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Monday's session leader Summer Solo in the ring | Keeneland

by Jessica Martini & Christie DeBernardis

The Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale kicked off Monday in Lexington with a pair of half-sisters from the dispersal of the estate of the late Sarah Jane Leigh leading the way when selling to a determined Virginia Kraft Payson of Payson Stud. Payson purchased the 5-year-old mare **Summer Solo** (Arch) ([hip 259](#)) for a session-topping \$700,000 and fought off a persistent Ted Voute just one hip later to secure that mare's 2-year-old half-sister **Summer Sweet** (More Than Ready) ([hip 260](#)) for \$550,000.

Also from the Leigh dispersal, Payson paid the day's fourth-highest price when signing the ticket at \$450,000 for an Arch filly out of Seeking Atlantis (Seeking the Gold) ([hip 230](#)).

Monday's third-highest lot, a yearling by War Front ([hip 48](#)), was also part of a dispersal. The bay colt was bred by the late Jerre Paxton's Northwest Farms and sold for \$450,000 to Gatewood Bell's Cromwell Bloodstock.

"It's sad in some regards," Keeneland's Director of Sales Geoffrey Russell said of the dispersal results. "It's the end of an era with the Leigh dispersal. Mr. [Gerald] Leigh was a great supporter of Keeneland and [daughter] Sarah was, too. So it's a fitting end. And the War Front colt was part of the Jerre Paxton Northwest Farm dispersal, which started in September and went through November. That's the end of an era, too. So while we are very happy that the market reacted favorably to the quality of the horses, it's sad to see the end of an era." **Cont. p3**

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Exchange Rate | Three Chimneys

Pound, by Seeking the Gold) was euthanized at the age of 19, according to a Three Chimneys' release. He "had been treated for pneumonia and liver dysfunction, and had recently developed a secondary deep vein thrombosis in his right hind leg," according to the

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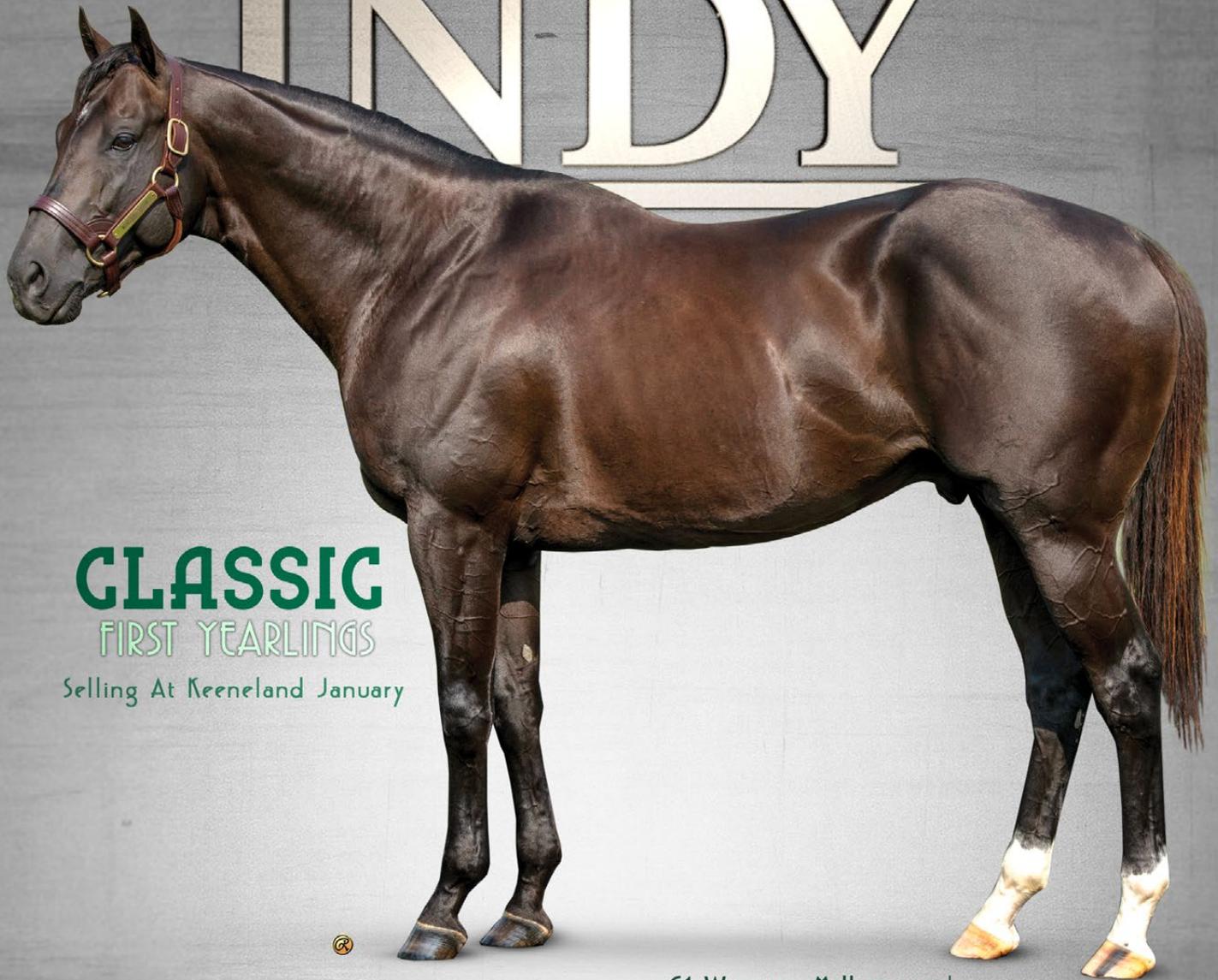
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How cold was it at Keeneland January yesterday? About 12 degrees at the sale's start time at 10 a.m., but up to a balmy 25 by midday. Tuesday's projected high is a more moderate 34 degrees, with light snow expected by morning. Brittlan Wall

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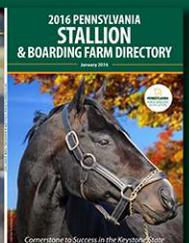
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LEIGH DISPERSAL CHARGES KEENELAND

OPENER *(cont. from p1)*

Bolstered by the dispersals, Monday's first session of the Keeneland January sale boasted strong figures. In total, 182 horses sold for \$13,631,200. The average was up 21.2% to \$74,897 and the median rose 12.86% to \$39,500. A year ago, 204 horses grossed \$12,607,200 for an average of \$61,800 and a median of \$35,000. Top price during last year's opening session was \$400,000 and 14 horses sold for \$200,000 or over. Eighteen broke that mark Monday.

"The figures were very solid today," Russell said. "We had five horses more than the top horse last year, bolstered by those three horses from the dispersal. Overall, it gets to be an old adage, but quality sells. If you bring the right product to market, you are fully rewarded. We saw that in 2015 and, in 2016, that has continued on. People are willing to spend good money on horses and pay top dollar for them if it seems to have some quality."

Craig Bandoroff, whose Denali Stud consigned the horses in the Leigh dispersal, agreed buyers were being selective during Monday's bidding.

"It's very, very particular," Bandoroff said. "The ones they want, you are going to get paid for. It's chicken or feathers, as the old saying goes. Fortunately, I had a few chickens today."

Denali was the leading consignor by average, with 11 selling for \$2,302,000 and an average of \$209,273.



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• Catalogued	358	400
• No. Offered	271	305
• No. Sold	182	204
• RNAs	89	101
• % RNAs	32.84	33.1
• No. \$500K+	2	0
• High Price	\$700,000	\$400,000
• Gross	\$13,631,200	\$12,607,200
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• Median (% change)	\$39,500 (+12.86%)	\$35,000

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Of the 358 horses catalogued for the session, 87 were withdrawn from the sale, but Russell would not say the high number of outs reflected concerns about the selectivity of the market.

“I think some of the outs come into factor because they are short yearlings who might not be ready and there is always the fallback of September [Yearling Sale],” Russell commented. “Also some people have told me that they sold well in November, so they didn’t have to sell today, be they mares or short yearlings.”

The Keeneland January sale continues through Friday, with sessions beginning daily at 10 a.m.

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Payson ‘Pays’ Big for Leigh Family Bloodlines

With just four broodmares in her band and one-horse in training, Virginia Kraft Payson, who bred champions Vindication (Seattle Slew) and Farda Amiga (Broad Brush) and raced the likes of homebred GISW Rutherienne (Pulpit), has been keeping a low profile in the racing world these days. The former *Sports Illustrated* writer jumped back into the horse racing spotlight in a big way at Monday’s session of the Keeneland January sale when buying three horses from the Sarah Jane Leigh dispersal for a total of \$1.7 million, including \$700,000 session-topper **Summer Solo** (Arch).

“I raced against Gerald Leigh, Sarah's father, for years and I really wanted to have one of his families,” remarked Payson, who admitted to being a nervous wreck while bidding. “I haven’t bid on a horse myself in years, probably 30 years. I have always had a friend of mine bid on the horse, but I didn’t have anyone today and I kept going.”

Seated in the back of the pavilion, Payson started her buying spree with a determined winning bid of \$450,000 to secure [hip 230](#), an Arch filly out of **Seeking Atlantis** (Seeking the Gold). Leigh purchased the 10-year-old mare, who is out of MSW Atlantic Ocean (Stormy Atlantic), for \$375,000 at the 2011 Keeneland November sale in hopes of



hip 230 | Keeneland

developing her own family. Preceding her filly into the ring as [hip 229](#), the dark bay, who sold in foal to Ghostzapper, brought \$300,000 from Castleton Lyons.

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“She will get to Stone Farm, to Arthur Hancock's, till she grows up,” Payson said of the Arch yearling. “I hope she grows up to be worth the price!”

The owner of Payson Park Training Center in Florida and Payson Park Stud in Kentucky added, “I knew the family and that is what I liked about her. I have four broodmares, but they are all the same bloodlines and I needed some diversification.”

Craig Bandoroff, whose Denali Stud consigned the six-head Leigh dispersal, was happy with the amount the filly brought.

“I knew the filly was going to sell well,” Bandoroff commented. “It was a very strong price. It's a testament to Sarah Jane and [her advisor] Dan [Rosenberg]. They bought Seeking Atlantis from the Evans dispersal. She said, ‘This is one I can build on and have as a foundation mare.’ Unfortunately, she wasn't here to carry it through. It was a very good price. I was a little worried Seeking Atlantis was going to slip through there, you know, with the cover date, but she picked back up. It was good.”

Payson was quick to return to her seat after speaking with the media about her new yearling because she had her eye on another Leigh horse, Summer Solo. Engaged in another round of feverish bidding, the determined horsewoman would not be denied, extending to \$700,000 for the session-topping [hip 259](#), who is in foal to Ghostzapper.

Before she could even sign the ticket on the 5-year-old mare, Payson engaged in another heated bidding war for the bay's 2-year-old half-sister **Summer Sweet** (More Than Ready). Bid

spotter Pete McCormick marched up and down the aisle fueling the spirited back and forth between Payson and bloodstock agent Ted Voute, who was seated about 10 rows ahead of his rival bidder. Voute graciously bowed out when the persistent Payson brought the price up to \$550,000 to take home [hip 260](#).

After congratulating Payson on his way out of the pavillion, Voute said, “She’s a beautiful filly. If we had bought her, we would have sent her to Andre Fabre in France, but we didn’t so we will follow her over here. Mrs. Payson, I used to sell for her over in England, so I am delighted she got her.”

Payson was equally delighted with her purchase. She was all smiles when gathering with the media in the hallway to discuss her plans for her new additions.



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“I have the family,” she proclaimed victoriously. “The front legs on [Summer Solo] were thick and short, short cannon bones. They were absolutely beautiful. I wrote buy in the catalog when I looked at the short yearling [Hip 230]. I was sort of iffy about the More Than Ready [Summer Sweet] because he is not very tall and my broodmare band is all short, but they have won a lot. I don’t mind small, but when you are trying to sell out of small, the buyers don’t like them. They like big, but I prefer the small ones.”

Payson added that she did not expect to pay quite so much, but that she has a “terrible habit” of not being able to stop when bidding on a horse she wants.

Summer Solo is out of one of Gerald Leigh’s foundation mares Summer Solstice (Ire) (Caerleon), a French stakes winner who was recently retired from breeding. Winner of three of four starts and third in the 2014 GI Belmont Oaks for trainer Christophe Clement, she is a half-sister to SW Summer Breezing (Langfuhr) and SW and GSP Adirondack Summer (Thunder Gulch). Clement also trains her 3-year-old half-brother Summer Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}), who broke his maiden at Belmont in October.

Summer Sweet, the final foal out of Summer Solstice, was previously in training with Randy Bradshaw and will now head to the Clement barn.

“The 2-year-old is going to Christophe Clement immediately,” Payson remarked. “The short yearling is already on her way to Stone Farm and the mare will also go to Stone Farm. I am not keeping any mares [at Payson Stud] anymore because I only have four mares and now I have five. It doesn’t make sense to run a whole farm for that few plus I think Arthur [Hancock] does a better job than I was doing. (chuckles)”

Sarah Whitney, executive administrator at Gerald Leigh’s Eydon Hall Farm (click [here](#) for story on Eydon Hall Farm) for over 30 years, flew to Kentucky earlier this week to oversee the dispersal on behalf of the executors of Sarah Jane Leigh’s estate. Beyond thrilled with the results of the sale, the English native was first in line to congratulate Payson on her purchases and offer her any assistance she could.

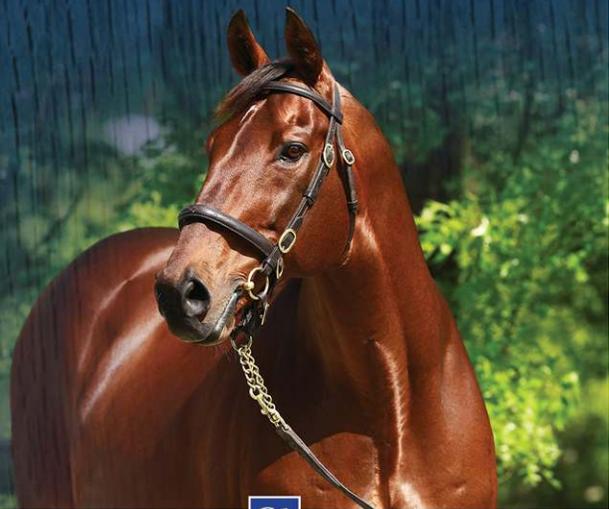
“It’s unbelievable, a perfect result,” Whitney enthused. “Sarah and Mr. Leigh were looking down on us. It couldn’t have gone any better. We are thrilled. The legacy will continue. The involvement with Christophe Clement, who has been an integral part of our training operation for a number of years, is also something to really look forward to. It’s a dream, just a dream.”

- [CDeBernardisTDN](#)

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Hip **Name** **Status** **Price (\$)**
259 **Summer Solo** **i/f [Ghostzapper](#)** **700,000**
 (m, 5, Arch--Summer Solstice {Ire}, by Caerleon)

B-Sarah J. Leigh (NY)

Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig & Holly Bandoroff), Agent for the Part Dispersal of the Estate of Sarah J. Leigh
 Purchased by Payson Stud, Inc.

260 **Summer Sweet** **racing/b'mare prospect** **550,000**
 (2, f, More Than Ready--Summer Solstice {Ire}), by Caerleon

B-Sarah J. Leigh (NY)

Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig & Holly Bandoroff), Agent for the Part Dispersal of the Estate of Sarah J. Leigh
 Purchased by Payson Stud, Inc.

177 **Paris Bikini** **racing/b'mare prospect** **425,000**
 (m, 4, Bernardini--Lacadena, by Fasliyev)

B-B. Flay Thoroughbreds (KY)

Consigned by Bluewater Sales LLC, Agent XII
 Purchased by WinStar Farm

163 **My Limit** **i/f [Giant's Causeway](#)** **350,000**
 (m, 15, Wagon Limit--Piney Woods, by Valid Appeal)

B-J.V. Shields, Jr. (FL)

Consigned by Bill Murphy, Agent XI
 Purchased by Castleton Lyons

229 **Seeking Atlantis** **i/f [Ghostzapper](#)** **300,000**
 (m, 10, Seeking the Gold--Atlantic Ocean, by Stormy Atlantic)

B-Stonewall Farm Stallions (KY)

Consigned by Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig & Holly Bandoroff), Agent for the Part Dispersal of the Estate of Sarah J. Leigh
 Purchased by Castleton Lyons

KEENELAND JANUARY

MONDAY'S TOP SHORT YEARLINGS

Hip **Sex** **Sire** **Dam** **Price (\$)**
48 **colt** **[War Front](#)** **Exogenetic** **450,000**

B-Northwest Farms (KY)

Consigned by Greenfield Farm (B.D. Gibbs Farm LLC), Agent VI
 Purchased by Cromwell Bloodstock

230 **filly** **[Arch](#)** **Seeking Atlantis** **450,000**

B-Sarah J. Leigh (NY)

Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig & Holly Bandoroff), Agent for the Part Dispersal of the Estate of Sarah J. Leigh
 Purchased by Virginia Kraft Payson

Well-Bred War Front Colt Rings the 'Bell'

A well-related War Front colt, catalogued as [hip 48](#), caused early fireworks when hammered down to Gateway Bell for \$450,000 during the first session of the Keeneland January sale Monday. Consigned by Bruce Gibbs's Greenfield Farm, the bay is one of two remaining horses from the dispersal of Jerre Paxton's Northwest Farms.

"I thought he'd make that much or else I wouldn't have bid that high," said Bell, who is president of Cromwell Bloodstock Agency. "I bought it for a [domestic] client of mine that is not here. The plans are probably to race now. The plan was to race and then we thought maybe we could pinhook him. We may pinhook, but most likely the plan is to race him."



Hip 48 | Christie DeBernardis

Out of a half-sister to MGISW Exogenous (Unbridled), the yearling is himself a half-brother to the Bob Baffert-trained Super Ninety Nine (Pulpit), who captured the 2013 GIII Southwest S. and was third in that year's GI Santa Anita Derby. He is also a half to MSW Elusive Horizon (Elusive Quality).

"He has a lovely profile and he is going to grow into a nice horse, I think," Bell offered. "He's a May foal and has a nice walk to him. I love May foals. Usually you get a little discount. I don't think we did on that one, but maybe. Time will tell."

Gibbs, who has handled the sale of all of the horses in the Paxton dispersal, was happy with the price the colt brought.

"He had a slight x-ray issue that was worth the risk and this was right about what I thought he would bring," Gibbs remarked. "If he was perfectly clean, he could have brought a little more, but I don't think it was a lot less."

As for the dispersal as a whole, Gibbs said, "Overall, they were well received. There was a slight drawback to respect for the quality of Seattle black-type, but they were nice horses and did pretty well. I am very pleased and the estate is very pleased with them, too."

The final horse from the Northwest Farms dispersal was an Algorithms filly, who sold as [hip 105](#) to bloodstock agent Steve Young for \$85,000 Monday. Hailing from the family of Paxton's MSW stable star Stopshoppingdebbie (Curlin), the yearling is out of the SP mare Kids Kooler (First Samurai). - [CDeBernardisTDN](#)

Fasig-Tipton Grad Eclipse Finalist

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Bikini for WinStar

Paris Bikini (Bernardini) will be joining the WinStar Farm broodmare band after the farm's general manager David Hanley made the final bid of \$425,000 to acquire the 4-year-old racing or broodmare prospect during Monday's first session of the Keeneland January sale.



Paris Bikini | Keeneland

"She's a beautiful mare and we were delighted to get her for that," Hanley said after signing the ticket.

Bred and raced by Bobby Flay, Paris Bikini

([hip 177](#)) was on the board in three of eight starts with one win. She is a half-sister to Flay's graded stakes winner and multiple Grade I placed America (A.P. Indy). Her dam, Lacadena (Fasliyev), sold for \$1.3 million while carrying a full-sibling to Paris Bikini at the 2015 Keeneland November sale.

"She is full of quality," Hanley continued. "She will go to WinStar and we'll breed out of her. We haven't decided [who she will be bred to], but she fits all our good horses."

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Paris Bikini was consigned by Meg Levy's Bluewater Sales and Levy admitted the filly attracted plenty of potential bidders at the sales barn this past weekend.

"She is all class," Levy said of the mare. "She's a very sexy filly, as her name suggests. She has it all physically and she's from a very deep family." [@JessMartiniTDN](#)

My Limit to Castleton Lyons

Castleton Lyons's Jamie Frost, standing alongside the farm's Stuart Fitzgibbon out back, made the winning bid at \$350,000 to secure **My Limit** (Wagon Limit), the dam of recent GI La Brea S. winner Birdatthewire (Summer Bird), during Monday's first session of the Keeneland January Sale. The 15-year-old mare ([hip 163](#)) sold in foal to Giant's Causeway.

"She's the dam of a Grade I winner and a very good filly," Frost said of the mare's appeal.

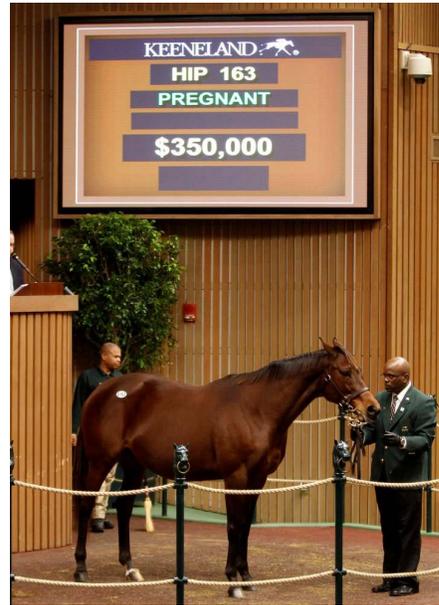
Frost admitted the mare's age affected her final price.

"If she was a couple of years younger, she'd be worth a lot more money," he said.

The stakes-placed My Limit, out of Piney Woods (Valid Appeal), received the most timely of updates when Birdatthewire got up for a late-running victory in the Dec. 26 La Brea. The filly also won last year's GII Forward Gal S. and GII Gulfstream Park Oaks.

Bill Murphy consigned My Limit on behalf of Ralph Kinder and Erv Woolsey.

"It all came into place at the right time, the timing was perfect," Murphy said. "We are really happy with who bought her and we wish them the best of luck. She was limited to where she was going to go [price-wise] because of her age. If she was two years younger, she was going to get all the money. But the filly wins a Grade I on the 26th of December and then you take her back two weeks



My Limit | Keeneland

later and get \$350,000. There is a lot of profit there."

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Another Homerun for Abraham

New Mexico-based breeder Mike Abraham enjoyed another standout sale at Keeneland Monday when [hip 66](#), a filly by Malibu Moon, sold for \$250,000 to Blue Sky Stables through the Bluewater Sales consignment. Abraham bred the yearling out of Funfair (More Than Ready), a stakes-winning mare he purchased for \$19,000 at the 2013 Keeneland November Sale.

“I was very surprised to get that mare for that money at the time,” Abraham admitted Monday. “I actually didn’t look at her beforehand and after I bought her, I ran down to make sure she had four legs.”

Of the choice of Malibu Moon for Funfair’s first mating, Abraham said, “I stepped up and bred her to a high-dollar stud, but the nick was perfect. It has produced two graded stakes winners out of four or five chances. So it was a natural. And then we got lucky and had a beautiful filly and the rest is history.”

Hip 66 is bred on the same cross as graded stakes winning full-sisters Kauai Katie (Malibu Moon) and Winding Way, who are both out of the More Than Ready mare More Than Pretty.

The 6-year-old Funfair, who is currently in foal to Scat Daddy, could be making an appearance in a sales ring next month. She is catalogued as [hip 431](#) at the Fasig-Tipton February sale.

“I’m not really wanting to sell her that much, but we put her in the sale after Scat Daddy died,” Abraham said. “So we’ll see what happens. If we get a good shot, we’ll take it.”

Abraham, whose business interests include real estate and the gas and oil industries, has an impressive record selling foals out of bargain mares. In 2011, he purchased the mare Issues (Awesome Again), in foal to Scat Daddy, for \$25,000 out of the Keeneland November sale. Her Scat Daddy colt sold for \$250,000 at the 2013 Keeneland September sale and her Lookin at Lucky colt brought \$380,000 at that auction in 2014. The mare’s Sky Mesa filly brought \$150,000 as a weanling at the 2014 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. A Scat Daddy filly out of Issues ([hip 97](#)) RNA’d for Abraham at \$210,000 Monday.

Asked what he looks for in prospective broodmare purchases, Abraham said, “Typcially, performance, family, sire--the whole gamut. I look at everything. I like the nicking performance, looking for what someone has done before that has or hasn’t worked. I follow that. Not necessarily religiously, but pretty close.”

Abraham, who has approximately 30 broodmares based in Kentucky, breeds primarily to sell. He will send seven yearlings through the Keeneland sales ring this week and he admitted the strength of the weanling market at the November sale encouraged him to enter the group.

“I was actually sorry they weren’t in November because it was so strong,” he said. “So I thought we would try to sell some here. But again, not having to sell them. If they don’t bring what we

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KEENELAND JANUARY – MONDAY

Hip	Name	Status	Price (\$)
107	Knit One Purrr Too	r/b’mare prospect	200,000

(5, Tale of the Cat--Luxuriously, by Danzig)

Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent LXXXVII
Purchased by Abdullah Almaddah

Trainer Joe Sharp claimed Knit One Purrr Too for \$62,500 at Churchill Downs last May. The mare hit the board in stakes company while carrying Sharp’s colors and proved popular in the Keeneland sales ring Monday.

Nothing But Nets cont.

163 My Limit i/f **Giant's Causeway** 350,000

(15, Wagon Limit--Piney Woods, by Valid Appeal)

Consigned by Bill Murphy, Agent XI

Purchased by Castleton Lyons

Rusty Roberts and Ralph Kinder were able to acquire My Limit for \$10,000 at the 2011 Keeneland January sale. She was in foal to Mineshaft at the sale and her colt by that stallion sold for \$50,000 for Kinder's client Lyn Jones. Kinder eventually acquired the mare with partner Erv Woolsey and, primed by the mare's Grade I-winning daughter Birdatthewire (Summer Bird), My Limit provided the two men with a significant profit Monday.

531, Neilinger, 4, Tapit--Pursuit of Glory (Ire), by Fusaichi Pegasus

Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent

Out of Group 1-placed Pursuit of Glory, this racing or broodmare prospect's second dam is MG1SP Sophisticat (Storm Cat) and she is from the family of Grand Reward and Harlington.

548, yrl, filly, Pioneerof the Nile--Peace Royale (Ger), by Scholokhov

Consigned by Lane's End

This dark bay filly is out of multiple German group winner Peace Royale (Ger) and is a half to multiple stakes winner Peace Society (Iffraaj).

578, Roan Inish, 9, Elusive Quality--Inish Glora, by Regal Classic

Consigned by Mill Ridge Sales, agent

Multiple stakes winner Roan Inish is a daughter of Canadian champion Inish Glora. She sells in foal to Arch.

581, Royal Lahaina, 8, Chapel Royal--Fabulous Bonus, by Bonus Money (GB)

Consigned by James B. Keogh (Grovendale), Agent V

Graded stakes winner Royal Lahaina sells in foal to Speightstown.

672, yrl, filly, Ghostzapper--You Go West Girl, by Mr. Greeley

Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent

This dark bay filly is out of multiple stakes winner and graded stakes placed You Go West Girl, who is a daughter of multiple graded stakes winner Careless Heiress (Runaway Groom).

EXCHANGE RATE EUTHANIZED *(cont. from p1)*

"Exchange Rate was booked full again this year and was running on all cylinders at stud--we especially hate losing him because he was such a wonderful horse to be around and exuded class. We will try to accommodate all breeders with our other stallions if at all possible" said Three Chimneys Director of Stallion Nominations, Grant Williamson.

Exchange Rate brought \$1.4 million as a yearling at Keeneland July in 1998. The gray topped off his career with a win in the GII Tom Fool H. to boast his lifetime record to 15-6-2-2 with earnings of \$479,803.

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387, Conquest Harlanate, 4, Harlan's Holiday--Allison's Pride, by Dixieland Band

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Selling as a broodmare prospect, Conquest Harlanate was Canada's champion 2-year-old filly in 2014. She captured the GII Natalma S. and GIII Mazarine S. The bay filly is a half to stakes-placed Penobscot Bay (Is It True).

525, My Dixie Doodle, 7, Dixie Union--My Success, by A.P. Indy

Consigned by Lane's End, agent

My Dixie Doodle is a half-sister to Grade I placed Taste Like Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}) and sells in foal to Candy Ride. She is also a half to stakes winner Southern Success and from the family of MGISW Affirmed Success.



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ASMUSSEN ELIGIBLE FOR HOF NOMINATION

by Mike Kane

After being cleared of allegations of mistreating horses, veteran trainer Steve Asmussen is eligible to be nominated for election to the Hall of Fame in 2016, the National Museum of Racing confirmed Monday.

Asmussen was a finalist on the 2014 ballot, but museum officials told voters in March that they must disregard him as a candidate after the People for Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) released details of its undercover investigation--featuring an obscenity laced video that was later judged to be heavily edited--into wrongdoing at his barn. Christopher Dragone, the museum's director, said that Asmussen's status would be reviewed after investigations by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and the New York State Gaming Commission were

completed and the findings released. Kentucky regulators said in Jan. 2015 that he was not guilty of the PETA claims. The New York commission found him innocent of the more serious allegations in a 176-page report released in late November. Asmussen was fined \$10,000 by New York for medication violations.

In his annual note to Hall of Fame voters requesting that the names of candidates be forwarded to the Hall of Fame Nominating Committee, Brien Bouyeau, the museum's communications officer, addressed the Asmussen issue: "In response to questions I have received pertaining to the eligibility of trainer Steve Asmussen: With the state racing commissions' investigations in Kentucky and New York concluded and the allegations of animal cruelty being unfounded, Mr. Asmussen in good standing with both organizations and is eligible for Hall of Fame consideration in 2016."

Asmussen, 50, was the Eclipse Award-winning trainer in 2008 and 2009. He trained two-time Horse of the Year Hall of Famer Curlin. His 2009 Horse of the Year and 3-year-old female champion Rachel Alexandra is eligible for the Hall of Fame for the first time this year. Asmussen ranks second in career wins for a trainer, 7,182, and fourth in career earnings, \$235 million.

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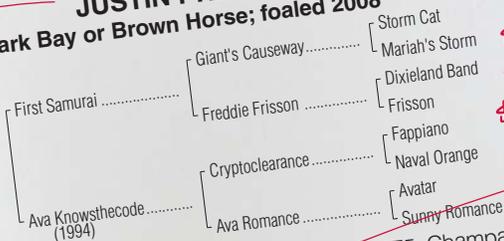
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RACING PANEL CALLS FOR UNITY

by Jessica Martini

Compromise and unity were the buzzwords of the day as approximately 100 industry insiders gathered in the Keeneland Room at Keeneland Sunday evening for a panel discussion on the state of the American Thoroughbred industry presented by the KTA-KTOB's Vision 20/20.

KTA/KTOB Executive Director Chauncey Morris set the tone for the evening with his introductory remarks, cautioning, "The people who came here today are all folks who want to improve the game.

There is always a variance of opinion and we should strive to accommodate that."



KTA Panel discussion | KTA photo

The panel featured Glen Hill Farm President and CEO Craig Bernick, Churchill Downs President Kevin Flanery and Mark Lamberth, chair of the Association of Racing Commissioners International. The discussion was moderated by Lucas Marquardt.

Lamberth highlighted the progress the sport has made in terms of unified medication regulations and safety, but issued a call for all parties to put aside their differences for the good of the industry.

"This industry is very fractured," Lamberth said. "And until the industry decides to pull together and bring all the parties to the table, I'm afraid a lot of our big issues are going to continue to flounder. My emphasis as RCI chairman is to try to bring all these entities together from across the map in the industry. So, while I think we are in the right track and we're making good progress, I do think this industry needs to come together as a

whole. Compromise is not a dirty word. You've got to compromise. There are things that all of us have in common. I think we are all after the same thing; the health of the horse, the health of our riders and the people who work with the horses. But we have got to come together. We can't have 10 different entities trying to go their own way. It's kind of like herding cats. You've got to pull everybody together."

Lamberth said the RCI is organizing a series of town hall-style meetings throughout the year to culminate with a congress to "to hammer out the reforms that we really need in this industry."

All three panelists suggested that federal legislation to regulate the industry seemed to be unlikely at this time.

"The answer needs to come from within so that when we go to the federal government, at least we are all on the same page," said Bernick. "But right now, it's a lot of reiterating everyone's position and not seeing the big picture and reason to compromise. Until people that are allowed to make decisions for their constituents come together with a goal to compromise and try to make it better, we are going to be in the same spot for a long time."

Among the things the industry is starting to get right is improving the racing experience for fans.

"I think the entities that recognize they are in the entertainment business are doing well and we need more of them," Flanery said. "I think the industry is starting to realize that we're not competing just with other racetracks, but with every other form of entertainment that is out there."

Flanery cited Churchill's implementation of night racing and added emphasis on family events to attract new fans.

"We spent \$4 million putting in lights at Churchill Downs," he explained. "We only turn them on about four or five times a year. Why? Because when we turn them on, we want it to be different. On those nights, we are basically tripling the crowds that we had in the past and doubling the on-track handle. That's important. We've invested in family adventure days--let's do something really special to get the families out to the races--and

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Bernick agreed improving the experience of both fans and owners was paramount to growing racing’s popularity.

“The only two groups who really don’t need a horse are the person gambling on it and the person who owns it,” he said. “Every trainer, jockey, everybody who drives a van or shoes a horse, everybody who works on the backstretch, everybody who works on the frontside, everybody who works on a racing commission, everybody who works anywhere in the industry depends on an owner paying his bills and a gambler betting his dollars. So we need to have a product for both those people. Those are the two customers that really matter.”

He continued, “I think the best thing we can do to make horse racing a bigger game than it is today is to fix it from within and make it better for the people who gamble on it and for the people who own and breed horses. Our core customer has to come from our existing customer. Not from someone who might like horse racing if we did these five things. But if we fix it for the people who are involved, I think more people will come in from the outside.”

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NY RULING ALLOWS FANTASY SITES TO OPERATE PENDING APPEAL

By T.D. Thornton

A panel of five judges from the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court ruled on Monday that the daily fantasy sports sites FanDuel and DraftKings can operate in New York while fighting a legal challenge by Attorney General Eric Schneiderman, who alleged in a November civil lawsuit that the sites constitute unlawful gambling.

The Monday ruling extends the temporary stay of an injunction granted by a New York state trial court on Dec. 11, but it could be at least four months before the next significant steps in the formal appeals process: The ruling specifically states that the stay has been granted “on condition that the appeals be perfected for the May 2016 Term.”

Joshua Schiller, an attorney for DraftKings, told the *New York Post* that it might be until well into the next football season—the autumn of 2016—before a full decision on the appeal winds its way through the court system.

Randy Mastro, another attorney for DraftKings, told the *Post* that “we are very gratified by the court’s ruling today continuing the stay for the duration of this appeal so that hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers who love daily fantasy sports can continue to enjoy these contests.”

Eric Fisher, a technology reporter for *Sports Business Journal*, posted on Twitter that the permanent stay ruling “does not relate to merits of case itself. But does acknowledge irreparable harm could have come from NY shutdown.”

The New York attorney general’s office did not immediately issue a comment on the ruling.

FanDuel has not allowed New York residents to play in paid fantasy games since Schneiderman sued. DraftKings has continued to operate in the state. On New Year’s Eve, the New York attorney general additionally demanded that the sites return all money to users who lost in 2015 while also imposing fines on the two companies.

The legality of fantasy sports gaming will also be examined in several other states this week.

In Massachusetts, a Tuesday public hearing is scheduled in Boston for proposed rules for online fantasy sports contests. Attorney General Maura Healey outlined regulations in November that she billed as “aggressive, first-in-the-nation rules that include age and advertising restrictions and disclosure requirements” while limiting most players to a \$1,000 per-month cap. Both FanDuel and DraftKings have indicated support for the measure.

In Florida, the *Naples Herald* reported that a House of Representatives panel on Tuesday will take up a bill to shield fantasy sports from being considered illegal gambling in Florida. The House Business & Professions Subcommittee will consider a proposal that includes regulations for the industry while making clear that the games would not be subject to state gambling laws. [@thorntontd](#)

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



When it comes to selecting a subject for my weekly column, fixtures such as Royal Ascot, the Arc weekend, Belmont Park's Super Saturday and the Breeders' Cup inevitably represent an embarrassment of riches. Some horses whose achievements thoroughly deserve recognition

invariably miss out, as I was reminded by last week's publication of the 2015 Eclipse Award Finalists.

Quite a few of these finalists have slipped through the Caulfield net, a prime example being the recently retired Tonalist. How had I managed to miss this four-time Grade I winner? Well, his GI Belmont S. victory coincided with Australia's win in the Derby; his two victories in the Jockey Club Gold Cup came on Super Saturday in an action-packed week on both sides of the Atlantic, and his final win, in the GI Cigar Mile H. came on the same day that another son of Tapit--- Mohaymen---confirmed his status as one of the winter favorites for the Kentucky Derby.

But how could anyone not admire a colt such as Tonalist, who possessed the class and the versatility to become a Grade I winner over a mile and a half, then a mile and a quarter before

ending his career with a last-ditch victory under top weight over a mile?

Tonalist has the distinction of being Tapit's only graded winner over a distance as long as a mile and a half. The only others to



Tonalist | HorsePhotos

come anywhere close are the turf mare White Rose (GIII Glens Falls S. over 1 3/8 miles), Careless Jewel (GI Alabama S. over 1 1/4 miles) and Headache (GII Hawthorne Gold Cup over a mile and a

quarter). Then there's Frosted, who chased home American Pharoah at a respectful distance in last year's Belmont S., after his fourth in the Kentucky Derby.

Of course a mile-and-a-half Group 1 victory almost counts as a negative in many breeders' eyes in Europe, so I dread to think what it might do to a prospective stallion's popularity in the U.S., where the emphasis on speed is even more pronounced.

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It could be argued that victory in the Belmont nowadays goes not to the best stayer, but to the individual whose stamina fails the least (with American Pharoah’s time of 2:26.65 suggesting that he was a notable exception).

Tonalist won in the respectable time of 2:28.52, but there is no escaping the fact that the final quarter of his Belmont was comfortably the slowest section of the race. He was never again asked to tackle a mile and a half, but that surely is just a reflection of the fact that American racing offers no other Grade I opportunities over that distance for a dirt horse like Tonalist. In other words, Belmont winners effectively have no choice but to drop down the distance scale.

Tonalist’s predecessor Palace Malice surely endeared himself to breeders by winning three graded races over a mile as a 4-year-old, including the GI Metropolitan H. Tonalist also acquitted himself with plenty of credit in the 2015 Metropolitan, though the concession of 5lb to Honor Code proved too much.

While Tonalist was clearly capable of high-class form over a mile, a mile and a quarter arguably was his ideal trip, as he showed with his stylish victories in the Jockey Club Gold Cup. Even his maiden special weight success, which earned him ‘**TDN Rising Star**’ status in January 2014, saw him putting in his best work at the end of the mile and an eighth.

Tonalist no doubt owed some of his staying power to Pleasant Colony, the sire of his dam Settling Mist. Although the Belmont was the only leg of the Triple Crown to escape Pleasant Colony, he often proved quite a strong influence for stamina, with the likes of St Jovite, Denon and the Belmont S. winner Colonial Affair among his Grade I winners. His broodmare daughters have several Grade I winners to their credit which won over a mile and a quarter or more, including Farda Amiga (Alabama S.), Urbane, Summer Colony and Marsh Side (Canadian International and Northern Dancer S.).

The fact that Settling Mist cost \$800,000 as an 8-year-old indicates the strength of her bloodlines. Settling Mist’s second dam, Toll Booth, earned the title of Broodmare of the Year at the age of 20 in 1991, when her daughter Christecat was in the middle of a very successful career. Christecat was no less than the seventh stakes winner out of Toll Booth, following a team led by the top-class Plugged Nickle and his Grade III-winning sister Key To The Bridge.

Also among Toll Booth’s stakes winners was Tonalist’s second dam, the Topsider mare Toll Fee who was second at Grade II and Grade III levels. Toll Fee maintained family traditions, with three of her daughters producing Grade I winners and no fewer than five of her daughters have at least one graded winner to their credit. The other Grade I winners were that fine turf mare Riskaverse (out of The Bink, a daughter of Seeking The Gold) and Havre de Grace (out of the Carson City mare Easter Bunnette). Needless to say, Havre de Grace was no ordinary Grade I winner: she defeated the males in the Woodward S. before thrashing Royal Delta in the Beldame and was subsequently sold for \$10 million.

Tonalist’s fourth dam is none other than the celebrated Missy Baba. This daughter of My Babu would also have been a worthy winner of the Broodmare of the Year title, as her six stakes winners included the Grade I winner Sauce Boat, the champion sire Raja Baba and Gay Missile. The highly influential Gay Missile is ancestress of A.P. Indy, the Preakness winner Summer Squall, the Belmont S. hero Lemon Drop Kid and the likes of Derby winner Ruler Of The World and champion older horse Duke of Marmalade.

Mention of A.P. Indy is a reminder that Tonalist was the first to complete the GII Peter Pan S.-Belmont S. double since A.P. Indy in 1992. A.P. Indy, of course, also appears in Tonalist’s pedigree as the grandsire of Tapit.

Appropriately, Tonalist has now been retired to Lane’s End, which did so well with A.P. Indy and Lemon Drop Kid. Tonalist, too, surely has most of the qualifications required to prove very effective as a stallion. A quadruple Grade I winner, he was sired by a two-time champion sire from a grand-daughter of a Broodmare of the Year and shares the same female line as a Horse of the Year. One qualification missing from his CV is a win at two years, but the same could have been said of his grandsire Pulpit, and that omission hardly proved a handicap to Pulpit.

With his fee set at \$40,000, Tonalist ranks second only to American Pharoah among the new sires of 2016, though he shares that distinction with his old rival Honor Code, another of Lane’s End’s new recruits. Members of the same male line, it is going to be fascinating to see which of the two proves more effective.

TONALIST, h, 2011

Tapit	Pulpit	A.P. Indy	Seattle Slew
			Weekend Surprise
		Preach	Mr. Prospector
	Tap Your Heels	Unbridled	Narrate
			Fappiano
		Ruby Slippers	Gana Facil
Settling Mist 19-1-4-1 8FIs, 1GSW	Pleasant Colony	His Majesty	Nijinsky II
			Moon Glitter
	Toll Fee 39-7-6-10 9FIs	Sun Colony	Ribot
			Flower Bowl
		Topsider	Sunrise Flight
		Toll Booth 13FIs, 4SW	Colonial
		Northern Dancer	
		Drumtop	
		Buckpasser	
		Missy Baba	

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Stud fees can be paid out of weanling or yearling proceeds with the first \$7,500 going to breeders for weanling sales and the first \$15,000 going to breeders for yearling sales. Alternatively, if foal is retained and not sold as a weanling or yearling, the full stud fee is due and payable December 31st of 2018.

WEANLING EXAMPLE

STALLION	AUCTION PRICE	STUD FEE DUE
Flashback	\$7,500	\$0
Flashback	\$10,000	\$2,500
Flashback	\$15,000+	\$7,500 (full fee)
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$7,500	\$0
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$10,000	\$2,500
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$12,500+	\$5,000 (full fee)

YEARLING EXAMPLE

STALLION	AUCTION PRICE	STUD FEE DUE
Flashback	\$15,000	\$0
Flashback	\$20,000	\$5,000
Flashback	\$22,500+	\$7,500 (full fee)
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$15,000	\$0
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$17,500	\$2,500
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$20,000+	\$5,000 (full fee)

TEAM WEST GUARANTEE BONUS (UP TO \$5,500,000 FOR BREEDERS, UP TO \$150,000 FOR AGENTS)

\$1,000,000 BREEDERS' BONUS

To win: You must be the owner of the mare at the time of purchase of the season resulting in the mating that produced: (1) the 2019 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Colts Winner; (2) the 2019 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Winner; (3) the 2019 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Winner and/or (4) the 2019 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf Winner sired by Flashback, New Year's Day or Power Broker.¹ The same person/entity can win a total of \$4,000,000.²

\$500,000 BREEDERS' BONUS

To win: You must be the owner of the mare at the time of purchase of the season resulting in the mating that produced: the first U.S. 2017 foal crop Grade 1 Winner sired by Flashback, New Year's Day or Power Broker (no time restriction). Grade 1 Winners by all three sires are eligible for the bonus and the same person/entity can win all three (\$1,500,000 total).³

\$50,000 AGENTS' BONUS

To win: You must be the agent of record for the season purchase of the first U.S. 2017 foal crop Grade 1 Winner sired by Flashback, New Year's Day or Power Broker (no time restriction). Grade 1 Winners by all three sires are eligible for the bonus and the same agent can win all three (\$150,000 total).⁴

¹ In the event of a dead-heat in any of the above described races by horses sired by any of the 3 West Stallions, any such bonus will be divided pro-rata among the successful owners of the mares at the time of purchase of the season resulting in the mating that produced such horses.

² For purposes of this bonus, the owner of the mare at the time of purchase of the season resulting in the successful mating that produced such winner(s) will be entitled to the bonus payment notwithstanding the fact that the mare(s) carrying the successful foal(s) may have been sold while such successful foal(s) were in utero and another entity may actually be listed as the breeder on such foal(s)' Jockey Club Certificate for Foal Registration.

³ The provisions listed in Footnotes 1 and 2 also apply to this bonus payment.

⁴ In the event of a dead-heat in any such race by horses sired by any of the 3 West Stallions, the agent's bonus will be divided pro-rata among the successful agents.

All restricted to the 2016 breeding season / foals of 2017 and can be any three of the West Stallions. Your stud fee must be paid in full when due to be eligible. Neither Gary nor Mary West are eligible to win any of these bonuses.

TEAM WEST TRIFECTA (IF YOU BREED TO ALL THREE)

In 2016, if you breed one mare to all three West Stallions, the fee is \$13,000 (based on \$5,000 for Flashback, \$4,000 for New Year's Day and \$4,000 for Power Broker). Team West Guarantee applies.





Fred A. Pope:

If you didn't read the letter of Patrick Roche ([TDN Jan. 9](#)) you should, because he tells you what is important.

Sports are about competition. Business is about competition.

Racing, as a business is not a competitive sport, because it is limited to only wagering revenue.

Racing is the only hybrid, global sport. It is the one with legal wagering grandfathered into the laws of most countries. That was enough before television.

The gambling side of the hybrid nets only about 5% of what the sport side of the hybrid flows to other sports in media rights, sponsorships and merchandising.

Patrick seems to be saying the other 95% is the answer for racing. I agree.

As long as racing survives with only wagering revenue, governments will control the sport and cripple the value of bloodstock.

What would it take for racing to compete for the other 95% in sports marketing revenue?

First, you need a racing product that is worth producing at the level of other sports. Then you need to produce it at the level of other sports. Thoroughbred racing is a stronger sport than most realize.

In our major racing countries, one or two events have sold-out attendance and ratings on par with successful sports: The Kentucky Derby, the Melbourne Cup, the Epsom Derby, the Japan Cup, the Arc, the Hong Kong Cup, etc. As a marketing person, I add up the major event audiences in each country and get a cumulative international audience that has great value to media and sponsors. But, wagering issues between countries keep them apart.

So we know major racing events can compete as sport, but each racing country is an island that cannot afford television production on the level of FIFA Soccer and other global sports. Five cameras cannot compete with 50 cameras and a \$2 million production budget cannot compete with a \$50 million budget.

Today, television is not about the "play"; instead, it is about the "re-play", where multiple cameras provide the up-close images that commentators use to thrill, analyze and educate the audience to their sport. A key moment in FIFA World Cup Soccer is crafted into a shared memory with a billion people. There are companies that can do this for our sport using new revenue from media rights and sponsorship.

Racing is facility-based in every country, while all other global sports are talent-based and use commercial rights to leverage facilities and governments. Changing the current structure would be revolutionary.

What if there was a way for racing to become competitive as a global sport without having a revolution? What if the gambling side can be left alone and the sport side can be developed to go after the other 95% and make racing a sport with a future?

This riddle has a solution. First you need to figure out what it is you want to have happen. Then you figure out how to make it happen. The answer is evolving.

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'11	Dialed In	Mineshaft	Zito
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'09	Saratoga Sinner	Harlan's Holiday	Kenneally
'08	Hey Byrn	Put It Back	Plesa Jr
'07	Nobiz Like Shobiz	Albert the Great	Tagg
'06	Barbaro	Dynaformer	Matz
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'04	Second Of June	Louis Quatorze	Cesare
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Bayern	-2.7	MTH	1-1/8	STK	1
Liam's Map	-2.3	AQU	1M	ALW	1
California Chrome	-2.0	PIM	1-3/16	STK	1
Protonico	-2.0	AQU	1-1/8	STK	1
Coup de Grace	-1.7	SAR	6-1/2	STK	1
Honor Code	-1.4	AQU	6-1/2	AOC	1



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Fasig-Tipton KY Winter Mixed Sale Catalogue Online:

A total of 480 horses have been catalogued for the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale, which will be held Feb. 8-9 in Lexington. Hips 1-296 will be offered Monday and Hips 297-480, as well as the supplemental catalogue, will be offered in the Tuesday session.

“This year’s catalogue offers the quality and variety that have become the norm at the February Sale,” said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning. “Broodmare prospects with stakes credentials, a strong contingent of in-foal mares, and a large group of ‘short’ yearlings should draw significant interest from buyers looking to fill their orders before the start of breeding season.”

The catalogue can be viewed at www.fasigtipton.com. Print catalogues will be available Jan. 19.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-LRL, \$42,000, 1-11, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.23, ft. BUSTIN TO WIN (f, 4, Bustin Stones--Supreme Discovery {MSW, \$220,990}, by Supremo) Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$54,200. O-Joseph E. Besecker; B-Togs (NY); T-Hugh I. McMahon. *\$1,000 RNA Wlg '12 FTNMIX; \$9,000 2yo '14 EASMAY.

4th-MVR, \$25,300, (S), 1-11, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.49, ft. LINDA'S LUCK (c, 3, [Lookin At Lucky](#)--Mighty Cute Girl {MSP}, by Mighty Adversary) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$34,963. O-Thomas L. Holyfield; B-Meadow Springs Stables, LLC (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich. *\$37,000 RNA Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$42,000 Ylg '14 FTKJUL. **1/2 to Fierce Cat (Noble Cat), MSW, \$193,284.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

First Winner for Freshman Sire
Lukeyontheloose, g, 3, Flying First Class--Sweet Lolinda, by Marquetry. MVR, 1-11, (S), 6f, 1:10.75. B-Randy Neil Kerr (OH). *First winner for freshman sire (by Perfect Mandate).



Congratulations to last week's JockeyTalk360.com Jockey of the Week Javier Castellano, who won the GIII Marshua's River S. aboard Sandiva (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) and the GIII Hal's Hope S. aboard Mshawish (Medaglia d'Oro).

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ASCOT RAISES PRIZE MONEY



Ascot Chief Executive Guy Henderson | *Racing Post*

Royal Ascot is set to benefit from a substantial prize-money increase for 2016. An injection of £1 million, spread across the whole meeting, sees the total funds now amount to £6.58 million, an 18% increase on 2015. A number of headline races will receive major boosts and the minimum race value for the five-day meeting will increase from £60,000 to £80,000. The G1 Queen Anne S., won last year by Solow (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), will receive a major purse boost, rising from £375,000 to £600,000. The G1 Prince Of Wales's S. also gets a significant hike, similarly up £525,000 to £750,000. Ascot also announced news of a new unsaddling enclosure that is currently under construction. This £700,000 development will be completed and ready for use when the turf flat season commences in April.

Commenting on the announcement, Ascot's chief executive Guy Henderson said, "We are very pleased to announce what is cumulatively a £1.7 million additional investment in racing activities. In making £1 million more prize-money available at Royal Ascot, over and above last year's total prize fund, we are acting to remain as competitive as we can both at home and overseas."

Henderson recognized the importance of attracting overseas challengers to Royal Ascot, and to do that they need to be enticed by prize-money reflective of the status of the meeting.

"It is very important to make sure that we keep increasing the minimum threshold for race values at the Royal meeting and, equally, we need to keep developing our international showpiece events to continue to attract runners from all over the world," he continued. "In 2015, we had 72 European runners from outside the UK and 20 runners came from outside Europe."

DELLOYE APPOINTED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FRANCE GALOP

Olivier Delloye, currently Managing Director of Arqana, has been appointed to the position of Director General of France Galop beginning in February. Delloye has been a member of the Arqana team since its inception in 2006 when Agence Francaise merged with Goffs France. News of his new appointment, in which he will succeed Thierry Deleuge, was met with approval by Arqana President Eric Hoyeau.



Olivier Delloye | *Arqana*

"The appointment of Olivier at the head of France Galop is fantastic news for French racing," Hoyeau commented. "He has all the qualities necessary to orchestrate the modernisation plan announced by [President] Edouard de Rothschild when he was elected last month."

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in **TDN America** today...

SUMMER SOLO LEADS KEENELAND JANUARY

Summer Solo (Arch) ([hip 259](#)), in foal to *Ghostzapper*, topped the first session of the Keeneland January Sale on a bid of \$700,000 from Virginia Kraft Payson.

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Delloye Appointed Director General of France Galop cont.

He added, "This choice is also a strong sign of recognition of the Arqana model. It is characterised by an open, positive outlook, resolutely turned towards the future and an international market. I am therefore delighted that France Galop has expressed, by choosing Olivier to lead the reform plan which the industry so urgently needs, a willingness to follow our lead when it comes to innovation and service. On behalf of the entire team, I would like to thank Olivier for everything he has accomplished over the last 10 years at Arqana. In addition, Arqana and all French breeders will greatly benefit from the energy and drive afforded by the new team at the head of France Galop."

Once ensconced in his new position, Delloye will work alongside Deleuge at France Galop until Mar. 21.



NEW IRISH/UAE ALLIANCE ANNOUNCED

The Curragh Racecourse in Ireland and Al Ain Racecourse in Abu Dhabi have joined forces in a twinning process that will see reciprocal races run at each track. In an effort to increase the profile of both tracks in their reciprocal regions and to also highlight mutual tourism and business opportunities, Al Ain will stage The Curragh Racecourse "Home of the Irish Classics" Racing Jan. 29, with Irish Ambassador to the UAE, Patrick Hennessy, in attendance. Al Ain will provide their name to a race at The Curragh this summer.

Faisal Al Rahmani, course director of Al Ain Racecourse said, "We are absolutely delighted to partner with such a prestigious racecourse as The Curragh, which is well-known as the home of the Irish Classics and very much looking forward to welcoming H.E. The Irish Ambassador to the UAE, Patrick Hennessy, to Al



Evan Arkwright | *Racing Post*

Ain, when we hope to showcase the best of Arabic and Irish hospitality alongside some competitive racing."

Evan Arkwright, Commercial Manager of The Curragh Racecourse, echoed these sentiments and commented, "We are delighted to further

enhance the very positive relationship between The Curragh and the UAE with the agreement to develop a partnership with Al Ain Racecourse. The history and culture of Ireland and the UAE is deep rooted in horses and it is therefore very appropriate that we continue to develop these close links."



MOYGLARE GENEROSITY TO AID JOCKEYS

The Moyglare Dinner, an annual event run in conjunction by the Irish Turf Club and Moyglare Stud and attended by key figures within Irish racing and bloodstock, took place last Saturday in Ireland. In an act of great generosity, Moyglare's Eva-Maria Bucher-Haefner presented a check for €50,000 to the Irish Injured Jockeys Fund (IJJ). IJJ general manager Michael Higgins and chairman Ruby Walsh were both present on the evening to accept the donation. Robbie McNamara, paralyzed



Eva-Maria Bucher-Haefner & Ruby Walsh at the Moyglare Dinner | *Moyglare Stud*

from the waist down last April in a fall, rode many winners for Moyglare Stud while working for Dermot Weld, and the former jockey was very much in Bucher-Haefner's thoughts.

"For me, the most important factor in any race is that both horse and jockey finish safe and sound, which I am sure everyone here tonight would fully endorse," said Bucher-Haefner. "We need to look after our own. The priority after any accident is that the injured jockey receives immediate care and support to remove the worry for both themselves and their families, and hence be able to face the future with optimism."



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Monday's Result:

2nd-WOL, £5,500, Mdn, 1-11, 3yo, 7f 32y (AWT), 1:27.61, st. WAR GLORY (IRE) (c, 3, [Canford Cliffs {Ire}](#)--[Attracted To You {Ire}](#), by [Hurricane Run {Ire}](#)), who was hammered into 4-11 to build on his debut second over course and distance Dec. 22, raced in a stalking third throughout the early stages. Sent past Eskandari (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining the bay, who is distantly related to the sire Heart of Darkness (GB), asserted to best that rival by 3/4 of a length. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$6,599. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
O-Mr Mohamed Saeed Al Shahi; B-Pier House Stud (IRE); T-Richard Hannon.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Jazzy (Ire), c, 3, Roderic O'Connor (Ire)--Lucayan Beauty (Ire), by Marju (Ire). KEM, 1-11, 12f (AWT), 2:40.78. B-Ballyhane Stud (IRE). *€12,500 Ylg '14 GOFSP; €15,000 RNA 2yo '15 GBMBR.

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Monday's Result:

3rd-PAF, €16,000, Mdn, 1-11, 3yo, f, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:34.80, st. JAVA BLUE (FR) (f, 3, [Makfi {GB}](#)--[Deep and Blue, by Toccet](#)), last seen finishing third over this course and distance Dec. 10, was restrained to race in mid-pack early. Driven to the lead with a furlong remaining, the 7-5 pick drew away to score over Villa Bonita (Elusive Quality) by 4 1/2 lengths. Sales history: €10,000 RNA Ylg '14 ARQAug. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 1 win, 3 places, €15,200. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
O-G. Forien; B-M & Mme G Forien (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Zapper Cass (Fr), c, 3, Elusive City--Moonlight Cass (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). PAF, 1-11, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:32.80. B-A Cicenas (FR).

First Foal for MGSW Bungle Inthejungle (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus})

- Fitrah (Ire) (Tamayuz {GB}) produced a filly last week for Seamus Finucane.
- Eileenlilian (GB) (Authorized {Ire}) produced a colt Monday for Rathasker Stud, who stands Bungle Inthejungle.

OBSERVATIONS
on today's European racing scene

2.10 Lingfield, Mdn, £4,500, 3yo, 10fT

MUAITHER (IRE) (Poet's Voice {GB}) debuts for Al Shaqab Racing and John Gosden on the Polytrack, having been one of the desirables at Tattersalls October when selling for 475,000 guineas. Out of a half to one of Gosden's former representatives and later sire Emperor Jones (Danzig), the bay faces just three rivals who all have an experience edge.

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VANCOUVER HEADS TO O'BRIEN YARD

Australian champion 2-year-old and 'TDN Rising Star' **Vancouver (Aus)** (Medaglia d'Oro), a winner of the G1 Golden Slipper last March for an ownership group headed by Coolmore and the China Horse Club among others, left the yard of Gai Waterhouse to enter quarantine and be trained by Irish maestro Aidan O'Brien in Ireland, with Royal Ascot the long-term goal, Coolmore said in a release on their website.

"He's an incredibly talented horse and, with the Autumn falling so early this year and Royal Ascot an important goal in June, we decided in consultation with managing owner Coolmore that it would be best to send him to Ireland to give Aidan O'Brien the necessary time to prepare," said Waterhouse, who trained the colt up to this point. "As an unbeaten champion 2-year-old and winner of the Golden Slipper, he has nothing more to prove in Australia; I have no doubt that he is world-class and this plan gives him the best opportunity of proving himself on the international stage, with a view to possible dual-hemisphere stud duties."

Added Waterhouse, "We'll obviously be sad to see him go and I'm sure Aidan will have a lot of fun with him--Coolmore has followed this route very successfully in the past with So You Think (NZ), Starspangledbanner (Aus), Haradasun (Aus) and others and I wish Aidan every success with a horse I consider as talented as any."

Vancouver earned 'Rising Star' status taking the NSW Thoroughbred Breeders Plate in October of 2014, before following up with tallies in the G3 Canonbury S. at Rosehill Jan. 31 and G2 Todman S. over 1200 meters at Randwick Mar. 7 one start prior to the Slipper. [cont. p4](#)

Vancouver Heads to O'Brien Yard cont.

Vancouver shed his unbeaten status with a fourth-place finish in the G3 San Domenico S. at Rosehill Aug. 15 and was duly spelled. The strapping dark bay most recently finished third in a Rosehill barrier trial over 1030 meters Sept. 1.



Vancouver | Racing and Sports

Added Coolmore's Tom Magnier, "Circumstances have forced our hand with Vancouver to an extent, but Gai is adamant that he's a Royal Ascot horse and that's where we'll be aiming him. "I've spoken to Aidan and Joseph and they can't wait for the horse to arrive. Gai and her team have done a wonderful job with him, as evidenced by his unforgettable 2-year-old season and let's hope he does them proud on his travels."

A Pierro (Aus) half-brother to Vancouver sold for A\$1.5 million on the bid of Tom Magnier at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale Jan. 8.

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Monday, Nakayama, Japan

FAIRY STAKES-G3, ¥67,420,000 (US\$574,561), Nakayama, 1-11, 3yo, f, 1600mT, 1:34.30, fm.

1--B B BARREL (JPN), 119, f, 3, by Pyro

1st Dam: Fine Dimple (Jpn), by Silver Hawk

2nd Dam: Fiendish, by Devil's Bag

3rd Dam: Connecting Link, by Linkage

O-Katsuhiko Bando; B-Efue Farm; T-Eiji Nakadate; J-Shu Ishibashi; ¥35,574,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1. *2nd stakes winner for sire and first group stakes winner for sire. **1/2 to Double Wedge (Jpn) (Meiner Love), GSW-Jpn, \$950,073. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: C+.**

2--Daiwa Dresser (Jpn), 119, f, 3, Neo Universe (Jpn)--Liberty Print (Jpn), by Swept Overboard. O-Keizo Oshiro; B-Shadai Farm; ¥14,164,000.

3--Daiwa Duchess (Jpn), 119, f, 3, Workforce (GB)--Farnese (Jpn), by French Deputy. (¥33,000,000 Ylg '14 JRHJUL). O-Keizo Oshiro; B-Shadai Farm; ¥8,882,000.

Margins: 1 3/4, 3/4, NK. Odds: 5.80, 16.80, 10.60. Also Ran: Queue Du Lapin (Jpn), Copano Marine (Jpn), Lovely Amount (Jpn), Lyceene (Jpn), Argente (Jpn), Fujimasa Actress (Jpn), Red Sylvie (Jpn), La Cime (Jpn), Beau Amoureuse (Jpn), Polos (Jpn), Luminous Tiara (Jpn), Sea Breeze Love (Jpn), Hamahirugao (Jpn).

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