Connect the Empire

Bay Colt; Feb 20, 2023

Connect the Empire Foaled in Kentucky	Connect, 13 dk b/	Curlin, 04 ch	Smart Strike, 92 b Sherriff's Deputy, 94 b
		Bullville Belle, 97 dk b/	Holy Bull, 91 gr Barkerville Belle, 80 dk b/
	Eve Harrington, 16 b	Flatter, 99 b	A.P. Indy, 89 dk b/ Praise, 94 b
		Unbridled Empire, 07 b	Empire Maker, 00 dk b/ Cindazanno, 90 b

By CONNECT (2013). Stakes winner of $1,370,000, Cigar Mile H. **[G1]** (AQU, $300,000), etc. Sire of 6 crops of racing age, 503 foals, 398 starters, 20 stakes winners, 2 champions, 261 winners of 743 races and earning $33,116,860 USA, including Lord Mountbatten (Champion in Scandinavia, to 5, 2026, $247,628 USA, Valley Chapel Memorial [L], etc.), Witwatersrand (Champion in Canada, $183,125 USA, Mazarine S. **[G3]** (WO, $90,000(CAN)), etc.), Rattle N Roll ($3,952,047 USA, Claiborne Breeders' Futurity **[G1]** (KEE, $300,000), etc.), Hidden Connection ($851,808, Pocahontas S. **[G3]** (CD, $177,525), etc.), Chip Honcho (to 3, 2026, $830,475, Ohio Derby **[G3]** (TDN, $300,000), etc.), Forever After All ($827,454 USA, Bewitch S. **[G3]** (KEE, $211,575), etc.), Candy Quest ($673,356 USA, Ontario Colleen S. **[G3]** (WO, $90,000(CAN)), etc.).

1st dam

Eve Harrington, by Flatter. Winner at 3 in ENG, $7,736 (USA). Dam of 2 foals, 2 to race, 1 winner--

Broderick (g. by Blame). 4 wins at 3 and 4, 2026, $107,492.

Connect the Empire (c. by Connect). See below.

2nd dam

Unbridled Empire, by Empire Maker. Unplaced in 1 start. Half-sister to **FOURTY NINERS SON** ($673,825, Clement L. Hirsch Memorial Turf Championship S. **[G1]** (OSA, $150,000), etc., sire), **CINDY'S HERO** ($371,975, Del Mar Debutante S. **[G1]**, etc.). Dam of 7 winners--

ARKLOW (c. by Arch). 9 wins, 3 to 7, $3,025,996, Joe Hirsch Turf Classic S. **[G1]** (BEL, $275,000), American Turf S. **[G2]** (CD, $176,700), Hollywood Turf Cup S. **[G2]** (DMR, $120,000), Calumet Farm Kentucky Turf Cup S. **[G3]** (KD, $589,000), Calumet Farm Kentucky Turf Cup S. **[G3]** (KD, $432,450), Louisville S. **[G3]** (CD, $84,630), Kentucky Downs Preview Calumet Farm Turf Cup S. (ELP, $60,105), 2nd Man o' War S. **[G1]** (BEL, $130,000), etc.

MARAUD (c. by Blame). 4 wins at 2 and 3, $506,510, American Turf S. **[G2]** (CD, $169,260), Palm Beach S. **[G3]** (GP, $60,760), 2nd National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame S. **[G2]** (SAR, $40,000), 3rd Pilgrim S. **[G3]** (BEL, $20,000), Red Bank S. **[G3]** (MTH, $15,000), Tropical Turf S. **[G3]** (GP, $9,600), Danger's Hour S. [L] (AQU, $12,000), Pulpit S. (GP, $7,050). Sire.

Bear Alley (c. by Will Take Charge). 5 wins at 4 and 5, $212,396.

Lorenzo Bernini (g. by Authentic). Winner at 4, 2026, $54,280.

Scat's Empire (f. by Scat Daddy). Winner at 3, $23,290. Producer.

Fine Happy (f. by Runhappy). 2 wins at 3 in JPN, $21,410 (USA).

Eve Harrington (f. by Flatter). See above.

Shirley's Bane (f. by Justify). Placed at 2, $15,000.

3rd dam

Cindazanno, by Alleged. Winner at 4, $48,451. Half-sister to **ALL GLORY** ($41,849 (USA), Champion older mare in Chile, Carlos Allende Navarro **[G2]**, etc.). Dam of 4 winners--

FOURTY NINERS SON (c. by Distorted Humor). 6 wins, 3 to 6, $673,825, Clement L. Hirsch Memorial Turf Championship S. **[G1]** (OSA, $150,000), San Luis Rey H. **[G2]** (SA, $120,000), 2nd Eddie Read H. **[G1]** (DMR, $80,000), 3rd Arlington Million S. **[G1]** (AP, $100,000), American Invitational H. **[G2]** (HOL, $30,000) twice. Sire.

CINDY'S HERO (f. by Sea Hero). Winner at 2 and 3, $371,975, Del Mar Debutante S. **[G1]**, Harold C. Ramser Sr. H. [L] (SA, $66,300), 2nd Torrey Pines S. -R (DMR, $15,650), 3rd Oak Leaf S. **[G1]**. Dam of--

DELEGATION (g. by Speightstown). 6 wins at 3 and 4, $539,825(USA), Dominion Day S. **[G3]**-ntr, 1 1/4 miles in 2:01.51 (WO, $90,000(CAN)), Durham Cup S. **[G3]** (WO, $90,000(CAN)), 2nd Eclipse S. **[G2]** (WO, $40,000(CAN)), Mystic Lake Derby [L] (CBY, $32,250), Harlan's Holiday S. [L] (GP, $20,000), etc.

Pleased (f. by Bernardini). Winner at 3, $33,560. Dam of--

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PLAYFUL (f. by Violence). 6 wins at 2 and 3, 2026, $146,865(USA), Century Casino Oaks [L] (CTM, $60,000(CAN)).

Viva Skeeanno (f. by Peteski). 2 wins at 3, $28,485. Dam of--

=AENEAS (TUR) (c. by Sea Hero). 26 wins, 3 to 8 in TUR, $39,589 (USA), Buyuk Taarruz [L], 2nd Ertugrul Gazi [L], 3rd Yildirim Bayezid [L], Ertugrul Gazi [L].

=Serttas (TUR) (c. by Strike the Gold). 14 wins, 2 to 7 in TUR, $49,434 (USA), 2nd Yildirim Bayezid [L].

Pete's Skianno (g. by Peteski). 11 wins, 3 to 8, $159,440. Set ntr at Mountaineer Casino Racetrack & Resort, 1 1/2 miles in 2:31.43.

Son of Pegasus (g. by Fusaichi Pegasus). Placed at 4, $8,252.

Unbridled Empire (f. by Empire Maker). See above.

4th dam

Venus Bound, by Conquistador Cielo. Winner at 3, $20,505. Half-sister to **ROKEBY ROSE** ($250,480, Flower Bowl H.**-G2**, etc.), **SPLIT ROCK** ($187,426, Chaucer Cup H. [L] (CBY, $30,000), etc.), **I MEAN IT** ($186,332, Dahlia S. -R (LRL, $21,158), etc.), **Dallas Express** ($80,056 (USA), 2nd Memorial Day H., etc.). Dam of 8 winners, including--

ALL GLORY (f. by Honour and Glory). 9 wins, 2 to 4 in CHI, $41,849 (USA), Champion older mare in Chile, Carlos Allende Navarro **[G2]**, Constancio Silva Mandiola [L], 2nd Haras de Chile Mauricio Serrano Palma **[G1]**, Armada de Chile [L], Propietarios de Caballos F. S. de Carrera [L], 3rd Coronel Santiago Bueras [L].

Cindazanno (f. by Alleged). See above.

RACE RECORD for Connect the Empire: At 2, unraced; at 3, 2026, unplaced in 2 starts. Earned $2,104(USA) ($2,930(CAN)).

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