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'PHAROAH' DRAWS TWO HOLE FOR TRAVERS

By Mike Kane

During a Tuesday afternoon NTRA conference call, trainer Bob Baffert quipped that the excitement surrounding **American Pharoah** (Pioneerof the Nile)'s entry in the GI Travers S. was "...pretty incredible. I feel like I'm bringing the Beatles to town."

In a way he is. While Saratoga Race Course has seen plenty of superstars through the decades, the visit by Zayat Stables's Triple Crown winner has created an uncommon buzz in the racing friendly Capital Region of upstate New York. Some marketer decided to give Saratoga Springs a wacky, temporary new name "Pharaotoga."

That interest was apparent early Tuesday evening as a standing-room-only crowd of approximately 300 people jammed into the courtyard of a downtown pub, Druthers Brewing Company, for the first event of Travers week, the post-position draw. Nine other 3-year-olds were entered to face Baffert's star, who drew post position two and was listed as the 1-5 favorite in the 146th running of the Travers.

Baffert said the post position didn't matter to him. "Well, it's like this, the horse has been all over the place," Baffert said, "He's been in the one. He's been in the 18. He's been everywhere. He can handle it. The post should not be a problem. It more important that he's doing well. We're just focusing on him, shipping and getting him there. They've already drawn. There's nothing we can do about it."

For the first time, NYRA capped attendance at 50,000 and all tickets were sold before American Pharoah's owners and Baffert confirmed on Sunday that the colt would enter the race. The average crowd for the last 10 years is 42,697. **Cont. p3**



American Pharoah & groom Eduardo Luna | Christie DeBernardis



KEENELAND SEPTEMBER BOOK 1

Though Book 1 is being compressed from four days into three--so Thursday instead of Friday will be the dark day--the overall composition of Keeneland's September Yearling Sale will not really change very much from last year. The [Book 1](#) sessions will start at 11 a.m. this year instead of noon, and instead of cataloguing 762 horses over four days (an average of 190 per day), this year

724 yearlings--a drop of 5%--are catalogued over three days (an average of 241 per day). Nine days came after Book 1 last year (3,419 catalogued), and nine days will come after Book 1 this year (3,440 catalogued, a gain of 21 horses (+0.6%).



Tapit | [gainesway.com](#)

The overall sale sees 4,164 yearlings catalogued over 12 days this year, a drop of 17 horses (-0.4%) from the 4,181 catalogued over 13 days for the 2014 sale. Book 1 grossed \$142,153,000 last year, an average of \$300,535 for the 473 yearlings sold. **Cont. p8**

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Casamento Colt Tops DBS

With the high-achieving Shamardal enjoying arguably his best season to date, it's only fitting that the first yearlings of his Group 1-winning son **Casamento (Ire)** begin making a statement in the sales ring. Lot 63, one of the 20 Casamento yearlings catalogued for the DBS Premier Sale, led proceedings Tuesday when selling for £200,000 to the Hong Kong Jockey Club.



Lot 63 | DBS photo

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Arch Filly On Top at OBS



Hip 214 | OBS/Serita Hult

With a slightly smaller catalogue, Tuesday's select session of the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's August Yearling Sale saw markedly similar trade to the 2014 renewal. Topping the session was hip 214, an Arch filly secured by Niall Brennan on behalf of owner Marc Keller for \$320,000. Beth Bayer, Agent XVIII consigned the bay on behalf of her breeder, Tom Mara's Whitehall Lane Farm.

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NY Lasix Forum

A day-long forum in Saratoga Tuesday was designed to shed some light on the policies and practices of furosemide usage and the management of exercise-induced pulmonary hemorrhaging in racehorses. But the four in-depth panel discussions--hosted by the New York State Gaming Commission (NYSGC) and comprised of internationally respected veterinarians, horsemen, and regulators--raised far more questions than answers.

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'Pharoah' Draws Two Hole for Travers cont. from p1

"I would have preferred to be on the outside," owner Ahmed Zayat said during a phone interview that was broadcast via the speakers. "I have been hearing that the rail has been dead at Saratoga. I don't know if that's true or not, but (the post) is what it is. We have a horse who is fit, happy, healthy and if American Pharoah shows up, he shows up. I'm very excited."

American Pharoah is scheduled to leave Del Mar at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday for a van ride to the Ontario airport and the start of a cross-country flight. New York Racing Association officials expect him to arrive at Saratoga Race Course by mid-afternoon.

American Pharoah will be the ninth Triple Crown winner to compete at Saratoga at any point in his career and the fourth to run in the Travers. Whirlaway was the only Triple Crown winner to score in the Travers in 1941. Gallant Fox and Affirmed ended up second, with Gallant Fox beaten by 100-1 shot Jim Dandy in 1930 and Affirmed disqualified and moved to second for interfering with rival Alydar on the backstretch in 1978.

The morning after American Pharoah completed the sweep of the Triple Crown in the GI Belmont S., Baffert was lukewarm about bringing the colt to the Travers. He noted that plenty of upsets have taken place at Saratoga and said the surface could be a little quirky. However, after American Pharoah demolished the field in the GI Haskell Invitational S. at Monmouth Park Aug. 2 and continued to train exceptionally well, Baffert approved Zayat's wish to run the Travers.



Ahmed Zayat | Horsephotos

"Saratoga is Saratoga. It's the premier racing in the country," Zayat said. "The Travers is the Mid-Summer Derby. It's a very coveted race. We at Zayat Stables have always wanted to have a horse that is good enough to compete in it. So for us it's something that was always desirable. American Pharoah is a happy horse. I hope that will cement his legacy. We already know that he's a Triple crown

winner. He's done something that has not been done in 37 years. The last Triple crown winner to win the Travers was 74 years ago. Now they are upping the ante for us, but if anybody can do it, it's this guy."

Zayat continued, "To win such a prestigious race in the heart of fans who love racing and can understand that was quality is all about, it's a dream that hopefully will come through."

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Frosted (Tapit), winner of the GI Wood Memorial S. and second in the GII Jim Dandy S., drew post six and was installed as the 6-1 second choice. Trainer Kiaran McLaughlin said with 10 horses the draw is of little consequence to American Pharoah.

"I don't think there's any bad post," McLaughlin said. "But one and two are probably the only negatives, because of being down inside of people. But he'll be fine. It's not a negative at 1 1/4 miles."

Jim Dandy winner **Texas Red** (Afleet Alex) is the 8-1 third choice on Eric Donovan's morning line and will exit stall four. Haskell runner-up **Keen Ice** (Curlin), quoted at 12-1, and third-place finisher **Upstart** (Flatter), a 15-1 shot, will break from posts seven and one, respectively.

Upstart's trainer Rick Violette said earlier in the week that he would scratch his colt if American Pharoah was entered, but was still undecided at draw time.

"We still are sitting on the fence between running and waiting for [GII Pennsylvania Derby at] Parx," the conditioner said. "I keep waiting for something to push me one way or the other."

The Travers, which was bumped from \$1.25 to \$1.6 million when American Pharoah was entered, will highlight a two-hour NBC telecast from 4-6 p.m.

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1	Upstart	Flatter	Ortiz Jr.	Violette Jr.	15-1
2	American Pharoah	Pioneerof the Nile	Espinosa	Baffert	1-5
3	Mid Ocean	Mineshaft	Franco	Weaver	50-1
4	Texas Red	Afleet Alex	Desormeaux	Desormeaux	8-1
5	Frammento	Midshipman	Ortiz	Zito	30-1
6	Frosted	Tapit	Rosario	McLaughlin	6-1
7	Keen Ice	Curlin	Castellano	Romans	12-1
8	Tale of Verve	Tale of Ekati	Stevens	Stewart	30-1
9	King of New York	Street Boss	Leparoux	McPeck	50-1
10	Smart Transition	Smart Strike	Velazquez	Shirreffs	20-1

BAFFERT CONFIDENT IN PHAROAH

In Tuesday's NTRA teleconference, trainer Bob Baffert seemed confident in how Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) looks coming into Saturday's GI Travers S., but acknowledged that the win won't be easy.



American Pharoah | Sarah K. Andrew

"The horse is really doing well," Baffert said. "It's not going to be an easy race. There's always young shooters coming up and we're prepared for a tough race. The Travers is not going to be easy, it's going to be an exciting race."

Although the constant shipping across country would usually take a lot out of a horse, Baffert noted that American Pharoah is exceptional in that he ships well and isn't too taxed by his frequent travels.

"What makes this horse so different is he's the only horse that I've ever had that's given me six great performances right in a row and he's shipping back and forth," he explained. "It's unheard of with a racehorse. This horse is really tough and he can handle it."

Baffert, who trained Point Given to wins in the Haskell and Travers in 2001, said that the GII Jim Dandy would have been a preferable prep for most horses, but in American Pharoah's case, it shouldn't be an issue.

"I really think you're better off running in the Jim Dandy and coming back [in the Travers]," Baffert said. "If he was just a different kind of horse, I would do that. But with a horse like Pharaoh, I think you can get away with it. With a horse like Pharaoh or Point Given, they're extremely talented you can get away with it."

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Bob Baffert & American Pharoah | Horsephotos

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THE BIG BEAST READY FOR FOREGO

Alex and JoAnn Lieblong's **The Big Beast** (Yes It's True) is slated for a start in Saturday's GI Forego S. at Saratoga. The 18.2-hand horse took an allowance at Saratoga and annexed the GI King's Bishop S. last season and enters Saturday's contest off a narrow runner-up effort in the GI Vanderbilt H. here Aug. 1.

"He came out of the Vanderbilt in very good shape and we're happy with that," trainer Anthony Dutrow said. "Going forward he seemed to snap into plenty of energy quickly and we've just been matter of fact with him. He's had two workouts [five furlongs in 1:00.60 Aug. 14 and a half-mile in :49.09 Aug. 23] and both were very impressive and well within himself. We're really feeling good about The Big Beast."

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COURT DENIES SPORTS WAGERING AT MONMOUTH

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Dennis Drazin | *Equi-Photo*

Drazin continued, "The dissenting opinion of Judge Fuentes mirrored the argument we have made from the onset. It's important to note that Judge Fuentes was in the majority back in 2013 when the Court issued its first opinion denying sports wagering, but carved out a path for permitting same. We followed that path, and in dissenting Judge Fuentes recognized this. Because of the dissent in 2013 and today's dissent, our next logical step is

to ask for an en banc hearing of the Third Circuit where we believe a full opinion is necessary to secure and maintain uniformity of the court's decisions."

As referenced in the majority opinion today, "New Jersey State Senator Ray Lesniak, a sponsor of the law, has likewise stated, '[s]ports betting will be a lifeline to the casinos, putting people to work and generating economic activity in a growth industry.'"

"I've made that statement prior and I continue to make it today," Lesniak said. "This is an issue that strikes to the will of the people. After more than 60% of the citizenry approved sports betting and the Court provided contours for us to make it permissible, we did just that. It is imperative for our horse racing and casino industries, which have struggled as of late, to have alternative revenue sources, and sports betting provided just that." *Cont. p6*

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CITY ZIP	\$40K	4.9%
CONGRATS	\$35K	3.8%



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Court Denies Sports Wagering at Monmouth cont.

Drazin continued, "Racing in New Jersey is an economic engine that accounts for tens of thousands of jobs and billions to the state economy, not to mention the open spaces and green acres that are accompanied with it. I won't rest until this industry is on firmer footing. I too must join Mr. Drazin in respectfully disagreeing with the Court's majority opinion and echo that this fight must go on."

In 2012, Monmouth Park partnered with William Hill to create a state-of-the-art sportsbook at the racetrack in anticipation of the approval of sports betting.

"The William Hill Room has been ready for operation for more than a year now," said Joe Asher, president of William Hill US. "It's pretty clear to me that this matter is far from over. I remain convinced that legal sports betting will come to New Jersey. It's a matter of when, not if. There's a massive illegal sports betting market that exists, not only in New Jersey, but all across the country. That serves to benefit only the criminals that operate it. The sooner that market comes out of the shadows and into the sunlight, the better off we will be."

In 2012, New Jersey passed the Sports Wagering Act, which permitted the licensing and regulation of sports betting. The state was subsequently sued based on a 1992 statute--the Professional and Amateur Sports Protection Act (PASPA). In 2013, the U.S. District Court ruled that New Jersey could not proceed with sports wagering and the state appealed.

The Third Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the District Court's ruling, but that Court stated that there was nothing that could stop New Jersey from removing prohibitions against sports wagering, thus establishing the roadmap for the state to begin wagering on sports without violating the federal law.

The State of New Jersey subsequently passed legislation that repealed all laws that would make it illegal to take sports wagers at the state's horse tracks and casinos. Monmouth Park was set to proceed with the first such wager Oct. 26, 2014, but the sports leagues were granted a temporary restraining order Oct. 24. Following the issuance of an injunction by the U.S. District Court issued in November of 2014, the state appealed to the Third Circuit. After oral argument in March of 2015, Thursday's ruling was delivered.

In his dissenting opinion issued Thursday, Judge Fuentes details the exact intent of the 2014 law passed by the New Jersey legislature and signed into law by Governor Chris Christie: "The 2014 Law, renders the previous prohibitions on sports gambling non-existent. After the repeal it is as if New Jersey never prohibited sports gambling in casinos, gambling houses, and horse racetracks. Therefore, with respect to those areas, there are no laws governing sports wagering and the right to engage in such conduct does not come from the state. Rather, the right to do that which is not prohibited stems from the inherent rights of the people." *Cont. p7*

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“It is based on this dissent and the actions taken by all parties to bring sports betting to New Jersey, that our fight continues,” said Drazin. “Regardless of the Court’s majority opinion today, I wholeheartedly believe sports betting will come to Monmouth Park, and it’s with steadfast determination that we continue toward this goal.”

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ZAYAT STABLES TO DONATE PERCENTAGE OF PHAROAH'S EARNINGS

Zayat Stables has committed to donating a percentage of **American Pharoah** (Pioneerof the Nile)’s purse earnings for the remainder of his racing career to New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program.

Zayat Stables retires horses to New Vocations each year and is an ongoing supporter of the annual Breeders’ Cup pledge, where owners and trainers opt to pledge a percentage of their Championship earnings to the aftercare program.

“We feel owning a horse is a lifelong responsibility, which is why we are happy to support New Vocations’ aftercare efforts,” said owner Ahmed Zayat. “We are firmly committed to the care of our horses from the moment they are born, while they are on the track and once they retire.”

“We are very thankful and honored to be the recipient of the Zayat Stable’s generous pledge,” said Anna Ford, New Vocation’s Program Director. “The Zayats truly care about their horses beyond the track and we are forever grateful for their ongoing support of our program. We hope their kind gesture will encourage other owners to do the same, as we rely heavily on donations to continue to take in hundreds of retired racehorses each year and ensure their successful second careers.”

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KITTEN’S JOY	\$100K	5
ELUSIVE QUALITY	\$40K	4
STREET SENSE	\$35K	4
GHOSTZAPPER	\$60K	4
SCAT DADDY	\$35K	3



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Bill Oppenheim cont.

Only 74 individual sires had yearlings catalogued to Book 1 last year, an average of over 10 per stallion. This year 83 sires have yearlings catalogued, which averages out a little below nine per sire; however, there are 14 sires with 20 or more catalogued in Book 1, the same number as last year. Reflecting an emphasis on proven sires, none of the 14 sires with 20+ catalogued in Book 1 last year had their first foals later than 2008; this year WinStar's first-crop sire **Bodemeister**, with 26 catalogued, is the only sire with 20+ catalogued with first foals later than 2008. But six younger sires have between 10-20 catalogued in Book 1 this year: Lane's End first-year yearling sire **Union Rags** (16); third-crop sires (fourth crop of yearlings) **Pioneerof the Nile** (WinStar, 14 in Book 1) and, surprisingly, Coolmore's Australian import **Fastnet Rock** (10); second-crop (are 2-year-olds, so third-crop yearling) sires **Quality Road** (Lane's End, 13) and Claiborne sire **Blame** (10); and the F2009 sire, **Hard Spun** (Darley Jonabell, 11) are other post-F2008 sires with 10+ catalogued in Book 1.

Last year, Gainesway sire **Tapit**, on his way to his first sire championship, had more yearlings (47) in Book 1 than any other sire; he repeats the dose this year, with 48 catalogued in Book 1. They were bred on a \$125,000 stud fee in 2013, so commercial breeders will hit some big home runs if he ends up around last year's \$611,125 yearling average; his nine yearlings sold so far this year have averaged \$952,466. It is all about the money, yet it's not ALL about the money: Tapit, by Pulpit, by A.P. Indy, by Seattle Slew, by Bold Reasoning, by Boldnesian, by Bold Ruler, has the opportunity to keep this line alive and flourishing—in North America, anyway. So when you sign that ticket for that Tapit yearling, Ron Winchell, David Fiske, and Antony Beck especially are hoping you're not just buying a racing prospect, but a potential top-class breeding prospect too. Tapit is at the point where he's not just a top sire, but the extra you pay for one of them is in the hope, consciously or unconsciously, of being part of an unfolding legacy. No extra pressure then, Trappe Shot and Tapizar.

WinStar sires take the next two spots: the venerable **Distorted Humor** has 40 yearlings from his 15th crop catalogued; and **Speightstown** (37), like Darley's **Medaglia d'Oro** (36), in fourth by number catalogued in Book 1, and Tapit all had their first foals 2006 so this year have their ninth crops of yearlings. WinStar in fact is represented by five of the 14 sires with 20+ catalogued in Book 1, the other three being **Bodemeister** (26), from his first crop of yearlings; **Harlan's Holiday** (25), represented by his final crop of yearlings; and **Tiznow** (21), also now in the veteran stage with his 12th crop of yearlings catalogued. The A.P. Indy line, headlined by Tapit, also has two sons of his among the fourteen, Spendthrift's **Malibu Moon** (33) and Darley's **Bernardini** (30). Claiborne's **War Front** has 31 catalogued in Book 1 this year (a 63% increase over 19 last year); Ashford's **Giant's Causeway** has 29.

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HARD SPUN	\$35K	9
BERNARDINI	\$85K	9
CANDY RIDE	\$60K	9
TIZNOW	\$75K	9
STREET SENSE	\$35K	8
MALIBU MOON	\$95K	8
DISTORTED HUMOR	\$100K	7
SCAT DADDY	\$35K	6
PIONEEROF THE NILE	\$60K	5



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Bill Oppenheim cont.

Ramsey Farm's **Kitten's Joy** has 26 in Book 1, Lane's End's **Smart Strike** has 25, and Taylor Made's deceased **Unbridled's Song** has 20 catalogued from his final crop of yearlings. [Click here to see the complete Instatistics list of 2015 yearling averages by sire.](#)

SECOND-CROP SIRES

The designation 'second-crop sires' means they have two crops of racing age, meaning their oldest foals are now 3-year-olds, and their third crops are yearlings this year. This is mostly a 'second-week' project; characteristically few sires with their first 3-year-olds, bar a horse like Sea The Stars last year, have many from their third crops selling in the Book 1's, and that is the case at Keeneland September this year; fewer than 5% of the yearlings in Book 1 are by current second-crop sires. The only ones with more than three in Book 1 are last year's Leading Freshman Sire, Lane's End's Quality Road (13), and Claiborne's Blame (10). There will be plenty by all of the big names after Book 1--well over 300, I should think.

The big mover among second-crop sires in the last month has been WinStar's **Super Saver** (one in Book 1, 40 later). Embellish the Lace's win over **Munnings's** fellow second-crop sire representative I'm A Chatterbox in the GI Alabama S. last weekend made him the only second-crop sire with two Grade I winners (Competitive Edge having won the GI Hopeful S. last year, when Super Saver was #2 Freshman Sire in North America). I Spent It had won the GII Saratoga Special as well for Super Saver and owners Alex and JoAnn Lieblong last year, and last month High Dollar Woman won the GII Indiana Oaks, another Lieblong runner. There are lots of ways to describe class, but having four Grade I or Grade II winners in a sire's first crop is a pretty strong statement. Interestingly, three of the four--Embellish the Lace, High Dollar Woman, and I Spent It--had been bought as yearlings or 2-year-olds by the Lieblongs, for a total of \$1,595,000. That's a big ticket, but they've been proved right.

On the TDN cumulative second-crop sire list (click [here](#)), the current top five are North American sires, followed by the European top two, Haras de Bonneval's Siyouni and Ballylinch Stud's Lope De Vega. Ashford's duo of Lookin At Lucky (\$4.09m) and Munnings (\$3.83m) are the current one-two, followed by Super Saver (\$3.60m), Quality Road (\$3.41m), and Airdrie's Majesticperfection (\$2.95m). Ironically, Lookin At Lucky and Munnings are the only two of those without a Grade I winner so far, but Lookin At Lucky's Madeforlucky is a dual Grade II winner, and the Munnings filly I'm A Chatterbox won the GII Fair Grounds Oaks, was controversially disqualified from a Grade I win in the CCA Oaks, and thus has now placed in three Grade I races. Quality Road sired last year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf winner Hootenanny, and Majesticperfection has sired the dual 2015 Grade I winner, Lovely Maria.

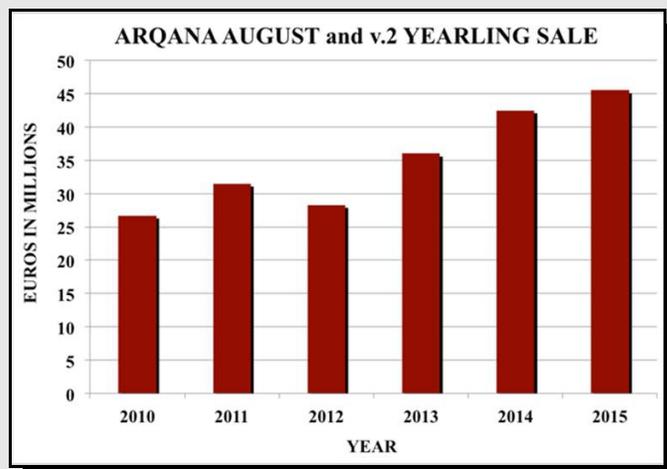
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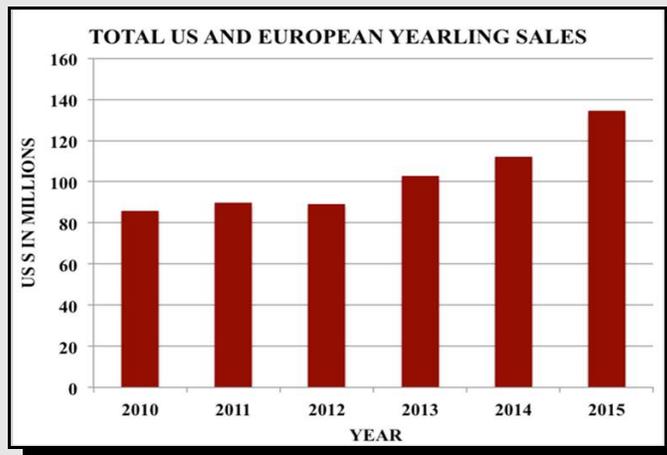
by Bill Oppenheim

"Arqana's August yearling sale was a four-day sale through 2012; in 2013 they broke off the fourth day into the V2 sale, so the top table and graph describe 'four days of August yearlings' sold by Arqana. For those four days, the gross was up 6% this year and the average up 12%, but the clearance rate from the catalogue dropped by 6%. For the yearling season's first four major sales, the number sold is up by 7%, the combined gross up by 20%, and the average is up by 11%. Doncaster and OBS are selling as we speak." - Bill Oppenheim



ARQANA DEAUVILLE AUGUST & v.2 YEARLING SALES

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2015	509	453	349	11.0%	77.0%	68.6%	€45,286,000	€129,759
2014	491	437	367	11.0%	84.0%	74.7%	€42,543,500	€115,922
2013	499	443	332	11.2%	74.9%	66.5%	€36,027,500	€108,517
2012	471	437	287	7.2%	65.7%	60.9%	€28,317,000	€98,666
2011	478	438	328	8.4%	74.9%	68.6%	€31,463,000	€95,924
2010	480	420	289	12.5%	68.8%	60.2%	€26,838,000	€92,865



TOTAL US & EUROPEAN YEARLING SALES AS OF 8/24/15

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2015	1,333	1,164	881	12.7%	75.7%	66.1%	\$134,493,028	\$152,660
2014	1,236	1,090	819	11.8%	75.1%	66.3%	\$112,288,742	\$137,105
2013	1,207	1,065	799	11.8%	75.0%	66.2%	\$102,799,686	\$128,660
2012	1,257	1,105	721	12.1%	65.2%	57.4%	\$89,076,989	\$123,546
2011	1,155	1,014	746	12.2%	73.6%	64.6%	\$89,679,638	\$120,214
2010	1,263	1,067	744	15.5%	69.7%	58.9%	\$85,921,877	\$115,486

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley

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SMARTY JONES S.-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1m 70y

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1 Souper Colossal (K)	War Front	Lopez	Plesa Jr.	124
2 Island Town	Hard Spun	Hernandez	Wilkes	124
3 Battle Midway (K)	Quality Road	Trujillo	Zito	117
4 King of New York (K)	Street Boss	N/A	McPeck	117
5 Bluegrass Singer (K)	Bluegrass Cat	Piermarini	Vitali	124
6 Tekton (K)	Bernardini	Pennington	Dutrow	117
7 Divining Rod	Tapit	Cintron	Delacour	124
8 Thirtysilverpieces	Badge of Silver	Clark	Marshall	117

Gay and David O'Callaghan of Yeomanstown Stud had selected the son of the Bahamian Bounty (GB) mare Three Times (GB) as a foal for €105,000 (£87,500) at Goffs' November Sale and the April-born colt justified their faith in him when reappearing in the ring at Doncaster.



Lot 63 | DBS photo

Usually opting to buy the stock of proven sires, Mark Richards of the Hong Kong Jockey Club explained his departure from standard practice, saying: "Casamento is a son of Shamardal and Shamardal is as hot as you can find right now in Hong Kong, thanks to [his multiple Group 1-winning son] Able Friend (Aus). We do usually like to go with proven sires, but this was just a cracking colt and I thought this was a typical Shamardal type. There's enough black type on his page to give us hope that he has some potential."

Those black-type-earning members of the family include the Sun Chariot S. winner Talented (GB) (Bustino {GB}) and the Queen's Derby-placed and Dante S. winner Carlton House (Street Cry {Ire}), who raced successfully in Britain and Australia. **Cont. p11**

CASAMENTO COLT TOPS DBS PREMIER SALE

by Emma Berry

With the high-achieving Shamardal enjoying arguably his best season to date, it's the perfect time for the first yearlings of his Group 1-winning son Casamento (Ire) to be appearing in sales rings and one of the 20 catalogued (lot 63) for the DBS Premier Sale duly led proceedings Tuesday when selling for £200,000 to the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

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Richards added, "We cherry-pick a little bit at the sales. We're not just looking for a 2-year-old type, we need a horse who is more than that."

All nine of the Casamento yearlings offered through the first session sold for an average price of £55,667 from an initial stud fee of €5,000. The G1 Racing Post Trophy winner stands alongside Shamardal at Darley's Kildangan Stud in Ireland.

The session-topper was one of nine yearlings to breach the six-figure mark on day one to boost turnover to £8,286,000, an improvement of 6%. The average rose by 3.9% to £39,085, and the median was also up, by 7.1%, at £30,000. The clearance rate was again very encouraging at nearly 88%, with 212 of the 242 lots offered finding a buyer.

Shadwell Recruits to the Fore...

Shadwell's representative Angus Gold had a busy day signing for 10 yearlings for a total of £956,000. A decent percentage of last year's expenditure at DBS has been recouped by Tasleet (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), whose three wins--including Saturday's DBS Premier Yearling S.--and Group 2 placing have earned Sheikh Hamdan's colt more than £200,000 in prize-money. He was a £52,000 purchase at this sale in 2014 and will eventually be joined in the Shadwell colours by the most recent recruits, including lot [58](#), a first-crop son of Nathaniel (Ire), who was knocked down for £190,000.

Bred by Peter Winkworth from the treble-winning Danehill mare Tesary (GB), he was consigned by Hillwood Stud.

After signing the docket in the company of Nathaniel's former trainer John Gosden, Gold said, "The Nathaniels I've seen I've liked very much and this one is a nice cross with a Danehill mare with a good pedigree behind him. I imagine he'll be trained by John Gosden."

There's every indication that team Shadwell will be back in action Wednesday, with Gold commenting, "From my first looks at the horses, my gut feeling is that [Wednesday] could be stronger. This is a

remarkable sale that just continues to churn out winners. Tasleet is typical of a Donny horse--he's small, but he's very tough."

Gold later outlasted Matt Coleman and trainer James Given when going to the same price for lot [120](#), a colt by Dutch Art (GB) out of the G3 Ballyogan S. winner Age Of Chivalry (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) from Highclere Stud. His shopping list also included a Zebedee (GB) half-brother to multiple group winner Kool Kompany (Ire) (Jeremy), whom Tally-Ho Stud had bought as a foal for €72,000 and resold for £140,000.



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Hip 190 | Colt purchased by Gary S. Broad

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Hip 186 | Colt purchased by Zayat Stables

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TUESDAY'S TOP SIX LOTS**

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (£)
63	colt	Casamento (Ire)	Three Times (GB) (€105,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV) B-David & George Mullins (Ire) Consigned by Yeomanstown Stud Purchased by HKJC	200,000
58	colt	Nathaniel (Ire)	Tesary (GB) B-Peter Winkworth (GB) Consigned by Hillwood Stud Purchased by Shadwell Estate Co Ltd	190,000
120	colt	Dutch Art (GB)	Age of Chivalry (Ire) B-Rockcliffe Stud (GB) Consigned by Highclere Stud Purchased by Shadwell Estate Co Ltd	190,000
183	filly	Dark Angel (Ire)	Bun Penny (GB) (30,000gns Wlg '14 TATDEC) B-T & S Whelan (Ire) Consigned by Grangemore Stud Purchased by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock	180,000
116	colt	Zebeedee (GB)	Absolutely Cool (Ire) (€72,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV) B-David Bourke & Imelda O'Shaughnessy (Ire) Consigned by Tally Ho Stud Purchased by Shadwell Estate Co Ltd	140,000
140	colt	Dutch Art (GB)	Apace (Ire) B-Cheveley Park Stud (GB) Consigned by Trickledown Stud Purchased by Howson & Houldsworth BS	140,000

Leading Lady a Delight for Grangemore...

All bar two of the top 10 lots of the opening day of trade were colts, with the most expensive filly being a daughter of the perennially popular Dark Angel (Ire) (lot [183](#)) and the first offering at DBS by Grangemore Stud.

Various members of the O'Callaghan family again proved their pinhooking prowess throughout the day--father-and-son team Gay and David O'Callaghan of Yeomanstown Stud bought the top lot as a foal--but this time it was another of Gay's sons, Guy, who set up on his own at Grangemore last season, enjoying a profitable result. A 30,000gns pinhook from Tattersalls' December Sale, the filly, out of the Bertolini mare Bun Penny (GB) and from the family of Bahamian Bounty (GB), improved her value dramatically when knocked down to Ross Doyle for £180,000.

"She's a big, strong forward filly and she's done so well this year," said Guy O'Callaghan, whose family stands Dark Angel at Yeomanstown and bred his daughter, Saturday's sensational G1 Nunthorpe S. winner Mecca's Angel (Ire). "The stallion has had another great year and she was just a wonderful filly with a really good temperament."

Ross Doyle concurred with this assessment and added, "She was a gorgeous filly by one of the best stallions and one we've been very lucky with. Richard Hannon will train her for Al Shaqab Racing and he was mad about her. She looks really racy."

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Grangemore Stud has another three yearlings to go under the hammer today, including lot [372](#), a brother to another of Dark Angel's top performers this year in Birchwood (Ire), the winner of the G2 Superlative S. for Godolphin and Richard Fahey.

O'Callaghan continued, "This is the first draft I've brought here, and with this filly today plus Birchwood's brother, I've been looking forward to it and stressing about it at the same time. This is the biggest week of the year for me and I'm delighted with today's result."

Peter & Ross Doyle topped the buyers' sheet with 18 yearlings bought for £1,256,000.

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• Catalogued	255	250
• No. Offered	242	235
• No. Sold	212	208
• RNAs	30	27
• % RNAs	12.4%	11.5%
• High Price (£)	200,000	230,000
• Gross (£)	8,286,000	7,823,000
• Average (£) (% change)	39,085 (+3.9%)	37,611
• Median (£) (% change)	30,000 (+7.1%)	28,000

New Pairing Goes Dutch...

Experienced agent Geoffrey Howson went into business with his young sidekick Matthew Houldsworth in June and the newly christened partnership of Howson & Houldsworth Bloodstock secured one of the session's top lots for owners Tony Wechsler and Ann Plummer.

The hammer came down on the Trickle-down Stud-consigned Dutch Art (GB) colt (lot [140](#)) at



Dutch Connection | *Racing Post*

£140,000 and he will join the Lambourn stable of Charlie Hills, who has tasted success this season with another colt by the same stallion, Dutch Connection (GB), winner of the G3 Jersey S. at Royal Ascot.

Geoffrey Howson commented: "Charlie [Hills] and I both felt that he reminded us quite a bit

of Dutch Connection. He's a wonderful walker with a great head and, being by Dutch Art out of an Oasis Dream mare, his pedigree is all speed."

The mare in question is 7-year-old Apace (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), who was bought as a yearling for 350,000gns by Cheveley Park Stud and won two of her 10 starts for Sir Michael Stoute. Her first foal, the juvenile Curtain Call (GB) (Acclamation {GB}), is trained for Cheveley Park by Richard Fahey and won on debut over five furlongs at Nottingham in July.

A total of five yearlings by Dutch Art were offered in the session, with all sold for an average of £100,600.

Caspar's Girl to Wentworth...

Caspar Netscher (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}) won last season's GII Nearctic S. at Woodbine after returning to training and has only three offspring to show from his aborted stud career at Morrinstown Lattin Stud.

One of those, lot [81](#), a French-bred filly out of an Astronomer Royal half-sister to Tagula (Ire), was his sole representative in the Doncaster catalogue and was consigned by Chasemore Farm for Normandy-based Ecurie du Grand Chene.

The first foal of the unraced Twin Love (Fr) will eventually be running in the same racing silks as her sire after being bought by Tom Malone on behalf of Caspar Netscher's owner Charles Wentworth for £50,000.

"We were so lucky with Caspar Netscher and she's one of only three yearlings by him so we decided we'd have to have a little go," said Malone, who bought the five-time Group winner at Tattersalls' Craven Breeze-up Sale for 65,000gns.

"If she's anywhere near as classy as her sire then we'll be very happy indeed."

A colt by Caspar Netscher out of Win Cash (Ire) (Alhaarth) is catalogued to sell as lot [2](#) at the forthcoming Goffs Orby Sale Sept. 29.



Caspar Netscher
Racing Post

Hughes Has Inside Line on Sires...

The recently retired champion jockey Richard Hughes, who made his first yearling purchase at the Arqana August Sale, was back in action at Doncaster buying through agents Grant Pritchard-Gordon and Stephen Hillen. His three purchases were all by young sires he knew well: lot [15](#) fetched £35,000 and is a colt by freshman Sir Prancealot on whom Hughes won the listed National S.; lot [106](#), who made £10,000, is a filly by Zebedee, the winner of six races with Hughes, including the G2 Flying Childers S., while lot [138](#), who fetched £35,000, is a colt by freshman sire Harbour Watch (Ire), who posted two of his three wins in the hands of the dual champion.

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HARRON JOINS TEAM AT INGLIS

Leading bloodstock agent James Harron has been named as a consultant to Managing Director and the rest of his team at Inglis, it was announced Tuesday. Harron will be sitting in over the course of the next four days to pore over the 3500 entries to the company's



James Harron | *Inglis*

2016 yearling sales and will accompany members of the bloodstock team as they inspect each and every horse across the nation nominated to the Inglis Select Yearling Sales Series.

"We are delighted to engage someone of the calibre of James Harron to our team as we embark on the selection process for next year's yearling sales," commented Webster. "James is one of Australia's leading bloodstock agents and has an outstanding knowledge of what buyers are looking for in the Australian Yearling Sale ring."

Added Harron, "I am greatly looking forward to viewing the 2016 crop of yearlings with Inglis, and to assisting the team in servicing their clients as we hit the road for inspections," explains James. "When the time comes to be back in buying mode for JHB clients at the 2016 sales series it will be very much business as usual, aiming to source and secure the future stars."

Perennially a top buyer of horses at all major Australian sales, Harron has been involved in the purchase of such high-profile Inglis graduates as Wandjina (Aus) (Snitzel {Aus}, A\$1 million, 2012 Easter); and Foxwedge (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), A\$925,000, 2010 Easter).

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Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Beholder	Henny Hughes	\$1 Million Pacific Classic S.-G1	112
Appealing Tale	Tale of the Cat	Pat O'Brien S.-G2	101
Breakin the Fever	Roaring Fever	Ontario County S.	101
Embellish the Lace	Super Saver	Alabama S.-G1	100
Holy Lute	Midnight Lute	Green Flash H.	100
Stallwalkin' Dude	City Place	Tale of the Cat S.	100
Avanzare	Grand Reward	Del Mar Mile H.-G2	99
Reporting Star	Circular Quay	Play the King S.-G2	99
Big John B	Hard Spun	Del Mar H.-G2	96
Catch My Drift	Pioneer of the Nile	Summer Colony S.	96
Cougar Ridge	Johannesburg	Edward J. Debartolo Memorial H.	95
Flutterby	Congrats	Gold Mover S.	95
Shore Runner	More Than Ready	Troy S.	95
Don't Leave Me	Lemon Drop Kid	Ontario Colleen S.-G3	94
Joy	Pure Prize	All Brandy S.	94
Phlash Phelps	Great Notion	Find S.	94
Tricky Zippy	City Zip	Union Avenue S.	94
Delightful Joy	Tapit	Monmouth Oaks-G3	93
Brass and Gold	Sungold	British Columbia Cup Classic H.	92
Bluegrass Angus	Bluegrass Cat	Richmond Derby Trial H.	91
Middleburg	Lemon Drop Kid	Cliff Hanger S.-G3	91
Page McKenney	Eavesdropper	Robellino S.	91
Touching Promise	Touch Gold	British Columbia Cup Distaff H.	91

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ARCH FILLY ON TOP AT OBS AS BUSINESS HOLDS STEADY *by Brian DiDonato*

With a slightly smaller catalogue, Tuesday's select session of the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's August Yearling Sale saw markedly similar trade to the 2014 renewal. A total of 144 horses sold for a combined



Hip 214 | OBS/Serita Hult

\$6,609,000, compared to last year's gross of \$7,830,700 from 26 more horses changing hands after accounting for private sales. Some 48 horses failed to meet their reserve for an RNA rate of 25%--an improvement from last year's mark of 27%. Average dipped by a negligible \$167, while the \$35,000 median mirrored last year's figure.

Topping the session was [hip 214](#), an Arch filly secured by Niall Brennan on behalf of owner Marc Keller for \$320,000. Beth Bayer, Agent XVIII consigned the bay on behalf of her breeder, Tom Mara's Whitehall Lane Farm. Out of MSW and GSP Citizen Advocate (Proud Citizen), hip 214 hails from the family of Grade I winners Hymn Book (Arch) and Data Link (War Front).

"I did think [hip 214] would do really well--I just didn't know how well," offered Bayer, who sold the top two yearlings at last year's sale, as well as the OBSAUG topper in 2012. "She had lots of vetting and the right people on her... I was expecting her to bring good money, but was pleasantly surprised when she topped the sale. I've had her all along--I prepped her, she did everything right. She jumped through all the hoops: she vetted, has a nice pedigree, walk and a great attitude. She just did everything right."

Of the market as a whole, Bayer, the session's second-leading consignor with 17 head selling for a combined \$930,000, said, "It was spotty--definitely spotty. If you had a horse, and it had all the action on it and things like that, it did end up bringing the money. But it definitely was a little tough."

Francis and Barbara Vanlangendonck's Summerfield was top consignor Tuesday, with 17 yearlings bringing \$1,157,500. Among Summerfield's offerings were the second and third-highest prices of the day--a pair of colts from the first crop of WinStar resident Gemologist who brought \$280,000 ([hip 190](#)) and \$240,000 ([hip 186](#)), respectively. Gary Broad secured hip 190, while EQB's Patrice Miller, acting on behalf of Zayat Stables, scooped up hip 186.

Nick de Meric's de Meric Stables led all buyers with six purchases for a combined \$592,000.

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SESSION TOTALS	2015	2014
• Catalogued	217	258
• No. Offered	192	233
• No. Sold	144	170
• RNAs	48	63
• % RNAs	25%	27%
• No. \$100K+	11	20
• High Price	\$320,000	\$230,000
• Gross	\$6,609,000	\$7,830,700
• Average	\$45,896	\$46,063
• Median	\$35,000 (n/c)	\$35,000



**OBS AUGUST YEARLING SALE
TUESDAY'S TOP FIVE LOTS**

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
214	filly	Arch	Citizen Advocate	320,000
B-Whitehall Lane Farm (Fla) Consigned by Beth Bayer, Agent XVII Purchased by Niall Brennan, Agent for Marc Keller				
190	colt	Gemologist	Bailzee	280,000
B-Elm Tree Farm LLC (Ky) Consigned by Summerfield (Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck), Agent CV Purchased by Gary S. Broad				
186	colt	Gemologist	April True	240,000
B-H & A Stables LLC (Fla) Consigned by Summerfield (Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck), Agent XXXVIII Purchased by Patrice Miller, EQB, Inc Agt, for Zayat Stables LLC				
131	filly	The Factor	Silver Cub	160,000
(\$100,000 I/U '13 KEENOV) B-Gilbert G. Campbell (Fla) Consigned by Summerfield (Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck), Agent II Purchased by Quarter Pole Enterprises LLC				
202	filly	Scat Daddy	Bridge and Tunnel	150,000
(\$55,000 wnlg '14 KEENOV) B-Whitehall Lane Farm (Fla) Consigned by Stuart Morris, Agent III Purchased by de Meric Stables, agent				

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NY LASIX FORUM: MORE QUESTIONS THAN ANSWERS? *By T.D. Thornton*

A day-long forum in Saratoga Tuesday was designed to shed some light on the policies and practices of furosemide (branded as Lasix or Salix) usage and the management of exercise-induced pulmonary hemorrhaging (EIPH) in racehorses.

But the four in-depth panel discussions--hosted by the New York State Gaming Commission (NYSGC) and comprised of internationally respected veterinarians, horsemen, and regulators--raised far more questions than answers.

"Just like generals who are always fighting the last war, we are always pursuing the drugs of yesterday, and missing the drugs of today," said New York's former deputy secretary for Racing and Gaming, Bennett Liebman, in opening remarks that set the tone for the wide-ranging discussions. "Racing's policy on raceday medication has always been inconsistent and almost never rational. The initial policy has almost always been driven by whatever seemed to be the popular policy of the moment. And, not surprisingly, initial policy choices, once enacted, have proven most difficult to alter."

NYSGC Equine Medical Director Dr. Scott Palmer led off the first panel discussion by trying to establish "academic truths" about EIPH and Lasix. But even that proved difficult, as panelists Dr. Paul Morley of Colorado State University and Dr. Corinne Sweeney of the Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine cited the need for better "high quality" evidence to establish baselines and to find out if other treatments might work better than Lasix.

"Despite the number of studies that are in the published literature regarding EIPH and regarding different interventions or evaluations of Lasix, the [veterinarians who have studied the topic were] left with the strong impression that most of the available literature in scientific studies did not provide strong evidence about this condition," said Morley.

"And it had to do with the number of very small studies where six or eight horses were enrolled in a study and it was performed on a treadmill.

Morley continued, "And it's not that those studies don't add to our understanding, but when we're asking questions about whether or not there's efficacy for other preventive measures, we need more data. We need more information."

Morley said it is well established that EIPH is mitigated with Lasix administration, but that it remains unclear whether a change in racing performance is attributed to fluid weight loss or diminished EIPH.



Dr. Paul Morley | colostate.edu

"The medication has actually been used for 40 years or so in racehorses before our study which provided the strongest evidence with regard to efficacy," said Morley. "And if we're going to change rules about how that drug is administered and about the efficacy of other medications, it would be our strong urging that we fund and perform studies that truly show [and] demonstrate the presence or lack of presence of efficacy for those drugs."

There was even debate about whether EIPH should be classified as a disease.

"If it's a disease it might be what we call 'production disease,' a disease that's induced by management practices, by racing," said Sweeney. "We don't feel the initial onset is due to problems in the heart and the lung, but it does, by repeated episodes of the EIPH, cause problems in the lung that we view as pathologic, as not normal, and probably not in the horse's best interest."

The panelists touched on other EIPH and Lasix points that were backed up by varying degrees of evidence, such as:

- EIPH appears more related to the frequency and intensity of racing than the age of the horse.
- The more a horse runs, the more likely it is to have an EIPH episode.
- Comparatively few horses bleed on level of grade 3 or 4, which is epistaxis (bleeding through nostrils); most are classified as grade 1 or 2, which can be internal airway and lung bleeding detected through an endoscope.
- Lasix does not appear to be a masking drug.
- There is no scientific evidence to support the notion that the breed is "weakening" (although that doesn't mean it couldn't be happening—it just hasn't been studied in depth).
- Some pedigree analysis shows that there may be "clusters" of bloodlines that seem to relate to epistaxis, yet again, more study is needed.

But still, four decades into the widespread usage of Lasix in the United States racing industry, Morley underscored that more studies with large samples are needed.

"In the medical field, if you were to go to the doctor and ask whether or not a treatment works or whether or not a disease affects your health, they would [try to make conclusions based on] multiple studies of high quality," Morley explained. "When we draw these [EIPH and Lasix] conclusions around moderate quality [evidence], that's probably the biggest limiting factor, is just the number of well-performed studies to evaluate these things." **Cont. p3**

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Practicing Vets: Lasix a ‘Crutch’ but Currently Best Option...

The second panel discussion at Tuesday’s NYSGC forum on Lasix and EIPH segued from veterinary research to more of a “view from the trenches” perspective. But again, the practicing vets on the panel kept coming back to the conclusion that while Lasix is an effective treatment for bleeding racehorses, it’s tough to give examples of what might work better, because so little research exists on alternative therapies.

“I think Lasix is a very therapeutic drug for EIPH. Unfortunately, I don’t think it’s probably the best medication out there, but it’s the best that we have,



Dr. Jeff Blea | aaep.com

and that’s part of the problem,” said Dr. Jeff Blea, a California-based vet who is a past president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP). “Are there other potential options out there to treat EIPH that we don’t know about or that haven’t been studied or looked at?...In order to start answering the

questions, we have to start asking questions.”

Dr. Scott Hay, chairman of the AAEP Racing Committee, agreed.

“As things circle around over time, we find a lot of things don’t help [EIPH] very much, we find a lot of things that anecdotally we think that do help, and Lasix has probably been the one thing that has stood the test of time as far as being our most efficacious tool out there,” Hay said. “Now that being said, I certainly have a lot of trouble controlling horses with EIPH with Lasix alone...We need to look further and deeper...We trying to prod the industry a little bit to find other things...It’s easy to say we need to do without Lasix, but we’re going to leave a lot of horses behind if we just cold-turkey stop giving horses Lasix on raceday.”

To help shape a game plan for the future, Dr. Gregory Ferraro of the University of California-Davis Veterinary School, offered a “dinosaur’s” perspective of the past based on his treatment of Thoroughbreds decades ago, prior to the legalized use of raceday Lasix in the U.S.

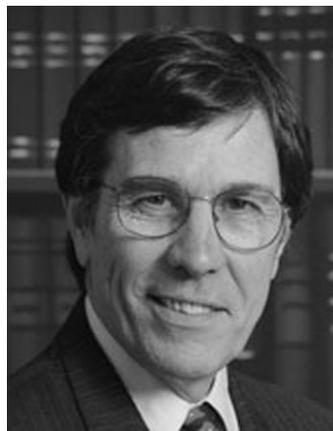
Ferraro said that prior to widespread use of the fiber-optic endoscope, a “bleeder” on the racetrack meant a horse that was observed visibly bleeding through the nostrils after a race or workout. He estimated only 2% of Thoroughbreds back then were classified as bleeders, and the problem was managed by rest and training management.

In the 1970s, when endoscopying horses after races became more common (Ferraro was a pioneer in this practice), the estimated rate of bleeding shot up to 40% of all horses, because now even minute traces of airway bleeding could be detected, leading to the phasing-in of EIPH as a veterinary diagnosis.

Ferraro recalled testifying before California racing authorities that Lasix was the only available treatment option. But he also recalled the argument being made that Lasix was to be considered a temporary solution until something better could be developed.

“The problem was that once Lasix was permitted in racing, the money for [EIPH] research just dried up,” Ferraro said. “Essentially, there has been no significant research on EIPH in the last two or three decades, which is a real shame, and that leads us to where we are today in this controversy.”

Ferraro said that mindset about Lasix being a cure-all quickly led to excessive usage.



Dr. Gregory Ferraro | vetmed.com

“I worry that Lasix is a crutch, and that rather helping the situation, it’s stymied long-term research and that we’re sort of stuck in this quagmire of one medication versus another rather than really delving into quality research that might get us out of this morass,” Ferraro said.

Ferraro gave a specific example of alternative research that isn’t being pursued. He believes that since the exact cause of bleeding isn’t known, it could be due to a cardiac fatigue problem. Different methods of building cardiac strength could help solve the problem, but this sort of research isn’t being attempted.

Blea said he has witnessed the increasing progression over the decades of horses being treated with Lasix in the mornings for training in addition to getting pre-race administrations. “Only a handful” of his clients request no Lasix for their horses until they are certified to have bled.

Dr. Gary Priest, a Kentucky-based vet, said side effects of repeated Lasix usage--such as the drug’s effect on electrolyte balance and hydration--are also not well studied. In addition, he said that horses that are considered heavy bleeders might really have a problem with upper airway function that is going undiagnosed.



Dr. Foster Northrop | northropequine.com

“I think there are definitely some untoward side effects,” Priest said of the over-reliance on Lasix. “I think the number of horses that are treated on a daily basis at the track with Lasix just seems to be quite excessive when the side effects of that treatment seem to me to be detrimental to the horse’s overall health.”

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Lasix cont.

Dr. Foster Northrop, a practicing vet who also sits on the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission board, said economics often play a factor in the treatment of bleeders, particularly if scoping a horse is viewed by owners as an unnecessary veterinary practice.

"I'm not seeing the dire side effects that a lot of people talk about seeing," said Northrop. "What I do see is the push to use...all of these garbage adjuncts that people want to pull out. I don't want to get into garbage adjuncts and withholding water and hay for 24 hours. This all scares me."

Ferraro said racetrack vets need to look outside the industry, where other equine sports seem to be outpacing racing in terms of equine athletes' health.

"The rest of the horse world is extremely healthy. It's growing very rapidly; it's doing quite well," said Ferraro. "It's only Thoroughbred racing that is declining. And from the public's perception, whether we believe in Lasix or we don't believe in Lasix, the public doesn't want it. It's hurting our industry and it's hurting our game. Regardless of our opinion, if we continue down the path that we have chosen, I believe that we'll eventually erode out fan base and have some serious problems in that regard."

Horsemen, Regulators in Agreement That Lasix by Itself Not the Only Problem...

With its one-day, one-topic forum, the NYSGC tried admirably to isolate the subject of Lasix from other problems that are currently hot-button issues in the sport.

But perhaps more so than any other points that were hammered home at Tuesday's confab, the two final afternoon panel discussions made it clear from multiple perspectives that Lasix, like it or not, is inextricably intertwined with a whole raft of other over-arching issues.

Equine welfare, performance-enhancing drugs, politicized infighting, agenda-pushing, public perception, and how the industry is portrayed in the media all percolated to the surface in separate Tuesday panels comprised first of horsemen, then of regulators and industry executives.

"[Lasix] is not what we should be talking about," said Thoroughbred owner Maggi Moss. "We should be talking about the protection of these horses in other matters...Lasix is not the issue of the day. It shouldn't be the issue of the day. The reason it's the issue is it's political. It's political for self-interests and people's breeding stallions, and what they perceive. And that does not belong in racing. Not with horses."

Moss continued, "You've heard it all. You've heard everything. We don't have anything better [for EIPH]...We already have our hands full folks, with lots of unsound horses and shockwaved horses and blocked horses. I don't need to add 100,000 horses to our backlog of finding homes. If you do away with Lasix or change a very good program, you're going to create an onslaught of unwanted horses and more horses going to slaughter."

Trainer Mark Casse agreed, detailing how he personally tries to adhere to medication regulations even while watching competing horsemen try to beat them.

"I think there are a lot bigger factors than Lasix," Casse said. "I'm fine with not having Lasix if we have a better alternative, but that's not the case...Don't go after the good guys just because there's a few bad apples."

Trainer Rick Violette, Jr., who also serves as president of the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, framed therapeutic Lasix usage as "an obligation to protect" horses.



Mark Casse | *Coady Photography*

"There's no science out there that shows it's performance enhancing. Performance enabling? Maybe. If Lasix is doing its job, it's supposed to make the horses run better," Violette said.

"Everything we do as a trainer is, by its intent, performance enhancing," Violette said. "We use Lasix in the morning. It's not to get them to breeze faster. It's not to get them to beat another

horse that they might be breezing with. It's for the prophylactic treatment so that we can stop them from bleeding before we ask them to perform in the afternoon."

Trainer Gary Contessa said that his decades as a horseman extend back beyond the advent of legalized Lasix in New York (1995), and that he justifies Lasix by thinking of it in "more humane" terms than previous, medically unproven, methods of trying to keep racehorses from bleeding.

"I've seen just about every product known to man, but in 30 years, no one has ever come up with a product that can stop a horse from bleeding," Contessa said. "If somebody gives me an all-natural product that will stop a horse from bleeding, I'm the first guy to sign up...I understand the people who are vehemently opposed, and I understand the people who are completely in favor. But I have never seen center ground with an alternative. That's the only thing we haven't had."

Trainer Jonathan Sheppard said he wished the industry had "never heard of the drug." But, he continued, "we've dug a very deep hole, and we have to figure out how to get out of it. Banning Lasix overnight is, of course, not going to work."

Horse owner and breeder Arthur Hancock III, a founding member of the Water Hay Oats Alliance, said he is in favor of banning all raceday medications.

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Lasix cont.

“Our fans don’t want drugs and they’re gravely concerned about their use,” Hancock said. “So who wants the drugs? It seems to me only those that profit by their use, or who genuinely believe the horses need them. It’s my opinion that a great industry has been hijacked by drug money. Let’s face it, when you market a product, you sell the sizzle and not the steak.”

Among the regulators who spoke at the final afternoon panel, Ed Martin, the president of the Association of Racing Commissioners International, was the most vocal in speaking out against the potential banning of Lasix and the possibility of federal or third-party oversight replacing the current state-by-state system of regulation in the U.S.

“We need help...But Lasix is not the integrity issue. It isn’t even an issue dealing with the breakdown problem that we need to address...This issue has gotten way out of control, and it’s a complicated issue on many levels. But at the end of the day, if you don’t believe in [Lasix], you don’t have to use it.”

Martin followed up by pointing out that numerous owners and breeders continue to use Lasix on their horses even while advocating against it.

Bill Nader, the executive director of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, spoke on the issue from the perspective of being a former New York Racing Association executive who has experienced a different mindset since accepting a job on the other side of the planet nearly a decade ago.

In Hong Kong, Lasix is prohibited in both racing and training, and Nader said it’s remarkable how quickly horses are able to bounce back without the diuretic in their systems.

“I’m not a scientist and I’m not drawing any firm conclusions from that, but it’s just fact,” said Nader. “It’s just very visible and very clear that top horses [or even] ordinary horses, they can come back within two to three weeks and still run at a very peak level of performance.”

Nader concluded, “For me, maybe my view would be different had I not come here and seen a different way of racing and life. In America, it seems that people don’t blink that all horses are on Lasix, because that’s what they know. But in the rest of the world--you take out North America--horses are free of medication on raceday. That’s a basic principle and a basic policy.”



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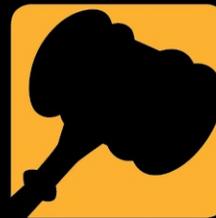


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Tuesday's Results:

8th-DEL, \$38,790, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$30,000), 8-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:03.95, ft.
MANILLE (f, 3, [Northern Afleet](#)--[Manila Fudge](#), by [Outflanker](#)) took four starts to put it all together, and did so in impressive fashion with a wire-to-wire score over three next-out winners going 5 1/2 furlongs here May 16. The bay dominated a local five-panel optional claimer rained off the grass June 16 and set the pace and held on to finish third in a turf dash at Laurel July 18. Recently a well-beaten eighth behind 'TDN Rising Star' Lady Shipman (Midshipman) in Saratoga's Coronation Cup S. over a grassy 5 1/2 furlongs Aug. 3, she was sent postward as the 7-5 second choice behind GII Beaumont S. runner-up Divine Dawn (Divine Park) in what appeared to be a two-horse affair on paper. Away to a sharp beginning, Manille stalked the pace set by Outwithbigdaddy (Outflanker) through a quarter-mile in :21.86, moved to gain control on the turn and widened to a three-length tally over the pacesetter. Divine Dawn never reached contention and finished fourth. Manila Fudge produced a colt who is a full-brother to the winner last year. Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, \$85,730. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Terry Adams, J. B. Blankenship, Phillip Judd & Coleman Brown; B-Terry Adams (KY); T-McLean Robertson.

4th-DEL, \$40,410, Msw, 8-25, 2yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:31.88, fm.

HOLIDAY WISHES (f, 2, [Harlan's Holiday--Dundrummin'](#), by [Gone West](#)) made two starts on dirt here to kick off her career, finishing second over five panels June 27 and third behind Lookout Sister (Giant's Causeway) going a half-furlong longer July 18. Adding blinkers and switched to the lawn, the dark bay closed belatedly to finish fourth in course-and-distance effort Aug. 4. The 5-1 shot broke alertly and set an uncontested pace through fractions of :24.06 and :48.03. Widening her advantage entering the lane, Holiday Wishes raced erratically altering paths in deep stretch and crossed the wire 1 1/2 lengths clear of favored Light the Sky (Tapit), a \$750,000 KEESEP yearling purchase. The winner's dam is a half to 2002 GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Proud Citizen (Gone West). Sales History: \$9,500 Ylg '14 EASSEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$40,715. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).
 O-No Guts No Glory & Marisa Gino; B-Audley Farm Equine (VA); T-Gina Rosenthal.



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Tuesday's Results:

7th-FL, \$22,760, Msw, 8-25, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.64, ft. +I WIN (g, 3, [Silent Name {Jpn}](#)--[Jiggy With It {SP, \\$126,675}](#)), by [With It](#)) worked on a weekly basis over the local strip dating back to the Fourth of July and was let go at odds of 8-1 in this career debut. The dark bay pressed the pace through a quarter-mile in :22.53, edged clear on the turn and drew away to a comfortable 5 1/2-length score over War Demon (War Chant). The winner's dam, who placed third in the 1999 New York Oaks for these connections, was bred to Central Banker this year. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,800. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#).
 O/T-Ralph D'Alessandro; B-Ralph & Mary Ann D'Alessandro (NY).

▶ Central U.S.

Tuesday's Results:

8th-IND, \$32,000, Msw, 8-25, 2yo, 7 1/2fT, 1:32.58, fm.
TUFF RED STICK (c, 2, [High Cotton](#)--[Tuff Tuc](#), by [Concerto](#)) set the pace and leveled off to check in second on debut in a five-panel off-the-turfer here July 22 and finished third as the 6-5 choice after being floated wide going 5 1/2 furlongs Aug. 7. Sent postward at odds of 3-1 for this first try on the lawn, the chestnut glided along on an uncontested lead through a half-mile in :49.81 and crossed the wire 2 3/4 lengths to the good. First-time starter Leonardo Da Vinci (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) was second best. The winner's dam, a half-sister to GISW Toby's Corner, is responsible for the yearling colt Tough Cotton (High Cotton) and was bred to Bellamy Road this year. Sales History: \$20,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$28,800. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#).
 O-Tri-Star Racing LLC; B-Dianne D. Cotter (FL); T-Tim Glyshaw.

APPOINTMENTS

Erica Marshall: Controller of The Jockey Club

- "Erica has adeptly handled a wide variety of accounting responsibilities since we hired her, and she has developed a keen understanding of the Thoroughbred industry and the role The Jockey Club plays in it," said Laure Barillaro, CFO and executive VP of The Jockey Club. "She is well suited to take on the increased responsibilities as controller."
- Previously served as senior accountant.
- Attended the State University of New York at Farmingdale, where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in management technology. Marshall also received a Master of Business Administration degree from Molloy College.

Kentucky

Keeneland to Host Prelude to the Cup Day:

Keeneland will celebrate its first time hosting the Breeders' Cup with a special day of racing called "Prelude to the Cup" Thursday, Oct. 29. The day will include a nine-race card highlighted by the Lafayette S. Gates open at 11 a.m. ET; post time for the first race is 12:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased [here](#).

All seating and dining for Prelude to the Cup will be sold in advance. General admission tickets, which do not include a seat, are \$5 and will be available for purchase at Keeneland on Prelude Day. Children 12 and under will receive free General Admission with a paid adult.

"Prelude to the Cup will be an unforgettable day of racing at Keeneland on the eve of the 2015 Breeders' Cup," Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason said. "The look and feel of the entire Keeneland campus will convey the excitement of Breeders' Cup and will offer our guests an opportunity to view world-class racing in a unique setting. This is truly a memorable time in the history of this great race track."

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Paulick Piece Nominated for Bergstein Award:

Team Valor International has nominated a story from the *Paulick Report* website for the Stan Bergstein Writing Award. The story details a slim budget and outdated methodologies for drug testing overseen by the Arkansas Racing Commission, which opposes federal bills that would place the United States Anti-Doping Agency in charge of drug enforcement in American horse racing. Ray Paulick won the Bergstein Award in 2013. Team Valor nominates stories for the award throughout the year and assigns a panel of judges to select a winner. This year's judges are Randy Moss of NBC Sports, Steve Haskin of the *Blood-Horse*, longtime Turf writer and publicist Lynne Snierson, owner-breeder George Strawbridge and Jon White of Santa Anita Park.

ROOKIES

First-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, August 26

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

ARCHARCHARCH (Arch), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 123/6/0
 2-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, Archarella, \$45K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
CAPE BLANCO (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}), JBBA Shizunai Stallion Station, \$18K, 165/3/0
 2-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, +Kanaka, \$20K EAS MAY 2yo, 12-1
COURT VISION (Gulch), Park Stud, \$10K, 53/1/0
 2-WO, Alw, 7fT, First Around, 10-1
CROWN OF THORNS (Repent), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$4K, 21/2/0
 4-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, Pontius P., \$21K OBS APR 2yo, 6-1
DUBLIN (Afleet Alex), Keane Stud, \$8K, 70/1/0
 3-SAR, Mcl, 5 1/2f, King Dublin, \$32K OBS OPN 2yo, 12-1
FIRST DUDE (Stephen Got Even), Double Diamond Farm, \$8K, 98/6/0
 3-WO, Mcl, 6f, Sheer Chance, \$30K OBS APR 2yo, 2-1
FRIESAN FIRE (A.P. Indy), Country Life Farm, \$4K, 61/1/0
 3-DMR, Msw, 1m, On Fire, \$140K KEE SEP yrl, 3-1
 4-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, Flaming Humor, \$35K EAS SEP yrl, 5-1
GIO PONTI (Tale of the Cat), Castleton Lyons, \$20K, 110/1/0
 4-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, Run Time, \$160K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
GONE ASTRAY (Dixie Union), Northwest Stud, \$5K, 69/4/2
 8-IND, Msw, 5fT, +Happy Wildcat, \$20K OBS APR 2yo, 6-1
HAYNESFIELD (Speightstown), Airdrie Stud, \$10K, 78/2/1
 3-DMR, Msw, 1m, Greyson and John, \$47K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
 3-DMR, Msw, 1m, Bistraya, \$160K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
MISREMEMBERED (Candy Ride {Arg}), Hill N Dale Farms, \$8K, 36/2/0
 3-DMR, Msw, 1m, +Nightly News, 8-1
REGAL RANSOM (Distorted Humor), Darley, \$8K, 47/3/0
 1-PID, Msw, 6f, +Regal Ghost, \$1,000 EAS SEP yrl, 8-1
 8-IND, Msw, 5fT, +Brown Eyed Lady, 15-1
WILBURN (Bernardini), Spendthrift Farm, \$7K, 106/2/0
 2-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, Sky Burn, \$19K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
 4-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, Willie Wears Pink, \$3K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1

First/second-crop starters to watch: Weds., August 26

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2011 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

DISCREETLY MINE (Mineshaft), Lanes End, \$10K, 182/50/1
 1-PID, Msw, 6f, +Charlee B Discreet, 7-2
GLOBAL HUNTER (ARG) (Jade Hunter), 12/0/0
 6-DMR, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Cool Green, 5-1
GRASSHOPPER (Dixie Union), Lane's End Texas, \$4K, 52/13/2
 5-RP, Msw, 6f, +Code, 7-2
LANTANA MOB (Posse), Southern Indiana Equine, \$3K, 35/7/2
 1-IND, Stk, 1m, Holly Justice, \$10K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
 1-IND, Stk, 1m, Fancy Justice, \$12K RNA FTK OCT yrl, 20-1
 2-IND, Stk, 1m, Daddy Justice, \$10K RNA FTK OCT yrl, 3-5
 2-IND, Stk, 1m, Outrageous Justice, \$15K RNA FTK OCT yrl, 10-1
LOOKIN AT LUCKY (Smart Strike), Ashford Stud, \$15K, 176/52/6
 4-DEL, Msw, 7 1/2fT, +Revive and Resurge, \$48K RNA SAR AUG yrl, 10-1
MARCHFIELD (A.P. Indy), 70/13/0
 8-IND, Msw, 5fT, +She's a Flirt, \$5K OBS OPN 2yo, 15-1
PACO BOY (IRE) (Desert Style {Ire}), Highclere Stud, \$8K, 185/50/6
 2-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Miss Pac N Ship (GB), \$125K TAT BRE 2yo, 10-1
SUPER SAVER (Maria's Mon), WinStar, \$20K, 204/43/6
 3-DMR, Msw, 1m, +Coach Q, \$575K OBS OPN 2yo, 8-1

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-IND, \$36,000, (S), 8-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45.43, ft.

BILLY WHITE SHOES (g, 4, Mr. Mabee--Surina Star {SP, \$179,721}, by Pleasant Colony) Lifetime Record: 17-4-1-1, \$61,560. O-Romar LLC; B-Lake Shore Farm (IN); T-Paul E. Holthus.

1st-IND, \$30,000, 8-25, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44.22, ft.

CANDY WALTZ (g, 6, Candy Ride {Arg}--Danzing Crown, by Danzig) Lifetime Record: 26-12-5-0, \$219,467. O-William Brauns; B-Craig Family Trust (KY); T-Wayne D. Mogge.

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IN SOUTH KOREA:

+ **Crown Me Boss**, f, 2, Street Boss--Maga's Daughter, by A.P. Indy. Seoul, 8-23, Hcp. (\$47k), 1000m. B-Calumet Farm (KY). *\$12,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$32,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$40,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

Gureumwie Nabi, f, 3, Congrats--Dixie Sue, by Dixieland Band. Seoul, 8-22, Hcp. (\$59k), 1800m. B-Sun Valley Farm (KY). *\$22,000 Wlg '12 KEENOV. **1/2 to Down With Dixie (Purge), SP, \$164,659.

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Made Winner, f, 3, Flatter--Run Caroline Run, by Pentelicus. Busan, 8-21, Hcp. (\$59k), 1400m. B-Chad Shumer (OK). **\$22,000 RNA yrl '13 KEEJAN; \$40,000 yrl '13 TEXAUG; \$75,000 2yo '14 OBSJUN.

Cheonma, g, 4, Langfuhr--Rash Decision, by Mt. Livermore. Seoul, 8-23, Hcp. (\$93k), 1800m. B-Margaux Farm LLC et al (KY). *\$18,000 Ylg '12 KEEJAN; \$9,500 RNA Ylg '12 FTKOCT; \$30,000 2yo '13 FTMMAY. **Won by seven lengths.

IN PERU:

Mr. Lipton, c, 4, Medaglia d'Oro--Saywaan, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Monterrico, 8-23, Hcp., 1000m. B-Shadwell Farm LLC (KY). *\$27,000 Ylg '12 FTKOCT.

Gran Profeta, h, 6, Unbridled's Song--Exotic Elegance, by Storm Cat. Monterrico, 8-20, Hcp., 1000m. B-Hertrich/McCarthy Livestock LLC, F W Hertrich III & Unbridleds Song Syndicate (KY). *MGSP-Per. **\$250,000 Wlg '09 KEENOV; \$32,000 Ylg '10 KEESEP.

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IN PANAMA:

A Capela, f, 3, Corinthian--Lucky Striker, by Van Nistlerooy. Presidente Remon, 8-23, Clasico Appucapa-Listed, 3yo, 1700m. B-Sergio de Sousa & Karen Wolfsdorf (KY). *Ch. Imp. 2yo Filly-Pan. **\$10,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP.

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Tuesday's Results:

1st-NBY, £6,100, Mdn, 8-25, 2yo, 8fT, 1:47.28, sf. + **ABDON** (GB) (c, 2, Cacique {Ire}--Kinnaird {Ire} {G1SW-Fr, GSW-Eng & MGSP-Ire, \$406,445}, by Dr Devious {Ire}), sent off at 12-1, was allowed time to ease into the contest towards the rear early. Making smooth progress through the rain-softened ground to enter contention inside the last quarter mile, the 175,000gns TATOCT yearling rolled to the front with 100 yards remaining en route to a hand-ridden half-length success from Navajo War Dance (GB) (Makfi {GB}) with seven lengths back to the third. The winner is a half-brother to Berkshire (Ire) (Mount Nelson {GB}), MGSW-Eng, \$204,257. "He's a lovely horse and we were expecting the horses who had had a run to have the upper hand especially on this ground," jockey Ted Durcan said. "At home he's been working really well and Sir Michael has always loved him. He went there and won it nice and smooth and he has a lovely mindset on him. At home, he's so straightforward and easy, but we were expecting the run to help him. There's no reason he won't stay further and he switches off to help him. The ground is hard work and a slog and there was a headwind as well." Abdon is also kin to Keenes Royale (GB) (Red Ransom), the dam of MGSW & MG1SP Ivawood (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$6,226. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute.



2nd-NBY, £5,000, Mdn, 8-25, 3yo/up, 12f 5yT, 2:49.49, hy.

KNIGHT OF WANDS (GB) (c, 3, Azamour {Ire}--Maid To Treasure {Ire}, by Rainbow Quest), second on debut over this trip at Haydock June 10, was positioned in a close-up second early. Gaining the lead passing the quarter pole, the 9-2 shot ground out a 2 1/4-length success from the Listed Lingfield Oaks Trial runner-up Bellajeu (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}). The winner is a half-brother to King of Wands (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), SW & GSP-Eng, \$105,655 and hails from the extended female family of Grade I winners Stroll (Pulpit) and Lea (First Samurai). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$6,434. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Normandie Stud Ltd (GB); T-Luca M. Cumani.

Britain cont.

2nd-CHW, £5,000, Mdn, 8-25, 2yo, f, 8f 14yT, 1:42.29, hy.
+ TURNING THE TABLE (IRE) (f, 2, [Mastercraftsman {Ire}](#)--[Duchess Dee {Ire}](#), by [Bachelor Duke](#)), sent off the 5-2 second choice, missed the kick before sitting last of the tightly grouped pack early. Sauntering to the leader Rosamaria (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) with Jamie Spencer motionless passing the quarter pole, the grey was sent clear a furlong later and was in total command at the line with a four-length margin back to that rival. Sales history: €40,000 RNA Ylg '14 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,102. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
 O-Mrs Doreen Tabor; B-John O'Connor (IRE); T-David Simcock.

4th-CLF, €25,000, Mdn, 8-25, 3yo, f, 12fT, 2:40.80, hy.
BADEE AH (FR) (f, 3, [Motivator {GB}](#)--[Space Quest {GB}](#) {MSW-Fr}, by [Rainbow Quest {GB}](#)), last seen finishing fourth over this track and trip Aug. 3, was sent off the 29-10 favorite and was allowed to stride into the early lead. Only asked for an effort at the top of the stretch, the €50,000 ARQDEC weanling and €100,000 ARQAUG yearling saw off challengers with enthusiasm and hit the line with two lengths to spare over La Tigra (Fr) (Tiger Hill {Ire}). The winner is a half-sister to Kocab (GB) (Unfuwain), MSW & MGSP-Fr, \$479,512. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €17,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
 O-H H Sheikh Abdulla bin Khalifa Al Thani; B-F Sauque (FR); T-Freddy Head.



Tuesday's Result:
PRIX PARIS-TURF.COM - GRAND PRIX DE CLAIREFONTAINE-Listed, €55,000, CLF, 8-25, 3yo, 12fT, 2:45.00, hy.
1--#MING DYNASTY (FR), 123, c, 3, by [King's Best](#)
1st Dam: Memoire (Fr), by Sadler's Wells
2nd Dam: Moonlight Dance, by Alysheba
3rd Dam: Madelia (Fr), by Caro (Ire)
 O-Wildenstein Stables Limited; B-Dayton Investments Ltd (FR); T-Mikel Delzangles; J-Umberto Rispoli. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 3 wins, 0 places, €57,000.
2--Migwar (Ire), 123, c, 3, Sea the Stars (Ire)--Katyusha, by Kingmambo. (€180,000 Ylg '13 ARQOCT). O-H H Sheikh Abdulla bin Khalifa Al Thani. €11,000.
3--Duke of Dundee (Fr), 123, 3, Duke of Marmalade (Ire)--Santa Louisia (GB), by Highest Honor (Fr). (€28,000 Ylg '13 ARQAUG). O-SARL Ecurie J L Tepper. €8,250.
 Margins: 1HF, HF, SNK. Odds: 10.10, 1.10, 4.50.
 Also Ran: Indigo King (Ire), Khareef (Ire), Royana (Fr), Night Run (Fr), Bella Donna Borget (Fr), Seven Kingdoms (Ire).
 Two-for-two entering this first black-type examination after wins at this trip at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 25 and here July 25, Ming Dynasty proved he could handle heavy ground to extend his unbeaten run and point himself at bigger and better things this autumn. Anchored with two behind early, the bay saved ground on the home turn as some of his rivals' jockeys opted to come stand's side and, after gaining the lead with a furlong remaining asserted for a workmanlike success in the testing conditions. The winner's second dam annexed the G1 Prix Saint-Alary in 1994. [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Boutan (GB), f, 2, Tobougg (Ire)--High Tan (GB), by HighChaparral (Ire). BRG, 8-25, 6f 209yT, 1:35.19. B-Seaton Partnership (GB).
Marxian (Ire), c, 3, [Dubawi \(Ire\)](#)--Coquette Rouge (Ire), by Croco Rouge (Ire). CLF, 8-25, 12fT, 2:44.90. B-Round Hill Stud, C Murphy & M Murphy (IRE).
Delivrance (Fr), f, 3, [Makfi \(GB\)](#)--Mrs Ting, by Lyphard. SML, 8-24, 9fT, 2:01.97. B-E Puerari & M Henochsberg (FR). *€50,000 Ylg 13 ARQAUG. **1/2 to Tripat (Ire) (Persian Bold {Ire}), GSW-Fr, \$205,442.

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