

## JEFF LUKAS DIES



Jeff and his father Wayne Lukas at Belmont | Horsephotos

By Mike Kane

Officially, Jeff Lukas does not exist in the databases that house the history of Thoroughbred racing. Though the son and chief assistant of Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas never started a horse in his own name, he was described by many following this death on Wednesday at the age of 58, as a brilliant horseman certainly capable of having a successful career on his own.

Jeff Lukas stayed with his father's operation from 1978 until he was severely injured in a life-threatening training accident in December 1993. During those 15 years, he played a major role as the stable emerged to dominate American racing with a national approach of multiple divisions and helped develop a brigade of young assistants--including Todd Pletcher, Kieran McLaughlin, Mark Hennig and Dallas Stewart--who have become standouts in their own right.

At 36, Lukas's life was changed and his time in racing ended when he suffered serious brain injuries at Santa Anita Park while trying to stop a loose 2-year-old colt, Tabasco Cat, who won the Preakness six months later. He tried to return to racing, but the effects of the injuries forced him to leave the sport. Since 2007, he lived alone in the town of Atoka in southeastern Oklahoma and worked for a bank. Besides his parents, he is survived by his son Brady and daughter Kelly.

"He was very, very talented," said Hall of Fame jockey Angel Cordero, Jr. "We lost not only a great person, we lost one of the most talented people in our sport. It's very sad because I know how much Wayne loved his only son and how proud he was of him." **Cont. p3**

## MOHAYMEN GETS FINAL WORK FOR FL DERBY

Shadwell Stable's **Mohaymen** (Tapit), perfect in five career trips to the post, turned in his final serious drill ahead of next Saturday's GI Xpressbet.com Florida Derby, breezing a half-mile Thursday morning at Palm Meadows.

With regular exercise rider Miguel Jaime aboard, the \$2.2-million joint sales-topper from the 2014 Keeneland September Yearling Sale was timed in :48.95, the ninth-best of 36 moves at the distance. It was Mohaymen's third work since winning the GI Xpressbet.com Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 27.

Trainer Kieran McLaughlin is in Dubai preparing his four runners for Saturday's Dubai World Cup program, but he received a video of the breeze from his sister-in-law and assistant Trish McLaughlin. Her husband, Kieran's brother Neal, has been supervising the string in Dubai since January. **Cont. p5**

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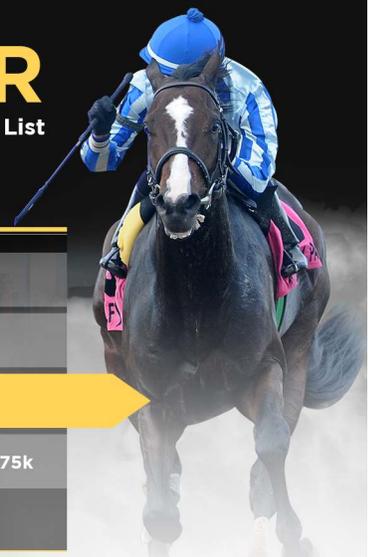
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*Flashback Friday, Louisiana Derby-style. Foaled 31 years ago on March 25, Risen Star captured the 1988 Louisiana Derby on his way to Preakness and Belmont Stakes glory. Although he was retired after the Belmont Stakes, his campaign earned him the Champion Three-Year-Old Male Eclipse Award, which made him a third-generation winner, following in the footsteps of his sire Secretariat and grandsire Bold Ruler.*  
*Horsephotos.*

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*Mor Spirit (Eskendereya), one of the leading 3-year-old colts in Southern California, breezed a strong half-mile Thursday morning in advance of the GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 9.*

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**Jeff Lukas Dies cont. from p1**

Cordero said he was rode for Jeff Lukas when the stable opened a New York division in 1984.

"I learned a lot from him," Cordero said. "Even though he was younger than me, I learned how to be a responsible person, how to enjoy and love what I do and how to do it better. I'm very sad because Jeff was like a brother to me."

Jeff Lukas was born in Antigo, Wisconsin, in 1957 when his father was a teacher and a coach, who trained a small string of horses in the summer. He attended the University of Wisconsin-River Falls on a football scholarship, but left college in his junior



*Horsephotos*

year to work for his father, by then a full-time trainer.

Together, the Lukases climbed to the top of the sport, crushing records for victories and purse money earned.

While D. Wayne Lukas was the

flashy, high-profile CEO of the organization, Jeff Lukas handled the New York operation, generally avoiding the spotlight, while quietly, sternly and effectively making sure that everything ran smoothly in every Lukas barn in the land.

"He was tough to work for," said former assistant Randy Bradshaw. "Jeff was very demanding and everything had to be by the book every day. That's just the way he was. He ran a very tight ship, but I've told a million people if I've told one, that he's probably the smartest and best trainer as a young trainer that I've ever been around. He was just a consummate horseman that just seemed to knack for training colts or fillies and doing a great job.

"Most of the guys who worked for Wayne would probably tell you that he was the one who was instrumental in teaching almost every one of us about the program and how it was supposed to come down."

Pletcher, the seven-time Eclipse Award winner and racing's career earnings leader, paid tribute to his old boss from Dubai Thursday.

"Jeff was the sharpest and most dedicated horseman I've ever met," Pletcher said in a statement. "His impact on my life and career, as well as many others in the Lukas organization is immeasurable. We will miss him greatly."

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Bradshaw said Jeff Lukas’s legacy is his work with the the stable’s many stars--most notably Horse of the Year Lady’s Secret and the Kentucky Derby winning filly Winning Colors--and the continuing success of the likes of Pletcher, McLaughlin and the others who graduated the Lukas academy to fine careers. Bradshaw spent about 10 years in two stints with the Lukases and said that there is no question that Jeff Lukas could have achieved greatness on his own.

“He would have been above Todd Pletcher, that’s how good Jeff was,” Bradshaw said. “And I give Todd all the props in the world because I don’t know if anybody does a better job than Todd. But Jeff was the one who got us all started on the right foot.”

A good example of how the Lukases ran their business is the the post-race press conference following Winning Colors’s win in the 1988 Derby. Owner Eugene Klein and D. Wayne Lukas met the media and Jeff Lukas stayed with the filly. However, D. Wayne Lukas paid tribute to his son’s accomplishment.

"I can't put into words how much Jeff has done to make this filly," he said. "I just wish he were up here to share the credit, but he wanted to go back with her to the barn. I knew he would. Early on, Jeff became quite attached to her and it looked like what he was doing was complementing her natural ability. I just stayed in the background."

Five years later, Tabasco Cat, another horse Jeff Lukas believed could be a force in the Triple Crown, nearly killed him in the freak accident. Jeff Lukas was near death a couple of times and did not regain consciousness for a few weeks.

“He was kind of two different people before the accident and after the accident,” Hennig said. “He was a very intense, diligent, thorough horse trainer. Then it seemed like that part of him was lost after the accident. I think he became more thoughtful and caring and maybe a better father after the accident. His sensitive side came out after the accident. But he was just the epitome of a horse trainer. The best horse trainer I was ever around.”

Hall of Fame jockey Jorge Velazquez said Jeff Lukas was all business with his jockeys.

“He was very strict and wanted you to follow orders to a T,” Velasquez said, noting that the young assistant knew what he was doing. “He was a good horseman, a very dedicated hard-working kid. He was just a plus for his daddy.” **Cont. p5**

Click [here](#) for a long-form piece on Jeff Lukas written in 2013 by Sports Illustrated’s Tim Layden and a [follow-up tribute](#) composed Thursday.

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Like the other former assistants, Stewart said that Jeff Lukas was a difference-maker in his life.

“He was great to work with and I know I wouldn’t be where I am today without my association with him,” Stewart said. “I started off as an exercise rider and was fortunate to work underneath him and work side-by-side with him for many years and became a good friend. It’s just a shame what happened with the accident and the way things went down. Just a shame.”

Stewart praised Jeff Lukas for handling the pressure and adversity he faced, professionally and personally.

“With everything that went on, he dealt with a lot,” Stewart said. “With the health issues when he got hurt it was a struggle, but he never complained. He dealt with it.”

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The flag at Wayne Lukas’s Oaklawn barn flew at half-staff Thursday [twitter.com/@MoquettRacing](https://twitter.com/MoquettRacing)

**Mohaymen cont. from p1**

“I got a tape of his work and Trish said it went fabulous,” Kieran McLaughlin said. “He looked great and everything is on target.”

Mohaymen was originally scheduled to have his final pre-race drill Friday, but with an uncertain weather forecast, Kieran McLaughlin elected to push it forward by a day.

“We’re OK. We got our work in,” McLaughlin said when reached by phone by Gulfstream publicity in Dubai. “It looks like



Mohaymen | Lauren King

it’s going to rain the next five days so we didn’t want to chance it. We would have probably been fine if we didn’t work at all but being that we could work, we wanted to do it. That’s why we work on Fridays, so we have Thursday, Friday,

Saturday, Sunday to work. It looked like rain every day, so we wanted to get our last work in. If it rained and we didn’t get it in, we didn’t get it in. But he’s on a good schedule and it worked out well. We’re all happy.”

Only five others are likely to tackle Mohaymen in the Florida Derby, including champion and fellow unbeaten **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo). The Paul Reddam-owned and Doug O’Neill-trained sophomore is due to arrive in South Florida Mar. 28.

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**‘SPIRIT’ BREEZES TOWARDS DERBY**

**Mor Spirit** (Eskendereya), who ran on strongly late to be second behind **‘TDN Rising Star’** Danzing Candy (Twirling Candy) when last seen in the Gil San Felipe S. Mar. 5, worked a half-mile in :47.80 and was given the ‘breezing’ designation by Santa Anita clockers as he prepares for this next appearance in the GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 9. Working beneath Martin Garcia at 8:45 over a freshly harrowed surface, the \$85,000 FTKOCT yearling turned \$650,000 FTFMAR juvenile went in the



**Mor Spirit** | Benoit photo

company of his stablemate, the recent maiden winner Hoffenheim (Midnight Lute), and went the first three-eighths of a mile in :35.80 before galloping out in 1:00 flat.

“He went really nice,” trainer Bob Baffert said. “He was a willing participant today, which is good.”

Never out of the exacta in his six career trips to the post, Mor Spirit has won half of those, including the GI Los Alamitos Futurity last December, and has amassed earnings of \$458,400.

Danzing Candy, also targeting the Santa Anita Derby, is scheduled to have his next work over five furlongs Saturday morning with Mike Smith set to be his partner.

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His fervor for success and eye for detail are as obvious as his business decisions are pragmatic--and that suits the native of South Side, Chicago, quite well considering Midwest Thoroughbreds has towered over its competition in the last decade in much the same way that the well-over six-foot-tall Papiese does his entourage in the paddock. Still, despite the magnitude of his success in both of his business endeavors, which he runs as a family affair with wife Karen, Papiese keeps his prosperity in unpretentious perspective.

“My mother was a ‘\$3-dollar trifecta’ player and she never took away from what we had,” Papiese said. “She worked at a fashion store when I was young and there were times that we wouldn’t have had Christmas if not for the extra money. I went to a community college and had a baseball scholarship, but I still had to work.

“I loved horses and racing and we decided to get into it in 2001,” he continued. “It wasn’t until 2008 that Midwest Thoroughbreds officially started and we won just two of our first 43 races. We wanted it to be a success, so we really focused and won 236 races in 2009. Since then we’ve won over 200 races per year, but that may not happen this year, as we are heading a slightly different direction and upgrading our stock.”



**The Pizza Man** | Benoit photo

Though in stark comparison to the 542 wins of 2012, Midwest Thoroughbreds has had a superb 2016 thus far. The leading owner in America by wins for six consecutive years (2010 through 2015) currently leads all once again in 2016 in both victories (40) and earnings (\$1,039,704) through the third week of March, while striking at 26% with its six trainers: Tom Amoss, Roger Brueggemann, Armando De La Cerda, Chris Richard, Carol Fisher and Danny Gargan. Focusing the majority of its winter racing on Fair Grounds and Aqueduct, the operation holds a clear lead in New Orleans, where it is on the brink of breaking Maggi Moss’s multi-year stranglehold over the owner’s standings. In New York, it has a narrow lead over Repole Stable, winning at 37% since the turn of the year.

“The titles are great, but they’re not the end-all for us,” the consummately hands-on Papiese explains. “We are really starting to put our energy into being successful and building up in New York--in addition to what we’ve built in the Midwest--while also racing our purchased horses and developing our broodmare band. At the same time, we do our best to give back to the industry. It’s important to us.” **Cont. p7**

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**MIDWEST MOVING FORWARD**

by Michael Adolphson

One moment around Richard Papiese and it is easy to sense his intensity. It is a good feeling, even if possibly menacing. There is



**Richard Papiese is served up some pizza following the 2015 Arlington Million**

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a focus to the principal of Midwest Thoroughbreds and Midwest Store Fixtures--a University Park, Illinois-based manufacturer of customized commercial store fixtures--that runs visceral in his interactions, even when in casual confab, that one can appreciate.

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**Midwest Moving Forward cont.**

Midwest’s quality-over-quantity approach has been spearheaded by the Grade I successes of 2014 Breeders’ Cup Sprint and Eclipse Award-winning champion Work All Week (City Zip) and 2015 Arlington Million hero and Eclipse finalist The Pizza Man (English Channel)—both homebred geldings—and was on even more discernible display at Keeneland’s September yearling sale, where Midwest spent \$1,877,000 on nine yearlings, including a popular \$525,000 Tiznow colt out of the stakes-winning A. P. Indy mare Marion Ravenwood.

Philanthropically, Midwest has given to numerous causes, including the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund (PDJF) and various racetrack chaplaincies throughout the country. In that same breath, Papiese has been especially ardent in his backing of Thoroughbred aftercare.

“Just like when we race, no matter how many we are running, we put the horse first,” Papiese explained. “Retiring Work All Week when he got injured—though it was minor—was really hard to do, but we did it because he had done enough for us and we love him and want to give him a good life and a new career. He’s doing great right now.

“We’re dedicated to not making ourselves part of the problem and we pride ourselves on trying to do the right thing, no matter how painful that can be,” he added. “We’re fortunate enough to be in this position and the recipient of the fruit of a lot of peoples’ hard work on our team, so we want to make the right decisions and keep the success going. We’ll also be focusing on percentages and earnings per start and cutting back on numbers, while working on the farm, buying better horses at sales, supporting our stallion and getting good stock for a nice broodmare band.”

Midwest’s aforementioned Florida-based stallion is Maltese Dog (War Chant), a tough and consistent turf allowance horse the Papieses and Brueggemann campaigned to 10 wins from 24 starts. Chief among his first-crop offspring is 3-year-old filly Doggerwinii, a homebred who has won two straight at Fair Grounds and is likely stakes-bound. The ‘big horse’ under the Midwest banner is still The Pizza Man, also conditioned by Brueggemann. Having started once this year, the sizable bay charge with the pizza-shaped star is being given time off after things went awry in the GI Gulfstream Park Turf H. in February.

“He didn’t like the sand in the turf course that day and he came back bad after the race,” Papiese explained. “He wasn’t himself and his blood was off, so we sent him to [Thunder Ranch, Midwest’s Anthony, Florida, farm] and he’s getting rest to point to defending his title in the Arlington Million and hopefully getting another shot at the Breeders’ Cup [Turf] again.

“We’re also excited about Quijote (Pomeroy), who ran his eyeballs out finishing second the other day in [the \$125,000 Jimmy Winkfield S.] at Aqueduct in just his third start,” he continued. “He’s inexperienced and talented and I think he’ll be a top sprinter and might even take to the grass. We have about 170 horses ‘all day’ right now, which is down from about 500 at our peak—including babies, broodmares and 20-plus 2-year-olds in training. Things are looking great.”

In an industry where high-volume, ambitious racing empires are built with aspirations of being Athens, but ultimately end up more like Atlantis, Midwest Thoroughbreds appears poised to buck that trend. Armed with a willingness to learn from those who have come to pass, while passing those who have refused to learn, the operation surrounds itself with a vision that preserves its equine equipoise between passionate and practical—and that is where Papiese’s true intensity resides.

“We have a great team,” Papiese concluded. “From my wife to our great trainers who care about the horses like we do, to Jim Schenk—the best bloodstock agent in the business—and Frank Smith who does a great job training our babies in South Carolina. We’re fortunate so far and are looking forward to an exciting year.”

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**MILLIONAIRE STRING KING STILL**

**DELIVERING FOR SMITH** by Joe Bianca

In the rapidly updating landscape of horse racing, May 8, 2011 seems like an eternity ago. One day after Animal Kingdom’s upset win in the GI Kentucky Derby, a 3-year-old Louisiana-bred



String King | Hodges photography

named **String King** (Crowned King) debuted going 5 1/2 furlongs at Louisiana Downs. He was dismissed at nearly 53-1 and ran to his odds, finishing ninth. Nobody could have foreseen that this would be one of the only poor

performances the gelding would ever produce, and that five years later, he would be a million-dollar earner, running competitively in graded stakes at the age of eight.

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**String King cont.**

String King switched to turf for his next start and won powerfully at 22-1. Now with a lifetime record of 18 wins--including 13 stakes victories--and 10 seconds in 41 starts, he takes his second crack at the GII Mervin H. Muniz, Jr. H. this Saturday after finishing third at 26-1 in the 2013 renewal. He's 15-1 on the morning line and faces several foes who beat him in his last two races, plus substantial new shooters.

Charlie Smith, the owner, breeder and trainer of String King, knows the hurdles, but he also knows never to count out his old war horse.

"I don't think that he's lost a step," Smith said. "Everybody's forgotten about him except me. I'm not real high on winning the race, but if he does, I won't be surprised."

The consistency of String King is a marvel. Turf or dirt, on the lead, stalking or closing, he never seems to run a bad race.

"I think it's his constitution," Smith explained. "You can't get inside a horse's head, we don't know if they like this or they like that, but I think that he just loves to run, loves to be competitive, and he brings it every trip."

This dependability comes in spite of the gelding's high-strung attitude, which Smith initially tried to curb, but has long since accepted.

"He's real high energy," Smith said. "When he was three years old, I castrated him, thinking that it would calm him down, but that didn't do a bit of good.



Charlie Smith | Hodges photography

Even at age eight, it still takes four people to saddle him. Sometimes I think maybe he'll leave a little bit of his race in the paddock, but he's run well all these years just being the way he is."

String King's attitude is also the reason he has become something of a Louisiana institution, never racing outside of the state's three tracks, each of which he's won at multiple times.

"I've never ventured out of state because of his temperament," Smith said. "I don't know how he would handle shipping into another state or another racetrack. He may leave his race on the van."

Smith has just a two-horse stable. His other runner is String King's half-brother, String Attack (Combat Ready), a 7-year-old who is 1-for-34 in his career, making String King even more special to the conditioner.

"Next to my daughter," Smith said, "he's the best thing that's ever happened to me. I bred him, I own him and I train him and it's unbelievable what he's done for me."

Does that include the million-plus he's earned?

"I'll tell you one thing," Smith joked, "he makes it a whole hell of a lot easier to go to the grocery store and not have to choose between which bread is on sale."

As for how long his home-state star will continue to run, Smith says that isn't up to him.

"He'll tell me," the Louisiana native said. "When it's time, he'll tell me. He may have another year left, he may have two years left. As long as he's competitive and he's trying and enjoying it, then I will keep on with him."

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**WRONA NAMED NEW SANTA ANITA ANNOUNCER**

Australian race caller Michael Wrona has been named the new full-time track announcer at Santa Anita. The 49-year-old, who began his career at age 17 in his homeland and has been in the U.S. for the last 25 years, has spent the past decade as the announcer for Golden Gate Fields in Northern California.

"I'm overjoyed and humbled that Santa Anita is entrusting me with a booth occupied by so few announcers in the track's storied history," said Wrona. "I shall try my utmost to honor the great legacy of my predecessors--each of whom was of the highest caliber. I would also like to acknowledge the unwavering support and friendship of the Golden Gate Fields management, since I first worked there in 1992."



Michael Wrona

The announcement comes following auditions from Wrona, international announcers Craig Evans of the Singapore Turf Club and Racing UK's David Fitzgerald, and Frank Mirahmadi, who has been alternating announcing duties with Wrona since the retirement of Trevor Denman last December.

"This was a much harder decision than anyone could have imagined," said Joe Morris, SVP of West Coast Operations for The Stronach Group. "The finalists presented us with four incredible options, each a world-class announcer in his own right. In the end, as we said from the beginning, we listened to our fans, our horsemen, the media and our employees. It was an exceptionally close decision, but Michael just raised his game here at Santa Anita. We are honored to welcome him to the historic fabric of The Great Race Place. He has earned the right to make that booth his own." **Cont. p9**

**Michael Wrona cont.**

Wrona will continue to call Santa Anita's races through the end of the winter/spring meet Apr. 10 and will begin his full-time position when the spring/summer meet opens May 5.

"While we are pleased to welcome Michael as the next Voice of The Great Race Place, this opportunity also showcased three very gifted announcers in Frank, Craig and David," Morris added. "We encourage them to continue to seek opportunities within The Stronach Group as they become available and we look forward to the chance to work with them."

Wrona's replacement at Golden Gate will be named shortly and will begin in early May.

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**EQUINE INJURY RATE BELOW NATIONAL AVERAGE AT NYRA**

The number of catastrophic injuries recorded at New York Racing Association (NYRA) tracks declined for a third consecutive year and continued at a rate well below the national average according to stats released Tuesday by The Jockey Club.

The overall fatality rate at the NYRA-owned Aqueduct, Belmont and Saratoga was 1.1 per 1000 starts in 2015, as compared to the national average of 1.62 per 1000. The 2014 fatality rate was 1.89.

In conjunction with New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association President Rick Violette Jr. and in an effort led by NYRA Senior Vice-President of Racing Operations Martin Panza, the association has undertaken safety protocols over the last 2 1/2 years that have yielded results, according to a NYRA release. In 2013, the number of catastrophic racing injuries numbered 22 which translated into an incidence of 1.2 per 1000 starts. The national average that year was 1.90. The following year, there were 24 catastrophic injuries for a rate of 1.4 per 1000 starts compared to the national average of 1.89. In 2015, there were 19 fatal injuries that resulted in the rate of 1.1 per 1000 starts, all as measured by The Jockey Club.

Prior to the establishment of the NYRA Reorganization Board of Directors at the behest of Governor Andrew Cuomo in 2012 as well as the current management team, the catastrophic injury rate was as high as 2.2 per 1000 starts.

"We have worked diligently to improve equine safety throughout every component of our operations," stated Christopher Kay, president and CEO of NYRA. "We continue to work with NYRA's Safety Steward, Hugh Gallagher, and Martin Panza, as well as our Horse Watch detail, our Equine Safety Committee board members, the state's Gaming Commission and the State's Medical Equine Director to ensure the safety of our equine athletes and their riders."



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All three NYRA facilities have been accredited by the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) Safety and Integrity Alliance and, under the direction of Glen Kozak, the vice-president of racing surfaces and facilities for NYRA, the tracks have earned 'best-practice' ratings in nearly every primary area examined by the Alliance.

NYRA has also supported the adoption by the state of New York of the ARCI model rules governing medications and penalties and pledges to continue to support the state gaming commission as they proceed towards adopting the rules.

Additionally, the NYRA Board has expressed its support for national regulation of medications and penalties.

"The New York Racing Association remains vigilant in its efforts to promote equine safety," said Panza. "We continuously review all available avenues to proactively safeguard the integrity and safety of racing operations at all three of our racetracks. This includes securing outside, independent review of the track surface, close consultations with state regulators, and continued dialogue with jockeys, trainers and owners."

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# New York

**Thursday's Results:**

**8th-AQU, \$57,000, (S), Alw** (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 3-24, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12.54, ft.

**ROMAN CERES (f, 3, Roman Ruler--Salt Water Reign, by Salt Lake)** was well supported as the second choice in her six-furlong debut here Feb. 21 and notched a convincing 2 1/4-length score. Pounded down to 3-5 favoritism to remain unbeaten in this event, the dark bay set up shop stalking the pace as Madame Maybry (Maybry's Boy) zipped through a quarter-mile in :23.35. Dropping back a bit as that rival opened up a clear advantage on the turn, Roman Ceres began to find her best stride once straightened out for the drive and gradually forged ahead to score by 3/4 of a length. Madame Maybry held on to complete the exacta. The winner's dam is also responsible for the juvenile colt Baltic Sea (Cosmonaut), a yearling filly by Lemon Drop Kid and a weanling filly by Scat Daddy. Sales History: \$55,000 Ylg '14 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$67,200. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Twin Farms Stables; B-Hibiscus Stables (NY); T-William I. Mott.

**INDIAN CREEK SALES GRADUATE**

**3rd-AQU, \$55,860, (S), Alw** (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 3-24, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40.42, ft.

**KATNISS THE VICTOR (f, 3, [Midnight Lute](#)--Midst {SW, \$154,795}, by Closing Argument)** notched a professional win in her career unveiling going 1 1/16 miles over this strip Dec. 16 and returned to run second, beaten just a nose, by the gritty Frosty Margarita (Frost Giant) in the restricted Maddie May S. here Jan. 31. Towering over this field by virtue of a recent third-place run behind Mo d'Amour (Uncle Mo) in the 1 1/16-mile Busher S. Feb. 27, the dark bay was hammered down to 1-9 favoritism. Biding her time at the rear of a compact field around the opening bend, the filly was well restrained down the backstretch as longshot Crazy Love rattled off a half-mile in :49.50. Katniss the Victor commenced a sweeping four-wide bid soon after that juncture, hit the front at the head of the lane and powered clear to a decisive 6 1/4-length score. Storm Cell (Haynesfield) finished second best. Sales History: \$35,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$85,000 Ylg '14 SARAUG; \$130,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$99,700. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).** O-Michael Dubb, Bethlehem Stables LLC & Michael Imperio; B-Twin Creeks Farm & Harvey Diamond (NY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez.

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**6th-AQU, \$55,000, (S), Msw**, 3-24, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.51, ft. **JUST AFLEET (c, 3, [Northern Afleet](#)--Rose City, by Carson City)** finished fourth in his seven-furlong unveiling over the main track here Nov. 21 and followed with a pair of third-place runs around two turns over the inner Dec. 30 and Feb. 6. Adding blinkers, the chestnut raced evenly to be second in a trip-and-track test Feb. 27 and was tabbed as the 5-2 favorite to break through this time around. Away to an unhurried beginning, Just Afleet slipped through an opening along the rail to improve position around the first turn, but remained held up in traffic in eighth behind a half-mile in :48.79. The colt split horses on the far turn, angled to the four path into the stretch and just edged past a stubborn Investigator (Super Saver) to score by a head. Sales History: \$10,000 Ylg '14 SARAUG; \$80,000 2yo '15 EASMA. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-2, \$57,750. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Orlando DiRienzo; B-Bradley B. & Elise Benedict Browne (NY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart.

# Florida

**Thursday's Results:**

**10th-GP, \$40,000, Alw**, 3-24, (NW3L), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35.23, fm.

**BRIDE TO BE (f, 4, [Candy Ride {Arg}](#)--Cat Chat, by Storm Cat)** closed well to be second on debut over this course last March and broke through to graduate in authoritative fashion later that month. Sent to the sidelines for nearly 10 months following that victory, the dark bay resurfaced with a game runner-up finish behind **'TDN Rising Star'** Frosty Friday (Eskendereya) in a course-and-distance optional claimer Jan. 24. Bride to Be notched a 1 1/2-length score going 1 1/16 miles here Feb. 28 and was given a 5-2 chance to make it two in a row in this spot. Away in good order, she went to the front approaching the first turn, but was wrangled back by jockey Paco Lopez to secure position tracking Angel Vision (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}) as that rival led through a half-mile in :48.76. Given her cue once more on the far turn, Bride to Be collared the pacesetter turning for home and kicked clear to score by a length over a rallying All in Fun (Tapit). The homebred winner is a half-sister to GI Juddmonte Spinster S. winner In Lingerie (Empire Maker), GISW, \$712,265, and her second dam is 1993 champion juvenile filly Phone Chatter (Phone Trick). Cat Chat, who won the GII Nassau County S., produced the filly Purrmorehissless (Smart Strike) in 2013, the filly Scratch N Claw (Tapit) in 2014 and a Pioneer of the Nile filly this year. Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0, \$98,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O/B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY); T-Alan E. Goldberg.

**LAMBHOLM SOUTH Training Graduate**

**4th-GP, \$40,000, (S), Msw**, 3-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.94, ft.

**+AD LUTEM (f, 3, [Midnight Lute](#)--Ad Litem, by Successful Appeal)** left little to doubt in capturing her career debut over five overmatched Florida-bred rivals Thursday afternoon. Tabbed as the 9-5 favorite, the dark bay was away from the gate a step slowly, but still managed to secure the lead through fractions of :22.60 and :46.03. Opening up a clear advantage into the stretch, the sophomore strode home comfortably, seven lengths clear of runner-up Sheikh and Sleek (Include). The winner, a GoldMark Farm homebred, is out of a dam who is a half-sister to Sunday's GIII Las Flores S. winner Fantastic Style (Harlan's Holiday). Ad Lutem has a unnamed juvenile full-sister and a weaning half-brother by Cross Traffic. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
O/B-GoldMark Farm, LLC (FL); T-Ralph E. Nicks.

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**Frank & Dino's Fundraiser to Benefit PDJF:**

The third annual fundraiser for the Permanently Disabled Jockeys' Fund will take place at Frank & Dino's Restaurant in Deerfield Beach, Florida, Monday, Mar. 28 beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$200 per person or \$2000 for a table sponsorship for 10 guests and includes cocktails, dinner, entertainment and a silent auction. Reservations can be made by calling (954) 427-4909. For those unable to attend, donations may be made out to PDJF, c/o Frank & Dino's, 718 S. Federal Hwy., Deerfield Beach, FL, 33441.

## ▶ Eastern U.S.

**Wednesday's Late Results:**

**7th-CT, \$24,000, Alw**, 3-23, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:26.00, ft. **AMHERST STREET (g, 5, Luftikus--Romantic Twist, by Wild Rush)** started his career with a wire-to-wire score as the favorite in July 2013 and notched four more wins to close out the year, including the state-bred West Virginia Futurity that November. Laid up for almost seven months, he returned to run his record to 6-for-6 in June 2014 when rallying from off the pace for the first time, getting up by a neck at 3-5 in the restricted Coin Collector S. He bled that day and was sent to the sidelines for an extended layoff. Returning to action as the 7-2 second choice in this spot, the 5-year-old was aggressively sent to secure the early lead past the wire for the first time. Clicking off fractions of :23.86 and :47.80 down the backstretch, the chestnut turned back his nearest pace challengers and was never threatened

thereafter in a 1 1/2-length score. Big Bad Dude (Lido Palace {Chi}) finished second. The winner is a half to Won't Be Denied (Windsor Castle), SW, \$167,810. Lifetime Record: MSW, 7-7-0-0, \$240,046. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
O/T-Javier Contreras; B-James W. Casey (WV).

## ▶ Central U.S.

**Thursday's Results:**

**9th-FG, \$42,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm** (\$50,000), 3-24, 3yo, 1m (off turf), 1:39.95, sy. **LOMCEVAK (c, 3, Flatter--Runaway Grey, by Runaway Groom)** made belated headway to finish a non-threatening seventh in his 1 1/16-mile debut over a sloppy track at Keeneland last October and shipped to New Orleans to capture a one-mile turf event here Nov. 26. Fifth back on dirt behind GII Louisiana Derby hopeful Candy My Boy (Candy Ride {Arg}) Jan. 18, the gray traveled wide around the first turn and raced towards the rear of the pack behind a half-mile in :48.47. Asked to pick it up with a wide bid on the far turn, he seized control in the stretch and held sway to score by 2 1/4 lengths over Call the Colonel (Colonel John). The winner is a half to Runaway Stephen (Stephen Got Even), MSP, \$196,568. Sales History: \$40,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$48,790. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
O/T-Jack Frost; B-John R. Penn (KY).

## ▶ California

**Thursday's Results:**

**3rd-SA, \$56,690, Msw**, 3-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:43.73, ft. **FAITHFULLY (f, 3, Smart Strike--Distinctively {SP}, by Awesome Again)**, a \$700,000 Keeneland September yearling buy, ran fourth on debut going seven furlongs here Jan. 3 and demonstrated marked improvement over a route of ground, checking in second in a one-mile test Jan. 28. A runner-up again going a mile over the local strip Mar. 3, the dark bay was bet down to 3-2 favoritism here. Skimming the rail around the first turn, she raced in midpack down the backstretch behind a half-mile in :47.86 and searched for running room on the far turn. The filly was guided off the rail turning for home and kicked on to notch a convincing 5 1/4-length tally over Caradini (Bernardini). The winner's second dam is 1994 champion 3-year-old filly Heavenly Prize (Seeking the Gold), making her dam Distinctively a half-sister to sires Good Reward (MGISW, Storm Cat) and Pure Prize (GSW, Storm Cat).



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## TODAY'S INSIGHTS

**4th-SA, \$56k, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, post time: 5:30 p.m. ET**  
Mr. and Mrs. Jerome S. Moss's **ZICONIC (Tapit)**, the second foal to compete out of 2010 Horse of the Year and \$7.3 million-earner Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}), makes his second career start in this spot for trainer John Shireffs. Piloted by Mike Smith--who rode Zenyatta to 13 Grade I wins, including the 2009 GI Breeders' Cup Classic--Ziconic offered his best impression of his dam's patented late-running style when closing from last of seven to report home third in his seven-furlong unveiling in Arcadia Feb. 20. The chestnut posted two maintenance workouts over the local strip in the interim and has been tabbed as the 2-1 morning-line favorite. [TJCIS PPs](#)

**8th-OP, \$78k, Alw/OC, 3yo, 6f, post time: 5:42 p.m. ET**  
Winchell Thoroughbreds' **COUNTERFORCE (Smart Strike)** notched a hard-fought debut victory over trip and track in Hot Springs Mar. 5 and makes his first start facing winners in the Friday feature. The Steve Asmussen trainee is out of a dam who is a half-sister to GISW Streaming (Smart Strike), and her third dam is 2007 Broodmare of the Year Better Than Honour (Deputy Minster), who produced GI Belmont S. winners Rags to Riches (A.P. Indy) and Jazil (Seeking the Gold) as well as GSW & GISP Casino Drive (Mineshaft). Marked as the 9-5 morning-line favorite, the dark bay's stiffest competition may come from **Major League (Malibu Moon)**, who impressively captured a six-furlong dash in his career debut here Jan. 30 before fading to sixth when stretched out to a mile Feb. 19. The Gary and Mary West colorbearer tuned up for this cutback in distance with a bullet four-panel breeze in :47 flat [1/71] at Oaklawn Mar. 20.

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**First/second-crop starters to watch: Friday, March 25**

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- ARCHARCHARCH** (Arch), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 251/29/2
  - 5-GG, Aoc 1m, Dreamarcher, \$150K OBS APR 2yo, 6-5
  - 7-TP, Aoc 6f, Tia Flor, \$2K KEE SEP yrl, 2-1
  - CUSTOM FOR CARLOS** (More Than Ready), Clear Creek Stud, \$3K, 88/11/1
  - 9-FG, Msw 6f, Custom Paint Job, 8-1
  - 9-FG, Msw 6f, Chinawood, \$23K RNA BSC YRL yrl, 20-1
  - 9-FG, Msw 6f, Custom Built, \$40K OBS APR 2yo, 12-1
  - D' FUNNYBONE** (D'wildcat), Rockridge Stud, \$3.5K, 48/6/0
  - 6-AQU, Aoc 1m, Nobody Move, 10-1
  - DUBLIN** (Afleet Alex), Keane Stud, \$7.5K, 131/9/0
  - 8-AQU, Aoc 6f, Best Version, \$57K RNA FTF MAR 2yo, 12-1
  - 6-AQU, Aoc 1m, Taoiseach, \$4K OBS APR 2yo, 6-5
  - EVERYDAY HEROES** (Awesome Again), South Springs Stallion Station, 30/1/0
  - 6-SUN, Msw 6f, La Jaquesita, 6-1
  - FRIESAN FIRE** (A.P. Indy), Country Life Farm, \$4K, 102/18/1
  - 8-OP, Aoc 6f, Tisdale, \$110K EAS MAY 2yo, 6-1
  - 6-CT, Alw 7f, Fire Control, 2-1
  - GIROLAMO** (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$15K, 150/22/1
  - 8-AQU, Aoc 6f, Lucky Lurie, \$50K SAR AUG yrl, 5-2
  - 8-AQU, Aoc 6f, Saratoga Giro, \$27K EAS MAY 2yo, 20-1
  - LAKE MEZA** (Sky Mesa), 1/0/0
  - 6-SUN, Msw 6f, Yvetita's Lake, 10-1
  - LONHRO (AUS)** (Octagonal {NZ}), Darley, \$30K, 176/15/2
  - 6-TAM, Msw 1mT, Coogee Bay, 15-1
  - MISREMEMBERED** (Candy Ride {Arg}), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$7.5K, 58/8/1
  - 4-SA, Msw 1 1/16m, Uninvited, 5-2
  - PROUDINSKY (GER)** (Silvano {Ger}), All Star Thoroughbreds, \$2K, 24/1/0
  - 9-FG, Msw 6f, +Winning Streak, \$2K ESL YRL yrl, 12-1
  - SMOKIN GLOCK** (El Prado {Ire}), 3/1/0
  - 6-HAW, Aoc 5 1/2f, Prairie Chick, 10-1
  - TRAPPE SHOT** (Tapit), Claiborne Farm, \$10K, 182/22/0
  - 3-LRL, Msw 6f, Shoppingforsilver, \$75K OBS OPN 2yo, 8-1
  - TWIRLING CANDY** (Candy Ride {Arg}), Lane's End Farm, \$15K, 146/34/3
  - 4-SA, Msw 1 1/16m, Feldini, \$230K OBS APR 2yo, 20-1
  - UNCLE MO** (Indian Charlie), Ashford Stud, \$35K, 261/41/11
  - 5-FG, Msw 1m, Talkless Smilemore, \$40K FTK HRA 2yo, 9-2
  - WILBURN** (Bernardini), Spendthrift Farm, \$6.5K, 212/29/1
  - 1-FG, \$40K South Mississippi Owners and Breeders S., 6f, Berniestrike, 6-5

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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-OP, \$80,000**, (NW26MX)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 3-24, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.67, ft.

**W. B. SMUDGE (g, 7, Grand Reward--Beauty Is, by Personal Flag)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 48-12-12-6, \$412,702. O-Robert O'Hara Jr. & Gwyneth Gower; B-World Thoroughbreds Racing Inc. (KY); T-Matt Kordenbrock. \*1/2 to Wayzata Bay (Roar), GSW, \$718,895; and Yournotthebossofme (Johannesburg), SW, \$197,078.

**5th-SA, \$64,249**, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 3-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:48.49, fm.

**HIKING (m, 5, First Defence--Trekking {GSP, \$104,746}, by Gone West)** Lifetime Record: 17-4-2-3, \$85,305. O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners; B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-Simon Callaghan. \*95,000gns 3yo '14 TATMAR.

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**2nd-FG, \$47,000, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000)**, 3-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:43.88, sy.

**GLIDE BABY GLIDE (f, 4, Honor Glide--Lovely Amy, by Mining)** Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-1, \$118,710. O-Robert Larry Whitaker; B-Rowell Farms, LLC (LA); T-Bernard S. Flint.

**3rd-FG, \$44,000,(C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500)**, 3-24, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:45.08, sy.

**TREASURY BILL (h, 6, Lemon Drop Kid--Wow Me Free {GSW, \$215,739}, by Menifee)** Lifetime Record: GSP, 23-4-3-4, \$222,414. O/T-Louie J. Roussel III; B-Edward A. Seltzer & Beverly Anderson (KY). \*\$230,000 Ylg '11 FTKJUL.

**5th-CT, \$24,500, (S)**, 3-23, (NW3L), 3yo, f, 7f, 1:26.46, ft.

**T REX EXPRESS (f, 3, Warrior's Reward--Chocolate Mon, by Maria's Mon)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$32,513. O-David M. Raim; B-John Link (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco. \*\$20,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN.

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**8th-CT, \$24,500, (S)**, 3-23, (NW3L), 3yo, 7f, 1:26.65, ft.

**SCYTHE (g, 3, Smarty Jones--Auntie Inda Attic, by Suave Prospect)** Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, \$50,810. O/B/T-Leslie A. Condon (WV).

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**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Better in Leather**, f, 3, [Archarcharch](#)--Ava Pie, by Distorted Humor. GG, 3-24, 1m (AWT), 1:41.15. B-Farm III (FL). \*\$12,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

**How About You Dude**, c, 3, [First Dude](#)--Mount Gay, by End Sweep. OP, 3-24, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:48.33. B-McDowell Farm (AR). \*\$27,000 Wlg '13 OBSOCT; \$30,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP.

**The Rouge Diesel**, g, 3, [Flower Alley](#)--Border Blues (SP, \$132,747), by El Prado (Ire). OP, 3-24, (C), 1m, 1:40.43. B-Whipporwill Farm (KS).

**My Celeste**, f, 4, [Maimonides](#)--Rena (SP), by More Than Ready. GP, 3-24, 5fT, :55.11. B-Zayat Stables, LLC (KY).

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	GII Gulfstream Park Oaks	GP
	GII Honey Fox S.	GP
	GII Pan American S.	GP
	GIII Skip Away S.	GP
	GIII Orchid S.	GP
	GIII Appleton S.	GP
	GIII San Simeon S.	SA
	GIII Bourbonette Oaks	TP
GIII Spiral S.	TP	
4/3	GIII Top Flight H.	AQU
	GIII Tokyo City Cup	SA
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## EMOTIONLESS STRAIGHT TO GUINEAS



Godolphin's Emotionless will go to the Guineas without a prep race | *Racing Post*

Godolphin's G2 Champagne S. winner **Emotionless (Ire)** (Shamardal) will kick off his 3-year-old campaign in the G1 Qipco 2000 Guineas without a prep race. The 'TDN Rising Star' won on debut by 3 1/2 lengths at Newmarket in August before following up by the same margin in the Champagne, but was a disappointing last of seven in the G1 Dewhurst S. Oct. 10. Veterinary checks the following day revealed a knee chip, which was surgically removed. Godolphin Chief Executive and Racing Manager John Ferguson revealed the dark bay has recuperated well from that procedure.

"He's stronger than ever," Ferguson said. "We have taken the view that he will not need a prep race before the Guineas. It's always a worry when horses have surgery, but from the moment he came back into training he has been moving like a bird."

Trainer Charlie Appleby added, "He's been training well, and I couldn't be happier with him. Physically, he's done well over the winter."

Emotionless, a son of GI Breeders' Cup Distaff winner Unbridled Elaine (Unbridled's Song), is currently the 14-1 co-second choice for the Guineas. Two-year-old champion Air Force Blue (War Front) is favoured.

## TRACKSIDE AT MEYDAN THURSDAY

by *Steve Sherack*

It was pretty difficult to miss perennial Monmouth Park leading trainer Jorge Navarro or the streaking **X Y Jet** (Kantharos) under ideal conditions beneath the lights at Meydan early Thursday morning.

Navarro, sporting a red pullover, kept a close eye on his charge by the gap on the clubhouse turn as an international cast of about 30 media representatives began to assemble shortly before 5:30 a.m. The gray G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen standout, meanwhile, fitted with plenty of matching attire, including a red bridle, seems to have made the trip from South Florida looking better than ever.

All remained fairly quiet on the well-groomed dirt course--other than some track maintenance--as the sun began to emerge behind some palm trees on the backstretch roughly an hour later as the crowd continued to file in. [Cont p8](#)

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### JEFF LUKAS DIES AT AGE 58

*Jeff Lukas, son and former assistant to Hall of Famer D. Wayne Lukas, passed away Thursday from a heart attack at age 58. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)*

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## BERRY PREPARING FOR NEW CHAPTER

Jockey Fran Berry will begin a new chapter in his career Friday when he rides his first meeting in the UK since signing on as stable jockey to trainer Ralph Beckett.

Berry has just one mount on the card, and that one will be for trainer Mark Johnston when he gets a leg up on Fire Fighting (Ire) (Soldier Of Fortune {Ire}) in the Coral Easter Classic, but Berry noted he is slowly making the transition of moving to the UK from Ireland for his new role.



Fran Berry | *Racing Post*

"I went over to Ralph's a few weeks ago to ride work, and will be over and back a bit until things settle down," said Berry. "Good Friday will be my first meeting over there, and the turf season will get going the

following week. I'll be coming back here on Sundays when I can, and Mr [JP] McManus is happy to still use me, as well as the other trainers that I ride for regularly. I've been riding out at Mrs [Jessica] Harrington's and also for the likes of David Wachman and Patrick Prendergast."

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### Thursday's Results:

**PRIX FRANCOIS MATHET-Listed, €55,000, SCD, 3-24, 3yo, c/g, 10 1/2fT, 2:17.14, gd.**

1--**BLACK SEA (FR), 125, c, 3, by Dubai Destination**

**1st Dam: Goleta (Ire), by Royal Applause (GB)**

**2nd Dam: Wardara (GB), by Sharpo (GB)**

**3rd Dam: Ward One (GB), by Mr Fluorocarbon (GB)**

(€90,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG). O-LG Bloodstock; B-C Humphris (FR); T-N Caullery; J-Anthony Crastus. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 9 starts, 4 wins, 5 places, €99,450. \*1/2 to Dibajj (Fr) (Iffraaj {GB}), GSW-Fr, \$193,669.

2--**Cleonte (Ire), 125, c, 3, Sir Percy (GB)--Key Figure (GB), by Beat Hollow (GB). O--Baron Edouard de Rothschild. €11,000.**

3--**Burger and Fries (Fr), 125, c, 3, Sageburg (Ire)--Figarie, by Bernardini. (€50,000 Ylg '14 AROCT). O-Ecurie Jean-Louis Bouchard & Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois. €8,250.**

Margins: 3/4, SNK, 2. Odds: 0.90, 2.90, 4.90.

Also Ran: Chanducoq (Fr), Oronsay (Fr). [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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Kept busy on the all-weather over the winter, Black Sea entered this test on a high after a brace of 10-furlong wins in the space of a fortnight at Cagnes-sur-Mer last month, the latter of which came in the Prix Policeman of former listed status. Restrained from the outset by a confident Anthony Crastus to wait behind his four rivals, the bay was sent between Cleonte and Burger and Fries to lead with a furlong remaining and showed the smartest turn of foot of that trio to seal the contest and the black-type breakthrough. The dam, who is a half to the G2 King's Stand S. hero and sire Chineur (Fr) (Fasliyev) from a family replete with sprinting speed, also has a 2-year-old filly by Rio de la Plata and a yearling full-sister to the G3 Prix du Petit Couvert winner Dibajj (Fr) (Iffraaj {GB}).

**4th-SCD, €34,000, Cond, 3-24, 3yo, 8fT, 1:47.81, gd.** **FLOODLIGHT (c, 3, [Medaglia d'Oro--Flashing {MG1SW-US, \\$633,226}](#), by A.P. Indy),** who was fourth behind the subsequent listed winner La Cressonniere (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}) in a heavy-ground renewal of the Listed Prix Isonomy at Deauville in October, was sent straight to the lead. Always in control, the 21-10 second favourite was pushed out to secure a comfortable 1 1/4-length success from Ommoy (Fr) (Iffraaj {GB}). The high-class dam also has a 2-year-old filly by Distorted Humor, a yearling filly by Tiznow and has been bred to Ghostzapper in 2016. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €35,000. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Godolphin SNC; B-Darley; T-Andre Fabre.

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**1st-SCD, €25,000, Debutantes, 3-24, 2yo, 4 1/2fT, 0:52.20, gd.**  
**+CAVAPRUN (FR) (c, 2, Siyouni {Fr}--Atabaska {Fr}, by Ashkalani {Ire})**, sent off at almost 10-1, broke awkwardly from the widest stall but soon recovered to take a prominent pitch on the outer in this first juvenile contest of the French flat season. Gaining a slight lead passing the 300-metre marker, the bay--who has a yearling half-sister by Maiguri (Ire) named Alets (Fr)--was pushed out to score by 1 1/4 lengths from Morigane Forlonge (Fr) (American Post {GB}). Sales history: €18,000 RNA Ylg '15 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €12,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
 O/B-Ecurie Jarlan (FR); T-Christian Baillet.

G1 Prix Jean Romanet and G1 Premio Lydia Tesio winner Odeliz (Ire) (Falco), has a yearling full-brother to the winner. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €15,700. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Michel Zerolo & Eric Puerari; B-S.F. Bloodstock Llc (IRE); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

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**7th-SCD, €25,000, Mdn, 3-24, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:44.14, gd.**

**VOLTA (FR) (f, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--Persian Belle {GB}, by Machiavellian)**, third last time over seven furlongs at Compiègne in October, was sent gradually up to race towards the fore initially. Getting the better of Roshanara (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) approaching the furlong marker, the 10-1 shot asserted to score by 3/4 of a length. The dam, who is a full-sister to the GII Las Palmas H. winner Beautyandthebeast (GB) and a half to the G1SW Neatico (Ger) (Medicean {GB}), has also produced Calvados Blues (Fr) (Lando {Ger}), MGSW-Fr & G1SP-UAE, \$919,761. Sea of Knowledge (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), the €700,000 ARAUG graduate from the immediate family of Vadamar (Fr) (Dalakhani {Ire}) proved a disappointment when staying on for a non-threatening eighth looking in need of further. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 1 win, 3 places, €20,700. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Ecurie David Salabi, Thierry de la Heronniere & Cluny Conseil SARL; B-T, A & D de la Heronniere (FR); T-Francis-Henri Graffard.

**7th-LYS, €20,000, Cond, 3-24, 3yo, 9f (AWT), 1:54.92, st.**

**LAKALAS (FR) (f, 3, Turtle Bowl {Ire}--Nazlia {Fr}, by Polish Precedent)**, who scored on her racecourse debut over this course and distance in November, raced under restraint throughout the early stages in rear before moving closer out wide.

Quickening off the home turn to grab the advantage with just over a furlong to race, the 13-10 favourite was firmly in control from there and the half-length margin back to Pump Pump Palace (Fr) (King's Best) flattered that rival. The winner is a full-sister to Anahita (Fr), MGSP-UAE & GSP-Fr, \$137,086, and also to a 2-year-old filly by Sageburg (Ire) named Slava d'Alben (Fr) and a yearling colt by George Vancouver named Youri d'Alben (Fr). Sales history: €5,000 RNA Wlg '13 ARDEC; €90,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €18,000. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-SARL Ecurie J L Tepper & Ecurie des Charmes; B-Mme B Ferry Abitbol & Mme L Cadet (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

**Ipanemo (Fr), c, 3, Iffraaj (GB)--Faviva, by Storm Cat. LYS, 3-24, 2150m (AWT), 2:20.11. B-Janus Bloodstock Inc (FR). \*€35,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG.**

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**Thursday's Result:**

**7th-WOL, £5,500, Mdn, 3-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f 141y (AWT), 1:47.78, st.**

**INTERMITTENT (GB) (f, 3, [Cacique \(Ire\)](#)--Innocent Air {GB} {MSW-Eng}, by Galileo {Ire})**, runner-up over this course and distance 12 days ago, was pushed up to dispute the early lead before being committed with a quarter-mile remaining. Clear when appearing to idle in the closing stages, the 10-11 favourite was not under any pressure to win by 3 1/4 lengths from Divine Joy (GB) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}). The dam, who also has a 2-year-old colt by Dansili (GB) named Wicket (GB), hails from a family steeped in success for Juddmonte, with three close-up relatives having made a splash at the top level in the Charles Whittingham third Skipping (GB) (Rainbow Quest), the Prix Marcel Bousnac winner Proportional (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}) and last year's Irish 1000 Guineas third Vote Often (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}). Also featuring is the E. P. Taylor and Prix Jean Romanet heroine Folk Opera (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}), while further back are the likes of St. Hilarion, Savinio and Muhtarram. Lifetime Record: 4-1-3-0, \$10,852. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-Roger Charlton.

**TATTS IRELAND ASCOT CATALOGUE ONLINE**

The Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Breeze-Up sale, the first 2-year-old sale of the season in Europe, has filled its catalogue, which is now online, with 102 lots. The sale and breeze show both take place Apr. 6, at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., respectively, and progeny of the likes of Dark Angel (Ire), Elusive Quality, Exceed and Excel (Aus), Holy Roman Emperor (Ire), Invincible Spirit (Ire), Kodiak (GB), and Lope De Vega (Ire), as well as a number of exciting young sires, will be offered.

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**Thursday, Moonee Valley, Australia**

**WILLIAM REID S.-G1**, A\$500,000, 3-24, Moonee Valley, 1200mT, 1:09.85, gd.

1--**FLAMBERGE (AUS)**, 129, g, 6, by [Exceed and Excel \(Aus\)](#)

**1st Dam: Razor Blade (Aus) (GSW-Aus, \$169,115)**, by **Blazing Sword (Aus)**

**2nd Dam: Coalition (Aus)**, by **Pre Emptive Strike**

**3rd Dam: Regal Fantasy (NZ)**, by **Sir Tristram (Ire)**

O-Contract Racing & Breeding Pty Ltd (Mgr: D J Moodie); B-D Moodie; T-Peter Moody; J-B Rawiller; A\$300,000. Lifetime Record: 22-7-3-2, A\$1,725,630. \*Full to Curtana (Aus), SW & G1SP-Aus, \$649,267; 1/2 to Sunburnt Land (Aus) (Scenic {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Aus, \$296,926; Joyeuse (Aus) (King's Best), SP-Aus, \$202,502; and Durendal (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro), GSW-Aus, \$329,667. **Werk Nick Rating: A++**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Holler (Aus)**, 123, c, 3, [Commands \(Aus\)](#)–Shouts (Aus), by Strategic (Aus). O-Godolphin; B-Darley; T-John O'Shea. A\$90,000.

3--**Japonisme (Aus)**, 123, g, 3, [Choisir \(Aus\)](#)–Haiku (Aus), by Encosta de Lago (Aus). O/B-Ingham Racing.; T-Chris Waller. A\$45,000.

Margins: SHD, SHD, 3/4. Odds: 11.00, 3.40, 4.50.

Also Ran: Fast 'N' Rocking (Aus), The Quarterback (Aus), Churchill Dancer (Aus), Scarlet Billows (Aus), Gregers (Aus), Lucky Hussler (Aus), It Is Written (Aus), Headwater (Aus), Kinglike (Aus). [Click for the Racing Post result](#) or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

Flamberge made it back-to-back Group 1 scores and sent trainer Peter Moody into retirement on the highest possible note when taking the G1 William Reid S. under the lights at Moonee Valley Thursday.

It was the third Group 1 win for the seasoned gelding, who scored his first win at the highest level in the Goodwood Cup at Morphettville last May. Second to the champion sprinter Chautauqua (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}) first-up in the G2 McEwan S. in the spring, Flamberge had to settle for sixth in this track's G1 Moir S. Oct. 2 but bounced back to take the Listed Durbridge S. back over the track-and-trip of his Goodwood score two weeks later. Seventh in the G1 Darley Classic to round out his campaign Nov. 7, Flamberge bounced back to take the Feb. 27 G1 Oakleigh Plate at odds of 30-1, but nonetheless still failed to garner much respect Thursday, sent off at 11-1.

Enjoying a dream run under Brad Rawiller on the fence and no more than three lengths off the lead racing into the sweeping Moonee Valley turn, Flamberge found the rail wide-open as the front-running Holler (Aus) (Commands {Aus}) led the field into the short straight. Hooking up with that rival passing the 200 metre mark, Flamberge got his nose in front on the line as Japonisme rallied strongly down the outside.

"He's a remarkable little horse. It's no secret he grew on us over a period of time," Moody told [Breednet.com.au](#). "I didn't see a big future in him but he just kept winning races. He won a Goodwood and



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we were over the world. He won an Oakleigh Plate and we thought we had every Pancake Day we could find and to do this tonight is unbelievably special. It will stick with me for a while."

The Moody-trained runners on Thursday's card were the last for the champion Victorian trainer, whose six-month suspension for a cobalt charge took affect at midnight Thursday. Moody was last week cleared of the most serious charge, intentionally administering cobalt to affect performance, and thus dodged a minimum three-year suspension, but was nonetheless handed a six-month ban for presenting a horse to race with cobalt in its system above the permitted threshold. Moody had initially indicated he would return to training after the ban ended, but changed his mind in the following days.



**Peter Moody | Racing Post**

"That makes it impossible to come back because that can't be bettered," Moody told [Racing.com](#) after the William Reid. "It's not the ideal circumstances to finish your career with a little bit of murky water there--let's not kid ourselves--but to take

that Group 1 home tonight is pretty special."

Flamberge races as a homebred for Racing Victoria Chairman David Moodie, a longtime patron of Peter Moody who also campaign the gelding's stakes-winning full-sister, Curtana, with the same trainer. Their dam, Razor Blade, has a yearling colt by Helmet (Aus) and produced a Redoute's Choice (Aus) colt last year.

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## WALLER DOMINATES BMW FIELD

With four runners, Chris Waller fields 40% of the field for Saturday's G1 The BMW, including recent G1 Australian Cup winner **Preferment (NZ)** (Zabeel {NZ}), who has been dealt a kind draw from stall four.

Stamina will not be an issue for the former G1 Victoria Derby hero, and the same can be said for **Storm The Stars** (Sea The Stars {Ire}), who was an admirable 3-year-old for William Haggas in the UK last term, finishing third in the G1 Investec Derby, second in the G1 Irish Derby and third in the G1 Grand Prix de Paris before claiming the G2 Great Voltigeur S. A confirmed stayer, he has failed to fire on his first two starts for Waller but is likely to prove to be



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another good international signing for Sydney's leading trainer in time. The Summer Wind Farm graduate has remained in the ownership of Sheikh Juma Dalmook Al Maktoum.

Another horse looking to reclaim some dazzling form from last season is the G1

BMW Caulfield Cup winner **Mongolian Khan (Aus)** (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), who was favourite for the G1 Emirates Melbourne Cup before succumbing to a bout of colic. He returned to the track in February following a 133-day lay-off, finishing down the field behind **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}) in the G1 Chipping Norton S., and recently ran fifth in the G1 Ranvet S. on Mar. 19. He has never been beaten at this distance, however, and will be a force to be reckoned with if anywhere near back to his best.

Less than two lengths behind Mongolian Khan in the Caulfield Cup was the German import **Our Ivanhowe (Ger)**, a 6-year-old entire by that country's increasingly popular sire Soldier Hollow (GB). A dual Group 1 winner over a mile and a half in his homeland, Our Ivanhowe has finished close to the frame in his two most recent starts in Victoria and deserves plenty of respect.

Godolphin trainer John O'Shea will be hoping for back-to-back wins in the race, with **Arab Dawn (GB)** (Dalakhani {Ire}) aiming to follow the example of fellow British-bred import Hartnell (GB) (Authorized {Ire}) 12 months ago. Bred by Luca and Sara Cumani at Fittocks Stud, Arab Dawn won the Listed Parramatta Cup on his second start on Australian soil and was fourth on his most recent outing in the Canberra Cup over 10 furlongs. Stepping up to the 1 1/2 miles of the BMW shouldn't present a problem, however, as the 5-year-old already has winning form at the trip, having landed the Duke of Edinburgh S. at Royal Ascot last year, one of his four victories for former handler Hughie Morrison.

Recent G1 Rosehill Guineas runner-up **Montaigne (NZ)** (Road To Rock {Aus}) is the sole 3-year-old in the field and, representing the Anthony Cummings stable--which won this race in 2013 with Fiveandahalfstar (Aus) (Hotel Grand {Aus})--he is drawn well in gate two. His two wins have both come over a mile but he coped well with the extra two furlongs at this course last time out.

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**Saturday, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 4:30 p.m.**

**THE BMW S.-G1, A\$1,500,000 (£802,091/€1,014,057), 3yo/up, 2400mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Rising Romance (NZ)	Ekraar	Williams	Hys/Dbrng	126
2	Montaigne (NZ)	Road to Rock (Aus)	Oliver	A Cmngs	119
3	Grand Marshal (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Collett	Waller	130
4	Preferment (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Bowman	Waller	129
5	<b>Almoonqith</b>	Dynaformer	Walker	Hys/Dbrng	130
6	Mongolian Khan (Aus)	Hly Rmn Empr (Ire)	Bosson	Baker	129
7	Who Sht Thbrman (NZ)	Yamanin Vital (NZ)	Shinn	Waller	130
8	Our Ivanhowe (Ger)	Soldier Hollow (GB)	McEvoy	Freedmans	130
9	<b>Storm the Stars</b>	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Angland	Waller	127
10	Arab Dawn (GB)	Dalakhani (Ire)	McDnld	O'Shea	130

## RISQUE POSES STRONG RISK TO JAMEKA

Ciaran Maher's Crown Oaks winner **Jameka (Aus)** (Myboycharlie {Ire}) has been mixing it with the boys of late and was far from disgraced when beaten only two lengths into third in last weekend's G1 Rosehill Guineas. She heads a 14-strong challenge for Saturday's A\$500,000 G1 Vinery Stud S. and is vying for favouritism with **Risque (NZ)** (Darci Brahma {NZ}), who finished a length and a half in front of her to take third in the G1 Australian Guineas on Mar. 5.

Jameka's conqueror in the Thousand Guineas at Caulfield back in the spring was the regally-bred **Stay With Me (Aus)** (Street Cry



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{Ire}), who has been showing decent placed form since resuming in mid-February and has family honour at stake here as her mother, the classy and versatile Miss Finland (Aus), won this race in 2007--one of five

Group 1 contests she claimed, including the Golden Slipper and the Crown Oaks.

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**Risque Poses Strong Risk to Jameka cont.**

**Honest** (Aus) (Monaco Consul {NZ}) and **Ambience** (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) ran second and third to Jameka in October's Oaks and both reoppose Saturday, having run fourth and fifth in their last start in the G3 Keith Nolan Classic on Mar. 11.

Ahead of them that day when finishing a close-up third was Godolphin challenger **Asinara** (Aus), a lightly raced but progressive individual who will be bidding to give her sire Teofilo (Ire) his third Group 1 strike of the year.

Last year's winning jockey Blake Shinn gets the leg-up on **Happy Hannah** (Aus) (More Than Ready), who comes into the race on the back of three solid wins, albeit in lesser company, and will be given plenty of respect on her first black-type start.

The Robert Smerdon trainee **Chabaud** (NZ) (Lookin At Lucky) hopped aboard the ferry to Hobart for her most recent victory in the Listed Tasmanian Oaks following a last-to-first win in strong handicap company at Moonee Valley, while Anthony Cummings's representative **Believe** (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) has also given her supporters plenty of reasons to keep the faith in her three starts to date. Two wins from her first two runs in February shot Believe into the G2 Phar Lap S. on Mar. 12 with strong claims, and she was beaten less than half a length on the line for third after rallying strongly in the straight. This is her first attempt beyond 1500 metres.

Another daughter of Fastnet Rock is Coolmore's **Sailing By** (Aus), trained by Mick Price, who bounced back from a four-month break to finish second in the G2 Autumn S. at Caulfield on Feb. 13. Down the field in the G1 Australian Guineas since then, she should however, be capable of seeing out this trip, being out of a Galileo (Ire) mare.

**Capella** (NZ) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) and **Valley Girl** (NZ) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) are both crossing the Tasman Sea for the first time after traveling strongly to finish fourth and fifth in a bunched finish for the G1 New Zealand Derby on Mar. 5 when just over half a length separated the first five home.

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**Saturday, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 3:50 p.m.**

**VINERY STUD S.-G1, A\$500,000 (£267,519/€337,904), 3yo, f, 2000m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	Jameka (Aus)	Myboycharlie (Ire)	Oliver	Maher
2	Risque (NZ)	Darci Brahma (NZ)	Lane	Hys/Dbrng
4	Ambience (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Avdulla	O'Shea
5	Heartlings (Aus)	Pendragon (NZ)	Clark	Parker
6	Capella (NZ)	Rip Van Winkle (Ire)	Bosson	Guy
8	Valley Girl (NZ)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Prebble	Lgn/Gibbs
9	Sailing By (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Newitt	Price
10	Single Gaze (Aus)	Not a Single Doubt (Aus)	O'Hara	Olive

11	Believe (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	McEvoy	A Cumngs
12	Honest (Aus)	Monaco Consul (NZ)	Williams	Thompson
13	Asinara (Aus)	Teofilo (Ire)	McDonald	O'Shea
14	Self Esteem (Aus)	Stratum (Aus)	Bowman	Snowdens
15	Stay With Me (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Dunn	Hys/Dbrng
16	Chabaud (NZ)	Lookin at Lucky	Berry	Smerdon
Emergencies				
3	Happy Hannah (Aus)	More Than Ready	Shinn	Snowdens
7	Lonely Orphan (Aus)	Domesday (Aus)	Jones	Jeffries
17	Peggy's Cove (Aus)	Choisir (Aus)	Huet	Perry
All carry 123 pounds.				

**Trackside At Meydan Thursday Cont. from p1**

Todd Pletcher was immediately in high demand for interviews with local television stations to discuss Al Shaqab's G1 Dubai World Cup contender **Mshawish** (Medaglia d'Oro).

The **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) camp, led by the affable father-and-son training team of Art and Alan Sherman, decked out,



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of course, in their Taylor Made 'Chrome' gear, followed suit with conditioner Dale Romans also joining the fray.

Mshawish led the powerful U.S. contingent onto the track just a tick before 7 a.m., with

G2 UAE Derby entrant **Frank Conversation**

(Quality Road) and the aforementioned 2014 Horse of the Year right behind. Last month's GI Donn H. hero continues to be the talk of the backstretch—and rightfully so if Thursday's piece of exercise was any indication—since arriving in the desert.

Trainer Doug O'Neill's right-hand man Leandro Mora snapped some video of Frank Conversation's morning activity from his cell phone while fellow Southern California-based **Hoppertunity** (Any Given Saturday), understandably a bit lathered, went through

some light trackwork as it began to heat up into the low-to-mid 70s °F.



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With the sun now reflecting off the spectacular Meydan grandstand, Hong Kong's **Gun Pit** (Aus) (Dubawi {Ire}), a solid second in the G1 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 3, cornered nicely

while hugging the rail. Hard not to love those blinkers of his, too.

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**Trackwork at Meydan Thursday cont.**

Now, back to California Chrome. Alan Sherman immediately showed the dual Classic winner some love upon meeting him—and the smiling exercise rider Dihigi Gladney—by the chute following an easy gallop. He really does look like a different horse now compared to his unforgettable 3-year-old season. That light campaign of his in 2015 may turn out to be a blessing in disguise for the now robust chestnut.

It's hard to imagine that this was the same **Keen Ice** (Curlin) that finished a flat seventh in Round 3 over a very speed favoring surface after taking a look at him in person Thursday. Could it be as simple as adding blinkers? Guess we'll find out soon enough.

The Alain de Royer Dupre-trained duo of **Dariyan (Fr)** (Shamardal) (G1 Dubai Sheema Classic) and **Vazirabad (Fr)** (Manduro {Ger}) (G2 Dubai Gold Cup) went out for a spin with the former keeping a couple of lengths in front throughout. **Sloane Avenue** (Candy Ride {Arg}) made a nice impression as he shoots to go one better off an extremely painful beat for trainer Jeremy Nosedo in last term's G2 Godolphin Mile. Dubai Sheema Classic runner **Gailo Chop (Fr)** (Deportivo {GB}), winner of the 2015 G1 Longines Mackinnon S. in Australia, galloped smartly while under a snug hold while rounding the turn.

With the majority of the crowd already heading over to the popular 'Breakfast with the Stars' portion of the program held by the adjacent apron, Coolmore's globe-trotting **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire})—off since capturing the G1 Longines Hong Kong Vase in December—snuck in a bit under the radar while galloping with very good energy despite getting a bit hot. --@SteveSherackTDN

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**WHAT THEY'RE SAYING**  
*In Dubai*

Bob Baffert's assistant **DANA BARNES**, exercise rider for World Cup entrant Hoppertunity: "He was a maniac out there—he felt so good."

Trainer **DALE ROMANS** on adding blinkers to World Cup entrant Keen Ice: "I hate blinkers on a racehorse, I hate all equipment. I go with as little as possible but for \$10 million, if you're going to get a boost from blinkers, you roll the dice and throw them on there. You've got nothing to lose. We are all in."

**JORGE NAVARRO**, trainer of Golden Shaheen entrant X Y Jet: "When it came to running in Dubai I said to myself, 'why not? All the top sprinters in America are on vacation, so why not take a chance?'"

**THE MAN WITH THE \$10-MILLION VOICE**

*Terry Spargo has been the voice of racing in the United Arab Emirates since 2001. TDN's Senior Editor Steve Sherack (@SteveSherackTDN) caught up with the native of Australia for a Q&A session as he prepares to call the action during Saturday's 21st renewal of the \$10-million G1 Dubai World Cup at Meydan. The starter has the button!*



**Q: What have been some of your favourite moments behind the binoculars on World Cup night?**

*TS: I think the best clash was in 2004--Pleasantly Perfect and Medaglia d'Oro and that great stretch battle they had, then they reprised in the Breeders' Cup. That's one of them, for sure.*

*Electrocutionist in 2006 when the crowd almost brought the grandstand down. Frankie [Dettori] brought him along the big brass hat in the last little bit. The first one at Meydan when Gloria de Campeao prevailed by a nose in a three-way driving finish [in 2010]. And, of course, all of the emotion around Victoire Pisa winning in 2011 just after the Japanese Tsunami. Those are the ones that stick out in my mind straight away.*

**Q: If you could call any of the big races out there, besides the World Cup, which one would it be?**

*TS: That's a pretty easy question, I'm an Australian. I would like to have a crack at a Melbourne Cup. As a lifelong fan of horseracing--I've been doing this job for the better part of 40 years--I wouldn't mind having a crack at any of them. But if you're going to ask me for one, I'd suppose it would be having a go at a Melbourne Cup.*



Pleasantly Perfect & Medaglia d'Oro throw down in the '04 World Cup  
*Horsephotos*

*The Man With the \$10-Million Voice cont.*

**Q: Growing up in Australia, how were you introduced to racing? Was there a particular age that you knew that you wanted to be a commentator?**

*TS: When I was six years of age, I used to spend weekends at my grandparents. My grandfather was a World War I veteran as was a great uncle, who used to stay with my grandparents, and they religiously would listen to the races on the radio, which was the norm in Australia in those days. I heard some of the great racing commentators like Ken Howard, Bert Bryant and Vince Curry and others, and in my mind at six years of age, I'm thinking to myself, 'I'd like to do that.'*

**Q: How did you go about pursuing your career in the announcer's booth?**

*TS: Through my teenage years in schooling, I kept coming back to the fact that I wanted to be a racing commentator. No one in my direct family was involved with racing. But it always stuck with me and it was something I kept at until I eventually got into radio on a full-time basis. I became a sporting commentator and eventually went on to specialize in horse racing.*

**Q: Advice for any aspiring announcers out there?**

*TS: Practice...practice...practice. That's the best thing you can possibly do. Opportunities aren't as prevalent nowadays compared to when I was starting out in Australia, but you just have to keep at it.*

**Q: What do you love most about racing and calling the action?**

*TS: Back in high school, the vocational guidance counselors would ask you what you wanted to do. When I'd say, 'A racing commentator,' they'd say, 'What's your second pick?' I think I called my first race over 40 years ago, and it's just been part of my being for so long. Even when I wasn't working as a commentator, I'd go to the races and enjoy myself. I've just been enthralled by the whole racing scene for most of my life. It's changed, obviously, and it's not the number one gambling outlet anymore, but it's still important to me. I get as much enjoyment from sitting down doing the form--handicapping as you would call it--nowadays as I did, perhaps, years ago.*

**Q: How would you describe your announcing style?**

*TS: First and foremost, you have to be accurate. When I began as a radio commentator, the coverage was very different, which meant you were a lot wordier than perhaps television commentators are nowadays. I suppose I still am reasonably wordy. The second thing is to try and put a bit of colour into it, and at the same time, describe what you're seeing. Accuracy and good colour is what I hope that I do.*

**Q: In terms of preparation, not only for a card like the World Cup, but on a day-to-day basis, how much work goes in behind-the-scenes being an announcer? Does it take a long time for you to memorize the silks for each runner?**

*TS: Believe it or not, a night like the World Cup, the hardest part is dealing with your own nervousness because you're doing races containing horses whose names you already know. The hardest part is learning the names--you associate the colours of the jockeys to the names. When you're dealing with new names, then it becomes more difficult. When the 2-year-olds first begin running, you're dealing with a whole stack of new names that you have to get in your head.*

*You get to a night like Dubai World Cup, or say even the Breeders' Cup in your part of the world, and these are well-known horses whose names are known to you already. So putting the colors to the names isn't perhaps as difficult as it may be during a full field of 2-year-olds racing in the early part of the season. But you get the pressure of the fact that this is a \$10-million race, a \$6-million race, etc., and that these are some of the best horses in the world. That's where the pressure comes from and describing it to the best of your ability.*

**Q: Any current announcers that you're a fan of?**

*TS: I suppose I may be a little biased because we both used to work at the same radio station [in Australia], but I think Michael Wrona is a very good caller in America. I'm also a fan of Richard Hoiles and Simon Holt in the UK. Greg Miles and Darren McCauley are probably the two best in Australia at the moment. I do have my callers I like of the present day, but I was lucky enough to grow up in Australia with some very colourful callers.*

**Q: What's it been like having a front row seat to witness the transition and rapid growth of racing--including the move from Nad Al Sheba to Meydan--in Dubai?**

*TS: It has been quite an experience. When the Carnival first began in 2004, it was something new to run an International Carnival over a period of something like three months, culminating with the*



**All Frosted in his Meydan debut**  
DRC/Andrew Watkins

*world's richest race night. And, of course, the Dubai World Cup night itself has gotten richer and additional races have been added to it as well. It's a whole different aura now. Nad Al Sheba was unique and a very good place to go, but it was totally different from Meydan.*

*Dubai World Cup day in itself is a different social event and the racing on World Cup day is much stronger than it was when I did my first one in 2001. **Cont. p11***

**The Man With the \$10-Million Voice cont.**

*It's been a very interesting journey watching it evolve. When it first began in 1996-97, it was all just about the one race. And it's continued to evolve since Meydan opened.*

**Q: Are you based in Dubai year round or just for the racing season?**

*TS: Yes, I'm here year round. I'll go home to Australia for holidays, but I like to think that Dubai is my home now, at least for 10 months of the year. I've also lived in Hong Kong for four years and have been here in Dubai for 15 now. It's different, but once you've gotten some practice at it, you get used to it.*

**Q: The return to dirt racing at Meydan has really brought back the Americans to Dubai, including several high-profile runners for this year's World Cup program. What are your thoughts on the surface change to dirt after the all-weather years? Any preference?**

*TS: It really comes down to what part of the world you're from. It's been a plus having the dirt track at Meydan this meeting because we've seen horses like Frosted and Kiaran McLaughlin's other horses, and California Chrome arrive early at the Carnival. Only Curlin had ever done that before. So in that light, the dirt's been a plus.*

*A perfect scenario would be to have three tracks if you could have a complex with grass, dirt, and all-weather, but whether that happens anywhere in the world remains to be seen.*

*There's a very strong American contingent this year and there are some really talented grass horses lining up to come as well. All in all, we're looking toward another very attractive Dubai World Cup program.*

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**G1 Dubai World Cup entrant Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday) galloping at Meydan Thursday | Sherackatthetrack**

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