

Kentucky Equine Research Congratulates Team Member Champions

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It takes a very special horse to win the Kentucky Derby, but an even more rare individual to win all three races that comprise Thoroughbred racing's Triple Crown: the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness Stakes, and the Belmont Stakes. Every time one horse wins the first two races of the journey, the sporting world holds its breath in hopes a legend will be made. War Emblem and his colorful human connections provided plenty of excitement during the few weeks between the three races, but he joined many other horses who have been foiled by a loss in the Belmont.

Kentucky Equine Research (KER) proudly congratulates Team Member Farmers Feed Mill for being the feed supplier to War Emblem and to the Belmont winner Sarava. Feeding the winners of all three races is an impressive feat; however, Farmers Feed Mill can claim more than just the winners. In the Belmont, the top three finishers were all fueled by feeds supplied by the Lexington, Kentucky-based company and formulated by KER. Farmers Feed Mill also had a number of other winners including Bobby Frankel's Beat Hollow, the winner of the Woodford Reserve Stakes on Derby Day, and the Manhattan Stakes run the same day as the Belmont.

Team Member Flint River Mills (FRM) of Bainbridge, Georgia also knows the joys of being part of a winning program. It has supplied the feeds for two horses that have won top-condition awards at North American Trial Ride Conference (NATRC) events. Rebecca Bryson owns Samir's Cabaret Joe, a six-year-old Arabian gelding who most recently won the NATRC sweepstakes and top-condition award at the Big South Fork competition in Jamestown, Tennessee. She stated, "Competitive trail riding is very much like endurance riding except that our competitions are held over two days and the goal is not so much to win the race as it is to have the best conditioned horses in the competition. My horse has competed in five of these competitions and won three in a very short period of time. My friend Jackie Hamilton and her 19-year-old mare Puddles have won quite a few top-condition prizes as well. Both of these horses are fed Endurance Gold supplied by FRM and both get Endura-Max electrolytes from KER. What a difference both of these products have made for our horses!"



Photo submitted by Rebecca Bryson

Rebecca Bryson riding Samir's Cabaret Joe in a competition trail ride.

Pennfield Feeds in Lancaster, Pennsylvania has long been associated with the world's top three-day-event competitors. In the spring of this year, three of this Team Member's clients swept the most prestigious competitions in the United States. Bonnie Mosser of Coatesville, Pennsylvania, riding her nine-year-old English Thoroughbred Jenga, won the MBNA Foxhall Cup CCI™, the National Championship of Eventing, at Foxhall Farm just outside Atlanta, Georgia.

The first- and second-place horses at the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event CCI™™ held in Lexington in April were also fed Pennfield products. Kim Vinoski of Scottsville, Virginia rode Winsome Adante, a nine-year-old English Thoroughbred owned by Plain Dealing Farm, to her first win at this level. Right behind her was John Williams of Middleburg, Virginia who improved on his 12th-place place finish in 2001 with his 10-year-old Canadian Sport Horse gelding Carrick.

Pennfield Feeds provides these horses with a steady supply of Enduroevent Ener-G, a specially formulated feed for horses competing in three-day events and endurance competitions, and Summer Games Electrolytes to help replace essential electrolytes lost in the sweat of intensely worked horses. ☺☺

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