellow horse lover, Vittoria Trinchi, to our Hillsburgh farm recently, pictured here meeting Hall of Famer, Pink Lloyd. Director of Sales and Marketing for Hilton's St. Jacobs Hampton Inn and Homewood Suites, Vittoria has been most generous in her support for us and our horses. In addition to providing us with overnight stays at her hotels as prizes in our Ladies' Lunch silent auction, Vittoria



has arranged to have special rates available for our representatives at the Thoroughbred Makeover in Kentucky and is looking to set up a corporate discounted rate via LongRun for hotel bookings at the two St. Jacobs locations.

These two Hilton properties will also be generously sponsoring one of our retirees, the beautiful Le Chat Noir, and a stall annually.....

# NO HOOV, NO HORSE!



LONGRUN IS VERY FORTUNATE in having such a great sponsor – Hoof Doctor – come aboard to ensure that our herd has the healthiest hooves possible.

Hoof Doctor, endorsed by many top equestrians, trainers and farriers, is a 100% natural product

consisting mainly of Birch Bark extract, Betulin and Fish Oil, which promotes external hoof health. Not only will our sanctuary herd of approximately 40 retirees reap the benefits of this fine product, each of our graduates will receive a branded goodie bag upon adoption which will include Hoof Doctor oil and putty, brochures and stickers. And participants in our Grad show will be gifted product as well.

LONGRUN IS TRULY GRATEFUL TO EQUINE ONE – HOOV DOCTOR FOR SEEING FIT TO HELP OUR HORSES IN SUCH A GENEROUS WAY.

# REMEMBERING.....



Marilyn Elkin

## MARILYN ELKIN

Horse lover Marilyn Elkin, who volunteered as a Steward at our initial Graduate Showcase and brought the Orangeville Probus Club to tour our farm, sadly and suddenly passed away this June. Initially employed by Canada Post, Marilyn furthered her education and became a Master in Library and Information Science, working for several Law Libraries in Peel and Dufferin, but her passion was always horses. After achieving the rank of Senior Dressage Steward with Equestrian

Canada, Marilyn travelled the province judging shows and was always a welcome face at LongRun.



Mary Ellen Kennedy

## MARY ELLEN KENNEDY

Long time thoroughbred owner and breeder, Mary Ellen Kennedy, left us this September after being hospitalized with a fall. Mary Ellen was president of the Eastern Canadian Thoroughbred Association for many years and was a true champion of thoroughbred aftercare.

LongRun was fortunate to



be the recipient of many of her retirees, and her exacting husbandry showed in that they were able to flourish in new careers after their time at the track was done.



Jennifer Edwards

## JENNIFER EDWARDS

Jennifer was a longtime friend of everyone and supporter of LongRun who enjoyed attending the races at Woodbine to cheer on her homebreds!

**LongRun is also fortunate enough to receive annual memorial donations from the loving families of John Unger and Joe Bakos - they are missed.**



## MEET OUR WONDERFUL FRIEND...

**MEET OUR WONDERFUL FRIEND**, Sovereign Award winning photographer and horse lover, Julie Wright. Julie has volunteered to be our official Graduate Showcase photographer for both last year and this!



## HUNTER CHALLENGE WINNER

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Holdin My Own and Kristjan Good, winner of LongRun TB Hunter Challenge Class at the Caledon Equestrian Park which was generously sponsored by Nobleton Feed Mill.



# UP TO SPEED!



**OUR FRIEND PAT GONSALVES** is always up to speed, whether it be via thoroughbred racehorses or horsepower! Pat has long been involved with racing at Woodbine as a spectator, handicapper and fervent member of the former Sam Lima's Thoroughbred Fan Club and he is equally enthusiastic about finding ways to help racehorses enjoy a second career after their days at the track are done. Pat always has great fundraising ideas and was fundamental in getting LongRun ads aired on REV-TV, where he has been working as an account executive since his "retirement" from CORUS Group.

Pat tells us that he has been announcing

motorcycle and car races for over 50 years and is currently the announcer at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park for all of their major races. He announced one weekend at CTMP with Kurt Becker, who was working there with the NASCAR Truck Series for the Motor Racing Network and assists Larry Simpson with his PONIES radio show.



## WHERE DO YOUR DONATIONS GO?

**LONGRUN IS FULLY COMMITTED** to giving our horses the best retirement and future possible. This has been a very expensive year for veterinary procedures and medications and we are extremely grateful to our supporters that we are able to provide our horses with the appropriate treatment and medications that keep them happy and healthy.



## BRONTE CREEK PROVINCIAL PARK

**THANK YOU TO SPRUCE LANE FARM** at Bronte Creek Provincial Park for generously offering our horses, Philzano and Cowardly Act, a summer vacation. They loved the attention they received from visitors to the Farm.





# LADIES' LUNCH

**OUR LADIES' LUNCH** held on May 25, 2024 at Woodbine Racetrack had a great turnout and fun was had by all! Thanks to jockey Sofia Vives for taking the time to pose for some photos. We can't wait until next year!



FRANCINE VILLENEUVE AND ENI CANDARAS ENJOYED MEETING 2017 CANADIAN HORSE OF THE YEAR, PINK LLOYD, AT OUR SPRING OPEN HOUSE.

# RETIRED RACEHORSE PROJECT



## THE RETIRED RACEHORSE PROJECT

Thoroughbred Makeover took place at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington Kentucky on October 9-12 2024. Back in January, LongRun farm and adoption manager Lauren Millet Simpson adopted Mr. Nobility through LongRun in the hopes of competing at the event. Mr. Nobility was donated to LongRun by owner John Dewberry and trainer Josie Carroll.

Over the course of the year, there were many highs and lows but Lauren and Mr. Nobility persevered through them all. They were joined in Kentucky by another LongRun graduate, Delawana Princess and adopter Samantha Fawcett. Delawana Princess was donated to LongRun by owners Manfred and Penny Conrad and trainer Mark Casse.

The week of the makeover was a fantastic showcase of retired thoroughbred racehorses competing in all disciplines. Lauren and Mr. Nobility competed in dressage, as well as taking part in a dressage clinic later in the week. It was an incredible learning experience for both. We also enjoyed networking with other organizations and competitors who visited our LongRun booth in the vendor fair.

Lauren and LongRun are very grateful for the support received from Mr. Nobility's racetrack connections, sponsors such as Tapestry Equine Products, System Equine, Southern Equine Distributing, Saddles2Go, farrier Jason Thomson and Hilton, as well as financial supporters along the way for making this journey possible.



# TRILLIUM CHAMPIONSHIPS

**LONGRUN WAS HAPPY TO SPONSOR** the Welcome Party and the High Point Thoroughbred Champion at the Trillium Championships at Wesley Clover Parks in September. The Championship was won by Hell's Bells owned by Anna Milburn and ridden by Anna Milburn and Brynn Ormsby.



*Hell's Bells ridden by Anna Milburn (owner) and Brynn Ormsby*

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