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California Chrome wins Saturday's Winter Challenge | Gary Tasich

by Ben Massam

Champion **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) was his usual, energetic self in the morning following his domination of Saturday's \$180,000 Los Alamitos Winter Challenge S., trainer Art Sherman confirmed Sunday afternoon. Sherman said that he was pleased that 'Chrome' could deliver a memorable 12-length victory to his hometown fans while completing a useful prep for his expected final career start in the \$12-million GI Pegasus World Cup at Gulfstream Park Jan. 28.

"He looked great," Sherman said in a Sunday afternoon phone call. "Even though he broke the track record, he's strong right now. [After the race], he took a couple of deep breaths and got on his hay net. He looked like he had never run a mile and a sixteenth. He's a remarkable horse, he's pretty cool."

When asked about his plans for the coming month leading up to the Pegasus, Sherman said that the highest-earning North American racehorse is scheduled to ship to Gulfstream Park early Jan. 6 to familiarize himself with the racing surface and climate. California Chrome has never encountered an off track in his 26 career starts.

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TDN Q & A: DENNIS DRAZIN

by T.D. Thornton

Thoroughbred racing in New Jersey is at a competitive crossroads as 2017 approaches. The New Jersey Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (NJTHA), which leases Monmouth Park, has been actively engaged for several years on several different fronts in trying to boost purses via alternative forms of gaming. Exchange wagering is legal in New Jersey, attempts to bring sports betting to tracks in the state might be headed for a United States Supreme Court showdown, and a casino referendum failed badly at the Nov. 8 elections.

Recently, a new piece of legislation was introduced that would allow "Internet cafes" to deliver various forms of online wagering at tracks. Dennis Drazin, advisor to the NJTHA, recently spoke to *TDN* via phone to sort it all out. An edited transcript follows. **Cont. p3**

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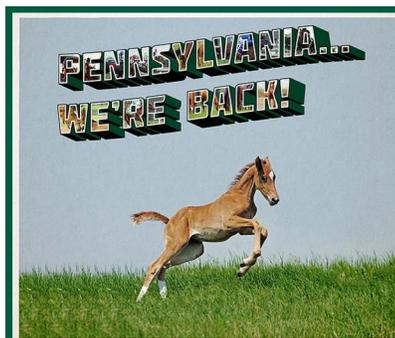
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ARCH FILLY EARNS 'RISING STAR' STATUS AT LOS AL **RR5**

Tommy Town Thoroughbreds' It Tiz Well (Arch), a troubled third in her Oct. 28 debut, delivered as the 2-5 favorite and won wrapped up by 10 lengths in a Los Alamitos maiden heat, earning 'TDN Rising Star' honors.



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“Strong” Chrome Will Ship to Florida Early

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“On Jan. 6, we’re going to Florida,” Sherman explained. “We’ll bring him there about three weeks before. I want to get him there. He’s never run in the slop, and they get a lot of rain there during that time of year. It will be a good way to judge if he handles the mud. I think he’s going to be fine, I really do.”

The chestnut has handled nearly every other element of adversity thrown at him throughout his storied career, which has included victories in the 2014 GI Kentucky Derby and this year’s G1 Dubai World Cup. In Saturday’s race--which essentially



Art Sherman | Horsephotos

amounted to a competitive workout--the 5-year-old raced four-to-six wide around both turns and drew off with ease in the stretch. Sherman said that although Chrome won with the ease you would expect from a 1-20

favorite, his greatest thrill came from the reaction of the Orange County crowd.

“They couldn’t have been any nicer over at Los Alamitos,” Sherman said. “I was so happy I could run the horse over there in his hometown. A lot of fans were there, especially from that area. He’s got so many ‘Chromies,’ it’s just unbelievable. They were screaming his name. It was pretty cool. That’s what it’s all about--to give the people the chance to see him that never have. And he was his usual cool self.”

In the inaugural Pegasus World Cup, California Chrome is expected to get another crack at Juddmonte Farms’ soon-to-be 4-year-old ‘TDN Rising Star’ Arrogate (Unbridled’s Song), who dealt ‘Chrome’ his lone defeat of 2016 with a half-length victory in the GI Breeders’ Cup Classic at Santa Anita Nov. 5. Trainer Bob Baffert has said that Arrogate could possibly prep for the Pegasus in Santa Anita’s GII San Pasqual S. on New Year’s Day.

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Dennis Drazin (cont. from p1)



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TDN: Please fill us in on the latest initiative to help New Jersey racing, Assembly bill No. 4255, regarding the Internet wagering cafes. Were you involved in crafting that legislation?

DD: I was. I went down to the Assembly hearing and testified. Basically, it’s not a new theory, it’s been something that’s been under consideration for awhile. But it moved forward when the casino expansion referendum was defeated, and this became important for us to pursue. The Legislature has the power to modify the online gaming bill that is currently in existence. Casinos are permitted to conduct online gaming. And what this bill would do is permit racetracks and casinos to enter into an agreement where the racetrack, in effect, leases some space to the casinos and they set up an online gaming cafe where they can offer the same type of gaming that casinos offer on the Internet. So we see this as a win-win for both casinos and racetracks.

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DD: Casinos have been slowly growing their [Internet] product. But we know that at racetracks, there are already proven bettors who enjoy wagering. We think that a lot of people who are waiting between races or want to go [to tracks] and have another type of alternative gaming would go to these [cafe] venues, and that would actually increase the revenue for the casinos on their online gaming product.

TDN: How would the deal help horsemen and what would the cafes look like?

DD: So the concept is a one-dollar lease for the space, and then a revenue share that would be negotiated between racetracks and casinos. The formula that I think works for us would be a 50/50 revenue share. The casinos would come into the tracks, they'd set up a glitzy type of casino-floor atmosphere. They'd have a bank of computer screens where the consumer could come in and enjoy whatever type of online gaming they want to play. Whatever casinos currently offer online that you could [access] on your own [device], they would offer at the track cafe. There could be a touch screen at the racetrack that would enable the consumer to select amongst all of the casino properties that currently offer online gaming and play whatever games they have. If all of the casino properties don't want to partner on this, then the tracks could make a deal with the casinos that do want to.

TDN: If the law right now already allows players in-state to access these games on their personal devices, what would be the appeal to consumers for having the cafes?

DD: Everybody's different. I can sit in my home, and I can bet on horse racing. But I might choose to come to the track because I want to see the live product, or I want the camaraderie of playing with other bettors, or I might want to enjoy the food and beverage choices that they offer at the track. The public, although they know online gaming is out there, we think that they'd be more apt to participate if there was someplace to go to enjoy it. Right now, if you wanted to, you could come into Monmouth Park with your smart phone or your tablet, and you could sit in your box and play casino games. I'm sure there are some people who do that.

TDN: What would be the incentive for casinos to participate?

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DD: This would offer the casinos the opportunity to market their product. I do know that the casinos are having a lot of difficulties with online gaming; banking difficulties with making deposits to fund the accounts. Plus there are the uncertainties that the public has--you know, even though it's legal, some people aren't sure. So this way, casinos can grow their business because [the tracks] would provide an environment where it would be easier to open up accounts, easier to fund those accounts. And we think that's something that would also be well-received by the public.



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TDN: Still, there might be casinos that could consider this to be giving away customers to the tracks.

DD: We're mindful that the casinos are concerned that if the track had the right to [offer this concept on its own], it might undermine Atlantic City. But the concept is the tracks can't do anything unless the casinos decide to do it. So the bill is harmless to the casinos, because unless the casinos decide, "This is something we want to do and this is how we want to do it," the tracks can't proceed on their own. So it's really a casino product to help them expand their market.

TDN: The Internet cafe concept has been described by anti-gambling opponents as a "sneak move" to bring gaming to the state's tracks considering how soundly the casino measure was defeated in the recent election. How do you respond to that?

DD: I'd respond by saying I don't think those people are looking at this very intelligently. The current referendum was

overwhelmingly defeated because of the format in which it was presented to the voters. It was two casinos in north Jersey that had to be beyond 72 miles, so Monmouth was certainly cut out. There was no transparency as to what the tax rate would be; no transparency as to who was getting what money. Atlantic City operators feared the expansion because they believed it would hurt their business. This is something designed to help their business.

TDN: How about if the casinos themselves turned their backs on this piece of legislation?

DD: This is what I would say in response to the casinos: When they designed Internet gaming, and this went through the Legislature, there was concern that under the New Jersey Constitution, [Internet gaming] had to be presented to the voters. And the casinos that

participate in Internet gaming right now did not do that. They took a chance--even though, in my opinion, this violates the Constitution for online gaming as currently designed--that nobody was going to challenge them. Because certainly an



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argument can be made that the casinos [are utilizing a geographical] gimmick--the online server is in Atlantic City and the bettor is up in north Jersey. And somehow that bet is made in Atlantic City? I don't think so. But I didn't challenge it at the time because I wanted to see the casinos survive. I didn't want to attack them. But I can assure you that if the casinos now say, "We're going to oppose the racing industry bill," then I will be looking to challenge whether what the casinos are doing [with online gaming] is consistent with our Constitution here in New Jersey. So if they want a fight, they're about to pick one.



American Pharoah at Monmouth Park in the 2015 GI Haskell Invitational | Sarah K. Andrew

TDN: As New Jersey wades through the various alternative gaming initiatives that are either proposed in the Legislature, tied up in the courts, or in the

pipeline for the future, what's your take on the near-term prospects for Thoroughbred racing in the state?

DD: The difficulty is that all the other states around us have alternative gaming, which we don't have. They're growing their purses, and we can't be as competitive as we'd like to be because we don't have these things. Right now the sports betting case is on petition before the U.S. Supreme Court, and they will probably decide whether they're going to hear the case by late January. I think long term, sports betting will be permitted in New Jersey, and in many other states. I think if you look at a five-year window, sports betting will eventually get done. But there

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referendum was defeated, it's going to come back. It won't come back in the same form, but there will be additional attempts to put slots at tracks. I think the long-term prospects for Monmouth Park and racing are very good here in New Jersey. I think we just have to keep persevering while we're waiting for better things to happen on the legislative front.

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PROFORMA LIKELY TO STAY SHORT

DARRS Inc.'s **Proforma** (Munnings), a decisive winner of the Fair Grounds' six-furlong Sugar Bowl S. Saturday, is likely to focus primarily on sprint races in the near future, trainer Mike



Proforma | Horsephotos

Stidham said Sunday. Although the Sugar Bowl is traditionally the starting point for the New Orleans oval's series of GI Kentucky Derby preps over increasing distances, Stidham said he believes the juvenile's pedigree and build indicate

that he may be better as a one-turn horse.

"I don't want to commit to saying he definitely can't go two turns, but when you look at the pedigree, it is kind of sprint on sprint," Stidham observed. "When you look at the horse himself, he screams fast and has a big hip and big shoulder like a lot of sprinters and that build is often more conducive to a one-turn type of horse. Of course, I don't want to say no to anything yet, as Munnings has thrown some good two-turn horses, but my inclination so far is to stay short with him."

Proforma has accomplished much in a short period of time, finishing third on debut at Churchill Downs Nov. 4 and improving to graduate at second asking going six furlongs there Nov. 27. Back in three weeks following that effort for the Sugar Bowl, the chestnut rated just off the pace in fourth and rallied past heavily favored Running Mate (Creative Cause) to score by three lengths.

"He was a little more tactical this time," Stidham said. "At the half-mile pole Florent gunned him a little to get in position and he had instant acceleration like a sports car and then was able to settle again and re-break again in the stretch. That's what separates the good from the average ones and was very exciting to watch."

Stidham added that he does not have a particular race in mind for Proforma's next start, but would focus on getting the colt prepared for some of the lucrative one-turn races for 3-year-olds in the spring.

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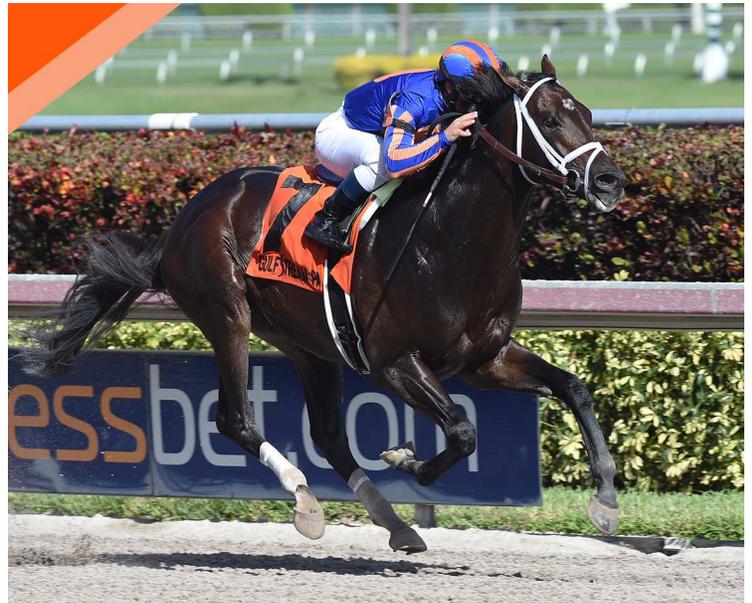
Takeout. The economics of the business is such that we can only run for a percentage of money gambled and we need to incentivize horse players to gamble. Lowering takeout is the best way to do that. We have a problem in our industry from an ownership investment standpoint. Gambling drives purses, so we need to go at it from the gambling perspective. We need to lower takeout and the horsemen need to have their legal and proper percentage from wagers. Most gamblers, once they discover that they like the sport, stay in it for a long time, and if you lower takeout, they'll win more on winning wagers and they'll reinvest that money right back into our sport. Obviously, purses need to go up, and lowering takeout makes us more competitive in the gambling space. Everyone has an opinion, but lowering takeout would reward our existing customers, and help our new customers, whether they realize it or not. When you lower takeout, people reinvest in the game. It's worth a short-term rollback, because in the long term the business would significantly grow. I feel if we fix racing, the whole business will be fixed.

What do you think somebody from the outside looking in-- somebody not involved in racing--would say the most pressing problem is?

From outside the sport, one would have to say that people feel that aftercare is the most pressing problem. After racing, horses have to be retrained for racing for second careers, and taken care of. People are alarmed that horses might not be looked after when they're done racing. It's a big problem, but we have a great solution, and we are doing a good job taking care of horses after racing, but we have to do a good job communicating that as well.

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Toni Tools was a well-beaten 10th in her maiden voyage versus state-breds over the Belmont lawn this July, but kept much closer order and went on to be second against similar in an off-turf affair at the Spa Aug. 26. Transferred from the barn of Dominick Schettino to Pletcher's string after that performance, the bay got off the mark in a \$40,000 tagger by 7



Toni Tools | Chelsea Durand/NYRA photo

3/4 lengths returned to Belmont Oct. 6 and made it two in a row in a starter allowance over the outer dirt here Nov. 23. Trailing in last behind splits of :22.07 and :45.83, Toni Tools made up some ground turning into the straight, but was still dead last through five panels of

:49.46. Given an energetic ride by Manny Franco, the bay kept finding in the dying strides to pose a narrow victory.

"She didn't have the speed to keep up with the others, which we knew going into the race," said Byron Hughes, assistant to winning trainer Todd Pletcher.

"We were hoping the speed came back, which it did. She got up in a time. It was a very dramatic win. She seemed to handle it [the muddy track] well today." Toni Tools is the last reported foal out of Patine, a daughter of GIII Miss Preakness S. heroine Burnish (Menifee). **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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Margins: 2, NK, HD. Odds: 1.05, 10.90, 15.60.

Also Ran: Life in Shambles, Drama King, Summer Revolution, Loki's Vengeance, Spring to the Sky.

Stallwalkin' Dude capped off a terrific sprinting campaign with a convincing victory in the Gravesend S. over the muddy Aqueduct inner track.

Capturing the Tale of the Cat S. Aug. 12 at Saratoga, the gelding was a respectable third in the GI Priority One Jets Forego S. there 15 days later before finishing a good second in the GI Vosburgh S. Oct. 1 at Belmont. Earning his first graded win in the GIII Bold Ruler H. Oct. 29 at Big Sandy, he most recently finished a tough-luck second carrying 134 pounds in the GIII Fall Highweight H. on the local main Nov. 24.



Stallwalkin' Dude | NYRA Photo

Made the clear favorite in this spot, Stallwalkin' Dude broke sharply before dropping back to travel second-last as Green Gratto led through a tepid :23.29 quarter. Patiently handled by Irad Ortiz, Jr. around the turn, the bay began to advance in the three-path approaching the quarter pole before diving to the inside at the top of the lane. Surging to the front after two right-handed pops of the whip at the furlong grounds, Stallwalkin' Dude edged clear from there to earn his fifth stakes success. Green Gratto won a three-way photo for place honors.

“We tried to bring him off the pace today because last time, I felt we had a lot of horse, he just looked around and played,” Ortiz said. “Today, he gave me everything he had at the end. Turning for home, I waited and waited. When I asked, he responded.”

Winning trainer David Jacobson expressed a similar sentiment about waiting longer before letting his charge do his best running.

“He broke very well, but heading into this race Irad and myself had some concerns with his last two races,” Jacobson said. “We thought he had it won and he started hanging when he got to the lead. Today, we had a plan. It was Irad's idea more than mine to wait as long as [he] can. He wants horses on the outside of him in case they're coming up. It makes him more competitive. He's getting a little trickier in his old age.” **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

5th-AQU, \$67,000, Alw, 12-18, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46.81, my.

SPLASHTASTIC (c, 3, Tiz Wonderful--Monrow {SP, \$287,344}, by Fool the Experts) was fifth on debut for trainer Kelly Rubley and ran a good second transferred to this barn Sept. 15 at Belmont before graduating by open lengths there Oct. 16. Last seen easily annexing a starter allowance on the Aqueduct main Nov. 12, the dark bay was bet to a nickel below 5-2 in this initial two-turn try. Getting caught four-wide on the clubhouse turn, Splashtastic stalked from an in-touch fifth through a moderate pace of :24.98 and :49.53. Moving four-deep again on the far bend, he swept to the lead once switching leads just inside the three-sixteenths pole and kicked clear before holding sway for a 1 1/2-length triumph over Testosterone (Birdstone). Monrow's most recent produce is a yearling filly by Stay Thirsty. Sales History: \$40,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$130,220. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Michael Dubb, Bethlehem Stables LLC & The Elkstone Group LLC; B-Julia Householder & Clay Bank Farms (KY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez.



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9th-AQU, \$60,000, Msw, 12-18, 2yo, 1 1/16m, 1:49.32, my.

SMALL BEAR (g, 2, Macho Uno--Stella Prima, by El Prado {Ire}) was a green eighth in his career bow Sept. 3 at Saratoga and improved to finish third in the local mud Dec. 1. Let go at 8-1 after drawing in off the also-eligible list here, the gray was aggressively ridden to track three-wide in third past a :23.96 quarter and :48.72 half. Moving in tandem with favored Outplay on the far bend, he gradually wore that foe down and drew clear passing the eighth pole to graduate by 5 3/4 lengths. The favorite narrowly held second. The victor's unraced dam is a half

to GISW Citronnade (Lemon Drop Kid), as well as Canadian champions Poetically (Silver Deputy) and Primaly (Alydeed). Her most recent produce is a yearling colt by Drosselmeyer and a weanling colt by Midshipman. She was bred to Afleet Alex this spring. Sales History: \$45,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$80,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$42,332. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).** O-August Dawn Farm; B-Martin Lake & Serendipity Farm (KY); T-Gary Sciacca.



3rd-AQU, \$60,000, Msw, 12-18, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.54, my.

IMASUPERSTAR (g, 3, Flatter--Dark Starlet, by Speightstown) showed speed in his first four starts, but faded to finish second Aug. 19 at Saratoga, as well as Oct. 2 and Oct. 28 at Belmont before checking in third at the Big A Nov. 24. Once again dictating terms here, the gelding ran a quarter in :22.57 and got a breather through a :46.71 half. Shaken up past the three-sixteenths pole, he kicked clear to graduate by 3 1/2 lengths over Dark as Midnight (Midnight Lute). The winner's dam is responsible for a 2-year-old To Honor and Serve colt named Secret Recruit. Sales History: \$87,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-1, \$88,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-My Purple Haze Stables; B-Machmer Hall (KY); T-Chris J. Englehart.

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6th-AQU, \$55,000, (S), Msw, 12-18, 2yo, 6f, 1:12.41, my.

STRETCH'S STONE (g, 2, Bustin Stones--Lucy Dubai, by E Dubai), third when unveiled over the outer dirt going this trip here versus fellow Empire-breds Nov. 19, was duly favored to build on that first go as the 6-5 chalk Sunday. Caught two out and one back in third through the early going, the gelding took dead aim on the pacesetter turning into the lane, forged past a few jumps later and cantered home to win by 8 1/4 lengths over The Hero Within (Tapizar), who picked up the pieces for second after racing at the back of the pack for the majority of the race. The winner's dam has visited Bustin Stones exclusively since she went to the breeding paddocks, with a yearling filly and a weanling colt to follow Stretch's Stone. Lucy Dubai, who hails from the extended family of GSWs Gin Talking (Allen's Prospect) and Dixie Talking (Dixieland Band), was covered yet again by Bustin Stones later this spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$38,500. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

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FLORIDA

Sunday's Results:

TAMARAC S., (NB) \$60,000, GP, 12-18, (C), (NW1SL), 3yo, 7f, 1:22.12, ft.

1--**ZULU, 118, c, 3, Bernardini--Temporada, by Summer Squall.** (\$400,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$900,000 2yo '15 FTFMAR).

O-Stonestreet Stables LLC, Susan Magnier, Michael B. Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Ron Magers & Robert Marcocchio (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-Javier Castellano. \$36,456. Lifetime Record: GSP, 5-3-1-0, \$164,678. *1/2 to Third Chance (Kafwain), MSW & GSP, \$481,464; and Banner Bill (Rockport Harbor), MSW, \$461,467.

2--**Yellow Chips, 118, c, 3, Majesticperfection--Acajou, by Horse Chestnut (Saf).** (\$130,000 Ylg '14 FTSAUG; \$100,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR). O-Morris Bailey; B-H. Allen Poindexter (KY); T-Edward Plesa, Jr. \$11,760.

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3--**Fearless Dragon, 116, c, 3, Speightstown--Trippi Street, by Trippi.** (\$160,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN; \$190,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP). O-Southern Equine Stable LLC & Robert G. Li; B-Mark Stansell & Speightstown Syndicate (KY); T-Eric J. Guillot. \$5,880.

WOODS EDGE FARM GRADUATE
 Margins: 2 3/4, 2HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 0.50, 5.80, 16.70.

Also Ran: Seventh Sense (Tur), Icatiro, Extravagant Kid, Wave Warrior.

'TDN Rising Star' Zulu, who went missing after a 12th-place finish as the chalk in the GI Blue Grass S. at Keeneland this April, resurfaced off an eight-month plus layoff to land the restricted Tamarac S. at Gulfstream Park Sunday. Training forwardly at Palm Beach Downs, including a pair of five-panel bullets Dec. 3 and Dec. 10, respectively, the 1-2 crowd's pick and newly blinkerless bay hopped a bit at the start and tracked from a midfield perch behind a :22.17 opening quarter. JavierCastellano had the 3-year-old creeping ominously closer three deep in third through a half in :44.39, before he charged up to even terms on the far turn. Taking over in upper stretch, Zulu stayed on well to best the closing Yellow Chips (Majesticperfection) by daylight at the wire.

"He has natural speed, but he's not super quick either," commented trainer Todd Pletcher, who was winning his seventh stake during the Championship Meet. "The benefit of drawing outside is you get a little opportunity to let things unfold and let him get his legs up underneath him. I though when Javier [Castellano] asked him he responded well. He hadn't run in eight

months, so anytime you haven't been out in a while, you hope you have them tight enough and fit enough. I think the key is to see how he comes out of the race and how soon we want to run him back. Just off the top of my head, it seems like the [GIII]



Zulu | Lauren King

Hal's Hope [S. at Gulfstream Park Jan. 14] might be a nice fit for him, but it's four weeks, so we'll see how he bounced out of it and take it from there."

Off the mark at first asking sprinting six furlongs over the local dirt last December, the

\$900,000 FTFMAR 2yo earned his 'Rising Star' moniker with a 7 1/4-length romp in an optional claimer there trying the slop Jan. 15. Zulu ran second to Mohaymen (Tapit) in the GII Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 27, one start prior to the Blue Grass. Temporada, out of MGSW Lemhi Go (Lemhi Gold), has a colt of 2014, Trenchard (Elusive Quality), a weanling colt by Animal Kingdom, and she was covered by Liam's Map later this term. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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9th-GP, \$37,600, Alw, 12-18, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.98, fm.

LOBELIA (f, 3, Paddy O'Prado--American Sulu, by Quiet American) scored an upset in her first turf start when available for a \$25,000 tag Mar. 16 and succeeded three more times on grass this campaign before most recently finishing a hard-charging neck second in the course-and-distance Claiming Crown Tiara S. at more than 37-1 Dec. 3. Made the narrow 12-5 favorite here, the gray was off a half-step slowly and fell back to run last of eight on the clubhouse turn. Detached from a solid pace of :23.63 and :47.06, Lobelia started to draw closer at the top of the far bend and came with a five-wide slingshot move to suddenly challenge for the lead at the head of the stretch. Locking horns with Llanita (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) at the eighth pole, the homebred attempted to lug in, but stayed straight enough to prevail in a neck decision. American Sulu's most recent progeny is a yearling colt by Shackelford. Sales History: \$14,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-2, \$118,440. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-William D Cubbedge (KY); T-Carlo Vaccarezza.

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Sunday's Results:

6th-LRL, \$44,646, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$45,000-\$50,000), 12-18, 2yo, 1m, 1:38.66, sy.

BOYS FROM BOSTON (c, 2, Pure Prize--Woodland Shadow, by Woodman) finished a fast-closing third on debut May 12 at Pimlico and flew late again to be second June 8 at Delaware before running fourth behind eventual GI Sentient Jet Breeders' Cup Juvenile hero Classic Empire (Pioneerof the Nile) in the GIII Bashford Manor S. July 2 at Churchill. Graduating by open lengths on turf here Sept. 11, he was then second behind 'TDN Rising Star' Wellabled (Shackelford) in the Fitz Dixon Jr. Memorial Juvenile S. Oct. 6 at Presque Isle and most recently checked in last of four in the Gil Nashua S. Nov. 4 at Aqueduct. Let go at 19-10 for this drop in class, the chestnut broke outwardly at the start before settling in a stalking third through splits of :24.74 and :48.98. Sidling up to the leaders on his own power nearing the quarter pole, he quickened to the front passing the furlong marker and splashed clear to score by five lengths under wraps. Worth His Salt (Roman Ruler) was second-best. The winner's dam is a half to GISW Designed for Luck (Rahy), while his second dam is GISW Fantastic Look (Green Dancer). Woodland Shadow has a yearling colt by Tizway named Tiz From Boston and foaled an Astrology colt this term before being bred back to Tizway. Sales History: \$15,000 Ylg '15 OBSAUG. Lifetime Record: SP, 7-2-2-1, \$92,740. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Hard Eight Racing Stables LLC; B-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC (KY); T-John J. Robb.

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CENTRAL U.S.

Saturday's Late Results:

8th-DED, \$40,000, (S), Alw, 12-17, (NW2L), 2yo, 7f, 1:27.84, ft. UNDERPRESSURE (c, 2, Birdstone--Charming Colleen {SW & GISP, \$126,153}, by Charismatic) closed strongly to get up late for a \$50,000 tag on debut Nov. 16 at Churchill and was made the 19-10 second choice against state-breds here. Away a step slowly, the chestnut dropped out to run last behind a :23.57 quarter set by 11-10 chalk Lucky Andy (Lookin At Lucky). Starting to advance in the clear down the backside, he made a strong four-wide bid for the lead on the far turn, took control by the

three-sixteenths marker and kicked away in the stretch to score by 3 1/2 lengths over the favorite. The victor's dam has a yearling colt by Honest Man named Manofgod and foaled a Guilt Trip filly this term before being bred back to the same sire. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$42,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/T-Chris Richard; B-James McIngvale (LA).

WESTERN U.S.

Sunday's Results:

NEW MEXICO STATE RACING COMMISSION H., (NB) \$85,000, SUN, 12-18, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:08.36, ft.

1--BRYN'S FANCY PANTS, 118, f, 3, Southwestern Heat--Fan's Cat (SW, \$112,975), by Devon Lane. O-Dale & Carey Taylor & Jon Hogg; B-Dale & Debbie Taylor (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher; J-Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr. \$51,000. Lifetime Record: 7-6-0-0, \$205,900.

2--Diabolical Dame, 122, f, 4, Diabolical--Vipervapor, by Devon Lane. (\$25,000 Ylg '13 RUI MIX). O-Joe Dee Brooks, Scott Bryant & Derrol Hubbard; B-Fred Alexander, Todd Fincher & Brad King (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$18,700.

(DH) 3--Tijuana, 116, f, 3, Devon Lane--Quell, by Look See. O-J. Brooks, S. Bryant, D. Taylor, T. Rushing, L. Lewis & D. Hubbard; B-Robert & Del Rae Driggers (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$5,950.

(DH) 3--Desert Stepper, 116, f, 4, Desert God--Thanks for Smokin, by Smoke Glacken. (\$11,000 Ylg '13 RUI MIX). O-L Squared Racing LLC & Joe Allen; B-Joe Allen (NM); T-Joel H. Marr. \$5,950.

Margins: HF, 2 3/4, HF, HF. Odds: 6.60, 0.90, 7.20, 14.00.

Also Ran: Dust Alert, My Bikini Fell Off, Tilla Cat, Tylers Dixie Chick.

Bryn's Fancy Pants triumphed in five of five starts to begin her career, including a dominant victory in the Petticoat S. July 2 at



Bryn's Fancy Pants | Coady

Albuquerque, before suffering her first defeat when sixth as the 8-5 favorite in the state-bred New Mexico Classic Cup Oaks Championship S. Oct. 30 at Zia. Let go at a much juicier price here, the chestnut ran sixth down the backside off a sharp :21.73 quarter, drew to within striking

range five-deep approaching the three-sixteenths pole and closed resolutely to overhaul Diabolic Dame in the waning strides. The victress has a yearling full-sister. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

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5th-SUN, \$21,800, (S), Msw, 12-18, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:03.53, ft. +WAITINGONASUNNYDAY (g, 2, Weather Warning--Streakin Excess {SP}, by In Excess {Ire}), dismissed at over 13-1 for this debut, stalked the pace from fourth through a :21.93 quarter, moved four-wide to take over the lead at the top of the lane and kicked clear to score by 4 3/4 lengths over even-money favorite Big Hitter (Roll Hennessy Roll). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,080. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Orville L. Blades; B-G. Chris Coleman & Barbara M. Coleman (NM); T-O. D. Jamison, Sr.

CALIFORNIA

Sunday's Results:

KING GLORIOUS S., \$100,000, LRC, 12-18, (S), 2yo, 1m, 1:35.98, ft.

1--**#ANN ARBOR EDDIE, 117, g, 2, by Square Eddie**

1st Dam: Repo (MSW, \$208,552), by In Excess (Ire)

2nd Dam: Miss Nicolie, by Walter Willy (Ire)

3rd Dam: Lady Snerd, by Chief's Crown

O/B-Reddam Racing LLC (CA); T-Doug F. O'Neill; J-Mario Gutierrez. \$58,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 3-2-0-1, \$101,200.

2--**California Diamond, 123, c, 2, Harbor the Gold--Carrie's a Jewel, by Slewdledo.** (\$35,000 Ylg '15 WASSEP; \$42,000 RNA Ylg '15 BAROCT; \$60,000 RNA 2yo '16 BARMAY; \$125,000 2yo '16 BARJUL). O-Rockingham Ranch; B-Stormy B. Hull (CA); T-Peter Miller. \$20,000.

3--**Milton Freewater, 119, c, 2, Creative Cause--Lovehi, by Swiss Yodeler.** (\$250,000 2yo '16 BARMAY). O-Kramer Racing, Sheep Pond Partners, R. S. Jaime, B. Jones & S. Keh; B-Dr. Mikel C. & Patricia O. Harrington (CA); T-Doug F. O'Neill. \$12,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, HF. Odds: 2.60, 0.40, 12.20.

Also Ran: Hot Smoke, Calli Way. Scratched: Mr Ability.

Ann Arbor Eddie rolled to a 4 1/4-length victory against fellow Cal-breds going 6 1/2 furlongs at Santa Anita Oct. 29, and finished a solid third behind 'TDN Rising Star' and subsequent GI Los Alamitos Futurity hero Mastery (Candy Ride {Arg}) and the reopposing California Diamond (Harbor the Gold) in the Gill Bob Hope S. trying the Del Mar dirt Nov. 19. Sent off at 5-2, the chestnut found himself in lockstep with heavy favorite California Diamond from the bell and the duo strolled through the first quarter mile in :24.53. The pace quickened slightly, with Ann Arbor Eddie a neck behind his rival to his outside through a half-mile in :47.68. Not done yet however, the Reddam homebred began to edge away from the favorite in upper stretch and held on to add a first black-type win to his ledger. "The Square Eddies

are unbelievable," said winning trainer Doug O'Neill. "They have so much heart to them and they have speed and stamina. [Jockey] Mario [Gutierrez] was going to play off whatever



Ann Arbor Eddie | Benoit Photo

[jockey] Kent [Desormeaux] did on California Diamond because we knew he was the obvious horse to beat. Drawn inside we thought Kent would use us as a target. It was a horse race all the way around there."

Ann Arbor Eddie has a yearling full-sister and a weanling full-brother. His dam, who won the Listed Landaluce S., was bred back to Square Eddie this spring. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

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9th-LRC, \$47,070, Msw, 12-18, 2yo, 6f, 1:08.34, ft.

ILIAD (r, 2, Ghostzapper--Little Swoon, by You and I) faded badly to ninth behind American Anthem (Bodemeister) making his maiden voyage over this trip at Del Mar Dec. 3 and returned here as a 4-1 shot. In a pressing second though a half-mile in :44.53, the bay shook loose by midstretch and, although Kimbear (Temple City) took a good run at Iliad inside the final 100 yards, the ridgling crossed the wire about three lengths to the good. Sales History: \$50,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$80,000 Ylg '15 KESEP; \$285,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,345. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

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3rd-LRC, \$46,035, Msw, 12-18, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:09.01, ft.

IT TIZ WELL, f, 2, by [Arch](#)

1st Dam: **It Tiz (MSW, \$260,183)**, by Tiznow

2nd Dam: **Star of the Woods**, by Woodman

3rd Dam: **Star of the River (GB)**, by Soviet Star

It Tiz Well showed some late interest to take third at first asking after starting slowly going this trip at Santa Anita Oct. 28, and logged a series of solid works over the Santa Anita strip since, including a five-furlong breeze in 1:00 4/5 (8/45) Dec. 3.

Bet like a good thing down to 2-5 from an 8-5 morning line, the \$230,000 KEESOP yearling delivered the goods in a 10-length tour de force en route to 'TDN Rising Stardom' in the third at Los Alamitos Sunday. The lanky dark bay was



It Tiz Well | Benoit Photo

away in good order and settled just to the outside of the dueling pair of Sheza Firstsamurai (First Samurai) and Singleforareason (Shackelford). That duo blitzed an opening quarter in :21.31 with a generous tailwind at their backs and by the time they reached a half in :44.68, It Tiz Well was looming dangerously up on the outside. She forged to the front in upper stretch although racing with her head turned toward the stands, but pilot Drayden Van Dyke straightened her out and she leveled off impressively to score by daylight into a strong headwind. Fortunate Queen (Pioneerof the Nile) completed the exacta, 2 1/4 lengths in advance of the remainder. It Tiz, who captured the listed Megahertz S. and Le Cle S.--both over the grass--and completed the superfecta in a trio of all-weather Grade I's (Darley Debutante S., Oak Leaf S. and Hollywood Starlet S.) during her racing days, foaled a filly by Ghostzapper in 2015, and a filly by the late Scat Daddy in 2016. A half-sister to Canadian champion grass mare Solid Appeal (Successful Appeal), It Tiz was covered by City Zip this spring. Sales history: \$230,000 Ylg '15 KEESOP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$33,240. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#), [the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#) or the [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

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Mister Delfio, c, 2, by **Sidney's Candy**. See "Italian Report."

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Clean Up Joy, g, 5, by **Purge**. See "Asian Report."



Sunday Cancellations

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FAIR GROUNDS (RACES 2-9)

BREEDERS' EDITION

STAKES RESULTS:

JOHNIE L. JAMISON H., (NB) \$85,000, SUN, 12-18, (S), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:14.37, ft.

1--**NOT MY NOTE**, 119, g, 4, **Fusaichi Zenon (Jpn)--Best Note**

Yet, by Your Eminence. O-Michael G. Weatherly; B-Michael Weatherly (NM); T-Simon J. Buechler; J-Tracy J. Hebert. \$51,000. Lifetime Record: 13-7-2-1, \$211,411.

2--**Forger**, 117, g, 3, **Attila's Storm--Faked Out**, by Gone Hollywood. O/B-R. D. Hubbard (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$18,700.

3--**Citizen Geller**, 118, g, 4, **Pro Prado--Ghostly Belle**, by Ghostly Moves. O-UKUSA Stables; B-Larry & Denise Nichols (NM); T-Vance Earl Mikkelson. \$8,500.

Margins: 2 3/4, 1 3/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.40, 37.60, 40.00.

PRAIRIE BAYOU S., \$50,000, TP, 12-17, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:42.76, ft.

1--**DAC**, 120, g, 5, **Distorted Humor--Corrazona (GISW-US & MGSW-Fr, \$518,218)**, by **El Gran Senor**. O-Sarinana Racing, LLC; B-Wertheimer Et Frere (KY); T-William S. Brumley; J-Rodney A. Prescott. \$29,140. Lifetime Record: 24-6-2-2, \$205,755. *1/2 to Olmodavor (A.P. Indy), MGSW & GISP, \$706,540; to Slow Down (Seattle Slew), SW, \$120,162; and Smart Ellis (Smarty Jones), MGSP, \$188,040.

2--**Luck of the Kitten**, 120, c, 4, **Kitten's Joy--Anura (Ire)**, by **Giant's Causeway**. O/B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward. \$9,400.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

10th-AQU, \$70,000, (S), 12-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.01, my. **COURT DANCER (m, 5, War Chant--Gosh All Get Out, by D'Accord)** Lifetime Record: SW, 29-8-4-4, \$437,904. O-Ara Aprahamian; B-Akindale Farm LLC (NY); T-Jason Servis. *\$35,000 Ylg '12 SARAUG.

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8th-LRL, \$46,485, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$28,000-\$32,000), 12-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.00, sy.

SWEETRAYOFSUNSHINE (m, 7, Benchmark--Tialinga {SW, \$183,015}, by Cee's Tizzy) Lifetime Record: 34-15-7-1, \$427,132. O/T-Rudy R. Rodriguez; B-Black Diamond Racing LLC (CA).

6th-DED, \$41,400, 12-17, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:28.27, ft. **DIXIE BREES (f, 4, Good and Tough--Shes Dixies Eskimo {SW, \$188,192}, by Eskimo)** Lifetime Record: 16-3-6-4, \$120,040. O/B-John Luck (LA); T-Samuel Breaux.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Jordan's Henny, f, 2, **Henny Hughes**--Sophiano, by Rubiano. GP, 12-18, 1m, 1:37.08. B-Erv Woolsey & Ralph Kinder (KY). *\$19,000 RNA Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

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Sventastic, c, 2, **Orientate**--Roman Tango, by Horatius. LRL, 12-18, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:49.68. B-Dan Green (MD).

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Banty's Girl, f, 2, **Shackleford**--Media Starlett (SP, \$146,835), by Mass Media. AQU, 12-18, 6f, 1:13.58. B-Robert Masiello (KY). *15th winner for freshman sire (by Forestry).

Kip Elser's KIRKWOOD STABLES

Hey Hey Miss Sue, f, 3, **Due Date**--Lucky Sparkles, by Phone Trick. DED, 12-17, 5f, :59.69. B-Charles G. Breaux (LA).

My Girl Grace, f, 3, **Prospect Bay**--Hasty Grace, by My Boy Adam. CT, 12-17, (S), 7f, 1:28.68. B-Jane Anderson & Jack L. Harper (WV).

Bull Bailey, g, 4, **Holy Bull**--D J Bailey, by Gunnerside. CT, 12-17, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:51.92. B-Black Horse Tavern LLC (WV).

Kellyesque, f, 4, **Colonel John**--Snickeez, by Mr. Greeley. CT, 12-17, 4 1/2f, :53.33. B-Carapan Farm, LLC (NY). *\$16,000 RNA Ylg '13 KEESEP. **1/2 to Domonation (Maria's Mon), MGSP, \$274,798; and Hot Squeeze (Latent Heat), MSP, \$239,881.



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JOCKEY MATTERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE: PART ONE



Johnny Murtagh speaks about a long struggle with alcohol during his riding career in a Jockey Matters film | *Racing Post* photo

by Chris McGrath

A disaster of the type that overtook Freddy Tylicki last month will dependably bring out the best in the Turf community. However solitary and harrowing the challenges Tylicki now faces, he can be in no doubt of the support both of the broader public and, above all, of those men and women he rode against daily until his life was changed in a split second halfway through a humdrum race at Kempton. Jockeys, noting that the routine performance of their duties can only be undertaken with ambulances in pursuit, invariably describe each other as colleagues sooner than rivals. But their way of life has also left them—across the ages—unusually exposed to more insidious, less flagrant dangers: eating disorders, depression, addiction. And, in detecting and addressing hidden corrosion of this kind, they have often proved no better attuned than the rest of society.

It was also at Kempton, last week, that a senior rider voluntarily surrendered his riding licence after apparently persuading a teenage apprentice to donate a urine sample in his stead. It was nearly a decade ago that the same jockey, Graham Gibbons, served a five-week suspension after failing a breathalyser test.

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LONGSHOTS LEAD ASAHI HAI FUTURITY

Satono Ares (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) led in a trio of longshots to fill out the trifecta of Hanshin's G1 Asahi Hai Futurity S., the country's championship-deciding race for the juvenile division, on Sunday. Breaking from gate 17 in the field of 18, Satono Ares dropped back to sit near the rear of the field with six behind and just off the fence. Tipping to the outside on the turn for running room, the dark bay began to circle horses coming off the bend and was full of run on the outside when the straightened for home. Gradually eating into the lead of the front-running **Bom Servico (Jpn)** (Daiwa Major {Jpn}) under a drive, Satono Ares hit the lead inside the final 100 metres and held off late drives from **Monde Can Know (Jpn)** (Kinshasa No Kiseki {Jpn}) and the filly, 'TDN Rising Star' **Mi Suerte (Jpn)** (Frankel {GB}), who checked in fourth, by a half-length.

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IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

'CHROME' EXITS WINTER CHALLENGE WIN WELL

2014 Horse of the Year California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit) exited his Winter Challenge S. romp in good order and will ship to Gulfstream Park in early January in advance of the \$12-million Pegasus World Cup Jan. 28. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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Jockey Matters Making a Difference Cont. from p1

While this latest incident remains under official investigation, the exploitation of an impressionable youngster may well have been as desperate as it was patently callous.

Whatever the merits of that particular case, the mental and physical rigours of their calling make jockeys peculiarly susceptible to psychological conditions that nourish a sense of isolation. That being so, an increasing awareness of mental health and dietary issues in the wider world can hardly fail to be reflected in a fraternity that prides itself on fellowship. Sure enough, the professional community has now found a way to assure its members that whatever their secret sufferings, they



Paul Struthers | *Racing Post*

must never think of themselves as being alone.

Jockey Matters is a series of short films commissioned by the career development charity JETS (Jockeys' Employment & Training Scheme) in partnership with the riders' trade body, the Professional Jockeys' Association. Some of the biggest names in the sport--including A.P. McCoy, Ryan Moore and Johnny Murtagh--have spoken with striking candour of their own

experiences, or offered advice. Combined with production standards far surpassing a very limited budget, the videos have been received with due warmth both inside and beyond the weighing room. Professional guilds in other sports, generally

with far superior resources, are among those to have shared in enthusiastic reviews. Most critically of all, however, the series seems to be achieving its No 1 priority: namely, to draw the attention of riders to the help that is available. Paul Struthers, chief executive of the Professional Jockeys' Association, says that as many as 30 of its members have responded to what they have seen by coming forward to seek specialist, one-to-one counsel on nutrition--while six new therapist referrals have been prompted by the film highlighting issues with regard to [mental health](#).

"Each of the videos were shown for the first time at a jockeys' seminar," Struthers says. "Every 7lb claiming apprentice or conditional jockey has to attend one of these one-day sessions every year. And the feedback, every time, has been fantastic. But while the films were aimed primarily at those young riders, coming into the sport, one of the reasons we were so keen for them to look the way they do is that they had to work also for our existing members."

In truth, the content warrants far wider attention--certainly among those with any kind of professional, social or family relationship with jockeys; and, in some instances, arguably even among young people in any walk of life, trying to make their way in the world. That said, it is not difficult to imagine the impression likely to be made on the core audience by, for instance, the exceptionally courageous interview given by Murtagh in a film dealing with [addiction](#). The three-time Derby winner, who retired to concentrate on training in 2013, recalls a long struggle with alcohol during the first decade of his riding career. He reached his darkest hour on a 10th-floor balcony in Dubai, where his plunging self-worth reached a potentially terminal crossroads. [Cont. p3](#)

"The mental and physical rigours of their calling make jockeys peculiarly susceptible to psychological conditions that nourish a sense of isolation."

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Jockey Matters Making a Difference Cont.

"Thankfully, looking over the balcony, something happened to me and I just got down on my knees and said: 'Please God, help me, something's wrong with me,'" he says. "And that was the turning point in my career."

Equally impressive is the testimony of Mark Enright, a young Irish jump jockey who tells of his battle with depression in a film tackling mental health and wellbeing. "You think you're the only person in this black hole," he says. "You can speak to a professional, you can speak to a friend, but definitely the first step was letting the cork out of the bottle." After listening to his torments, another jockey sent Enright a text: "I thought I was alone. Thank you, you've saved my life."

In the same film, the indomitable, man-of-iron McCoy admits that in his youth, after a bad day, he would sit alone for hours in a dark room. "I think jockeys find it hard to talk about mental health problems because there's this stigma of them being really tough and mentally strong, and not having any weaknesses, and it being a real man's sport," he says. "But at the end of the day, no matter who you are, I think it always helps to talk to people."

McCoy and Murtagh have both now retired from the saddle, of course, and Struthers paid due tribute to Enright for being prepared to speak out while still in the relatively early stages of his career. His example inspired Graham Lee, a top jumps rider in his day but now plying his trade on the Flat, to confide his own difficulties to the British trade newspaper Racing Post--and to do so, moreover, on a specific day in October.

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 -AP McCoy

"Graham had decided he was ready to talk about it," Struthers says. "I said: 'Before you do, have a look at this video--we're launching it on Monday to coincide with Mental Health Awareness Day."

Graham is great mates with A.P. anyway, and he was also able to see how comfortable Mark was with it all. And I think it gave Graham the confidence to think: 'You know what, I can talk about this--there's nothing to be ashamed of, and it's going to help people.' Depression affects one-in-four of the wider population and, given their lifestyle, it's going to be higher for jockeys. It's about breaking down that stigma, and raising awareness of the support that's available."

For all the expert help now available, nobody is remotely complacent that every gap can be filled in the fragile apparatus holding a jockey together, body and soul. **Cont. p4**

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3 SHAMARDAL	724	82	11.33	45	6.22
4 DANSILI	1028	116	11.28	66	6.42
5 OASIS DREAM	929	104	11.19	49	5.27
6 PIVOTAL	1290	139	10.78	77	5.97
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Struthers says that the films were made in the context of growing alarm about a vogue for self-induced vomiting as a means of weight control. "We're not shying away from the fact that while the support is better than ever before, in terms of nutrition, strength and conditioning, we also know--anecdotally--that there has been a big increase in the prevalence of 'flipping,'" he says. "We know we need to deal with that head on, and these videos were very much put together in order to front up. The riders need to know that the help is there and that most of it, thanks to the support we get, is free."

Three of the six films to date--it is hoped that more will follow in the new year--duly focus on different aspects of nutrition: "[Making Weight the Right Way](#)"; "[Staying Hydrated](#)"; and "[Healthy Choices](#)." There is also a video on [rehabilitation from injury](#), which can of course be as significant a mental challenge as a physical one.

Lisa Delany, general manager and careers coach at JETS, is also delighted by the reception of the project, which was managed by Kate Struthers and produced by James Ward. "Historically we've always found videos to be really good teaching tools, when it comes to career development or transition," Delany said. "And while we've seen other sports making similar films, we wanted something punchy, something that would really grab you if you were a young rider. James and Kate have done a fantastic job, and of course we also owe huge thanks to those jockeys who have opened up, as names that young riders will really look up to. We've been blown away by the number of views, I think Johnny's interview had 2,500 overnight. Graham Lee has said that he has had issues going back possibly 20 years--and we're talking about a man who has in that time won the Grand National and the Ascot Gold Cup. So it's all about starting the conversation, about signposting the help that's available."

Part two of this series will appear in Tuesday's *TDN*.

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DREAM AHEAD HEADED TO FRANCE

Five-time Group 1 winner **Dream Ahead** (Diktat {GB}--Land Of Dreams {GB}, by Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), who stood at Ballylinch Stud in Ireland his first five seasons, will stand next year at Haras de Grandcamp in France on an initial one-year lease, according to *Racing Post*. He will stand for €12,000.

Dream Ahead's most accomplished runner to date has been the G2 Criterium de Maison-Laffitte winner Donjuan Triumphant (Ire).

John O'Connor, managing director at Ballylinch Stud, told *Racing Post*, "Dream Ahead has done well with his two crops of runners, having finished second in the European first-season

sires' table in 2015 and is third in this year's second-crop sires' list. We'd expect him to have a big year in 2017 as he's had a number of promising 2-year-olds in France this year. There were a lot of French breeders enquiring about him so we thought it would be the best career move for him to stand in France in



Dream Ahead | Ballylinch Stud

2017. We think he'll cover a good book as he's well-known from both the time he raced and his first runners in France have gone well. It's a one-year lease initially and we'll re-evaluate it at the end of the season. He's a horse that's poised to

make a good impact in both hemispheres having covered a full book of mares in Australia."

Eric Lhermite of Haras de Grandcamp told *Jour De Galop*, "This is a real opportunity for French breeders, especially with the current demand for speed and precocity. Breeders will also be able to use this stallion and reap the benefits of the lucrative French premiums. This is the type of stallion that I'd wish to use with my own mares. He's produced beautiful foals that have sold well on both sides of the Channel. His arrival corresponds with an upgrading of the stud's stock and he should complement our other stallions well."

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BRITAIN



Sunday's Results:

1st-LIN, £5,000, Mdn, 12-18, 2yo, f, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:25.80, stn. DELLAGUISTA (IRE) (f, 2, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Lady Springbank {Ire} {MGSW-Ire, \$123,765}, by Choisir {Aus}), who ran fourth going one mile at Newcastle last time Nov. 28, bowled along in third racing against the fence through the initial fractions of this one. Shaken up at the top of the short straight, the 11-4 second choice quickened to the fore approaching the final eighth and ran on strongly in the closing stages to assert by 1 1/4 lengths from Circulate (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}). The 160,000gns TATFOA foal is out of G3 C L Weld Park S. and G3 Leopardstown 1000 Guineas Trial S. victress Lady Springbank (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}), and is kin to a yearling colt by Sea the Stars (Ire) and a filly foal by Galileo (Ire). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$4,308. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-David & Yvonne Blunt; B-M Gittins (IRE); T-William Haggas.

British Report Cont.**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Karisma (Ire), f, 3, **Lawman (Fr)**--Lucky Clio (Ire), by Key of Luck. LIN, 12-18, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:38.67. B-Mrs Cherry Faeste (IRE). *1/2 to Kingsdesire (Ire) (King's Best), GSP-Eng; and Lucky Beggar (Ire) (Verglas {Ire}), MSP-Eng, \$147,661.

ITALY**Sunday's Results:**

PREMIO UNIRE-Listed, €41,800, NAP, 12-18, 3yo/up, 2250m, 2:17.60, gd.

1--**#TIME TO CHOOSE (GB)**, 122, c, 3, **Manduro (Ger)**--

Penfection (Ire) (MSP-Ity), by **Orpen**. O-Scuderia Effeve; B-Razza Del Velino; T-Alduino Botti; J-Fabio Branca. €16,150. Lifetime Record: 8-5-1-0, €49,504. *1/2 to Baby Revolution (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), SW-Ity.

2--**Genovese**, 122, c, 3, Strategic Prince (GB)--Altezza Reale (GB), by King's Best. (€16,000 yrl '14 ITYSEP). O-Scuderia Divita. €7,108.

3--**Right Connection (GB)**, 122, c, 4, Beat Hollow (GB)--Green Tern (Ity), by Miswaki Tern. (12,500gns yrl '13 TATDEC). O-Dioscuri. €3,876.

Margins: 1HF, HF, 2. Odds: 1.68, 4.62, 5.29.

Also Ran: Buggraf (GB), Duca Di Mantova (GB), Priore Philip (Ity), La Grande Bellezza (Ire), Irishman Mark (Ire), Bharuch (Fr).

1st -NAP, €10,120, Mdn, 12-18, 2yo, 5fT, 58.40, gd.

MISTER DELFIO (c, 2, Sidney's Candy--Irish Smoke {GISW, \$217,241}, by Smoke Glacken), who blew the turn in his second start and ran second in a maiden over 1200 metres on Nov. 18 at Capannelle, ran prominently and scored easily despite the short trip. Sales history: \$11,000 yrl '15 KEESEP; €15,000 2yo '16 GORMAY. His dam, Irish Smoke, who landed the GI Spinaway S., produced the triple scorer and \$184,680 earner Ice Cutter (Medaglia d'Oro). She has a colt foal by Take Charge Indy. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0 €6,181.

O-Alessandro Diolosa. B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY). T-Agostino Affe.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS

Oriental Arrow (Ire), f, 2, **Dark Angel (Ire)**--Samya (GB) (SW-Ity), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). PIS, 12-18, 7.5fT, 1:27.70, gd. B-Le.Gi (Ire).

Breathing (Ire), c, 2, **Bated Breath (GB)**--Fresnay (GB), by Rainbow Quest. PIS, 12-18, 7.5fT, 1:27.8, gd. B-Grundy Bloodstock (Ire). *18th winner for freshman sire (by Dansili {GB}).

SWEDEN**SWIPE ARRIVES IN SWEDEN**

Swipe (Birdstone), runner-up to unbeaten 2015 North American 2-year-old champion Nyquist (Uncle Mo) in four consecutive races, including the GI Del Mar Futurity, the GI Frontrunner S. and the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, has arrived at Sweden's Ravdansen Stud, where he will commence stud duties in 2017. Ravdansen has previously stood 12-time champion Swedish sire Diaglyphard, as well as Eishin Dunkirk, a Japanese-raced son of Mr. Prospector who is on his way to his fifth Swedish Sires' Championship in 2016.



Ivan Sjoberg with Swipe | Hanna Sjoberg

"We are very pleased to have acquired Swipe to stand at stud in Sweden," said Ravdansen's Ivan Sjoberg. "We have always aspired to stand champion sires here at Ravdansen, and with Swipe joining Barocci (Jpn), our son of

Deep Impact (Jpn) whose first foals arrived this year, we hope we have the next generation of champion sires for Sweden. We've never had a sire in Sweden who had anywhere near the ability Swipe showed as a 2-year-old in 2015, when he ran second to Nyquist in three consecutive Grade I races and was rated the second-best 2-year-old in North America on the Experimental Free Handicap, for which he was assigned 124 lbs." Nyquist, of course, was highweight on the Experimental, assigned 126 lbs. "Our good friends Marie and Naoya Yoshida at Winchester Farm in Kentucky helped us as always," Sjoberg added. "We're grateful to them and are very fortunate to acquire Swipe for stud duty, and we are so excited about his future."

TDN's Bill Oppenheim, whose wife Lou bred Swipe, was full of praise for Sjoberg and Ravdansen. "I've known Ivan Sjoberg since I worked as an advisor to the Swedish Jockey Club in 1998-2000," said Oppenheim. "As breeders you're always concerned about what happens to the horses you've bred, and we think Swipe and Ravdansen are a great fit. Often in this business success depends on getting the right horse to the right place at the right time, and Lou and I believe there could hardly have been a better place for Swipe to go to stud. We had nothing to do with it, but we are delighted, and will certainly be sending him a mare to support him."

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WORLDWIDE NEWS

G1 Asahi Hai Futurity S. Cont. from p1

Sunday, Hanshin, Japan

ASAHI HAI FUTURITY S.-G1, ¥135,800,000, Hanshin, 12-18, 2yo, c&f, 1600mT, 1:35.40, fm.

1--**#@&SATONO ARES (JPN), 121, c, 2, by Deep Impact (Jpn)**

1st Dam: Satono Amazonas (Ire), by Danehill

2nd Dam: Prawn Cocktail, by Artichoke

3rd Dam: Crimson Saint, by Crimson Satan

O-Hajime Satomi; B-Shadai Farm; T-Kazuo Fujisawa; J-Hirofumi Shii; ¥71,260,000. Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0. **Werk Nick Rating:**

C. Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Monde Can Know (Jpn), 121, c, 2, Kinshasa No Kiseki (Aus)--**

Raise and Call (Jpn), by Sakura Bakushin-Oh (Jpn).

(¥15,000,000 wnlg '14 JRHAJUL) O-Your Story; B-Northern Farm; ¥28,360,000.

3--**Bom Servico (Jpn), 121, c, 2, by Daiwa Major (Jpn)--**

Baimoyuri (Jpn), by Sakura Laurel (Jpn). O-Nagoya Yuho;

B-Shirai Farm; ¥18,180,000.

Margins: HF, 2, HD. Odds: 13.20, 14.80, 71.70.

Also Ran: Mi Suerte (Jpn), Trust (Jpn), Trillionaire (GB), Clear The Track (Jpn), Red En Ciel (Jpn), America's Cup (Jpn), Bee Kali (Jpn), Daiichi Terminal (Jpn), A Shaka Lien (Jpn), Danburite (Jpn), Tagano Asura (Jpn), Toho Domingo (Jpn), Links Zero (Jpn), Levante Lion, Bullbear Baboon (Jpn).

Click for the [JRA chart and video](#).

Satono Ares took three tries to get off the mark, finishing second in nine-furlong maidens at Sapporo Aug. 14 and 28, and at last found the winner's enclosure over the same distance at Nakayama Sept. 11. He then dropped back to a mile to win the same Tokyo allowance race used by Logotype (Jpn) (Lohengrin {Jpn}) (2012) and Danon Platina (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) (2014) as a successful springboard to victory in the Asahi Hai. Jockey Hirofumi Shii said after Sunday's win, "I rode him for the first time but was told by the trainer that he has a strong late charge. So I decided to race him toward the rear and he responded really well in the stretch. I think his strong point is indeed his turn of foot. I think he will definitely be able to aim for the big titles going forward."

Pedigree Notes...

Satono Ares is the third foal out of Satono Amazonas, whose third dam is the hugely successful producer Crimson Saint (Crimson Satan). She is best known as the dam of GI Breeders' Cup Mile and G1 July Cup winner Royal Academy (Nijinsky) and

multiple Grade II winner Terlingua (Secretariat), better known as the dam of Storm Cat (Storm Bird). Terlingua's descendants also include G1 Racing Post Trophy winner Crowded House (GB) (Rainbow Quest) and almost countless other graded winners. The family has also been prolific Down Under, with G1 Sydney Cup second Older Than Time (Aus) (Don Eduardo {NZ}) also featuring on the page. **Click for the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).**

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POSTPONED AMONG WORLD CUP ACCEPTANCES

Postponed (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), the winner of this year's G1 Dubai Sheema Classic in addition to the G1 Coronation Cup and G1 Juddmonte International, is among the 217 horses from 18 countries accepted for the 2017 Dubai World Cup Carnival. That list includes 19 Group 1 winners, and also includes **Vazirabad (Fr)** (Manduro {Ger}), this year's G2 Dubai Gold Cup winner who went on to add the G1 Prix Royal-Oak. The globetrotting **Big Orange (GB)** (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}) is among the acceptances, as are familiar faces **Sole Power (Ire)** (Kyllachy {GB}), **Mubtaahij (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and **Lani** (Tapit), all former winners on World Cup night.

"The Dubai World Cup Carnival continues to attract some of the most exciting horses in global racing," said Malih Lahej Al Basti, Meydan Group Vice Chairman and Chairman of Meydan Racing Committee. "This season we made some changes to the Dubai World Cup Carnival programme and we are pleased with the response from the racing community. Meydan represents



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the world stage of horse racing and we are delighted to welcome back many returning horses and connections as well as fresh challengers for the new

season."

"Meydan Group provides generous subsidies to runners of the Dubai World Cup Carnival while prize money, which went up this season, is among the highest in the world," Al Basti added. "We look forward to welcoming the runners and connections of the Dubai World Cup Carnival and anticipate an exciting three months of top-quality racing."

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VRC CHAIRMAN BURN STEPS DOWN

Michael Burn, chairman of the Victoria Racing Club since June 2011 and a VRC director for 13 years, has resigned from his role, according to *Racing.com*. Burn is also executive director of the Macquarie Group.

"Given my lengthy tenure in the role, I have been contemplating for some months when would be the right time to step down," Burn said. "I'm also mindful that recent events could lead to perceptions of tension between my role at the Club and my professional responsibilities as a banker. Consequently, I have decided following the conclusion of AGM formalities yesterday, now is the right time to leave.

He added, "The VRC is in terrific shape today and deserves its place among the country's premier sporting bodies. I am proud of the outstanding progress the Club's Board and Management have been able to achieve during my tenure. I thank the Board and Management for their support and wish the Club every success in the future. I will remain a passionate member of the Club."

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JOCKEY KILLED IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand jockey Rebecca Black has died after being involved in a fall at Gore Racecourse on Sunday. The 40-year-old mother of three was aboard Point Proven (NZ) (Keeper {Aus}), who was involved in a spill along with another horse at the 700-metre mark. The rider on the other horse, Misscattlecreek (NZ) (Danske {NZ}), escaped serious injury.

Police confirmed a jockey's death shortly after 4 p.m. and the remainder of the The Tapanui Racing Club meeting was abandoned. New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing Chief Executive Greg Purcell said, "All our thoughts are with Rebecca's family and friends at this dreadful time."

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Sunday, Seoul, South Korea

THE 35TH GRAND PRIX, ₩700,000,000 (£471,755/€564,322/US\$588,994), Seoul, 12-18, 3yo/up, 2300m, 2:28.60, ft.

1--**CLEAN UP JOY, 126, g, 5, Purge--Greta's Joy, by Joyeux Danseur.** (\$1,400 Wlg '11 KEENOV; \$7,000 Ylg '12 FTKOCT; \$14,000 2yo '13 OBSJUN). O-Mingyeonggeun; B-James Meadows (KY); T-Song Moon Gil; J-Ham Wan Sik; ₩392,000,000. Lifetime Record: 21-11-6-1, ₩1,367,780,000. *1/2 to Livi Makenzie (Macho Uno), SW & MGSP, \$354,069.

 Congratulations to all the connections from Paramount Sales 

2--**Triple Nine (Kor), 126, c, 4, Ecton Park--A Little Poke, by Pleasant Tap.** O-Choi Byeong-Bu. ₩147,000,000.

3--**Power Blade (Kor), 121, c, 3, Menifee--Cheonmachong, by Lost Mountain.** O-Kim Hyeong Ran. ₩98,000,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 5, HF. Odds: 4.50, 0.60, 6.50.

Also Ran: Goliath Marine (Kor), Heba, Clean Up Cheonha, Success Story (Kor), Dongbang Daero, Unbeatable, Space Port, Gumpo Sky (Kor), Halla Chukje, Cheonjeok, Winner Red, Muhudaeje, Beolmaui Kkum.

For the first time since 2011, Korea's most prestigious event has gone to a Seoul-trainer runner, as Clean Up Joy was given a tactically perfect ride by Ham Wan Sik and outstayed heavily favored Triple Nine to win the Grand Prix. Korean Triple Crown winner Power Blade just held for third in a race dominated by the market leaders.

Third in this event last year, Clean Up Joy--the top-rated horse in Seoul--had won four of his six starts this season, including a seven-length score in the KRA Cup Classic (2000m) Oct. 16, but was the second betting choice to Triple Nine, one spot behind Clean Up Joy in this as a 3-year-old last season.

A notoriously bad gate horse, Clean Up Joy was given gate 16 per the request of his trainer and pulled his way eagerly to stalk the pace of Beolmaui Kkum (Put It Back) from second for the opening mile or so. Asked to break the race open on the turn, Clean Up Joy cornered for home with a clear advantage and held off the mid-track bid of Triple Nine for the victory. The win took Clean Up Joy's career earnings past US\$1.1 million.

The Grand Prix was contested for the first time as a black-type race as one of six Korean added-money events accorded Part II status for 2016 by the International Grading and Race Planning Advisory Committee. --Alan Carasso



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