

HALF-DOZEN SHARE BARRETT'S BULLET



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by Jessica Martini

Barretts held its first March Select 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale under-tack preview at Del Mar Monday, with six juveniles sharing the furlong bullet time of :9 4/5. Monday's breeze show was the second held at Del Mar following Barretts departure from its longtime home at Fairplex Park in Pomona last May.

"It's our second 2-year-old sale here and the preview is better attended here than they were in Pomona," reported Barretts General Manager Kim Lloyd. "This has been a very well-attended breeze show."

Held under overcast skies and temperatures in the low 60s, the breeze show attracted a strong cast of owners, bloodstock agent and trainers. Among those in attendance were prominent owner and local resident George Bolton, Eclipse Thoroughbreds' Aron Wellman and agents Alex Solis, Pete Bradley, Hubert Guy, Mersad Metanovic, John Moynihan, Dennis O'Neill, Jamie McCalmont and Emmanuel de Seroux. Southern California trainers were well-represented by the likes of Dan Hendricks, Phil d'Amato, Craig Dollase, Neil Drysdale, Peter Miller, Brian Koriner and Patrick Biancone.

Longtime California consignor Andy Havens of Havens Bloodstock was represented by a pair of workers to break the :10 mark. [Hip 43](#), a filly by Good Journey, was the first from the consignment to work in :9 4/5. **Cont. p3**

MOTT BARN FIRING ON ALL CYLINDERS POST QUARANTINE

By Christie DeBernardis

The quarantine at Bill Mott's winter base at Payson Park may have forced him to alter his plans for some of his horses, but it certainly did not affect their training as three Mott pupils returned to run big races Saturday.

The 14-day quarantine, which went into effect Mar. 1 after a horse shipped into the training facility with EHV-1, was lifted Mar. 15, but many tracks, including Gulfstream and Tampa Bay Downs, refused to take entries from Payson until after the standard 21-day quarantine period. That period expired Mar. 22 and Mott was represented by three winners across the country the following Saturday when **Harmonize** (Scat Daddy) won the Sanibel Island H. at Gulfstream; **Tuttipaesi (Ire)** (Clodovil {Ire}) captured the GII Santa Ana S. at Santa Anita; and **Take the Stand (Arg)** (Not For Sale {Arg}) scored in the GII Mervin Muniz Memorial S. at Fair Grounds. **Cont. p4**

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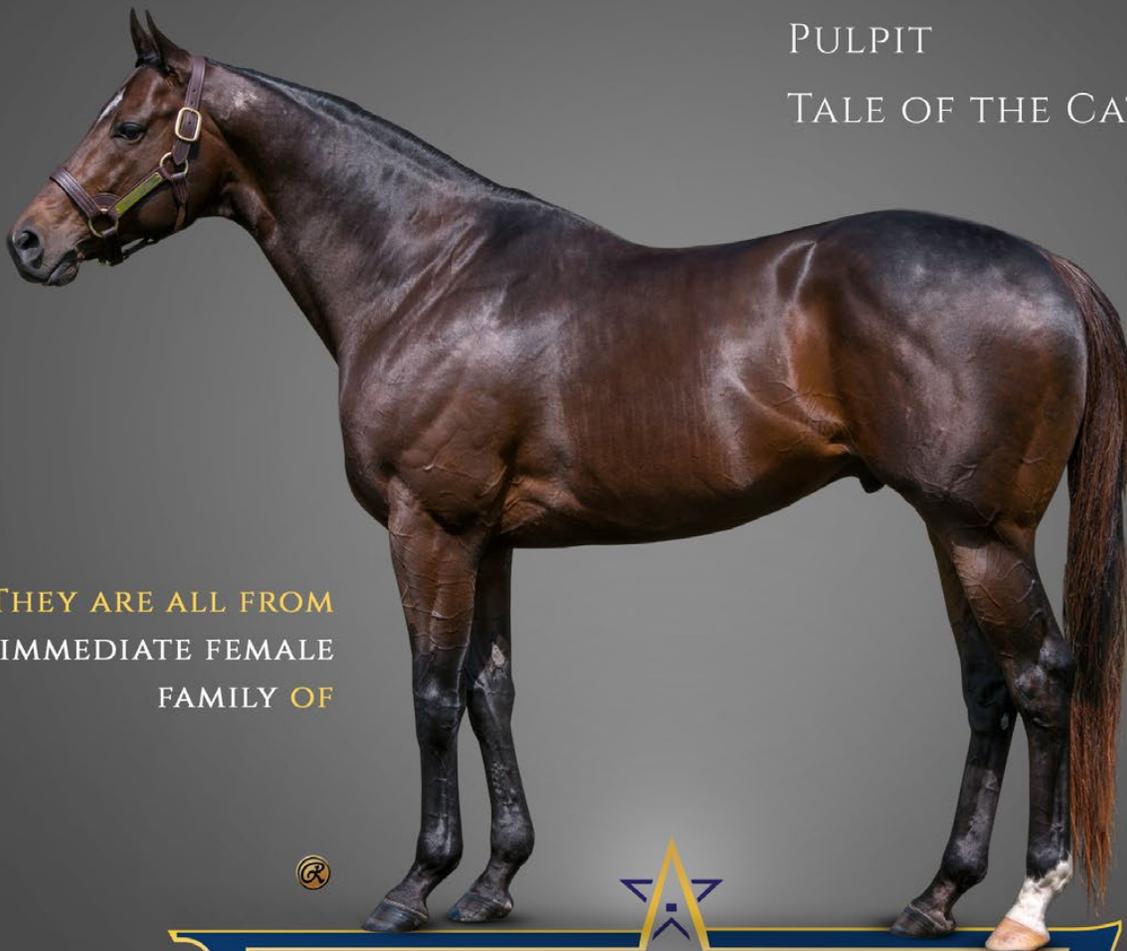
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In the latest installment of 'Pedigree Insights', Andrew Caulfield takes a closer look at Saturday's G2 UAE Derby hero Lani (Tapit), specifically exploring his contribution to the growing legacy of his sire and his ties to American champion Sunday Silence.

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‘Half-Dozen Share Barretts Bullet’ cont. from p1

Out of Hay Whatsmaddau (Matty G), the chestnut is a California-bred half-sister to stakes placed Korban (Benchmark). The Havens-consigned [hip 117](#), a daughter of Hat Trick (Jpn), also recorded the co-bullet furlong time. That youngster is the first foal out of Westside Singer (Gone West), a daughter of MGSP Zawzooth (Unbridled’s Song).

“They are both really fast horses,” Havens said Monday afternoon. “They are not big pedigreed horses, but they are very fast and beautiful individuals.”

Asked if he expected the pair to share Monday’s bullet time, Havens added, “They look fast and both of them are really sound. So it wasn’t a complete surprise, but you just never know. Especially down here because there haven’t been enough horses training over the track to know. We were delighted. My whole group did well.”

Havens said he has been particularly impressed with the Del Mar dirt surface, which was replaced just before Barretts hosted its inaugural May Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training at the oceanside oval last spring.

“The track was very fair,” Havens said. “The track has really turned into the perfect track for this kind of sale. It’s very, very safe. The horses train over it and do great over it. It’s really

settled down--the track is only about a year old now. It’s very consistent, very safe and very fast. We were on it in May when it was just a week old and it was nice, but it was slower and more inconsistent. And now it’s gotten to be a real nice consistent surface.”

Bruno DeBerdt’s Excel Bloodstock was also represented by a pair of :9 4/5 workers Monday: [hip 33](#) is a filly from the first crop of GI Florida Derby winner Dialed In (Mineshaft); and [hip 56](#) is a colt by Exchange Rate out of Lily Luna (Saarland).

A gray colt from the first crop of multiple Grade I winner The Factor (War Front) became the first to break through the :10 mark Monday. [Hip 12](#) went in :9 4/5 as the first horse to work in the second of three sets. Consigned by Ciaran Dunne’s Wavertree Stables, the juvenile is out of Broadway Lullaby (Songandaprayer), a half-sister to Grade I-placed Broken Spell (Broken Vow).

Rounding out the bullet works was [hip 71](#), a chestnut colt by City Zip out of graded stakes placed My Rachel (Horse Chestnut {SAF}). Consigned by John Brocklebank as agent for Dickman Legacy Ranch, the juvenile is a half-brother to stakes placed Rachel’s Ready (More Than Ready) and Firehouse Red (Arch).

Of the handful of juveniles to work a quarter-mile Monday, [hip 30](#), a colt by Flatter, earned the bullet when he blitzed the two

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furlongs in :20 4/5. Consigned by Eddie Woods, the chestnut is out of Endless Sea (Mt. Livermore) and is a half-brother to multiple group placed Silver Ocean (Silver Train).

The inaugural Barretts March Select 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale at Del Mar will be held Wednesday, beginning at 2 p.m. PT.

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‘Mott Barn Firing on All Cylinders’ cont. from p1

“The quarantine did [force me to alter plans] with a few horses,” Mott said when reached by phone Tuesday afternoon.

“But, you know, a couple of them have come back a couple of weeks later in races other than what we had planned and it worked out for them. It worked out with Harmonize and Tuttipaesi. Those were both horses that could have run a little bit earlier, but we were under quarantine.”



Bill Mott | Coady Photography

The conditioner continued, “We will see about the rest of them. We’ve got a few others that probably could have run

over the last three weekends, but didn’t get the chance. So, we are waiting to run some of them.”

Larkin Armstrong’s Harmonize was one of the top juvenile turf fillies last term following a four-length graduation in Saratoga’s P.G. Johnson S. last September and an impressive late-running victory in Keeneland’s Gill Jessamine S. Oct. 7. Finishing seventh by just 3 3/4 lengths in the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies Oct. 30, the dark bay made a strong return off that extended layoff Saturday at Gulfstream.

Hopping at the start in the Sanibel Island, Harmoinze was shuffled to the back of the pack through the early stages, sliced through rivals in the lane and powered clear late to score [\(video\)](#).

“She raced good,” Mott commented. “She was coming off a long layoff and I think she ran quite professionally. There is a race on Derby weekend [the Gill Edgewood S. May 6] that is possible for her.”

Winner of the Suffolk Downs Distaff Turf S. Oct. 3 and Gulfstream’s South Beach S. Dec. 12, Valor Ladies’ Tuttipaesi kicked off this term with a wide-trip third in Hallandale’s Gill Marshua’s River S. Jan. 9 prior to shipping west for the Santa Ana.

Away slowly, the European import ran near the back of the pack early, was forced to check off the heels of the leaders when trapped behind rivals in the lane and surged through a

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"I thought they were putting an awful lot of pressure on her it looked like," Mott remarked on the stretch run. "I never had a chance to see the direct head on, but it looked pretty tight."

The Hall of Famer continued, "She got out there in time. She got up in time. She will be coming home [Tuesday]. She ran well. She won a graded stakes and looks like she fits with the best out there. I'm very pleased with her."



Tuttipaesi | Benoit Photo

Mott is keeping a return to the West Coast on the table for Tuttipaesi, but will give the gray, who seems to thrive off a good rest, plenty of time before choosing her next

start.

"We wouldn't rule anything out," the 62-year-old said. "We usually don't run her back on short rest. Usually we keep her fresh. She probably won't be looking to run anywhere for the next six weeks or so."

A Group 3 winner in his native Argentina, Take the Stand had just one win in the U.S. prior to Saturday in a Saratoga optional claimer last September. Closing out last term with a non-factor eighth in the GIII Tropical Turf H. Nov. 21, the Earle Mack, Wachtel Stable and Brous Stable runner was rundown late by Reload (Hard Spun) to miss by just a neck last time in the GIII Tampa Bay S. Feb. 13.

Away well to take control from the inside stall in the Mervin Muniz, the 8-1 shot was allowed unpressured early splits and skipped home an easy winner to take down the colors of favored Fair Grounds turf king Chocolate Ride (Candy Ride {Arg}), who checked in fourth ([video](#)).

"Well, I mean he ran as good or better than anyone could have expected," Mott commented. "He ran track record time and probably his best race since we have had him. We hadn't seen quite that good a race before, but it was nice for him to turn it in on Saturday. He's back at Payson Park and doing well."

As for his next start, Take the Stand could join Harmonize at Churchill Downs on the first weekend in May.

"I suppose the race at Churchill Downs on Derby day [the GI Woodford Reserve Turf Classic] would be a possibility," the trainer offered. "That's one possibility. Definitely nothing before then."

PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



LANI A FITTING AMERICAN VISITOR

Not for the first time, the Dubai World Cup meeting must have left a few of America's older breeders fighting the urge to kick themselves.

This urge to don a hair-shirt dates back to 1990, when it was announced that 1989's Horse of the Year Sunday Silence was being retired to the Stone Farm of co-owner Arthur Hancock III. The response--or lack of it--from local breeders was such that Zenya Yoshida was able to increase his stake in this great racehorse and Sunday Silence left Stone Farm for Shadai without standing a single season.

To Japanese eyes, Sunday Silence's exploits in the GI Kentucky Derby, GI Preakness S. and GI Breeders' Cup Classic were of greater importance than the fact that his first two dams were daughters of two unglamorous stallions in Understanding and



Sunday Silence wins the 1989 Kentucky Derby | Horsephotos

Montparnasse. And how right they proved to be. With 13 consecutive sires' championships in Japan, Sunday Silence enjoyed a degree of dominance which entitles him to be mentioned in the same breath as Ireland's Sadler's Wells or Australia's Danehill.

In the eight years since his last championship, the title of champion sire has gone on six

occasions to one or other of his sons, with Deep Impact establishing himself as his true heir with four consecutive championships. The sport at Meydan provided a few reminders of Deep Impact's talents, with Real Steel taking the G1 Dubai Turf and Last Impact finishing third in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic.

However, it hasn't only been Sunday Silence's sons which have safeguarded his legacy. Even though the top 10 positions on Japan's leading sires' lists have long been monopolized by Sunday Silence's sons, his broodmare daughters have also managed to make an enormous impact. After being runner-up on the broodmare sires' table in 2005 and 2006, Sunday Silence has achieved a remarkable sequence of nine straight championships.

Consequently, it came as no surprise to see the G2 UAE Derby fall to Lani, a Tapit colt with a dam by Sunday Silence. A creditable third place went to another Japanese challenger in

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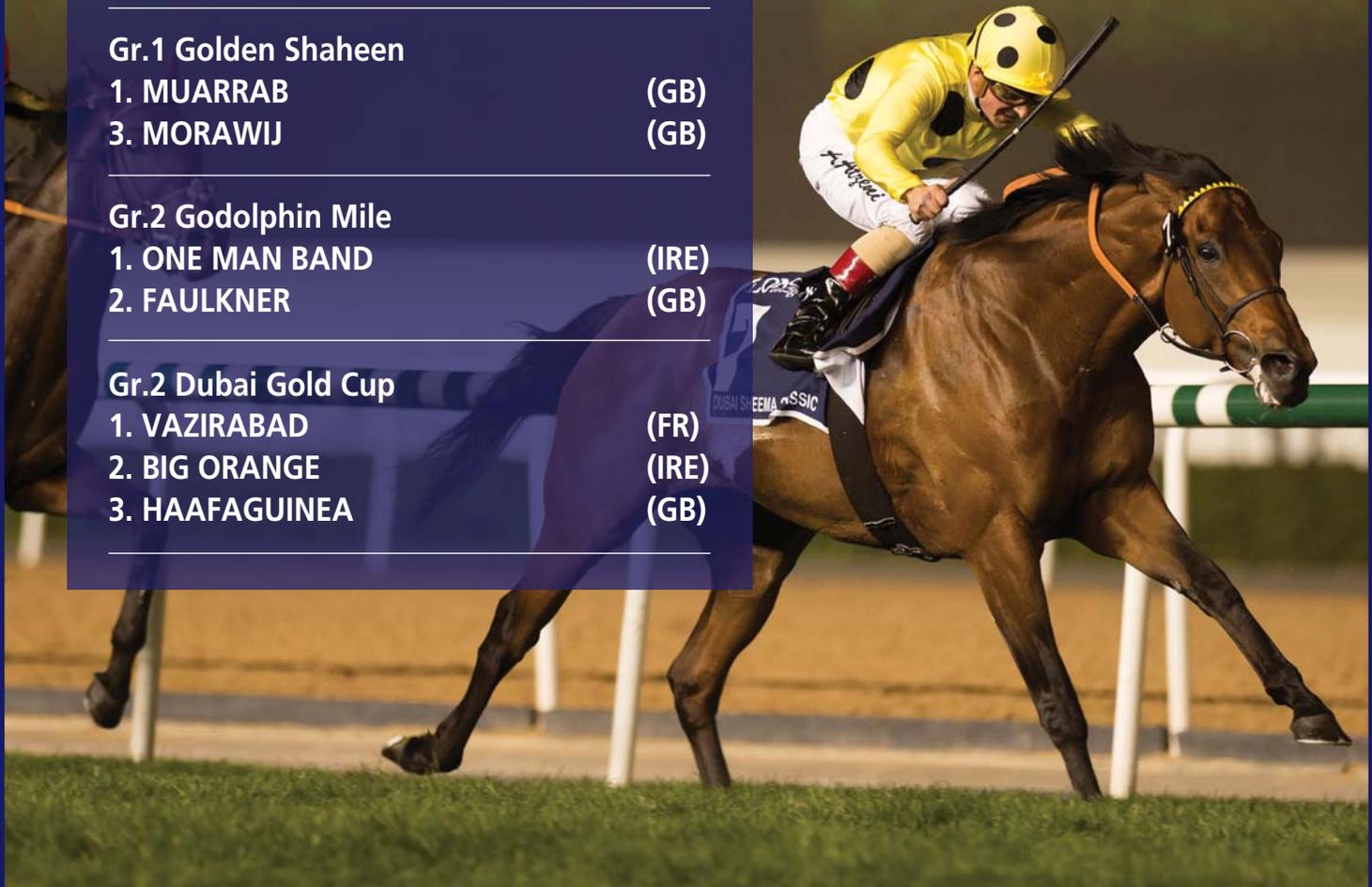
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Lani's victory--his third from five starts on dirt--appears to have booked the colt's ticket to Churchill Downs for the Kentucky Derby, a race Sunday Silence won comfortably from



Lani (center) | Dubai Racing Club/ Andrew Watkins

Easy Goer in 1989.

The 100 points Lani earned with his defeat of the filly Polar River (Congrats) places him second on the list behind Gun Runner and there are now three sons of Tapit in the top five positions.

Later in the program at Meydan it took Postponed (Dubawi {Ire}), winner of last year's King George, to prevent the Dubai Sheema Classic falling to Duramente (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), last year's Japanese 2,000 Guineas and Derby winner who is another with a dam by Sunday Silence.

There has been plenty of other international success for Sunday Silence's broodmare daughters. With help from the comparatively small number of daughters sired to southern hemisphere time, their progeny feature such as More Joyous (an eight-time G1 winner in Australia), Karakontie (a French classic winner who took the 2014 Breeders' Cup Mile) and Tale of Ekati (Wood Memorial and Cigar Mile). The best of their Japanese winners include the Japan Cup winners Admire Moon (who travelled to Dubai to take the Dubai Duty Free), Rose Kingdom and Screen Hero (sire of last year's G1 Hong Kong Mile winner Maurice).

To return to Lani, I commented in my recent notes on Cupid that "a few of the Tapits seem to combine the odd quirk with their considerable talent." Lani is another example, as was made clear in the *TDN's* report on the colt's UAE Derby success:

"The Meydan staff has been very kind to us, allowing us to take the best care of Lani as possible," commented winning trainer Mikio Matsunaga. "He can be very troublesome so we really appreciated the allowances given to us by the track staff [who allowed him to be saddled away from the crowds]."

He probably also needs to continue improving, if the *Racing Post's* ratings are an accurate guide. Lani is rated 107, which leaves him with some ground to make up on the best of the Americans. The highest rated--the filly Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro) on 119--has been ruled out of contention but she is followed by Nyquist (Uncle Mo) (116), Mohaymen (Tapit) (115), Mor Spirit (Eskendereya) (114), Danzing Candy (Twirling Candy)

(114), Destin (Giant's Causeway) (113), Exaggerator (Curlin) (112) and Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) (110).

It is going to be fascinating to see how Lani's temperament stands up to the demands of further international travel and all the hurly burly associated with the Kentucky Derby.

One thing about which there is no question is that Lani is bred well enough to win a Kentucky Derby, as is highlighted by the first three generations of his pedigree. Tapit, of course, is a grandson of A.P. Indy, a G1 Belmont S. winner, and Unbridled, a winner of the Kentucky Derby. Add in Lani's broodmare sire Sunday Silence, winner of the Kentucky Derby and Preakness, and you have a total of three winners of Triple Crown events, all of whom went on to take the Breeders' Cup Classic.



Tapit | Brittlan Wall

Obviously, all three of these American heroes were dirt horses, as were Tapit and his sire Pulpit, but Lani's dam Heavenly Romance was essentially a turf performer (she did win one of her three starts on dirt, over a muddy mile and an eighth early in her second season). Heavenly Romance possessed considerable talent, plus the toughness to match. She packed 33 starts into her four years on the track, including 12 as a 3-year-old and 10 the following year. Undoubtedly her finest moment came in the G1 Tenno Sho over a mile and a quarter in the fall of 2005. Sent off at 75-1, she shocked the many admirers of Zenno Rob Roy by beating this champion son of Sunday Silence by a head, with the likes of Heart's Cry and Hat Trick further back.

Heavenly Romance was bred to stay quite well. Her dam First Act was a member of Sadler's Wells's first crop, which produced a stunning proportion of high-class performers. First Act wasn't one of them--she never raced--but there was no fault to be found with her bloodlines. This three-parts-sister to the G1 Irish St Leger winner Dark Lomond was out of Arkadina, a smart but luckless Ribot mare who was second in the G1 Irish 1,000 Guineas and Oaks and third in the G1 Epsom Oaks.

Arkadina was also extremely well-connected, as she was a sister to the high-class stayer Blood Royal, as well as being a three-parts-sister to Graustark's high-class son Gregorian. As if that weren't enough, she was also a half-sister to the very talented American fillies Ivory Wand (Test S.) and Truly Bound (GII Fair Ground Oaks and GI Ashland S.).

This is a magnificent female line tracing to the champion mare Vagrancy through her classy grand-daughter Natashka

(Monmouth Oaks and GI Alabama S., and now fourth dam of Lani). Another Sadler's Wells mare from the Natashka family produced the top American turf winner Grand Couturier and Natashka's descendants have also produced top winners to sons of Seattle Slew and Fappiano, one being Unbridled, sire of GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Anees.

As a member of this illustrious family, Heavenly Romance had every right to succeed as a broodmare and she is doing exactly that. After starting her broodmare career in Japan, her owners must have concluded that she would have far more options outside of Japan and she was sent to the U.S., where she was covered by Smart Strike in 2010. That mating resulted in Amour Briller, a late-foaled mare who has won a trio of races classified as G2 in Japan. Among them were the Nagoya Grand Prix over 1 9/16 miles late last year and the Empress Hai over 1 5/16 miles earlier this month. Her career has been the reverse of her dam's in that she has spent most of her career on dirt, having finished only ninth in two starts on turf.

Heavenly Romance's other stakes winner, the Japanese-bred but American-foaled Awardee (by Jungle Pocket), was switched from turf to dirt only in the fall of last year, as a 5-year-old. Remarkably he is now unbeaten in his three dirt races, including the G3 Sirius S. over a mile and a quarter. The mare also has a 2-year-old filly by Distorted Humor.

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From Eric Hamelback, C.E.O., National HBPA:

The Thoroughbred Racing Integrity Act of 2015, or HR 3084, has recently been brought back into the Turf Media among certain proponents, even though its hopes of passage hover conservatively around 4% (click [here](#)). Somehow, despite this, the discussion of medication uniformity via an added layer of bureaucracy to our sport continues to dominate our press. As stated several times within the last few months, the National HBPA, its affiliates and members stand ready to be fully supportive of national medication policies. The distinction between our request and some may say our demands, is that we stand firm to the principle that uniformity must be fair and equitable and based on scientific



Eric Hamelback | HBPA

evidence: a concern which is shared by more than one State Attorney General. It is only with legitimate thresholds that we can ensure a level playing field, while preventing unjust penalties from being applied to innocent horsemen. HR 3084 is being positioned, by some, as the only way to achieve National Uniformity, when the truth is the fastest route to National Uniformity is to get the details within the rules correct. In every case in which the rules have been based on solid reasoning, uniformity across jurisdictions has followed rapidly.

A recent piece in the *TDN* mischaracterized the position of those who oppose HR 3084 as believing everything is totally fine in the realm of Thoroughbred medication regulation. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Labeling those who oppose HR 3084 in its current status as obstructionists of our industry is inflammatory and incorrect. HR 3084 was drafted for the purpose of forcing jurisdictions which are holding out on the Model Rules to adopt them or face the specter of Federal Regulation. It is important to note industry stakeholder groups supporting HR 3084 and those opposing HR 3084 actually share the goal of National Uniformity. Those who refuse to allow their opponents a seat at the table for honest and open discussions are the true obstructionists. Failure to remove the blinkers and carefully consider the criticisms of the current National Uniform Medication Policy (NUMP) will only lead to further discord in our industry...something which horse racing can ill afford while it faces skyrocketing costs and a dwindling fan base. Threatening critics with a Federal Bill which has been deemed likely unconstitutional by the Congressional Research Committee, is truly counterproductive to the end goal of all members within our industry.

Many of us know HR 3084 is under reconstruction. Why is that? Because opponents of this bill, like the National HBPA, are considered to be among the majority. How many of those who are listed in the press as supportive of HR 3084, do so without some conditional concerns? The effect on Interstate Horse Racing Act; the makeup of the governing board of the Thoroughbred Horseracing Anti-Doping Authority (THADA); the exclusion of board members whom have vested interests in our industry; the uncertainty of the financial backing; turning over States rights to a private organization; the inexperience of USADA within equine testing; and the issues revolving around the very uniform policies that would be implemented. All of which are very valid concerns that need to be addressed.

The requirement that HR 3084 immediately adopts NUMP reflects (1) the assumption that there is legitimacy to the current therapeutic medication thresholds and withdrawals, and (2) the assumption that the integrity of horse racing is being undermined by therapeutic drugs. However we find facts tell a much different story. Additionally as many of us are aware, real

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problems of our industry will not be solved with HR 3084.

The ARCI has made significant progress by crafting a set of uniform rules from a mismatched set of regulations across our racing jurisdictions. This set of rules, the NUMP, is a crucial starting point for achieving National Uniformity. The goal of NUMP is paramount for the survival of horse racing, and this shared goal with other industry stakeholders has brought the National HBPA and our affiliates to the table with the ARCI. We will continue to support the goal of uniformity. The problem will not be solved by Federal oversight used to force regulations onto rogue jurisdictions, but rather the industry working together to get the details correct.

The path to National medication uniformity in horse racing is not the addition of a layer of bureaucracy, but rather working together through appropriate research. One goal of the National HBPA is to continue our work along with the ARCI and RMTC on the medication model rules for the benefit of all concerned. We plan to continue to initiate population studies and ultimately work with other groups in our industry to achieve proper thresholds for all therapeutic medications. As with other ARCI Model Rules which have been developed, once deemed correct by the industry as a whole, rules will rapidly be adopted by Regulators across all jurisdictions, negating the need for federal legislation. It does not benefit the horse racing industry for any of us to "name call" in the headlines, because only in joining together as an industry, can we move forward as an industry.

Eric J. Hamelback
 Chief Executive Officer
 National HBPA

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From Russell S. Cohen, DVM:

Thoroughbred racing has a drug problem and, collectively, we hold the blame, yet we can fix it. I personally do not care about semantics, misinformation, mischaracterizations and hurt feelings. Let me restate: I do not care one bit. I care about horses, horse racing, and the owners who have skin in the game, and put up their money, their hopes, their desires, their time and their dreams.

Jockey Club Executive Vice President and Executive Director Matt Iuliano had the guts to speak out in a recent letter to the editor to the *TDN* (click [here](#)), arguing that those opposed to medication reform base their position on "the bedrock assumption that everything is totally fine in the realm of Thoroughbred medication regulation." I agree with Iuliano. That

assumption is totally false.

Horses do not medicate themselves. Horses do not go to pharmacies and prescribe medication to themselves. Any horse that tests positive for any medication has received that medication from a trainer, veterinarian or someone involved in racing.

I have been a race track veterinarian for 30 years and have been breeding horses for almost as long. In addition, my family has been racing those horses for as long under Tri-Bone Stable. With us, medication has never been an issue because there is rarely a diagnosis other than a serious case of the "slows," which has always been treated with a bill of sale. These horses are rarely treated, almost never pre-race treated, never have joint injections.



Dr. Russell Cohen | *Alonso Nichols/Tufts University*

They do, unfortunately, race on Lasix because we don't want to be at a competitive disadvantage. Many get weekly injections of Adequan.

One of our horses recently had a medical issue before a race that required a steroid anti-inflammatory that, due to testing, could not be administered. I consulted with two other vets in the state that has medication rules I am not clear on. The only option that was legal was 10cc of Bute (2000mg) or 10cc Banamine(500mg). I chose Banamine and called both vets but they were at another track. A third vet was called, and walked into the barn with a 35cc syringe filled with 15 cc (750mg) of Banamine. I told this vet who I was, who the horse is, the race he was in and the post time. I questioned him a second time, and then asked the vet again, can you administer 750 mg? I was told that there would be no problem.

Still, I asked the vet to spill in the shed row 6cc, and administer the rest. I revisited this with the other two vets, racing officials and those responsible for the drug testing. I was told by the head of drug testing program that the horse, if administered 750 mg. of Banamine, "would be in serious jeopardy of testing positive," which contradicted what the vet had told me.

There are only four possibilities of 750 mg. of Banamine passing the box:

- 1) Horses are not being tested
- 2) Some have knowledge and advantages that others do not
- 3) 750 mg. of Banamine was not administered
- 4) Lucky game of Russian roulette

I am not happy with any of the four possibilities, and neither should any owner. I am tired of the influence and damage of third party individuals that have no skin in the game and only take from it, and this needs to come to a halt.

I have three recommendations that need to be implemented immediately by both trainers and veterinarians. The bottom line is that the industry has to be a lot tougher than it has been when it comes to drug and medication issues.

Recommendation #1: Baseball Rule: 3 strikes and you're out.

1st violation:

- a) 30-day suspension
- b) \$10,000 fine
- c) Each owner must relocate their horse or horses in another trainer's barn, no assistants or relatives.

2nd Violation:

- a) 6-month suspension
- b) \$25,000 fine
- c) All horses transferred

3rd Violation:

- a) You're out of racing. Period.

Recommendation #2: Random confiscation of loaded syringes before administration of medication. The vet is to be paid for the medication in the syringe. Each syringe is to be bagged and signed off by the vet as to its content, amount and dosage. If there is a difference between what is reported and what is tested then the baseball rules apply.

Recommendation #3: The Hong Kong Jockey Club must be used as a model. No more third party veterinarians. All vets work for the association and are paid by that association and all get their medications from a common pharmacy.

Owners have the ability to make these changes for the betterment of horse racing. If a third party individual will push the boundary for you then it's being pushed for all others. Therefore, the only ones that suffer are the horses, the owners and the betting public.

Russell S. Cohen, DVM

Russell Cohen is a practicing veterinarian at NYRA, a breeder and the manager of Tri-Bone Stables, known for their success with GISW and 2015 GI Breeders' Cup Classic runner-up Effinex (Mineshaft).

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Maureen Callahan, *New York Post*

After the world came together for 2016 Dubai World Cup, what is next for the winners?

International horses from 13 countries took aim at the total prize-money of \$US30 million (Dh110.2m) across the nine races and California Chrome's troubled victory procession for the United States in the World Cup capped the best night of racing in the six years that the UAE's premier racing facility has been open for business.

Geoffrey Riddle, *The National UAE*



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Foal born Mar. 9, a filly by Bernardini.

Will be bred back to Broken Vow.

Owned by and boarded at Pin Oak Stud.

Accomplishments: MGSW, \$264,107.

▶ Eastern U.S.

Monday's Results:

10th-PRX, \$69,640, Alw, 3-28, (NW1X), 3yo, 6f, 1:11.93, gd. CARDIO COWBOY (c, 3, Petionville--Texas Kitty {SP}, by Forest Wildcat) was bet down to 12-5 for his Dec. 12 debut over this track and proved the money right, dueling through a wicked quarter-mile before opening up at every call thereafter en route to a facile 4 3/4-length victory. His connections showed additional confidence when they shipped him down to Gulfstream for a try in the GII Swale S. Jan. 30, but he broke slowly and was never involved thereafter, finishing a well-beaten sixth. Given a brief freshening, the Pennsylvania-bred returned home for this allowance test and was away in much better order as the 3-2 chalk. Settling off the hip of frontrunner Eight Da Hardway (Proud Citizen) through a salty quarter in :22.06, Cardio Cowboy was put to a drive near the three-eighths pole and drew even with the pacesetter turning for home. The dark bay colt forged to the front nearing the furlong marker and stayed on well to hold off the bid of 9-2 closer Flashy Kyem (Medallist) by 1 1/2 lengths. The winner is a half to 2015 GIII Jefferson Cup S. winner Saham (Lemon Drop Kid), GSW, \$214,206. His dam is a half to MGSW Runway Model (Petionville). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$87,680. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-Everest Stables Inc. (PA); T-Edward J. Coletti, Jr.

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▶ Florida

Florida Derby Week Activities Take Shape:

An array of activities, fundraisers and promotions have been scheduled for this week in and around Gulfstream Park, leading up to Saturday's \$1 million GI Xpressbet.com Florida Derby, which will offer the highly anticipated clash between unbeaten stars **Mohaymen** (Tapit) and **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo) at Gulfstream Park.

There will be a charity golf tournament to benefit the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund Tuesday at Diplomat Resort & Spa in Hollywood. Registration is from 10:30-11:45 a.m. and the fee is \$130 per player.

Gulfstream's top jockeys are expected to attend and participate in the annual PDJF charity poker tournament at the first floor Finish Line Casino. The event kicks off at 6:30 p.m. and

buy-in is \$150 with unlimited re-buys available during the first three rounds. There is a 100-player limit.

The Cocktails and Horse Tales event will be held at Pegasus Park Friday evening with an invitation-only VIP opening set for 6-8 p.m. A donation of \$20 is suggested to benefit the Thoroughbred Aftercare Program.

A full slate of activities will support the 65th running of the Florida Derby Saturday, starting with the popular Breakfast at Gulfstream (7-10 a.m.) in the Tiki Area overlooking the racetrack, featuring a \$10 all-you-can-eat buffet and special guest speakers. Derby Day at the Sport of Kings will feature a special barbecue buffet with coffee and soda for \$50 per person. A buffet featuring a fresh Florida stone crab bar will be offered in Ten Palms.

The annual Florida Derby Hat Contest will be held in the Walking Ring after the call to post for the eighth race. There will be prizes of \$100 for girls age 2-12, \$150 for young ladies age 13-17 and \$750 for ladies age 18 and up.

Finally, the Florida Derby Closing Party will be held in the Walking Ring following Saturday's final race from 7-10 p.m. with free admission, live entertainment, cash bars and drink specials.

▶ Central U.S.

Geroux, Stidham, Midwest Thoroughbreds Win Fair Grounds Meet Titles:

Three new faces were crowned meet winners Sunday at the conclusion of the 144th Thoroughbred racing season at Fair Grounds.

Jockey Florent Geroux captured the title of leading jockey with 87 wins. Geroux won his first GII Louisiana Derby and GII Risen Star S. aboard Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) and captured the GIII Fair Grounds H. and GIII Colonel E. R. Bradley S. with Chocolate Ride (Candy Ride {Arg}).

Veteran trainer Mike Stidham landed his first Fair Grounds training title, leading his charges into the winner's circle 38 times. Stidham oversaw the rapid rise of Louisiana-bred Jockamo's Song (Half Ours), who entered the season as a maiden and exited it as a two-time stakes winner after landing the Louisiana Champions Day Sprint S. in December and Saturday's Costa Rising S.

Richard and Karen Papiese's Midwest Thoroughbreds took home top honors as the meet's leading owners with 16 wins, most recently capturing the Crescent City Oaks S. with Our Lady Allie (Private Vow) Saturday.

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Judy Wagner: ARCI Chair

- Recently re-appointed to the Louisiana State Racing Commission by Governor John Bel Edwards, Wagner is the first horseplayer to assume the helm of North America's umbrella group of racing regulatory bodies.
- Wagner is the only woman to have won the National Handicapping Championship (2001) and is a member of the National Handicapping Championship's Hall of Fame. In 2007 she joined the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) National Player's Committee.
- In 2014, Wagner was appointed as the first and only horseplayer to the NTRA Board of Directors. In 2015, she was elected to a three-year term.

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IN JAPAN:

Wonder Uno, c, 3, **Macho Uno**--Rememberfondly, by Van Nistelrooy. Nakayama, 3-26, Alw, 6f. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$55,263. O-Makio Okada; B-John R Penn; T-Koji Maki. *\$100,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. **Kept in the clear throughout, he responded in the stretch to graduate by three lengths. "Because we had an inside draw [gate two of 16], I pushed to go forward," explained jockey Teruo Eda. "I think shorter distances will suit him." The winner is kin to a 2-year-old colt by Successful Appeal named Remembermesoftly and a yearling colt by Run Away and Hide. Rememberfondly was most recently bred to Twirling Candy.

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Gwangbok Chilsip, c, 3, **Bluegrass Cat**--Fillie By the Bay, by Elusive Quality. Seoul, 3-27, Hcp. (\$51k), 1800m. B-Gerry Reid & WinStar Farm LLC (NY). \$30,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN; \$50,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

Wow Cat, f, 3, **Cowtown Cat**--Dixie Says Goodbye, by Dixie Brass. Seoul, 3-26, Hcp. (\$77k), 1200m. B-Courtney & Chad Meagher (FL). *1/2 to No More Goodbyes (More Than Ready), SW, \$107,701; and Out of Goodbyes (Out of Place), MSW, \$113,100. **\$15,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$40,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

Perdido Pomeroy, c, 3, **Pomeroy**--Boldest of All (SW, \$249,864), by Bold Executive. Busan, 3-25, Hcp. (\$75k), 1200m. B-Soundview Farm (FL). *Took his record to 5-4-0-1 with a 2 1/2-length victory as the 2-5 favorite. **\$2,500 Ylg '14

OBSAUG; \$22,000 2yo '15 OBSJUN.

Illycheon, f, 3, **Run Away and Hide**--Merit Wings (MSW, \$163,809), by Silver Hawk. Busan, 3-27, Hcp. (\$47k), 1300m. B-Poplar Hil Equine LLC (KY). *\$23,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT.

Shining Guy, c, 3, **Tiz Wonderful**--Raramuri Princess, by Northern Afleet. Seoul, 3-26, Hcp. (\$64k), 1700m. B-Eduardo Terrazas, Lynn Jones & Christopher Creech (KY). *\$10,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$10,000 RNA Ylg '14 FTKJUL; \$30,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT.



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IN AUSTRALIA:

It's Somewhat, g, 5, **Dynaformer**--Sometime (Ire), by Royal Academy. Rosehill, 3-26, Sellwood S.-G3 (\$113k), 2000mT, 2:02.10. B-B P Walden Jr, P W Madden & G McDonald (KY). *1/2 to Manyana (Ire) (Alzao), SW-Eng; Art Deco (Ire) (Peintre Celebre), GSW-Eng, \$213,740; and Friendly Banter (Distorted Humor), GSP, \$224,033. **SW & MGSP-Eng. ***\$190,000 RNA Ylg '12 KEESEP.

IN PERU:

Condor de Oro, h, 6, **Medaglia d'Oro**--Sweet Sierra, by Crafty Prospector. Monterrico, 3-24, Hcp., 1200m. B-Liberation Farm & Brandywine Farm (KY). *\$14,000 RNA Ylg '11 KEESEP; \$37,000 RNA 2yo '12 FTMMAY. **SP-Per. ***1/2 to Golden Country (Menifee), MSW, \$340,645.

IN IRELAND:

Bobby's Kitten, h, 5, **Kitten's Joy**. See "Ireland."

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IN JAPAN:

Pointblank (Jpn), h, 6, **Ghostzapper**--Point Ashley (GISW-US, \$237,200), by Point Given.

Hanshin, 3-27, Alw, 9f.

Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-1, \$470,439 O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; T-Takeshi Matsushita.

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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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First/second-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, March 29

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, # foals of racing age/Winners/
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EVERYDAY HEROES (Awesome Again), South Springs Stallion Station, 30/1/0

4-SUN, Msw 5 1/2f, Kacy, 3-1

FORWARD WISCONSIN (El Corredor), The Berry's, 2/0/0

8-MVR, Msw 5f, Our Latenite Cutey, 30-1

KENNEDY (A.P. Indy), Rockin' Z Ranch, \$3K, 30/2/0

3-WRD, Msw 1m, Deans and Vicki, \$1,000 OKC YRL yrl, 12-1

REGAL RANSOM (Distorted Humor), Darley, dead, 140/9/0

8-MVR, Msw 5f, Bam What, \$10K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 10-1

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-GG, \$28,062, 3-27, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m (AWT), 1:50.87, ft.

WILLING TO TRAVEL (c, 4, Pleasantly Perfect--Grassy Nellie, by Belong to Me) Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-1, \$74,606. O/B-Hans Poetsch (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer. *1/2 to I Will Score (Roman Ruler), GSP.

3rd-TUP, \$22,500, 3-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:08.64, ft.

ERRATIC STORM (m, 5, Stormello--Casual Success, by Tricky Creek) Lifetime Record: 10-4-3-2, \$51,197. O-H and E Ranch, Inc.; B-Susan M. Forrester (KY); T-Pedro Hernandez-Sandoval.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

My Eastern Beauty, f, 4, **Friendly Island**--Eastern Star (SP), by Star de Naskra. MVR, 3-28, (S), 6f, 1:17.99. B-Belvedere Farm Inc. (OH). *\$8,000 Ylg '13 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Prado Star (El Prado {Ire}), SP, \$203,780.

+Valid Nightlinger, f, 4, **Mr. Nightlinger**--Valid Coins, by Valid Appeal. WRD, 3-28, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.92. B-Willow Ridge Farms, Inc. (OK). *1/2 to Rich Coins (Rizzi), MSW, \$315,111.

Silver Summer, g, 4, **Siberian Summer**--All Night Long (Ire), by Night Shift. SA, 3-27, (S), 6 1/2ft, 1:14.65. B-Goda & Huttinger (CA).



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MULTIPLE G1 WINNER CIRRUS DES AIGLES RETIRED



Cirrus des Aigles winning the 2014 Coronation Cup | *Racing Post*

Cirrus Des Aigles (Fr) (Even Top {Ire}--Taille de Guepe {Fr}, by Septieme Ciel), a seven-time Group 1 winner in three different countries, has been retired from racing by his trainer Corine Barande-Barbe at the age of 10. Barande-Barbe used the horse's Facebook page to announce on Monday that the popular veteran has some calcification on his oblique sesamoid ligament which could be damaged irreparably if he is subjected to intense work.

The Facebook post read: "Dear friends, I will race no more. Don't worry, it is nothing serious. I'm in good form and I am still pulling Zoe's arms out at canter every morning. [The injury] doesn't bother me in daily exercise but an intense effort could cause the ligament to rupture."

The Cartier Older Horse of the Year in 2011 began his winning on the sand more than three months before his official third birthday, landing the Prix des Maures at Cagnes-Sur-Mer in January 2009 for owner Jean-Claude-Alain Dupouy. From relatively humble beginnings and one of just a few winners on the Flat for his sire, the G1 2000 Guineas runner-up Even Top, Cirrus Des Aigles became a byword for longevity. He added another 21 victories to his record in the ensuing years, earning more than £6 million from his 67 appearances in eight consecutive seasons. [Cont. p2](#)

BOBBY'S KITTEN ROMPS ON IRISH DEBUT

While there was no doubting the class edge that Ken and Sarah Ramsey's re-stabled 2014 GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint hero **Bobby's Kitten** (Kitten's Joy) enjoyed in Monday's Listed Cork S., particularly following the scratching of fellow top-level scorer **Gordon Lord Byron (Ire)** (Byron {GB}), Ireland's typically testing spring turf did raise a question mark on his first outing since finishing fourth for the Chad Brown barn in that same contest at Keeneland in October. Bounced out to lay up close to the early pace, the bay took control passing the quarter pole and stretched clear under an admiring Pat Smullen. "Obviously his form spoke for itself, but it was hard to be confident with the ground the way it is," his rider said. "He's a free-going sort who does his work on his own. I didn't know if he'd handle the ground. His ability got him out of trouble rather than going on it and in the last furlong he was lying up on the fence looking for a bit of help." [Cont. p3](#)

in **TDN America** today...

LANI A FITTING AMERICAN VISITOR

In the latest installment of 'Pedigree Insights', Andrew Caulfield takes a closer look at Saturday's G2 UAE Derby hero Lani (Tapit) and his ties to champion Sunday Silence.

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Cirrus Des Aigles Retired cont. from p1

Nineteen of Cirrus des Aigles’s wins came in his native France, generally when there was plenty of cut in the ground, but he also raced in England, Ireland, Dubai, Hong Kong and Japan, sharing the billing with Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) when winning the G1 QIPCO Champion S. on the inaugural British Champions Day at Ascot, as well as overhauling Flintshire (GB) (Dansili {GB}) in the G1 Coronation Cup at Epsom and St Nicholas Abbey (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic.

Having been gelded as a young horse, Cirrus Des Aigles was never able to contest the G1 Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe but he nevertheless won 13 times at Longchamp, including three runnings of the G1 Prix Ganay. That race was to provide his last hurrah in May 2015 when the rain-softened turf played into his hands to enable him to defeat Al Kazeem (GB) by a length and three-quarters. He returned to the track on another five occasions last season but was unable to recapture the glory days, despite a valiant effort when fourth to Saturday’s runaway Dubai Gold Cup winner Vazirabad (Fr) in the G1 Prix Royal-Oak in October when tried for the first



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Few Flat horses have amassed such a following around the world as the veteran gelding from one of Chantilly’s smallest stables, but then few are able to race so consistently over such an extended period of time. Barande-Barbe has stated that Cirrus Des Aigles, who retires sound, will continue to be hacked regularly through the forest at Chantilly while she and jockey Christophe Soumillon find him a permanent retirement home nearby.

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Monday's Result:

CORK S.-Listed, €45,000, COR, 3-28, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:18.54, hy.
 1--**BOBBY'S KITTEN**, 133, h, 5, [Kitten's Joy](#)--**Celestial Woods**, by **Forestry**. O-Kenneth L. Ramsey; B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K Ramsey (KY); T-D K Weld; J-Patrick Joseph Smullen. €26,550. Lifetime Record: GISW-US & GISP-Can, 15-6-1-3, \$1,389,417. *Full to Major Magic, SW-US, \$155,887.
 2--**Flight Risk (Ire)**, 138, h, 5, Teofilo (Ire)--Raghida (Ire), by Nordico. O-Mrs J. S. Bolger. €8,550.
 3--**An Saighdiur (Ire)**, 133, g, 9, Acclamation (GB)--Brief Sentiment (Ire), by Brief Truce. O-Men Of Forty Eight Syndicate. €4,050.

Margins: 8HF, 3/4, 4HF. Odds: 5.00, 3.50, 7.00.

"He has enough ability for me and I was very impressed with him--he got the six well and while five is a bit short at this stage, he could go up another furlong," Smullen continued. "He'll be there at the highest level over six furlongs and all those big races are open to him." The dam also has the talented GIII Dixiana Bourbon S. runner-up Camelot Kitten to represent her, while two other full-siblings to this winner to come are the 2-year-old colt Starstruck Kitten and a yearling colt. [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)



Bobby's Kitten | *Racing Post*

SMART ENTRIES IN DUNDALK

Dundalk hosts the Listed Text Your Bets To Paddy Power S. on Friday and the seven furlong contest for 3-year-olds has attracted some interesting entries. Among them are two of last season's leading juveniles **Washington DC (Ire)** (Zoffany {Ire}) and **Most Beautiful (GB)** (Canford Cliffs {Ire}).



Washington DC | *Racing Post*

The Aidan O'Brien trained Washington DC won the Listed Windsor Castle S. at Royal Ascot last year over five furlongs and followed that with a very respectable second to stable-mate Air Force Blue (War Front) over a further furlong in the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. at The Curragh. Most Beautiful,

trained by David Wachman and owned in partnership by Mrs Paul Shanahan and former Irish Rugby international Ronan O'Gara, won the G3 Grangecon Stud S. at The Curragh last year beating subsequent stakes winner Only Mine (Ire) (Pour Moi {Ire}). She then chased home the subsequent Group 1 winning stablemates Ballydoyle (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and Minding (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G2 Debutante S. last August. Also featuring in the entries are two impressive debut maiden winners from last season. The Willie McCreery trained **French Blue (Ire)** (Iffraaj {GB}) looked smart when breaking her maiden in the Godolphin silks in Dundalk last year by four and a half lengths. **Cool Thunder (Ire)** (Shamardal), owned and bred by Hadi Al-Tajir similarly bolted up by six lengths in a maiden at Naas in October and trainer Kevin Prendergast has already been in winning form on the opening day of the turf flat season at the Curragh last week.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Another Go (Ire), g, 3, **Strategic Prince (GB)**--Golden Rose (Ger) (MGSP-Ger), by Winged Love (Ire). RED, 3-28, 8fT, 1:49.32. B-Lutz Oertel (IRE). *€11,500 Wlg '13 GOFNOV; €13,000 Ylg '14 GOFSP.

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Monday's Results:

PRIX DE LA PORTE DE MADRID-Listed, €52,000, SCD, 3-28, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:48.16, vsf.

1--**NORSE KING (FR)**, 123, g, 7, **Norse Dancer (Ire)--Angel Wing (GB)**, by **Barathea (Ire)**. O-J C Smith; B-Littleton Stud (FR); T-Myriam Bollack-Badel; J-Alexis Badel. €26,000. Lifetime Record: MGSW & G1SP-Fr, 22-6-7-5, €346,640.

2--**Launched (Ire)**, 123, c, 4, **Galileo (Ire)--Apsara (Fr)**, by **Darshaan (GB)**. O-Niarchos Family. €10,400.

3--**Kicky Blue (Ger)**, 123, m, 6, **Dashing Blade (GB)--Karina du Commeaux (Fr)**, by **Law Society**. O-Patrick Hendrickx. €7,800. Margins: 3/4, 7, NK. Odds: 3.50, 2.70, 14.40.

Having made just two starts last term, 2014 G1 Prix Ganay third Norse King returned to the scene of three prior wins coming off a fourth in the Apr. 6 G2 Prix d'Harcourt and a June 2 conditions second at Longchamp when last seen. He was ridden with patience in rear until easing into contention in the straight and kept on strongly under continued nudging inside the final quarter mile to comfortably assert superiority. The homebred chestnut's second dam is the G1SW European highweight Lochangel (GB) (Night Shift), herself a half-sister to MG1SW dual European Champion Lochsong (GB) (Song {GB}). "He had a catalogue of problems last year which is why he ran so little, but he is fine now and I had time to get him ready for this," explained trainer Myriam Bollack-Badel, who added that the May 1 Prix Ganay at Saint-Cloud this year could be next. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

2nd-SCD, €34,000, Alw, 3-28, 3yo, 10 1/2f T, 2:26.67, vsf. **AL HARAM (FR)** (c, 3, **Sea the Stars (Ire)--En Public (Fr)**, by **Rainbow Quest**), a debut third in a nine-furlong newcomers' test at Chantilly last time Nov. 13, raced at the tail of the five-runner field before making a swift move into second turning onto the backstraight. Stoked up for his bid soon after passing the two pole, the 11-10 favourite quickened smartly under mild urging in the closing stages to win going away by two lengths from Valenka (Ger) (Sholokhov {Ire}). The €400,000 ARAUG yearling, who is out of a half-sister to Italian Champion and G1 Gran Criterium victor Will Dancer (Fr) (Green Dancer), is kin to Sardaukar (GB) (Royal Academy), SW & GISP-US, G1SP-Fr, \$509,782; Kreem (GB) (Hurricane Run {Ire}), GSW-Fr, \$166,756; Kindjhal (Fr) (Ashkalani {Ire}), SW & GSP-Fr, MGSP-Aus, \$380,761; Rostrum (Fr) (Shamardal), SW & GSP-Fr, \$139,271; Cielago (Ire) (Anabaa), GSP-Fr, \$177,993; and Prince Nomad (Fr) (Galileo {Ire}), SP-Fr, \$114,632. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €20,750. **[Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#)**.

O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Frederic Bianco (FR); T-Elie Lellouche.



5th-LLD, €18,000, Cond, 3-28, 3yo, 10fT, 2:36.93, hy. **MAHARI (IRE)** (c, 3, **Duke of Marmalade (Ire)--Mission Secrete (Ire)**, by **Galileo (Ire)**), who scored at Le Mans when last seen in November, traveled strongly stalking the early pace before moving easily to the lead approaching the last two furlongs. Sent clear soon into the home straight, the 27-10 joint-favourite stayed on remorselessly in the testing ground to win by 15 lengths. The dam, who is a daughter of the G1 Prix Marcel Bousac winner and G1 Prix de Diane runner-up Miss Tahiti (Ire) (Tirol {Ire}), is therefore a half to the 2014 G1 1000 Guineas heroine Miss France (Ire) (Dansili {GB}), has a 2-year-old colt by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire) and a yearling filly by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 0 places, €16,500. **[Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#)**. O-Ballymore Thoroughbred Ltd; B-Dayton Investments Ltd (IRE); T-Andre Fabre.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Eze (GB), f, 3, **Manduro (Ger)**--Arabian Spell (Ire) (GSP-Fr), by Desert Prince (Ire). LLD, 3-27, 7fT, 1:35.61. B-Beechwood Farming Investments (GB). *€30,000 RNA Ylg '14 AROCT; €16,000 2yo '15 ARMAV.

OBSERVATIONS
on today's European racing scene

2.20 Compiegne, Mdn, €25,000, 3yo, f, 12fT
SPICE TRAIL (GB) (**[Champs Elysees \(GB\)](#)**) debuts for Khalid Abdullah and Andre Fabre who are currently still in the process of masterminding the career of her high-achieving G1 Prix du Jockey Club-winning half-brother New Bay (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). This is a significant stamina test for her racecourse debut, but a large proportion of her family members have stayed well, including the 1993 G1 Irish Oaks winner Wemyss Bight (GB) (Dancing Brave).

2.50 Compiegne, Mdn, €25,000, 3yo, c/g, 12fT
LE MUSEE (FR) (**[Galileo \(Ire\)](#)**) cost €300,000 as a Arqana August yearling for M V Magnier and now debuts for Tabor, Magnier and Smith and Andre Fabre. A half-brother to the 2004 G1 Prix du Jockey Club winner Blue Canari (Fr) (Acatenango {Ger}), he is joined by stablemate and fellow newcomer **Canyon City (GB)** (**[Authorized \(Ire\)](#)**), Godolphin's 275,000gns Tattersalls October graduate whose dam is a half to the high-class triumvirate of Opera House (GB) (Sadler's Wells), Kayf Tara (GB) (Sadler's Wells) and Zee Zee Top (GB) (Zafonic).





Monday's Result:

SOLARWORLD GRAND PRIX-AUFGALOPP-Listed, €25,000, COL, 3-28, 4yo/up, 10 1/2fT, 2:21.46, sf.

1--#AMAZONA (GER), 117, f, 4, Dubawi (Ire)--Amarette (Ger) (G1SW-Ger, \$258,364), by Monsun (Ger). O-Stall Ullmann; B-Gestut Schlenderhan (GER); T-Jean-Pierre Carvalho; J-Andreas Helfenbein. €14,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, €21,600.

2--Sirius (Ger), 123, h, 5, Dashing Blade (GB)--Saratina (Ire), by Monsun (Ger). (€15,000 Ylg '12 BBAGA). O-Stall Molenhof. €6,500.

3--Early Morning (Ger), 125, m, 6, Mamool (Ire)--Evening Danzig (Ger), by Danzig Connection. O-Dr Andreas Bolte & Ralf Nicolay. €3,000.

Margins: 5HF, 3/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 7.50, 2.10, 5.70.

Brought along steadily so far, Amazona showed how a winter's strengthening can make a difference on this first show since finishing fifth attempting to make all in the G3

Niederrhein-Pokal over 10 furlongs at Krefeld in November. In front again from the outset, the bay who sported a hood and earplugs was challenged strongly halfway down the straight but one smack with the whip brought about a powerful response and she galloped her overmatched rivals into submission to suggest she can be a force to be reckoned with in 2016.

Amazona, who has a yearling half-brother by Exceed and Excel (Aus) named Accessor (Ire), becomes the first black-type winner out of the unbeaten G1 Preis der Diana heroine Amarette, whose own listed-winning dam Avocette (Ger) is a half-sister to the 2007 G2 Mehl-Mulhens-Rennen (German 2000 Guineas) scorer Aviso (Ger) (Tertullian).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Double Dream (Fr), f, 3, Lawman (Fr)--High Limits (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire). COL, 3-28, 8fT, 1:42.57. B-Claudio Marzocco, Luca Marzocco, Paul Nata & Zied Ben M'Rad (FR). *€18,000 Ylg '14 ARNOV. **SP-Ger.

Zirconic Star (Ger), c, 3, Samum (Ger)--Zambuka (Fr), by Zieten. COL, 3-28, 9f 55yT, 2:01.89. B-Gestut Hachtsee (GER).



Monday's Results:

1st-CAP, €17,600, Cond., 3-28, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:38.51, gd.

DRY YOUR EYES (ITY) (f, 3, Ramonti {Fr}--Tirsa (GB), by Benny The Dip), a dual listed winner in her juvenile career, was rewarded the victory by the stewards on this first start in 169 days. The Teresa Viola Racing-owned La Trinacria (Harlan's Holiday) outbattled 3-5 favorite Dry Your Eyes, but she squeezed inside the last 200 metres, impeding eventual fourth-place finisher Endless Summer, and was subsequently disqualified. The winner, a half-sister to Pattaya (Ity) (Philomatheia), GSW & G1SP-Ity, €211,960, will head to the G3 Premio Regina Elena, a race that could also attract La Trinacria. Lifetime Record: MSW-Ity, 5-4-0-0, €45,050. [VIDEO](#).

O-Scuderia Effevi; B-Società Agricola Allevamenti Deni; T-Alduino & Giuseppe Botti.

4th-CAP, €16,500, Cond., 3-28, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:37, gd.

KASPERSKY (IRE) (h, 5, Footstepsinthesand {GB}--Croanda (Ire), by Grand Lodge), who won the G2 Premio Carlo Vittadini and the G3 Premio Ribot last season, could not have been more impressive on his seasonal debut. The 1-6 chalk set the pace as usual and opened clear in the stretch, leaving GSW Porsenna (Ire) (Dylan Thomas (Ire)) nine lengths behind. Kaspersky, a half-brother to Occhio Della Mente (Ire) (Le Vie Dei Colori {GB}), MG1SP-Ity, \$305,858; Malagenia (Ire) (Whipper), GSW-Ity, €126,200; and Icebreaking (Ire) (Elusive City), GSP-Ity, holds an entry fort the G1 Champions Mile in Hong Kong May 1, but the G2 Premio Presidente della Repubblica is the more likely target for him. Lifetime Record: MGSW-Ity 13-9-1-0, €159,545. [VIDEO](#). O/B-La Nuova Sbarra; T-Endo Botti

5th-CAP, €17,600, Cond., 3-28, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:04.50, gd.

CASSINA DE POMM (ITY) (f, 3, Pounced--Clever Annie {Ire}, by Danehill Dancer {Ire}), the unbeaten champion juvenile filly last season in Italy, tried a step up in trip in her come-back five months after her win in the G3 Premio Dormello. She needed some urging by jockey Fabio Branca and at the end she outgunned Miss Steff (Ire) (Dark Angel (Ire)) by three parts of a length. The filly, sporting for the first time the silks of Scuderia Jerago, has the G2 Italian Oaks as her main target and is expected to have another start before the Classic. Lifetime Record: Hwt. 2yo Filly & GSW-Ity, 4-4-0-0, €75,225. [VIDEO](#). O-Scuderia Jerago; B-SAB Allevamento Besnate (Ity); T-Alduino & Stefano Botti

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Lingering Look (Ity), c, 3, Shaweel (GB)--Lan Force (Ity) (MSP-Ity),' by Blu Air Force (Ire). SRO, 3-28, 8fT, 1:40. B-Azienda Agricola Loreto Luciani (Ity). *1/2 to Priore Philip (Ity) (Dane Friendly {{GB}), Hwt. 3yo-Ity at 7-9.5f & 9.5-11f, MG1SW-Ity, €465,680.

 EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN AUSTRALIA:

Havana Cooler (Ire), g, 6, **Hurricane Run (Ire)**--Unquenchable (Ire), by Kingmambo. Rosehill, 3-26, Doncaster Prelude S.-G3 (£79k/€101k), 1500mT, 1:29.03. B-Ammerland Verwaltung GmbH. *G1SP-Aus. **30,000gns Ylg '11 TATOCT; 425,000gns HRA '14 TATHIT.

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IN JAPAN:

Morgiana (Jpn), f, 4, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Samaaha (GB), by Singspiel (Ire). Nakayama, 3-26, Harukaze Stakes, 6f. Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-3, \$603,421. O-Silk Racing; B-Northern Farm; T-Tetsuya Kimura. *€280,000 i/u '11 ARQDEC.



WINX EN ROUTE TO GREATNESS *By John Berry*

The win of **Preferment (NZ)** (Zabeel {NZ}) in Australia's premier 2400m weight-for-age race, the G1 BMW at Rosehill, was terrific. He and his regular jockey Hugh Bowman form a great partnership. This victory ranked as their third shared Group 1 strike, following successes earlier this season at Flemington in the Turnbull S. and the Australian Cup. It is easy to understand why, following Saturday's triumph, Bowman



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described the suspension which prevented him from riding Preferment to victory in last season's Victoria Derby as "gut-wrenching". The bond between Preferment and Bowman is clear--and it provides a good illustration of the

exceptional merit of the 4-year-old's stable-mate **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}). It almost goes without saying that, if both horses line up in the G1 Queen Elizabeth S. at Randwick in two Saturdays' time, the champion jockey will be on board Winx. In the aftermath of the BMW, Waller (who had just saddled the trifecta) had still to discuss plans with his jockey, but observed of Preferment's intended Queen Elizabeth bid; "We might have to find another rider, though I can't see Hughie getting off Winx."

If Winx does indeed line up against her stablemate in the Queen Elizabeth S, her presence will be an excellent vindication of the plan (as of 2014) to pump large sums of money into the Randwick Autumn Carnival, re-jig the format and re-brand the fixture as 'The Championships'. In one sense, this money is only well spent if it attracts horses who would not otherwise have been there (i.e. overseas runners). However, if it means, as seems likely, that Winx lines up two weeks running, then the boost to the Carnival's prestige will be enormous. Winx is currently on a winning run of eight, her most recent defeat having come when she finished second to Gust Of Wind (NZ) (Darci Brahma {NZ}) in the G1 AJC Oaks over 2400m at Randwick last April. Since then, she has consistently emphasised both her class and her versatility, landing five Group 1 victories including the Cox Plate, and scoring from the 1400m of both the Apollo S. and the Theo Marks S. to the 2200m of the Queensland Oaks.

After Winx's most recent victory in the G1 George Ryder S. over 1500m at Rosehill Mar. 19, Waller outlined her plans for the near future, "We will think about the Doncaster. Obviously, the Queen Elizabeth [worth A\$4 million] is the race we set her for from the start of the Carnival, but you can't ignore a A\$3-million race the week before." Such a bold approach to racing his charges has been a hallmark of Waller's success. Adopting an attacking policy reminiscent of the style of Sydney's 35-time champion trainer Tommy Smith, Waller never uses the strength of his team to make life easy for any of its members. He adopted his usual fearless stance in advance of the George Ryder S., announcing that two of the stable's other Group 1 stars, **Kermadec (NZ)** Teofilo {Ire}) and **Press Statement (Aus)** (Hinchinbrook {Aus}) would also be in the line-up. The upshot was a further elevation of Winx's status as she cruised home at the head of yet another Waller-trained Group 1 trifecta.

The dominance of a handful of elite racemares around the world in recent years has been a highlight of the sport. **Black Caviar (Aus)** (Bel Esprit {Aus}) and **Zenyatta** (Street Cry {Ire}), winners between them of 44 of their 45 starts, have been the two most prolific champions during the current decade, while **Goldikova (Fr)** (Anabaa) and **Rachel Alexandra** (Medaglia d'Oro) also compiled super records. The former recorded 14 of her 17 victories in G1 company, while the latter won 13 races, five of which came at the highest level. It is fair to say that Winx has now worked her way to a similar pedestal. Bred by Fairway Thoroughbreds, Winx was offered in the Coolmore draft at the Magic Millions Yearling Sale at the Gold Coast in January 2013, where she was bought for A\$230,000 by Magic Bloodstock on the advice of Chris Waller and Guy Mulcaster. The latter has been a key component in Waller's success over the past decade, recruiting a stream of successful imports from Europe. However, Winx looks to be his star protégé, and that is high praise indeed.

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Winx was a relatively backward yearling by the standards of the most precocious types on offer at the Magic Millions, but her quality shone through and her pedigree consolidated her appeal. Her sire, 2002 G1 Dubai World Cup winner Street Cry (Ire) (Machiavellian), had retired to stud relatively unheralded, but by 2013 he was fully established worldwide thanks to the likes of Zenyatta and Street Sense in the USA, and G1 Melbourne Cup/Australian Cup winner Shocking (Aus) and G1 Caulfield Guineas/Caulfield S. winner Whobegotyou (Aus) down under. His lifetime progeny total of Group 1 winners currently stands (posthumously, sadly) at 19 winners of 43 Group 1 races. Furthermore, the bottom half of Winx's pedigree is very solid, having thrown up numerous good horses in New Zealand over the past 100 years including Winx's dam Vegas Showgirl (NZ) (Al Akbar {Aus}), two of whose seven wins came in stakes company.

Waller brought Winx along slowly, not sending her to the races until the closing stages of her 2-year-old season. She had two runs in June 2014, winning at Warwick Farm and Rosehill, before she took her record to three-from-three by handling the step up to stakes class on her first start as a 3-year-old when she landed the G2 Furious S. at Randwick. She then sustained four defeats until the seed really began to burst into flower in the autumn. Over the past year she has never looked back. Her record now stands at 12 wins from 18 starts, with her bankroll having



The yearling half-brother to Winx | Inglis

reached A\$4,753,925. Her relaxed style of racing can be deceptive, but she seems to know where the winning post is, and she hits the line so strongly (irrespective, it appears, of the distance of the race) that she can already be regarded as a true champion. If she can win on the next two Saturdays, both her status and her bankroll will rise to even dizzy heights.

As an interesting side-show to Winx's starring role, her half-brother by Snitzel (Aus) is set to go under the hammer Apr. 5 as [Lot 135](#) in Inglis' Australian Easter Yearling Sale in Sydney, consigned on behalf of Fairway Thoroughbreds by Segenhoe Stud. The colt was the recipient of an exciting update when his 2-year-old full-brother El Divino (Aus) became a 'TDN Rising Star' on his impressive Gosford debut Mar. 17.

EXCESS KNOWLEDGE TO MISS MILE

Excess Knowledge (GB) (Monsun {Ger}), regarded as a leading player in this weekend's G1 Doncaster Mile will miss Saturday's race at Randwick. The Gai Waterhouse stable informed stewards on Monday that the former John Gosden trainee would not be an acceptor for the Group 1 event when the final field is declared on Tuesday morning. The 6-year-old went into many notebooks when a reappearing second in the G2 Ajax S. at Rosehill Mar.12., his first start since finishing seventh in last year's G1 Melbourne Cup. In the same race another leading



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contender, New Zealand's **Volkstok'n'barrell (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}) will have the assistance of jockey Corey Brown for the first time. The 4-year-old won the G1 Rosehill Guineas at last year's Sydney autumn carnival before running third to Mongolian Khan (Aus) (Holy Roman

Emperor {Ire}) in the G1 Australian Derby. He arrives to Saturday's race on the back of two recent Group 1 wins in his home country.

In other jockey news Hugh Bowman has chosen the Chris Waller trained **Delectation (Aus)** (Shamardal) as his mount in the G1 TJ Smith S. Bowman is the regular partner of **Terravista (Aus)** (Captain Rio {GB}), who is also in the lineup, but has plumped for Group 1 winner Delectation despite his recent last place finish in the Newmarket H. Mar. 12.

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AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Rapper Dragon (Aus), g, 3, [Street Boss](#)--Swing Dance (Aus), by Danehill Dancer. Sha Tin, 3-28, Hcp. (A\$282k), 1600mT, 1:34.44. B-E Cojuangco. *Formerly Street Rapper (Aus). **G1SP-Aus. ***1/2 to Swing Vote (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}), SP-Aus.

Backing up just seven days after finishing a well-bet runner-up over 1400 metres on the Hong Kong Derby undercard, Rapper Dragon suggested that he may be one for that domestic centrepiece in 51 weeks' time with a slashing victory going the metric mile on the Easter Monday program at Sha Tin. Settled mid-division while appearing to climb a bit down the backside, the chestnut was pinned away at the inside and, making matters worse, was shuffled back on the turn.

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Still pocketed away with 350 metres to race, he responded when the daylight came inside the final furlongs and quickened home nicely to score by 1 1/4 lengths as the 2-1 favorite ([VIDEO](#)). Trained in Australia by Gai Waterhouse on behalf of his breeder, Rapper Dragon broke his maiden at Wyong at third asking and was runner-up in the G3 Schweppervescence S. and G1 Champagne S. prior to his export to Hong Kong last August. He posted his first local win in a 1400-metre Class 2 Feb. 21 and entered Sunday's test off a rating of 90. Much of Rapper Dragon's family was offered by Cojuangco's Gooree Park Stud and performed well at the 2015 Magic Millions National Broodmare and Weanling Sale. The winner's dam was purchased by Michael Wallace for A\$360,000 in foal to Congrats ([catalogue page](#)) and produced a colt by that successful dual-hemisphere stallion last Aug. 30. Rapper Dragon's half-sister Swing Sensation (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}) fetched A\$330,000 from Rosemont Stud/Blue Sky Bloodstock (FBAA), while the aforementioned Swing Vote, sent through the ring on an October cover by Smart Missile (Aus), realized A\$360,000 from Neil Jenkinson Bloodstock. Rapper Dragon's weanling half-sister by Your Song (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) was subsequently knocked down to Canning Downs for A\$150,000, while Amanpour (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}), a half-sister to Swing Dance and winner of the G1 Queen of the Turf S., was the second-highest priced lot at last year's Broodmare Sale. Then four, she was hammered down to the Rosemont/Blue Sky team for A\$1.5 million. [@EquinealTDN](#)



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IN SINGAPORE:

#Conflight (Aus), g, 3, **Host (Chi)**--Frollicking Miss (Aus), by Danzero (Aus). Kranji, 3-27, Dester Singapore 3-Year-Old Sprint (A\$242k), 1200mT, 1:10.36. B-R & C Legh Racing Pty Ltd. *A\$15,000 Wlg '14 MMNWNL.

Twickenham (Aus), g, 5, **Artie Schiller**--Lady Migaloo (Aus), by General Nediym (Aus). Kranji, 3-25, Hcp. (A\$97k), 1400mT, 1:21.18. B-G P Brilley. *1/2 to Black Ice (Aus) (Mugharreb), MSP-Sin, S\$659,435. **A\$115,000 2yo '12 MMGCC2YO.

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IN SOUTH AFRICA:

Kinaan (Aus), c, 3, **Galileo (Ire)**--Dazzledar (GB), by Zamindar. Vaal, 3-24, Hcp., 2000mT, 2:02.24. B-Al Adiyaat South Africa (Pty) Ltd.

#@Tiger's Touch (Aus), f, 4, **Where's That Tiger**--Brocco Babe (Aus) (GSW-NZ), by Brocco. Turffontein, 3-26, Sycamore Sprint-G3, 1160mT. B-L M Nestadt & B Kantor.

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[American trainer Dale Romans states case for HK licence](#)

Keen Ice was unable to give American trainer Dale Romans his second Dubai World Cup on Saturday night at Meydan, but the occasion did give the Kentucky horseman a chance to take a swipe at racing in his homeland and roll out his case for a Hong Kong trainer's licence should a vacancy emerge.

Alan Aitken, South China Morning Post