

## RUSSELL BAZE TO RETIRE



Russell Baze after his record-setting win in December 2006

Horsephotos

by T.D. Thornton

Russell Baze, North America's all-time winningest jockey with 12,842 victories, is on the cusp of formally announcing his retirement from riding, Golden Gate Fields Racetrack announced Monday.

According to the *Paulick Report*, which first broke the story with confirmation quotes from Baze's longtime agent, Ray Harris, the 57-year-old jockey dead-heated to a second-place finish in the tenth race of Sunday's closing-day Golden Gate Fields card and then told his agent, "That's it. I'm going to retire." That story alluded to a Tuesday teleconference at which Baze would speak of his decision.

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame, to which Baze was elected in 1999, posted a congratulatory confirmation of his retirement on Twitter, and Golden Gate Fields soon made a similar posting. The *TDN* attempted to contact Baze and his agent directly but could not get through to either before deadline for this story.

Baze's presumptive retirement leaves a chasm in the all-time North American wins list for jockeys. The second-through seventh winningest riders (Laffit Pincay, Bill Shoemaker, Pat Day, David Gall, Chris McCarron and Angel Cordero, Jr.) have all long since retired. Edgar Prado, ranked eighth all-time, would become the continent's winningest active rider with 6,899 victories. **Cont. p3**

## OBS JUNE SALE STARTS TUESDAY

by Jessica Martini

The Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training and Horses of Racing Age kicks off its four-day run Tuesday morning with bidding on the first of 1,226 catalogued horses scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m.

The June auction, which produced its highest-ever priced offering a year ago with a \$680,000 son of Candy Ride (Arg), received a timely update during the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival last weekend with Celestine (Scat Daddy)'s victory in the GI Just a Game S. The filly, who graces the cover of this year's catalogue, RNA'd for \$975,000 at the 2014 June sale.

"It was almost like a promotional video for the June sale," OBS Director of Sales Tod Wojciechowski said of Celestine's victory. "That was a quality win, very impressive, and she is a graduate of this sale." **Cont. p4**

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*The only horse present at the Goffs London Sale, Lady Penko, in foal to Golden Horn, waits to go through the ring at The Orangery, Kensington Palace. Sales coverage begins on page 1 of TDN Europe/International. | Edward Whitaker/Racing Post*

**BREEDERS' CUP RAISES CLASSIC, TURF PURSES 4**

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### Russell Baze to Retire (cont. from p1)

According to the *Paulick Report*, Baze's only global rival in career wins is 55-year-old Brazilian jockey Jorge Ricardo, who is believed to be within 100 wins of Baze and still active.

"I was surprised but I was happy," continued Harris, who has been Baze's agent since 1979. "He's my friend and I wanted him to be sound for his retirement. His family wanted him to retire after he got hurt the last time. He won the last stake [Saturday's Albany S. at Golden Gate] and he was leading rider, which is what he wanted. Most importantly, he retired sound."

According to his Hall of Fame bio, Baze was born on Aug. 7, 1958, in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. With a father, Joe Baze, who was a leading rider in Northern California, Russell began learning his craft at a young age. In 1974, at the age of 16, he rode his first winner at long-gone Yakima Meadows in Washington state.

Riding primarily at Golden Gate, the now-defunct Bay Meadows, and on the Northern California fairs circuit, Baze's hallmarks were consistency and durability, and he

largely elected to remain a dominant rider on a mid-sized circuit rather than uprooting his family to chase more lucrative circuit-to-circuit national riding opportunities.

"All of us at The Stronach Group would like to congratulate

Russell Baze on his stellar career and offer our best wishes as he begins his retirement," said Joe Morris, Senior Vice President of West Coast Operations at the Stronach Group. "For decades, Russell dominated the jockey standings at Golden Gate Fields and other Northern California tracks."

He led all North American jockeys in annual races won 13 times (1992-1996, 2000, 2002, 2005, 2007-09 and 2012-13). In 1994, he was given a Special Eclipse Award for having won 400 races in four consecutive years. On Dec. 1, 2006, Baze became the leading rider of all-time when he surpassed Laffit Pincay's record of 9,530 wins. In 2012, he was enshrined in the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame.

Baze's Grade I winners were aboard Smiling Tiger (Ancient Title H., 2010), Lost in the Fog (King's Bishop S., 2005), Hawkster (Oak Tree Inv. H., 1989), Both Ends Burning (Oak Tree Inv. H., 1984), and Devil's Orchid (Santa Monica H., 1991).



**Russell Baze**  
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Multiple-win cards were such a common occurrence for Baze that they are difficult to enumerate. Highlights include winning with seven of nine mounts at Golden Gate on April 16, 1992, tying the U.S. record for consecutive wins by a jockey with nine straight races over two days (Aug. 17-18, 2006) during the San Mateo County Fair meet at Bay Meadows, and a 6-for-7 card at Golden Gate on Jan. 31, 2014.

In addition to his father, Baze's extended family includes other current and former jockeys: Second cousin Tyler Baze still competes in Southern California, and brother Dale Baze, cousins Gary Baze and Michael B. Baze, and second cousin Michael C. Baze also rode.

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### OBS June Sale Starts Tuesday (cont. from p1)

During the 2015 June sale, OBS sold 591 juveniles for a total of \$23,475,500. Buoyed by a robust upper market, last year's average rose 25.5% to \$39,722, while the median dipped 10% to \$18,000.



Hip 215 | Tibor Szlavik

Wojciechowski expects that strong upper-market trend to continue. "I suspect it will be similar to what we've seen all year," he explained. "There is strength at the top. The good thing is, we have something for

everyone here in June."

While providing buyers with offerings at every price level, the June sale has gone from an afterthought in the juvenile sales season to a destination in its own right.

"I think June has grown and matured into its own market," Wojciechowski confirmed.

During last week's six-session under-tack preview, a colt from

the first crop of Gemologist ([hip 215](#)) turned in the fastest furlong work of [:9 4/5](#). Consigned by Top Line Sales, the juvenile is out of Distant Storm (Storm Cat) and from the family of champion Outstandingly.

A pair of juveniles shared the fastest quarter-mile work time of the preview. [Hip 93](#), a colt by Into Mischief from the Thoroughbred Champions Training Center consignment, worked in [:20 4/5](#) during Sunday's first session of the preview. [Hip 1026](#), a daughter of Majesticperfection from SBM Training and Sales, also worked in [:20 4/5](#) during Friday's final session.

"I think there are some outstanding horses in here, no doubt," Wojciechowski commented. "We saw them perform on the racetrack last week and when you go back to the barn, they look just as good on the shank. So there are plenty of nice horses for all levels."

The June sale runs through Friday with sessions beginning daily at 10:30 a.m.

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### BREEDERS' CUP RAISES CLASSIC, TURF PURSES

The GI Breeders' Cup Classic and GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf will receive purse increases, starting with this year's Breeders' Cup World Championships at Santa Anita, to be held Nov. 4-5, the organization announced Monday. The Classic will now carry a total guaranteed purse of \$6 million, up from the \$5 million it's been since 2005, and the Turf will now have a purse of \$4 million, bumped up from the \$3 million it's been since 2007.

Total purses and awards for the 2016 Breeders' Cup will be \$28 million. First place for this year's Classic will pay out \$3,300,000, while the winner of the Turf will receive \$2,200,000. The purse changes to both races were approved by the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors in February.

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beginning with this year’s event at Santa Anita,” said Breeders’ Cup President and CEO Craig Fravel. “Since our inception, one of the founding principles of the Breeders’ Cup has been to offer unprecedented purses on our races as incentive to keep the stars of our sport on the track and extend their racing careers.”

The first of seven Breeders’ Cup Challenge series automatic qualifying races for the Classic will take place

June 18 with the GI Stephen Foster H. at Churchill Downs. Effinex (Mineshaft), runner-up in last year’s Breeders’ Cup Classic, is among those expected to start.

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## ASMUSSEN DUO PREPS FOR SATURDAY STAKES

Still savoring the glory of **Creator** (Tapit)’s win in the GI Belmont S. Saturday, trainer Steve Asmussen sent out stable stars **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) and **Untapable** (Tapit) to half-mile breezes at Churchill Downs Monday morning in preparation for respective engagements in the GIII Matt Winn S. and GII Fleur de Lis H. Saturday night. Gun Runner, winner of the GII Louisiana Derby and a recent third in the GI Kentucky Derby May 7, covered the distance in :50.20, while champion Untapable worked in :50 flat.

“They both went nice and smooth halves,” Asmussen said. “I

feel like we’re set and on go for Saturday.”

Winner of the GII Risen Star S. in addition to his Louisiana Derby score, Winchell Thoroughbreds and Three Chimneys Farm’s Gun Runner chased the pace and held on stoutly to complete the trifecta in the Derby, finishing well ahead of stablemate Creator (13th) in that Classic. While Creator could be pointed to the GI Travers S. at Saratoga Aug. 27 after some recovery time, Asmussen has said he plans on sending Gun Runner to Monmouth Park’s July 31 GI Haskell Invitational should everything go well Saturday night.



**Gun Runner** | Coady Photography

“I think he’s proven his worth with what he’s done this year with the Louisiana Derby win and the third in the Kentucky Derby, and I think that this is a very good bridge for him to get to the Haskell,” Asmussen said.

Untapable, the champion sophomore filly of 2014, has gone winless since a victory in the GI Apple Blossom H. at Oaklawn in April 2015 and seeks to regain her winning form beneath the Twin Spires, where she boasts a three-for-three record. The Winchell colorbearer was last seen finishing fourth in the 2016 renewal of the Apple Blossom Apr. 15.

“It has been too long since we’ve won with her and I think we just need to take our best shot at winning,” Asmussen said of the mare’s return to Louisville. “I think the significance of [the Fleur de Lis] being a Win And You’re In race for the [GI] Breeders Cup Distaff adds to it.”

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# PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



## A GOOD DAY TO BE A GRAY

One of Europe's largest telecom companies used to declare that "the future is Orange." Well, judging by events at Belmont Park three days ago, the future of the

Thoroughbred could well be gray (or grey if, like me, you are in Europe).

As many as five of the 13 runners for the GI Belmont S. were described as grey or roan and Team Grey promptly monopolized the first three places, with Creator owing his victory over Destin and Lani partly to having horses with plenty of stamina as the sires of his first two dams. His game display came just two hours after the GI Metropolitan H., in which Frosted, another grey son of Tapit, had blitzed the opposition. Following Frosted home at a respectful distance was Anchor Down, yet another grey son of Tapit, and we also saw



Tapit | Mathea Kelley

two greys fill the places behind the explosive Flintshire in the GI Woodford Reserve Manhattan S.

A former colleague of mine, Alan Yuill Walker, looked into the history of the gray/grey in a book called *Grey Magic*, published in 2005 by Highdown. The dust cover enticed readers by declaring that "Grey Magic is a unique book, because the grey Thoroughbred is a unique phenomenon, whose origins cannot

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Yuill Walker recorded that Master Robert, foaled in 1811, raced for three seasons and won 10 times, mainly at The Curragh. Master Robert became the sire of Drone, the champion sire in Ireland in 1834, and Drone in turn became the principal son of Master Robert in perpetuating the grey coat colour. But what was the source of Master Robert’s own grey coat? Yuill Walker found that Master Robert descended through an unbroken line of seven mares to the stallion Crab, bred in Lincolnshire in 1722. Crab became champion sire in 1748, '49 and '50 and apparently no grey stallion emulated him as champion sire until The Tetrarch in 1919. As I noted in my review of Marcel’s pedigree in October

last year, The Tetrarch unfortunately showed a marked lack of interest in sex and consequently sired only 130 foals, headed by the 2,000 Guineas winner Tetratema, who was to become champion sire, and that legendary filly Mumtaz Mahal.

This brings us neatly to Tapit, who owes his grey colour to the mares in the bottom line of his pedigree. His first four dams--Tap Your Heels, Ruby Slippers, Moon Glitter and Foggy Note--were all registered as grey or roan, but it is his fourth dam, Foggy Note, who supplies the links to some of the famous names mentioned above.

This tough mare, a winner of 10 of her 34 starts, was the product of a mating between two greys (something not guaranteed to produce a grey). Her sire, The Axe, was by the Derby winner Mahmoud,

who owed his grey colour to Mumtaz Mahal’s daughter Mah Mahal.

Silver Song, the dam of Foggy Note, descended from a line of grey mares, namely Beadah, Beauty Spot, Spotted Beauty (who



**Creator (center), Destin (right) and Lani (left) complete a gray trifecta in the Belmont | Horsephotos**



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was registered as a strawberry roan) and Silver Beauty. Silver Beauty, in turn, was by Stefan The Great, a grey son of The Tetrarch. In other words, Foggy Note had two distant lines to The Tetrarch.

Tapit is clearly going to play a leading role in furthering the spread of greys, in much the same way that Unbridled's Song and El Prado have done. Of course not all of Tapit's stallion sons (or daughters) are eligible to pass on the grey gene, as Tonalist and Tapizar are bay and Trappe Shot and Tapiture are chesnut. However, there are also young grey sons of Tapit standing in Kentucky, New York, Maryland and Florida and there are surely more to come in the forms of Creator and Frosted. Other young possibilities include Cupid and Mohaymen.

Darley must be excited at the prospect of adding Frosted to its stallion team, just as WinStar must have high hopes of Creator (whose pedigree I reviewed following his Arkansas Derby success {click [here](#)}).

Weighted at 115 on the Experimental Free Handicap, Frosted has gone on to win the Wood Memorial at three and now the Met Mile at four, in addition to finishing second in the Belmont

S. I also remember his gallant attempt to get the better of American Pharoah for the first time in the Travers S., which effectively passed victory to Keen Ice.

Frosted also has the attraction of being out of Fast Cookie, a tough and talented Deputy Minister mare who raced 31 times in four seasons, notably winning the GII Cotillion H. over 1 1/16 miles. Deputy Minister, of course, was a two-time champion sire who also became a champion sire of broodmares.

Fast Cookie is also a half-sister to a champion 2-year-old colt in Midshipman, whose prospects as a stallion weren't helped by the remainder of his career being restricted to just two more starts in the U.S. and two in the United Arab Emirates. Even so, his 67-strong first crop

has produced several stakes winners, led by that fast filly 'TDN Rising Star' Lady Shipman.

Frosted will have a higher profile when he eventually retires. Breeders will probably like the fact that he is inbred 4 x 4 to the mighty Seattle Slew, with the second line coming via Fleet Lady, a dual Grade II-winning granddaughter of the 1977 Triple Crown hero.



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As I mentioned earlier, Tapit owes one of his grey lines to Mahmoud, winner of the 1936 Derby. This acts as a reminder that the future of the grey arguably looks less bright in Britain than in North America. No grey has managed to win Britain's premier classic since Airborne in 1946 and there has been no grey winner of the 2000 Guineas since Mystiko in 1991.

However, the Irish 2000 Guineas winner Mastercraftsman is a grey, as are his St Leger-winning son Kingston Hill, who joined him on the Coolmore roster this year, and his Prix du Jockey-Club winner The Grey Gatsby.

The male line descending from Grey Sovereign--who owed his coat colour to a descendant of The Tetrarch--flourished for a long time, especially in France, and still has a few notable flag-bearers in France, led by Kendargent (plus another in the U.S. in Mizzen Mast).

I suspect, though, that if the greys are to flourish in Britain and Ireland it will be via Dark Angel, whose fee rose to €60,000 this year. This very good stallion--still only 11 years old--already has several grey stallion sons at stud, with the prospect of more to come from his higher-priced crops. His first four dams are grey, with the fourth dam Headland being a granddaughter of Grey Sovereign, by Sovereign Path.

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**Monday's Results:**

**7th-PRX, \$55,500, Alw (NW3X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 6-13, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.76, gd.**

**POOL WINNER (g, 4, [Broken Vow](#)--Welcome Home {SW, \$161,114}, by Dixieland Band)** was off the board in his first two starts on dirt, but had never crossed the wire worse than second in 11 tries since being switched to the turf last March. The gelding broke through his one-other-than condition emphatically Nov. 6 at Laurel, romping by seven lengths, and earned a head victory in his 4-year-old debut there May 8. Breaking well from the outside stall at 37-10 in this spot, the bay made a clear lead through a :21.65 quarter-mile, shook away from his nearest pace challengers at the top of the lane and held off the closing bid of 4-5 favorite Fast Flying Rumor (West Acre) by a half-length to register his third straight tally. The winner is a half to Sounds of the City (Street Cry {Ire}), MSP, \$293,399, as well as Glad Your Back (Speightstown), who graduated over this course for these connections Saturday. His dam has a 2-year-old Tiznow colt named Tiz My Home and a yearling filly by the same sire. Lifetime Record: 13-4-6-0, \$177,490. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY); T-Alan E. Goldberg.

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**4th-PRX, \$63,500, Msw, 6-13, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.98, ft.**  
**LARCO MAR (g, 3, Old Fashioned--Irish Diva, by Skip Trial)** did all of the dirty work in his May 26 track and trip debut, dueling through a quick pace and battling gamely in the stretch before suffering a nose defeat at 14-1. Hammered down to 1-2 in this spot, the gray showed good speed once again and sprinted clear through a :22.39 quarter-mile. Longshot firster I Ain't Kitten (King Puma) crept closer on the turn past a :46.56 half, but Larco Mar stayed on well in the stretch to repel that one's bid and earn a two-length decision. The winner's dam has a 2-year-old colt and a yearling filly by Friesan Fire. Sales History: \$10,000 Ylg '14 EASSEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$56,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Anita Racing Stable; B-Hope Hill Farm & Thomas McGreevy (PA); T-Alfredo Velazquez.

**6th-PRX, \$38,000, (S), Msw, 6-13, 3yo/up, 5fT, :57.92, gd.**  
**SMARTY MR D (g, 3, Smarty Jones--Lelander, by Cherokee Run)** completed the exacta in his first two starts, then finished first Apr. 4, but was later disqualified from purse money. Last seen running third as the 3-5 chalk behind Monday's return winner Larco Mar, the chestnut was bet down to even-money for this turf bow. Breaking sharply, he tracked the pace from a clear

second heading into the turn, moved to within a length of longshot leader Andy's the Best (Andiron) at the top of the stretch and surged by that foe passing the furlong grounds to score going away by 3 1/4 lengths. The winner has a 2-year-old full-brother named Another Smart One. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$41,700. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**ALGORITHM**s (Bernardini), Claiborne Farm, \$7.5K, 88/2/0  
 7-IND, Msw 5fT, Radianrhythm, \$8K FTK OCT yrl, 12-1  
**EXCELEBRATION (IRE)** (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Coolmore Stud, \$22.5K, 104/1/0  
 7-IND, Msw 5fT, +Costa Esmeralda, 4-1

**Second-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, June 14**

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**AMERICAN LION** (Tiznow), Darby Dan Farm, \$5K, 132/16/1  
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**A Shin Balancer, h, 4, [Ghostzapper](#)--Mayomast (SP, \$181,694),** by Mizzen Mast. Tokyo, 6-12, Koganei Tokubetsu, 7f. Lifetime Record: 11-4-3-0, \$510,187. O-Eishindo Inc.; B-Adena Springs; T-Masato Nishizono. \*\$48,000 Ylg '13 KESEEP.

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#**Charlie Brave**, g, 6, **Indian Charlie**--Cathofthecentury, by Carson City. Tokyo, 6-11, Akhal-Teke S., 8f. Lifetime Record: 17-6-0-0, \$814,672. O-Masamichi Hayashi; B-Mike Abraham; T-Tomohito Ozeki. \*\$130,000 Wlg '10 KEENOV; \$65,000 RNA Ylg '11 KEESEP; \$100,000 2yo '12 BARMAR. \*\*1/2 to Cat's Cat (Tabasco Cat), SW, \$168,513; and Spring Awakening (In Excess {Ire}), MSW & GISP, \$258,178. \*\*\*"He jumped well from the gate and was able to give his best performance," said winning jockey Keita Tosaki. "He was in good form today and I am happy to see his strong finish."

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**Danon Legend**, h, 6, **Macho Uno**--My Goodness, by Storm Cat. Mombetsu, 6-9, Hokkaido Sprint Cup, 6f. Lifetime Record: GSW-Jpn, 27-12-4-3, \$2,642,439. O-Danox Inc.; B-Colts Neck Stables, LLC; T-Akira Murayama. \*\$90,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP; \$385,000 2yo '12 BARMAR.

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#**Danon Good (Jpn)**, c, 4, **Elusive Quality**--My Goodness, by Storm Cat. Hanshin, 6-11, Aki S., 7f. Lifetime Record: 13-5-2-0, \$662,523. O-Danox Inc.; B-Mishima Bokujo; T-Akira Murayama. \*1/2 to Danon Legend (Macho Uno), GSW-Jpn, \$2,293,020.

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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-PRX, \$56,080**, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 6-13, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:44.96, ft.

**A PLACE TO SHINE (f, 3, Tale of Ekati--Smart Soul, by Perfect Soul {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-1, \$54,540. O-Jeremiah Kane; B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Kathy P. Mongeon. \*\$9,500 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

**6th-DEL, \$38,175**, 6-13, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :57.85, fm. **HARUMI (f, 4, Ashoka--Gold Gilded, by Mr. Prospector)** Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-1, \$41,395. O-Ridenjac Racing & Shamrock Capital Investments LLC; B-St George Stables (KY); T-Dennis Ward.

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**7th-DEL, \$38,125**, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-13, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.68, ft.

**DANZIG STORM (r, 5, Distorted Humor--La Suena, by Storm Cat)** Lifetime Record: 20-4-3-4, \$140,782. O-Steve Ballou, Kathy Thompson & Harriette Waldron; B-Windhaven Farms Limited (ON); T-Joan Scott. \*\$300,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP.

**5th-TDN, \$30,800**, (S), 6-13, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.88, ft.

**ETHAN'S BOY (g, 3, Flying First Class--Top This Ruby, by He's Tops)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$37,518. O-Delia Od Romero; B-Randy Neil Kerr (OH); T-Jose A. Romero.

**6th-TDN, \$30,800**, (S), 6-13, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:45.93, ft.

**STAR MABEE (f, 3, Mr. Mabee--Stardimm, by Mutakddim)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$81,310. O-SAB NC Stable; B-Lake Shore Farm LLC (OH); T-Robin Schuster.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Heart of a Ranger**, f, 3, **U S Ranger**--Color My Heart, by Marquetry. TDN, 6-13, 5 1/2f, 1:07.00. B-Stephen Smith (KY). \*\$10,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN; \$8,500 Ylg '14 OBSAUG. \*\*1/2 to Oh Deanne O (Dynaformer), SP, \$154,291.

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## 'JET' SELLS FOR £1.3M TO CHINA HORSE CLUB



Jet Setting sold for a sale-topping £1.3 million to the China Horse Club at the Goffs London Sale on the eve of Royal Ascot. She is slated for a start in the June 17 G1 Coronation S. | Great British Racing photo

by Emma Berry

G1 Irish 1000 Guineas winner **Jet Setting (Ire)** (Fast Company {Ire}) (lot 43) had every right to be considered the headline act ahead of the Goffs London Sale and she didn't disappoint when equalling the record set at the inaugural Kensington Palace sale in 2014, selling for £1.3 million.

Her new owners are members of the China Horse Club and their representative Michael Wallace, who had flown in from New York for the sale, said of their acquisition, "She's a Classic winner and there are very few of them around. She's a very sound, game and athletic filly. Fillies of that quality are very sought after. Down the line it's a wonderful breeding opportunity, but there are also plenty of upsides to her as a racehorse in the immediate future."

"It's great to be part of Ascot, for sure," Wallace continued. "[China Horse Club principal] Teo Ah Khing arrives tomorrow and some of our members are also here this week. But looking ahead she's sure to have some nice entries this year and she's part of a nice portfolio of horses that we have now in Europe."

The story of Jet Setting is one of the great fairytales that keeps all participants in the game hoping that they can chance on such a good-luck story.

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## GOLD-FUN SETTLING IN FOR 'JUBILEE'

**Gold-Fun (Ire)** (Le Vie Dei Colori {GB}), Hong Kong's hope for Saturday's G1 Diamond Jubilee S., is reported to have taken the travel over to England without hassle and has settled in nicely at Abingdon Place Stables in a box not far from fellow Diamond Jubilee aspirant Mongolian Saturday (Any Given Saturday).

"It's all good, all lights are green," commented English ex-pat trainer Richard Gibson. "The horse has settled in well, he's eaten up well and his bodyweight is good. It's been straightforward so far and we're happy with the way he is."

After being kept to an easy trot Sunday following his mid-day arrival Saturday, the flashy chestnut cantered Monday morning beneath his regular partner Eric Gandon. The latter, who has been with Gibson dating back to the days of Doctor Dino (Fr) (Mutathir {GB}) a decade ago, observed that Gold-Fun moved better over the synthetic Ecotrack installed at Bury Hill not far from Abingdon Place than he does over the Sha Tin all-weather.

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### A GOOD DAY TO BE A GRAY

In the latest installation of "Pedigree Insights", Andrew Caulfield takes a closer look at a banner day for gray runners Saturday, including Frosted (Tapit)'s dominant GI Met Mile win.

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**'Jet' Sells for £1.3M to China Horse Club Cont.**

Bought initially at Goffs as a foal for €7,000 by Julie Wood, who has been fortunate to race such good horses as Zebedee (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and Olympic Glory (Ire) (Choirir {Ire}), Jet Setting was a rare one who "got away" when being sold as a non-winner from Richard Hannon's stable last October to young bloodstock agent John Kilbride for 12,000gns on behalf of the



John Kilbride & Adrian Keatley | Emma Berry

{Ire}.

Jet Setting's trainer through the second phase of her career to date has been the young Irish rising star, Adrian Keatley, who will continue to train the filly for China Horse Club.

Equinegrowthpartner s Syndicate. The rest, as they say, is history. A black-type placing led to a maiden victory, Classic trial win, and then a hard-fought win in the Tattersalls 1,000 Guineas over dual Classic victrix Minding (Ire) (Galileo

"We're delighted to be here," Keatley commented. "It's been such a wonderful experience for myself and for John Kilbride, our bloodstock agent. She has to have a serious chance on Friday. She loves her job. She came back from the Irish Guineas, had a roll and ate all her food. I was anxious about losing her--a filly like this to be racing at this level is exciting for anyone, but I'm lucky enough to be training her. I'm really looking forward to Friday." *Cont. p3*



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## GOFFS LONDON SALE IN ASSOCIATION WITH QIPCO 2016

Lot	Name	Status	Price (£)
<a href="#">43</a>	<b>Jet Setting (Ire)</b> <i>(f, 3, Fast Company {Ire}--Mean Lae {Ire}, by Johannesburg)</i> Consigned by Adrian Keatley Racing Purchased by China Horse Club	Horse in Training	1,300,000
<a href="#">38</a>	<b>Viren's Army (Ire)</b> <i>(c, 3, Twirling Candy--Blue Angel {Ire}, by Oratorio {Ire})</i> Consigned by East Everleigh Stables Purchased by John McCormack B/S LLC	Horse in Training	700,000
<a href="#">26</a>	<b>Lundy (GB)</b> <i>(c, 2, Fastnet Rock {Aus}--Princess Janie, by Elusive Quality)</i> Consigned by Carriganog Racing Purchased by G. Hourigan	Horse in Training	400,000
<a href="#">25</a>	<b>Lady Penko (Fr)</b> <b>i/f to Golden Horn (GB)</b> <i>(m, 5, Archipenko--Hespera {GB}, by Danehill)</i> Consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment Purchased by Ballylinch Stud		360,000
<a href="#">49</a>	<b>Great Page (Ire)</b> <i>(f, 3, Roderic O'Conner {Ire}--Areeda {Ire}, by Refuse to Bend)</i> Consigned by East Everleigh Stables Purchased by Peter & Ross Doyle	Horse in Training	300,000

### 'Jet' Sells for £1.3M to China Horse Club Cont.

Horses in training ruled the roost at the sale which cleared £5,593,000 in just under two hours in central London when 28 of the 41 horses offered changed hands at an average of £199,750 and median of £135,000.

The top-priced colt of the session was the listed Dee S. winner **Viren's Army (Ire)** (Twirling Candy) ([lot 38](#)), who will switch from the pale blue of Middleham Park Racing to the royal blue of Godolphin after being knocked down to Jono Mills for £700,000. John McCormack signed the ticket, but Mills commented, "He will race for Godolphin eventually, but the plans are still fluid at the moment."

Underlining the international aspect of the sale, Fastnet Rock (Aus) 2-year-old **Lundy (GB)** ([lot 26](#)), runner-up in the listed Rochestown S. on May 29 after winning his maiden at Leopardstown by three lengths three weeks earlier, was bought by Danish owner/trainer Fleming Velin through Ger Hourigan for £400,000.

"He's been bought to go to Denmark eventually," said Hourigan. "He looks a very smart horse and his form stacks up well. He's an exciting 2-year-old with a future and not so many of them come on the market."



Lady Penko in the ring at The Orangery, Kensington Palace, London  
Sarah Farnsworth

The anomaly of the sale was **Lady Penko (Fr)** (Archipenko), ([lot 25](#)), the 5-year-old listed-winning and Group 1-placed mare, who was sold in foal to last year's G1 Derby and G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Golden Horn (GB) for £360,000. Ballylinch Stud Manager John O'Connor was the successful buyer, outbidding Mark Player.

"There are many things I like about her," O'Connor commented. "She won her stakes race really well and she was injured when she was placed in the Prix Saint-Alary. I like the idea of Archipenko as a broodmare sire--he's such a well-bred horse--plus she's out of a Danehill mare which will work well with our stallions, especially Lope De Vega. I also think Golden Horn is a good match for her physically."

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Top of the breeze-up section was [lot 10](#), a Siyouni (Fr) half-brother to Italian listed winner Ottawa (Fr) (Celtic Swing {GB}), who sold for £200,000 to Irish trainer Michael O'Callaghan.

Reflecting on the third edition of the Goffs London Sale, Chief Executive Henry Beeby said, "The first thing I'd like to say is that it's always special to sell a Classic winner and to offer one on the eve of Royal Ascot is extra special. It's amazing to have exceeded her owners' expectations--we're delighted. Trade for the form horses was strong and there was a great atmosphere despite the English weather. It's fair to say that in three years the sale has become established as a complete one-off. It's an aspirational sale and it's gratifying that it is being supported so well. We always take a good hard look at each sale and we'll have a look at the breeze-up section of this sale." He added, "The BHA gets an awful knocking but I have to say that they have been tremendously helpful in making this happen."



Henry Beeby | *Racing Post*

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**'TEMPLE' TEAM PRAYING FOR ROYAL ASCOT SUCCESS** *by Emma Berry*

Many racehorse owners dream of having a horse good enough to run at Royal Ascot. For the team involved with Wednesday's G2 Duke Of Cambridge S. runner **Miss Temple City** (Temple City), the dream has become reality not once but twice.

Sean Feld is the unofficial frontman for the Maryland-based group, which includes Allen Rosenblum, Sagamore Farm principal Kevin Plank-- who in his 'day job' is CEO of the Under Armour sportswear company--as well as Sean's bloodstock agent father Bob Feld, Chris Closson and A J Jutte of The Club Racing LLC. The Felds have a particularly close tie to Miss Temple City, as they also bred the Graham Motion-trained filly from the treble winner and stakes-placed Artax mare Glittering Tax. *Cont. p5*



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**'Temple' Team Praying for Royal Ascot Success Cont.**

"My dad wanted to have a lifetime breeding right in Temple City and didn't have a mare to send to him," explains Feld from the gardens of Newmarket's Jockey Club Rooms as he counts down the days to the Royal meeting.

"I was talking to [Spendthrift Stallion Director] Mark Toothaker at the sales one day about Tiz Wonderful and I looked up and there's a mare in foal to him in the ring going for \$2,000. Mark went in and bought her and he didn't really have an owner for her. I told him my dad needed a mare for the Temple City deal, so they partnered up and this filly was the result of that. The stars have aligned more than once with Miss Temple City."

That alignment has led to the 4-year-old Miss Temple City becoming the first Grade I winner for the young Spendthrift sire in her most recent start in the Maker's 46 Mile at Keeneland on Apr. 15. From her 10 career starts, exclusively on turf, the consistent filly has won four times and made seven appearances in stakes company, never finishing out of the first four.

Her trainer Graham Motion expressed surprise that Miss Temple City was sent off at odds of 50-1 when running in last year's G1 Coronation S. at Royal Ascot. She herself showed how misguided her starting price was when running fourth, just two lengths off the winner Ervedya (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), who was herself a neck ahead of subsequent G1 Breeders' Cup Turf winner Found (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}).

Motion said last week, "I thought Miss Temple City ran very well at Royal Ascot last year. I discussed it with Sean and the team and we decided that we would like to come back. She needed to come out and run well first time out, which she did."

"She is a bigger, stronger filly this year and her win against the boys last time was very impressive," Motion added. "I have also been impressed with her work since then."

British-born Motion also stated that training a winner at Royal Ascot is "on my bucket list", and that's something in which Miss Temple City's enthusiastic owners are more than keen to play a part.

Feld said, "We wanted to come back the very next day after last year. We loved it. We had so much fun, even running fourth in the race. It was awesome."



Miss Temple City | Emma Berry

"I grew up watching Ascot in America, so to have a filly who will probably be second or third choice in a group race over here is pretty exciting," Feld continued. "In the last 10 to 15 years, the meeting has taken on a whole new meaning internationally. Wesley Ward bringing horses over piqued the interest in America even more, but when I came over a couple of years ago just as a fan, that's when I knew we had to somehow get a horse to run over here. Luckily, a couple of years later we have one."

He is effusive in his praise of the hospitality shown to international owners competing at Royal Ascot, and adds, "There really is nothing like it. It's Breeders' Cup times 100, it's the Kentucky Derby times 100. It's an amazing week. Everyone treats us so well, we've been treated like rock stars, which in America you don't really get. You're lucky to get a table somewhere if you have a runner in America whereas over

here we have a whole box to ourselves and they pick us up and take us places. Everyone who runs here thinks they have a chance and everyone is in a good mood, win, lose or draw. The car park after the races is a ton of fun. It's an awesome event and I hope we can come back more and more." *Cont. p6*

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**'Temple' Team Praying for Royal Ascot Success Cont.**

The dream is further fuelled by the team being successful in engaging Ryan Moore, who last year broke a Royal Ascot record in riding nine winners at the meeting, as a partner for Miss Temple City in place of last year's jockey John Velazquez.

"He's the best rider in the world, so any time you can get the best rider in the world on your horse it helps tremendously," Feld noted. "Having a European jockey on a straight mile is a huge help, and the fact that he's the leading rider at Ascot in recent years is even better."



**Ryan Moore & Graham Motion in Newmarket | *Racing Post***

Glittering Tax is already a proven producer, with the Tiz Wonderful foal she was carrying at the time of her purchase, Paganol, a winner at Churchill Downs last year, not to mention Miss Temple City

and her year-younger full-sister Pricedtoperfection, who won the GIII Sweetest Chant S. at Gulfstream Park in January for Chad Brown. The Felds will be hoping that the magic continues through to her juvenile daughter Five Each Way, who is in

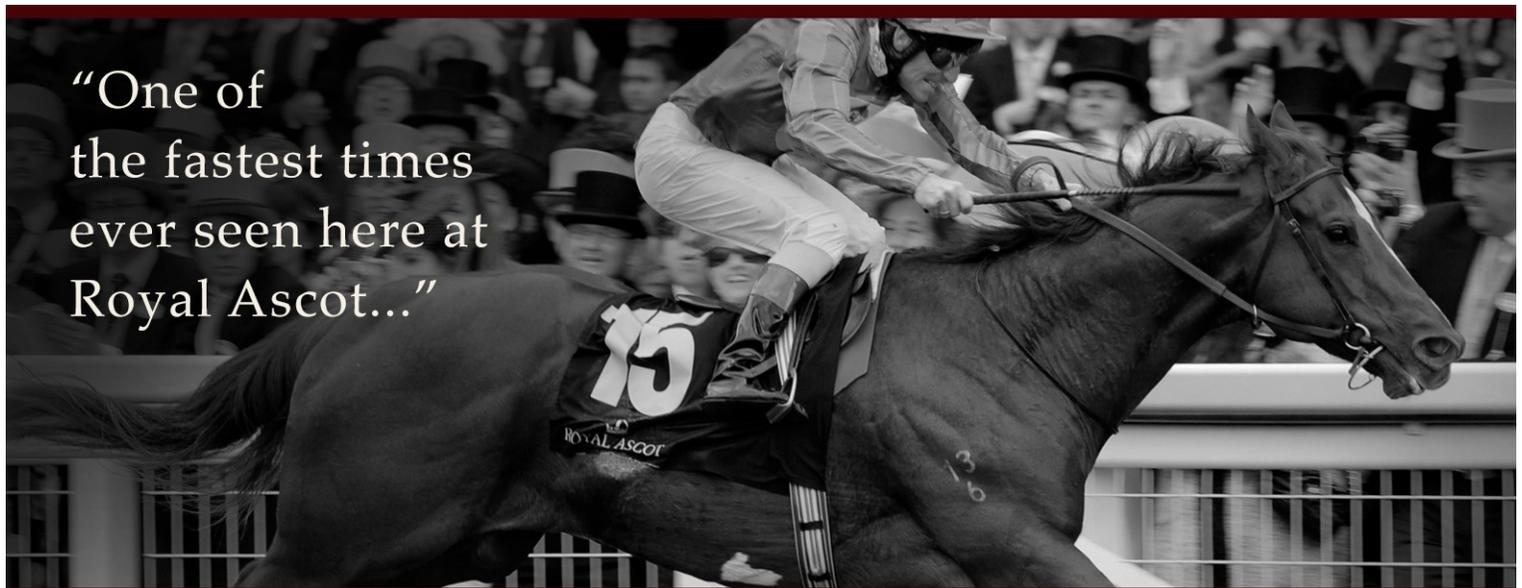
training with Graham Motion and is by their own stallion, Bullet Train (GB), purchased from Juddmonte at the end of his racing career.

The idea to take the Group 3-winning son of Sadler's Wells to America began back in the June of Bullet Train's final year in training, in which he continued admirably to fulfil the role of work-mate and pacemaker for his illustrious half-brother Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}).



**Bullet Train & Sir Henry Cecil**  
*Emma Berry*

"I was working for Spendthrift Farm selling nominations and they had been standing some stallions with really good pedigrees, who weren't awesome on the track but they were getting good mares," recalls Feld. "We'd been watching Frankel and knew who Bullet Train was and my dad said, 'I think we should stand Bullet Train in America'. I told him he was crazy but the more I thought about it, the more I thought it could work. My dad put a group together with my uncle and a couple of other investors and they talked to Teddy Grimthorpe, who said, 'Make your one and best offer'." [Cont. p7](#)



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**'Temple' Team Praying for Royal Ascot Success Cont.**

"They made a pretty good offer and in Breeders' Cup week Teddy told my dad personally in Santa Anita that we had him," said Feld.

The deal being sealed led to Feld leaving Spendthrift to oversee the nominations and marketing for Bullet Train LLC, of which he is Managing Director. The 9-year-old stallion now stands at Crestwood Farm in Kentucky and shuttles to Bowness Stud in New South Wales for the Australian season.

Feld said, "It was a no-brainer to try to stand him in America. Obviously [his first crop] are running this year so we'll know soon enough how well he can do as a stallion. The year he first stood there was something like 30 new sires that year in Kentucky, so it was very competitive and we didn't get as many mares as we'd hoped, but he's got more than 40 2-year-olds this year and we have four of our own so we're going to help him out as much as possible."

He added, "He bred over 160 mares at Bowness Stud in his first year and has the temperament to cope with it all really well. In America people are still kind of timid to have a grass horse so it's hard to get the mares, but he's a good-looking horse with a great pedigree and we're really excited."

Feld's belief in the offspring of the Juddmonte mare Kind (GB) (Danehill) extends to having bought a mare in foal to Frankel's Oasis Dream (GB) half-brother Morpheus (GB), who stands in Ireland at Tally-Ho Stud, at Tattersalls in December.

"All I need now is a Frankel and a Noble Mission and I'll have the superfecta," he jokes.

As a Grade I winner, Miss Temple City has already earned the right to be sent to Frankel herself. A victory at Royal Ascot would be the icing on the cake.

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**FEELING THE HEAT**

A rain-afflicted 2016 Royal Meeting opens up on Tuesday with a typically strong renewal of the G1 Queen Anne S., which has so far proven impervious to the international brigade, but which features another dogged threat in the US raider **Tepin** (Bernstein). While no winner of the race has been trained as far afield, there is a precedent for foreign influence succeeding in the 2008 hero Haradasun (Aus) (Fusaichi Pegasus), a horse who albeit was saddled by Aidan O'Brien here, and had established his reputation in Australia. *Cont. p8*

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**Feeling the Heat Cont.**

Whether Tepin can maintain her class edge over the Euros so evident in her destruction of the GI Breeders' Cup Mile challengers on Halloween remains to be seen, as she faces an entirely different method of racing over this demanding straight



Tepin | Horsephotos

mile. "All the indicators are the horse has acclimated, she's eating well and seems happy so no complaints," Norman Casse, son and assistant to trainer Mark Casse, said. "She used to be a bit flighty and nervous, but now she's laid-back as

she's got older and it's made her a more effective racehorse. The reason she is here is because of the racehorse she has become. She's more professional and I don't think anything will rattle her. This is the biggest stage she'll ever be on, but I think she's ready and will handle it. Everybody is worried about the weather, but if you look at her race before the Breeders' Cup at Keeneland, it rained for three days before it and they nearly switched it to dirt and that may be the best race she ever ran. Her last race was something of a gimme and it was to get her 100% for here, so far it has all worked out."

This is certainly a "Euro-style" edition, with ground on the easy side particularly likely to play into the hands of the French entourage headed by the impressive G1 Prix Jacques le Marois heroine of last August, **Esoterique (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). While she was only seventh in Tepin's wake at Keeneland, the race conditions of that feature were in complete contrast to what she faces here and with a much more demanding pace to finish off, the Rothschild homebred will be in her element.



Esoterique | Racing Post

Just a length behind Solow (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}) when runner-up at 16-1 in this 12 months ago, the 6-year-old has subsequently met trainer Andre Fabre's lofty expectations of her with easy triumphs in the Jacques le Marois and G1 Sun Chariot S. at Newmarket in October. She put up a fine comeback effort when failing on ridiculous weight-for-age terms to contend with the race-hardened 3-year-old Attendu (Fr) (Acclamation {GB}) in the G3 Prix du Palais-Royal over seven furlongs of Deauville's straight course 10 days ago and the only concern is that this may come too soon.

Trainer Roger Varian is one trainer who would have welcomed the excess precipitation ahead of this contest, with Godolphin and Prince Faisal's

**Belardo (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}) clearly more at home with cut in the ground than most of his opponents. His prowess over a straight course is also marked, as he showed in his career-



Belardo | Racing Post

defining wins in the 2014 G1 Dewhurst S. at Newmarket in October 2014 and in Newbury's G1 Lockinge S. on his last outing May 14. On the latter occasion, he had a perfect pace scenario supplied by useful stablemate **Barchan** (War Front) and last year's Queen Anne fourth **Toormore (Ire)** (Arakan) and with that duo engaged again, he should have no excuses. "He is in terrific form and I have been very happy with him since his Lockinge win," Varian said. "We know he handles the ground well and seems a stronger colt this year."

Like Esoterique, His Highness The Aga Khan's **Ervedya (Fr)** (Siyouni {Fr}) has enjoyed a smooth re-introduction and her second to Vadamos (Fr) (Monsun {Ger}) under hold-up tactics in the G1 Prix du Muguet on Saint-Cloud's May Day card should have put her straight for this test. She was successful in this meeting's G1 Coronation S. in 2015, which followed on from her win in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches at Longchamp in May and preceded her annexing of a very weak renewal of that venue's G1 Prix du Moulin in September.

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**Feeling the Heat Cont.**

She did come unstuck against **Amazing Maria (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) in the G1 Prix Rothschild at Deauville in August, with that Sir Robert Ogden homebred also taking the G2 Duke of Cambridge S. over this straight mile at the last Royal meeting prior to adding the G1 Falmouth S. to her resume at Newmarket's July meeting. Third on her return behind Fabre's highly-regarded **Usherette (Ire)** (Shamardal) in the nine-furlong G2 Dahlia S. on Newmarket's Rowley Mile at the start of last month, she commands respect alongside her stablemate, the Breeders' Cup Mile runner-up and GI Woodbine Mile hero **Mondialiste (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}).

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**Tuesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 2:30 p.m.**

**QUEEN ANNE S.-G1, £600,000, 4yo/up, 8fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	5	Arod (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Spencer	P Chapple-Hyam
2	11	A Shin Erwin (Ire)	Shamardal	C Demuro	Nakao
3	4	Barchan 	War Front	Mitchell	Varian
4	2	Belardo (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Doyle	Varian
5	6	Cougar Mountain (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Moore	A O'Brien
6	10	Endless Drama (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Keane	Lyons
7	3	Kodi Bear (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Kirby	Cox
8	13	Lightning Spear (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Murphy	Simcock
9	8	Mondialiste (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Smullen	O'Meara
10	14	Toomore (Ire)	Arakan	Buick	Hannon
11	7	Amazing Maria (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Peslier	O'Meara
12	9	Ervedya (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Soumillon	Rouget
13	1	Esoterique (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Boudot	Fabre
14	12	Tepin	Bernstein	Leparoux	Casse

All carry 126 pounds bar Amazing Maria, Ervedya, Esoterique & Tepin, 123.

**CARDS FALL RIGHT FOR 'ANGEL'**

Unlike the G1 Queen Anne S., the G1 King's Stand S. has become synonymous with international glory at Royal Ascot with five of the last 13 winners emanating from either Australia or Hong Kong. Up until a few days ago, it looked likely that the US would join the honours list with the monstrous **Acapulco** (Scat Daddy) primed for Tuesday's burn-up, but then the mercurial English summer intervened and she was withdrawn by trainer Wesley Ward on Monday, with an eye to Friday's G1 Commonwealth Cup. On similar conditions at York's Ebor meeting in August, the grey mare, who represents the alternate end of the bloodstock



**Mecca's Angel** | *Racing Post*

spectrum, **Mecca's Angel (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) managed to do what no other had on turf when subduing Susan Magnier's bullish presence in the G1 Nunthorpe S. Sharpened with a return second to the race-fit **Profitable (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) in Haydock's G2 Temple S. over this trip May 21, David Metcalfe's 16,000 guineas dream buy has had the weather come in her favour unlike 12 months ago when her trainer Michael Dods showed commendable courage to withdraw her at the 11th hour. "We took a chance last year in Ireland [when second on officially "good" ground in The Curragh's G2 Sapphire S.] and it showed she doesn't have that gear which you need to win big races," he explained. "When she gets her ground she can. We feel she's in great form, but we're in against proper horses so it won't be easy. She'd been out for nine months when she ran in the Temple and it was too soft for a horse coming back from such a long break. She will definitely come on for the run. We are the one to beat."

Profitable has lived up to his name this term, with a win in the G3 Palace House S. at Newmarket Apr. 30 coming before his neck verdict over Mecca's Angel on similar ground at Haydock. Now that Acapulco is absent, trainer Clive Cox is understandably positive. "He's been marvellous this year and while I'm still of the opinion he's a better a horse on better ground, I'm not as worried as I was before Haydock and we'd like to think Ascot good-to-soft will be better than Haydock good-to-soft," he commented. "He's drawn well, he's in excellent form and he's full of confidence, so we're very much looking forward to it. Mecca's Angel is a mare we very much respect. There wasn't much between us at Haydock and I don't see any reason why we won't be close to her again."



**Goldream** | *Racing Post*

Last year's one-two-three-four are in the line-up again and with less than a length separating the veterans **Goldream (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}), **Medicean Man (GB)** (Medicean {GB}), **Muthmir (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and **Pearl Secret (GB)** (Compton Place {GB}) respectively, it will be interesting to see how they fare on this different surface. The latter is one of the race's intriguing propositions, as he is still lightly raced despite his advanced age and has a solid record here, having been third in 2013 before finishing slightly worse last term. He will appreciate the rain and, as he showed when a staying-on fourth in the Temple last time, needs a stiffer test at this trip.

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**Tuesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:40 p.m.**

**KING'S STAND S.-G1, £400,000, 3yo/up, 5fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	7	Aeolus (GB)	Araafa (Ire)	Morris	Walker
2	18	Cotai Glory (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Baker	C Hills
3	4	Double Up (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Atzeni	Varian
4	9	Goken (Fr)	Kendargent (Fr)	Spencer	K Ryan
5	3	Goldream (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Harley	Cowell
6	14	Jungle Cat (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Buick	Appleby
7	10	Lancelot du Lac (Ity)	Shamardal	Winston	Ivory
8	17	Medicean Man (GB)	Medicean (GB)	Kingscote	Gask
9	19	Mongolian Saturday 	Any Given Saturday	Geroux	Ganbat
10	15	Move In Time (GB)	Monsieur Bond (Ire)	Nolan	O'Meara
11	11	Muthmir (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Hanagan	Haggas
12	2	Out Do (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Makin	O'Meara
13	13	Pearl Secret (GB)	Compton Place (GB)	Murphy	Barron
14	8	Profitable (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Kirby	Cox
15	6	Sir Maximilian (Ire)	Royal Applause (GB)	Fallon	Williams
<del>16</del>	<del>21</del>	<del>Sole Power (GB)</del>	<del>Kyllachy (GB)</del>	<del>Soumillon</del>	<del>Lynam</del>
17	1	Take Cover (GB)	Singspiel (Ire)	Allan	Griffiths
18	20	Waady (Ire)	Approve (GB)	Dettori	Gosden
19	12	Hay Chewed (Ire)	Camacho (GB)	Dwyer	Allen
20	5	Mecca's Angel (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Mulrennan	Dods
<del>21</del>	<del>16</del>	<del>Acapulco</del>	<del>Scat Daddy</del>	<del>Moore</del>	<del>Ward</del>

All carry 130 pounds bar Hay Chewed & Mecca's Angel, 127, & Acapulco, 120.

**DAGGERS DRAWN**

Aidan O'Brien's record seven winners of the G1 St James's Palace S. include some of the Royal Meeting's benchmark performers of recent times and Tuesday's renewal offers one in the form of **The Gurkha (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who could yet fit the mould of a Giant's Causeway, a Rock of Gibraltar (Ire) or a Henrythenavigator. Unraced until early April, Derrick Smith's colourbearer has enjoyed a meteoric rise in a short space of time with a nine-length maiden win on soft-to-heavy ground at Navan Apr. 17, offering the hors d'oeuvres to his powerful display in Deauville's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains May 15. There can only be encouragement in the fact that the third-placed Dicton (GB) (Lawman {Fr}) and fifth-placed Zarak (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) went on to be third and second, respectively, in the G1 Prix du Jockey Club and that the quartet who finished eighth to 11th were the G3 Prix Paul de Moussac first and second Zelzal (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) and Moon Trouble (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), the G3 Prix du Palais-Royal winner Attendu (Fr) (Acclamation {GB}) and the Listed Prix Marchand d'Or scorer Jimmy Two Times (Fr) (Kendargent {Fr}).



Galileo Gold & Awtaad | Racing Post

"The ground is going to be the thing to work out--The Gurkha won his maiden on soft ground, but it was very nice ground in France," his trainer commented, while jockey Ryan Moore who has marked him out as his best ride of the meeting, added, "I think my mount should be able to handle both softer and faster ground."

In a rare clash of the winners of the big three European 2000 Guineas, the substance of the Irish equivalent is represented by Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum's **Awtaad (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}), who put Al Shaqab's Newmarket Classic hero **Galileo Gold (GB)** (Paco Boy {Ire}) in his place at The Curragh May 21. Six of the last 10 winners of this race were coming off a success in that test and it probably is the ideal prep as a result. "He will appreciate the ground at Ascot, as he doesn't mind that easy ground," trainer Kevin Prendergast said. "The Curragh is the stiffest mile in the world, so the track won't be a problem. He has trained well since The Curragh and is in good shape. He looks better and fitter than he did in the Irish 2000 Guineas. We always thought he was a good horse." Of the opposition, the veteran handler is unequivocal as to where his attention will be focused. "I would not worry about Galileo Gold," he added. "The Gurkha is the horse you would have to be worried about. It looks a cracking race and you have three Guineas winners coming together. If he wins this, it would top his Guineas win."

Galileo Gold did meet trouble in running at The Curragh and should relish the ease in the surface, although it is hard to escape the feeling that the standard of his victory in the Apr. 30 2000 Guineas has been subsequently usurped both in Normandy and Kildare. That is backed up by the current odds, with the unusual circumstance of the Guineas winner trading as only the third favourite for this at enhanced odds of around 5-1. Trainer Hugo Palmer believes he will be closer to his Newmarket level than last time. "I can't believe it will get as soft as The Curragh, when it really was very soft," he said. "I'm certain the winner loved it, but we were second in a Group 1 so it's not like he completely hated it. I had talked all winter about going to France as I was worried about rattling-fast ground at Newmarket, as it can be. My slight suspicion at the moment is that despite the fact I was totally happy with him going to The Curragh--as peaks and troughs go--Newmarket and now are perhaps slightly more peaks and The Curragh was more of a trough in the horse's well-being. I was very happy going to the Curragh, but I am just a bit more happy with him now. We're drawn a bit wider, which will have its own complications, but he should have no excuses in getting trapped." [Cont. p11](#)

**Daggers Drawn Cont.**

The quality of this triumvirate is further evidenced by the fact that Godolphin's G2 Champagne S.-winning 'TDN Rising Star' **Emotionless (Ire)** (Shamardal) and G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere runner-up **Cymric** (Kitten's Joy) have been relegated to bit-players as far as the betting market is concerned. Emotionless's trainer Charlie Appleby does not see the race in that way. "All systems are go for the return of Emotionless," he commented. "I am not worried about the prospect of soft ground. It was on the easy side at Doncaster when he won the G2 Champagne S. in September and he handled that well. Emotionless lengthens well and has got gears and all we want is a nice sensible pace up on the front end to ensure a true-run race, which is what everybody wants to see." Jockey William Buick added, "Emotionless has had a long time off and it's a very, very hot race but the horse has come right, he looks good and it is at the right time of year for him. We still think he retains all the ability he had last year. He's in at the deep end, but we are looking forward to getting him back. He will do himself justice, but it will be a building block. It is his first run of the year and, whatever he does on Tuesday, you would think he will be better next time."



Emotionless | Racing Post

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**Tuesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 4:20 p.m.**

**ST JAMES'S PALACE S.-G1, £400,000, 3yo, c, 8ft**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	3	Awtaad (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Hayes	K Prendergast
2	6	Cymric	Kitten's Joy	Doyle	Gosden
3	5	Ehtiraas (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Hanagan	Burrows
4	2	Emotionless (Ire)	Shamardal	Buick	Appleby
5	4	First Selection (Spa)	Diktat (GB)	Crowley	Crisford
6	7	Galileo Gold (GB)	Paco Boy (Ire)	Dettori	Palmer
7	1	The Gurkha (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
8	8	Zonderland (GB)	Dutch Art (GB)	Kirby	Cox

All carry 126 pounds.

**SENT TO COVENTRY**

Every day of this exalted week is a big day for Coolmore and Ballydoyle, but the G2 Coventry S. is where many of the early seeds have been sewn by the master of Rosegreen and Tuesday's renewal offers his team the opportunity of the outright record of eight wins to usurp the legends Frank Butters and Fred Darling. Since Harbour Master (Fr) (Bluebird) offered the portents of what was to come from the stable when scoring at 16-1 in 1997, the likes of Fasliyev, Landseer (Ire), Henrythenavigator, Power (GB) and War Command (War Front) have set up future Group 1 conquests with victory in this early test. While the Coventry, which once served as a forum for the burgeoning talent of Mill Reef and Chief Singer (Ire), went through a dip in its status as a Classic pointer during the late 1980s to late 1990s, it is largely due to Ballydoyle's intense interest that it has subsequently turned itself around again. This year's favourite **Caravaggio**

(Scat Daddy) is more of a cast-iron sprinting character than some of his Ballydoyle predecessors, with his trainer not completely certain that he will stay further than the five over which he captured the Listed Marble Hill S. at The Curragh last time May 21. O'Brien was understandably skeptical with regards to the unbeaten colt excelling on this type of ground. "Caravaggio won on soft ground [last time], but shouldn't be a soft-ground horse at all," he said.



Caravaggio | Racing Post

Trainer Richard Hannon Sr has won this three times, most notably with Canford Cliffs (Ire) in 2009 and his chief prospect this time is Al Shaqab Racing's **Mehmas (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}). He beat Global Applause (GB) (Mayson {GB}) easily in Newbury's



Mehmas | Racing Post

Olympic Glory Conditions S. over this trip May 14 before finishing runner-up to that rival over a furlong shorter in the Listed National S. at Sandown 12 days later. Two other of the total of unbeaten colts in the line-up have a particularly menacing

profile here, with Sean Jones's **Psychedelic Funk (GB)** (Choisir {Aus}) showing his teeth with a six-length win in the Fishery Lane Race over this distance at Naas May 11 and Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum's **Yalta (Ire)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) taking apart his Pontefract rivals by upwards of 4 1/2 lengths May 27. **Cont. p12**

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**Golden Gazelle (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) graduated at second asking in the fifth at Compiègne.**

**Sent to Coventry Cont.**

Wesley Ward puts forward the sole filly in the race, the unbeaten **Silvertoni** (Tapit) who meets wholly different conditions than when dominating the Kentucky Juvenile S. over five furlongs on fast dirt at Churchill Downs May 5. Were it not for her trainer's incredible record here, her chances would be discounted out of hand, but all his runners now deserve scrutiny. "She is a really nice filly who has been going great," he explained. "She is by Tapit, the best sire in America and she's shooting good. We're seeing everything we want from her."

Godolphin's representation rests with the homebred May 31 Leicester debut scorer **Thunder Snow (Ire)** (Helmet {Aus}) and their recent acquisition **Van Der Decken (GB)** (Dutch Art {GB}), who was also off the mark on his racecourse bow at The Curragh May 22. The latter is a dream first Royal runner for rookie trainer Paddy Twomey and he said, "Van Der Decken is in good form and he is ready to go again. He won well on his debut at the Curragh and we think he has progressed since then, so we are looking forward to him taking his chance in the Coventry S. Soft ground will inconvenience him less than some of the others, because he has run on it before."

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**Tuesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:05 p.m.**

**COVENTRY S.-G2, £150,000, 2yo, 6fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	11	Broken Stones (Ire)	Requinto (Ire)	Spencer	K Ryan
2	13	Caravaggio	Scat Daddy	R Moore	A O'Brien
3	3	Dolokhov (GB)	Harbour Watch (Ire)	Keniry	S Moore
4	17	Garth Rockett (GB)	Delegator (GB)	Dwyer	Powell
5	10	Grand Coalition (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Smullen	Murtagh
6	7	Lundy (GB)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	D O'Brien	J O'Brien
7	2	Medieval (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Morris	Cole
8	1	Mehmas (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Dettori	Hannon
9	14	<b>Mokarris</b> 	More Than Ready	Hanagan	Crisford
10	12	<b>Monks Stand</b> 	More Than Ready	Crowley	Nosed
11	15	Nibras Bounty (Ire)	Bahamian Bounty (GB)	Levey	Hannon
12	16	Parys Mountain (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Atzeni	C Hills
13	8	Psychedelic Funk (GB)	Choisir (Aus)	Keane	Lyons
14	5	Rusumaat (Ire)	Arcano (Ire)	Fanning	Johnston
15	18	Stoneyford Lane (Ire)	Bushranger (Ire)	Ffrench	Hollinshead
16	9	Thunder Snow (Ire)	Helmet (Aus)	Doyle	bin Suroor
17	6	Van Der Decken (GB)	Dutch Art (GB)	Lordan	Twomey
18	4	Yalta (Ire)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Buick	Johnston
19	19	<b>Silvertoni</b> 	Tapit	Valdivia	Ward

All carry 127 pounds bar Silvertoni, 124.

**Tuesday, Royal Ascot, post time: 5:35 p.m.**

**WINDSOR CASTLE S.-Listed, £80,000, 2yo, 5fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	16	Ambiguity (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	D O'Brien	J O'Brien
2	1	Ardad (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Havlin	Gosden
3	23	Battaash (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Hanagan	C Hills
4	22	Bective (Ire)	Approve (GB)	Whelan	Levins
5	21	Big Lachie (GB)	Camacho (GB)	Carson	Osborne
6	14	Bolt Phantom	Exchange Rate	Levey	Mohammed
7	19	Callender (Ire)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Hayes	PPrendergast
8	9	Copper Knight (Ire)	Sir Prancealot (Ire)	Crowley	Palmer
9	10	Drafted	Field Commission	Buick	Harty
10	12	Fayez (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Bentley	O'Meara
11	24	Full Intention (GB)	Showcasing (GB)	Kingscote	Dascombe
12	18	Just An Idea (Ire)	Lilbourne Lad (Ire)	Harley	H Dunlop
13	20	Kananee	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Doyle	bin Suroor
14	11	Leontes (GB)	Paco Boy (Ire)	Probert	Balding
15	4	Mister Trader (GB)	Hellvelyn (GB)	Smullen	Bunyan
16	8	Pedestal (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
17	3	Pretty Vacant (GB)	Elzaam (Aus)	Atzeni	Varian
18	15	Ready to Roc (Ire)	Roderic O'Connor (Ire)	Murphy	Murtagh
19	13	Stringybark Creek (GB)	Bushranger (Ire)	Baker	Channon
20	5	Tomily (Ire)	Canford Cliffs (Ire)	Dobbs	Hannon
21	17	Top Score (GB)	Hard Spun	McDonald	bin Suroor
22	7	Big City Dreamin	Iqbaal	Dettori	Ward
23	6	Savannah's Dream (GB)	Showcasing (GB)	Makin	O'Meara
24	2	Yulong Baobei (Ire)	Choisir (Aus)	Foley	Halford

All carry 129 bar Big City Dreamin, Savannah's Dream & Yulong Baobei, 124.

All eyes will be on the American pair of **Drafted** and **Big City Dreamin** here, with the former representing Godolphin along with the home-trained **Top Score** and **Kananee**. Drafted got his career off to the ideal start when winning a 4 1/2-furlong maiden special weight on the dirt at Keeneland Apr. 27 and trainer Eoin Harty is hoping to do a "Wesley Ward" here. "Drafted is fine and in great shape. He is fit, healthy and happy," he commented. "We are used to fast ground, in America as if it is soft then the races are taken off the turf. He has worked on the turf at Arlington Park and that would have been considered firm. His sire was a good turf horse who also won on dirt and synthetics. I would be guessing about how Drafted will handle the conditions on Tuesday, but he is a fast American two-year-old and his biggest asset is his speed so we will be trying to utilise it."

Ward is present with yet another filly in Big City Dreamin ([lot 45](#)), who scored over the same track and trip as her compatriot Apr. 8 and is also likely to be up with the pace for new owner Sol Kumin, after selling for £200,000 at the Goffs London Sale Monday evening. **Mister Trader** and **Yulong Baobei** offer a strong Irish representation alongside the Ballydoyle challenger **Pedestal**, with the former second to the G2 Coventry S. protagonist Caravaggio (Scat Daddy) in the Listed Marble Hill S. at The Curragh May 21.

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**GROUND CONCERNS LEAVE SIX FOR PRINCE OF WALES'S S.**

**Time Test (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) has been ruled out of the G1 Prince of Wales's S. at Royal Ascot on account of the rain-softened ground. Roger Charlton's 4-year-old was a hugely impressive winner of the G3 Tercentenary S. at the showpiece meeting last year and made a successful return to action with a thrilling victory in the G3 Brigadier Gerard S. at Sandown last



Time Test | *Racing Post*

month. He was among the leading contenders for Wednesday's 10-furlong Group 1, but with conditions at Ascot having deteriorated, he will not take his chance.

"Time Test will not be declared to run in the Prince of Wales's and he will be aimed at the

[G1Coral] Eclipse at Sandown Park [July 2], hoping for quicker ground," trainer Roger Charlton tweeted.

Time Test was one of three withdrawals at the final declaration stage with the now-retired **Covert Love (Ire)** (Azamour {Ire}) removed from the reckoning along with Aidan O'Brien's **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}).

That leaves a field of six, headed by Japanese superstar **A Shin Hikari (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), who ran out an incredibly impressive winner in last month's G1 Prix d'Ispahan at Chantilly on what was his European bow.

O'Brien still has a representative in the shape of GI Breeders' Cup Turf heroine **Found (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who makes a quick return having finished second in the G1 Coronation Cup at Epsom just under two weeks ago.

**The Grey Gatsby (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) is due to make his seasonal reappearance for Kevin Ryan, while Godolphin's G1 Dubai Turf third **Tryster (Ire)** (Shamardal) will take his chance for Charlie Appleby. Clive Cox's **My Dream Boat (Ire)** (Lord Shanakill) and the John Gosden-trained **Western Hymn (GB)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) complete the select field.

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**Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 4:20 p.m.**

**PRINCE OF WALES'S S.-G1, £750,000, 4yo/up, 10fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	4	A Shin Hikari (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Take	Sakaguchi
2	3	My Dream Boat (Ire)	Lord Shanakill	Kirby	Cox
3	1	The Grey Gatsby (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Spencer	K Ryan
4	2	Tryster (Ire)	Shamardal	Buick	Appleby
5	6	Western Hymn (GB)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Dettori	Gosden
6	5	Found (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien

All carry 126 pounds bar Found, 123.

**Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:40 p.m.**

**DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE S.-G2, £175,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 8fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	9	Miss Temple City 🌸	Temple City	Moore	Motion
2	14	Devonshire (Ire)	Fast Company (Ire)	Buick	McCreery
3	10	Usherette (Ire)	Shamardal	Barzalona	Fabre
4	13	Always Smile (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Doyle	bin Suroor
5	12	Bint Dandy (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Tylicki	Dwyer
6	1	Black Cherry (GB)	Mount Nelson (GB)	Dobbs	Hannon
7	3	Blond Me (Ire)	Tamayuz (GB)	Probert	Balding
8	6	Excilly (GB)	Excellent Art (GB)	Kingscote	Dascombe
9	7	Furia Cruzada (Chi)	Newfoundland	Smullen	Gosden
10	2	Jazzi Top (GB)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Dettori	Gosden
11	8	Lucida (Ire)	Shamardal	Manning	Bolger
12	5	Maimara (Fr)	Makfi (GB)	Benoist	Delzangles
13	4	Spangled (GB)	Starpangledbanner (Aus)	Atzeni	Varian
14	11	Volunteer Point (Ire)	Footstepsinthesand (GB)	de Sousa	Channon

All carry 126 pounds bar Devonshire & Usherette, 129, & Miss Temple City, 131.

**Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:05 p.m.**

**QUEEN MARY S.-G2, £110,000, 2yo, f, 5fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	8	Al Johrah (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	Benoist	Devin
2	15	Barroche (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Kirby	Cox
3	12	Camargue (GB)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Buick	Johnston
4	1	Clem Fandango (Fr)	Elzaam (Aus)	Makin	Dagleish
5	16	Jule in the Crown (GB)	Harbour Watch (Ire)	de Sousa	Channon
6	3	Kachess (GB)	Kyllachy (GB)	Kingscote	Dascombe
7	11	Katrine (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Fanning	Johnston
8	9	Kocollada (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Spencer	Fahey
9	14	Lady Aurelia 🌸	Scat Daddy	Dettori	Ward
10	2	Madam Dancealot (Ire)	Sir Prancealot (Ire)	Egan	Tuite
11	13	Quench Dolly (GB)	Hellvelyn (GB)	M Murphy	Gallagher
12	6	Reeh (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Hanagan	Gosden
13	5	Roly Poly 🌸	War Front	Moore	A O'Brien
14	7	Simmie (Ire)	Fast Company (Ire)	Dobbs	Kirk
15	10	Spiaggia (Ire)	Makfi (GB)	Piccone	Chappet
16	4	Stormy Clouds (Ire)	Sir Prancealot (Ire)	Levey	Hannon
17	17	Vona (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Garritty	Fahey

All carry 126 pounds.

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**Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 2:30 p.m.**

**JERSEY S.-G3, £90,000, 3yo, 7fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	18	Herald the Dawn (Ire)	New Approach (Ire)	Manning	Bolger	132
2	7	Ribchester (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Buick	Fahey	132
3	5	Gifted Master (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Smullen	Palmer	130
4	4	Ross Castle (Ire)	Bushranger (Ire)	Piccone	Palussiere	130
5	6	Bolting	War Front	Pasquier	Graffard	127
6	15	Calder Prince (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Kingscote	Dasombe	127
7	9	Castle Harbour (GB)	Kyllachy (GB)	Dettoni	Gosden	127
8	8	C Note (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	O'Donohue	Meade	127
9	21	<b>Dragon Mall</b> 🌿	<b>Blame</b>	<b>Spencer</b>	<b>Simcock</b>	127
10	3	Forge (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Moore	Stoute	127
11	1	Haalick (Ire)	Roderic O'Connor (Ire)	Atzeni	Varian	127
12	2	Ibn Malik (Ire)	Raven's Pass	McDonald	C Hills	127
13	19	<b>Kentuckyconnection</b> 🌿	<b>Include</b>	<b>Beasley</b>	<b>Smart</b>	127
14	20	Ocean Eleven (GB)	Equiano (Fr)	Winston	J Ryan	127
15	13	Raucous (GB)	Dream Ahead	Crowley	Haggas	127
16	10	Remarkable (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Havlin	Gosden	127
17	12	Scrutineer (Ire)	Intense Focus	de Sousa	Channon	127
18	11	Steady Pace (GB)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Doyle	bin Suroor	127
19	17	Thikriyaat (Ire)	Azamour (Ire)	Hanagan	Stoute	127
20	16	Toliman (GB)	Hat Trick (Jpn)	Boudot	A&G Botti	127
21	14	Light Music (GB)	Elusive Quality	Cosgrave	Haggas	124

**ACAPULCO OUT OF KING'S STAND**

American raider **Acapulco** (Scat Daddy), who won the 2015 G2 Queen Mary S. at Royal Ascot last year before chasing home the re-opposing **Mecca's Angel (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) in the G1



**Acapulco** | Coady Photography

Nunthorpe S. at York, has been withdrawn from the G1 King's Stand S. due to soft ground. Trainer Wesley Ward had been looking forward to the rematch, but the prospect of rain-softened ground has prompted him to withdraw the hulking

chestnut, who races for a Coolmore conglomerate. Acapulco holds an entry in the G1 Commonwealth Cup on Friday and Ward is hoping conditions improve between now and then.

"The ground is just a little too soft for her to run in the King's Stand," Ward said. "We'll see how we are looking on Friday. We're hopeful we'll be able to run, but we'll have to wait and see. It's disappointing. You can plan everything and do everything you can, but when Mother Nature gets involved there's nothing you can do.

Added Ward, "If she doesn't run on Friday, I'll have to sit down with the Coolmore boys and come up with another plan."

Eddie Lynam trainee MG1SW **Sole Power (GB)** (Kyllachy {Ire}) was also scratched from the King's Stand due to the ground.

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**BURATINO IN DOUBT FOR COMMONWEALTH**

Connections of **Buratino (Ire)** (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) have warned he is unlikely to take his place in Friday's G1 Commonwealth Cup at Royal Ascot due to the ground. Although last year's G2 Coventry S. winner still holds an entry in the six-furlong Group 1 prize, the chances of the Godolphin colorbearer contesting the race appear to be slim unless the ground dries out. Having finished well down the field on his reappearance in the G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket, the Mark Johnston trainee turned in an improved effort last time out when dropped back to six furlongs, finishing fourth in the G2 Sandy Lane S. at Haydock.



**Buratino** | Racing Post

Charlie Johnston, son and assistant trainer, said, "The plan was very much to run Buratino in the Commonwealth Cup, but it would have to look doubtful at this moment in time unless the ground dries out considerably. He is very much a quick ground horse. We were really looking forward to taking him back to Ascot where he put in one of his best performances in winning the Coventry and we were hoping to see a return to that level of form. He will almost certainly still be declared, he might even travel down to Ascot and a decision may be made at the last minute, but if it is soft ground he won't run."

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**BOTTI MAKES PLANS FOR 'CHARLINE'**

Trainer Marco Botti is determined to win a Group 1 in Europe with Team Valor's **Euro Charline (GB)** (Myboycharlie {Ire})



**Euro Charline** | Racing Post

before she heads off to the G1 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf at Santa Anita Park Nov. 4-5. Already a Grade I winner in America, she has been second in the G1 Dubai Turf Mar. 26 and in the G1 Lockinge S. most recently May 14, suggesting a

top-level prize should be well within her range. If all goes to plan, her chances will come in the July 8 G1 Falmouth S. and the Oct. 1 G1 Sun Chariot S., both at Newmarket over a mile.

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## Botti Makes Plans for 'Charline' Cont.

"All is well with her, she was never going to Royal Ascot," said Botti. "We'll take her straight to the Falmouth and I'm really pleased with her. We want to spread her races out this season if we are going to the Breeders' Cup, as she started in Dubai. March to October would be a big ask. We're thinking she'll probably have a summer break after the Falmouth, and then come back for a race [in the fall], which will probably be the Sun Chariot.

Added Botti, "I'm keen to stay at a mile in Europe with her, but at the Breeders' Cup she'll have no problems over 10 furlongs on a tight track, she's run over nine and a half in Dubai and got it well. Last year she had no luck at all, she's a Grade I winner in the States but I'd love to get one in Europe, she deserves it."

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## 'SUCCESS' TO RESURFACE IN AUTUMN

Ken Condon is planning an ambitious autumn campaign for Irish MGSW **Success Days (Ire)** (Jeremy) following three creditable efforts in the spring. The soft-ground performer is enjoying a summer break after three placed efforts ending with third spot in the G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup at The Curragh May 22.



Success Days | *Racing Post*

The Sept. 10 G1 QIPCO Irish Champion S. at Leopardstown in September will be his first major objective, as long as conditions are suitable.

"Success Days is very well," said Condon, who is

based in County Kildare. "He's probably going to come back for the Irish Champion S. in September, ground permitting, and he'll have two if not three runs after that--there is the Champion S. and a race in Milan."

"The owner would obviously like him to win a Group 1," Condon continued. "He's rated 114 so has to improve another bit to do that, but his last two runs have been improved performances. If he keeps going in that direction, he may even stay in training next year. There are a few options in Italy and Germany. He's just cantering away at the moment and having a little mid-summer break."

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## BRITAIN



### Monday's Results:

**1st-NOT, £4,500, Cond, 6-13, 2yo, 5f 13yT, 1:03.58, sf.**  
**PRIVATE MATTER (GB) (c, 2, Mayson {GB}--Privacy Order {GB}, by Azamour {Ire})**, last of eight on debut when blowing the turn completely over 5 1/2 furlongs at Wetherby May 24, was sent off the 11-4 second favourite and quickly gained the rail to guide him and the early lead. Sauntering clear from the furlong pole, the homebred was never asked a question as he coasted to a six-lengths verdict over Notalot (Ire) (Sir Prancealot {Ire}). Private Matter, who is the fourth winner for his first-season sire (by Invincible Spirit {Ire}), is the first foal out of a daughter of his owner-breeders's G1 Prix de Diane heroine Confidential Lady (GB), (Singspiel {Ire}), who was also runner-up in the G1 1000 Guineas. That makes Privacy Order, who has a yearling colt by Pivotal (GB) to come, a half-sister to last year's G2 Prix Greffulhe second Untold Secret (GB) (Shamardal). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,374. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Cheveley Park Stud; B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB); T-Richard Fahey.

**2nd-THI, £4,500, Mdn, 6-13, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.68, g/f.**

**+PELLUCID (GB) (f, 2, Excelebration {Ire}--Sky Crystal {Ger}, by Galileo {Ire})** received early bumps and was squeezed out to race in rear through the initial fractions of this unveiling. Cruising into contention approaching the final quarter mile, the 9-4 pick took control with 150 yards remaining and easily asserted from there to defeat In First Place (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}) hard held by an impressive two lengths. She becomes the second winner for her freshman sire (by Exceed and Excel {Aus}) and is kin to a yearling colt by Henrythenavigator. Her second dam Snow Crystal (Ire) (Kingmambo) is a winning half-sister to a swathe of black-type producers, including G1 Fillies' Mile victress and G1 Irish 1000 Guineas runner-up Crystal Music (Nureyev), the granddam of G1 Grand Prix de Paris third Ocovango (GB) (Monsun {Ger}); GSW G1 Prix Vermeille and G1 Yorkshire Oaks placegetter State Crystal (Ire) (High Estate {Ire}), who is the granddam of MGSW G1 Sydney Cup second Libran (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}); and GSW G1 Prix Marcel Boussac third Solar Crystal (Ire) (Alzao), herself the dam of G1 Racing Post Trophy third Feared In Flight (Ire) (Hawk Wing). Sales history: 9,500gns Ylg '15 TAOCT; 35,000gns 2yo '16 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,150. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Mrs Julia Annable; B-El Catorce Partnership (GB); T-David Simcock.

**British Report Cont.**

**1st-THI, £4,500, Mdn, 6-13, 2yo, 6fT, 1:13.98, g/f.**

**+MISS SUGARS (GB) (f, 2, Harbour Watch {Ire}--Three Sugars {Aus}, by Starcraft {NZ})**, was a shade green in rear through the early stages of this debut. Stoked up soon after passing the two pole, the crowd's 11-4 choice was confronted by a wall of rivals entering the final eighth and rattled home under a power drive to nail Princeofthequeen (Lonhro {Aus}) by a short head on the line. The 10,000gns TAOCT yearling, half to a yearling colt by Sir Percy (GB), becomes the second winner for her Tweenhills Stud-based freshman sire (by Acclamation {GB}). She is out of a winning half-sister to GIII Natalma S. victress Hoh Dear (Ire) (Sri Pekan), herself the granddam of GI Northern Dancer Turf-winning highweight Wigmore Hall (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,150. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Tick Tock Partnership; B-Chippenham Lodge Stud (GB); T-David Simcock.

**2nd-CAR, £4,500, Mdn, 6-13, 3yo/up, f, 5f 193yT, 1:13.24, gd. RED BOX (GB) (f, 3, Exceed and Excel {Aus}--Confidential Lady {GB} {G1SW-Fr, SW & G1SP-Eng, G1SP-Itly, \$912,794}, by Singspiel {Ire})**, who hit the board going just under seven panels at Brighton on debut last time May 16, was shuffled back to race in rear after the initial exchanges of this one. Gaining traction at the foot of the hill, the 13-8 favourite was ridden into fourth at the two pole and kept on resolutely under a power drive to score by two lengths as the punishing climb took its toll on David's Duchess (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}). The homebred bay is out of her connections' G1 Prix de Diane victress Confidential Lady (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}) and is thus a half to G2 Prix Greffulhe runner-up Untold Secret (GB) (Shamardal). Her stakes-winning third dam Won't She Tell (Banner Sport) is a half to dual Horse of the Year and Triple Crown champion Affirmed (Exclusive Native), and produced GI Futurity S.-winning sire Senior Pete (Green Dancer). Red Box is kin to the 2-year-old filly Private Advisor (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) and a yearling filly by Exceed and Excel (Aus). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$4,772. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB); T-Sir Mark Prescott.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Showdance Kid (GB), c, 2, Showcasing (GB)**--Maid To Dance (GB), by Pyramus. CAR, 6-13, 5f 193yT, 1:14.65. B-Natton House Thoroughbreds & Mark Woodall (GB). \*15,500gns RNA Wlg '14 TATFOA; 20,000gns Ylg '15 TAOCT.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

**El Torito (Ire), c, 2, Tagula (Ire)**--April Green (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Green Tune. WDS, 6-13, 5f 10yT, 1:02.19. B-Mary F. Fogarty (IRE). \*€50,000 Ylg '15 TISEP.

**IRELAND****Monday's Results:**

**1st-ROS, €15,000, Mdn, 6-13, 2yo, 7f 50yT, 1:32.63, gd.**

**+BRANCH LINE (IRE) (c, 2, Rip Van Winkle {Ire}--Disco Lights {GB}, by Spectrum {Ire})**, sent off the 7-2 second favourite, broke smartly from his widest stall to race prominently without cover. Sent to the lead with 1 1/2 furlongs left, the 30,000gns TATFOA and €16,000 GOFSP yearling asserted under hand riding to win comfortably by 1 3/4 lengths from Randall Stevens (Ire) (Tamayuz {GB}). Branch Line hails from a Juddmonte family, with his dam being a half-sister to the G2 Prix de Pomone runner-up and Ebor H. heroine Tuning (GB) (Rainbow Quest) and also the G2 Rockfel S. second Clog Dance (GB) (Pursuit of Love {GB}), who is in turn the dam of the dual listed scorer and G3 Fred Darling S. third Short Dance (Hennessy). From the extended family of the G1 Phoenix S. winning-sire Digamist, she also has a yearling colt by Champs Elysees (GB). "He's as good as I've ever had and is the only two year old that could work with [the stable's listed winner] An Saighdiur (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) and go away from him," trainer Andrew Slattery told *Irish Racing Online*. "He was a bit coltish beforehand and a bit green and we were worried about his draw in 14, but he's in the [G1 Goffs Vincent O'Brien] National S. [at The Curragh Sept. 11]--that's how much I think of him. He's not short of pace and can drop down in trip. He's 16.2hh and is as big as a national hunt horse and I'll take my time with him for a while. I'm going to have a crack at the National S., as I think there's more to come. He's a proper horse. He's my wife Mary's horse and it's her first runner. We only got the colours last week and they are the colours of [the Champion Hurdle winner] Winning Fair, who my father won nine races on--we got the colours back again." Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,380. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Mrs M C Slattery; B-Paul Hancock (IRE); T-Andrew Slattery.



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**Irish Report Cont.**

**3rd-ROS, €13,500, Mdn, 6-13, 3yo, 10f 20yT, 2:13.31, gd.**  
**MUNAASHID (c, 3, [Lonhro {Aus}](#)--Freefouracing {GSW-Eng, SW & GSP-US, \$223,415}, by French Deputy),** a €450,000 GOFORB yearling, was last seen finishing third behind the subsequent G1 Epsom Derby third Idaho (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) over a mile at The Curragh in October and settled behind the leading duo throughout the early stages. Roused along to close in the straight, the even-money favourite worked his way to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and was driven out to beat Benny Paret (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) by 2 1/2 lengths. The winner is a half-brother to Speedway (Forest Wildcat), MSW-US, \$171,757, to Free Brave (Cherokee Run), SP-US, \$334,421, and to Ready Racer (More Than Ready), MSW-US, \$328,123. The dam is a daughter of the SW and GSP Gerri N Jo Go (Top Command), a sister to the GI Haskell Invitational H.-winning Five Star Flight and half to the fellow sire Whatsyourpleasure. She has a yearling filly by Giant's Causeway and a filly foal by Scat Daddy. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, €9,622. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Dr Kai Chah Tan (KY); T-Dermot Weld.



FRANCE

**Monday's Results:**

**PRIX RIDGWAY-Listed, €55,000, CMP, 6-13, 3yo, c/g, 10fT, 2:20.34, hy.**

1--**#MONT ORMEL (FR), 125, c, 3, by Air Chief Marshal (Ire)**

**1st Dam: Lidana (Ire), by King's Best**

**2nd Dam: Lidakiya (Ire), by Kahyasi (Ire)**

**3rd Dam: Lilissa (Ire), by Doyoun (Ire)**

O-Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Franklin Finance SA (FR); T-Pia Brandt; J-Cristian Demuro. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-3, €57,100.

2--**Mythomane (GB), 125, c, 3, Dalakhani (Ire)--Spring Star (Fr), by Danehill.** O-Wertheimer & Frere. €11,000.

3--**Gauguin (Ger), 125, c, 3, Tertullian--Guadalupe (Ger), by Monsun (Ger).** O-Stall Ullmann. €8,250.

Margins: 6HF, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 2.50, 2.30, 6.10.

Also Ran: Private Affair (Fr), Le Juge (Ire). Scratched: Beyond Apollo (Fr).

Mont Ormel, who broke through in the second of two freshman starts at Clairefontaine Aug. 15, hit the board in Saint-Cloud's Mar. 20 Listed Prix Omnium II on sophomore bow, slipped to sixth in Chantilly's Apr. 20 G3 Prix de Fontainebleau

and ran third in a May 15 conditions heat upped to this trip at Deauville last time. Restrained to sit second then fourth after breaking to the fore here, he cruised to the front fanning widest off the home turn and powered clear under mild nudging inside the final quarter mile to post a career high by daylight. Mont Ormel is one of three winners, from three foals to race, out of a winning half-sister to MG1SW multiple-highweight sire Linngari (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}). His second dam Lidakiya (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}) is a winning half to MSW G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup runner-up Livadiya (Ire) (Shernazar {Ire}), and he is kin to the 2-year-old filly Normandel (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}) and the yearling filly Hocquigny (Fr) (Rajsaman {Fr}). [Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

**PRIX MELISANDE-Listed, €55,000, CMP, 6-13, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:16.83, hy.**

1--**#IMPRESSIONIST (IRE), 123, f, 3, by Montjeu (Ire)**

**1st Dam: Charroux (Ire), by Darshaan (GB)**

**2nd Dam: Durtal (Ire), by Lyphard**

**3rd Dam: Derna (Fr), by Sunny Boy (Fr)**

(130,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT). O-Papillon Stables; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-0, €43,550. \*1/2 to Perfect Truth (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), SW-Eng & GSP-Ire.

2--**Deitee (Fr), 123, f, 3, Shakespearean (Ire)--Baroness Snouckart, by Quest for Fame (GB).** O-Louis Baudron. €11,000.

3--**Secret Existence (Ire), 123, f, 3, Sakhee's Secret (GB)--Mad Existence (Ire), by Val Royal (Fr).** O-Ecurie Jean-Louis Bouchard. €8,250.

Margins: 2, NK, 4HF. Odds: 3.30, 5.60, 7.90.

Also Ran: Alakhana (Fr), Deauville Crystal (Fr), Restiana (Fr), Rosamaria (Fr). Scratched: Elennga (Fr), Haneyev (Fr).

Impressionist, whose best juvenile effort was a Sept. 9 second at Longchamp, was just off the board in the G3 Prix Penelope at Saint-Cloud on seasonal return Apr. 18, and ran seventh in the May 10 Listed Prix de la Seine at Chantilly last time. Settled off the pace in rear for the most of this, she improved from last into the straight to challenge entering the final eighth and drew off late under whipless coaxing to register a first win of any kind. Impressionist is kin to a yearling filly by Declaration of War, MSP Beyond Brilliance (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) and G3 Give Thanks S. runner-up Perfect Truth (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), herself the dam of last year's G1 Queensland Derby hero Magicool (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and GSP Perfect Dare (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}). Her second dam is G1 Cheveley Park S.-winning champion Durtal (Ire) (Lyphard), the dam of dual G1 Ascot Gold Cup victor Gildoran (Ire) (Rheingold {GB}), who is a half-sister to G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe-winning Horse of the Year Detroit (Fr) (Riverman). [Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

**French Report Cont.**

**5th-CMP, €25,000, Mdn, 6-13, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:16.24, hy. GOLDEN GAZELLE (IRE) (f, 3, [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)--Grey Lilas {Ire} {G1SW-Fr, \$553,860}, by Danehill),** who ran eighth in a Chantilly newcomers' heat in her only prior start May 6, found a smooth rhythm racing off the pace in mid-division for most of this return. Urged closer rounding the home turn, the 97-10 chance was ridden into second approaching the final furlong and stayed on well under continued rousting to assert by 3/4-of-a-length from Fancy Gem (Fr) (American Post {GB}). Golden Gazelle is the fifth winner out of dual Classic-placed G1 Prix du Moulin victress Grey Lilas (Ire) (Danehill), and is therefore kin to G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and G1 Prix de Diane heroine Golden Lilac (Ire), MG1SW-Fr, \$1,479,358; this term's G3 Prix d'Hedouville third Grey Lion (Ire), GSP-Fr, \$113,210; and Listed Prix de l'Avre winner Golden Guepard (Ire) (Hurricane Run {Ire}), SW-Fr, \$163,296. Grey Lilas has also produced a 2-year-old filly by Galileo (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €12,500, [Video](#), [sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-Gestut Ammerland (IRE); T-Andre Fabre.

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**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**+Sabawa (Fr)**, f, 2, **Air Chief Marshal (Ire)**--Star of Pompey (GB), by Hernando (Fr). SSB, 6-12, 6fT, 1:23.71. B-EARL Dorrells (FR). \*€1,500 Ylg '15 AR15.

**Glicourt (Fr)**, c, 2, **Rajsaman (Fr)**--Fusee Francaise (Fr), by Anabaa. LYN, 6-12, 6fT, 1:15.47. B-Stephan Hillou Lespes & Frederic Bragato (FR). \*€42,000 Ylg '15 ARAUG. \*\*1/2 to Winshine (Fr) (Chineur {Fr}), SP-Fr, \$204,422. \*\*\*2nd winner for freshman sire (by Linamix {Fr}).

**Hermangarde (Fr)**, f, 2, **Rajsaman (Fr)**--Hermanville (Ire), by Hurricane Run (Ire). LYN, 6-12, 6fT, 1:15.21. B-Gerard Rollain (FR). \*€20,000 Ylg '15 ARAUG. \*\*\*3rd winner for freshman sire (by Linamix {Fr}).

**+Touching the Sky (Ire)**, f, 2, **Rip Van Winkle (Ire)**--Kyniska (Ire) (MGSP-Ire, \$116,503), by Choisir (Aus). VNN, 6-12, 6fT. B-Ecurie Haras du Cadran, Ecurie Patrick Klein & Antoine Gilibert (IRE). \*€17,000 Ylg '15 ARAUG.

**Platon (GB)**, c, 2, **Zamindar**--Sanada (Ire), by Priolo. CMP, 6-13, 7fT, 1:35.41. B-Mlle Michele Bliard (GB). \*€27,000 Ylg '15 AROCT. \*\*Full to Saint Loup (Fr), GSP-Fr, \$134,460.

**Andaluserie (Fr)**, f, 3, **Poet's Voice (GB)**--Angel Falls (GB), by Kingmambo. VNN, 6-12, 7 1/2fT. B-Ecurie des Monceaux & Mme Angel Falls (FR). \*€120,000 Ylg '15 ARAUG.

**Galiteo (Fr)**, c, 3, **Teofilo (Ire)**--Queen of Poland (GB) (SW & GSP-Eng), by Halling. CMP, 6-13, 10fT, 2:18.14. B-GAEC Campos & Jean-Antoine Campos (FR). \*€62,000 Ylg '14 AROCT.

**EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS****IN HONG KONG:**

**+Call Me Handsome (Ire)**, g, 3, **Kodiac (GB)**--Call Later, by Gone West. Sha Tin, 6-12, Griffin Race (£72k/€91k), 1000mT, :56.58. B-Thomas Hassett. \*1/2 to Be Ready (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), SW-Eng. \*\*Less than three months after selling for HK\$5.5 million (€635,838/US\$708,533) at the Hong Kong International Sale in March ([catalogue page](#)), Call Me Handsome was the subject of some positive reports ahead of his debut and got his



Call Me Handsome | HKJC photo

career off on the right foot with this battling victory. Purchased by the Hong Kong Jockey Club for €325,000 out of the 2014 Goffs Orby Sale--the second most-expensive of his sire's 111 yearlings to sell that year--

Call Me Handsome breezed nicely ([under-tack preview](#)) and was tied for the sixth-best price at the HKIS when selling to Elizabeth Lee, who also campaigns the likes of former English GSW and local stakes winner Dundonnell (First Defence) as well as the good sprinter Rad (Aus) (Foreplay {Aus}). Trainer David Hall recruited Zac Purton for this debut run and the 5-1 gamble was off a half-step slowly before improving into mid-field about halfway through the race. Guided down to the stands' rail with about 300 metres to race, Call Me Handsome was sent through a narrow opening and dropped his head down on the line first ([video](#)). "I don't know whether he was just too dumb to know it was getting dangerous or whether he was just loving the competition, but he didn't flinch going for that very tight run against the fence. He gritted his teeth and kept going through," Purton told South China *Morning Post*. "And coming off just one 800m trial, it's a good effort to win for a horse just learning his trade. Even though he hasn't learnt to jump yet, he travels quite nicely through the race once he is out and rolling along and he has got a future." Call Me Handsome, a half-brother to listed winner Be Ready (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), is out of a half-sister to the feisty MGISW Ventura (Chester House) from the further female family of Trade Fair (GB). [@EquinealTDN](#)

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## WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES

### IN JAPAN:

**Art Brut (Jpn)**, f, 4, **Makfi (GB)**--Exhibit One (Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 11-14f, MGSW & G1SP-Ity, GSP-Fr, \$259,688), by Silver Hawk. Tokyo, 6-12, Plate Race, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-1, \$318,598. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; T-Hirofumi Toda. \*1/2 to Maitre d'Art (Jpn) (Zenno Rob Roy {Jpn}), MGSP-Jpn, \$427,253.

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

### Gold-Fun Setting in for 'Jubilee' Cont. from p1

Having trialled prior to leaving Hong Kong, Gold-Fun will be asked no serious questions leading up to Saturday's race.



Gold-Fun | HKJC photo

"He's a fit horse and we'll go easy with him," Gibson confirmed.

Winner of last year's G2 Jockey Club Sprint and runner-up in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint, Gold-Fun will try to

become the third Hong Kong-based horse to win the closing-day feature. Cape of Good Hope (GB) (Inchior {GB}) took the event, then known as the Diamond Jubilee S., in 2005 when the Royal meeting was held at York. Little Bridge (NZ) (Faltaat) landed the 2012 renewal.

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## AUSTRALASIAN-BRED WINNERS

### IN HONG KONG:

**Bad Boy (Aus)**, g, 3, **I Am Invincible (Aus)**--Andneedles (NZ), by Pins (Aus). Sha Tin, 6-12, Hcp. (A\$203k), 1000mT, :55.66. B-J Gatfield (NSW). \*Formerly Yoenis (Aus). \*\*A\$30,000 Ylg '14 INGCLS. \*\*\*A two-time winner at Morphettville last October for trainer Lloyd Kennewell, Bad Boy carried Tommy Berry to a 3/4-length upset over this course and distance Apr. 3 and was a troubled sixth, beaten under two lengths when last seen May 14. In the thick of it from the start here, the 13-5 favorite was shaken up by Zac Purton entering the final 400 metres and strode out strongly to score by 3 1/4 lengths ([video](#)). "When they surged at me, I had to press the button and let him go and the response was immediate," Purton told *South China Morning Post*. "Maybe he did like the soft ground with that shuffly sort of action he has, but he just dropped them instantly. That was very cosy." The winner's dam hails from the extended female family of G1 Australasian Oaks winner Anamato (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) and champions Grand Armee (Aus) (Hennessy) and Absolute Champion (Aus) (Marauding {NZ}). [@EquinealTDN](#)

**Dr Listening (Aus)**, g, 3, **Star Witness (Aus)**--Luvumor (Aus), by Flying Spur (Aus). Sha Tin, 6-12, Hcp. (A\$139k), 1200mT, 1:09.73. B-Koundouris Bloodstock Pty Ltd (ACT). \*Formerly Casebook (Aus). \*A\$12,000 Wlg '13 INGWBM; A\$30,000 RNA Ylg '14 INGMEL. [VIDEO](#)

### IN SOUTH KOREA:

**Geuma Rapid (Aus)**, c, 2, **I Am Invincible (Aus)**--Template (Aus), by Thunder Gulch. Seoul, 6-11, Hcp. (A\$69k), 1200m. B-Jacob Park Thoroughbred Pty Ltd (ACT). \*Won by five lengths as the 4-5 favorite. \*\*A\$30,000 Wlg '14 MMNWNL; A\$22,000 Ylg '15 MMGCYS.

### IN SOUTH AFRICA:

**Turbulent Air (Aus)**, c, 2, **So You Think (NZ)**--Express Air (Aus) (GSW-Aus, A\$316,400), by Piccolo (GB). Kenilworth, 6-11, Maiden, 1400mT, 1:28.26. B-Eureka Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd, Boucher Family Trust, Paul Kirkwood, Rex Lipp, Peter Mahony (Qld). \*A\$150,000 Ylg '15 INGEAS.

**+Tycoon Chief (Aus)**, f, 3, **More Than Ready**--Tycoon Joy (Aus), by Last Tycoon (Ire). Turffontein, 6-12, Maiden, 1400mT, 1:25.60. B-Davilora Lodge (Vic). \*1/2 to Bentley Biscuit (Aus) (Peintre Celebre), MG1SW-Aus, A\$1,446,725. \*\*A\$80,000 Ylg '14 MMNAT.