

# BELLADONNA RACING LLC

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OBS 2YO *Purchases*

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### “CAME OUT SWINGING” AT OBS



While many were just warming up during the OBS Spring sale opener, Belladonna Racing came out swinging, reeling in a pair of colts, including hip 19, a colt by Constitution for \$500,000. Later in the session, the operation's trainer Cherie DeVaux signed for hip 64, a colt by sophomore sire Oscar Performance who brought \$330,000. Both colts have been purchased to add to the group's latest offering, Belladonna V. Belladonna is a collective effort between third-generation horse owner Paul Manganaro and bloodstock agent David Ingordo, who is also married to DeVaux.

“We are here to buy athletes,” said Manganaro of the :10.1 breezer. “I thought he was a great representation of [Constitution]. He was elegant, and had a great presence and his breeze met up to our criteria.”

Out of Brazilian Group 3-placed mare Allez Marie (Unbridled's Song), the Apr. 15 foal is a half to SW Workaholic (Sky Mesa), GSP Tomato Bill (More Than Ready) and

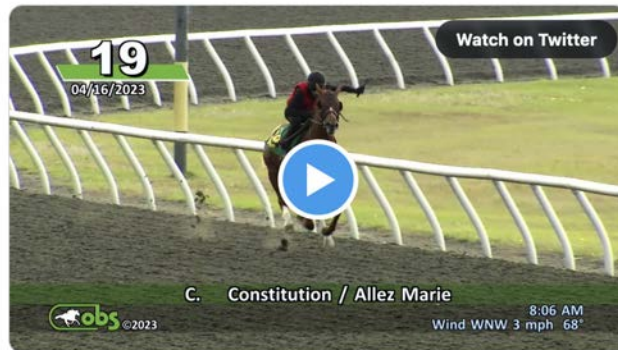
SP Fouette (Nyquist). A \$250,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase, the chestnut's second dam is 2005 GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Summerly. He was consigned by de Meric Sales.

“He also has a great pedigree—it's everything we are looking for,” Manganaro said. “With his looks and pedigree, he has stallion potential if he were to win a graded stakes.”



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Hip 19, a stunning colt by CONSTITUTION, currently leads the way at @OBSSales Spring after selling for \$500,000 to Cherie De Vaux, Agent for @BelladonnaRaci1! Consigned by de Meric Sales #Ratified



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During Tuesday's session, the Belladonna team also landed a son of three-time Grade I winner Balance (Thunder Gulch), a half-sister to Horse of the Year Zenyatta. Consigned by Eisaman Equine, the Apr. 21 foal, who realized \$170,000 at Keeneland last September, breezed a quarter in :10.2 last week.

“Obviously, our general, David Ingordo, has a lot of history with the family,” explained Manganaro referring to the agent who was instrumental in unearthing the three-time continued on page 2



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## OBS 2YO Purchases (CONT.)



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champion older mare and dual Breeders' Cup winner.

Balance, who like Oscar Performance raced in the Amerman Racing colors of John and Jerry Amerman, was purchased by Andrew Warren for \$135,000 at the 2020 Keeneland November sale carrying this colt.

"There was a little concern that Balance's earlier foals haven't really clicked yet," said Manganaro. "So, we studied each one and we thought this was her best cross yet. Of course, Oscar Performance is having a good start at stud."

Belladonna kicked off in 2019, and among its earliest purchases was Bayerness (Bayern), a \$350,000 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic purchase that has won five of 12 starts, highlighted by the Shine Again S. at Saratoga in 2021. Multiple graded stakes placed, the chestnut earned over \$400,000 at the track. And while the operation focused on the fairer set in its earlier offerings, it has added a greater emphasis on colts for its latest collection.

"We were looking to add to the top 25% of what we already bought for Belladonna V," explained Manganaro. "Our members wanted to diversify and add a few more colts into the mix. So for Bel-

ladonna V, we figured we'd shoot for about 15 horses, a mixture of colts and fillies. We had eight fillies and six colts coming in, so this balances things off."

Manganaro added, "We didn't come down here looking for colts, although it was the priority. We just wanted the best athletes.

"Of course, the colts are higher risk, but also higher reward. So that's why we are looking for the right physical and pedigree in our colts."

Following Tuesday's purchases, Belladonna currently has 16 2-year-olds, and a dozen 3 and 4-year-olds from prior partnerships.



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And now he is on the Belladonna V Team! Happy to have this one out of G1 winner Balance, a half-sister to Zenyatta.

— **Headley Bell** @headleybell

This is the '21 OSCAR PERFORMANCE/BALANCE colt soon to sell for Barry Eisaman..

a real athlete and promising racing prospect..



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When asked if the team has been able to stick to budget with its two initial OBS Spring purchases, Manganaro said, "One was a little bit more than we thought and one was a little bit less, so it all balanced out at the end of the day."

He added, "Last month [at the OBS March sale], we found some in March but we ended up just being spectators on them, because they brought triple what we thought. We have great discipline, we set a price and we'll go a bump or two but not too much over that. Overall, we're happy with what we got yesterday"



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OAKS & DERBY WEEK IS *Here!*

## 2023 Kentucky Oaks Post Positions

#	Horse	Sire	Odds
1	Mimi Kakushi	City of Light	20-1
2	The Alys Look	Connect	15-1
3	Gambling Girl	Dialed In	15-1
4	Southlawn	Pioneer of the Nile	8-1
5	Wonder Wheel	Into Mischief	12-1
6	Botanical	Medaglia d'Oro	4-1
7	Wet Paint	Blame	5-2
8	Promiseher America	American Pharoah	30-1
9	And Tell Me Nolies	Arrogate	15-1
10	Flying Connection	Nyquist	15-1
11	Defining Purpose	Cross Traffic	12-1
12	Dorth Vader	Girvin	20-1
13	Affirmative Lady	Arrogate	10-1
14	Pretty Mischievous	Into Mischief	10-1

## 2023 Kentucky Derby Post Positions

#	Horse	Sire	Odds
1	Hit Show	Candy Ride {Arg}	30-1
2	Verifying	Justify	15-1
3	Two Phil's	Hard Spun	12-1
4	Confidence Game	Candy Ride {Arg}	20-1
5	Tapit Trice	Tapit	5-1
6	Kingsbarns	Uncle Mo	12-1
7	Reincarnate	Good Magic	50-1
8	Mage	Good Magic	15-1
9	Skinner	Curlin	20-1
10	Practical Move	Practical Joke	10-1
11	Disarm	Gun Runner	30-1
12	Jace's Road	Quality Road	15-1
13	Sun Thunder	Into Mischief	30-1
14	Angel of Empire	Classic Empire	8-1
15	Forte	Violence	3-1
16	Raise Cain	Violence	15-1
17	Derma Sotogake (Jpn)	Mind Your Biscuits	10-1
18	Rocket Can	Into Mischief	15-1
19	Lord Miles	Curlin	30-1
20	Continuar (Jpn)	Drefong	50-1

## Trivia Question

Q: What is the Attendance Record for the Kentucky Derby?

Answer on page 8





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## OBS APRIL 2YO PURCHASES

### 2021 Colt, Constitution – Allez Marie

Purchased at OBS Spring  
2YO Sale for \$500,000

The Ocala Breeders' Sales Spring sale barely got underway before we had our first purchase, securing this athletic son of Constitution for \$500,000. As Hip 19, he worked on day one of the week-long breeze show and conquered the toughest conditions track-wise in a solid 10.1. His fluid monster stride measured 25.1 feet.

This copper chestnut colt is out of ALLEZ MARIE, a talented daughter of Unbridled's Song who placed in a Grade 3 in Brazil. As a broodmare, she has had four winners from five to race thus far, with three of her offspring earning blacktype. Her top earner, multiple stakes-placed Fouette, recently finished third in the Correction Stakes and has increased earnings of \$303K.

CONSTITUTION has steadily climbed the social ladder and is now one of the more expensive stallions in Kentucky, standing at \$110,000 advertised stud fee for 2023. A son of Tapit out of Baffled, by Distorted Humor, Constitution



is a multiple Grade 1 winner who is siring top-class runners, including nine Grade 1 winners and 30 stakes winners from five crops to race.

This is the kind of colt we have been looking for, by a top proven sire and we look forward to him making a race-track debut in the late summer to fall.



### 2021 Colt, Oscar Performance – Balance

Purchased at OBS Spring  
2YO Sale for \$330,000

His female family, featuring Horse of the Year Zenyatta, needs no introduction. This colt's dam, BALANCE, was a multiple G1 winner and a tough, sound performer. We have followed her offspring and this is the best one out of the mare, as well as the one that has been bred the best to suit the pedigree. Under the second dam is current Kentucky Derby hopeful CONFIDENCE GAME, a half-brother to our own BDR V colt by More Than Ready out of Eblouissante that we are very excited about.

OSCAR PERFORMANCE (Kitten's Joy-Devine Actress, by Theatrical {Ire}), a Breeders' Cup winner who won Grade 1s at ages 2, 3, and 4, is making waves with his first two crops on the track. He is a stallion we project will only get better, as his offspring are winning on dirt and turf.

This colt has it all and we thought at \$330,000, we were able to get him at the low end of what we budgeted for him.

This is another colt that we had to have. He exuded class and athleticism on the track with an almost 25-foot stride while breezing in 10.2 early under the poor track conditions. He was just as handsome and balanced in his appearance back at the barn.



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## HITTING THE OBS SALES GROUNDS



“  
 We are thrilled to add the Constitution and Oscar Performance colts to the Belladonna V roster. We had both colts very highly graded and think they will fit in nicely with the other quality prospects we secured in the Fall.  
 ”  
 – Paul Manganaro





# INGORDO BLOODSTOCK

## TEAM SPOTLIGHT

### Casey Klein

**Years in the Horse Business:**  
3

**Years with the Ingordo Bloodstock:**  
3 months

**Position title:**  
Business Development

**List other horse-related jobs you have had prior to joining Ingordo Bloodstock:**  
Client Relations at Silver Springs Training in Lexington, KY

**How did your involvement in Thoroughbred Racing start?:**  
I grew up in the industry, as my dad and grandparents started Klein Racing in the late 1980's. Klein Racing has been an owner/breeder in the KY, NY and FL circuits since then.

**What do you enjoy most about your current job?:**  
I very much enjoy meeting new people and the competitive nature of the job and industry.

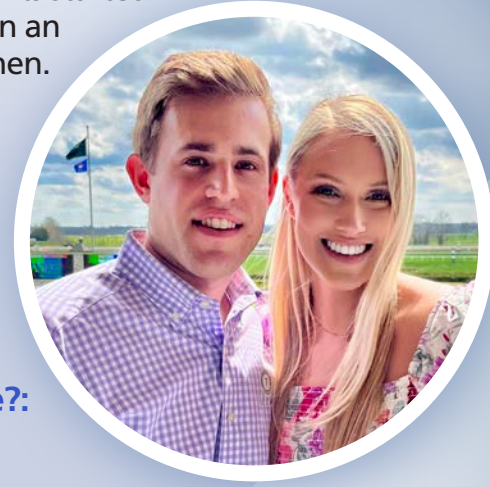
**What is your favorite race track?:**  
Churchill Downs

**Do you have a favorite Belladonna-owned Horse?:**  
Bayerness

**What activities or hobbies do you enjoy outside of horse racing?:**  
I love spending time with family and being active outside playing various sports whenever I can.

**Do you have a favorite memory in racing?:**  
Break Even winning the G2 Eight Belles Stakes on Oaks Day for Klein Racing. We owned and raced the sire and the dam of her, so that was a really special moment for us.

**Who is your all-time favorite race horse?:**  
For Klein Racing, it would be Field Day. Not of ours, Two Emmy's or Colonel Liam.





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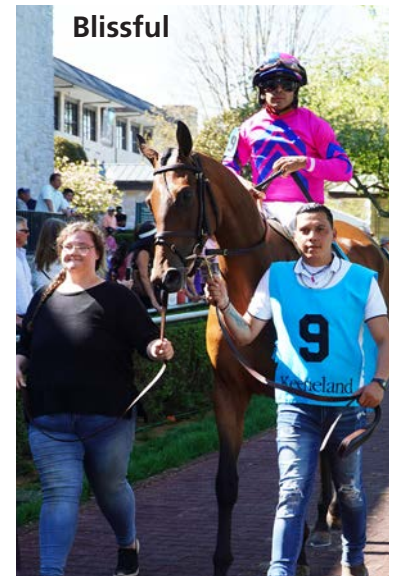
## KEENELAND *Spring*



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**Belladonna Racing was well represented!**





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## *Around* THE TRACK



Apriati



Mural



Paleta



Norwich



Commodore (outside)



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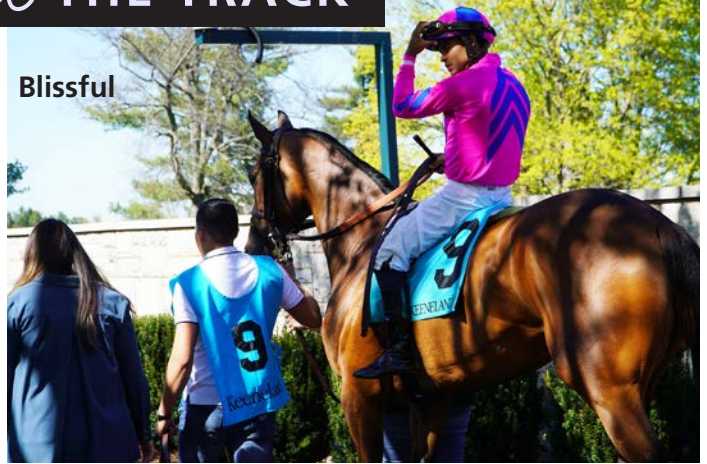
Blissful

A: In 2015, 170,513 people attended the Derby when AMERICAN PHAROAH won.



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## *Around* THE TRACK



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Paleta



Auraculous

