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MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2016

BROWN'S DERBY DUO WORK

Shagaf working Sunday at Churchill Downs | *Coady Photography*

Trainer Chad Brown sent his two GI Kentucky Derby hopefuls and '**TDN Rising Stars,**' **My Man Sam** (Trappe Shot) and **Shagaf** (Bernardini), out to work Sunday morning at Churchill Downs. My Man Sam, coming off a late-closing second behind Brody's Cause (Giant's Causeway) in the Apr. 9 GI Toyota Blue Grass S., worked a half-mile in company in :50.60, galloping out six furlongs in 1:14.60.

"It was just a maintenance work, he worked early this morning," Brown said of My Man Sam. "I thought he worked terrific. He's only run in one stakes race and he ran terrific from the 14 post in the Blue Grass. We were lucky enough to get up for second and have the points to get up and be in this position. [He is] a rapidly developing horse with a lot of talent that should be able to get a mile-and-a-quarter."

Shadwell Stable's Shagaf, who suffered his first career loss when fifth as the favorite in the Apr. 9 GI Twinspires.com Wood Memorial, went a half-mile in :48.40 (video). He galloped out five furlongs in 1:01.20 and six furlongs in 1:14.60.

"We worked [Shagaf] by himself for the first time," Brown said. "He's been getting a little aggressive in his works. I thought he went terrific. I was just so thrilled in his work. He's a little bit better of a work horse. He went over the surface well and galloped out strong."

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NYQUIST FINE AFTER WORK

Trainer Doug O'Neill, who was at Keeneland to watch likely GI Kentucky Derby favorite **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo) work five furlongs in 1:01.80 Saturday morning before travelling on to Charles Town to watch **Donworth** (Tiznow) finish third in the GII Charles Town Classic, returned to Lexington Sunday morning to check in on his Classic contenders.

Nyquist | *Coady Photography*

"Nyquist looks great this morning and [GI Kentucky Oaks hopeful] Land Over Sea looks super," O'Neill said.

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Monday, April 25, 2016

In recognition of Keeneland's Military Day at the Races Presented by Marathon, Sunday's fourth race featured special camouflage saddle towels. All active duty, reserve, veterans and military families received free general admission and enjoyed food, music, and activities. | *Coady Photography.*

JONES LOOKS FORWARD WITH I'M A CHATTERBOX **3**

Grade I winner I'm a Chatterbox (Munnings) exited her troubled runner-up finish in Friday's GIII Doubledogdare S. in fine shape, according to trainer Larry Jones.

ORTIZ, RODRIGUEZ TAKE AQUEDUCT TITLES **4**

Jockey Jose Ortiz edged older brother Irad Ortiz, Jr. to win his second Aqueduct winter meet riding title. Rudy Rodriguez was the season's leading trainer and Midwest Thoroughbreds was the top owner. Racing returns to Belmont Park Friday.

Brown's Derby Duo Work *(cont. from p1)*

Of Shagaf's effort in the Wood, Brown reflected, "The whole situation didn't really work for him. First of all, the racetrack just wasn't for him. It rained all day and he had only run on dry tracks. He didn't really break well in the mud. He tried to make a run there in the final turn and ran into some horses in front of him and had to stop. As you can see here this week, he's a huge horse with a big stride. He's like a big locomotive going downhill. I'm not sure how much stopping you can do with a horse like that when you have his momentum going. It's just one of those things that happen in horse racing sometimes, but the track was dry today and he worked terrific."

My Man Sam
Coady Photography

Asked to compare his two Derby hopefuls, Brown said, "They really are [different], and as they have developed, we adjust their training. Shagaf is just a bigger, stronger and more willing work horse, so we sent him alone today and it was the best he has ever worked in my eyes. My Man Sam is a horse who appreciates some company. He's never been real flashy in the morning, but that's exactly how he works when he runs well. It was just an easy maintenance work. He galloped out strong."

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Nyquist Fine after Work *(cont. from p1)*

"Ideally, they will work next Saturday, but it could be Friday, Saturday or Sunday, depending on the weather. Whatever day they work and come out of it good, they would ship to Churchill Downs the next day."

Land Over Sea
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GII Fair Grounds Oaks winner **Land Over Sea** (Bellamy Road) worked five furlongs Saturday in 1:02.20.

'**TDN Rising Star**' Donworth is expected to ship to Keeneland Monday and "then go to a clinic for four days to get a little spa treatment because he has been shipping a lot," according to O'Neill.

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JONES LOOKS FORWARD WITH CHATTERBOX

I'm a Chatterbox (Munnings), who was a troubled second while making her seasonal debut in last Friday's GIII Hilliard Lyons Doubledogdare S. at Keeneland, exited the race in fine shape, according to trainer Larry Jones.

I'm a Chatterbox | *Equi-Photo*

"She's fine," Jones said. "We're just licking our wounds. The June 11 GI Ogden] Phipps is the main goal. I'll check the calendar and see if there is enough time for another race before that. Usually they have a race Preakness weekend that we've had success in [the May 20 GIII Allaire duPont Distaff]."

I'm a Chatterbox, owned by Fletcher and Carolyn Gray, captured last year's GI Cotillion S. Friday marked her first outing since finishing eighth in last year's GI Breeders' Cup Distaff.

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Swipe | *Benoit*

"He had tie-back surgery," trainer Keith Desormeaux confirmed Sunday. "He'll be out 30 days."

Swipe broke his maiden in the Summer Juvenile Championship S. last July. He was second behind Nyquist (Uncle Mo) in the GII Best Pal S., GI Del Mar Futurity and GI FrontRunner S. before concluding his 2-year-old campaign with another runner-up effort behind the subsequent juvenile champion in the Breeders' Cup.

The colt, who had surgery to remove a chip in his left ankle over the winter, returned to action as the 2-1 favorite in the Lexington, but finished 12 lengths adrift of Collected (City Zip).

On the board in seven of eight starts to date, Swipe has one win and earnings of $608,930.

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ORTIZ, RODRIGUEZ TAKE AQUEDUCT TITLES

Jockey Jose Ortiz and trainer Rudy Rodriguez won their respective meet titles as Aqueduct concluded its spring season Sunday. Ortiz, who won the 2015-16 inner track championship, rode 37 winners of more than $2 million for the meet, edging his older brother, runner-up Irad Ortiz, Jr., by eight wins. Among his major victories at the stand, the younger Ortiz captured the GIII Bay Shore S. aboard Unified (Candy Ride {Arg}), the GIII Excelsior S. with Kid Cruz (Lemon Drop Kid) and the GIII Top Flight Invitational H. aboard Carrumba (Bernardini).

Jose Ortiz
Susie Raisher

Rodriguez, who also won the 2015 Aqueduct fall main track training title in addition to topping the 2015-16 inner track meet trainer standings, saddled 14 winners from 61 starters with earnings of nearly $680,000.

Midwest Thoroughbreds was the meet's leading owner with eight winners.

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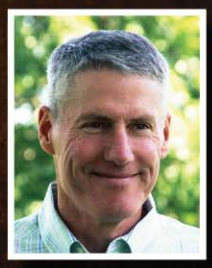

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Sunday's Results:

MEMORIES OF SILVER S., $100,000, AQU, 4-24, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.05, fm.

1--**#TIME AND MOTION, 116, f, 3, by Tapit**

1st Dam: Ellie's Moment (SW & MGSP, $291,241), by Kris S.

2nd Dam: Kelley's Day, by Graustark

3rd Dam: Golden Trail, by Hasty Road

O/B-Phillips Racing Partnership (KY); T-James J. Toner; J-John R. Velazquez. $60,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 5-2-0-1, $138,150. *1/2 to Awesome Bet (Awesome Again), SW & GSP, $319,196; Moment in Dixie (Dixieland Band), MGSP, $398,615.

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2--**Last Waltz (Ire)**, 118, f, 3, Danehill Dancer {Ire}--Vivacity (GB), by Trempolino. (€45,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG). O-Swift Thoroughbreds, Inc., Bradley Thoroughbreds, Stockwell, et al.; B-Stilvi Compania Financiera S A (IRE); T-Chad C. Brown. $20,000.

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(DH)-3--**Taralena**, 117, f, 3, Arch--Lenatareese, by Broad Brush. ($100,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP). O-Cheyenne Stables LLC; B-Daniel J. Burke & Kathleen Schweizer (KY); T-Christophe Clement. $5,000.

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(DH)-3--**Pricedtoperfection**, 122, f, 3, Temple City--Glittering Tax, by Artax. ($35,000 Ylg '14 OBSWIN; $230,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR). O-Klaravich Stables, Inc. & William H. Lawrence; B-Bob Feld Bloodstock Inc & Joseph Creek (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. $10,000.

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Time and Motion finished fourth to start her career Aug. 31 at Saratoga before earning a black-type placing when third in the GIII Miss Grillo S. Sep. 27 at Belmont. A fast-finishing fifth at 56-1 in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf, the homebred dropped down and broke her maiden with ease to begin her sophomore season Mar. 20 at Gulfstream. **Cont. p2**

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Time and Motion | *NYRA/Coglianese*

This race, named after her owner/breeder/trainer's star turf mare by Silver Hawk, was a natural spot for the step back into stakes company.

Bet down to favoritism, the bay sat in third as the six-horse field separated into three pairs down the backstretch. Just a length or two off a moderate pace of :24.76 and :50.62, Time and Motion made a three-wide move for the lead on the far turn as the field bunched up closer nearing the lane. There appeared to be many chances in midstretch, but the bay chalk proved best in the final eighth, edging clear for her first stakes win.

Time and Motion's dam Ellie's Moment is a half-sister to MGISW and runner-up in the 1988 GI Preakness S. Brian's Time (Roberto). She has a 2-year-old filly by Medaglia d'Oro, a yearling colt by Medaglia d'Oro and produced a colt by Tapit this year.

"It brings back a lot of memories of Memories of Silver," trainer Jimmy Toner said after the race. "I love this filly. She's a high-quality filly. For her to win a race named after a horse I trained is doubly good. She's changed a lot from two to three. Let's face it, I got a little ambitious with her last year. She handled it well, and fortunately she came back good as a 3-year-old. This year we started off back down to reality, I think we're on the right track. If all goes well, we'll look at the Wonder Again [June 5] and ultimately, the [GI] Belmont Oaks [July 9]."

Time and Motion showed more speed than she had previously, something John Velazquez said was a conscious decision.

"Last time I rode her," Velazquez recalled, "I had a conversation [with Toner] and asked, 'Why is she so far back?' and he couldn't figure it out. I asked if he'd mind if I used a little bit to get a position and see how she is. He said to go ahead and it worked, she responded."

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NEW YORK STALLION S., $100,000, AQU, 4-24, (C), 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:17.66, ft.

1--**SUDDEN SURPRISE, 122, c, 3, by Giant Surprise**
1st Dam: Ready and Good, by More Than Ready
2nd Dam: Goodies Galore, by Forest Wildcat
3rd Dam: Galore, by Gulch
O/B-Repole Stable (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-John R. Velazquez. $60,000. Lifetime Record: 9-6-1-0, $498,800.

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2--**Lucky Lurie**, 117, c, 3, Girolamo--Holy Freud, by Freud. ($50,000 Ylg '14 SARAUG). O-Alan Brodsky; B-Anthony Grey (NY); T-Mark A. Hennig. $20,000.

3--**Dr. Shane**, 118, c, 3, Freud--French Link, by Orientate. O/B-DutchessViews Farm (NY); T-Nicholas Esler. $10,000.

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Also Ran: Bust Another, Timber, Gaming.

The speedy Sudden Surprise captured four stakes races versus fellow New York-breds last term, including the Bertram F. Bongard S. at Belmont in September. Second when stretched to two turns for the first time in the Gander S. over the inner here Feb. 6, he tired badly to finish last of six as the 2-1 favorite in his first attempt against open company in the Jimmy Winkfield S. Mar. 6. Working smartly since, he was hustled to the front from his inside draw here and kept on finding more in the stretch to deliver as the chalk. Both the sire and dam raced for owner Mike Repole. The winner's dam has a 2-year-old filly by Overdriven, a yearling filly by Stay Thirsty and was bred back to Uncle Mo. **Cont. p3**

Sudden Surprise | *NYRA/Coglianese*

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5th-AQU, $80,000, Msw, 4-24, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36.21, ft.
ALL ON RED (c, 3, Hard Spun--Wicked Diva {SW, $105,550}, by Jump Start) didn't offer many clues after a debut eighth-place finish at 12-1 going six furlongs at Gulfstream Mar. 12. Let go at 17-1 while drawing the rail in this increase in trip, he was hustled to the front by Jose Ortiz, set a pressured pace through fractions of :22.98 and :46.05, and turned back a challenge from Chomsky (Distorted Humor) after being headed in the stretch to graduate by a game 1 1/4 lengths. Sales history: $95,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $48,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
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Sunday's Results:
5th-KEE, $55,595, Alw, 4-24, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:50.32, fm.
DYNA'S RECOLETA (f, 4, Dynaformer--Recoleta, by Wild Again) just missed breaking her maiden on turf against boys July 19 at Woodbine before trying the restricted Wonder Where S. there Aug. 9 and finishing sixth. After getting her belated diploma next out, the homebred finished third at 12-1 in the La Lorgnette S. over synthetic Sep. 20 and closed out her sophomore campaign with a fifth-place effort back on the green in the Carotene S. Oct. 12. Away at 9-2 in this seasonal bow, the dark bay filly ran comfortably in seventh down the backstretch, was put to urging just outside the three-eighths pole and appeared to be one-paced until the furlong marker, when she switched leads and closed ranks on Sister Blues (Pioneerof the Nile) to get up late for a one-length tally. The winner, produced by a half-sister to GISW Offlee Wild (Wild Again), is a half-sister to Silent Times (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), GSW-Eng & GSP-Ire, $107,829; and Rock of Rochelle (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), GSW-Ire & MGSP-Ger, $188,273. Lifetime Record: SP, 10-2-1-1, $92,677. **Click for Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O/B-Charles Fipke (ON); T-Roger L. Attfield.

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9th-KEE, $59,959, Msw, 4-24, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.62, fm.
GIO'S CALLING (g, 3, Gio Ponti--Midwife {SW & GSP, $152,458}, by Family Calling) kept some good company in his first two tries on grass last term, including a solid debut third behind subsequent stakes winner Jan's Reserve (Ready's Image) going seven furlongs at Belmont Oct. 17. He was last seen rallying for second going this distance at the Big A Nov. 8. Working well for his sophomore debut, the 4-1 chance sat a perfect trip in third beneath the hot-handed Julien Leparoux as 62-1 chance Douglascrowfeather (Red Giant) ran off to a double-digit advantage. Gio's Calling began to cut the deficit at the top of the lane, took over in midstretch and had two lengths over favored Kismet's Heels (Tapit) at the wire. The ambitous pacesetter tired to finish sixh. Gio's Calling is a half-brother to Quail Hill (Candy Ride {Arg}), GSP, $173,563. Sales history: $100,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, $55,500. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O-Jim & Susan Hill; B-Connie & Richard Snyder (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.

ALLIED BLOODSTOCK There is a difference

6th-KEE, $57,960, Msw, 4-24, 3yo, 7f, 1:27.06, ft.
FEARLESS DRAGON (c, 3, Speightstown--Trippi Street {GSP}, by Trippi) finished a well-beaten sixth on debut Mar. 12 at Santa Anita before stopping to 10th locally Apr. 9. Off at 7-1, the chestnut colt was hustled at the start by Paco Lopez before settling to track second through a :22.93 quarter. Dropping back to fourth heading into the turn, he advanced in the four path straightening for home and found himself sandwiched in a three-way battle with favorites Conquest Streetwar (Street Cry {Ire}) and Power Driven (Harlan's Holiday) passing the eighth pole. Digging in determinedly, he beat back the bid of the latter foe to earn a half-length victory, the first at Keeneland for his trainer. The winner's dam was runner-up in the GIII Pocahontas S. and Safely Kept S. and most recently produced a colt by The Factor who RNA'd for $120,000 at the recently concluded OBS Spring sale. Sales History: $160,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN; $190,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $36,585. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
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8th-KEE, $53,812, Msw, 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.19, ft.
COOL CAT JAZZ (f, 4, Wildcat Heir--Jesters Jazz {SW, $126,992}, by Mr. Jester) rolled a pair of eights in her first two tries on grass at Gulfstream Park, most recently going at 7 1/2 furlongs Mar. 30 after spending 12 months on the shelf. Trying dirt for the first time here, the 25-1 chance forced the early issue from the outside in second, gained a narrow advantage at the top of the stretch and stayed on gamely to earn her diploma by a half length. First-time starter Athena Grande (Giant's Causeway) rounded out a $772 exacta at odds of 28-1. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $30,680. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O/B-Craig Cameron (ON); T-Gail Cox.

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Bear'sway (Tizway) refuses to lose in the Wando S. at Woodbine Sunday.

Florida

Sunday's Results:
5th-GP, $37,200, Msw, 4-24, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:46.72, fm. **+HALF IRISH (f, 3, Lonhro {Aus}--Dandanna {Ire}, by Linamix {Fr})** had been legging up consistently for the Christophe Clement barn at Payson Park, most recently recording a bullet half-mile in :50 from the gate in company with Blame It On Me (Blame), who won first out over the Tampa lawn Saturday. Breaking well at odds of 5-1, the gray filly went right to the front under Emisael Jaramillo and clicked off splits off :23.58 and :48.63, remaining unasked entering the far turn. Finally cut loose at the top of the lane, the Calumet Farm homebred kicked away strongly, dusting her competition by 5 1/2 lengths. Favored Warranty (Artie Schiller) was second. The winner's dam Dandanna is a half-sister to GSW & G1SP Courteous (GB) (Generous {Ire}). This is also the female family of French champion 3-year-old Darshaan (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}) and G1SW Darara (Ire) (Top Ville {Ire}). Lifetime: 1-1-0-0, $21,600. **Click Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Christophe Clement.

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7th-GP, $36,600, Msw, 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24.03, ft. **CROWNING AFFAIR (f, 3, Giant's Causeway--Capote's Crown {SW & GSP, $132,467}, by Capote)** finished eighth behind subsequent stakes winner Ava's Kitten (Kitten's Joy) in her lone prior start, a strong maiden affair sprinting over the Belmont turf Oct. 10. Dismissed at just under 31-1 despite some sharp works for this return, the homebred filly stalked the pace a close-up fourth through a :23.02 quarter-mile. Beginning a three-wide move after a :46.31 half, she arrived on even terms with eventual runner-up Morea (Indian Charlie) turning for home and the bay wore down that foe passing the eighth pole, pulling clear to a 2 3/4-length success. The winner is a half to Kristo (Distorted Humor), MGSP, $196,590. Her stakes-winning dam Capote's Crown is a half-sister to champion sprinter Smoke Glacken (Two Punch). Sales History: $425,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $21,900. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Whisper Hill Farm (KY); T-Ralph E. Nicks.

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Sunday's Results:

7th-LRL, $40,000, Msw, 4-24, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:47.86, ft. **DOWNDRAFT (f, 3, Warrior's Reward--Bootery, by Storm Boot)**, a half-sister to Neck 'N Neck (Flower Alley), MGSW, $1,074,762, jumped up with a third-place finish over track and trip Mar. 20 after a pair of dismal efforts to open her career. Placed on the outside in a tracking third, the 6-1 chance challenged for command while three deep on the far turn and powered clear in the stretch to graduate in style by nine lengths. Favored Espresso Time (Tapit), a $1-million KEESEP graduate, was second. Sales history: $60,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $27,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Matthew Schera; B-Hunter Valley (KY); T-James L. Lawrence II.

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Sunday's Results:

WANDO S., C$100,600, WO, 4-24, 3yo, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45.04, ft.

1--**#BEAR'SWAY, 118, c, 3, by Tizway**
1st Dam: Grand Traverse Bay, by Repriced
2nd Dam: Grande Dame, by Zen
3rd Dam: Fia, by One for All
($50,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN). O-Bear Stables Ltd.; B-Tapestry Stud LLC (KY); T-Reade Baker; J-Eurico Rosa Da Silva. C$60,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, $114,419. *1/2 to Conquest Eclipse (Malibu Moon), MGISP, $169,580.

Sold by Hunter Valley Farm

2--**Dragon Bay**, 118, g, 3, Parading--Cologne, by Horse Chestnut (SAf). ($6,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT). O-Brent & Russell McLellan & Stuart C. Simon; B-Shawhan Place LLC (KY); T-Stuart C. Simon. C$20,000.

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3--**Thatlookonyerface**, 118, g, 3, Summer Bird--Chausie, by Bluegrass Cat. ($17,000 RNA Wlg '13 KEENOV). O-Dominion Bloodstock & Barry Butzer; B-Sun Valley Farm (KY); T-David Cotey. C$11,000. **Cont. p7**

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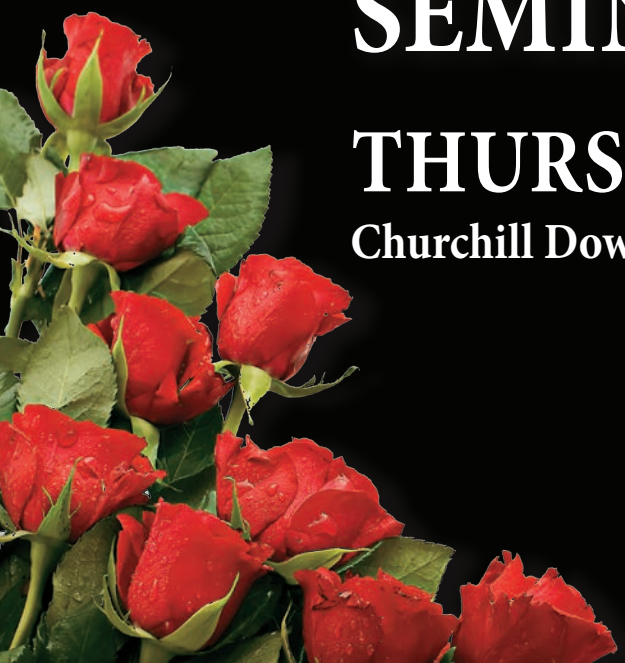

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Margins: NK, 3 1/4, NK. Odds: 3.95, 7.35, 95.85.
Also Ran: *Conquest Windycity, Amis Gizmo, Opening Remark, Conquest Daddyo. *DQ'd from third and placed fourth.

Bear'sway, sixth as a maiden in the grassy GII Summer S. last September, broke through at third asking going seven furlongs over the all-weather here, then successfully stretched to a route when impressively capturing an $80,000 optional claimer Nov. 8. He hadn't been heard from since finishing a close fourth as the 2-1 favorite after pressing the pace in the Display S. Nov. 29.

Bear'sway | *WEG/Burns*

Boasting a very upbeat worktab since late March, including a pair of eye-catching bullets, the bay was backed as the second choice. Bear'sway snuck up an opening along the inside to challenge previously unbeaten 4-5 favorite Amis Gizmo (Giant Gizmo) for command on the clubhouse turn. Bear'sway held a narrow advantage over that rival through a half mile in :47.84, but was under fire as they lined up at the top of the lane. He finally put away Amis Gizmo, but fresh challenger Dragon Bay looked to be going right by in the stretch. Bear'sway never said die, however, and battled back determinedly for a well-deserved career high. Four-time stakes winner Amis Gizmo tired to finish a disappointing fifth in his first start of the season.

"I was very confident," winning rider Eurico da Silva said. "My horse was very well prepared for this race and there was no doubt in my mind he would be very strong for the last quarter and he showed that. He's a wonderful animal and I think this horse is going to get better and better."

The winner was produced by an unraced half-sister to Sweet Damsel (Turkoman), the dam of MGISW Colonel John (Tiznow). In addition to 2014 GI Chandelier S. runner-up Conquest Eclipse (Malibu Moon), he also has a 2-year-old half-brother by Congrats. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

2nd-WO, C$56,700, Msw, 4-24, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :58.59, ft.
+CONQUEST PERFECTLU (c, 3, Majesticperfection--Beautiful Lu, by Gone West) was hammered down to 11-10 along with an entrymate for this debut off a strong series of synthetic works, punctuated by a pair of local five-furlong breezes in :59 4/5 Apr. 7 and Apr. 13. Breaking a touch awkwardly, the bay quickly recovered and shot through along the rail to show the way early. Pushed along by his stablemate through a :22.85 quarter, the $145,000 KEESEP yearling buy worked hard to shake loose from that one past the eighth pole and opened up again before holding off the late run of Papa Zulu (Broken Vow) for a three-quarter length decision. The winner's dam is a half to GSW Everyday Heroes (Awesome Again) and most recently foaled a filly by Oxbow. Sales History: $62,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $26,473. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O-Conquest Stables, LLC; B-Marathon Farms, Inc. (MD); T-Mark E. Casse.

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7th-WO, C$47,400, (S), Msw, 4-24, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.86, ft.
NEIL'S DIAMOND (g, 3, Where's the Ring--Cherry Grove {MSP, $184,309}, by Archers Bay) was thrown into stakes company in his local July 5 debut, finishing a good third in the Clarendon S. at 16-1. He encountered some stretch trouble next out when second to subsequent GII Summer S. winner Conquest Daddyo (Scat Daddy) in a maiden heat July 26 before finishing seventh over track and trip in the Sep. 2 Simcoe S. to finish his 2-year-old season. Back in with maidens here, the homebred was let go at 7-1 and scraped paint in fourth early, about two lengths behind a :22.68 quarter. Patiently ridden on the turn, he split horses approaching the top of the lane and took over from there, easily drawing away from the field for a four-length score. Sales History: C$16,000 RNA Ylg '14 CANSEP. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-1-1-1, $48,468. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
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Sunday's Results:

SURFSIDE S., $75,000, LRC, 4-24, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:09.36, ft.

1--**#UPTOWN TWIRL, 120, f, 3, by Twirling Candy**

1st Dam: Sambuca Classica, by Cat Thief

2nd Dam: In Her Glory, by Miswaki

3rd Dam: Forever Waving, by Hoist the Flag

($110,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; $630,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR). O-Hronis Racing LLC; B-Steven & Brandi Nicholson (KY); T-John W. Sadler; J-Tyler Baze. $45,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, $134,714. *1/2 to Anytime Magic (Fusaichi Pegasus), SW, $175,585. **Fourth stakes winner for sophomore sire (by Candy Ride {Arg}).

Congratulations to John Sadler and the connections of Uptown Twirl! Consigned by Halcyon Hammock Farm

2--**Moment Is Right**, 122, f, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Rite Moment, by Vicar. ($190,000 Ylg '14 FTSAUG). O-Ten Broeck Farm, Inc.; B-Woodford Thoroughbreds (KY); T-Simon Callaghan. $15,000.

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3--**My Dynamo**, 120, f, 3, Discreetly Mine--Dyna Da Wyna, by Doc's Leader. ($55,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP). O-Rusty Brown, Philip Lebherz & Alan Klein; B-Stone Farm (KY); T-Jeff Bonde. $9,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3 1/4, 1. Odds: 4.60, 2.50, 5.20.

Also Ran: Code Warrior, Surfside Tiara.

Uptown Twirl, a first-out winner at Santa Anita last June, was fifth when thrown into graded competition next time out in the GII Sorrento S. and was second behind the reopposing Surfside Tiara (Scat Daddy) in the Oct. 11 Anoakia S. before concluding her juvenile campaign with a fifth-place effort in a Nov. 12 optional claimer at Del Mar. She returned with a Jan. 18 optional claimer victory in Arcadia and was fifth in her turf debut in the Feb. 14 Sweet Life S. last time out. Hustled out to the early lead, Uptown Twirl was clear through an opening quarter in :22.01. Challenged by Moment is Right turning for home, Uptown Twirl fought back bravely along the rail and found another gear in the final sixteenth to earn her first stakes victory. "She didn't like the turf last time," explained winning trainer John Sadler. "She was stakes placed once already, but she's been a little in and out. We've had high hopes for her, so it was kind of important for her to get a stakes win. She had been training well and showed some tenacity today. I told [jockey] Tyler [Baze] she would fight back if challenged." Sambuca Classica's Pioneerof the Nile colt sold for $475,000 at last year's Keeneland September Yearling Sale. She produced a colt by Concord Point in 2015. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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6th-GG, $30,450, Msw, 4-24, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:52.04, fm.

PAIASOLO (c, 4, Pulpit--Paiota Falls {SW, $177,354}, by Kris S.) had not been seen since finishing a well-beaten sixth going 6 1/2 furlongs at Del Mar last August. The tepid 2-1 favorite stalked the pacesetters under heavy restraint through fractions of :23.84 and :49.57. Forced to wait for racing room turning for home, the dark bay colt found a seam to run through in upper stretch and powered to the lead to score an authoritative 3 1/4-length victory. Second choice Run the Show (Street Boss) was second. Paiasolo is a half-brother to Rafting (Tapit, SW & GSP, $159,002), second in this year's GIII Sam F. Davis S. Wertheimer and Frere purchased Paiota Falls, in foal to Pulpit, for $800,000 at the 2008 Fasig-Tipton November sale. The mare is a half-sister to GSP West Coast Swing (Gone West) and GSW Speightster (Speightstown). The winner's third dam is Canadian champion Classy 'n Smart (Smarten), dam of champion Dance Smartly (Danzig). **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $18,250. O/B-Wertheimer and Frere (KY); T-Richard E. Mandella.

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STAKES RESULTS:

JOHN HENRY S., $60,000, EVD, 4-23, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.03, gd.

1--**BENWILL, 116, h, 7, Leestown--Dynaspice, by Dynaformer.** O-Royce G. Roberts; B-E. O. Pickett (LA); T-Jose R. Mendez; J-John Jacinto. $36,000. Lifetime Record: 31-7-2-4, $281,663. *1/2 to The Pickett Factor (Gold Tribute), MSW, $320,890.

2--**Easy Crossing**, 116, h, 7, English Channel--Humoristic, by Sefapiano. ($4,000 Ylg '10 FTKOCT). O-Preston Stables LLC; B-Arturo Peralta Ramos (KY); T-Patrick Devereux, Jr.. $11,400.

3--**Next Event**, 116, g, 5, Smarty Jones--Ina Nic of Time, by Nicholas. O/B-Carl Schexnayder & Harold Babineaux (LA); T-Keith G. Bourgeois. $6,000.

Margins: 1, 2 1/4, 1. Odds: 23.30, 2.40, 4.30.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**6th-AQU, $62,000,** (S), 4-24, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:37.46, fm.

ARAGONITE (c, 3, City Zip--We There Yet, by Ecton Park) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, $78,097. O-William J. Punk, Jr. and Philip DiLeo; B-Dr. & Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau (NY); T-David G. Donk. *$47,000 RNA Wlg '13 KEENOV; $100,000 Ylg '14 FTSAUG. **1/2 to Sun River Jet (Sunriver), SW-Pan & Ven.

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7th-KEE, $55,616, 4-24, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:33.92, fm.
JOHNS KITTEN (g, 4, Kitten's Joy--Lido Lady, by Lido Palace {Chi}) Lifetime Record: SP, 10-3-1-1, $77,520. O-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey; B-Magalen O. Bryant (VA); T-Michael J. Maker.

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**5th-LRC, $53,300,** (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.03, ft.
DIVINA COMEDIA (FR) (m, 5, Footstepsinthesand {GB}--Divine Promesse {Fr}, by Verglas {Ire}) Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 16-3-4-3, $163,172. O-Marsha Naify; B-Haras Du Mezeray S.A. (FR); T-Simon Callaghan. *€20,000 RNA Ylg '12 ARAUG; €130,000 3yo '14 ARQDEC.

8th-LRL, $49,961, (NW3X)/Opt. Clm ($35,000-$40,000), 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.62, fm.
FOREST FUNDS (m, 5, Forestry--Private Funds, by Private Terms) Lifetime Record: 17-7-5-0, $210,868. O-Silver Trail Stables LLC; B-Northwest Stud (FL); T-Danny Gargan.

9th-WO, C$49,100, (S), 4-24, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.80, ft.
SUPER SARAH (m, 5, Giant Gizmo--Bold Tigress, by Bold Executive) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-0, $64,689. O-RCC Racing Stable Ltd.; B-Kurt & Kathi Gsell (ON); T-John Mattine. *C$23,000 Ylg '12 CANSEP.

3rd-GG, $44,992, 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:49.95, fm.
CENTRAL HEAT (m, 7, Unusual Heat--Miss Boomtown, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: MSW, 33-14-3-1, $324,651. O-Dave Del Debbio, William J. Delia & Dana Rocheford; B-Abrams, Huston Racing, Matties Racing, Auerbach (CA); T-William Delia.

9th-LRL, $43,386, 4-24, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:01.77, fm.
FOR FINERY (m, 5, Not For Love--Finery {MGSW, $336,568}, by Lear Fan) Lifetime Record: 15-2-3-3, $83,515. O/B-Althea D. Richards (VA); T-John B. Secor.

9th-SUN, $41,695, (S), 4-24, 3yo/up, 5f, :56.69, ft.
NOT MY NOTE (g, 4, Fusaichi Zenon {Jpn}--Best Note Yet, by Your Eminence) Lifetime Record: 7-4-1-1, $83,711. O-Michael G. Weatherly; B-Michael Weatherly (NM); T-Dan H. Dennison.

6th-IND, $38,000, (S), 4-23, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04.20, ft.
AYE SKIPPER (g, 4, Chief Seattle--Sassy Skipper {MSP, $153,876}, by Skip Away) Lifetime Record: 17-3-1-3, $72,562. O/T-Terry Berns; B-Highpointe Farm & Training Ctr (IN).

9th-GP, $37,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($12,500), 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.34, ft.
DIPLOMATIC AFFAIR (f, 3, First Dude--Wall St Widow, by Hennessy) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, $50,700. O-Joker Racing; B-Hickstead Farm (FL); T-S DiMauro. *$12,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG.

8th-GG, $36,024, 4-23, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.81, ft.
OUTSIDE NASHVILLE (g, 6, Broken Vow--Mary Coughlan, by Gulch) Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP, 32-8-5-5, $352,555. O-John Carver, Jerry Hollendorfer and Green Smith; B-Siena Farms LLC (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer. *$30,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP; $115,000 2yo '12 OBSMAR.

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4th-IND, $36,000, (S), 4-23, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.20, ft.
MR MANNING (g, 3, Greatness--Sotogenic, by Soto) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, $44,400. O-Daniel Bell; B-Larry Goodwin (IN); T-Barbara I. McBride.

6th-GG, $35,064, 4-23, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:11.01, ft.
DIZZY TIZZY (m, 5, Marino Marini--Simply Senseless, by Turkoman) Lifetime Record: 23-6-1-5, $98,223. O-Lawnman II, Inc.; B-Tony Metaxas (CA); T-William Delia.

7th-SUN, $34,555, (S), 4-24, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.08, ft.
BEAUMONT TIME (g, 5, Your Eminence--Tessa Time, by Old Topper) Lifetime Record: MSP, 36-7-5-7, $131,759. O-Luis A. Lujan; B-Michael Weatherly (NM); T-Ramon A. Alvarez. *$5,000 Ylg '12 RUIMIX.

7th-GG, $34,044, (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 4-23, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.25, gd.
MISS BOOM BOOM (f, 4, Run Away and Hide--Heat Street, by Street Cry {Ire}) Lifetime Record: SP, 15-4-4-1, $137,515. O-Jerry Hollendorfer, Steve Melen & Steve Taub; B-Michael Riordan & Aaron Sones (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

7th-IND, $34,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($30,000), 4-23, 3yo, 6f, 1:08.99, ft.
TORAZO (g, 3, El Corredor--Rose Run, by Will's Way) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, $38,970. O/B-Fred & Neil McCrary (KY); T-Joseph D. Davis.

8th-SUN, $30,880, (S), 4-24, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.05, ft.
FANCY STRIPE (g, 4, Firejack--Fort Stanton Lady, by Fort Stanton) Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-1, $43,428. O/B-Derrick W. & Weldon C. Jenkins (NM); T-Gary W. Cross.

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8th-EVD, $29,000, (S), 4-23, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:06.20, ft.
ELEGANT IDEA (f, 3, Private Vow--I Have an Idea, by Pine Bluff) Lifetime Record: 10-3-3-0, $71,650. O-Ovidio Del Cid Orantes; B-Channon Farm, LLC (LA); T-Shelton J. Zenon, Sr. *$1,400 Ylg '14 ESLYRL.

2nd-LS, $26,000, 4-23, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.44, fm.
EXPECT ROYALTY (m, 6, Valid Expectations--Autumn Sky, by Skywalker) Lifetime Record: MSW, 21-11-4-1, $242,050. O-Loyana Pollok; B/T-Leroy J. Pollok (TX).

6th-EVD, $24,700, 4-23, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m (off turf), 1:39.48, ft.
FUTURE EXPRESS (c, 4, Fusaichi Pegasus--Way Fleeter, by Will's Way) Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-0, $34,410. O-Preston Stables LLC; B-Jerry Sztendera (KY); T-Patrick Devereux, Jr. *$20,000 Wlg '12 KEENOV; $22,000 RNA Ylg '13 KEESEP.

7th-LS, $22,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($18,000), 4-24, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39.68, ft.
GENTLEMAN'S HONOR (g, 6, A.P. Indy--Ready's Gal {MGSW & GISP, $609,959}, by More Than Ready) Lifetime Record: 32-7-5-4, $144,784. O-Thomas Julian; B-Courtlandt Farm (KY); T-Allen Milligan. *1/2 to Machen (Distorted Humor), GSW, $216,530.

5th-LS, $22,000, 4-23, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5fT, :57.27, fm.
IMA DINGDONG DADDY (c, 3, Scat Daddy--Northeast Harbor, by Northern Afleet) Lifetime Record: 9-2-3-1, $41,150. O-Cents of Humor Stable; B-Hugh Moore (KY); T-Larry Stroope.

6th-LS, $22,000, 4-23, (NW2L), 3/4yo, 1m, 1:41.01, ft.
TARASENKO (g, 4, Flashy Bull--Mississippi Blues, by Silver Ghost) Lifetime Record: 13-2-2-2, $46,708. O-Keene Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Buck Pond Farm, Inc. (KY); T-J. R. Caldwell. *$14,000 RNA Ylg '13 OBSWIN; $50,000 Ylg '13 FTKOCT.

8th-EMD, $21,800, 4-23, (C), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:06.86 (NTR), ft.
KAABRAAJ (g, 4, Abraaj--Kaaaching, by River Special) Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-3, $72,788. O-Horseplayers Racing Club 240, Woodway Stable & Warlock Stables; B-Clemans View Farm (WA); T-Jeffrey Metz. *1/2 to Follow the Lite (Lite the Fuse), MSW, $247,290.

2nd-TAM, $21,600, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 4-24, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.44, ft.
SPRINGMEIER (g, 4, Graeme Hall--Cool Cara, by Housebuster) Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-0, $57,445. O/B-Robert D. Gibson (FL); T-John G Vinson.

8th-EMD, $21,200, 4-24, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:02.13, ft.
ESTELLARA (f, 4, Henrythenavigator--Nicole's Dream {MSW, $826,454}, by Northern Trend) Lifetime Record: 17-2-5-2, $63,535. O-Rozamund Barclay; B-Dare To Dream Stable LLC (KY); T-Len Kasmerski. *$52,000 Ylg '13 KEEJAN; $50,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP; $75,000 2yo '14 BARMAR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

It's Just Bob, c, 3, **Big Drama**--Margie's Magic, by Tiger Ridge. LRC, 4-24, (C), 6f, 1:09.67. B-Verbarctic Farm (FL). *$44,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; $35,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR; $110,000 2yo '15 BARMAY.

Omi, f, 3, **Rosberg**--Groovy Minister, by Deputy Minister. HST, 4-24, 6f, 1:11.90. B-Tod Mtn. Thoroughbreds (BC). *C$43,000 Ylg '14 BRCSEP.

Forever Plus, f, 3, **U S Ranger**--Persevere, by Southern Image. AQU, 4-24, (C), 1mT, 1:39.01. B-Preston Madden (KY).

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Lassie's Victor, g, 3, Victor's Cry--J. D's Lassie, by Highland Ruckus. WO, 4-24, (S), 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:19.76. B-Craig Cameron (ON). *1/2 to Jesters Jazz (Mr. Jester), SW, $126,992.

Gone Preachin, g, 4, **Corinthian**--Western Side (SP), by Gone West. LS, 4-23, 1m, 1:41.54. B-Starfish Stable, LLC & Corinthian Syndicate (AR). *$2,500 Ylg '13 KEEJAN.

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Bankers Holiday, c, 4, **Harlan's Holiday**--Storm the Church, by Pulpit. KEE, 4-24, (C), 7f, 1:24.00. B-Dapple Bloodstock & Nellie Mae Cox (KY). *$110,000 Wlg '12 FTKNOV; $250,000 Ylg '13 FTSAUG. **1/2 to Oryetta (Henrythenavigator), GSP-Ity.

Grace and Truth, g, 4, **Kafwain**--Bless Idbyour Name (SP), by Valid Wager. SUN, 4-23, 6f, 1:10.52. B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA).

Prohibition Repeal, g, 5, **Benchmark**--Isit Still Legal (MSP), by Wild Deputy. LRC, 4-24, (S), (C), 6f, 1:09.71. B-Leigh Ann Howard (CA). *$5,500 Ylg '12 NCAAUG.

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Date	Race	Track
4/29	GIII Bewitch S.	KEE
4/30	GIII Miami Mile H.	GP
	GIII San Francisco Mile	GG
5/5	GII Royal Heroine S.	SA

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WEEKLY WRAP WITH CHRIS MCGRATH

Midterm after landing the G3 bet365 Classic Trial S. at Sandown Park Apr. 20 | *Racing Post*

For the two trainers most vexed by the provocative celebrations of Mikael Barzalona on Pour Moi (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) in 2011, the Derby has become a source of deeply contrasting fortunes. Aidan O'Brien, whose front-running outsider Treasure Beach (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) was only caught on the line, came back and saddled the next three winners. For Sir Michael Stoute, things have been very different. Carlton House (Street Cry {Ire}) was beaten under a length that day, having started favourite to emulate his stablemate, Workforce (GB) (King's Best), the previous year. Freemason Lodge has not mustered a single Derby runner since.

This time round, however, both men already appear to have legitimate hopes of winning a sixth Derby--and so coming within touching distance of the record of seven, currently shared by three past titans in John Porter, Fred Darling and Robert Robson.

O'Brien, once again, has a hand packed with aces by his employers' champion stallion Galileo (Ire). In the circumstances, then, it would be difficult to overstate the importance to Stoute of the marker laid down on Friday by a Galileo colt of his own. A son of the multiple Group 1 winner Midday (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), **Midterm (GB)** could hardly have made a deeper impression within the superficial limitations of his performance in the G3 Bet365 Classic Trial. **Cont. p2**

A 'WERTH'-Y WINNER OF THE QE II

by Alan Carasso

Sunday's G1 Audemars Piguet Queen Elizabeth II Cup at Sha Tin was mooted to be one of the strongest renewals in the race's history, having attracted no fewer than seven Group 1 winners from Hong Kong, Ireland, Japan, Australia and South Africa, via Dubai. The horse with arguably the greatest upside heading into the race was **Werther (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}), who had done nothing wrong in four tries over the Sha Tin turf, having already proven himself in Australasia prior to his arrival in Hong Kong. Could Werther become the latest 4-year-old sensation to prove his mettle against established older gallopers? No one would have ruled out that possibility, but the Hong Kong Derby hero turned the QE II into a demolition derby, making his rivals look fairly ordinary in winning the HK$20-million event by 4 1/2 imperious lengths. The margin of victory, achieved over a course given a rare downgrade to yielding, was the second-largest in the history of the race, dating back to Quicken Away in 1990. **Cont. p11**

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BROWN'S DERBY DUO WORK

*Chad Brown sent out '**TDN Rising Stars**' **My Man Sam** (Trappe Shot) and **Shagaf** (Bernardini) out to work at Churchill Sunday.*

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THE WEEKLY WRAP by Chris McGrath

If it seemed curious that he should have arrived at Sandown as one of two colts heading the Epsom market with just a maiden win to his name--the other being O'Brien's **US Army Ranger (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire})--then how much more so that he should have achieved this advance billing as such a notoriously lazy worker. Yet this want of style at home is matched by a persuasive substance in his public deeds.

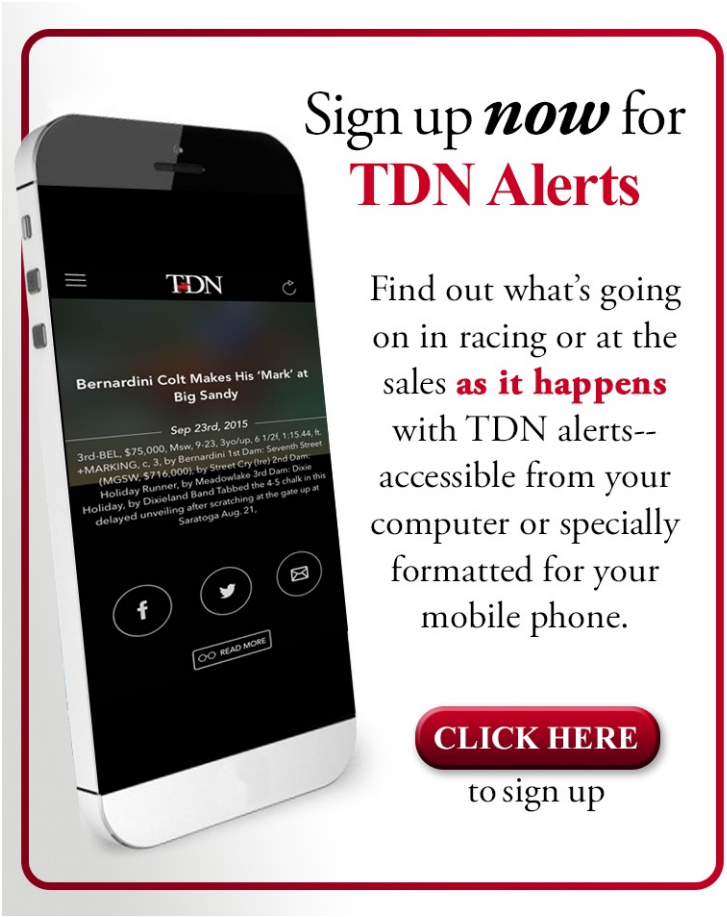
On the face of it, you could not get too carried away after seeing him driven out to beat another maiden winner by a length and a half. But it is not just his pedigree, nor the expertise of his supervision from foaling shed onwards, that give Midterm the highborn air of a colt who just seems to belong naturally in the Derby equation. The latent positives in his Sandown performance together leave an irresistible sense that he has so far disclosed only the tip of an iceberg.

These include: an outstanding time, relative to four other races on the card over the distance (including a group race contested by older horses); the likelihood that the runner-up, **Algometer (GB)** (Archipenko), will himself prove a smart middle-distance colt after pulling eight lengths clear of the third; the certainty that the tacky conditions were inimical to a colt of such transparent quality and athleticism; and the suspicion that Ryan Moore was only obliged to use the whip at all, after challenging more or less on the bridle, to get the attention of a colt whose indolent disposition remains aggravated, at this stage, by inexperience.

His whole demeanour suggests that Midterm to be just the kind of racing machine you would hope to produce from such a mating. Stoute laments that his sleepy nature makes him difficult to educate at home; but the colt certainly comes alive at the track, on his toes as soon as he was saddled and showing ample commitment through the race. Having pricked his ears and edged right, once in front, it is easy to envisage his next start--either at Chester or York--making him so much more streetwise that he would not necessarily have to win, especially if confined to 10 furlongs, to advance his cause.

Zarak: So Far So Good...

Midterm had strong competition as the best-bred winner of the week, with '**TDN Rising Star' Zarak (Fr)** (Dubawi {Ire}) maintaining his own immaculate start at Maisons-Laffitte on Tuesday. The first foal of the champion Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar) to make it onto the track, he treated a conditions race over the straight mile as little more than a piece of work, produced fairly late under hands and heels by Christophe Soumillon and always holding another hitherto unbeaten colt, **George Patton** (War Front), by a neck.



It must be said that the runner-up, who disappeared after beating a subsequent Group 1 winner last summer, displayed an awkward head carriage when himself asked to quicken. Whether still green or nervous of some mental or physical pain barrier, the race was over before he could bear down on the winner. Be that as it may, Zarak showed a smooth turn of foot and, seeming only to switch leads in the shadow of the post, evidently has more to come. Alain de Royer-Dupre appears in no doubt that the colt has the raw class for the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains at Deauville, though it remains to be seen how he will cope with faster ground later in the season.

Zarak | *Scoop Dyga*

Less obvious antecedents sustain the rise of **Dicton (GB)** (Lawman {GB}), who counted Zarak's stablemate **Vedevani (Fr)** (Dubawi {Ire}) among his victims when narrowly winning the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau at Chantilly the next day. Claimed for just €22,000 last autumn by Gianluca Bietolini, he has made such prodigious strides that he could yet be supplemented for Deauville. Cont. p3

Weekly Wrap Cont.

The fillies' trial on the same card, once won by Zarkava herself, produced an impressive winner in **Qemah (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {GB}). Gassy early, despite what seemed a decent tempo, she was nonetheless able to produce a really energetic finish and will surely have a major say in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches.

Qemah | *Scoop Dyga*

A Famous Week for Famous Mothers...

Twenty-four hours after Zarak made it two wins in two starts, **So Mi Dar (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) did exactly the same in the Investec Derby Trial at Epsom. As a result, her dam Dar Re Mi (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}) once again followed honourably in the slipstream of Zarkava, just as she did when they contested the G1 Prix Vermeille of 2008.

Receiving five pounds from the colts, the neatly built So Mi Dar coped nimbly with the hill and this early reconnaissance will give her an advantage over most should she return for the G1 Investec Oaks--for which she is now as short as 6-1 second favourite--after her next rehearsal at York. John Gosden told Frankie Dettori that he was on no account to use the whip on a filly who had won her sole start at Windsor last autumn, and the jockey denied himself any temptation by dropping it early in the straight. She took a little organising after that, and drifted down the camber once working her way into the lead, but overall looks a highly proficient type and it was encouraging that she was able to get there more or less under her own steam after proving quite fresh in the early stages.

The champion trainer has suspected for some time that his 3-year-old fillies could have rather more depth than his colts this year, but cautioned that **Swiss Range (GB)** (Zamindar) may not be so eligible an Oaks type despite heading for a trial at Newmarket this weekend. A five-length maiden winner at the Craven meeting, she inclines Gosden to view 10 furlongs as the limit of her stamina.

Palmer Promoted in the Home Guard...

Entering Guineas week, the force remains unmistakably with Ballydoyle. The defection of '**TDN Rising Star**' **Emotionless (Ire)** (Shamardal) leaves the season's first Classic in the ever tighter grip of **Air Force Blue** (War Front)--and Godolphin, for all its amorphous expansion, suffering familiar springtime pangs. The O'Brien juveniles have also landed running, with **Caravaggio** (Scat Daddy) making an eye-catching start as one of four winners for the stable at Dundalk last Monday.

It would be nice to think that he could make a Royal Ascot colt and, as such, a fitting bequest from the sire whose sudden loss shocked his owners in December.

But the home defence has an increasingly formidable bulwark these days in Hugo Palmer, whose breathless rise can be measured by a squad of no fewer than 90 juveniles this term. One of them, a glistening black beauty named **Hyperfocus (Ire)** (Intense Focus), won by five lengths at Leicester on Saturday, where Palmer also saddled the 4-year-old **Home Of The Brave (Ire)** (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) for a striking success in listed company. In a career of fits and starts to date, this colt has occasionally hinted at elite calibre and could yet make his big breakthrough in the G1 Al Shaqab Lockinge S. next month.

Air Force Blue | *Racing Post*

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SIMPLE VERSE HAS NEWMARKET OPTION

Simple Verse (Ire) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}) provided ample thrills and spills for connections last year and no doubt they would settle for a similar campaign this year with the 4-year-old as she bids to launch her season, potentially this week. Having been sensationally thrown out of the G1 Ladbrokes St Leger at Doncaster only for a successful appeal that got the decision reversed, she then confirmed her class with a victory over Journey (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G1 QIPCO British Champions Fillies And Mares S. at Ascot in October. The filly, owned by the partnership of Qatar Racing, Sheikh Suhaim Al Thani and Mohammed Al Kubaisi, will get an entry in next weekends G2 Jockey Club S. at Newmarket with trainer Ralph Beckett keen to start the filly, but only if he feels she is ready to do herself justice.

Simple Verse | *Racing Post*

"Simple Verse is good. She worked on Thursday morning and we will have another close look at her in the middle of next week," said Beckett. "The plan is to go for the Jockey Club Stakes, but it's possible that if I didn't think she was ready she could go for the Aston Park S. [May 14]. I know she would have to carry a seven-pound penalty there, but that is irrelevant as she needs to have a run before the [G1] Coronation Cup [June 4]," added the trainer.

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Sunday, Rome, Italy

PREMIO REGINA ELENA-G3, €143,000, CAP, 4-24, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:36.4, gd.

1--**@CONSELICE (GB), 124, f, 3, by Showcasing (GB)**
1st Dam: Dictatrix (GB), by Diktat (GB)
2nd Dam: Apennina, by Gulch
3rd Dam: Blus Daisy (GSW-Ity), by Shahrastani
(4,200gns Wlg '13 TATDEC; €25,000 Ylg '14 TISSEP). O-Stefano Botti; B-Jackie Penny (GB); T-Alduino & Stefano Botti; J- Silvano Mulas. €55,250. Lifetime Record: 7-4-1-2 €88,740. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A+.**

2--**La Trinacria**, 124, f, 3, Harlan's Holiday--Almeria Gal (El Prado {Ire}). ($55,000 Ylg ' 14 KEESEP; $47,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR). O-Teresa Viola Racing Stable; B-Patchen Wilkes Farm; T-Agostino Affe. €24,310.

Purchased by Ital-Cal Horse Management, Inc.

Trained at Crupi's New Castle Farm

3--**Eternity Star (Ire)**, 124, f, 3, Baltic King (GB)--Bacchanalia (Ire), by Blues Traveller. (€3,500 2yo '15 GORMAY). O-Leonardo Ingoglia & Antonella Pavoncelli; B-Tally Ho Stud (Ire). €13,260.

Margins: 1, 1, HD. Odds: 7.02, 18.36, 45.66.

Also Ran: Endless Summer (Ity), Valuta Pregiata (GB), Aquila Solitaria (Ire), Roderic Queen (Ire), Al Hayyah (Ire), Leader Queen (GB), Naldina (Ire), Victim Of Love (Ity). **Click for the Racing Post Result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Hippoweb Video.**

Conselice provided Stefano Botti with double the reason to celebrate as owner and co-trainer in the G3 Premio Regina Elena (Italian 1000 Guineas). The grey filly, who opened her account in November on her fourth start remains unbeaten this season. She followed an easy win at Pisa, Feb. 28 with her first stakes triumph in the Listed Premio Seregno three weeks ago. On Sunday, Conselice jumped alertly from gate 11 and travelled smoothly in fourth while the 9/10 favourite Victim Of Love (Ity) (Ramonti {Fr}) set a strong pace, but tired 500 metres from home. Conselice picked up well when asked by Silvano Mulas and was challenged by the American-owned La Trinacria in the final furlong. Conselice found extra however, and scored nicely over La Trinacria with the Sicilian-trained Eternity Star (Ire) (Baltic King {GB}) in third. Al Shaqab Racing's first runner in Italy, Al Hayyah (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), faded to finish eighth.

Conselice | *ITM*

Winning trainer Stefano Botti said, "Conselice improved a lot during the winter, she is a big and strong filly and needed her time. I am very pleased with her and I think she should stay a bit further." Conselice is the eighth group winner and the first Classic winner by Showcasing (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), who started his stud career for £5,000 in 2011 and now stands at £25,000 at Whitsbury Manor Stud. The dam Dictatrix won once at two and Conselice is her first winner from three foals.

Sunday, Rome, Italy

PREMIO PARIOLI - G3, €143,000, CAP, 4.24, 3yo, c, 8fT, 1:35.8, gd.

1--**POETA DILETTO (GB), 128, c, 3, by Poet's Voice (GB)**
1st Dam: Mia Diletta (GB) (MSW & GSP-Ity $145,734), by Selkirk
2nd Dam: Maschera D'Oro (GB), by Mtoto (GB)
3rd Dam: La Maschera (Fr), by Belmez.
O/B- Scuderia Blueberry (GB); T-Alduino & Stefano Botti; J-Andre Atzeni. €55,250. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-1 €96,832. *1/2 to Mia Eccellenza (GB) (Exceed And Excel [Aus}) SP-Ity $44,553. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: C.**

2--**Qatar Dream (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, Makfi (GB)--Baine (Fr), by Country Reel. (€140,000 Ylg '14 ARQAUG). O-Sheikh Abdulla Bin Khalifa Al Thani; B-Skymarc Farm-Ire; T-Francois Rohaut. €24,310.

3--**Saent (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, Strategic Prince (GB)--Eroica (Ger), by Highest Honor (Fr). (€35,000 Ylg '14 SGSSEL). O-Scuderia Incolinx; B-Azienda Agricola La Morosina (Ire); T-Il Cavallo In Testa. €13,260.

Margins: HD, 2HF, SHD. Odds: 4.33, 2.37, 3.95.

Also Ran: Lucan Sweet (Ity), Michele Strogoff (GB), Nice Name (Ire), Basileus (Ire), Voice Of Love (Ire), Giogiobbo (GB), Irishman Mark (Ire), Dylan Dancing (Ire), Neruda (Ire), Gagner Sa Vie (Ity), Exclusive Potion (Fr), Don Aurelio (Ire), Staisenzapensieri (Ire). **Click for the Racing Post Result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Hippoweb Video.**

Poeta Diletto became the first Classic winner for his sire Poet's Voice (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and set a new race record in the G3 Premio Parioli, the Italian 2000 Guineas, Sunday. The addition of cheekpieces turned out to be a winning move for the chestnut colt, who won the G3 Premio Berardelli over 1800 metres at two and was bested by Saent, albeit conceding weight, in the Listed Premio Gardone three weeks ago. Andrea Atzeni rode a masterful race on Poeta Diletto, who shadowed the pacesetter Dylan Dancing (Ire) (Dylan Thomas {Ire}). The Italian jockey challenged in the last 600 metres and found the right answer from the colt, who bravely held the sustained drive of the French raider Qatar Dream (Ire) (Makfi {GB}). The pair came home eight tenths of a second faster than the champion Ramonti (Fr) (Martino Alonso {Ire}) in the 2005 G2 Premio Parioli. Cont. p5

G3 Premior Parioli Cont.

A tilt at the G2 Derby Italiano is now an option for Poeta Diletto. "He has some stamina from the female line and the Derby is everybody's dream, but the decision is Alduino and Stefano Botti's," said Isabella Bezzera, who bred and owns the winner with her husband Guido. Poeta Diletto is a half-brother to the stakes placed Mia Eccellenza (GB) (Exceed And Excel (Aus)). Their dam Mia Diletta won a couple of listed races at two and is from a female line developed by the Bezzeras since the early 90's, when they purchased the fourth dam Foretaste (Forli {Arg}).

Sunday, Chantilly, France

PRIX DE BARBEVILLE-G3, €80,000, CHY, 4-24, 4yo/up, 15fT, 3:18.13, g/s.

1--**FLY WITH ME (FR), 125, h, 6, by Beat Hollow (GB)**
1st Dam: Bird of Paradise (Fr) (SP-Fr, $295,626), by Highest Honor (Fr)
2nd Dam: Kaldance (Fr), by Kaldoun (Fr)
3rd Dam: Violet Dancer (Fr), by Fabulous Dancer
O-Ecurie Luck; B-Haras de la Barbottiere (FR); T-Eric Libaud; J-Maxime Guyon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 24-9-3-2, €322,400. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree**. **Werk Nick Rating: B**.

2--**Candarliya (Fr)**, 126, f, 4, Dalakhani (Ire)--Candara (Fr) by Barathea (Ire). O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (FR). T-Alain de Royer-Dupre. €16,000.

3--**Trip to Rhodos (Fr)**, 125, g, 7, Rail Link (GB)--Tropical Mark (GB), by Mark of Esteem (Ire). (€40,000 Ylg '10 AROCT). O-Charvat Group SRO; B-Haras St James & Yves Elliot (FR); T-Pavel Tuma. €12,000.

Margins: NK, 1 3/4, HF. Odds: 3.90, 2.90, 17.40.

Also Ran: Kicky Blue (Ger), Walzertakt (Ger), Soriano (GB), Kloud Gate (Fr), Alex My Boy (Ire), Prince Nomad (Fr), Mille et Mille (GB), Keen Glance (Ire), Shimrano (Ger). Scratched: Big Blue (GB). **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.

Third in this race at its traditional Longchamp home two years ago and runner-up last term, Fly With Me came good at the third attempt to add to his prior pattern-race win in the G2 Prix Vicomtesse Vigier there in May 2014. Also successful in the G3 Prix Gladiateur at Longchamp in September, the grey was later stripped of that race due to a prohibited substance being discovered and signed off his latest campaign with a 10th in the G1 Prix Royal-Oak at Saint-Cloud in late October. Returning to win back-to-back renewals of the Listed Prix Right Royal at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 1, he broke well here before being settled in fifth. Sent alongside Candarliya passing the furlong pole, he gained the edge with 100 metres remaining en route to a hard-earned success.

"He's been knocking on the door in this race and needs to run fresh," jockey Maxime Guyon said. "When he's fit and fresh like that, he can deliver his turn of foot. He's a straightforward horse to ride and I will imagine he'll go for the [G2 Prix] Vicomtesse Vigier [at Saint-Cloud May 29], but we'll see. When he's been tried at the top level before, he's always found it difficult."

Fly With Me | *Scoop Dyga*

First Stakes Winner for Sire

Sunday, Krefeld, Germany

RENNEN UM DEN PREIS DER SWK STADTWERKE (DR BUSCH-MEMORIAL)-G3, €55,000, KRE, 4-24, 3yo, 8 1/2fT, 1:43.36, gd.

1--**#@MILLOWITSCH (IRE), 128, c, 3, by Sehrezad (Ire)**
1st Dam: Muriel (Ire) (GSP-Ger), by Fath
2nd Dam: Hoodwink (Ire), by Selkirk
3rd Dam: Mild Intrigue, by Sir Ivor
(€17,000 RNA Ylg '14 BBAGO). O/B-Dr Alexandra Margarete Renz (GER); T-Markus Klug; J-Andreas Helfenbein. €32,000. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-1, €168,500. *1st stakes winner for sire (by Titus Livius {Fr}). **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree**.

2--**El Loco (Ger)**, 128, c, 3, Lope de Vega (Ire)--Elora (Ger), by Alkalde (Ger). (€16,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS). O/B-Gestut Rottgen (GER); T-Markus Klug. €12,000.

3--**Noor Al Hawa (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, Makfi (GB)--Majestic Roi, by Street Cry (Ire). O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (FR); T-Andreas Wohler. €6,000.

Margins: NO, 2 1/4, 1 3/4. Odds: 3.30, 3.30, 2.10.

Also Ran: Capitano (Ger), Parthenius (Ger), Molly King (Ger), Jarahi (Ire), Volcancito (Swi). **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.

Unbeaten bar a third in the G3 Baden-Badener Zukunftsrennen in September, Millowitsch had finished his 2-year-old season with a win in the €200,000 Ferdinand Leisten-Memorial at Baden-Baden the following month and returned with a game effort to register a first black-type success here. He gave his sire (by Titus Livius {Fr}), who won three races at the group level in Germany, his initial stakes winner from just 15 foals. Settled behind the front pair throughout the early stages, the dark bay tried a run up the inner of the long-time leader El Loco and when that door shut, switched around that rival and collared him in the shade of the post.

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Sunday's Results:

1st-THI, £6,000, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo, 5fT, 1:01.07, gd.
SANAADH (GB) (c, 3, Exceed and Excel {Aus}--Queen's Logic {Ire} {Hwt. 2yo Filly & G1SW-Eng, $288,129}, by Grand Lodge), nine-lengths second to the subsequently listed-placed Scrutineer (Ire) (Intense Focus) over six furlongs when last seen at Newmarket in October, raced behind the early leaders and was at work at halfway. Grinding his way to the front when driven along with a furlong remaining, the 4-1 second favourite held off Corridor Kid (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) to prevail by a neck. Sanaadh is out of the brilliant juvenile of 2001 Queen's Logic, who was injured early in her Classic year and was unable to meet her full potential. She is a half-sister to the former Ballydoyle heavyweight Dylan Thomas (Ire), as well as that establishment's wildly impressive G1 1000 Guineas heroine Homecoming Queen (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) and also the G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up Remember When (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), later the dam of last year's G2 Kilboy Estate S. winner and G1 Nassau S. runner-up Wedding Vow (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and the G2 Beresford S. third Beacon Rock (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Queen's Logic has produced a high-class sprinter in Lady of the Desert (Rahy), Hwt. 3yo Filly-Eng at 5-7f, MGSW & MG1SP-Eng, G1SP-Fr, $488,177, and has the 2-year-old colt King's Advice (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and a yearling colt by Sepoy (Aus) to represent her still. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $7,055. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-J. Abdullah; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (GB); T-R. A. Fahey.

1st-MUS, £5,000, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo/up, 8f 2yT, 1:40.61, g/f.
HUNTLAW (GB) (g, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Attraction {GB} {Hwt. 2yo Filly-Eng, Hwt. 3yo Filly-Ire at 7-9f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 7-9f, MG1SW-Eng & Ire, $1,583,910}, by Efisio {GB}), who was too green when a distant sixth on debut over six furlongs on debut at Ayr in October, was sharp this time to take the early lead exhibiting the same enthusiastic galloping style of his outstanding dam. Caught and passed by Amazement (Ger) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) inside the final two furlongs, the 6-1 shot went over a half-length down but stuck in there against the rail and was able to regain the advantage close home and win ultimately snugly by a neck. The ground-breaking Attraction, who was the first to complete the treble of G1 English and Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Coronation S. before going on to win the G1 Sun Chariot S. and G1 Matron S., has already produced Cushion (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), MGSP-US & MSP-Eng, $169,111, and also this winner's full-brother Fountain of Youth (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), GSW-Ire, while she has a yearling colt by Frankel (GB) waiting in the wings. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $4,657. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-Duke of Roxburghe; B-Floors Farming (GB); T-Mark Johnston.

Saturday Night's Result:

6th-WOL, £5,000, Mdn, 4-23, 3yo/up, 8f 141y (AWT), 1:47.93, st.
MUZDAWAJ (GB) (c, 3, Dansili {GB}--Shabiba {SW & GSP-Eng}, by Seeking the Gold), last seen finishing a well-beaten runner-up over a mile at Redcar in October, was anchored in fifth initially. Pushed along towards the end of the back straight, the 5-2 second favourite was delivered with a strong staying effort to overhaul Divisionist (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) with over a half-furlong left and assert for a half-length verdict. A half-brother to Ertijaal (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), SW-Eng, SW & G1SP-UAE, $732,954, Muzdawaj also has a 2-year-old half-sister Naafer (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) and a yearling full-sister. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $6,660. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited (GB); T-William Haggas.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Top of The Bank (GB), g, 3, **Piccolo (GB)**--America Lontana (Fr), by King's Theatre (Ire). THI, 4-24, 6fT, 1:16.78. B-Mr D. Carroll (GB). *£20,000 Ylg '14 DNSIL.

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Sunday's Results:

IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF VICTOR MCCALMONT MEMORIAL S.-Listed, €55,000, GOW, 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f 100yT, 2:01.64, gd.
1--**BOCCA BACIATA (IRE), 138, f, 4, Big Bad Bob (Ire)--Sovana (Ire) (GSP-Fr), by Desert King (Ire)**. (€230,000 Ylg '13 GOFORB). O-Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd; B-Citadel Stud (IRE); T-Jessica Harrington; J-Colm O'Donoghue. €32,450. Lifetime Record: GSW-Ire, 12-4-0-3, $200,120. *1/2 to Topeka (Ire) (Whipper), GSW & G1SP-Fr, $211,658; & to Kalsa (Ire) (Whipper), GSW-Fr.
2--**Discipline (GB)**, 121, f, 3, Dansili (GB)--Fame at Last, by Quest for Fame (GB). O-Khalid Abdullah. €10,450.
3--**Steip Amach (Ire)**, 135, f, 4, Vocalised--Ceist Eile (Ire), by Noverre. (€300,000 RNA 3yo '15 GOFCMP). O-Mrs J S Bolger. €4,950.
Margins: HD, 6, HF. Odds: 1.50, 1.75, 14.00.
Also Ran: Duchess Andorra (Ire), Rivers Of Babylon (Ire), Orica (Ire), Flirt (Ire), Ebayya (Ire).

Successful in a strong edition of the Listed Salsabil S. at Navan 12 months ago, Bocca Baciata was a touch disappointing when only fifth in the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas at The Curragh in May before flopping on quick ground when ninth in the June 18 G3 Tercentenary S. at a mile and a quarter at Royal Ascot in June. **Cont. p7**

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Rebounding with a third placing in the nine-furlong G2 Kilboy Estate S. back at The Curragh in July, the dark bay stayed at that track and trip to win the G3 Dance Design S. with authority the following month prior to filling third spot in the G2 Blandford S. at 10 furlongs again in Kildare in September. Fifth in the G1 QIPCO British Champions Fillies & Mares S. trying a mile and a half on Ascot's Champions Day, she returned to be fourth in the Listed Alleged S. back at 10 furlongs on another visit to The Curragh last time Apr. 3 looking in need of a confidence boost. Held up in rear early by Colm O'Donoghue, Bocca Bacciata, who has a yearling half-brother by Dutch Art (GB), arrived widest of all to swamp her rivals passing the quarter pole and was heavily eased when clear to give favourite-backers a few concerns as the post arrived. "I thought she was entitled to win today, even giving the weight away," trainer Jessie Harrington said. "She's in a lot of races, I'll talk to everybody and see what they want to do." Discipline's rider Pat Smullen was impressed with the effort of the runner-up, who had won her maiden by 7 1/2 lengths here earlier in the month. "She ran an excellent race and that was almost like her first race, as she learned very little here when winning impressively," he said. "She was a bit raw with me off the bridle, so it was a huge run for an inexperienced filly." **Click for the Racing Post result**. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.

5th-GOW, €14,000, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f 100yT, 2:03.70, gd.
SHAMREEN (IRE) (f, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Shareen {Ire} {GSW-Ire, $147,264}, by Bahri), runner-up last time to Ballydoyle's Somehow (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), the daughter of Alexandrova (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), over 10 furlongs at Leopardstown Apr. 6, was sent to the lead soon after the start. Hassled by Shes An Art (Ire) (Excellent Art {GB}) up the straight, the 8-11 favourite was too strong in the closing stages and had eked out a 2 1/4-length margin at the line. "She'd had two very good runs and she's a lovely filly who will go further in time," jockey Pat Smullen said. "There is improvement in her, as she's a big immature filly." The dam, who is a half to the GSW Sharestan (Ire) (Shamardal), has a 2-year-old colt Shahroze (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), and a yearling filly by Rip Van Winkle (Ire). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, $14,432. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-H.H. Aga Khan; B-His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs S.C. (IRE); T-Dermot Weld.

1st-GOW, €11,500, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:28.89, gd.
+TONY THE GENT (IRE) (g, 3, Kodiac {GB}--Becuille {Ire}, by Redback {GB}), sent off at 14-1, was forced to settle towards the rear from his unfavourable wide draw. Still wide off the turn, the €29,000 GOFNOV foal and €70,000 GOFORB yearling showed an admirable attitude to reel in the front-runners and deny Ballydoyle's $1.3-million KEESEP graduate Schubert (War Front) on the line for a head success. Landikusic (Ire) (Dansili {GB}), the 700,000gns TATOCT full-sister to Zoffany (Ire), performed with much promise meeting trouble in running en route to a staying-on fifth. The winner's dam Becuille, who is a half-sister to the G1 Middle Park S. and G1 Prix Morny-winning sire Bushranger (Ire), has a yearling colt by Epaulette (Aus). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $7,941. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-Sean Jones; B-MCR Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Ger Lyons.

8th-GOW, €11,000, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo, c/g, 9f 100yT, 2:05.73, gd.
+EZANAK (IRE) (c, 3, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Ebaza {Ire}, by Sinndar {Ire}), who brought sustained support into 8-11 favouritism, was a touch sluggish from the gates but soon held a stalking position. Cajoled to the lead before the three-furlong pole, the homebred was not asked a serious question as he registered a comfortable 1 1/4-length success from Radar O'Reilly (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). "He's a nice colt and had been working nicely. He was backward last year, but has matured a lot and hopefully that patience will pay dividends," trainer Dermot Weld said. "We'll find a winners'-of-one [race] for him in a few weeks. He'd not mind going up to a mile and a half, as there is a nice bit of stamina in his pedigree." Ezanak, who is a half-brother to Emiyna (Maria's Mon), GSW-Ire, is a grandson of the highly influential Ebaziya (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}). Under her auspices are The Queen's G1 Gold Cup heroine Estimate (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}), Enzeli (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}), who won the same race for the Aga Khan, the G1 Irish Oaks and G1 Prix Royal-Oak winner Ebadiyla (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and G1 Moyglare Stud S. scorer Edabiya (Ire) (Rainbow Quest). Ebaza's 2014 foal also by Sea the Stars (Ire) unfortunately died. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $7,595. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-H.H. Aga Khan; B-His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs S.C. (IRE); T-Dermot Weld.

CONDITIONS RESULT:
7th-GOW, €16,000, 4-24, 3yo, 9f 100yT, 2:06.04, gd.
MINT CHAI (IRE) (g, 3, Roderic O'Connor {Ire}--Tea Chest {Ire}, by In the Wings {GB}) Lifetime Record: 9-3-3-1, $68,347. O-Sean Jones; B-Norelands Bloodstock (IRE); T-Ger Lyons. *€15,000 Wlg '13 GOFNOV; 33,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT.

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4.35 Naas, Mdn, €15,500, 2yo, 6fT

BEAN FEASA (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) represents Godolphin and Jim Bolger and is an early-starting half-sister to the trainer's homebred sensation Teofilo (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who carried all before him during his only season of racing 10 years ago before proving a hit at stud. Among those she meets on her first racing encounter is Moyglare Stud's **All Crazy Now (Ire) (Dutch Art {GB})**, a Dermot Weld-trained grandson of the 2002 GI Matriarch S. heroine Dress To Thrill (Ire) (Danehill).

5.20 Wolverhampton, Mdn, £4,500, 2yo, 5f 216y (AWT)

ROSELAND (First Defence) represents a significant landmark in the burgeoning career of Newmarket-based trainer Hugo Palmer, being the first runner from the stable to carry the esteemed Juddmonte silks. Out of the 2010 G3 Musidora S. and 2011 GII Churchill Distaff Turf Mile winner Aviate (GB) (Dansili {GB}), a full-sister to the 2004 G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere runner-up and sire Early March (GB), the homebred takes on Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum's experienced **Camargue (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire})**, a Mark Johnston-trained relative of Dubai Millennium (GB) (Seeking the Gold).

6.00 Windsor, Mdn, £4,500, 3yo, 8f 67yT

MAKZEEM (GB) (Makfi {GB}), a half-brother to the triple Group 1 winner Al Kazeem (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), who was withdrawn from his intended debut at Chelmsford last Saturday, takes up this alternative engagement on grass for his owner-breeder John Deer and trainer Roger Charlton. He faces some race-hardened individuals, including Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani's 420,000gns TATOCT purchase **Desert Haze (GB) (New Approach {Ire})**, a Ralph Beckett-trained relative of Occupandiste (Ire) (Kaldoun {Fr}).

6.10 Naas, Mdn, €15,500, 2yo, f, 5fT

ROLY POLY (War Front) is one of three typically beautifully-bred newcomers from Ballydoyle and appears the pick, being the first progeny out of the four-times Group 1 winner and G1 Irish 1000 Guineas heroine Misty For Me (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), herself a full-sister to last year's G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner and leading Guineas contender Ballydoyle (Ire).

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Michael Tabor's colour-bearer is joined by **How (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})**, Derrick Smith's daughter of the MG1SW Lillie Langtry (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and therefore full-sister to the G1 Moyglare Stud S. and brilliant G1 Fillies' Mile winner Minding (Ire), who is in pole position for the Newmarket Classic, and **Brave Anna (War Front)**. She looks the third-string, but would be the pride of most stables as a full-sister to last year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf winner Hit It A Bomb. She starts out in the same Evie Stockwell silks for Aidan O'Brien and the fact that her next two dams, Liscanna (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and Lahinch (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), both won black-type races offer strong portents for her.

6.30 Windsor, Mdn, £4,500, 3yo/up, 10f 7yT

CHOREOGRAPHER (IRE) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) represents the China Horse Club and the Roger Varian stable on what will be a keenly-awaited debut after he cost connections a cool €850,000 at Goffs Orby. Out of a listed-winning half to the classy German miler Eagle Rise (Ire) (Danehill) from the extended family of Epalo (Ger) (Lando {Ger}), the chestnut takes on a notable Sir Michael Stoute-trained newcomer in Bermuda Thoroughbred Racing Limited's **Sir George Somers (Cape Blanco {Ire})**, a 340,000gns TATOCT purchase whose dam is a half to the G1SW Castle Gandolfo (Gone West).

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Sunday's Results:

PRIX FINLANDE-Listed, €55,000, CHY, 4-24, 3yo, f, 9fT, 1:52.73, g/s.

1--**#MAGNANIME (GB), 125, f, 3, Elusive City--Mujabaha (GB), by Redoute's Choice (Aus)**. O/B-Haras d'Etreham (GB); T-Fabrice Chappet; J-Tony Piccone. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €59,000.

2--**Pas de Soucis (Ire)**, 125, f, 3, Footstepsinthesand (GB)--Whip and Win (Fr), by Whipper. O-Mme Anne-Marie Hayes & Ballantines Racing Stud Ltd. €11,000.

3--**Zghorta Dance (Fr)**, 125, f, 3, Le Havre (Ire)--Ana Zghorta (GB), by Anabaa. O-Ecurie I M Fares. €8,250.

Margins: 3/4, 1, NO. Odds: 12.50, 12.20, 4.60.

Also Ran: Switching, Silver Step (Fr), Qatar Power (Fr), Jemayel (Ire), Newrock (Ire), Classe Vendome (Fr).

Off the mark at the second attempt over nine furlongs on Chantilly's Polytrack in October, Magnanime was no match for the smart Hurricane (Fr) (Hurricane Cat) when three-lengths second in the Listed Prix de la Californie over a mile at Cagnes-sur-Mer on her return Feb. 14. Sent forward to race in a close-up second from the outset, the bay took over with two furlongs to race and after seeing off the challenge of Godolphin's Switching (Street Cry {Ire}), was out of reach by the time Pas de Soucis appeared on the scene. "She's a decent filly--I was told to ride her aggressively and it worked out perfectly," jockey Tony Piccone explained. "The form of her last race is good and although it was a long time since she had run there I knew she was ready for this, as I worked her this week." **Click for the Racing Post result**. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.

3rd-LYN, €20,000, Cond, 4-24, 3yo, 11fT, 2:31.01, vsf. **DALGARNO (FR) (c, 3, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Jakando {MSP-Fr}, by Kingmambo)**, who prevailed in a 10-furlong newcomers' test here last time Apr. 8, raced in a handy fourth for most of this return. Improving into second approaching the home turn, the 3-5 pick was sent to the front passing the quarter-mile marker and pushed clear inside the final eighth to easily best Do Re Mi Fa Sol (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) by 4 1/2 lengths. The €375,000 ARAAUG yearling is kin to a 2-year-old colt by Redoute's Choice (Aus). His second dam, Mystery Trip (Belong to Me), is a half-sister to A.P. Indy (Seattle Slew) and Summer Squall (Storm Bird). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €18,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.

O-Mme Fiona Jean Carmichael; B-Viktor Timoshenko (FR); T-Nicolas Clement.

1st-CHY, €25,000, Mdn, 4-24, unraced 3yo, 12fT, 2:45.34, g/s. **+GARGOTIERE (FR) (f, 3, Kendargent {Fr}--Bonne Gargotte {Fr} {SW & GSP-Fr}, by Poliglote {GB})**, raced in fifth after scrappy opening exchanges in this first go. Kept to the outside when inching forward from halfway, the 5-1 chance was last off the bridle in the straight and displayed a neat turn of foot under mild urging inside the final furlong to comfortably account for Magnentius (Fr) (Tiberius Casear {Fr}) by 1 1/2 lengths. Daldiyna (Fr) (Dansili {GB}), a sibling of Dolniya (Fr) (Azamour {Ire}), held every chance until the final furlong and finished a further length back in third. Bonne Gargotte, who won the Listed Prix Panacee and finished runner-up in the G3 Prix Corrida, is now the dam of six winners from seven foals to race. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.

O-Comtesse Bertrand de Tarragon; B-Ecurie Maulepaire (FR); T-Henri-Francois Devin.

2nd-CHY, €25,000, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo, c/g, 10fT, 2:06.13, g/s. **SPECTROSCOPE (c, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Diamondrella {GB} {MGISW-US, $825,808}, by Rock of Gibraltar {GB})**, runner-up going one mile in a firsters' heat on the artificial surface here last time Mar. 22, used his inside draw to good advantage and was well away to claim an early lead along the fence in this turf debut. Enjoying a cosy buffer for the most part, the crowd's 6-4 choice was shaken up when threatened inside the final quarter mile and came under a late drive to hold the closing thrust of Dance of Life (Fr) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) by a neck. The $375,000 KEESEP yearling, a half to a 2-year-old filly by Distorted Humor, is out of the GI Just a Lady S. and GI First Lady S. victress Diamondrella (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), herself a half-sister to MGISP Bonnie Blue Flag (Mineshaft). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €17,500.

O-Godolphin SNC; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-Andre Fabre.

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4th-BDX, €20,000, Cond, 4-24, 3yo, 8fT, 1:43.64, hy. **DAYANA (FR) (f, 3, Iffraaj {GB}--Decouverte {Ire}, by Rainbow Quest)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, €19,600. O-Ecurie Jean-Louis Tepper; B-Haras d'Haspel (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *€70,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG.

1st-SML, €16,000, Cond, 4-24, 3yo, 9fT, 1:56.29, gd. **POWDER SNOW (f, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Snow Ballerina {GB}, by Sadler's Wells)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, €15,409. O-Godolphin SNC; B-Darley (KY); T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

3rd-CHY, €60,000, Hcp, 4-24, 3yo, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:56.58, st. **GARDOL CITY (FR) (c, 3, Elusive City--Plume Rose {GB}, by Marchand de Sable)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, €44,000. O-Scuderia Magenta, Laurent Dassault & Mme Elisa Berte; B-Ecurie des Monceaux (FR); T-Alessandro & Giuseppe Botti. *€75,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG.

French Report Cont.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Fast Kar (Ire), f, 2, **Fast Company (Ire)**--Karlinha (Ire), by Desert Style (Ire). LYN, 4-24, 5fT, 1:03.58. B-Nicholas Teehan (IRE). *€6,800 RNA Ylg '15 TISEP.

+Spain Burg (Fr), f, 2, **Sageburg (Ire)**--Spain Blues (Fr), by Anabaa Blue (GB). BDX, 4-24, 5fT, 1:01.88. B-P Perez Fernandez de la Puente (FR).

Jackfish (Fr), c, 3, **Exceed and Excel (Aus)**--Torentosa (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Oasis Dream (GB). MRV, 4-23, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:29.46. B-Marquise de Moratalla (FR). *310,000gns 2yo '15 TATBRE; 75,000gns 2yo '15 TA15.

Fille Fleur (Fr), f, 3, **Gentlewave (Ire)**--Mary Montagu (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). DTL, 4-24, 11fT, 2:32.13. B-Fernand Krief (FR).

Tupi Guarani (Fr), c, 3, **Gentlewave (Ire)**--Chant de Guerre, by War Chant. BDX, 4-24, 12fT, 2:45.29. B-Ecurie Villebadin (FR). *€15,000 RNA Ylg '14 OSLATE; €35,000 2yo '15 ARJUL.

King Arch (Fr), c, 3, **King's Best**--Lana Girl, by Arch. DTL, 4-24, 11fT, 2:23.40. B-Mme Marie-Claude Biaudis (FR). *€14,000 Ylg '14 AROCT.

Mango Tango (Fr), f, 3, **Siyouni (Fr)**--Alexandrina (Ger), by Monsun (Ger). CHY, 4-24, 10fT, 2:06.58. B-Emmanuel Trussardi & Ecurie du Precieux (FR). *€50,000 2yo '15 OSAAPR.

Hawwa (Fr), f, 3, **Turtle Bowl (Ire)**--Grandes Illusions (Fr) (SW-Fr), by Kendor (Fr). MRV, 4-23, 10f (AWT), 2:08.13. B-Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani (FR).

Sunday's Results:

PREIS VON DAHLWITZ-Listed, €27,000, HOP, 4-24, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:02.40, gd.

1--**#ARTICUS (FR), 121, c, 4, Areion (Ger)--Almerita (Ger) (G1SW-Ger, $338,644), by Medicean (GB)**. O/B-Dr Christoph Berglar (FR); T-Waldemar Hickst; J-Stephen Hellyn. €16,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, €57,100.

2--**Devastar (Ger)**, 126, c, 4, Areion (Ger)--Deva (Ger), by Platini (Ger). O-Gestut Park Wiedingen. €6,500.

3--**Guignol (Ger)**, 121, c, 4, Cape Cross (Ire)--Guadalupe (Ger), by Monsun (Ger). O-Stall Ullmann. €3,000.

Margins: 2 1/4, NK, HF. Odds: 3.60, 17.30, 1.60.

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1st-HOP, €8,750, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:04.60, gd.

NEPAL (GER) (f, 3, Kallisto {Ger}--Nassau {Ger}, by Soldier Hollow {GB}), a last-out sixth tackling an extra half panel at Dusseldorf Apr. 10, bounded to the fore going into the first turn here. Holding sway throughout, the 43-10 chance was shaken up early in the 500-metre straight and lengthened ever clear inside the final quarter mile before gearing down to register a facile 7 1/2-length score from Azita (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). The €5,500 BBAGO yearling is a full-sister to the 2-year-old colt Navajo (Ger) and the yearling filly Nashville (Ger). Her third dam is the 1999 G1 Oaks d'Italia heroine Nagoya (Ger) (Goofalik). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, €7,000.

O-Stall Seseke; B-Marc Ruhl (GER); T-Dr Andreas Bolte.

2nd-KRE, €8,750, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo, f, 8 1/2fT, 1:42.72, gd.

DANLIA (IRE) (f, 3, Lando {Ger}--Douala {GB} {SP-Ger & Ity}, by Dubawi {Ire}), who hit the board over this course and distance in her only prior start Nov. 8, made a sharp getaway from the outside box and asserted for an early lead in this seasonal return. Maintaining control until stoked up with a quarter mile remaining, the 7-10 chalk came under sterner urging soon after and ran on strongly in the latter stages to score by an ultimately comfortable two lengths from Chapless (Fr) (High Chaparral {Ire}). Danlia's third dam, the Listed Preis der Winterkonigin winner Diasprima (Ger) (Aspros {Ger}), is the dam of G2 German 1000 Guineas heroine Diacada (Ger) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) and GSW German highweight Desidera (Ire) (Shaadi), herself the dam of G1 Deutsches Derby runner-up Dickens (Ger) (Kallisto {Ger}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €5,600.

O/B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (IRE); T-Markus Klug.

3rd-HOP, €8,750, Mdn, 4-24, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:07.10, gd.

LOPERA (GER) (f, 3, Monsun {Ger}--Larella {Ger} {SP-Ger}, by Tiger Hill {Ire}), who hit the board going one mile at Hannover first time Oct. 25, fought for her head racing on the front end after a slick exit in this sophomore return. Dictating throughout, the 17-10 favourite was roused into action off the home turn and stayed on strongly under a drive inside the final 300 metres to hold Miss England (Ger) (Lord of England {Ger}) by 3/4-of-a-length. The winner, a half-sister to a 2-year-old filly by Areion (Ger) and a yearling colt by Teofilo (Ire), is out of a half-sister to G1 Gran Premio del Jockey Club victress Lovelyn (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}). Her second dam is a sibling of G1 Deutsches Derby winners Lando (Ger) (Avatenango {Ger}) and Laroche (Ger) (Nebos {Ger}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €5,600.

O-Gestut Ittlingen; B-Gestut Hof Ittlingen (GER); T-Peter Schiergen.

German Report Cont.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Silver Sea (GB), c, 3, **Sholokhov (Ire)**--Sword Roche (Ger) (Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 14f+, GSP-Ger, SP-Fr & Ity), by Laroche (Ger). KRE, 4-24, 10f 55yT, 2:08.05. B-Gestut Wittekindshof (GB). *€32,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS. **1/2 to Swordhalf (GB) (Haafhd {GB}), Hwt. 2yo Filly-Ger, GSW-Ger, SP-Ity; and Swordshire (Ger) (Shirocco {Ger}), GSP-Ger.

A 'Werth'-y Winner of the QEII Cont. from p1

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

AUDEMARS PIGUET QUEEN ELIZABETH II CUP-G1, HK$20,000,000 *(£1,798,135/€2,282,626/A$3,315,722/ US$2,578,324)*, 3yo/up, 2000mT, 2:01.32, yl.

1--**&WERTHER (NZ), 126, g, 4, by Tavistock (NZ)**
1st Dam: Bagalollies (Aus), by Zabeel (NZ)
2nd Dam: Lady's Night, by Ascot Knight
3rd Dam: Night Stand, by Fluorescent Light
O-Johnson Chen; B-C D Allison, C V & J A Barnao, A R Campbell, T G Heptinstall, T M Pivac & D R Platt; T-John Moore; J-Hugh Bowman; HK$11,400,000. Lifetime Record: GSW & MG1SP-Aus, GSW-NZ, 18-7-6-2, HK$30,887,150. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus*.**

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2--**Military Attack (Ire)**, 126, g, 8, Oratorio (Ire)--Almaaseh (Ire), by Dancing Brave. (€40,000 Ylg '09 GOFSPT). O-Canny Leung; B-P E Banahan; T-Caspar Fownes; J-Nash Rawiller; HK$4,400,000.

3--**Blazing Speed (GB)**, 126, g, 7, Dylan Thomas (Ire)--Leukippids (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. (45,000gns RNA Wlg '09 TATDEC; 45,000gns RNA Ylg '10 TATOCT; 41,000gns Ylg '10 TATDEC). O-Fentons Racing Syndicate; B-J Sankey; T-Tony Cruz; HK$2,000,000.

Margins: 4HF, 1 1/4, NK. Odds: 9-2, 70-1, 24-1.

Also Ran: Lovely Day (Jpn), Designs On Rome (Ire), Nuovo Record (Jpn), Helene Happy Star (Ire), Highland Reel (Ire), Ertijaal (Aus), Rising Romance (NZ), Horse of Fortune (SAf), Satono Crown (Jpn), Helene Super Star.

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Werther bolts up | *HKJC photo*

Some 367 days ago, Werther was proving too good in the G2 Championship S. at Ellerslie while under the care of trainer Andrew Campbell, who also orchestrated the career of his emerging young sire. He then launched a successful raid on Australia, winning the G2 Eagle Farm Cup in Brisbane between runner-up efforts in the G1 South Australian Derby in Adelaide and in the G1 Queensland Derby back at Doomben.

A deal was brokered by Magic Millions' David Chester and Gary Moore and Werther was off to these parts, where he belied odds of 16-1 on the international races undercard to take his Class 2 debut. Second to Sun Jewellery (Aus) (Snitzel {Aus}) in the Hong Kong Classic Mile and in the Hong Kong Classic Cup in his next two outings, the bay came from a fairly prominent position to take out the Derby by a head Mar. 20. Horses the likes of Vengeance of Rain (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), Viva Pataca (GB) (Marju {Ire}), Ambitious Dragon (NZ) (Pins {Aus}) and Designs On Rome (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) managed to follow up against international competition in this race and beyond, and Werther was well-backed to join those elite runners.

Drawn gate five, the best-fancied of the John Moore trio jumped well enough to race just behind the early speed, as no fewer than six of his fellow rivals scrimmaged for the early supremacy. Japan's warm-blooded Satono Crown (Jpn) (Marju {Ire}) led at the top of the first turn, but was displaced up front by Helene Super Star (War Front) turning down the back of the track as the pace proved a genuine one. Race favorite Lovely Day (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) landed in a good, ground-saving spot on the back of Satono Crown, while Bowman settled Werther four from the tail with Designs On Rome the back-marker, as expected, but within 10 of the lead. Helene Super Star led at the third corner, by which time Lovely Day had crept right into the slipstream of the leader, with Bowman sliding Werther up into a striking position inside of G1 Longines Hong Kong Vase hero Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) as they approached the point of the home turn. Cont. p12

A 'Werth'-y Winner of the QEII Cont.

Having gone fairly hard throughout, Helene Super Star called it a day 400 metres out and Lovely Day drove through underneath that spent rival to take it up shortly after. But Werther stalked the favorite into the stretch, was switched to his inner with about a furlong and a half to race and shot away to win by a margin nearly nobody could have predicted. Military Attack, the 2013 winner when trained by Moore, rallied from the back of the pack to be second ahead of defending champion Blazing Speed. Lovely Day just held for fourth ahead of Designs On Rome. In his wake was not only Highland Reel, but also G1 Hong Kong Cup runner-up Nuovo Record (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), G1 Cape Derby winner and G1 Dubai Turf fourth Ertijaal (Aus) (Hard Spun) and G1 Australian Oaks victrix Rising Romance (NZ) (Ekraar).

When the dust had settled, even Werther's connections were dumbfounded by the performance.

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"I was never expecting that," said a beaming Moore, winning the QE II for the fifth time overall and third time in four years. "We did know he handled the heavy track in New Zealand and that it wouldn't be a problem today--but that was beyond my expectations. Next we'll go to the [G1] Champions & Chater Cup over a mile and a half here [May 22] and Hugh will be back to ride him," he said, adding with a hopeful smile and raised eyebrows, "then we'll give him a break and I'll be trying to pull the owner's leg to go back to Australia for the [G1] Cox Plate."

Added Bowman, regular rider of 2015 Cox Plate winner Winx (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}), "I had a suspicion after the Derby we would see a better horse against better opposition but I certainly didn't expect him to perform to the level he did this afternoon. The reason you haven't seen that turn of foot is because I've been riding him more tactically aware. I've had him up close; I've had him travelling a bit stronger than I did today. Today I allowed him to really relax throughout the race and we've seen the best of him."

The winner's dam is represented by a 2-year-old filly by Pour Moi (Ire)--like Tavistock a son of Montjeu--and full-sisters to Werther in each of the last two years. Bagalollies's 2014 produce was purchased by Sona Bloodstock for NZ$300,000 at the NZB Premier Yearling Sale this past January.

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'AMBITIOUS' RIDE NETS SCHOFIELD THE QMMC

by Alan Carasso

Ambitious Champion (NZ) (Zed {NZ}), campaigned by the same owners that raced former two-time Horse of the Year Ambitious Dragon (NZ) (Pins {Aus}), won for just the fourth time in 26 local runs, but picked a good spot to do it in this prep for the G1 Champions and Chater Cup over the course and distance May 22.

Victorious in a Happy Valley Class 3 over 2200 metres last May, the bay proved a short-head too good for his rivals in a Class 2 over the metric mile and a quarter and Sha Tin for his first win of the season Feb. 21 and was coming into this toughest career test off a second-place effort to Hong Kong Derby runner-up **Victory Magic (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}) at a mile a three-eighths Apr. 3.

Drawn wide in the field, Ambitious Dragon was ridden quietly away from the gates, but contrary to his preferred come-from-behind running style, was hustled up by Chad Schofield to race just off the flank of **Basic Trilogy (NZ)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), and that duo owned the pace for the first 10 furlongs of the marathon event. Schofield popped the question turning for home and Absolute Champion responded to lead traveling strongly into the final furlong. **Anticipation (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) tried to make a race of it in the final 200 metres, but was held up for a stride or two at a critical juncture and got home well, but too late. **Giovanni Canaletto (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), the Derby third, was flushed four or five deep into the stretch and finished one-paced in third, while favored Victory Magic never factored despite a good trip.

Ambitious Champion | *HKJC photo*

"It was a peach of a ride," commented trainer Richard Gibson's "His quick, early and bold decision to go forward won us the race. "He's been very consistent all year and won't let us down but he had the weight advantage today and conditions to suit. It'll be tougher next time but we're entitled to give him his chance," added the trainer. **Click for the HKJC.com chart, PPs and VIDEO.**

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Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

QUEEN MOTHER MEMORIAL CUP H., HK$3,000,000 *(£269,679/€342,479/A$497,839/US$386,769)*, 3yo/up, 2400mT, 2:29.75, gd/yl.

1--**#AMBITIOUS CHAMPION (NZ), 115, g, 6, Zed (NZ)--Simply Sally (NZ), by Sackford**. O-Johnson & Anderson Lam; B-Mrs A M & B H Perry; T-Richard Gibson; J-Chad Schofield; HK$1,710,000. Lifetime Record: 33-6-8-3, HK$5,661,445.

2--**Anticipation (Ire)**, 113, g, 5, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Small Sacrifice (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. O-Mr & Mrs Hui Sai Fun. HK$660,000.

3--**Giovanni Canaletto (Ire)**, 124, g, 4, Galileo (Ire)--Love Me True, by Kingmambo. O-Eugene Chuang. HK$345,000.

Margins: 3/4, 2HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 8-1, 13-1, 17-10.

Also Ran: Renaissance Art, Basic Trilogy, Mr Gnocchi (Aus), Victory Magic (NZ), Harbour Master, Flame Hero (NZ).

A SECOND LION CITY FOR ZAC SPIRIT

by Alan Carasso

With the G1 KrisFlyer International Sprint a thing of the past, Sunday's Lion City Cup now ranks as the defining race over 1200 metres on the local racing calendar, and for the second time in three years, the hard-knocking **Zac Spirit (Aus)** (Flying Spur {Aus}) was led back into the Kranji winner's enclosure post-race. As it was in 2014, **Emperor Max (Aus)** (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) had to settle for second, while Horse of the Year **Spalato (NZ)** (Elusive City) could not stick with those two late and finished a well-beaten fourth.

The 2014 champion sprinter, Zac Spirit was third to Hong Kong's Lucky Nine (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) in that year's KrisFlyer and it took what commentator Craig Evans correctly deemed a 'monstrous' effort from Horse of the Year War Affair (NZ) (O'Reilly {NZ}) to deny Zac Spirit in this event last year.

Zac Spirit (red cap) outgames Emperor Max in the Lion City Cup

Singapore Turf Club photo

Diagnosed with a knee chip following a subpar effort behind Aerovelocity (NZ) (Pins {Aus}) in last year's KrisFlyer, he was brought back slowly and resumed with a solid second to Emperor Max in the Apr. 3 Kranji Sprint.

Bet into favoritism in the final few clicks of the tote, Zac Spirit took a sit in fifth for Vlad Duric and let his chief market rivals do the dirty work, with Emperor Max and Spalato eyeballing each other early and the fleet filly **Kiwi Karma (NZ)** (Fast 'n' Famous {Aus}) not too far behind. Up into third and just needing somewhere to run at the 400, Zac Spirit found a split between Emperor Max and Spalato and laid down the challenge to the former at the furlong marker. Danny Beasley got after Emperor Max in earnest at that point, but Zac Spirit did the better work over the final 100 metres to prevail. **Super Winner (Aus)** (Kaphero {Aus}), backing up off an impressive win over the Polytrack just nine days prior, ran on gamely for third.

"There was a lot of work to bring him back and that goes across the board, from [assistant] Timmy [Fitzsimmons], Chris [Bock] to the syces and the track rider who rides him every day. It's a huge team effort," commented winning trainer Cliff Brown, atypically emotional when speaking to the Singapore Turf Club's Matt Jones. "I thought he was too far back in the race, but when I saw him improve before the home turn, I was like "Crikey! He really is travelling! It's amazing what he's done. He's won the Lion City Cup two years ago and he's won it again, after injury."

Emperor Max and Spalato returned to scale having bled during the race. **Click for the Singapore Turf Club chart and VIDEO.**

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Sunday, Kranji, Singapore

LION CITY CUP, S$800,000 *(£413,937/€525,264/A$764,114/US$593,174)*, 3yo/up, 1200mT, 1:08.45, gd.

1--**ZAC SPIRIT (AUS), 127, g, 6, Flying Spur (Aus)--Kidman (Aus) (MGSP-Aus), by Quest For Fame (GB)**. (A$95,000 Wlg '10 MMNWNL; A$140,000 Ylg '11 INGEAS). O-Zac Stable; B-Newhaven Park Stud, Mr C Tidy (NSW); T-Cliff Brown; J-Vlad Duric; S$476,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. Sprinter & G1SP-Sin, 22-11-3-6, S$1,749,399. *1/2 to Zac Influence (Aus) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), SW-Sin, S$387,295.

2--**Emperor Max (Aus)**, 127, g, 6, Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)--Maxerelle (Aus), by Strategic (Aus). (A$110,000 RNA Ylg '11 INGEAS). O-Gordon Yau. S$170,000.

3--**Super Winner (Aus)**, 127, g, 4, Kaphero (Aus)--Millie Rose (Aus), by Testa Rossa (Aus). (A$35,000 Ylg '13 INGPRE). O-Lye Soh Seng. S$86,000.

Margins: 1, 2HF, 1. Odds: 1.60, 2.60, 16.80.

Also Ran: Spalato (NZ), Kiwi Karma (NZ), Wimbledon (Aus), Gold Rutile (Jpn), Goal Keeper (Aus), Pachelbel's Canon (Arg).

Scratched: The Nutcracker (Arg).

Sunday, Tokyo, Japan

SANKEI SPORTS SHO FLORA STAKES-G2, ¥100,840,000 *(US$902,008)*, Tokyo, 4-24, 3yo, f, 2000mT, 1:59.70, fm.

1--**@CECCHINO (JPN), 119, f, 3, by King Kamehameha (Jpn)**
1st Dam: Happy Path (Jpn) (MSW-Jpn, $2,117,320), by Sunday Silence
2nd Dam: Happy Trails (Ire), by Posse
3rd Dam: Roycon (GB), by High Top (Ire)
O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm; T-Kazuo Fujisawa; J-Christophe Lemaire; ¥53,288,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0. *Full to Codino (Jpn), MGSW & MG1SP-Jpn, $1,872,069. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus*.**

2--**Pearl Code (Jpn)**, 119, f, 3, Victoire Pisa (Jpn)--Magic Code, by Lost Code. (¥14,000,000 Wlg '13 JRHAJUL) O-H H Sheikh Fahad; B-Shadai Farm; ¥21,368,000.

3--**Awake (Jpn)**, 119, f, 3, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Allthewaybaby, by Grand Slam. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; ¥13,184,000

Margins: 3, HF, HD. Odds: 4.70, 4.30, 62.40.

Also Ran: Frontier Queen (Jpn), Biche (Jpn), Agreable (Jpn), Queen's Best (Jpn), Gekkako (Jpn), Tokai Schon (Jpn), Fire Crystal (Jpn), Sha La La (Jpn), Ballet Dancer (Jpn), Emanon (Jpn), Crocosmia (Jpn), Chocolate (Jpn), Seek The Future (Jpn), Elvish (Jpn), Blue Orient (Jpn). **Click for the Racing Post Result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. JRA Video.**

Sunday, Kyoto, Japan

YOMIURI MILERS CUP-G2, ¥114,320,000 *(US$1,022,585)*, Kyoto, 4-24, 4yo/up, 1600mT, 1:32.60, fm.

1--**#@KLUGER (JPN), 123, c, 4, King Kamehameha (Jpn)**
1st Dam: Addicted (Ger) (GSW-Ger), by Diktat (GB)
2nd Dam: Astica (Ger), by Surumu (Ger)
3rd Dam: Auenliebe (Ger), by Pentathlon (GB)
O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; T-Tomokazu Takano; J-Kohei Matsuyama; ¥60,064,000. Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-2. **Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Danon Shark (Jpn)**, 126, h, 8, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Carla Power (GB), by Caerleon. (¥30,000,000 wlg '08 JRHAJUL) O-Danox Inc.; B-Shimokobe Farm; ¥24,304,000.

3--**Clarente (Jpn)**, 123, h, 7, Dance in the Dark (Jpn)--Erimo Pixy (Jpn), by Dancing Brave. O-Shinji Maeda; B-North Hills Management; ¥15,152,000.

Margins: NK, HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 8.10, 8.30, 32.50.

Also Ran: Fiero (Jpn), Albert Dock (Jpn), Sunrise Major (Jpn), Katie Pride (Jpn), Kento O (Jpn), Extra End (Jpn), TM Inazuma (Jpn), Martinborough (Jpn), Danon Liberty (Jpn), Neo Stardom (Jpn), Red Arion (Jpn), Arma Waioli (Jpn). **Click for the the Racing Post Result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. JRA Video.**

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