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THE CHAMP READIES FOR BELMONT

G1 Kentucky Derby and G1 Preakness S. winner **American Pharoah** (Pioneerof the Nile) registered his last serious work before Saturday's G1 Belmont S. under



American Pharoah
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cloudy skies Monday at Churchill Downs. The bay covered five panels in 1:00.20 ([video](#)) with Martin Garcia in the irons shortly after the renovation break. Churchill clocker John Nichols recorded 1/8-mile fractions in :13, :25 (:12), :36.60 (11.60) and :48.60 (:12). He galloped out six furlongs in 1:13, seven-eighths in 1:26 and a mile in 1:39.60.

Baffert noted how pleased he was with the work later in the morning. "Everything went really well today," Hall of Fame

trainer Bob Baffert said outside Barn 33. "I was worried about the rain a little bit but the track was in perfect shape. He went around there really nice and it sort of let up a little bit when he worked so it went just as we thought. He just kept on clicking right along and so now we just play the waiting game. We'll ship out [Tuesday] morning and hope everything goes well when we go to the Big Apple." **Cont. p3**

BREEDERS' CUP EXTENDS OUT-OF-COMPETITION TESTING

The Breeders' Cup has extended its out-of-competition testing program to include horses nominated to its challenge series of races, according to a statement released by the organization Monday. Winners of the challenge races will also be subject to out-of-competition testing at any time prior to the championship weekend. The challenge series consists of 50 graded stakes events in seven jurisdictions and 10 racetracks. Winners earn automatic berths into the championships.

"Breeders' Cup Limited is recognized as a leader in racing security, safety and testing at the World Championships and we are pleased to extend these measures to the challenge series and we thank the participating tracks for their cooperation and assistance," said Craig Fravel, President and CEO of Breeders' Cup Ltd. **Cont. p4**

GLENEAGLES, FOUND TO BYPASS EPSOM

The Coolmore partners' dual Guineas winner **Gleneagles (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and Group 1-winning filly **Found (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) are no longer under consideration for Saturday's G1 Epsom Derby, and both will target mile races at Royal Ascot.



Gleneagles winning the Irish 2000 Guineas
Racing Post Photo

Gleneagles was removed from the Classic at Monday's scratching stage and will head to the G1 St. James's Palace S. on the opening day of the Royal meeting June 16. Found, who has been second in both starts this year including the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas May 24, will contest the G1 Coronation

S. June 19. Found would have had to be supplemented to the Derby at a cost of £75,000. Coolmore and trainer Aidan O'Brien are expected to be represented in the Derby by G3 Chester Vase scorer **Hans Holbein (GB)** (Montjeu {Ire}), owned in partnership with Teo Ah Khing; Listed Derby Trial S. winner **Kilimanjaro (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}); and **Giovanni Canaletto (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), a full-brother to the team's 2013 Derby winner Ruler of the World (Ire). O'Brien seeks a fourth straight Derby while Coolmore look for their fifth, having also campaigned the Andre Fabre-trained Pour Moi (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) to his Epsom score in 2011. **Cont. p4**

Another BIG Weekend

Speightstown's **FORCE THE PASS** becomes his sire's 28th Graded winner in the \$500,000 Penn Mile (G3).

Congrats' **FLUTTERBY** earns a 98 Beyer winning Gulfstream's Sea Lily Handicap.

Distorted Humor's **CRITTENDEN** becomes his sire's 132nd stakes winner in the PDIJ Stakes.

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Anthem Alexander Rallies at Naas

Noel O'Callaghan's Anthem Alexander (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) rallies nicely to take the G3 Racing Post Lacken S.

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The rainy conditions made Baffert a bit anxious about the breeze.

"[I was] very nervous," he explained. "This morning I saw the rain and the track was really dry this morning, so I think the rain [had] just enough moisture in it to make it have some bounce to it. But the track was in excellent condition. I slept pretty well last night. I didn't think it was going to rain today and then I woke up went, 'Whoa, where did that come from?' But had I known it was storming last night I probably would have had a hard time. I didn't want to work on a sealed track."

American Pharoah, along with fellow Belmont competitor **Keen Ice** (Curlin), is scheduled to depart on a van to the Louisville International Airport at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday.

The charter will arrive at the Long Island MacArthur Airport at approximately 11:15 a.m. and is scheduled to arrive at Belmont Park at 12:45 p.m.

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CARPE DIEM OUT OF BELMONT

WinStar Farms and Stonestreet Stables' **Carpe Diem** (Giant's Causeway) will not contest Saturday's GI Belmont S., according to his connections.

"[Trainer] Todd [Pletcher] and I have been talking all of the last week," WinStar Farm CEO Elliott Walden said. "We just felt he wasn't 100% going into what is a phenomenal race, with a horse of such high stature. He was maybe 85 to 90%."

Walden noted that the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. winner will now aim for either the GI Jim Dandy S. at Saratoga Aug. 1 or the GI Haskell Invitational Aug. 2 at Monmouth Park.

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THE TRUTH OR ELSE TO SKIP BELMONT

The Kenny McPeck trained **The Truth Or Else** (Yes It's True) will not participate in the GI Belmont S. Saturday, according to a tweet from McPeck. The trainer wrote, "The Truth Or Else is Not being entered into Belmont. Filling in ankle. Minor but everything happens for a reason. Good Luck to AP!"



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BREEDERS' CUP EXTENDS OUT-OF-COMPETITION TESTING *(cont. from p1)*

Testing will be coordinated by Dr. Mary Scollay, the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and racing commissions in host jurisdictions.

"We share a commitment to integrity, safety and security with the Breeders' Cup and these steps are an excellent way to ensure the safety and security measures for the challenge series and for the World Championships at Keeneland will be an example to the industry," said Scollay, Equine Medical Director of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission.

In addition to the out-of-competition testing for the series, host tracks have agreed to provide enhanced security for horses competing in challenge races. Other requirements announced Monday by the Breeders' Cup include: racing jurisdictions will have adopted or be in the process of adopting the Controlled Therapeutic Medications and Prohibited Substances provisions of the National Uniform Medication Program as promulgated by the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium (RMTC) and the Association of Racing Commissioners International (RCI); participating racetracks will require total carbon dioxide (TCO2) testing on all participating horses; participating racetracks will require that any permitted race-day medication be administered only by regulatory or official veterinarians. In jurisdictions where regulations are pending but not presently effective any such administration shall be supervised and syringes collected for testing; all testing on horses participating in challenge races will be conducted by laboratories accredited by or pending accreditation by the RMTC.

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GLENEAGLES, FOUND TO BYPASS EPSOM *(cont. from p1)*

As expected, G2 Dante S. winner and race favorite **Golden Horn (GB)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) was supplemented Monday to the Classic, as was this season's dual Irish Group 3 winner **Success Days (Ire)** (Jeremy).

"He's won the best two trials in Ireland and he certainly deserves his place in the line-up," noted Success Days's trainer Ken Condon. "People can say he's been winning in small fields and on bad ground, but the ground is always soft in Ireland in the spring."

A total of 15 remain engaged, including Dante runner-up **Jack Hobbs (GB)** (Halling). **Elm Park (GB)** (Phoenix Reach {Ire}) and French shipper **Epicuris (GB)** (Rail Link {GB}) will be the only Group 1 winners in the lineup.

SEPTEMBER-SOLD TURF STARS CONTINUE TO SEE GREEN

DIVISIDERO *Pennine Ridge S.*



LADY ELI *Wonder Again S.*

DIVISIDERO and LADY ELI continue to dominate their divisions. This weekend, Gunpowder Farm's DIVISIDERO captured the Pennine Ridge Stakes and Sheep Pond Partner's LADY ELI continued her unbeaten string in the Wonder Again Stakes.

Congratulations to their connections as they prepare for the Belmont Derby and Belmont Oaks, respectively.

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Four For O'Brien in Oaks...

O'Brien could saddle four fillies in Friday's G1 Epsom Oaks after Coolmore revealed its plans on Twitter Monday. The team confirmed eye-catching Listed Cheshire Oaks winner **Diamondsandrubies (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}); last year's G1 Fillies' Mile scorer **Together Forever (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}); and last year's G3 Park S. winner **Qualify (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), who races in the colors of Mrs C C Regalado Gonzalez. Maiden and dual stakes-placed **Wedding Vow (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) could possibly join that trio.

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RECORD PURSE FOR KING GEORGE

The G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth S., set for July 25 at Ascot, will this year carry a record purse of £1.15 million, up £150,000 on last year's pot. Ascot has also revealed details of enhanced facilities for King George weekend, including two new enclosures: the King George VI Enclosure and the Winning Post Enclosure.

"The King George VI Enclosure will occupy Level 4 of the Grandstand with a reduced capacity of 1,700 [from 4,500 in 2014]," said Juliet Slot, commercial director at Ascot. "Our chefs have created a range of special lunches and afternoon tea menus, which are exclusive to that area. Guests will also have access to private cocktail



Taghrooda winning last year's King George
Racing Post

and champagne bars."

"We have also introduced another premium enclosure, The Winning Post Enclosure, which will occupy the west end of the Grandstand concourse and accompanying lawns adjacent to the winning post," she added. "The Grandstand Enclosure is also to be improved with additional bars and concessions to deliver an English garden party theme across the site."

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UAE RACING DATES APPROVED

The 2015/16 racing season in the UAE will include 62 racedays over five months, with the Dubai World Cup Carnival kicking off Jan. 7 and concluding with the Dubai World Cup card Mar. 26. Meydan Racecourse will have 20 days of racing over the season, while Abu Dhabi will have 15; Jebel Ali 11; Al Ain 10 and Sharjah six. The season will kick off at Jebel Ali Oct. 30.

"We are pleased by this impressive schedule of race meetings to be offered for the 2015/16 ERA season," said Malih Al Basti, ERA Board member and chairman of the ERA Steering Committee.

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RACING POST LACKEN S.-G3, €65,000, NAS, 6-1, 3yo, 6fT, 1:15.51, gd/yl.

- 1--**ANTHEM ALEXANDER (IRE)**, 126, f, 3, by [Starspangledbanner \(Aus\)](#)
1st Dam: Lady Alexander (Ire) (GSW-Eng & Ire, \$102,699), by Night Shift
2nd Dam: Sandhurst Goddess (Ire), by Sandhurst Prince (Ire)
3rd Dam: Paradise Bird (GB), by Sallust (GB)
 (48,000gns RNA yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Noel O'Callaghan; B-Mountarmstrong Stud (Ire); T-Edward Lynam; J-Pat Smullen. €42,250. Lifetime Record: GSW & G1SP-Eng, 6-3-1-1, €189,480. *1/2 to Dandy Man (Ire) (Mozart {Ire}), Hwt. 3yo-Ire at 5-7f, GSW & G1SP-Eng, MSW & GSP-Ire, \$543,933. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)
- 2--**The Happy Prince (Ire)**, 129, c, 3, [Rip Van Winkle \(Ire\)](#)--Maid to Dream (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). (€90,000 yrl '13 DONAUG). O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Floors Farming (Ire); T-Aidan O'Brien. €13,000.
- 3--**Toscanini (Ire)**, 129, c, 3, [Shamardal](#)--Tuzla (Fr), by Panoramic (GB). O-Godolphin; B-Darley (Ire); T-Michael Halford. €6,500.



Margins: 1, 1 3/4, 1. Odds: 2.50, 3.50, 1.38.
 Also Ran: Intense Style (Ire), Beach Belle (GB).
 Scratched: Compass Hill. [Click for the Racing Post result](#) or the [brisnet.com PPs](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Having inflicted a rare defeat on Tiggy Wiggy (Ire) (Kodiak {GB}) in Royal Ascot's G2 Queen Mary S. over five furlongs last June, Anthem Alexander was third behind that rival and the subsequent G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Cursory Glance (Distorted Humor) carrying a three-pound penalty in the G2 Lowther S. over this distance at York in August. Second to her again in



Noel O'Callaghan and Eddie Lynam accept the Lacken S. trophy *Racing Post*

Newmarket's G1 Cheveley Park S. in September, the chestnut showed that she retains her ability to set up a potential rematch with the Hannon trainee in the June 19 G1 Commonwealth Cup back at the Royal meeting. Settled last of the quintet initially by Pat Smullen, she was produced wide as Toscanini failed to gather in the longtime leader The Happy Prince. Getting to the Ballydoyle runner under hand riding with 150 yards remaining, she was given some smacks to ensure success and proved game in the testing conditions. "I'm relieved more than anything and know she has trained on. That run will do her the world of good," trainer Eddie Lynam said. "If I have my way she will go for the Commonwealth, but she is also entered in the [June 16] G1 King's Stand S. and the other option is to run in both. We know she doesn't like soft or heavy ground and we know she wants good or firm, so we wanted to run her here to see where we could draw a line in the sand. I think the world of her, but sooner or later you have to run and go and prove it. I think that was a good trial and it was run two seconds faster than the other six-furlong races. Let's hope we are lucky at Ascot with her."

PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



PRIX DU JOCKEY CLUB-G1, €1,500,000, CHY, 5-31, 3yo, c/f, 10 1/2fT, 2:05.69 (NRR), gd/sf.

1--#**@▲NEW BAY (GB), 128, c, 3, by Dubawi (Ire)**
1st Dam: Cinnamon Bay (GB) (SW-Fr), by Zamindar
2nd Dam: Trellis Bay (GB), by Sadler's Wells
3rd Dam: Bahamian (Ire), by Mill Reef
 O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-Andre Fabre; J-Vincent Cheminaud. €857,100. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 2 wins, 2 places, €1,005,630. **Werk Nick Rating: B+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#) [Click for the Racing Post result](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Thanks to the *TDN*, I am able to tell you that the pedigrees of the exciting G1 Kentucky Derby and G1 Preakness S. hero American Pharoah and the highly regarded Japanese Derby winner Duramente are both worthy of the Werk Nick Rating of A + + + --the treasured "Triple Plus." Of the year's other recent Classic winners, the G1 1,000 Guineas winner Legatissimo has an A + rating and she is followed by the G1 Japanese Oaks winner Mikki Queen and the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Ervedya, both of whom have A ratings.



New Bay
Racing Post photo

However, the recent Classics also show that it is possible (and sometimes essential) to venture off the well-trodden, proven route every now and again. The G1 Irish 1,000 Guineas winner Pleascach has a Werk Rating of C, the impressive G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains winner Make Believe is a B and Sunday's G1 Prix du Jockey-Club winner New Bay is a B +, as is the tough Gleneagles, winner of the G1 2,000 Guineas in England and Ireland. **cont. p7**

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When I put forward the mating suggestions for Juddmonte's European mares for the 2011 season, my preferred choice for New Bay's dam Cinnamon Bay was Invincible Spirit, with Dubawi a highly likeable second option.

The Invincible Spirit suggestion would probably have been a good one, as Cinnamon Bay's three-parts-sister Zenda was carrying a foal by the Irish National Stud stallion which turned out to be Kingman, last year's European Horse of the Year. Prince Khalid, though, preferred the Dubawi option and his decision has been completely vindicated, not only by New Bay's victory in the "French Derby" but also by his eye-catching second behind Make Believe from a bad draw in the Poulains.

In doing the Juddmonte matings, General Manager Philip Mitchell insists that considerable emphasis is placed on conformation, as well as on pedigree. With Cinnamon Bay the physical requirement was to find a stallion capable of supplying some of the substance and strength that this daughter of Zamindar lacked as a youngster. Although correct and attractive, Cinnamon Bay had always been rather unfurnished and--in common with plenty of Zamindar's daughters, including Zenda--she had also been quite narrow as a youngster. On the plus side, Cinnamon Bay possesses some size and scope, and it was hoped that she would complement Dubawi's compact physique, which features a muscular body and powerful quarters. For once, the theory has proved spot on.

There was also some encouragement on the pedigree front. By the time the mating with Dubawi was arranged, this outstanding stallion had only two crops of racing age. Only one of his foals was out of a Zamindar mare, but he had three foals out of mares by Zamindar's brother Zafonic and all three had won and one of them, the French filly Split Trois, had won the G3 Prix Eclipse as a 2-year-old.

Since then the Dubawi-Zafonic partnership has improved its statistics to five winners from five starters, with Muraaqaba becoming the cross's second group-winning 2-year-old.

NEW BAY, c, 2012

Dubawi (Ire)	Dubai Millennium (GB)	Seeking the Gold	Mr. Prospector Con Game
		Colorado Dancer (Ire)	Shareef Dancer Fall Aspen
	Zomaradah (GB)	Deploy (GB)	Shirley Heights (GB) Slightly Dangerous
		Jawaher (Ire)	Dancing Brave High Tern (Ire)
Cinnamon Bay (GB) SW-Fr, 7-3-2-0 5FIs, 1GSW	Zamindar	Gone West	Mr. Prospector Secrettame
		Zaizafon	The Minstrel Mofida (GB)
	Trellis Bay (GB) SP-Eng, 6-1-2-0 11FIs, 1GSW 1SW	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
		Bahamian (Ire)	Mill Reef
		10FIs, 1GSW, 1SW	Sorbus (Ire)

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New Bay is only Dubawi's second starter out of a Zamindar mare, the next in the pipeline being the French-trained Zarak, a 2-year-old colt out of the Aga Khan's magnificent filly Zarkava.

One aspect of the Dubawi-Cinnamon Bay mating which appealed to me was that it produced second lines to three of Cinnamon Bay's four great-grandires. What's more, these three stallions were the phenomenally successful Mr. Prospector, Northern Dancer and Mill Reef--stallions who respectively achieved Average Earnings Indices of 3.91, 4.11 and 4.49.

It is virtually a given that any top winner by Dubawi will have at least two lines to the ubiquitous Northern Dancer, and a double presence of Mr. Prospector is also becoming increasingly common among Dubawi's Group 1 winners, other examples in 2015 being the Dubai World Cup winner Prince Bishop (4x4) and the fast Australian filly Shamal Winds (4x3).

A second line to Mill Reef is also quite common among his group winners. Mill Reef is frequently doubly represented via his best stallion son Shirley Heights, as with the Group 1 winners Al Kazeem and Hunter's Light, but others are inbred directly to Mill Reef. Coincidentally the recent G1 Lockinge S. winner Night of Thunder, conqueror of Kingman in the 2014 2,000 Guineas, also has duplications to Mill Reef, Northern Dancer and Mr. Prospector within the first five generations. **cont. p8**



Caulfield cont.

To get back to New Bay's dam Cinnamon Bay, she wasn't as good as Zenda, her Classic-winning three-parts-sister, but she was still well above average. Her three-race juvenile career yielded a win over a mile at Chantilly, plus a close second to the future Group 1 winner Coquerelle. She later started at 14-1 for the G1 Prix de Diane on the strength of an unbeaten start to her second season, including a three-length listed victory.

Unfortunately, Cinnamon Bay didn't run well enough in the Diane to establish whether her stamina stretched to an extended mile and a quarter. However Dubawi sires a wide range of high-class performers and New Bay clearly has no problems with the distance. Whether a colt with such a good burst of acceleration will stay a mile and a half, only time will tell, but there is an encouraging amount of stamina to be found in his female line.

His second dam, the Sadler's Wells mare Trellis Bay, earned her black-type when second in a listed race over two miles and she subsequently passed on a generous share of her stamina to Bellamy Cay. This son of the champion miler Kris stayed well enough to become a Group 2 winner over a mile and three-quarters and to finish a close second in the G1 Prix Royal-Oak over nearly two miles. Trellis Bay's sister Coraline was an even better source of stamina, producing three group-winning stayers in Reefscape (G1 Prix du Cadran over two and a half miles), Martaline and Coastal Path (who, like Reefscape, was placed in the Ascot Gold Cup).

New Bay's third and fourth dams, the Mill Reef mare Bahamian and the Busted mare Sorbus, also possessed plenty of stamina, in addition to plenty of class. Bahamian once crossed the line first in a Group 2 over 1 7/8 miles, and Sorbus numbered a second in the Irish St Leger among her achievements. Sorbus had earlier finished second in the Irish 1,000 Guineas and been demoted after crossing the line a length clear in the Irish Oaks, so she was very versatile.

The Bahamian female line has developed into one of the most potent families in the Juddmonte stud book, with New Bay being the latest in a long line of important winners. Four of Bahamian's daughters now have at least one Group 1-winning descendant. In addition to Coraline and Trellis Bay, they are the Irish Oaks winner Wemyss Bight (dam of Beat Hollow) and Wemyss Bight's sister Hope (dam of the very successful stallion Oasis Dream and Zenda and second dam of Kingman).

With the red-hot Dubawi as his sire and a relationship to Oasis Dream and Kingman, New Bay must have the makings of a popular stallion when his racing days are over, and his value to Juddmonte is all the greater because he possesses no Danzig blood.

op/ed *International Perspective* by James Willoughby



CAN GOLDEN HORN ACCELERATE INTO DERBY WINNER'S CIRCLE?

It was a nondescript autumn day at one of Britain's least storied racetracks. Eight colts and geldings lined up for a maiden race over an extended mile. The action that followed was remarkable, and the stories of the two horses that made it happen are the most notable heading into Saturday's G1 Investec Derby at Epsom.

One horse, **Storm The Stars**, had already been closely involved in dramatic dealings. As detailed in the *TDN* the day after the Oct. 29 race last year ([click here](#)), he had been the foal in utero when the beautifully bred mare Love Me Only was the subject of a bitter dispute relating to her purchase for \$2.1 million by Summer Wind Farm at the 2011 Keeneland November Sale.

By the time Storm The Stars lined up at Nottingham, he had already suggested he might make his own headlines one day. A highly promising second to the Aidan O'Brien-trained Aloft on his debut for skilled Newmarket trainer William Haggas, he had received a sizeable compliment when the winner went on to run second to Derby fancy Elm Park in the G1 Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster.

Small wonder, then, that Storm The Stars was only even money to get off the mark on his second career start.

The only horse fancied to deny the hot favorite was a newcomer from John Gosden's yard who had impressed workout watchers on the Newmarket



Golden Horn

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gallops. But **Golden Horn** looked to have lost his chance when blowing the start on a track that usually favors early pace, particularly in races like this one run at a moderate tempo early ([click here for race video](#)).

By the home turn, Storm The Stars was in the garden spot in third, within striking distance of two inferior speed horses and with clear sailing over the other five. Meanwhile, Golden Horn was at the back of the field, six lengths behind Storm The Stars and seemingly easy meat when the favorite was kicked on.

Those who have seen last month's G2 Dante S. at York, which has catapulted Golden Horn to Derby favoritism, may be able to guess what happened next. Despite being caught in traffic as Storm The Stars quickened in front of him, Golden Horn unleashed the kind of acceleration belonging to maybe one in 50,000 Thoroughbreds. **cont. p9**



He ran Storm The Stars down in cold blood by the furlong pole, picking up the six lengths that he had trailed in only about 200 yards. This astonishing burst earned him the kind of praise from the Timeform organization that is reserved only for exceptional athletic feats from the racehorse.

From a technical standpoint, this is the point about what Golden Horn produced: so-called acceleration in European Flat races is often not quite as good as it looks, for race analysis is still not aided by the facility of electronically recorded split times. Often, horses look good cutting down foes who have tired, so that their relative speed is not so impressive by absolute measure.

Not so on this occasion. Timeform's own measurements caught Golden Horn at a speed 12.5% faster for the last three furlongs than for the race as a whole; if you do the maths (the race was over 1835 yards and took 106.69 seconds) you should come to the answer that Golden Horn averaged a hair under 40 mph for the last three furlongs--despite having to wait for a run, despite racing on softer ground than ideal and despite making his racecourse debut.

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Now, Golden Horn won't reproduce the same absolute speed at the end of the testing Derby course, but he won't have to. If he only approximates the effect on Saturday, his opponents have no shot.

If Golden Horn has an Achilles heel, it lies in the reason that his breeder, Anthony Oppenheimer, left him out of the Derby entries and had to pay the £75,000 supplementary fee after York: stamina. Could Oppenheimer or anyone select a mating capable of producing an individual with such a rare change of pace AND who also stays a mile and a half?

Federico Tesio's remarkably insightful 1958 work, *Breeding The Racehorse*, serves to provide succour to this troubling thought for Golden Horn's backers. The prospect of whether a horse stays is not best considered by the convoluted or subjective determination of it 'keeping on well' or 'running on strongly' over shorter trips, but simply by its potential to cover the distance concerned at benchmark speed.

"[We know that] Modern horses take distance better than their ancestors because they cover it in a faster time," is Tesio's counterpoint to the "good old days" school who said at the time that stamina was lost in the breed. (Tesio would not be impressed by recent developments in the U.S. Triple Crown, it may be assumed).

Can Golden Horn cover the Derby trip fast enough to win most renewals? On the evidence of York, there is little doubt he can. He wasn't stopping at the end of the Dante, for sure. What could defeat him is getting too far back in the run--for Epsom is a tricky course at the best of times--and happening upon an opponent merely approaching his talent who gets rolling down the famous Tattenham Hill first.

Could that horse possibly be the aforementioned son of 2009 Derby winner Sea The Stars? We left that humble Nottingham maiden as Golden Horn swiftly drew level with Storm The Stars a furlong out, throwing a sectional at him akin to a Joe Louis left-hook.

Storm The Stars stood his ground. Not only that, he began a sterling rally that nearly carried him back to the front on the line. Golden Horn was the better horse--is the better horse--for Storm The Stars has still not won at group level. But he took Golden Horn's best punch that day and came back at him, which no horse could do to the Derby favorite in the Dante.

From a wagering perspective, Storm The Stars is an interesting 33-1 shot, especially as trainer Haggas has already won the Derby (Shaamit in 1996) and the Oaks (Dancing Rain in 2011) from a select number of runners over the Epsom mile and a half. But, as we have recalled, the story of Storm The Stars needs not be tied up with betting to make it noteworthy. And this is the world's most famous horse race, after all, the one after which the other Derbys are named.

So, indulge me to recall Tesio in a similar way to singing the words of a favorite song: "The Thoroughbred exists because its selection depends not on experts, technicians or zoologists, but on one piece of wood: the winning post of the Epsom Derby."



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[Bob Baffert grows into racing's grateful elder statesman](#) Bob Baffert came blasting into Thoroughbred racing in Southern California talking smack. Wearing a cowboy hat and boots, he had already conquered the quarter horse world and was ready to take aim at the bigger money and prestige offered by training regally bred Thoroughbreds. **Beth Harris, Associated Press**



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Eastern U.S.

Monday's Results:

6th-PRX, \$45,000, Msw, 3yo/up, 1m70y (off turf), 1:44, gd.

PERFORMANCE BONUS (c, 3, [Discreetly Mine--Unlimited Pleasure {SP}](#), by [Valid Appeal](#)), a \$120,000 OBSMAR juvenile purchase, finished second on debut in the wake of Classy Class ([Discreetly Mine](#)) over 6 1/2 furlongs at Belmont Oct. 25. Fifth in a one-mile test at Gulfstream Feb. 7, he failed to factor as the lukewarm 4-1 favorite over that same trip at Aqueduct Apr. 11. Hammered down to 1-2 favoritism in this race originally scheduled for the turf course, the bay dictated terms along the inside through a half-mile in :49.32 and attempted to shake free from a stubborn Complacent (Tiznow) on the far turn. Engaged in a protracted battle with that rival in mid-stretch, he fought on determinedly and crossed the wire in front by a nose. The winner is a half to Unlimited Budget ([Street Sense](#)), MGSW & GISP, \$758,837; [Jardin \(Montbrook\)](#), GSW & GISP, \$168,836; and [Beacon Shine \(Montbrook\)](#), GSW, \$106,530. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$42,000. [Click for the \[brisnet.com chart\]\(#\) or \[VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton\]\(#\).](#)

O-Klaravich Stables Inc & William H Lawrence. B-Ocala Stud (FL). T-Chad C Brown.



Monday Cancellations
DELAWARE PARK (Races 7-9)
(Severe thunderstorms)

Central U.S.

Monday's Results:

6th-TDN, \$29,000, Alw, NW3L, 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:43 1/5, gd.

LUCKY STRANGER (c, 3, [Lookin At Lucky--Beautiful Stranger {SW, \\$105,518}](#), by [Foxhound](#)) broke his maiden over one mile at Delta Downs Dec. 19 and followed with a third-place finish in that venue's Big Drama S. Jan. 10. Third over an extended mile at the Fair Grounds Jan. 26, he notched a one-length tally as the even-money favorite sprinting 6 1/2 furlongs back at the Vinton oval Mar. 25. Tabbed as the 5-2 third choice in this spot, the bay tracked the pace from the two path through a half-mile in :47.82 and pulled clear to a comfortable 4 1/4-length score. The winner, who sold twice as a yearling for \$72,000 at KEEJAN and \$85,000 at KEESEP, is a half to Reata's Quik Punch (Two Punch), MSW, \$203,716. Lifetime Record: SP, 6-3-0-3, \$70,600. [Click for the \[brisnet.com chart\]\(#\) or \[VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton\]\(#\).](#)

O-Jerry Namy. B-Hart Farm (VA). T-Thomas M Amoss.

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Keeneland's Walt Robertson to Retire:

Walt Robertson, Vice President of Sales at Keeneland, will retire from day-to-day duties June 30. Robertson will continue to serve as part of the Keeneland Auction Team and as the lead on the Annual Sporting Art Auction at Keeneland in November. "It has been an honor and pleasure to work for the world's largest Thoroughbred sales company, and there is no entity in our business that does it like Keeneland," Robertson said. "I have been fortunate to be a part of this great institution and look forward to continuing to help Keeneland advance its mission to the industry and the community. I am excited about having greater flexibility to spend more time with my grandkids, who live on the West Coast, and travel with my wife, Corky."

"Walt is not only a trusted friend but he is an invaluable colleague," said Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason. "His extensive contributions to Keeneland have not gone unnoticed, and all of us here are indebted to him for his tremendous service. He has made Keeneland a better place, and we are truly appreciative of his willingness to continue to assist us on various projects throughout the year."

APPOINTMENTS

Jeff Burch: Senior VP, NTRA Advantage

- Will oversee the racing industry's most successful group purchasing plan, responsible for more than \$700 million in sales of goods and services since its inception in 2002 and resulting in more than \$120 million in savings to members and affiliates.
- Previously served as Vice President of Advertising at *Daily Racing Form*
- "Jeff's experience in sales and marketing will be especially valuable because of his extensive contacts within the horse industry nationally," said NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop. "*Daily Racing Form* has long been one of our most important partners so Jeff is already well-versed in the NTRA's operations and will have an immediate impact on the Advantage program."
- "NTRA Advantage is one of the great success stories on the business side of racing," said Burch. "The existing strength with partners and members exemplifies how important this mutually beneficial program has become. Building broader recognition and use of NTRA Advantage across all aspects of the racing world will be an exciting and rewarding challenge."



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INDUSTRY INFO

Gural Supports Uniformed Medication Bill:

Meadowlands' Chairman Jeff Gural voiced his support for New York congressman Paul Tonko's plan to introduce a federal bill establishing uniform drug and medication standards in Thoroughbred racing. The bill would be overseen by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency and begin in 2017, according to the *Schenectady Daily Gazette*.

A statement from Gural read, "I was extremely pleased to read about Congressman Tonko's plans to introduce legislation that will lead to much needed medication reform in horse racing and about the coalition that has been formed to move that initiative forward. As someone who has gone to great lengths to get performance-enhancing drugs out of the sport, including the implementation of 'house rules,' I fully support these efforts and I hope the Standardbred industry will follow the Thoroughbred racing initiative."

CANTER Launches New Site:

CANTER USA has launched a new website that will allow easier access to ex-racehorse listings. The website, with newer technology, will allow for more mobility and connectivity for those looking to adopt off-track Thoroughbreds.

"With unlimited connection and information at our fingertips, it's important for CANTER to optimize the way they are connecting with prospective buyers," said Jake Faulstich, CANTER USA, Vice President of Digital Strategy. "This updated website is designed to push CANTER listed ex-racehorses out front and center."

For more information, visit www.canterusa.org.

HRRN to Begin Belmont Coverage Wednesday:

Horse Racing Radio Network will broadcast over 13 hours of Belmont coverage live from Elmont, NY beginning Wednesday through Saturday. HRRN's Belmont week coverage begins with three consecutive "Triple Crown Countdown" shows hosted live from Belmont Park on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. The shows can be heard each day from 8-10 a.m. ET on HRRN affiliates across the country with live streaming provided on the HRRN website, www.horseracingradio.net. All Saturday programming can be heard throughout North America on Sirius 92/XM 92 as well as on HRRN affiliates across the country. A complete list of affiliates along with live streaming of all programming can be found on the HRRN site. Mike Penna will anchor Saturday's coverage along with analysts Jude Feld, Kurt Becker, Anthony Stabile and Ellis Starr. Sean Clancy and Jeff Bloom will provide trackside reports and interviews with NBC and NYRA announcer Larry Collmus providing the live race calls.

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Accra Beach, g, 3, [Speightstown](#). See "Breeders' Edition, Europe."

Tropics, g, 7, [Speightstown](#). See "Britain."

IN JAPAN:

Gerbe d'Or, c, 3, [Congrats](#)--G City Gal (MGSP-US, \$298,733), by Elusive Quality. Kyoto, 5-31, Plate Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$195,242. O-Hidetoshi Yamamoto; B-Woodford Thoroughbreds; T-Katsuhiko Sumii. *\$220,000 yrl '13 KEESEP.

Winning with Woodford

Moanin, c, 3, **Henny Hughes**--Giggly, by Distorted Humor. Tokyo, 5-31, Plate Race, 8f. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$98,387. O-Yukio Baba; B-Empire Equines LLC; T-Sei Ishizaka. *\$90,000 yrl '13 FTNAUG; \$335,000 2yo '14 OBSMAR.

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Awardee, h, 5, **Jungle Pocket (Jpn)**--Heavenly Romance (Jpn), by Sunday Silence. Kyoto, 5-31, Plate Race, 10fT. Lifetime Record: 25-4-4-5, \$785,242. O-Koji Maeda; B-North Hills Management; T-Mikio Matsunaga. *1/2 to Amour Brillier (Smart Strike), SW-Jpn, \$640,986.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

STAKES RESULTS:

SEATTLE H., \$50,000, EMD, 5-31, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5, ft.

- 1--**#DEB'S WILDCARD**, 120, f, 3, by Desert Code--**Deb's Royal Flush (MSP, \$143,770)**, by Demons Begone. (\$17,500 yrl '13 CTNAUG). O-Robert Jones & Lloyd Mason; B-Victoria Polzin & Harris Farms (CA); T-Lloyd C Mason; J-Ricardo Gonzalez. \$27,500. Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-2, \$113,924.
 - 2--**Ethan's Baby**, 119, f, 3, Offlee Wild--Hope and Vow, by Broken Vow. O-Todd & Shawn Hansen. \$10,000.
 - 3--**Suva Harbor**, 121, f, 3, Rockport Harbor--Queen Dido, by Thunder Gulch. O-Gary Barber. \$7,500.
- Margins: NO, 2 3/4, HF. Odds: 3.10, 3.80, 1.60.



Breeders' Edition America cont.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PRX, \$60,848, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW3L, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17 1/5, gd.

A FLEET ATTITUDE (g, 5, Afleet Alex--Lucky Lefty, by Boundary) Sales History: \$20,000 yrl '11 FTMOCT. Lifetime Record: SW, 20-6-6-6, \$328,435. O-Briardale Stable. B-Charles Zacney & Tim Ritchey (PA). T-Richard Vega.

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8th-PID, \$27,720, 5-31, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:38 3/5, ft.

WITH BENEFITS (g, 7, Include--Sultryann, by Sultry Song) Lifetime Record: 41-4-7-9, \$147,012. O/T-Ronald W Rogers. B-Tom McClay (PA). *1/2 to Pollard's Boy (Pollard's Vision), SW, \$213,598.

7th-TDN, \$27,000, NW2L, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5, gd.

TANNER'S POPSICLE (g, 3, Wildcat Heir--Coconut Popsicle {SP}, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$36,940. O-Maggi Moss. B-Craig B Singer (KY). T-Thomas M Amoss. *\$45,000 yrl '13 TEXAUG; \$70,000 RNA 2yo '14 FTMMAY. **1/2 to Ice Cream Truck (Pleasantly Perfect), GSP, \$100,683.

10th-EMD, \$21,000, 5-31, NW2L, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:16 3/5, ft.

THETRAILERGUY (g, 3, Henny Hughes--Unbridled Glory, by Unbridled) Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$26,925. O-Nelson Family Racing. B-Byerpatch Farm (KY). T-Monique Snowden. *\$60,000 yrl '13 KEESEP; \$95,000 RNA 2yo '14 OBSAPR; \$75,000 2yo 2014 OBSJUN.

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8th-MNR, \$20,700, 5-31, NW4LX, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:07 1/5, ft.

HOBNOB HILL (f, 3, Montbrook--Lavender Hill, by Langfuhr) Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-3, \$66,693. O-John W Baird & Rex Harbison. B-Rustlewood Farm, Inc (FL). T-John W Baird. *\$14,000 yrl '13 OBSAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sunshine Mark, g, 3, Not for Love--Alpine Aster (SW), by Badger Land. PRX, 6-1, 5f (off turf), :59 1/5. B-Edwin H Nearing III (PA).

Pleasant Outlook, c, 3, Pleasantly Perfect--Shadow Lady, by Tiznow. PID, 6-1, 1m (AWT), 1:38 2/5. B-Maverick Productions Ltd (KY). *\$1,800 wlng '12 KEENOV; \$7,500 yrl '13 FTKFEB; \$22,000 yrl '13 OBSAUG.

Kiki's War, c, 3, War Image--Kiki, by Tale of the Cat. TDN, 6-1, 5 1/2f, 1:05 4/5. B-Felicia Campbell (MI).

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Monday's Results:

WEATHERBYS PRIVATE BANKING LEISURE S.-Listed, £37,000, WSR, 6-1, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:09.58 (NTR), gd/fm.

1--TROPICS, 126, g, 7, Speightstown--Taj Aire (SW-US), by Taj Alriyadh. (\$280,000 wlng '08 KEENOV; \$700,000 yrl '09 KEESEP; 2,500gns HRA '11 TATHIT). O/T-Dean Ivory; B-D Konecny, S Branch & A Branch; J-Robert Winston. £20,982. Lifetime Record: GSW & G1SP-Eng, 24-8-5-1, £362,254. *1/2 to Elusive Diva (Elusive Quality), MGSW & G1SP-US, \$484,510; R. Baggio (Chimes Band), MSW-US, \$314,895; and Handyman Bill (Skywalker), SW-US, \$136,310.

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2--Lucky Kristale (GB), 121, f, 4, Lucky Story--Pikaboo (GB), by Pivotal (GB). (22,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT). O-Graham Lodge Partnership. £7,955.

3--Dinkum Diamond (Ire), 126, c, 7, Aussie Rules--Moving Diamonds (GB), by Lomitas (GB). O-Eight Star Syndicate. £3,981.

Margins: HF, 3HF, HD. Odds: 7.00, 10.00, 16.00. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

Second to Slade Power (Ire) (Dutch Art {GB}) in last year's G1 July Cup, Tropics--who later filled the same spot in Ascot's G2 British Champions Sprint S.--had signed off in 2014 with a fifth in the Listed Wentworth S. at Doncaster in November before shipping to Dubai. Unable to run at the Carnival due to an injury with trainer Dean Ivory playing safe and returning to Britain prematurely, the chestnut arrived here in rude health and lived up to expectations to book his ticket to Royal Ascot. Anchored as Robert Winston sought early cover from his wide draw, he was forced to race without it worse than mid-division but was able to conserve enough energy to surge down the outer and take over approaching the furlong pole. Tackled by Lucky Kristale in the run to the line, the veteran always had the upper hand over the filly and had cracked the track record by the time he reached it. "I didn't like the kickback in Dubai, so I brought him home and it took me a while to get him going," Ivory commented. "Mentally, it's the best I've ever had him and he looked a million dollars. We're going to try and win that Group 1 I've always dreamt of now and the G1 Diamond Jubilee S. [at Royal Ascot June 20] is the one I'd like to win."

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British Results cont.

4th-LEI, £12,000, Cond, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:22.35, gd/fm.

QUEEN CATRINE (IRE) (f, 4, Acclamation {GB}--Kahira {Ire}, by King's Best), formerly a classy juvenile when second in the G2 Lowther S. and third in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac, was handed this confidence-boost after finishing fourth in the Listed Kilvington Fillies' S. over six furlongs at Nottingham May 9 and tracked the leader Risen Sun (GB) (Shamardal) throughout the early stages. Overhauling that rival just before the half-furlong marker, the €22,000 GOFFEB yearling and 55,000gns TATOCT yearling asserted to best that rival by 1 3/4 lengths as the 9-4 second choice. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Eng & G1SP-Fr, 15-2-3-3, £112,997.

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O-QRL/Sheikh Suhaim Al Thani/M Al Kubaisi. B-Mount Coote Stud (IRE). T-Charles Hills.

1st-WSR, £7,000, Cond, 2yo, 5f 10yT, 1:01.17, gd/fm.

+ BESHARAH (IRE) (f, 2, Kodiak {GB}--Dixieland Kiss, by Dixie Union), who took an Ascot maiden on debut May 8 that is throwing up several winners, was sent off the 3-10 favorite and was fast away before taking a tow in second. Sent to the lead approaching the furlong pole, the 30,000gns TATDEC weanling and £85,000 TATOCT yearling asserted to score by two lengths from Whatdoiwantthatfor (Ire) (Kodiak {GB}). "She's quite smart and did that quite well, as they were going too slowly for her early on," jockey Pat Cosgrave commented. "Hopefully, there is more to come and she's got a lot of early speed, but she's not an out-and-out five-furlong horse as I was going quickest at the line." Connections are looking at the G2 Queen Mary S. at Royal Ascot June 17. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £9,703. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum. B-Mr G Kerin (IRE). T-William Haggas.

7th-LEI, £7,000, Mdn, 3yo, 8f 60yT, 1:45.45, gd/fm.

QUICK DEFENCE (c, 3, [First Defence](#)--Quickfire {GB} {MGSP-Eng & SP-US, \$143,087}, by Dubai Millennium {GB}), second in a 10-furlong handicap at Windsor last time May 11, broke well and raced in a close-up second early. Taking command with a quarter mile remaining, the 8-13 pick was soon clear and was eased near the line for a 4 1/2-length success from Stars and Stripes (GB) (Selkirk). The winner is a half-brother to Arch Fire (Arch), SP-Aus, \$232,459. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-0, £7,753. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Khalid Abdullah. B-Juddmonte Farms Inc. T-Sir Michael Stoute.

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First Stakes Winner for Freshman Sire

COOLMORE WAR COMMAND ROCHESTOWN (C&G) S.-Listed, €65,000, NAS, 6-1, 2yo, c/g, 6fT, 1:17.55, gd/yl.

1--**#ARGENTERO (GB), 129, c, 2, by [Zoffany \(Ire\)](#)**

1st Dam: **Frabjous (GB), by Pivotal (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Minute Waltz (Ire), by Sadler's Wells**

3rd Dam: **Dazzling Light (GB), by Silly Season**

(30,000gns wlng '13 TATDEC; £50,000 yrl '14 DONAUG). O-Sean Jones; B-Maywood Stud (GB); T-Ger Lyons; J-Colin Keane. €42,250. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, €55,495. *1st stakes winner for freshman sire (by Dansili {GB}).

2--**Galway Bay (Ire), 129, c, 2, Vale of York (Ire)--**

Kinnego (Ire), by Sri Pekan. (€19,000 wlng '13 GOFNOV; 15,000gns yrl '14 TATOCT). O-Curragh Stud Racing Syndicate. €13,000.

3--**Birchwood (Ire), 129, c, 2, Dark Angel (Ire)--Layla Jamil (Ire), by Exceed and Excel (Aus).** (77,000gns yrl '14 TATOCT). O-Godolphin. €6,500.

Margins: 2, 1 3/4, 5. Odds: 1.88, 14.00, 0.83.

Also Ran: **Auld Enemy (Ire).** Scratched: **Air Vice Marshal.** [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

After an impressive winning debut over this course and distance Apr. 27, Argentero played second fiddle to the subsequent Listed Marble Hill S. winner Round Two (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) attempting to give that debutant four



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pounds in a conditions race last time May 13. Paying a major compliment to Jim Bolger's highly-regarded runner here, the chestnut stamped his authority on this select affair run in conditions more akin to autumn than the start of June. Stalking the British raider Birchwood initially, he was taken wide for his effort by Colin Keane and after gaining the edge passing the furlong marker drew away as that Godolphin acquisition faded late on to lose second to Galway Bay. "It was hard work, with the ground and the wind, so he did it well," his jockey said. "He idled in front, but he tries his heart out for you so I can't fault him. I probably didn't go quick enough early on last time and gave that newcomer [Round Two] time to find his feet, but saying that he looked good at the weekend so I'm not too disheartened. He reminds me of Capella Sansevero, in that he's very laid-back and you can ride him whichever way you want. I'd say he'll stay further too."



First Stakes Winner for Freshman Sire

COOLMORE STUD EBF FILLIES' SPRINT S.-Listed, €65,000, NAS, 6-1, 2yo, 6fT, 1:17.63, gd/yl.

1--#**GREAT PAGE (IRE), 126, f, 2, by Roderic O'Connor (Ire)**
 1st Dam: **Areeda (Ire), by Refuse to Bend (Ire)**
 2nd Dam: **Raindancing (Ire), by Tirol (Ire)**
 3rd Dam: **Persian Song (GB), by Persian Bold (Ire)**

(16,000gns RNA wlng '13 TATDEC; €35,000 yrl '14 TATIRE). O-Middleham Park Racing LXXVIII; B-Knockainey Stud (Ire); T-Richard Hannon; J-Sean Levey. €42,250. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, €48,184.

* 1st stakes winner for freshman sire (by Galileo {Ire}).

2--**Special Focus (Ire), 126, f, 2, Intense Focus--Arjooch (Ire), by Marju (Ire).** O-Mrs J S Bolger. €13,000.

3--**Promised Money (Ire), 126, f, 2, Dark Angel (Ire)--Hartstown House (Ire), by Primo Dominie (GB).** (35,000gns yrl '14 TATOCT). O-Mrs Annette O'Callaghan. €6,500.

Margins: 3, 4, 3. Odds: 4.00, 16.00, 8.00.

Also Ran: **Dancing On Air (Ire), Taisce Naisiunta (Ire), Birdcage (GB), Millennium Falcon (GB), Rue Bonaparte (Ire).** [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Off the mark in convincing fashion on debut over five furlongs at Windsor Apr. 20, Great Page was second attempting to give stable companion Illuminate (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) six pounds over that trip at Salisbury May 3. Held up with one behind early by Sean Levey, the bay made smooth progress between rivals to take over with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and stayed on strongly to secure a first black-type success for her and her sire. Tim Palin, representing Middleham Park Racing, said, "She ran back too quick when she was beaten last time. It was only 13 days after she put up a big effort on her debut and it was only over five and she needs six. She's bred for a mile and could be a Guineas filly."

OWENSTOWN STUD S.-Listed, €47,500, NAS, 6-1, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:27, gd/yl.

1--#**HEAVEN'S GUEST (IRE), 137, g, 5, Dark Angel (Ire)--Bakewell Tart (Ire) (SW-Ity), by Tagula (Ire).** (€25,000 RNA yrl '11 TATIRE; 28,000gns 2yo '12 TATGNS). O-J K Shannon & M A Scaife; B-Yeomanstown Stud (Ire); T-Richard Fahey; J-James Doyle. €30,875. Lifetime Record: 28-8-2-1, €397,830.

2--**Lat Hawill (Ire), 137, c, 4, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Arbella (GB), by Primo Dominie (GB).** (10,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT; 230,000gns 2yo '13 TATAPR). O-Qatar Racing Ltd. €9,500.

3--**Stay De Night (Ire), 137, g, 4, Shamardal--Where We Left Off (GB), by Dr Devious (Ire).** O-Mischa Bucher. €4,750.

Margins: HF, HF, HF. Odds: 2.00, 10.00, 5.00. [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Falling short in all five prior attempts at black-type level, the exposed Heaven's Guest nonetheless went postward as the well-backed chalk for this first overseas adventure.

The bay, who ran seventh in the Mar. 28 Listed Cammidge Trophy at Doncaster on seasonal return, lined up off a conditions score at Thirsk Apr. 18, and a 15th in the lottery of the Victoria Cup H. at Ascot last time May 9. Finding an ideal slot tracking the leaders in fifth after the initial strides, he was nudged along to close passing the quarter-mile marker and pounced late under a final-furlong drive to claim a career high in ultimately cozy fashion. "I was happy enough with him and he traveled strongly through the race," said rider James Doyle, who was making his first visit to the track. "He took a little bit of time to get leveled up when I let him down, but he was always going to get there. It was too quick for him in the Victoria Cup last time, but the rain's come [in time] for him today."

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PRIX DES LILAS-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, f, 8fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	1	Zaridiya (Ire)	Duke of Marmalade (Ire)	Soumillon	Rouget
2	5	Rafaadah (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Mendizabal	Rouget
3	6	Bandanetta (Fr)	Soldier of Fortune (Ire)	Rispoli	Bonin
4	4	Remake (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Hamelin	Royer-Dupre
5	3	Pearly Steph (Fr)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Lemaitre	Head
6	7	Scarlet Honey (Fr)	Hly Roman Emperor (Ire)	Jarnet	Guillemin
7	2	Xaarina (Fr)	Aussie Rules	Peslier	Pantall

All carry 123 pounds.

OBSERVATIONS
 on today's European racing scene

2.20 Longchamp, Cond, 34,000, 3yo, 8fT

VISION DES AIGLES (FR) (Vision d'Etat {Fr}) returns to the scene of his debut success over 10 furlongs in April, when he mastered the subsequent dual winner Dariyan (Fr) (Shamardal). Francis-Henri Graffard has waited with Al Shaqab Racing's colt, whose dam is a half to Cirrus des Aigles (Fr) (Even Top {Ire}), and he now meets a useful yardstick in Prince Faisal's Andre Fabre-trained **Arctic Gyr (Invincible Spirit {Ire})**.

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3rd-DSS, €5,100, 5-31, 3yo, 7 1/2fT, 1:33.51, sf.

PASS THE TROPHY (IRE) (c, 3, Iffraaj {GB})--Two Pass {Ire}, by Mtoto {GB}) Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €9,600. O-Jaber Abdullah. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (Ire). T-Andreas Wohler.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- + **Illegally Blonde (Ire)**, f, 2, **Lawman (Fr)**--Kayak (GB) (SP-Ity), by Singspiel (Ire). LEI, 6-1, 6fT, 1:12.32. B-John O'Connor (Ire). *14,000gns yrl '14 TATOCT.
- + **King Robert (GB)**, c, 2, **Royal Applause (GB)**--Generously Gifted (GB), by Sakhee. CRL, 6-1, 5fT, 1:08. B-Mrs P A Clark (GB). *£16,000 yrl '14 TATOCT; £26,000 2yo '15 DONAPR.
- Paint the Star (Ire)**, f, 3, **Acclamation (GB)**--Art Work (GB), by Zafonic. LNG, 6-1, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:12.30. B-W J Kennedy (Ire). *€15,000 wlng '12 GOFNOV; £70,000 yrl '13 DONAUG.
- Ortiga (Ire)**, f, 3, **Dark Angel (Ire)**--Golden Anthem (SP-Eng), by Lion Cavern. NAS, 6-1, 7fT, 1:26.43. B-Limestone & Tara Studs (Ire). *€25,000 yrl '13 GOFORB.
- + **Auenlee (Ger)**, f, 3, **Doyen (Ire)**--Auengunst (Ger) (MSP-Ger, \$103,384), by Waky Nao (GB). DSS, 5-31, 10 1/2fT, 2:18.88. B-Gestut Auenquelle (Ger).
- Emirates Rewards (GB)**, f, 3, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Asi Siempre (GISW-US, SW & GSP-Fr, \$953,237), by El Prado (Ire). MNB, 5-31, 8 1/2fT, time: n/a. B-Darley (GB). *1/2 to Outstrip (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), GISW-US, GSW & MG1SP-Eng, \$826,796.
- Most Tempting (GB)**, f, 3, **Showcasing (GB)**--La Carot (GB), by Motivator (GB). LNG, 6-1, 5f 6y (AWT), :59.46. B-Mrs G Slater (GB). *6,000gns RNA yrl '13 TATOCT.
- Accra Beach**, g, 3, **Speightstown**--Didina (GB) (SW-Eng & GISP-US, \$201,368), by Nashwan. WSR, 6-1, 6fT, 1:11 2/5. B-Juddmonte Farms Inc.

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BELMONT

Shook Up (Tapit), 4f (tr), :50.26, 2/3

Untapable (Tapit), 4f (tr), :49.50, 1/3

CHURCHILL DOWNS

American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile), 5f, 1:00.20, 6/20

Bayern (Offlee Wild), 5f, :59.20, 2/20

SANTA ANITA

Bal a Bali (Brz) (Put It Back), 7f, 1:25.00, 1/4

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
June 5	GII New York S.	BEL
	GII True North S.	BEL
June 6	GI Belmont S.	BEL
	GI Acorn S.	BEL
	GI Just A Game S.	BEL
	GI Manhattan S.	BEL
	GI Metropolitan H.	BEL
	GI Ogden Phipps S.	BEL
	GII Brooklyn Invitational S.	BEL
	GII Woody Stephens S.	BEL
	GIII Jaipur S.	BEL
	GIII Mint Julep S.	CD
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	GII Eclipse S.	WO
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