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Manitoba/Saskatchewan Sire Profiles

Sixteen Manitoba and Saskatchewan thoroughbred sires have registered for the lucrative breeding programs offered by [CTHS Manitoba](#). We continue our sire profiles this week with Speculating and Red Knobs. There will be an excellent selection of stallions to choose from this spring for Manitoba mare owners.



Speculating's first crop of 3-year-olds will be at the track this year.

Speculating

(Medaglia d'Oro-Well Dressed by Notebook)

A royally-bred son of leading sire Medaglia d'Oro, Speculating offers Manitoba breeders access to one of North America's most prolific and commercially desirable bloodlines.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Speculating.



Red Knobs winning the 2022 Manitoba Derby. (Jason Halstead / Assiniboia Photo)

Red Knobs

(Union Rags-Hokey Okey by Lonhro (AUS))

A classic-winning son of leading sire Union Rags, Red Knobs brings versatility, stamina, and a prestigious international pedigree to Manitoba breeders.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Red Knobs.



Player's Choice Tournament Winner Roger Jones

Winnipeg Transit Driver Roger Jones Rides Quarter Horses to Tournament Victory

In a sport where conventional wisdom often dictates strategy, Roger Jones took the road less travelled at Assiniboia Downs last Saturday, and it led straight to the winner's circle.

[CLICK HERE](#) to find out how he did it.



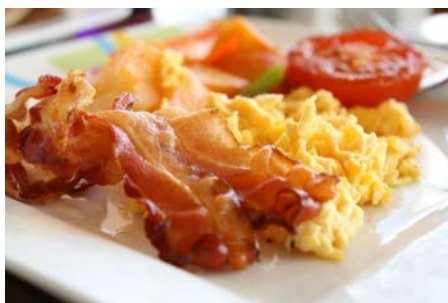
2025 Live Racing Season

- **REVISED** 2025 Live Race Dates - click [here](#)
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- **REVISED** Condition Book #1 - click [here](#)
- Stakes Schedule - click [here](#)
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- Watch and wager on world-class racing at ASD, off-track locations or HPIbet.com. [Click here for a complete list of places to wager.](#)
- Join the "I Won Bigg" wagering group every Saturday at 10:30 a.m. on the plaza. Everyone is welcome. For more information email [Larry](#).
- **Mandatory payout of the Gulfstream Pick 6 on Sunday, March 2. Current carryover is \$247,754**

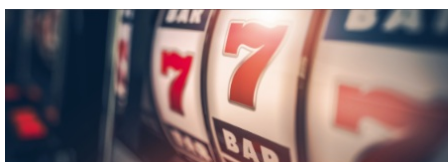


Tickets on Sale for Easter Brunch & Mother's Day Brunch

Tickets are on sale now for Easter Brunch & Mother's Day Brunch. **Both of these will sell out quickly so call 204-885-3330 and get your tickets today!**

- [Easter Brunch](#) - Sunday, April 20
- [Mother's Day Brunch](#) - Sunday, May 11

Click the above links for menu details and ticket prices.



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- Free Draw for \$200 Cash every Friday, Saturday & Sunday plus draws to Spin the Lucky Cash Wheel





A Snapshot in Time by Bob Gates

As *Love Month* comes to a close, our final tribute goes to Sacred Arrow, a chestnut mare who raced from 1966 to 1969.

Click [here](#) to read more.



- \$11.95 Daily Lunch Special
- Happy Hour (3 to 5pm & 9pm to close)
- \$4 Spirit Hour (11 pm to midnight)
- Daily Evening Specials



Race Administration Official - Competition 43788:

The LGCA is seeking a highly motivated individual to work within the Gaming Services Department, which is part of the Operations Unit. Link to job posting on the LGCA website: <https://lgcamb.ca/job-postings/>



2025 Gotham Stakes at a Glance

The Gotham Stakes can put the winner in the field for the 2025 Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve. Yet even with those 50 qualifying points on the line, Saturday's Gotham is not your typical run for the roses prep at this time of year.

Contested over a one-turn mile at Aqueduct, the Gotham could provide the necessary points, but may also leave some unresolved question's about a 3-year-old's ability to handle the 1 ¼-mile distance on the first Saturday in May. ~ *America's Best Racing*

Flood Zone could be a sleeper in Gotham Stakes. (Coglianese Photos/Lauren King)

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Fountain of Youth Stakes Cheat Sheet

The road to the 2025 Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve kicks into high gear as the calendar turns to March, and Gulfstream Park will be a focal point on a nationwide day of prep races this Saturday as it hosts the 79th Coolmore Fountain of Youth Stakes.

14 horses have come out of this race to win the first jewel of the Triple Crown, most recently Mage in 2023, who finished fourth and then pulled the upset under the

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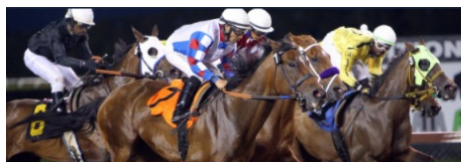
Kentucky Derby: Who To Watch

Fountain of Youth, San Felipe, Gotham

You might already have your favourite Kentucky Derby horse or, like many of us, you are continuing to watch the lead-up races. Have your remote ready, because on Saturday, March 1 there are a trio of such races at the major circuits, all worth watching! ~ *Canadian Thoroughbred*

Fountain of Youth second choice Burnham Square (Gulfstream Park photo)

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The Best of Bob by Bob Gates

From July 24, 2020: Alfred G. Tarn: Rosser Pig Farmer Turned World Class Horseman

For this week, Bob has uncovered a gem. His research took him back 100 years, but he found a Rosser pig farmer turned world-class horseman that was the second-leading trainer in all of North America in 1936. In addition, our mystery man was the father-in-law of Alberta-born jockey **Johnny Longden**. Click [here](#) for Bob's story.

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