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TAPIT ON TOP AT FASIG SARATOGA OPENER

by Jessica Martini

A pair of seven-figure colts by leading sire Tapit headlined a strong opening session of Fasig-Tipton's Saratoga Selected Yearlings Sale Monday night at the Humphrey S. Finney Pavilion.

In all, 70 yearlings grossed \$21,745,000, compared to 64 horses selling for \$18,267,000 during last year's opening session. The session average was up 8.8% to \$310,643 and the median dipped 3.2% to \$225,000. The buy-back rate was 17.6%.

"I was very pleased with the strong opening session of the 2015 yearling sales," Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning, Jr. said. "The statistical indicators were all very positive--the average was up, the gross was up

significantly, and there was a very, very acceptable RNA rate of less than 20%. The median was about flat from last year with a smaller number of horses."

Gainesway's Tapit dominated the leader board, with the night's top three offerings. Leading the way was [hip 70](#), an Irish-bred son of Dress Rehearsal (Ire) who sold for \$2 million to El Capi Racing, a partnership of five South Americans based in Miami. The yearling was consigned by Four Star Sales on behalf of his breeder, Ben Sangster.

A new buyer on the scene, El Capi's presence was just the most obvious in a diverse buying bench. The top 12 horses were bought by 10 distinct buyers.

"The diversification among the buyer group and the diversification really from Americans to pretty broad international participation this year was probably the most encouraging thing," Browning said.

Of the sale-topping partnership, Browning added, "We had seen some indication of a high level of interest by that group this week and they established significant credit with us, but it's certainly very encouraging to see a new name like that," Browning said. [Cont. p3](#)



Session-topping hip 70 | *F-T Photo*



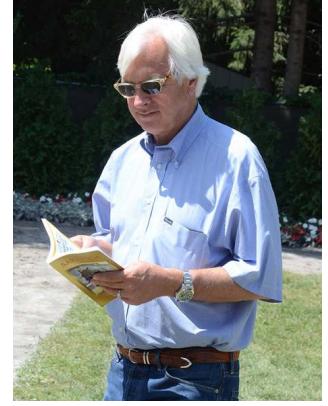
Browning | *F-T Photo*

BAFFERT PERFORMS TRAVERS 'RECON'

With an eye towards shipping Triple Crown and recent GI Haskell Invitational S. hero **American Pharoah** (Pioneerof the Nile) in for the GI Travers S. Aug. 29, trainer Bob Baffert spent time on the Saratoga backstretch Monday morning while in town for the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Selected Yearlings Sale.

"I'm just here doing a little recon if he were to come here, where he's going to go, what stall, what barn, the layout with the track and everything," Baffert said after visiting the barn of John Terranova, who stables the Hall of Famer's horses when they come to the Empire State. "We're trying to make it, but he's going to have to really convince me. I have to be all in and feel really confident, because if he comes here I know he's going to have to run hard. It's a tough, demanding racetrack, but he's handled everything thrown at him so far."

Baffert has had five previous Travers starters. He took the 2001 renewal with Point Given (Thunder Gulch) and finished third with Roman Ruler (Fusaichi Pegasus) in 2005, but was off the board with Haskell winner Coil (Point Given) in 2011, Liaison (Indian Charlie) in 2012 and Haskell winner Bayern (Offlee Wild) 12 months ago. [Cont. p13](#)



Baffert on the Fasig-Tipton Sales Grounds | *Horsephotos*

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L to R: Bernie Schiappa, Donato Lanni, Chicago Blackhawks Assistant Coach Kevin Dineen, John Sikura & Bob Baffert with the Stanley Cup at Saratoga Monday | Barry Weisbord photo

Pedigree Insights: Air Force Blue

Andrew Caulfield discusses Sunday's G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. winner Air Force Blue (War Front), and postulates that the Aidan O'Brien trainee has the potential to be a serious threat at the highest level going forward.

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Browning continued, "And it was nice to see Al Shaqab participating strongly, it was nice to see China Horse Club, who was here for the first time as well. And a lot of old friends continued to be very active and participated in the sale."

Tapit, who stood for \$300,000 in 2015, had four yearlings sell Monday for a total of \$4,350,000 and an average of \$1,087,500. In addition to the sale-topper, the stallion was represented by [hip 34](#), who was purchased for \$1.2 million by a partnership between Bridlewood Farm, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Robert LaPenta. A filly ([hip 24](#)) by the stallion failed to sell at \$950,000.

Monday night's results reflect a continuation of a fair and competitive marketplace, according to Browning.

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"All in all, it was a very positive sale," he said. "It was kind of what we all expected--to continue the positive momentum. I don't think anyone was surprised to have a strong sale. There was lot of activity on the sales grounds this week, I think everyone generally feels pretty optimistic about the market and I think if it continues to trend the way we've seen, it's a pretty fair and balanced market. Not a whole lot of 'irrational exuberance,' but it was a fair marketplace. You still have to jump through the hoops, still have to get through the vetting and get through the conformation inspection aspects of it, but all in all, a very solid marketplace and I'm pleased with the first night."



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The Saratoga sale's second session begins Tuesday evening at 7 p.m.

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Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
70	colt	Tapit	Dress Rehearsal (Ire)	2,000,000
			B-Mr. Ben Sangster (IRE) Consigned by Four Star Sales, agent	
			Purchased by El Capi Racing LLC	
34	colt	Tapit	Appealing Zophie	1,200,000
			B-My Meadowview (KY) Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig & Holly Bandoroff), Agent III	
			Purchased by Bridlewood Farm, Eclipse TB Partners & Robert LaPenta	
49	colt	Tapit	Carriage Trade	750,000
			B-SF Bloodstock (KY) Consigned by Hunter Valley Farm, agent	
			Purchased by John Ferguson	
44	colt	Blame	Be My Prospect	600,000
			B-Samac (KY) Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent	
			Purchased by Willis Horton-D W Lukas	
88	colt	Medaglia d'Oro	Gabriellina Giof (GB) (\$360,000 RNA wnlg '14 KEENOV)	585,000
			B-Rosa Colasanti (KY) Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent	
			Purchased by Al Shaqab Racing	
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104	filly	War Front	Hostess	570,000
			B-Gallagher's Stud (NY) Property of Gallagher's Stud, Denali Stud	
			(Craig & Holly Bandoroff), agent	
			Purchased by Glen Hill Farm	
73	colt	Street Cry (Ire)	Element of Truth	550,000
			B-Stratford Place Stud (KY) Consigned by Gainesway, Agent II	
			Purchased by John Ferguson	
7	colt	Pioneerof the Nile	True Blessing	500,000
			B-H. Allen Poindexter (IA) Consigned by Gainesway Agent VII	
			Purchased by China Horse Club Limited	
9	filly	Malibu Moon	Tulipmania	500,000
			B-Gallagher's Stud (NY) Property of Gallagher's Stud, Denali Stud	
			(Craig & Holly Bandoroff), agent	
			Purchased by Crupi's New Castle Farm, agent	
38	colt	Bodemeister	Awesome Humor (\$230,000 RNA wnlg '14 KEENOV)	500,000
			B-WinStar Farm (KY) Consigned by Dromoland Farm Inc. (Gerry Dilger), Agent I	
			Purchased by Al Shaqab Racing	
62	colt	Medaglia d'Oro	Dancinginherdreams	500,000
			B-John Oxley (KY) Consigned by Gainesway, Agent IX	
			Purchased by Todd Quast, agent	
79	colt	Unbridled's Song	Escape With Me	500,000
			B-Blackstone Farm (PA) Consigned by Lane's End, agent	
			Purchased by Fox Hill Farm, Tom McGreevy, agent	

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EL CAPI RACING STEPS UP

by Jessica Martini

El Capi Racing, a group of five South American partners based in Miami, created fireworks in the Saratoga sales ring Monday night, going to \$2 million to secure an Irish-bred son of sire-of-the-auction Tapit. The group, bidding out back, outlasted Justin Zayat, standing alongside trainer Bob Baffert just yards away, and let out a victorious whoop with the final bid.

After signing the ticket, the partners, who have horses in training with Venezuelan emigre Gustavo Delgado, seemed nonplussed by the colt's sale-topping price tag.

"We were expecting that," said Francisco Convit.

Jose Uzcategui added, "We don't have a trainer for him yet. But we'll talk about it and we'll see. We bought him to race--we're

going to win the GI Kentucky Derby."

[Hip 70](#), consigned by Four Star Sales on behalf of his breeder Ben Sangster, is out of graded stakes winner Dress Rehearsal (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and is a full-sister to English stakes placed Christophermarlowe.



Jose Uzcategui (left) and Francisco Convit | F-T Photo

The knockout pedigree was an obvious attraction for the El Capi partners.

"He just looks like a Galileo," said Uzcategui.

Four Star's Kerry Cauthen was enthused by the seven-figure sale.

"This was as good a horse as I think I've ever brought to a sale," Cauthen said.

"He walked and he never turned a hair. You hear it all the time, but he was 150% class. He did it all. I just happened to be the lucky guy who got to sell him. It was fantastic for the owner--Ben Sangster is as good an owner and as good a guy as there is in the business. And he deserves it and I'm very thrilled for him."

Of the colt's new owners, Cauthen said.

"He's going to some guys--they made more noise than the rest of the crowd when they won the bidding. You love to see somebody that enthusiastic get the horse. They are not new to the business, but this looks like it is kind of a step up in their level and I think they have got a fantastic horse. I've never had a horse that walked out every single time and was as cool as he was. I have great hopes from him."



Ben Sangster and Kerry Cauthen
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- Aug 2 Rachel's Valentina ([Bernardini](#)) **Saratoga** juvenile MSW Blameitontherlaw (Blame) **Del Mar** juvenile MSW
- Jul 31 Gangster ([Street Boss](#)) **Saratoga** sophomore MSW
- Jul 26 Songbird ([Medaglia d'Oro](#)) **Del Mar** juvenile MSW
- Jul 9 Sanus Per Aquam ([Teofilo](#)) **Leopardstown** juvenile allowance

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Hip 70 cont.

While he knew his offering was special when he led him up to the sale's ring, Cauthen admitted the yearling's price was a surprise.

"I didn't have a number in mind," Cauthen said. "It seemed like an earlier Tapit had brought \$1.2 million and I felt like this was a better horse, but sales vary. They change. And you can't say what you consider to be the best horse is going to bring the most money. I thought he deserved to be a seven-figure horse and beyond that I'm blown over."

Justin Zayat, whose family bought Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) back out of this sale two years ago, admitted it



Hip 70 | F-T Photo

was tough to lose out on the prized colt.

"He was a really nice horse—the Tapit out of a Galileo mare—you don't see a lot of those here in America and the horse had a beautiful head and a beautiful body. They got a nice horse," Zayat said. "Two million dollars was a lot of money for the horse, but he's a really nice horse. It was hard to stop [bidding], but there are tons of horses in America and I've got 5,000 at Keeneland [September] to choose from."

As for American Pharoah's much-anticipated next start, Zayat said, "We're going to find out next week. We're going to work him Sunday and then decide."



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• No. Offered	85	71
• No. Sold	70	64
• RNAs	15	7
• % RNAs	17.6%	9.9%
• No. \$500K+	12	5
• High Price	\$2,000,000	\$1,150,000
• Gross	\$21,745,000	\$18,267,000
• Average (% change)	\$310,643 (+8.8%)	\$285,422
• Median (% change)	\$225,000 (-3.2%)	\$232,500



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TRIFECTA OF OWNERS TEAM UP FOR TAPIT FILLY by J.M. Severini

A partnership between Bridlewood Farm, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Bob LaPenta was responsible for the first million-dollar sale during the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale's opening session Monday when [hip 34](#), a colt by Tapit, brought a final bid of \$1.2 million. Al Shaqab Racing was the underbidder. "It was a natural partnership," George Isaacs, the General Manager of Bridlewood said after he signed the ticket.

"He looks fast. He's by the number one stallion in North American, out of a great mare who could really run," Isaacs continued. "He looks precocious, and has plenty of pedigree. We knew we were going to have to dig deep, so we partnered up with guys we're doing business with. Eclipse Thoroughbreds sends horses to Bridlewood to break and train and Robert LaPenta sends horses to Bridlewood to break and train, so it seems like a nice, easy partnership. We're excited, so let's just hope we get lucky." Cont. p7



Hip 34 | F-T Photo

Hip 34 cont.

Isaacs noted that the expected high price tag led him to team up with the partners, instead of bidding against them, and that the price tag was about just as high as they were willing to extend.

"We all liked the horse," he said. "We thought we'd probably all bid against each other, and why do that? We were at the max of what we wanted to spend, but we got it done and now we just need to get lucky."

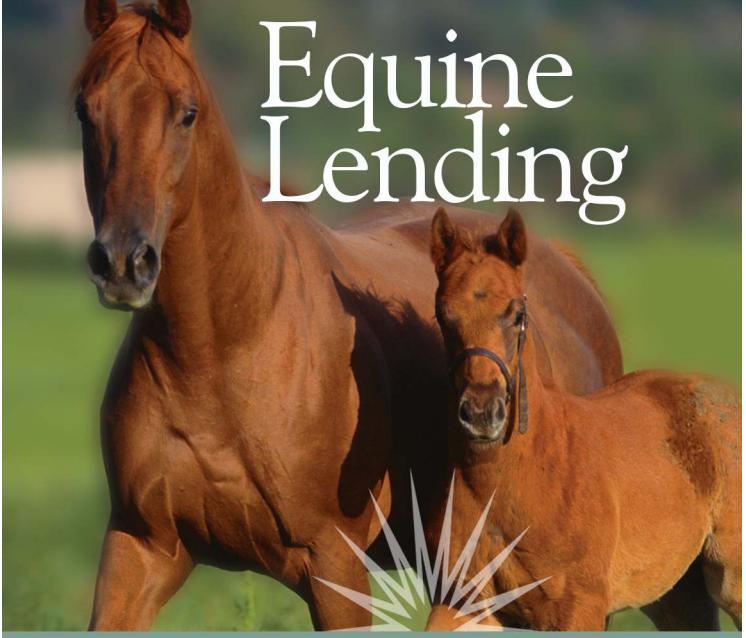
John Panagot, racing manager for Robert LaPenta commented: "He was a total athlete. He has a great walk. When they pulled him out, he was very well behaved. Sometimes Tapits can be a little flighty. He seems like he is really the right kind. And for a stallion who stands for \$300,000, and for an exceptional yearling you are paying more. By Tapit out of a mare like this, you know you're going to have to pay this kind of money. I worked with Aron [Wellman of Eclipse Thoroughbreds] before. He was with Team Valor and I was with Graham Motion when Animal Kingdom won the Kentucky Derby. So we're good friends. And Jonathon Thomas trains our horses at Bridlewood and breaks them and rehabs them and we have a few horses with Bridlewood at the farm. This is our first time having horses with Eclipse. We're looking forward to it. They have had a lot of luck. Hopefully some of it can rub off on us."



Bridlewood's George Isaacs (center) and Jonathan Thomas receive congratulations as legendary former NYRA announcer Tom Durkin (green shirt) looks on | F-T Photo

Dam Appealing Zophie (Successful Appeal) banked \$497,898 in her 12-race career with wins in the 2006 GI Spinaway S. and 2007 GIII Silverbulletday S. She was purchased by Len Riggio's My Meadowview Farm for \$1.1 million at the 2007 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. This is her sixth foal, two of which are winners. She has a Giant's Causeway 2-year-old colt and produced a Candy Ride (Arg) colt this year. Hip 34 was bred by My Meadowview and consigned by Denali Stud.

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"He's by the best stallion in America and these kids, when they can tick all the boxes and do what they've got to do, then they're worth what a couple of guys are willing to pay for him," Craig Bandoroff of Denali Stud explained. "You never expect that price, because it's so hard to do. He was a lovely horse. He's a horse I thought would fit well in here, but he did so well all spring. These horses have to keep doing the right thing and heading the right way, and that's what he did. He came up here and he showed like a man and never lost his enthusiasm for the job. We're thrilled for the people who bred him, and the guys at the farm did a good job with him."



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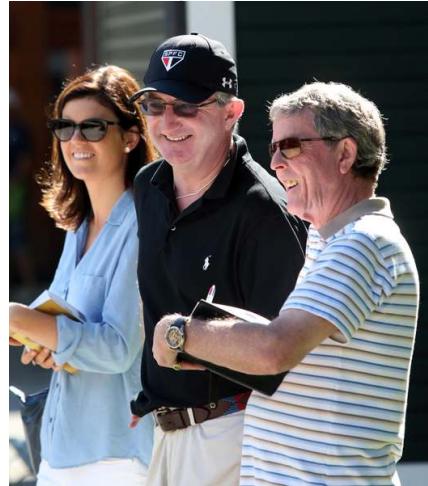
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FERGUSON GETS IN ON THE TAPIT FRENZY

by Jessica Martini

Sheikh Mohammed's bloodstock advisor John Ferguson secured the third-highest-priced offering during Monday's first session of the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale, going to \$750,000 for a colt by Tapit out of Carriage Trade (Storm Cat) ([hip 49](#)).



John Ferguson (center) and Darley representative Dick O'Gorman

F-T Photo

"He's by Tapit out of a Storm Cat mare and he's a really athletic horse," Ferguson said of the yearling's appeal. "So we are delighted to have him."

After a pair of seven-figure yearlings by Gainesway's super sire Tapit, the youngster might have looked a bargain.

"It was about the level we expected," Ferguson said. "At the end of the day, these horses are valuable horses and three-quarters of a million

dollars is a lot of money. So we're delighted to have him for that."

The yearling was consigned by Hunter Valley Farm. Carriage Trade, with this foal in utero, was purchased by S F Bloodstock for \$635,000 at the 2013 Keeneland November sale. The mare re-sold, in foal to More Than Ready, for \$340,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton November sale.

For the session, Ferguson bought five yearlings, including a Street Cry (Ire) colt for \$550,000 and a Bernardini for \$450,000. The bloodstock agent said he was finding a fair market at Saratoga.

"We bought a couple and bid on a few," he said. "It's been a good sale. Horses are making good value and that's important for everyone."



Hip 49 | F-T Photo





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TO HONOR AND SERVE MAKES SPLASH AT F-T

by J.M. Severni

Hip 78, a filly by freshman sire To Honor and Serve (Bernardini), went to Live Oak Plantation for \$450,000 and turned out to be a nice gamble for Joe Minor's JSM Equine and Greathouse Horse Property, who sold the gray through Four Star Sales.

Erhu (Tactical Cat), a stakes winner in her racing career, produced Dress the Part (Malibu Moon) as her first offspring in 2009. That filly would fetch \$700,000 from Glen Hill Farm at the 2010 Keeneland September Sale before going on to become a stakes winner in her own right. Her Malibu Moon filly, the ill-fated Onlyforyou, who was campaigned by Glencrest Farm and Minor, annexed the 2014 GII Forward Gal S. and GII Davona Dale S. Some four months earlier, Greathouse had purchased Erhu with this foal in utero for \$50,000 at the 2013 Keeneland November Sale. The mare's current 3-year-old filly Al Khazaaliya (Blame) was purchased by Al Shaqab Racing for \$275,000 at the 2014 Fasig-Tipton Florida Sale and Erhu produced a full-sister to Onlyforyou this spring. Hip 78 was the property of Greathouse, in partnership with JSM Equine.



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"Being by a freshman sire, you have to worry about something like [if buyers will take to the sire]," said Greathouse. "But she was a really nice filly and, at the end of the day, pedigree means something--her half-sister brought \$700,000."

"She had a real presence about her, she did," added Minor. "She really did."

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Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
<u>18</u>	filly	Lonhro (Aus)	Well at the Top (Ire)	230,000

B-Crossed Sabres Farm (KY)

Consigned by Meadowlark Valley Sales Agency, agent
Purchased by John Ferguson

Crossed Sabres Farm's Carolyn Vogel went to \$100,000 to acquire Well at the Top (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), a half to MSW Tiger Shark (Chief's Crown) and dam of a pair of black-type winners, at KEENOV in 2011 in foal to Langfuhr. John Ferguson purchased the mare's next foal, a filly by Street Sense, for \$100,000 at this event last year, and Sheikh Mohammed's bloodstock advisor went back to the well again Monday evening at the Spa.

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38 colt Bodemeister Awesome Humor 500,000

B-WinStar Farm (KY)

Consigned by Dromoland Farm (Gerry Dilger), Agent I

Purchased by Al Shaqab Racing

Hailing from the first crop of Zayat Stables' 'other' son of Empire Maker, this Jan. 30 foal had a license to be something special as he was produced by Awesome Humor (Distorted Humor), who gave her sire one of his first Grade I winners in the 2002 Spinaway S. The bay was well-regarded as a weanling, bringing \$230,000 from L & D Bloodstock, the most expensive of his sire's 28 first-crop weanlings to go under the hammer. And he proved a very popular sort on the grounds during the first session.

78 filly To Honor and Serve Erhu 450,000

B-JSM Equine LLC, Greathouse Horse Property LLC & Brian Kahn (KY)

Consigned by Four Star Sales, agent for JSM Equine LLC & Greathouse Horse Property LLC

Purchased by Live Oak Plantation

On Nov. 8, 2013, John Greathouse signed for hip 1029 at the Keeneland November Sale for Erhu (Tactical Cat), carrying To Honor and Serve (Bernardini), for \$50,000 on behalf of his family and partner Joe Minor. Two days later, the mare's Malibu Moon filly Onlyforyou, owned by the Greathouses' Glencrest Farm, debuted victoriously at Aqueduct—the first of four straight wins—a streak capped by wins in the GII Forward Gal S. and the GII Davona Dale S. Onlyforyou was tragically lost last March, but her yearling filly, from the first crop of her sire, carried on the legacy, selling to the team who raced To Honor and Serve.

102 colt Scat Daddy Holdontoyourdream 450,000

B-Normandy Farm (KY)

Consigned by Gainesway, agent for Normandy Farm

Purchased by J & B Stables

Normandy Farm's Nancy Polk gave \$105,000 for 2009 GII Comely S. third Holdontoyourdream (Proud Citizen), a half-sister to GSW Liam's Dream (Saint Liam) from the family of Distorted Humor, at the 2012 Fasig-Tipton November sale. The More Than Ready filly she was carrying at the time made \$60,000 last fall at KEESEP, but her Scat Daddy colt was all the rage Monday.



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Hip 106, c, Speightstown--Indyan Giving, by A.P. Indy
Consigned by Lane's End, agent

This Feb. 10 colt is the first foal out of the unraced Indyan Giving, a daughter of 2006 champion older female Fleet Indian (Indian Charlie). "He's a very physically forward colt," Lane's End's Allaire Ryan said. "We knew that he'd suit an earlier sale like this because he was so easy going and made our job easy all along. He has a good head on him, too."

Hip 109, c, Shackleford--In Truth, by Quiet American
Property of Graves, et al, Gainesway, agent

This colt from the first crop of GI Preakness S. winner Shackleford (Forestry) is a half-brother to stakes winner Mr Palmer (Pulpit). "He is a smooth, well-balanced, correct good-moving colt with great step," said Gainesway's Michael Hernon. "He's no secret--better come loaded for bear if you want him in your shedrow."

Hip 122, c, Harlan's Holiday--Majestic Trail, by Kris S.
Property of Machmer Hall & Montese LLC
Consigned by Select Sales, agent

This dark bay colt is a half-brother to graded stakes-placed Tiger Walk (Tale of the Cat) and is from the family of Dynaformer. "He's a big, beautiful colt," said Select Sales' Andrew Cary. "He has a ton of class and presence and a huge walk."

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Hip 132, c, Malibu Moon--More Than Pretty,
by More Than Ready

Property of Spendthrift Farm LLC

Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent

This dark bay colt is out of stakes winner More Than Pretty and is a full-brother to multiple graded stakes winner Kauai Katie and to graded stakes winner Winding Way--both 'TDN Rising Stars'. "This horse has as good a walk as any yearling I've seen this year," said Taylor Made's Mark Taylor. "He has really good balance and he looks like a great More Than Ready. He is one of the best yearlings we've seen this year. He is one that we earmarked for Saratoga because we thought he was one of those who could stand up to the scrutiny. The more you look at him, the more you like him."

Hip 136, c, Arch--Quickest, by Forest Wildcat
Consigned by Paramount Sales, Agent II

This colt has four siblings of racing age, all of which are winners, including GISW Callback (Street Sense), SW Defy Gravity (Bandini) and SP Miss Super Quick (Rock Hard Ten). His dam is a half-sibling to GI Kentucky Derby winner Super Saver (Maria's Mon) and SW Brethren (Distorted Humor). This is also the immediate family of Rhythm, Not For Love, Offbeat, Girolamo, Daydreaming and Accelerator. "He's lovely," said Paramount's Pat Costello. "He's a really fast-looking colt."

Hip 140, f, Malibu Moon--Old Time Chicago,
by Street Sense

Consigned by Paramount Sales, Agent VIII

This Apr. 18 filly is the first foal out of Old Time Chicago, who is a half-sibling to GI Santa Anita Oaks winner Crisp (El Corredor). She hails from the immediate family of GISW Whywhywhy and MGSW Spellbinder. "You're going to have a tough time finding a filly as nice as her on the grounds," Paramount's Pat Costello said. "She's a huge mover."

Correction: In Monday's newsletter, [lot 294](#) (by Dubawi) in the catalogue for the Goffs Orby Sale was incorrectly identified as a colt. She is in fact a filly. We regret this error.

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Hip Happenings cont.**Hip 142, f, Pioneerof the Nile--Paradise Bound, by Pulpit**
Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent

Hip 142 is the third foal out of the winning dam Paradise Bound. Second dam Devotion Unbridled (Unbridled) is a stakes winner who produced GSW Unbridled Humor (Distorted Humor). "She's one of the better Pioneerof the Niles I've ever seen, period, maybe with the exception of a 3-year-old who won few races earlier in the spring," said Eaton's Reiley McDonald, referring, of course, to Triple Crown winner American Pharaoh. "She's beautifully balanced, has a massive shoulder, good length and a big hip with a very classic way of moving--a real racehorse."

Hip 156, f, Tapit--Ithinkisawapudycat, by Bluegrass Cat
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXI

This is the first foal out of stakes-placed Ithinkisawapudycat, who is a half-sister to Canadian champion Spring in the Air (Spring at Last). "This filly has a beautiful head and eye on her," reported Taylor Made's Mark Taylor. "She is just one of those horses that has that intangible. She's very smart and then to go along with it, she is a beautiful, balanced filly and she looks like a runner. A lot of these horses are getting tired and she just doesn't do that. She has so much class and is one of those that makes you think she could be special."

The bay filly was a \$750,000 Keeneland November weanling. "It's expensive, but it's not that expensive for a Tapit," Taylor said of the weanling price tag. "I don't think the owners have a multiple in their mind that they are trying to get. They're putting her in the marketplace and seeing what people think she is worth. But she is a very nice filly and it's a very live family."

Hip 160, f, Tapit--Princess Arabella, by Any Given Saturday*Consigned by Lane's End, agent*

This roan Tapit filly is the second foal out of the stakes-winning Princess Arabella, who is a half-sister to MSW & MGSP Dyna's Lassie (Dynaformer), as well as SP Cairo Six (Stormy Atlantic) and SP Super Sky (Sky Mesa). "Physically, I think she has a lot of the qualities that good Tapits have--size, scope, she has a beautiful profile and top line," Allaire Ryan of Lane's End said. "She has a lot of appeal on paper, too, because she's out of a very talented mare whose race career was cut short because of injury. She's a pretty nice filly that's nice to watch."

Hip 175, c, Smart Strike--Rigoletta, by Concerto*Consigned by Gainesway, Agent V*

This colt is the second foal out of Grade I-winning juvenile Rigoletta. "He has pedigree top and bottom, combined with size and scope," said Gainesway's Michael Hermon. "He has all the qualities to achieve Grade I success and is attracting the attention of all major buyers here at Saratoga."

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Hip Happenings cont.**Hip 182, c, Tapit--Savvy Supreme, by Distorted Humor***Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent LXVII*

This gray colt is out of graded stakes winner Savvy Supreme, a full-sister to Grade I winner Commentator. "He is a very well-balanced horse and a great mover," said Taylor Made's Mark Taylor. "He's out of a mare who could really run and is a full-sister to Commentator. So for people who want to win Classic races, the pedigree sets up on this colt. And he's got just the right combination of Tapit and Distorted Humor. He's just a really good Tapit. We've been looking forward to selling him."

Hip 187, f, Jersey Town--Settling Mist, by Pleasant Colony*Consigned by Four Star Sales, agent*

From the first crop of Grade I winner Jersey Town (Speightstown), this yearling is a half-sister to GI Belmont S. and GI Jockey Club Gold Cup winner Tonalist (Tapit), who added to his resume with a late-running third-place finish in Saturday's GI Whitney H. "She is a really classy filly," said Four Star's Kerry Cauthen. "She is a medium-plus-sized filly, but she is a later foal and she has really been growing a lot lately. She's very classy and has a beautiful head and neck. She moves nicely."

Hip 197, c, Tapit--Somethinaboutlaura, by Dance Floor*Consigned by Paramount Sales, Agent IX*

This colt, by the top stallion Tapit, is out of GSW Somethinaboutlaura, who comes from the family of Wild Rush, amongst a number of other graded winners. "He's been a really smooth horse," Paramount's Pat Costello noted.

Baffert cont. from p1

"He's been such a special horse and he has this following now. I want to make sure I do the right thing," Baffert explained. "I know there's always that pressure that we want to run. I've been pressured into bringing other horses here and they didn't do so well, but this horse is different. Point Given was the only one that I brought in for the Travers that had a chance to win; the other ones, I was just trying to make something happen."

The Zayat Stables colorbearer is currently at Del Mar after his geared-down 2 1/4-length score in the Aug. 2 Haskell at Monmouth.

"We'll just work him maybe next Sunday. I'll breeze him and see how he breezes over that track," Baffert noted. "When he came back the next day [after the Haskell], it was normal that he was tired. You could tell, he was pretty quiet and all. For two days there he just laid around and we left him alone. It took him about four days to snap out of it, and he filled back up a little bit. He looks great. After he galloped, [assistant trainer] Jimmy [Barnes] said he looked like his normal self."

Owner Ahmed Zayat has publically voiced his desire to run in the "Midsummer Derby," but Baffert said that the horse will make the final decision.

"I'm in a situation with him where if he would have gone to the Haskell and I didn't like the way he trained there, I would have scratched him," said Baffert. "If he were to come here and train and I didn't like something, we would scratch him. Fortunately, I haven't had to do that. If he comes, that means that he's doing really, really well."

American Pharoah went for \$300,000 at the Saratoga Sale in 2013. "I had to come over and see if maybe there's another American Pharoah in here that everybody missed last time," Baffert quipped. "He was right there and everybody looked at him and walked away from him. All the geniuses missed him."

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Trainer Christophe Clement confirmed Monday that GI Whitney S. third-place finisher **Tonalist** (Tapit) will bypass the GI Woodward S. Sept. 5 and instead return in defense of his title in the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup S. at Belmont Oct. 3. "We were third-best on the day," Clement said of Shel Evans's 2014 GI Belmont S. winner. "I thought he ran a nice race. He just started to get going the last eighth of a mile and was finishing as well, if not better than, anybody else." Of the Jockey Club, he said, "It's the regular story. I'll do everything I can to have him fit and feeling as good as possible [for the Gold Cup]. It's exciting."

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



AIR FORCE BLUE

When **Air Force Blue** (War Front) quickened impressively to take the Keeneland Phoenix S., this son of War Front provided trainer Aidan O'Brien with his 14th winner of this Group 1 contest in the space of only 18 years.

With a sample of this size, it is inevitable that not all of the previous 13 enjoyed further Group 1 glory. Indeed the last four--Alfred Nobel, Zoffany, Pedro The Great and Dick Whittington--have failed to win a race of any sort after the Phoenix (though in Zoffany's defence, he was a close second in a pair of Group 1 events at three).

I suspect, though, that Air Force Blue will have far more in common with some of O'Brien's earlier Phoenix winners. They amount to a highly accomplished bunch, so much so that you'll need a good deep breath to get to the end of the list, which began in 1999 with Fasliyev (Prix Morny). Then came Minardi (Middle Park S.), Johannesburg (Morny, Middle Park and Breeders' Cup Juvenile), One Cool Cat (National S.), George Washington (National S., 2,000 Guineas, Queen Elizabeth II S.), Holy Roman Emperor (Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere) and Mastercraftsman (National S., Irish 2,000 Guineas and St James's Palace S.).

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KEENELAND PHOENIX S.-G1, €250,000, CUR, 8-9, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.88, yl.

1--#@&**AIR FORCE BLUE**, 129, c, 2, by **War Front**

1st Dam: Chatham (MSP-US, \$156,431), by Maria's Mon
2nd Dam: Circle of Gold, by Seeking the Gold

3rd Dam: Starlet Storm, by Storm Bird (\$490,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP). O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Stone Farm (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Joseph O'Brien. €145,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 3-2-1-0, \$212,956. Werk

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Air Force Blue's rider Joseph O'Brien, who seems to be developing into an essential cog in the O'Brien training machine, had commented before the race that:

"[Air Force Blue is] a lovely, big horse and he's improving all the time--whatever he does this year is going to be a bonus. I think he's the classiest horse of our three [contenders] and there's no doubt in a year's time he's going to be the best horse. My only worry is if the race is coming a bit early in his career, as he has a bit of progression to come yet."

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What Joseph didn't mention was that Air Force Blue has a May 2 birthday, which made him the youngest in the seven-horse field and two months younger than the hot favorite Buratino. In other words, this big, scopey individual can be expected to become even more effective as he fills into his frame.

Air Force Blue, a graduate of Stone Farm, cost \$490,000 as a yearling. It is worth reminding everyone that War Front's current crop of 2-year-olds, which numbers 66, was sired when the Claiborne stallion's fee was officially no higher than \$60,000. That represented a \$45,000 advance on the previous year. This substantial rise was fuelled by some very classy 3-year-olds from War Front's first crop, such as The Factor, Summer Soiree and Soldat. It is going to be fascinating to see how War Front progresses over the next few years, when he will be represented by an \$80,000 2014 crop, followed by two conceived at \$150,000.

In reality, the son of Danzig will be hard pressed to improve substantially on his achievements so far, so good have they been.

Thanks partly to Claiborne's restrained approach when it comes to the size of a stallion's book, War Front is credited with no more than 400 foals of racing age, even though his current juveniles come from his sixth crop. That's an average of 66 foals per crop. His 20 Graded/Group winners represent an impressive 5%-- a figure made all the more impressive by the fact that more than 320 of the 400 were sired at fees between \$10,000 and \$15,000. Air Force Blue is his ninth Group 1/Grade I winner (there is also a winner of a local Group 1 in Hong Kong), and his total of 38 stakes winners looks sure to rise when more of his current 2-year-olds are given more chances to prove themselves.

For example, George Patton improved his record to two from two at Deauville on the same day as the Phoenix, and there have also been recent French successes for Omar Bradley and the dual winner Camp Courage, while Air Vice Marshal has already underlined his stakes potential by finishing a length second in the G2 Superlative S. Aidan O'Brien also has some so-far-unraced War Front juveniles, which should prove worth watching out for. They include Schubert, a May 17 foal bought for \$1.3 million; Long Island Sound, bought for \$800,000 as a weanling; and Black Hawk War.

Joseph Allen's continued association with his former color-bearer means that there is also a strong team of War Front juveniles in training in France with Jean-Claude Rouget and Andre Fabre. In addition to George Patton, Camp Courage and Omar Bradley, they include the unraced colts Allied Command, Front Page Story (a brother to Declaration of War, from the family

of Union Rags), House of Dixie (a daughter of the French Group 2 winner Homebound), Revolutionary War (a three-parts-brother to the smart U S Ranger) and War Flag (a sister to Group 1 winner Lines of Battle). Several other leading owners, such as Shadwell and the Niarchos Family, also have War Front juveniles in France, so a sizeable proportion of his crop is in Europe.

Air Force Blue's year-older sister Bugle improved her record to 6-2-3-0 when she won a 1 1/16-mile turf allowance at Churchill Downs in June. She had earlier scored over nine furlongs on turf, which bodes well for Air Force Blue's prospects as a potential 2,000 Guineas winner.

Rather surprisingly, War Front was never tried on turf, even though his dam Starry Dreamer had spent much of her 31-race career contesting turf stakes. Starry Dreamer's smart Pulpit colt Ecclesiastic also did most of his racing on turf, winning two editions of the GIII Jaipur S.

Air Force Blue is the latest in a lengthy line of very talented turf performers by War Front. Indeed only two of his nine highest-level winners--The Factor and Peace And War--gained an important victory on dirt.

I would certainly expect Air Force Blue to be suited by a mile as a 3-year-old. Although his dam Chatham did her winning over sprint distances, she is a daughter of Maria's Mon, sire of the Kentucky Derby winners Monarchs and Super Saver, as well as that very good filly Wait A While, who shone at around a mile and a quarter.

Seeking The Gold, the sire of Air Force Blue's second dam Circle of Gold, also stayed well for a son of Mr. Prospector, as he showed with his win in the Super Derby and his close seconds in the Travers and Breeders' Cup Classic.

Circle of Gold never raced but she had the distinction of being a sister to Flanders. You may remember that Flanders ran away with the 1994 Eclipse Award for two-year-old female, gathering every single vote from each of the three voting organizations. She earned this tribute largely via her wonderfully courageous display in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, in which she managed to edge ahead of Serena's Song even though she had suffered fractures in her right foreleg.

Flanders had earlier gained other Grade I victories in the Spinaway S and Frizette S. Although she was unable to race again, she has continued to make her mark, principally through her champion Seattle Slew filly Surfside, a four-time Grade I winner. Three of her daughters and granddaughters have so far produced Graded/Group winners, one being last year's smart French filly High Celebrity (out of a daughter of Surfside).

AIR FORCE BLUE, c. 2013

War Front	Danzig	Northern Dancer	Nearctic
		Pas de Nom	Natalma Admiral's Voyage Petitioner (GB)
	Starry Dreamer	Rubiano	Fappiano Ruby Slippers
		Lara's Star	Forli (Arg) True Reality
Chatham MSP, \$156,431 6 Fls, 3 Wnrs, 1 GSW	Maria's Mon	Wavering Monarch	Majestic Light Uncommitted
		Carlotta Maria	Caro (Ire) Water Malone
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The evening's highlight--other than the outstanding food prepared by Burrell, a chef made famous by the Food Network--was an auction of stallion seasons and unique experiences.



TRF board member Jerry Bilinski with chef Anne Burrell at the TRF event. Bilinski picked up a Yankees box and a football game with Tiki Barber in the auction.

sold for \$22,000, while a Point of Entry (donated by Adena Springs) fetched \$25,000. A season to Tale of Ekati, donated by Chuck Fipke, sold for \$15,000 to Mike Levy.

The Peb-painted fiberglass horse, inspired by American Pharoah, was not only the hit of the sales week at the Fasig-Tipton pavilion, with untold visitors lining up for photos, but topped the auction of unique experiences, bringing a bid of \$15,000 from Paul Bulmahn. The statue was donated by Fasig-Tipton. Another Pharoah item, the Triple Crown champ's halter, went for \$14,500 to Paul Manganaro. It was donated by Bob Baffert, and sold with a Skip Dickstein photo set.

Said the TRF's Director, External Affairs, Diana Pikulski, "We are so grateful to our sponsors, season and experience donors and to the folks who bid with their hearts last night. The success and longevity of the TRF is based on loyal supporters like those who participated last night and who welcomed the horses' new found friend--Anne Burrell. We are also indebted to the team from Fasig-Tipton, who not only donated an item and attended the function, but put on a great show with their auction."

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Saratoga

Monday's Results:

NEW YORK STALLION SERIES S., \$100,000, SAR, 8-10, (C), 3yo, 1mT, 1:36.95, fm.

1--#EX EX EX, 117, c, 3, by Read the Footnotes
1st Dam: Stelluchella, by Honor Grades
2nd Dam: Wandering Lace, by Private Account
3rd Dam: Shujinsky, by Nijinsky II

(\$52,000 2yo '14 EASMAY). O-Mark Valentine; B-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC, A Lakin & Sons & Hidden Lake Farm (NY); T-Gary C Contessa; J-Jose Lezcano. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-0, \$109,743. * 1/2 to Alfonsina (Grand Slam), MGSP, \$120,547.

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2--Amazing Anne, 115, f, 3, Freud--Plinking, by Talkin Man. O-Winter Park Partners; B-Anthony Grey (NY); T-Thomas Morley. \$20,000.

SEQUEL BLOODSTOCK graduate

3--Memories of Peter, 117, c, 3, Disco Rico--Momma's Image, by Marquetry. O/B-Patricia Generazio (NY); T-James T. Ryerson. \$10,000.

Margins: HF, 3 1/4, HF. Odds: 11.00, 5.20, 6.80. Also Ran: Payment Terms, Mark My Style, Secured Position, Possessed.

Ex Ex Ex did not reach the winner's circle in four appearances on the main track but showed what he was capable of in his turf debut, annexing a 1 1/16-mile maiden contest at Belmont in wire-to-wire fashion. Subsequently entered in Belmont's seven-panel New York Stallion S., the bay remained in the field after rains washed the race off the turf.



Ex Ex Ex | NYRA Photo

He pressed a fast pace and faded to finish last of four and was given a brief freshening in the aftermath of that effort. Overlooked by the public in this return to the lawn, the colt darted straight to the lead and settled nicely to set a measured pace through fractions of :24.64 and :50.18

as favored Payment Terms (Freud) bore out around the first turn. Cornering for home with a three-length advantage, Ex Ex Ex had enough gas left in the tank to hold off a late rush from Amazing Anne, the lone filly in the field. "He's a very fast horse," said winning trainer Gary Contessa. "Anytime you have speed you're dangerous, and his speed on the turf is very dangerous. Obviously he's not the same kind of dirt horse. When we went into the first turn and everyone behind him was checking and bolting and everything, I said, 'Boy this is a beautiful thing.' The favorite obviously had the most trouble. That really helps. That's the advantage of having the speed horse." Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Saratoga Report cont.

7th-SAR, \$78,000, (S), Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 8-10, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.30, ft.
ROYAL ASSET (c, 3, [Langfuhr](#)--Royal Relic, by Colonial Affair) was placed first via a rare double disqualification in his unveiling over a grassy six furlongs at Belmont May 8. The chestnut returned from a brief freshening to annex an allowance event over this same distance on dirt in Elmont July 12 after setting a hot pace, and was given a 5-2 chance to remain undefeated in this spot. Burdened with the inside post in a race seemingly loaded with early speed, Royal Asset jetted away from the gate and opened up a clear advantage through a quarter-mile in :22.02. The colt drifted multiple paths off the rail turning for home allowing Possilicious (Posse) to sneak through and gain a narrow lead, but re-engaged that stubborn foe and battled back to prevail by a neck on the wire. The winner sold for \$55,000 as a KEENOV weanling and later for \$185,000 as a SARAUG yearling. He is a half to Lady on the Run (Ten Most Wanted), MSW, \$385,600; Mr. Windjammer (Regal Classic), MSW, \$280,675; and Karakorum Fugitive (Ten Most Wanted), MSP, \$196,732. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$120,000. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Ice Wine Stable; B-Stone Bridge Farm LLC (NY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

4th-SAR, \$75,000, (S), Alw, 8-10, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50.84, ft.
ONE SIDED (c, 3, [Quality Road](#)--Madame Red {SW & GSP, \$323,001}, by Forest Wildcat) displayed steady improvement in his first three career starts, culminating with a narrow victory as the odds-on favorite in a 6 1/2-furlong maiden event for Empire-breds at Belmont May 25. Extended to a mile in Elmont July 19, the bay found himself on the opposite end of a photo finish, checking in second beaten a nose by All About Ashley (Colonel John). Sent postward as the 5-2 second choice in this spot, he raced three wide around the opening bend and established position stalking the pace in second through a half-mile in :49.37. Sent up to challenge for the lead on the far turn, One Sided engaged in a prolonged stretch duel with Bellamy Way (Bellamy Road) and inched clear in the dying strides to dispatch that stubborn rival by a head. The winner, an \$80,000 OBSAUG yearling turned \$180,000 OBSMAR juvenile, is a half to Crimson Comic (Distorted Humor), MSW, \$378,239. Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$118,900. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Repole Stable; B-Lambholm & Constance Wickes (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.



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1st-SAR, \$73,000, (S), Msw, 8-10, 2yo, 5f, :57.80, ft.
NO ENTIENDO (c, 2, [Bellamy Road](#)--Prairie Fever, by Richter Scale) set the pace and was caught in the final strides by stablemate Uno Emayo (D' Funnybone) in his 5 1/2-panel debut at Belmont July 11. Tabbed as the third choice at odds of 3-1 for this slight cutback in distance, the chestnut broke sharply once again and showed the way through a quarter-mile in :22.61. Maintaining a clear advantage into the lane, No Entiendo was kept under steady encouragement and reported home 1 1/2 lengths clear of first-timer Mind Your Biscuits (Posse). The winner's dam, a half to GSWs Lawn Ranger (U S Ranger) and Georgie's Angel (Bellamy Road), was bred to Exchange Rate earlier this year. Sales History: \$67,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN; \$40,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$55,800. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Luis Archilla; B-Fred W. Hertrich (NY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez.

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Monday's Results:

3rd-PRX, \$45,348, Msw, 8-10, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:06.66, ft.

+BOLD QUALITY (f, 2, [Elusive Quality](#)--Bold Union {GSW, \$356,416}, by Dixie Union) drilled steadily dating back to mid-June at Monmouth Park and shipped across the Delaware River to make this initial start at odds of 7-2. The bay settled to track the pace along the inside as entrymates Super Chica (Super Saver) and Roman's Middy (Midshipman) dueled through a quarter-mile in :22.33. Momentarily forced to wait for running room on the turn, she angled out to the four path in the lane and uncorked a strong rally to win going away by 4 1/2 lengths. Sweetness 'N Sugar (Hard Spun) was second best. The winner's dam captured the GIII Endine S. for these connections in 2009. She produced a colt by More Than Ready last year and has a weanling colt by Malibu Moon. Sales History: \$120,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,200. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-George & Lori Hall; B-K & G Stables (KY); T-Kelly J. Breen.

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3rd-DEL, \$36,075, Msw, 8-10, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.65, ft.

+**GOTTA BE GOLD** (c, 2, [Arch](#)--**Finding Aurum**, by **Seeking the Gold**) was sent to post at odds of 7-2 as part of a two-horse entry for this first career start. Away in good order, he dueled for command from the outside through a quarter-mile in :22.18 and shook loose to open up a clear lead entering the lane. The dark bay was fully extended to hold off a furious late rush from favored Crimson Valor (Summer Bird) by a head. The winner's dam, a half to MGSW Night Patrol (Storm Boot), has a weanling colt by Pioneerof the Nile and was bred back to Bodemeister. Sales History: \$40,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$37,500 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Nicholas Cammarano Jr.; B-Fred W Hertrich (KY); T-Guadalupe Preciado.

ROOKIES

First-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, August 11

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/ BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*
CROWN OF THORNS (Repent), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$4K, 21/1/0 2-PID, Msw, 6 1/2f, Loveyou Likethat, \$2K OBS OCT yrl, 8-1
SILVER MOUNTAIN (Victory Gallop), Nicks Farm, \$2K, 19/0/0 2-PID, Msw, 6 1/2f, She's Going Strong, 10-1
TRAPPE SHOT (Tapit), Claiborne Farm, \$10K, 96/2/0 2-PID, Msw, 6 1/2f, P T O's Babe, \$30K OBS APR 2yo, 3-1

First/second-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, August 11

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2011 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/ BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*
SOUTHWESTERN HEAT (Gone West), A & A Ranch, \$3K, 40/10/1 8-SRP, Stk, 6 1/2f, Gator Heat, 3-1
8-SRP, Stk, 6 1/2f, Southern Fire, \$15K RUI MIX yrl, 8-1

INDUSTRY INFO

NBC Sports/MJC Extends Preakness Partnership:

NBC Sports Group and the Maryland Jockey Club have reached a long-term agreement extending NBC Sports Group's exclusive rights to the GI Preakness S., it was announced Monday.

The long-term renewal extends the partnership for the middle jewel of the Triple Crown, which began in 2001. The extension includes multi-platform rights to the Preakness S., undercard on Preakness Saturday, and GII Black-Eyed Susan S. during Preakness week, which will be televised on NBC and NBCSN and featured on NBC's digital platforms.

NBC Sports Group now has exclusive, long-term media agreements for all three Triple Crown races.

NBC Sports International will continue to distribute NBC's coverage of the Preakness S. globally through the term of the deal. NBC Sports Radio will broadcast the Preakness S. through the term of the deal as well.

"We are excited to extend our partnership with the Maryland Jockey Club for the Preakness S.," said NBC Sports Group Chairman Mark Lazarus. "The second jewel of the Triple Crown is integral to our Championship Season, and now gives us long-term agreements with all of the Triple Crown races. This extension is a testament to the strength of the relationship between the Maryland Jockey Club and NBC Sports Group, and underscores NBC's commitment to the sport of horse racing."

Alon Ossip, Chief Executive Officer of The Stronach Group, parent company of the Maryland Jockey Club, said, "The Stronach Group is delighted to continue its long relationship with the NBC Sports Group. This long-term agreement will allow us to build the Preakness, Black-Eyed Susan, Pimlico Special and Preakness week activities through multiple channels to reach a wider audience. The Stronach Group is committed to growing the sport of Thoroughbred racing, and we believe our relationship with NBC is another step in that direction."

The 2015 Preakness S. on NBC, featuring American Pharaoh's victory en route to the first Triple Crown in 37 years, averaged 8.9 million viewers--the seventh consecutive year the Preakness topped eight million viewers. In 12 of the 15 years it has been on NBC, the Preakness Stakes has been the most-watched sporting event of the weekend it was contested.

TwinSpires.com Named Official BC Wagering Partner:

Breeders' Cup Ltd. and TwinSpires.com announced a multi-year agreement making TwinSpires the official wagering partner of the Breeders' Cup World Championships and the title sponsor of the \$1.5-million GI TwinSpires Breeders' Cup Sprint, which will be held this year at Keeneland Oct. 31.

"We are delighted that TwinSpires has joined us as an official partner of the World Championships and the title sponsor of the Breeders' Cup Sprint," said Craig Fravel, Breeders' Cup President and CEO. "The high quality and standards of brand excellence and popularity of TwinSpires for its wagering customers are a perfect fit for our Championships."

Additionally, TwinSpires will be the presenting partner of the morning line at the Breeders' Cup post-position draw presented by Rood & Riddle of the 13 Breeders' Cup races on Oct. 26 at Keeneland.

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Fasig-Tipton graduate Royal Asset (Langfuhr) wins at Saratoga.

APPOINTMENTS

Leroy Gessman: President, National HPBA

- President of Iowa HPBA and most recently served as First Vice President and Central Region Vice President for National HPBA.
- Campaigned Sure Shot Biscuit, the all-time leading Iowa-bred money earner, as well as GSW and GI Breeders' Cup F/M Sprint third Miss Macy Sue.
- Replaces Robin Richards, who served a three-year term.
- "I thank the board for their faith in me and will do everything I can to keep this organization going in the right direction," said Gessmann.

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IN JAPAN:

A Shin Caliburn, c, 3, [Ghostzapper](#)--Perfect Moment (MSW-US, \$115,067), by Dazzling Falls. Kanazawa, 8-4, Noto Rokkosaki Sho, 7.5f. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-1, \$6,694. O-Eishindo Inc.; B-Red Dog Stables; T-Yoshihiko Kawamura. *\$65,000 yrl '13 KEESEP. **1/2 to Perfect Bull (Holy Bull), MSW-US, \$181,694.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-SAR, \$78,000, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 8-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.25, fm.

NECK OF THE MOON (m, 5, [More Than Ready](#)--

Cotopaxi {MSP-Fr, \$176,220}, by With Approval. Lifetime Record: 11-3-3-3, \$192,475. O-Hidden Brook Farm; B-Stone Bridge Farm (NY); T-Chad C. Brown. *\$60,000 Wlg '10 KEENOV; \$65,000 RNA Ylg '11 KEESEP.

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5th-PRX, \$53,820, 8-10, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.23, ft.

ROXBURY N OVERTON (c, 3, Andiron--Centennial Cat, by Tale of the Cat) Lifetime Record: 12-3-4-0, \$143,114. O/B-Jettany Thoroughbred Corp & JAG Racing Inc (PA); T-Ramon Preciado.

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3rd-TDN, \$37,700, (S), 8-10, (NW2X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.26, ft.

SOMETHING NICE (f, 3, [Hold Me Back](#)--Just a Knockout, by Fit to Fight) Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-2, \$72,117. O-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Deborah Kopatz (OH); T-Robert M. Gorham. * \$18,000 RNA Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$30,000 Ylg '13 FTKOCT.

4th-TDN, \$37,700, 8-10, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.62, ft.

SUNSHINE'S SON BOB (g, 3, [After Market](#)--Li'lbito'sunshine {MSP, \$100,930}, by Dixieland Heat) Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-3, \$102,475. O-Keys to Riches Stable; B-Sparks View Farm (OH); T-Shane Meyers. * \$24,000 RNA Ylg '13 FTKJUL; \$20,000 Ylg '13 FTKOCT.

7th-TDN, \$28,500, 8-10, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.64, ft.

SAMSONIAN (m, 5, [Broken Vow](#)--Miss Louisiana, by Miswaki) Lifetime Record: 31-6-8-5, \$106,354. O-MCR Stable Inc; B-Charles Matses (KY); T-Benny R. Feliciano.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Aussie Prayer, f, 3, [All American](#) (Aus)--Peg's Prayer (SW, \$139,416), by Rodeo. SAR, 8-10, (S), (C), 5 1/2fT, 1:02.51. B-Michael Shanley (NY).

Reach for Yield, g, 4, [Curlin](#)--Lucky Soph, by Cozzene. SAR, 8-10, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:42.62. B-Larry D Williams (KY). * \$150,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP. **1/2 to Lucky Pulpit (Pulpit), SW & MGSP, \$209,928; and Drewman (Unbridled), MSP, \$188,852.

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Coordinate, g, 4, [Hard Spun](#)--True Style, by Forestry. SAR, 8-10, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:42.74. B-Darley (KY).

Suave and Smooth, f, 4, [Suave](#)--The Material Girl, by Songandaprayer. FL, 8-10, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:08.87. B-Flying Zee Stables (NY). * \$1,400 Wlg '11 EASDEC.

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Monday's Result:

2nd-WDS, £4,500, Mdn, 8-10, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.34, g/f.
PROJECTION (GB) (c, 2, Acclamation {GB}--Spotlight {GB} {GSW-US & SW-Eng, \$313,632}, by Dr Fong), a rodeo proposition for part of his debut eighth over this course and distance June 27, made a slick exit from an outer gate which paid for the ideal seat stalking the lead going well up close in this return. Sent to the front passing the two pole, the well-backed 9-4 second favorite was soon in command and stretched ever clear under mild urging in the closing stages to score by an impressive three lengths from Noble Peace (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}). Ancient Trade (Speightstown), a \$485,000 KEESEP half-brother to GSW Snaafy (Kingmambo), showed a degree of promise after overcoming an outside draw and ran on for fifth. "He was very green last time, but a lot more straightforward today," commented rider George Baker. "He has shown plenty at home and has pleased in his work since that first run, and that was a good performance." Sales history: £90,000 Ylg '14 DNPRM. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,510. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).
O-The Royal Ascot Racing Club; B-Highclere Stud (GB); T-Roger Charlton.

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CURRAGH TO SUPPORT BREAST CANCER RESEARCH

The Curragh Racecourse will stage a raceday to promote Breast Cancer Research Saturday Aug. 22. The race programme will feature the G2 Debutante S. Helen Ryan, Breast Cancer Research Chairperson said, "We are delighted that the Curragh are supporting us in hosting what promises to be a great racing day. We are also very grateful to Jim Bolger, John Corcoran and Gerrardstown House Stud for their generous support. The funds raised will allow us to continue to support the research program that will deliver on our vision of having a real and measurable impact on outcomes for breast cancer patients." Evan Arkwright, speaking on behalf of the Curragh Racecourse, added, "We are delighted to support Breast Cancer Research and to assist them to generate awareness of the wonderful work being carried out which will potentially save hundreds of lives."



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**BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE****CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

3rd-CLF, €29,000, 8-10, 3uo, 7fT, 1:22, gd.
KENCHAROVA (FR) (f, 3, Kendargent {Fr}--Kirona {GB} {MSW-Ger, \$136,753}, by Robellino) Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €41,950. O-Alain Jathiere; B-Gilles Deroubaix (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Forever A Lady (Ire), f, 2, Dark Angel (Ire)--Unicamp (GB), by Royal Academy. AYR, 8-10, 7f 50yT, 1:36.50. B-Mick McGinn (IRE). €10,000 Wlg '13 GOONO; £27,000 Ylg '14 DNPRM.

Midnight Macchiato (Ire), c, 2, Dark Angel (Ire)--Lathaat (GB), by Dubai Destination. THI, 8-10, 7fT, 1:28.48. B-Hugo Merry Bloodstock (IRE). *19,000gns Ylg '14 TATYEA.

Spennithorne (Ire), f, 2, Shamardal--Two Marks, by Woodman. WOL, 8-10, 5f 216y (AWT), 1:14.93. B-G Morrin (IRE). *65,000gns Ylg '14 TATOCT; 200,000gns 2yo '15 TATBRE.

Point of Woods (GB), c, 2, Showcasing (GB)--Romantic Myth (GB) (GSW-Eng), by Mind Games (GB). THI, 8-10, 5fT, :57.69. B-Bearstone Stud (GB). *110,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT.

Outrage (GB), c, 3, Exceed and Excel (Aus)--Ludynosa, by Cadeaux Genereux (GB). WDS, 8-10, 5f 10yT, :59.97. B-Trickledown Stud Ltd (GB). *65,000gns Wlg '12 TATFOA; 80,000gns Ylg '13 TAOCT. **Full to Out Do (GB), SW-Eng, \$223,639; and 1/2 to Psitta (GB) (Grand Lodge), SP-It, \$155,540.