



# Caroline Bunch

2024 – 2026 Trainee

## Information



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## PROFILE

As a former investment banking analyst, I am merging my professional experience with my passion for racing. I am currently a trainee on the Godolphin Flying Start scholarship programme, which is a two-year, full-time Management and Leadership training programme that specializes in the international Thoroughbred racing and breeding industry. The mission of the programme is to recruit the most talented people worldwide and to give them a professional training and experience unmatched by any other, in turn achieving the vision of producing committed leaders working in existing and emerging markets contributing to the long-term success of the Thoroughbred industry.

## EDUCATION

### Godolphin Flying Start

2024-2026

### University of Virginia ("UVA")

Bachelor's Degree / 2018-2022

Majors – Global Studies, Arabic Language & Literature

Minor – Social Entrepreneurship

## EXPERIENCE

### Apprentice

Ballyerin Racing / November 2023 – July 2024

- Apprentice to trainers Madison Meyers and Kieran Norris during training hours, which included learning to exercise ride, hot walking, holding for vets and farriers, and other hands-on learning experience as well as providing operational support, such as managing feed accounts, reviewing Accounting detail, helping with entries, and submitting Virginia / Maryland certification docs

### Analyst

KippsDeSanto & Co. / July 2022 – March 2024

- Analyst at middle-market M&A firm focused on selling Aerospace & Defense companies
- Built detailed information books and financial models for clients and prospective buyers, conducted market / industry research, tracked and facilitated buyer due diligence, coordinated logistics for client and buyer meetings and dinners, and developed significant capabilities in Microsoft Office, specifically PowerPoint and Excel

### Card Runner

Elite Sales / April 2024, July 2024

- Ran cards and prepared marketing materials for Elite Sales for the April and July 2024 Horses of Racing Age Sales

Ballyerin Racing / May 2024

- Provided support for the Two-Year Olds in Training Sale in May 2024, including running cards, topping off horses, and hot walking

## ACHIEVEMENTS

MESALC Department, UVA / 2023

Graduation Speaker

University of Virginia / 2020

Tadler Fellow

## SKILLS

MICROSOFT  
OFFICE

COMMUNICATION

CRITICAL  
THINKING

TIME  
MANAGEMENT

LEADERSHIP

## REFERENCES

Clodagh Kavanagh, Godolphin Flying Start /  
2024 -2026 /  
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Madison Meyers & Kieran Norris, Ballyerin  
Racing / 2024 / ballyerindracing@hotmail.com

Andrew Motion, Old Chapel Farm / 2023 –  
2024 / oldchapelarmva@gmail.com

KippsDeSanto & Co. / 2022 – 2024

Scott Ewing, Appalachian Investors Alliance /  
2020 – 2022 / ewingsa@ornl.gov

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## GODOLPHIN FLYING START EXTERNSHIPS

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### USA

April 2025 – June 2025

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### Australia

November 2025 – December 2025

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### Europe

May 2026

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## INTERESTS

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Polo, fox hunting, reading, tennis, art

## Other Experience

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- **Sale shadowing / interning experience** – Corbin Blumberg of Starlight Racing (August 2023); Walker Hancock of Claiborne Farms (November 2022); and Frank & Daphne Wooten of Frank Wooten Stables (September 2021)
- **Other shadowing / interning experience** – Jordan Equine, shadowing Dr. Jen Jordan veterinary practice (2024); Old Chapel Farm, learned about breeding, bloodlines, sales prep, and starting yearlings from Andrew Motion (2023-2024)
- **Associate Research Analyst** – Appalachian Investors Alliance, an angel investing services organization focused on revitalizing Appalachia's economy after dependence on the coal industry (January 2020 – May 2022)
- **Card runner** – Eaton Sales (November 2021)