

DIVERSIONS

THE STYLE INVITATIONAL

The Pony-Ma Papers: This year's top foal names

BY PAT MYERS

In **Week 1170**, our 22nd annual foal-"breeding" contest, we gave you a list of 100 of the horses nominated for this year's Triple Crown races and asked you to "breed" any two and name the "foal." The field was, as usual, highly crowded — just about 4,000 entries — and, as usual, of Triple Crown quality: The Empress's "shortlist" of worthies topped 250 names. Lots of First Offenders this week, as well as ink for some Losers who play only the horses each year — like Mary Lee Fox Roe, who, before the Empress started the 25-entry limit, would send in 600 foal names in a single contest.

4th place

Awesome Speed x Gulf Of Mexico = Don'tMethWithTexas (Pete Morelewich, Washington)

3rd place

Suddenbreakingnews x Twenty Four Seven = PlaneStillMissing! (Mark LeVota, Washington, a First Offender)

2nd place and the pocket-size Derby board game:

Big Red Rocket x Cold Blood = Wile E. Capote (Pam Sweeney, Burlington, Mass.)

And the winner of the Inkin' Memorial

Perfect Saint x Caribbean = Francis Of A C Sea (Danielle Nowlin, Fairfax Station, Va.)

Off-track bedding: honorable mentions

Awesome Speed x Rated R Superstar = Sandra Buttock (Kurt Stahl, Frederick)

Awesome Speed x Exaggerator = Crystal Meh (Jesse Frankovich, Lansing, Mich.)

Cherry Wine x Can't Remember = Bing Cosby (Tom Witte, Montgomery Village, Md.)

Mohaymen x Bar None = Mohaypeople (Jesse Frankovich)

Big Red Rocket x Exaggerator = Thrust But Verify (Dudley Thompson, Cary, N.C.)

Billy's Kitten x Ten Blessings = Hanukkah Lewinsky (Beth Morgan, Palo Alto, Calif.)

Bombs Away x Caribbean = Apocalypse (Jeff Shirley, Richmond)

Exaggerator x Brody's Cause = Yuge Pianist (Frank Osen, Pasadena, Calif.)

Molasses Brown x Destin = Desitin (Todd DeLap, Fairfax, Va.)

Annals of Time x Mighty Moses = Auld Lang Zion (Chris Doyle, Denton, Tex.)

Attraction x Name Changer = Kiss Me Cait (Barry Koch, Catlett, Va.)

Big Squeeze x Billy's Kitten = Pus in Boots (Stephen Dudzik, Olney, Md.)

General MacArthur x Happy Match = I Shall Re-Burn (Todd DeLap)

General MacArthur x Mighty Moses = Thou Shalt Return (Rob Wolf, Gaithersburg, Md.)

General MacArthur x Stradivari = I Shall Retune (Jeffrey Steinberg, Bethesda, a First Offender)

Ima Monster x Pinstripe = HydeOfTheYankees (Andrew Hoenig, Rockville, Md.)

Stradivari x Miles of Humor = Yo-Yo Mama (Steve Price, New York)

Mighty Moses x Big Squeeze = Let My Pimple Go (Ellen Raphaeli, Falls Church, Va.; Larry Gray, Union Bridge, Md.)

Life Is A Trip x Twenty Four Seven = Timothy Weary (Harold Mantle, Lafayette, Calif.)

Perfect Saint x Percolator = St. Arbucks (Gordon Arsenoff, St. Louis)

Economic Model x Flexibility = WhatAnswerYouWant? (Perry Beider, Silver Spring)

Emoji Man x Can't Remember = \(_/ (Emily Davis, Boise, Idaho)

Awesome Speed x Dressed in Hermes = Nascarf (Kathryn Perry, Fort Worth)

Pinnacle Peak x Diplodocus = Thesaurus (David Kofalt, Gaithersburg, Md.)



BOB STAAKE FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Week 1174: Colt Following — It's time for the grandfoals

Even though the Empress just finished tossing approximately 3,950 of the Week 1170 "foal" names in her virtual wastebasket — the rest of them got ink today — she's haughtily confident that the Loser Community will trot right back into the starting gate for the Invite's 11th annual "grandfoal contest." **This week: "Breed" any two of the 57 foal names that got ink this week and name the offspring to reflect both parents' names**, in the style of the first-generation combinations published today. Just as for the first-round contest, the names are limited to 18 characters including spaces and punctuation marks. As always, don't "breed" three horses together, and don't give the foal a name that's on the list. As always, you may submit as many as 25 names. Note: Be sure to spell the parents' names as they're printed here.

Winner gets the Inkin' Memorial, the Lincoln statue bobblehead that is the official Style Invitational trophy. And speaking of animal romance: Second place receives, direct from New Zealand from Loser Bruce Alter . . . well, this week it should be jockey shorts, but it's a pair of souvenir boxers with little cartoon kiwi birds crudely romancing little cartoon sheep. The waistband proudly says "New Zealand" all around. This lovely garment will make you look your best Down Under.

Other runners-up win their choice of a yearned-for Loser Mug, the older-model "This Is Your Brain on Mugs" mug or a vintage Loser T-shirt. Honorable mentions get one of our lusted-after Loser magnets, "Magnet Dum Laude" or "Falling Jest Short." First Offenders receive a smelly tree-shaped air "freshener" (FirStink for their first ink). Email entries to losers@washpost.com. Deadline is Monday night, May 16; results published June 5 (online June 2). You may submit up to 25 entries per contest. Include "Week 1174" in your email subject line or it might be ignored as spam. Include your real name, postal address and phone number with your entry. See contest rules and guidelines at wapo.st/InvRules. The headline for this week's results is by Tom Witte; the honorable-mentions subhead is by Beverley Sharp. Join the lively Style Invitational Devotees group on Facebook at on.fb.me/invdev. "Like" the Style Invitational Ink of the Day on Facebook at bit.ly/inkofday; follow @StyleInvite on Twitter.

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The Derby's second-place finisher wins \$400,000. Our No. 2 grandfoal wins risqué boxers from New Zealand.

Mighty Moses x Flexibility = TheTenSuggestions (Laurie Brink, Cleveland, Mo.)

General MacArthur x Gettysburg = Return Address (Dave Matuskey, San Francisco, a First Offender)

Giant Trick x Mohaymen = HoMayhem (Sam Laudenslager, Burke, Va.)

Nyquist x Start A War = Dyquick (Ward Kay, Vienna, Va.)

Creator x Catapult = Adam and Heave (Roy Ashley, Washington)

Great Dane x Who's Out = Not To Be (Annette Green, Lexington, Va., a First Offender)

Moose x Mor Spirit = Gimme Another O! (Roy Ashley)

Whitmore x Who's Out = _itm_re (Kathy Hardis Fraeman, Olney, Md.; Jeff Contompasis, Ashburn, Va.)

Moose x Name Changer = Autocorrect: Nose (John Kammer, South Riding, Va.)

Perfect Saint x Annals of Time = Joan of Archives (John Hutchins, Silver Spring, Md.)

Annals of Time x Gun Runner = Glock Watcher (Pamela Love, Columbia, Md., a First Offender)

Dressed In Hermes x Can't Remember = Glamnesia (Dave Silberstein, College Park, Md.; Jeff Shirley)

Great Dane x Can't Remember = Ham Somebody? (Roger Dalrymple, Gettysburg, Pa.)

Can't Remember x Gulf Of Mexico = Señor Moment (Gary Crockett, Chevy Chase, Md.)

Big Squeeze x Moose = Significant Udder (Laura Bennett Peterson, Washington)

Riddler x Big Squeeze = Sphinxter (John Winant, Annandale, Va.)

Can't Remember x Urban Bourbon = Take the Fifth (Mary Lee Fox Roe, Mount Kisco, N.Y.; Ellen Raphaeli)

Urban Bourbon x Can't Remember = Jack Denial's (Dudley Thompson)

Dressed In Hermes x Rated R Superstar = Dressed In Herpes (Mary Lee Fox Roe)

Economic Model x Emoji Man = Supply and :D Man (Dave Komornik, Danville, Va.)

Magical Mystery x Emoji Man = IM the Walrus (Matt Monitto, Bristol, Conn.)

Emoji Man x Smokey Image = SecondThatEmoticon (Kevin Dopart, Washington; Jonathan Hardis, Gaithersburg, Md.)

Awesome Speed x Diplodocus = Prontosaurus (Jeff Contompasis)

Enroute x Magical Mystery = Recalculating ... (Stuart Rogers, Toronto)

Enroute x Perfect Saint = Someone Else's Kid (Mike Gips, Bethesda, Md.)

Pinnacle Peak x Exaggerator = OK, Moderate Mound (Sarah Jay, Churchillville, Md.)

Name Changer x Gun Runner = AKA-47 (Danielle Nowlin; Jeff Contompasis)

Magical Mystery x Weight No More = Genie Craig (Kathleen DeBold, Burtonsville, Md.)

Mo Tom x Weight No More = Les Tom (Rose C. Breidenbaugh, Silver Spring, Md., a First Offender)

Still running — deadline Monday night, May 9: Our contest to slightly change the name of a food. See bit.ly/invite1173.

SUNDAY CHALLENGE

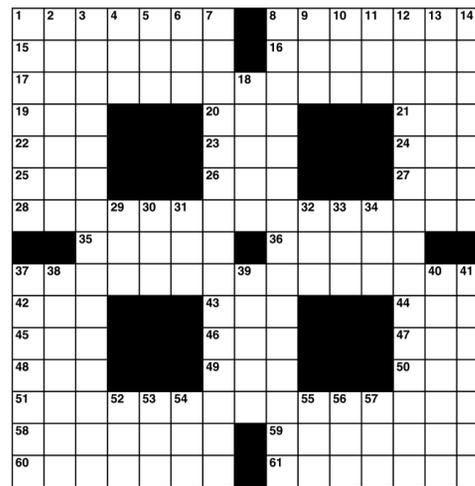
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- ACROSS**
- Roman counterpart to Athena
 - Old bread from Barcelona
 - Germfree
 - Finish, in a way
 - Court event
 - Bit of mocking laughter
 - Always beat
 - Sept. setting in Sioux City
 - The Beatles' "___ Mine"
 - Work's antithesis, briefly
 - Daughter of Loki, in Norse myth
 - "___ for Moose" (Sue Grafton book)
 - Diamond head?
 - Legal attachment?
- DOWN**
- Dating service data, often
 - Martin Sheen's real first name
 - Reach competitor
 - Displaying high energy
 - Tennis score word
 - Stroller occupant
 - "On the Road" narrator Paradise
 - "The Honourable Woman" co-star
 - "___ get it now!"
 - Tokyo's ___ Castle
 - Where some pins are made
 - Target
 - New Deal prog.
 - First impulse
 - "Of Mice and Men," for one
 - Put a new tag on
 - Unseen troublemaker
 - Criticizes harshly

Answer to last week

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- Aliens, for short
- Contacts
- Least interesting
- Doesn't go to court, perhaps
- Many an Ariana Grande fan
- Proverb ending?
- Southern Conf. rival of The Citadel
- Long, long time
- Middle of a famous palindrome
- Dorm VIPs
- Jeff Lynne's band, for short
- Field with fields
- First name of a celebrated first lady
- Fireworks viewer, usually
- Future croaker
- Tennis star Stephens and best-selling author Crosley
- Pro ___
- Fighting something, say
- Will Smith biopic
- Three Mile Island watchdog (abbr.)
- Windy City commuters' org.
- Small songbird



HOROSCOPE

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY | May 8: This year your imagination often gets triggered when hanging out with a specific friend or set of friends. If you are single, you seem more accepting of a relationship with a potential sweetie. This bond could become quite different from those you've had in the past. If you are attached, you could find an innate possessiveness emerging from you about your significant other. Build up your self-confidence and avoid becoming territorial. Gemini might be quick-witted and fun, but he or she can be amazingly superficial.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Others find you to be inspirational in the morning. You seem to come up with ideas and solutions that work and feel possible to them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try saying "no" to a favorite person. At some point in the day, you probably will need to decline someone's request, most likely because it triggers a money issue, which does not feel right to you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You could be in a position where you don't feel comfortable with a loved one's negativity. Your ability to

change others' moods tends to fall flat with this person.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Know when to take a timeout and proceed in a different manner. surrounds your personal life or by a job that

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Join friends for a movie or brunch. A carefree environment only adds to the celebratory tone of the moment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will prefer having a carefree day without interruptions; however, a friend might need your time and attention.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Step back and take this opportunity to make the most of an offer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Someone you view as being quite close to you might push some buttons. You'll wonder why you are proceeding as you have been, and this could stop in your tracks.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You might be slightly more provocative than you realize. You can push others only so much.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Recognize that you might want to slow down on this day of rest.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your attention and happiness seems to revolve around a child or loved one. If you are single, a new flirtation could come blazing into your life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Tension builds around a partner or a new special person. You want this bond to work out well, and at times, you worry too much about it.

Yoga student wants a quiet workout

Ask Amy
AMY DICKINSON

Dear Amy: I have been practicing yoga for five years, the past two with one teacher.

The lessons are private, so it's just the two of us, and, as a result, she feels free to chat with me the entire length of the session.

I've tried giving her one-word answers. I've also tried waiting to respond, but she just keeps asking questions and talking.

As a result, I am not getting the workout I am paying for. On top of this I find it very stressful to try to be polite while secretly wishing she would just stop talking!

I know the mature thing to do would be to tell her I want a quieter workout, but at this point I've let it go on so long, she genuinely thinks we are friends and would be extremely hurt.

I would also feel very awkward, adding more discomfort to an already unpleasant situation. I want to switch to a new teacher but don't know how to explain the change. In this situation, I seem to feel equally uncomfortable lying and telling the truth. What should I do?

Nama-stop Talking

Nama-stop Talking: You should assume that your yoga teacher would try to alter her own behavior rather than lose you as a client. You should also assume that if she loses you as a client she will also lose you as a friend.

If you choose to switch teachers, then you should honestly explain your choice, so why don't you explain your choice without switching teachers to see if she can

quickly change? Ask her to meet you a little early for your next yoga session. Tell her, "I have something important to discuss. I want to ask you to change things up in class. I need to push and grow and during class I'd really like to only deal with yoga — I don't want to talk about personal things or answer questions, unless they're related to the practice. I need for this to be a quiet refuge from the rest of my life."

Realistically, she may not be able to instruct you in the way you want. If this is the case, you'll have to find another instructor and bid her a final "namaste."

Dear Amy: About two years ago my sister-in-law and her new husband decided to become "snowbirds" in Florida and spend the summer months at their home in the Midwest. They would be staying with us in our home three times a year, for a week each time.

Toward the end of the first week they stayed with us we needed to get a few "items" cleared up. We asked them to please not let the water run in the sinks when they weren't using them, to turn off the TV, lights, etc., when leaving the house, and to lock the door every time they went out.

We had previously mentioned these but had to get serious with my sister-in-law on the last day. She became very upset and asked if we wanted money for them to stay there! (Of course we don't.) They packed up and left that day and have not stayed with us since. This hurt my partner very much, as he is very close to his

sister. We wrote them a letter saying we were sorry we offended them, but we wanted them to be aware of what we needed from them when staying at our home.

My partner and his sister are now on speaking and visiting terms, just not in our home. She blames me for everything. I have tried calling, but she won't talk. I am not invited to either of their homes when my partner visits. He tries to mend the fences, but it's just not happening. Any suggestions?

Upset

Upset: If your partner wants to include you in his interactions with his sister, then he needs to tell her that you two are a package deal and that excluding you from every interaction is unacceptable to him. Would his sister tolerate you excluding her husband from every visit? I doubt it.

Dear Amy: The letter from "Sad" detailing her emotional affair with a co-worker made me very sad. I engaged in a very similar relationship with a colleague and almost ruined my marriage. I lost years and tears to this other relationship, and I have so many regrets. I ended up leaving my job (mainly because of this) in order to save my marriage.

Been There

Been There: I hope you feel your choice was worth it, ultimately.

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