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**ECLIPSE PRESS RELEASES *SECOND-CHANCE HORSES***  
**New Book Shines Spotlight on Successful Ex-Racehorses**

Lexington, KY (March 19, 2009) – Eclipse Press, along with publishing partner Keeneland, is proud to announce the release of the new book *Second-Chance Horses: Inspiring Stories of Ex-Racehorses Succeeding in New Careers*.

One of the most hotly debated issues in the horse racing industry is the uncertain fate that awaits many racehorses when their careers are over and they are no longer useful to their owners and trainers. Many find themselves in sale lots awaiting transport to a slaughterhouse; others fall victim to injury and neglect. However, more and more horses, through the work of numerous rescue organizations and caring individuals, are finding safe homes where they are retrained for various careers.

*Second-Chance Horses* is an inspiring collection of true stories about the amazing things ex-racehorses can accomplish once they are re-trained for new careers. From serving as mounted police horses to working in human therapy programs to competing at the Olympic level, these horses are proving there is plenty of life after the track. *Second-Chance Horses* follows nearly twenty ex-racers, including 2003 Kentucky Derby winner Funny Cide and the starring horse in the Academy Award-winning film *Seabiscuit* on their journeys from the racetrack to new careers and the obstacles they overcame. These stories illustrate the incredible will of these horses, and the many years of hard work and companionship they have left to give after their racing careers are over.

Contributing authors include prominent racing journalists, award-winning authors, and Blood-Horse Publications staff. The Foreword was written by Keeneland president Nick Nicholson.

“These tales of second chances will warm your heart and perhaps make you look at Thoroughbreds in a whole new light.” - Jeannine Edwards, horse racing analyst, ESPN.

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