



Peter Miller

Born: Oct. 2, 1966 in Los Angeles

Residence: Carlsbad and Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Family: Wife, Lani; two sons

Breeders' Cup Record: 18-4-2-1 | \$3,469,000,

- **Eclipse Awards: Champion Sprinter** (Roy H, 2017 and 2018).
- Dominated the one-turn divisions of the Breeders' Cup in recent years, winning the Sprint (G1) with Roy H and the Turf Sprint (G1) with Stormy Liberal in both 2017 and 2018. Both horses are owned by the partnership of Rockingham Ranch and David Bernsen.
- In 2017, Roy H had won four out of five starts on the year heading into the Breeders' Cup Sprint, and he locked down the Eclipse Award for champion sprinter with a one-length victory at Del Mar. It was the first Eclipse Award earned by a Miller trainee. Roy H, a son of More Than Ready, locked down a second champion sprinter trophy a year later when he won the Sprint at Churchill Downs by a dominant 3 ¼ lengths.
- While Roy H was taking command of the Sprint division, Stormy Liberal was winning back-to-back renewals of the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint. The Stormy Atlantic gelding rallied late to win by a head in 2017 at odds of 30-1. He came back to Churchill Downs the following year as a better-known commodity, but still not the favorite, at 7-1 odds. It didn't change the outcome, though, with Stormy Liberal outlasting World of Trouble by a neck in an electric stretch duel.
- Stormy Liberal will be back to try to make it three in a row in the Turf Sprint in 2019. He is winless since last year's Breeders' Cup, but he's finished in the money in the Al Quoz Sprint (G1) on the Dubai World Cup undercard and the Eddie D. Stakes (G2), Joe Hernandez Stakes (G3) and Green Flash Handicap in the U.S.

- Stormy Liberal is part of a trio of hopefuls Miller plans to send postward for the Turf Sprint. Belvoir Bay, a British-bred Equiano mare, won the Las Cienegas Stakes and Wishing Well Stakes at Santa Anita to begin her campaign, then added runner-up efforts in the Al Quoz Sprint (G1) and Monrovia Stakes (G3). Om, a son of Munnings who famously defeated American Pharoah in the future Triple Crown winner's debut start, comes into the race off a win in a Churchill Downs allowance on June 29. Om ran second in the 2016 Turf Sprint at Santa Anita, then finished eighth in the 2017 Mile at Del Mar.
- Spiced Perfection enters the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint (G1) off a "Win and You're In" victory in the Thoroughbred Club of America Stakes (G2) Oct. 5 at Keeneland. The California-bred daughter of Smiling Tiger has run especially well at Keeneland this year, also picking up a win in the Madison Stakes (G1) during the Kentucky track's spring meet.
- The well-traveled Gray Magician is a hopeful for the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (G1). The 3-year-old son of Graydar raced at Santa Anita Park, Laurel Park and finally Meydan Racecourse in the U.A.E., before running 19th in this year's Kentucky Derby. He came back in the summer to run second in the Indiana Derby (G3), win the Ellis Park Derby, run second again in the Smarty Jones Stakes (G3) at Parx Racing and most recently take a Keeneland allowance on Oct. 11.
- In the Juvenile (G1), Miller plans to saddles Wrecking Crew, a son of Sky Kingdom who was purchased by Rockingham Ranch for \$875,000 at this year's Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Selected 2-Year-Olds In Training Sale after the colt posted the co-fastest breeze of the sale. He went on to win on debut by 1 ¾ lengths at Del Mar, then run second in the Best Pal Stakes (G2) and Del Mar Futurity (G1).
- Rounding out Miller's hopefuls is Juvenile Turf (G1) contender Billy Batts, a City Zip ridgling who won his fourth career start, then hit the board in the Del Mar Juvenile Turf Stakes and Zuma Beach Stakes, both in Southern California.
- Aside from his two-time winners, Miller has saddled a pair of runners-up in the Breeders' Cup. Reneesgotzip finished second in the 2013 Turf Sprint, while Richard's Boy finished behind stablemate Stormy Liberal in the 2017 Turf Sprint.
- Miller has won at least \$1 million in purse money every year since 2006, with 2018 bringing his biggest one-year haul - \$8,076,631. So far in 2019, his earnings have reached \$4.9 million into mid-October with a win mark of 18 percent.
- Won his first Grade 1 race when Set Play won the Del Mar Debutante in 2007.
- Saddled his first starter at Del Mar on Sept. 5, 1987, with Zar Moro running second in a claiming race. His first winner came on April 25, 1988, when Dynashield took a claiming race at Santa Anita.

- Wanted to be a jockey, but was told he'd grow too big, which he did. Instead, he worked as a groom during the summers of his high school years, then landed an apprenticeship with the legendary Charlie Whittingham, working as a full-time groom after graduating high school.
- Miller's stable base avoided a major catastrophe Dec. 7, 2017 when a fire broke out at San Luis Rey Downs, a training center northeast of Del Mar and not too far from his home in Carlsbad. At the time, he had 75 horses stabled there. Nine barns burnt to the ground and 46 horses were killed, of which five were trained by Miller. San Luis Rey reopened in April 2018. Miller accepted a Special Eclipse Award in 2017 on behalf of the people who worked to put out the fire and rebuild the training center in its aftermath.