



### H. Graham Motion

**Born:** May 22, 1964  
in Cambridge, England

#### Record at Keeneland

**Total wins:** 87

**Stakes wins:** 17

#### First Grade 1 Win:

2003 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup  
with Film Maker.

#### First Graded Stakes Win:

1993 Polynesian Handicap (G3)  
at Laurel with Gala Spinaway.

#### First Stakes Win:

1993 Chase Me Stakes at Laurel  
with Gala Spinaway.

#### First Career Win:

Bounding Daisy on Feb. 19, 1993  
at Laurel Park.

- Ranks 12th at Keeneland by all-time stakes victories with 17.
- Stable won 110 races and earned \$6,580,122 in 2012; highlights included Aruna's win in the Sheepshead Bay (G2) and Grade 3 wins by Smart Bid (Fair Grounds Handicap), Howe Great (Palm Beach), Went the Day Well (Vinery Racing Spiral), and Pachattack (Hilliard Lyons Doubledogdare at Keeneland).
- Trained his first Eclipse Award winner in 2011 – champion 3-year-old male Animal Kingdom.
- **Triple Crown win:** 2011 Kentucky Derby (G1) with Animal Kingdom, owned by Team Valor.
- **Breeders' Cup win:** 2010 Emirates Airline Filly & Mare Turf (G1) with Shared Account at 46-1 odds; and 2004 John Deere Turf (G1) with Better Talk Now.
- Voted the Big Sport of Turfdom Award in 2011.
- Won 1,000th race of his career on Nov. 16, 2006, at Laurel with Lucky Bachelor.
- Stable won 116 races in 2011 and earned \$8,818,283 to rank fifth; highlights included winning his first classic race with Animal Kingdom and other Grade 1 races, the Del Mar Oaks (Summer Soiree), Wood Memorial (Toby's Corner), Juddmonte Spinster (Aruna) and Hollywood Turf Cup (Sanagas [GER]).
- Finished in a tie for second at the 2007 Keeneland fall meet; ranked in the Top 10 at the 2009 Keeneland spring and fall meets; and finished third at the 2010 and 2011 fall and 2012 spring meets (tie) and fourth at the 2012 fall meet (tie).
- Won first career Grade 1 race at Keeneland with Film Maker in the 2003 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge.
- Other graded stakes winners include Gypsy's Warning (SAf), Check the Label, Film Maker, Humaita (GER), Bursting Forth, Funfair (GB), T.D. Vance, Olaya, Sweet Talker, Adriano and Bullsbay.

#### Background:

Raised in the village of Herringswell, Newmarket, his father, Michael Motion, was an internationally recognized representative for Tattersalls and bloodstock agent, and mother, Jo, was an amateur jockey in England and then worked as an assistant trainer in England and the U.S. She now operates a tack shop in Middleburg, VA. Graham's brother, Alexander, the Thoroughbred manager at Lazy Lane Farms for 10 years, is now a partner with his mother in the Middleburg Tack Exchange and a Thoroughbred consultant.

Graham started out working for Hall of Fame trainer Jonathan Sheppard from 1985 to 1990 while three-time Eclipse Award-winning steeplechaser Flatterer was in Sheppard's barn. He then worked for Jonathan Pease in France for a brief period, during which time he met his future wife, Anita, who was working for trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre.

He returned to the U.S. in 1990 and began working for trainer Bernie Bond, taking over his stable when Bond retired and subsequently died in 1993.