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Pretty N Cool | *Benoit*

Pretty N Cool (Scat Daddy), a two-time graded stakes winner as a juvenile in 2015, returned from six months on the sidelines to record a stylish victory through a driving rain in the GIII Las Flores S. at Santa Anita Sunday. Pretty N Cool broke alertly under Martin Garcia and pressed 'TDN Rising Star' **Sensitively** (Street Sense) down the backstretch with favored and fellow 'Rising Star' **Constellation** (Bellamy Road) shadowing the top two while three wide through a quarter in :21.88. Pretty N Cool swept up to take the lead midway on the turn and quickly opened a clear advantage while straightening out for the drive and completing the half-mile in :44.63. Constellation, making her first start since winning the Dec. 26 GI La Brea S., was unable to reel in the leader down the lane and Pretty N Cool maintained a 1 3/4-length advantage to the wire. It was another 3/4 lengths back to **Ponder Lea** (More Than Ready) in third. The time for the six-furlong race was 1:10.49.

Co-owner Mike Pegram acknowledged he was pretty enthusiastic about Pretty N Cool's chances entering the Las Flores.

"If you look at her work pattern, she was ready to run today and [trainer] Bobby [Baffert] is pretty good off the layoff," Pegram said. "She looked pretty good today. With this rain, this one was for the love of the game!"

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GUNNEVERA EXITS FOY IN FINE FASHION

Peacock Racing Stables' **Gunnevera** (Dialed In), a romping 5 3/4-length winner of Saturday's GII Xpressbet.com Fountain of Youth S., came out of the race in fine shape, trainer Antonio Sano reported Sunday.

"He's very good this morning, 100% sound," Sano said. "He's very good."

Gunnevera's last-to-first victory in the Fountain of Youth put him atop the leader board for the Road to the Kentucky Derby with 64 points.

"It was very exciting," Sano said of the Fountain of Youth. "The horse demonstrated that he was the best horse in the race. Right now, the horse has demonstrated he's the best, to me."

Sano said Gunnevera, who was coming off a runner-up effort behind **Irish War Cry** (Curlin) in the Feb. 4 GII Lambholm South Holy Bull S., was "90%" likely to run next in the Apr. 1 GI Xpressbet.com Florida Derby. **Cont. p4**

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Dorsett (Artie Schiller) the winner of Saturday's Barbados Gold Cup, celebrates his big win with a swim in the ocean Sunday morning. | Bill Finley

J BOYS ECHO HEADS SOUTH AFTER GOTHAM WIN 4

J Boys Echo (Mineshaft) was en route to trainer Dale Romans's Florida winter base Sunday, a day after his victory in the GIII Gotham S. The Albaugh Racing Stable's runner could line up next in either the Gil Wood Memorial at Aqueduct or Gil Blue Grass S. at Keeneland, both Apr. 8.

A TRIBUTE TO LOUIS QUATORZE 6

The 1996 GI Preakness S. winner Louis Quatorze, who died last month in Maryland, was the first Classic winner sold by Taylor Made. Mark Taylor pays tribute to the horse who was so pivotal in the operation's early years.

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Pretty N Cool Back in Style (cont. from p1)

Martin Garcia was pleased with Pretty N Cool's victory.

"She was ready today and I think this is her best distance, six furlongs," Garcia said.

"She has a lot of natural speed. She likes to run with time in between races and does well when she gets it. It was a tough race today but she was pretty impressive. She came back strong."

Pretty N Cool captured the 2015 GII Sorrento S. and GII Matron S. and was second behind champion Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro) in the GI Del Mar Debutante S. She concluded her juvenile campaign tiring to fourth after setting the pace

while attempting to stretch out to 1 1/16 miles in the GI Starlet S. She made only four starts, all sprinting, as a sophomore and came away with a third-place finish in the GII Santa Ynez S. and a win in the CERF S. She had not raced since finishing sixth in her turf debut in a Sept. 2 optional claimer at Del Mar, but carried a series of strong works into this return effort.



Mike Pegram & Martin Garcia | Benoit



Pretty N Cool | Benoit

Pedigree Notes:

Pretty N Cool is the first foal out of the stakes placed Stayclassysandiego (Rockport Harbor). Breeder Nancy Shuford purchased the mare, with Pretty N Cool in utero, for \$120,000 at the 2012 Keeneland November Sale. Now eight, Stayclassysandiego, a half-sister to Grade I winner Sean Avery (Cherokee Run), produced a Scat Daddy filly in

2016 and a colt by Honor Code this year. Her Lemon Drop Kid filly sold for \$220,000 at last year's Keeneland September Yearling Sale, while her Scat Daddy filly brought \$300,000 as a weanling at last year's Keeneland November sale.

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1--**PRETTY N COOL**, 120, f, 4, by [Scat Daddy](#)

1st Dam: Stayclassysandiego (SP), by Rockport Harbor

2nd Dam: Latin Lynx, by Forest Wildcat

3rd Dam: Senita Lane, by Ascot Knight

(\$160,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP). O-Karl Watson, Michael E. Pegram & Paul Weitman; B-N Shuford (KY); T-B Baffert; J-M Garcia.

\$60,000. Lifetime Record: MGSW & GISP, 11-5-1-1, \$498,905.

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2--**Constellation**, 124, f, 4, Bellamy Road--For Royalty, by Not For Love. [TDN Rising Star](#) (\$155,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$800,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR). O-LNJ Foxwoods; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer. \$20,000.

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3--**Ponder Lea**, 120, m, 5, [More Than Ready](#)--Rumba Punch, by Green Dancer. (\$100,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP). O-Ackerman Equine, LLC, Richard Baltas, Nancy Messineo & Bruce Sands; B-Redmon Farm (KY); T-Richard Baltas. \$12,000.

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Gunnevera Exits FOY in Fine Fashion *(cont. from p1)*

Trainer Chad Brown reported Fountain of Youth runner-up **Practical Joke** (Into Mischief) was also doing well Sunday, but that there were “no plans moving forward yet.”

Plans for third-place finisher **Three Rules** (Gone Astray) are also up in the air.

“He came out of it good,” trainer Jose Pinchin said. “I thought he ran a very good race. I thought he ran very well considering the track was slow and he didn’t get a break. [Irish War Cry] really went with him the first five furlongs and Gunnevera passed him, but he stuck with [Practical Joke]. It was a good run.”

Pinchin continued, “Right now [his next start] is up to the owners, so I’ll wait to hear from them. He’s got a lot of options.”

Even-money favorite Irish War Cry

suffered the first defeat of his career when he came home a disappointing seventh in the Fountain of Youth, but trainer Graham Motion found no excuses for the dull effort.

“Really, he seems fine,” Motion said of the [TDN Rising Star](#). “I have no issues with him. He seemed to cool out fine and he looked good this morning. It’s a real head-scratcher.”

Irish War Cry was loose on the lead when he captured the Holy Bull last month, but Saturday he sat behind Three Rules through fractions of :23.43, :47.18 and 1:12.37 under jockey Joel Rosario before fading on the turn for home.

“The one thing I blame myself for perhaps, is not telling Joel he should have taken a hold of him and taken him back,” Motion said. “I think to compete in these races, at some point you’ve got to be able to be adaptable to different scenarios. This horse, if he’s going to compete at this level, he’s got to be able to relax.”

Of the handsome chestnut’s likely next start, Motion said, “I’ve got to sit on him for a couple of weeks and see where we’re at. My instant gut reaction is I would have a hard time running this horse back in four weeks off of that kind of a race. I don’t want to make a hasty decision. Whatever the decision, he’s not going anywhere for a couple of weeks. I’ll keep him down here while we try to figure out the next step.”



Gunnevera | A. Coglianese

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J BOYS ECHO HEADS SOUTH AFTER GOTHAM

Albaugh Racing Stable’s **J Boys Echo** (Mineshaft) was en route to Dale Romans’s Florida base Sunday, a day after his 3 1/2-length victory in Saturday’s GIII Gotham S. at Aqueduct.

“He came back really good,” co-owner Jason Loutsch said of the [TDN Rising Star](#). “We’re obviously really thrilled with the result and very proud of him. It’s really humbling. We didn’t know if we could beat the four horse [El Areeb] yesterday and fortunately we got a good set up and he ran the race we thought he could. We’ve been waiting for that race for him to break out and kind of grow up and he did that yesterday and we’re thrilled.”

Loutsch confirmed the colt, who was third behind **El Areeb** (Exchange Rate) in the Feb. 4 GIII Withers S. and fourth behind Gunnevera (Dialed In) in the Nov. 19 GIII Delta Downs Jackpot S., would likely start next in either the GII Wood Memorial at Aqueduct or GII Blue Grass S. at Keeneland, both Apr. 8.

After battling on the front end in the Gotham, the 2-5 favorite and [TDN Rising Star](#) El Areeb tired to third.

“He came out of it great,” said trainer Cathal Lynch. “He ate up when we got back last night [to Laurel] and by the time we got back to the barn this morning, he had his feed tub licked clean and was in there playing around. He’s really no worse for wear. He came back good and scoped good.”

Of the Gotham, Lynch added, “It was just one of those scenarios where the pace was so fast. The winner ran a 102 Beyer and we ran our race, we just got caught up in a bit of a speed duel early, but I think he’s no worse for it. Just give him a couple of days and he’ll be good to go.”

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Lynch added no next start has been determined for El Areeb, who currently has 30 Derby qualifying points to rank sixth.

Cloud Computing (Maclean's Music) was making just the second start of his career in the Gotham and trainer Chad Brown was pleased with his charge's runner-up effort.

"I thought he ran very well," Brown said. "Coming off a six-furlong maiden race [Feb. 11] and coming back to face winners in a graded stakes while stretching out to two turns, he handled it very well."

While not committing to a next start for Cloud Computing, Brown did not rule out the Wood Memorial.

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J Boys Echo | *Susie Raisher*



Mastery (Candy Ride {Arg}) (left) works a bullet six furlongs at Santa Anita Sunday in 1:12.60 (1/12) ([XBTV.com video](#)) in preparation for the Mar. 11 GII San Felipe S. Also working Sunday for Bob Baffert, **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) went seven furlongs in 1:24.00 (1/1) ([XBTV.com video](#)) in preparation for the Mar. 25 G1 Dubai World Cup.

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A TRIBUTE TO AN OLD FRIEND

by Mark Taylor

Editor's Note: The 1996 GI Preakness S. winner, Louis Quatorze died of a heart attack at Murmur Farm Feb. 17 at the age of 24. He was the first Classic winner sold by Taylor Made, and Mark Taylor submitted the following to the TDN in tribute to him.

If we ever created a Mount Rushmore-type of memorial at Taylor Made Farm, and we could pick only four horses to carve in the mountain, so to speak, we would seriously consider Louis Quatorze. After all, he was our very first Classic winner. That's something you never forget. And the impact that had, as far as opening doors and enhancing the reputation of Taylor Made in our early years, is immeasurable.



Louis Quatorze as a foal with On to Royalty | Taylor Made photo

His foaling was greatly anticipated because we loved the mare (On to Royalty, by On To Glory), we loved the mating with Sovereign Dancer, and we wanted to see what we were going to get.

My brother, Duncan, our in-house pedigree guru, helped choose the mating for our longtime client Georgia Hofmann. When you put Sovereign Dancer over On To Royalty, it gives you 3X5 inbreeding to Grey Flight, who was one of Duncan's favorite mares of all time.

Whether Louis Quatorze's success stemmed from the mating or not, I've got to give Duncan some credit, because as soon as it was done, he said, 'this is going to be fantastic...this is going to work for all these reasons.' So Louis Quatorze was a horse everybody always had eyes on.

There's an awesome picture of him we took of him when he was about two months old. He's reaching up and biting his mom on the lip in the conformation shot. He had a really distinct blaze down his face that was so cool looking at that phase.

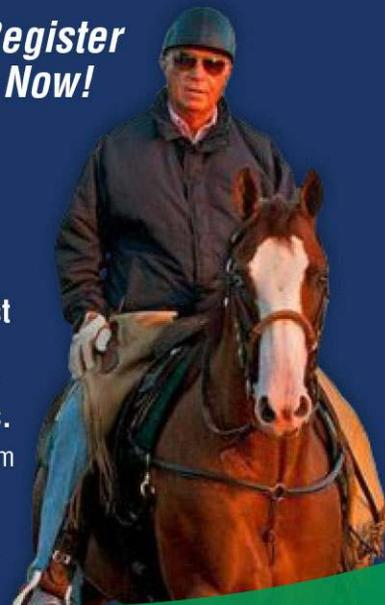
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Growing up, Louis Quatorze was pretty straightforward and had no problems--he was a good one from day one. He had a lot of charisma and was a really cool horse. Some horses you're around and mentally they're bulletproof. It seems like they're not disturbed by whatever is going on in their immediate environment. It's funny because his sire, Sovereign Dancer, was famous for being hot-blooded, high strung and high energy. But Louis Quatorze was all class.

We sent him to Mrs. Hofmann's farm in Florida and he toed out a little bit in his left front leg as a weanling, but we thought he'd eventually come around and be okay. When he came back to us in April to get inspected and prepared for the Keeneland July sale, we thought he'd be straighter in front, but he still toed out pretty bad.

He still was accepted to Keeneland July sale, however, because he had a gorgeous profile. He was just a hunk of a horse and had natural muscle all over and a beautiful blaze. His body and athleticism were undeniable.

I was 25 years old at the time and had just returned to Taylor Made from Dubai where I had spent a year working for trainer Satish Seemar. He had taught me a lot about breaking horses and we started all our July sale-bound yearlings under tack. We thought it gave the horses an edge when people bought them--they were ahead of the curve and had a nice foundation.

At the time, I didn't know which horses were going to be runners, or if any of them were going to be. I was a novice in the round pen at getting horses to hook up, but when I got Louis Quatorze in there, I felt like everything clicked. I thought, 'This horse is really smart.' I got the tack on him and everything was seamless and instantaneous for him and I'll always remember that.



Louis Quatorze at Keeneland July | Taylor Made photo

He went to the July sale and prepped fantastic, but he ended up being an RNA and Mrs. Hofmann bought him back. The next day, we were trying to get the horse sold. Nick Zito was there and we put a deal together where Bill Condren, Mrs. Hofmann and Mr. Cornacchia partnered on the horse and decided to race him together. The rest, as they say, is history.

It's pretty cool...from that same crop in 1996 we also had Unbridled's Song as a weanling at Taylor Made, so that was a breakout year for us. He and Louis Quatorze ended up being rivals on the racetrack and were both tremendous racehorses. Unbridled's Song put in a scintillating performance to win the GI Florida Derby, and Louis Quatorze, nor any other horse, could touch him that day. Unbridled's Song got the best of him in the Florida Derby, then Louis Quatorze ran poorly in the GI Kentucky Derby, so nobody really paid much attention to him going into the Preakness. He wasn't on people's radar screens, but he put in a breathtaking performance under Pat Day. He took Day wire-to-wire and won it easily.

On Preakness Day that year, my wife and I were out looking at houses and I stopped our realtor and said, 'We've got to watch the Preakness.' I remember how Louis Quatorze's performance gave me goose bumps...it was fantastic and I didn't expect it. We ended up not buying the particular house we were looking at, but at least we got to use the TV.

Louis Quatorze went on to have a great career...he came back and won the GI Jim Dandy, and then put on a hell of a run in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, finishing a close second to Alphabet Soup, and beating the great Cigar, who came in third. He turned into a phenomenal racehorse.

He also became a decent sire. We tried to bring him back to Taylor Made to stand, but it wasn't meant to be...he sired many good stakes horses, including graded winners Repent, Choctaw Nation, and Bushfire, who we sold for \$1.8 million.

You always remember your first breakout success, and for Taylor Made, Louis Quatorze was just that. He will always remain a big part of our farm's history, and played a pivotal role in the formative years of Taylor Made. It was sad to see Louis Quatorze go, but I was glad he had a nice, long life. He was a great racehorse and a productive stallion and he was just a special horse; there's no doubt about it.

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SIXTIES SONG TRIUMPHS FOR ARGENTINA IN LATINOAMERICANO *by Michael Burns*

Argentina spoiled the party for the host team when G1 Gran Premio Carlos Pellegrini winner **Sixties Song (Arg)** (Sixties Icon {GB}) prevailed in the 33rd running of South America's multi-national Group 1 championship in Vina del Mar, Chile.

Sixties Song sat in a perfect stalking position before putting away pacesetter **California One** (Scat Daddy) entering the stretch and drawing clear to win convincingly over Chilean Derby winner **Full of Luck (Chi)** (Lookin at Lucky) in South America's continental championship race.

Race favorite Full of Luck was disqualified from second and placed third behind original third-placed finisher **Tinku (Chi)** (Lookin at Lucky), runner-up to the latter in last month's Chilean Derby. Three-year-olds swept the top three placings.

Sixties Song gave Argentina its first 'away' triumph since Latency (Arg) (Slew Gin Fizz) scored at Maronas in 2006 in a race the nation was winning for the fifth time.

Trained by Alfredo Gaitan Dassie, who celebrated his first Latinoamericano victory, Sixties Song clearly stamped himself as South America's leading 3-year-old on the grass after recording back-to-back major Group 1 victories in South America's prestigious Gran Premio Carlos Pellegrini and Latinoamericano.

After 33 runnings of the Latinoamericano, Brazil lead the championship with 10 victories. Peru is the runner-up with nine, one more than Chile; followed by Argentina with five and Uruguay with one. The Gran Premio Latinoamericano moves on to Maronas in Montevideo next year.

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1--**SIXTIES SONG (ARG), 122, c, 3, by Sixties Icon (GB)**

1st Dam: Blissful Song, by Unbridled's Song

2nd Dam: Celestial Bliss, by Relaunch

3rd Dam: North of Eden (Ire), by Northfields

O-Stud Santa Elena; B-Haras Firmamento (Arg); T-Alfredo Gaitan Dassie; J-Juan Cruz Villagra. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Arg, 7-4-2-0; \$300,000. *1/2 to Celestial Candy (Arg) (Candy Ride {Arg}), MGSW-Arg, \$147,427. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Tinku (Chi), 122, c, 3, [Lookin At Lucky](#)--Tiaras (Chi), by Powerscourt (GB).** O-Stud Los Pickles; B-Haras Paso Nevado (Chi); T-Olivero Martinez. \$100,000.

*3--**Full of Luck (Chi), 122, c, 3, [Lookin At Lucky](#)--Fusaichi, by Fusaichi Pegasus.** O-Stud Quinchao; B-Haras Nevado (Chi); T-Patricio Baeza. \$50,000.

*Full of Luck finished second and was demoted to third.

Margins: 2 1/4, 3 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 9.40, 6.30, 3.30.

Also Ran: Deep End (Brz), Kodiak Boy (Per), Eleito (Brz), Ordak Dan (Arg), Top Casablanca (Chi), Must Go On (Arg), Gandhi Di Job (Brz), Paso Real (Per), California One, Smart Choice (Arg), Big Daddy (Chi), Color Rosa (Chi), Porto Fino (Chi).

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FLORIDA

Sunday's Results:

3rd-GP, \$40,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 3-5, 3yo, 7f, 1:25.13, ft.

IMPRESSIVE EDGE (c, 3, Harlan's Holiday--Cool Spell {SW & MGSP}, by Grand Slam) dropped back to allowance company following a recent fourth-place effort in the Feb. 4 track-and-trip GII Swale S. to notch his second career victory Sunday. The dark bay finished sixth in a pair of starts for trainer Steve Asmussen in 2016 and returned from a 5 1/2-month layoff to graduate from the maiden ranks in a six-furlong dash for this barn Jan. 15, defeating subsequent 'TDN Rising Star' graduate Patch (Union Rags) in the process. Recently nine lengths adrift of 'Rising Star' Favorable Outcome in the Swale, the \$400,000 OBSMAR 2-year-old buy was hammered down to 1-2 favoritism in this spot. Away to a sharp beginning from the rail, Impressive Edge was taken back to race off the pace in fifth behind a contested quarter-mile in :22.98. He gathered steam on the turn, overhauled Mai Ty One On (Put It Back) with a three-wide sweep turning for home and kicked clear to score by eight lengths over that rival. The winner is a half to Coarsegold (Giant's Causeway), MSW, \$217,930; as well as an unnamed 2-year-old colt by Paynter. His two-time graded stakes-placed dam was bred back to Into Mischievous last year. Sales History: \$70,000 RNA Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$185,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$400,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$57,376. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-N & K Racing; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY); T-Dale L. Romans.



8th-GP, \$38,000, Msw, 3-5, 3yo, f, 7 1/2ft, 1:30.84, fm.
BERNADIVA (f, 3, Bernardini--Evening Jewel {MGISW, \$1,221,399}, by Northern Afleet), a daughter of GI Ashland S. and GI Del Mar Oaks winner Evening Jewel, graduated from the maiden ranks in her fourth career start Sunday. Fifth on debut traveling a mile over the Belmont main track Sept. 25, she raced evenly to be third in a 1 1/16-mile turf affair there Oct. 30. The bay was last seen finishing third again after traveling wide around both turns in a course-and-distance maiden test Dec. 30,

and was given a 3-1 chance to break through in this spot. Given the fortune of a rail draw after three rivals to her inside scratched, Bernadiva seized the opportunity and broke on top to share pacesetting duties along the rail through pedestrian fractions of :25.10 and :50.03. Still well restrained on the final turn, the filly uncorked her kick once straightened out for the drive and found more to hold off a gritty bid from Fancy Kitten (Kitten's Joy) by a neck. Evening Jewel produced a Tapit filly in 2015 and was bred to Pioneer of the Nile last spring. Sales History: \$240,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$35,790. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Jake Ballis, Johns Martin, Bill Rucker & Rashard Lewis. B-Aaron & Marie Jones (KY); T-William I. Mott.

6th-GP, \$38,000, Msw, 3-5, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:23.81, ft.

SALTY (f, 3, Quality Road--Theycallmeladyluck {SP}, by Dixie Union) followed up a strong debut for a patient barn with a rallying victory for new connections at Gulfstream. Closing strongly to just miss when second at 24-1 in her career bow here Feb. 4, the bay was bought into by Gary Barber following that effort and transferred from Ian Wilkes to the Mark Casse barn. Coming in off a best-of-78 bullet half-mile breeze in :47 flat Feb. 25 at Palm Meadows, Salty was given first time Lasix here and broke as the 3-5 chalk. Lagging well off the speed of firster Covenant (Speightstown) through a quarter in :22.51, the favorite began to get going around the seven-sixteenths pole and was maneuvered between horses on the turn. Quickly ranging up into contention while floating four-wide at the top of the lane, she closed resolutely in the center of the track to inhale the pacesetter at the sixteenth pole and kick clear to a 2 1/2-length success. The victress's second dam is GSW Vegas Prospector (Crafty Prospector). She has a yearling half-brother by Candy Ride (Arg) and her dam was bred to American Pharoah last spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$30,020. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Gary Barber, Baccari Racing Stable LLC & Chester Prince; B-Seclusive Farm LLC & Prince Farm, LLC (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.



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8th-TAM, \$20,000, Msw, 3-5, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:36.81, fm.
+ADDICTIVE (f, 3, [Twirling Candy](#)--[Felicitee](#), by [Menifée](#))
 displayed a strong turn of foot to capture her debut on the Tampa turf. Bought for \$825,000 after breezing a quarter-mile in a [bullet :20 2/5](#) at OBS March last term, the dark bay was given a 4-1 chance to graduate first out and settled in sixth behind splits of :23.70 and :48.51. Quickly moving into contention four-wide outside the five-sixteenths pole, Addictive blew past the leaders by the time heads turned for home and never faced a serious stretch threat despite wandering about some, hitting the wire 2 1/2 lengths to the good of fellow firster Fashion's Crossing (English Channel). The winner has a yearling half-sister by Mr. Sekiguchi named Miss Authenticitee. Sales History: \$50,000 Wlg '14 FTNMIX; \$825,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$12,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-LNJ Foxwoods; B-Mares Rule II (NY); T-William I. Mott.

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9th-TAM, \$20,000, Msw, 3-5, 3yo, 1mT, 1:36.78, fm.
MR DARCY (c, 3, [Harlan's Holiday](#)--[Flourish](#), by [Distorted Humor](#)), fourth and sixth in a pair of turf tries at Churchill Nov. 10 and Gulfstream Dec. 26, respectively, found the Tampa turf more to his liking with a stalk-and-pounce score Sunday afternoon. Adding Lasix for this third career start, the bay was tabbed as the 9-5 favorite and secured an ideal spot tracking the pace from third through a half-mile in :48.48. Ratcheting up the pressure in the three path on the final turn, Mr. Darcy struck the front in midstretch and extended nicely, crossing the wire 1 1/2 lengths clear of first-timer Halifax (Lonhro {Aus}). The winner has a 2-year-old half-brother by Medaglia d'Oro named Prospered, as well as a yearling half-sister by Tapit. Flourish--herself a half-sister to MGISW Juddmonte colorbearers Sightseek (Distant View) and Tates Creek (Rahy)--was bred back to Into Mischief. This is also the female family of G1SW Special Duty (GB) (Hennessy) and GSW & MGISP Bowman's Band (Dixieland Band). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$14,860. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-William I. Mott.



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NEW YORK

Sunday's Results:

2nd-AQU, \$57,000, (S), Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 3-5, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:42.43, ft.

ARCHUMYBABY (f, 3, [Archarcharch](#)--[Crescenda](#) {GSP, \$120,865}, by [Bowman's Band](#)) graduated at third asking when dropped in for a \$40,000 tag in a Jan. 5 trip-and-track affair and won right back in her first try facing winners here. The filly settled into a nice spot tracking a pair of dueling pacesetters from third through fractions of :24.04 and :48.47 and commenced her rally on the far turn. Angled three wide into the stretch, she forged past Spirit Lets Hearit (Girolamo) in the final furlong to score by a half-length. The winner's dam visited Verrazano last year. Sales History: \$27,000 Ylg '15 KEEJAN; \$72,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$65,950. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Midwest Thoroughbreds, Inc.; B-Robert Bruce Walker (NY); T-Danny Gargan.



3rd-AQU, \$60,000, Msw, 3-5, 3yo, 1m, 1:39.99, ft.

GLENNRICHMENT (c, 3, [Pioneerof the Nile](#)--[Thirtysixth](#), by [Dixieland Band](#)) was a non-factor eighth on debut going a mile over the local turf Nov. 19 and flashed brief speed before retreating to finish fifth behind Painter's Rags (Union Rags) in a one-mile main track affair in the mud at Laurel Dec. 26. He recently added blinkers and came home second, beaten just a nose, behind stablemate Miggsy going 1 1/16 miles here Feb. 5. Sent postward as the 5-2 second choice here, the bay opened up a sizable lead from the outset, racing in the clear through a half-mile in :48.14. Cornering for home four lengths in front of favored Your Secret's Safe (Tapizar), Glennrichment kept on well and crossed the wire 4 1/4 lengths in front of that foe. The homebred winner has a yearling half-brother by Justin Phillip. Sales History: \$290,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$49,440. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-Zayat Stables, LLC (KY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez.

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EASTERN U.S.

Sunday's Results:

8th-LRL, \$44,646, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000-\$50,000), 3-5, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.06, ft.

SOUNDS DELICIOUS (f, 3, [Yes It's True](#)--Dulce Realidad {MSW, \$221,300}, by Sweetsouthern saint) was modestly spotted in a \$40,000 tagger on debut here Dec. 10 and captured that race decisively after stalking a slow pace. The chestnut traveled back to her Aqueduct base and annexed a starter allowance on the inner track by nine lengths Jan. 26 and was bet down to 3-5 favoritism to remain unbeaten here. Sent straight to the front, the sophomore showed the way through a half-mile in :46.60 and drew off to win easily by 11 1/4 lengths. Phantom Shot (Kodiak Kowboy) was second best. The winner's dam is also responsible for a 2-year-old colt by Lookin At Lucky and a yearling filly by Shanghai Bobby. She visited Revolutionary last spring. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$77,550. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O/B-Eric A. DelValle (KY); T-Linda Rice. \$17,500 2yo '16 KEEJAN.

CENTRAL U.S.

Sunday's Results:

7th-FG, \$43,240, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 3-5, 3yo, 1m 70y, 1:42.70, ft.

RESILIENCY (c, 3, [Malibu Moon](#)--Here Comes Amelia, by War Chant) won his career debut sprinting at Churchill Nov. 6 and failed to replicate that effort with a distant ninth-place finish going a mile there Nov. 26. The dark bay recently crossed the wire fourth before being promoted to third via disqualification in a one-mile try at this level Jan. 27. Sent postward as the 7-2 second choice as Excitations (Into Mischief) took the bulk of the money, Resiliency bided his time at the rear of the pack behind a half-mile in :48.34. Gaining ground quickly on the outside soon after that juncture, he rolled to the front in midstretch and forged ahead to score by 1 1/4 lengths over Stand and Cheer (Warrior's Reward). It was another two lengths back to Excitations in third. The winner's dam is a half to 1997 and 1998 Canadian Horse of the Year Chief Bearheart (Chief's Crown) and GISW Explosive Red (Explodent). Sales History: \$250,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$65,624. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Jeff Drown, Niall J. Brennan, Mike Ryan, Anthony Mitola & Sean Shay; B-JSM Equine, LLC & Greathouse Horse Property, LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

5th-FG, \$43,000, (S), Alw (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$30,000), 3-5, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.50, ft.

MY MISS CHIFF (f, 3, [Into Mischief](#)--Carl's Frosty Girl {MSW, \$323,053}, by Pulling Punches) delivered a tour-de-force performance when romping to a six-length debut victory over track and trip Jan. 26. Favored at 50 cents on the dollar in this return, she kept a close eye on the leader from a two deep perch, as that foe blitzed an opening quarter in :21.49. On the attack after a half in :44.75, My Miss Chiff poured it on late, rolling home an 7 3/4-length victress. Red Las Rosa (Harborage) was second best. The winner is a half-sister to a yearling filly named Silvercents (Goldencents). Carl's Frosty Girl, a daughter of SW Winning Lady (Boyish Charm), was covered by Custom for Carlos last spring. Sales History: \$60,000 Wlg '14 OBSOCT; \$110,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$50,400.

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4th-FG, \$40,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 3-5, 3yo, f, 5 1/2ft, 1:04.36, fm.

RUM PUNCH (f, 3, [Street Hero](#)--Tapatia {SP}, by Tapit) was the easiest of winners on debut sprinting five furlongs on the main track at Parx last July and was sent to the sidelines for an extended layup following that effort. Sent off as the slight 7-5 second choice for this first try on grass, the chestnut broke alertly, but was shuffled back to race in third behind a quarter-mile in :23.02. Regaining her best stride while hugging the rail into the lane, she punched through a narrow opening in midstretch and dug in determinedly to defeat outside-rallying Aiken to Be (Aikenite) by a neck. The victress, a half-sister to stakes winner Adhara (Cowboy Cal), also has a 2-year-old half-sister by Eskendereya and a yearling half-brother by Candy Ride (Arg). Tapatia--herself a half-sister to Winning Call (Deputy Minister), dam of GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile winner Tapizar (Tapit)--was bred back to Candy Ride last year. Sales History: \$95,000 2yo '16 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$54,000.

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O-Miklin Stables LLC; B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Thomas F. Proctor.



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Sunday's Results:

2nd-SA, \$60,749, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 3-5, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:35.13, fm.

CHAMPAGNE CHARLEY (FR) (g, 4, Myboycharlie {Ire}--Age of Refinement {Ire}, by Pivotal {GB}) graduated at first asking over the Chantilly all-weather for trainer Nicolas Clement and S E Sangster last March. Snapped up by these connections, the bay finished only seventh after pilot Frankie Dettori lost his whip over course and distance Nov. 3. Runner-up in a similar affair Dec. 3, the French-bred faded tamely to sixth on Boxing Day locally when stepped up to nine furlongs. The 9-2 shot settled in an ideal stalking position at the rail into the clubhouse turn and drifted back to sixth under a patient Flavien Prat by the halfway mark. Full of run entering the home stretch, the bay burst in between horses to snatch the advantage, before returning to the rail and dashing across the line three-quarters of a length in front. Prince of Arabia (Mineshaft) was second at 42-1.

Champagne Charley is a half-brother to juvenile William (Fr) (Shakespearean {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Style Vendome (Fr). His second dam is English SW Dowager (GB) (Groom Dancer), who is out of a half-sister to European and English highweight Grand Lodge (Chief's Crown) and SWs La Persiana (GB) (Daylami {Ire}) and Papabile (Chief's Crown). Sales history: €6,000 RNA Wlg '13 ARQDEC. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$58,944. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).** O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Head of Plains Partners LLC; B-Sam Sangster (FR); T-Simon Callaghan.

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8-MVR, Msw 5 1/2f, +Sheltowee's Gold, \$27K RNA FTK OCT yrl, 6-1

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8-MVR, Msw 5 1/2f, Brisco, \$16K OBS OPN 2yo, 5-2

BREEDERS' EDITION

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

3rd-FG, \$47,000, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 3-5, 4yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:43.13, ft.

GRIT (h, 5, Posse--Biogio's Kids, by Lemon Drop Kid) Lifetime Record: 31-6-3-4, \$175,910. O/T-Steven M. Asmussen; B-Charles DeCou & Robert McDowell (LA). *\$9,500 Ylg '13 BSCYRL.

9th-GP, \$40,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 3-5, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.75, fm.

FAVORITE HEIR (g, 4, Wildcat Heir--Soldier Girl, by Lost Soldier) Lifetime Record: 15-4-1-2, \$75,150. O-A. Bianco Holding; B-Tom McCrocklin & Frank Mermenstein (FL); T-Lilli Kurtinecz. *\$14,000 RNA Wlg '13 OBSOCT; \$45,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

7th-LRL, \$35,000, (S), 3-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.53, ft.

THE GREAT PROVIDER (g, 6, Orientate--Holy Holiday, by Holy Bull) Lifetime Record: 23-4-6-3, \$131,051. O-Philmor Racing Stable, LLC; B-Donna M. Miller (MD); T-Hugh I. McMahon.

8th-DED, \$29,980, 3-4, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.66, ft.

WHENCE (c, 4, Scat Daddy--St. Croix, by Any Given Saturday) Lifetime Record: 13-4-0-1, \$80,206. O-Wayne T. Davis; B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY); T-Shane Wilson. *\$65,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$125,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

7th-TP, \$24,070, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 3-4, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:09.70, ft.

MARQUEE CAL GAL (m, 6, Cowboy Cal--Marquee Delivery {MGSP, \$264,901}, by Marquetry) Lifetime Record: SP, 23-9-4-3, \$179,350. O/B-David Jacobs (KY); T-Philip A. Sims. *Full to Marquee Miss, MSW & GSP, \$255,309.

7th-TUP, \$22,000, 3-5, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:49.27, fm.

SIR SEARSUCKER (g, 7, Shakespeare--Clochard, by Devil's Bag) Lifetime Record: 48-10-4-3, \$143,991. O-Robert Hersh & Dan L. McFarlane; B-Tom McCrocklin & Frank Mermenstein (KY); T-Dan L. McFarlane. *1/2 to Sweet On Smokey (Successful Appeal), MSW, \$428,137.

2nd-TAM, \$20,500, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 3-5, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.93, ft.

CAROLINA SPEED (g, 5, Munnings--Carolina Sunrise, by Awesome Again) Lifetime Record: 22-5-2-4, \$80,392. O-HANNEMM; B-Equus Farm (KY); T-Mandy Ness. *\$52,000 Ylg '13 FTKOCT; \$44,000 RNA 2yo '14 EASMAY; \$30,000 RNA 2yo '14 OBSOPN. **1/2 to Reveron (Songandaprayer), SW & GISP, \$332,865.

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7th-HOU, \$20,000, (S), 3-4, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13.70, ft.
BETTER BELLE (f, 3, Early Flyer--Nothinbettertodo {MSP, \$107,854}, by Gold Legend) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$25,590.
 O/B-Douglas Scharbauer (TX); T-W. Bret Calhoun.

8th-HOU, \$20,000, 3-4, (NW2L), 3yo, f, 1m (off turf), 1:41.36, ft.
SAN ANTONIO STROLL (f, 3, Stroll--Twenty Three Red, by The Prime Minister) Lifetime Record: SP, 7-2-1-1, \$46,671.
 O-Michele & Cliff Love; B-Cliff Love (TX); T-Danny Pish.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+Broke Away Grey, g, 3, **Broken Vow**--Runaway Grey, by Runaway Groom. SA, 3-5, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:45.08. B-John R. Penn (KY). *\$115,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. **1/2 to Runaway Stephen (Stephen Got Even), MSP, \$196,568.

Rainbow Squall, g, 3, **City Zip**--Summer Rainbow (SW, \$246,417), by Summer Squall. SA, 3-5, (C), 6f, 1:11.36. B-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC (KY). *\$87,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; \$119,000 RNA 2yo '16 BARMAY. **1/2 to Hard Mystery (Hard Spun), SW, \$179,833.

Storm the Hill, f, 3, **Get Stormy**--Thornhill, by Good and Tough. SA, 3-5, 1mT, 1:35.63. B-Kimberly S. & William B. Bradley (KY).

Ministry, f, 3, **Ordained**--Heated Debate (SP), by Closing Argument. OP, 3-5, (S), 6f, 1:11.82. B-Arthur Hall & C F Newman (AR).

Rolling Star, f, 3, **Roll Hennessy Roll**--Setustrait, by Desert God. SUN, 3-5, (S), 1m, 1:40.29. B-Charles Hunter (NM).

Mydrinkselection, f, 3, **Stay Thirsty**--My Selection (SP), by Badge of Silver. TP, 3-4, 1m (AWT), 1:40.25. B-Claiborne Farm (KY). *\$30,000 Ylg '15 KEEJAN; \$50,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$125,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR.

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Blue Azul, g, 3, **Tizway**--Ladymedaglia d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro. OP, 3-5, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:46.18. B-P & G Stables LLC (FL). *\$22,000 RNA Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$62,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR.

Hodor, g, 3, **To Honor and Serve**--Twinkler, by Benny the Dip. GP, 3-5, (C), 6f, 1:13.18. B-Gaineway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY). *\$200,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$95,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$15,000 2yo '16 OBSOPN. **1/2 to Where's Sterling (Northern Afleet), GSW, \$503,925.

Desert Harbor, g, 4, **Desert Party**--Whimiscal Day, by Spinning World. HOU, 3-4, 6f, 1:12.49. B-Rabbah Bloodstock, LLC (KY). *\$70,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

Conquest Streetkid, g, 5, **Street Cry (Ire)**--Pinafores Pride, by Saint Ballado. SUN, 3-5, 1m, 1:37.64. B-Rod Ferguson (ON). *\$23,000 4yo '16 KEENOV. **Full to Southdale, MGSW, \$395,503.

LANE'S END Sales Graduate

Super Psyche, g, 5, **Super Saver**--Go Ask Daisy (SW), by Mutakddim. AQU, 3-5, (C), 1m 70y, 1:45.08. B-Thomas/Burleson (NY). *\$35,000 RNA Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$90,000 2yo '14 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Lady Alex (Benchmark), SP, \$198,150.

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The campaign for Britain to remain in the EU may have failed narrowly under the slogan 'Stronger Together,' but at Ballylinch Stud that sentiment has become a business ethos that is reaping dividends.

The farm's stallion barn has been augmented this season with the arrival of **New Bay (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and **Fascinating Rock (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), which brings to five the number of Flat sires on the roster. Each member of the quintet remains in the part-ownership of his former racing owner, with high-power syndicates having been formed to launch their stud careers.

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TURN ME LOOSE RETIRED

Triple Group 1 winner **Turn Me Loose (NZ)** (Iffraaj {GB}--Indomitable {NZ}, by Danehill) has been retired from racing due to a knee injury. The 5-year-old finished in rear in the G1 Futurity S. at Caulfield Feb. 25 and upon veterinary examination, a career-ending knee injury was discovered.

"He was a wonderful horse and it's a shame to see him go out like this," said co-trainer Murray Baker. "He's the best performed son of Iffraaj in the Southern Hemisphere with his three Group 1 wins and a pair of Group 2 victories as well. At his peak, he was such a powerful galloper and a real competitor in everything he did."

Turn Me Loose came to prominence in 2014 when he landed his first Group 1, the New Zealand 2000 Guineas at Riccarton Park. He transferred that top-class form to Australia over the next two years, gaining wins in the G1 Emirates S. at Flemington in 2015 and the G1 Futurity S. at Caulfield in 2016. [Cont. p7](#)

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GUNNEVERA EXITS FOY IN FINE FASHION

Gunnevera (Dialed In), who won the GII Xpressbet.com Fountain of Youth S. at Gulfstream Park Saturday, came out of the race in fine shape, according to trainer Antonio Sano. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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Ballylinch Partnerships Have Solid Foundations Cont. from p1

The Tetrarch's owner Dermot McCalmont bought the land on which the stud sits in 1914 and set about building a suitable base from which to launch the second career of his unbeaten champion juvenile whose racing days were cut short by injury, but whose brilliance was beyond doubt.

In a valediction that would be echoed almost exactly a century later by Sir Henry Cecil, The Tetrarch's trainer Atty Persse is reported to have said upon the retirement of the famously spotted grey, "I honestly don't think he would have been beaten at any distance. He was a freak and there will never be his likes again."

Indeed, in common with so many of the great Thoroughbreds of the modern era, Frankel (GB) is a descendant of The Tetrarch, whose stud career aped his racing career in being relatively fleeting but etched with brilliance. His poor fertility meant that he sired only 130 foals, but he became champion sire of Britain and Ireland in 1919.

The Tetrarch's name is immortalised not just in countless Thoroughbred pedigrees but also, more palpably, in the beautiful mosaic-tiled box built to mark his arrival at the stud which remains in use to this day. He lies buried just yards from its door. The bar was set high from the start at Ballylinch Stud and the pursuit of excellence remains in the formation of its current-day roster.

"We've set our standard. Horses have to be Classic winners or multiple Group 1 winners with big pedigrees by successful sires. We

want to work with people who have a high-class horse but want somewhere that they can stand that horse and stay involved. That's our business model at this stage," states O'Connor. "With all of the Flat stallions that we stand here at the moment, the people who raced them have stayed involved, right through from Lawman (Fr) with Mr. Marzocco and Mr. Ciampi, then Lope De Vega (Ire)--Dietrich von Boetticher has been very influential in the development of him as a leading stallion."

"Then we have Prince Faisal with Make Believe (GB), and now Juddmonte with New Bay and Newtown Anner Stud with Fascinating Rock," he adds. "It's a system that seems to be working for us and we're going to continue with that."



The Tetrarch's box | Emma Berry

The cut-throat rush for independent farms to sign up stallion prospects is one of the reasons that has led to a number of talented young colts being retired to stud without being given the chance to race on at three. This is not a path favoured by O'Connor, who nevertheless has his eye on potential recruits from their first year in training. He says, "We would probably first start to look at a horse as a 2-year-old and watch his form. I think if you look at our track record we would like horses to train on well, so we'll watch them even more as 3-year-olds and at that point we'll be formulating a view as to whether we think that horse will succeed in our set-up. We would inevitably end up turning down some horses, but we tend to buy into a horse

that we want to use ourselves.

That's our benchmark. If we feel it's a horse that we want to support with our own broodmare band then that's the horse we want to get involved with."

It's an approach which has flourished with Lope De Vega (Ire) (Shamardal), the champion first-season sire of 2014 who is owned in the majority by the partnership of his breeder Gestut Ammerland, SF Bloodstock and Ballylinch Stud. Ballylinch bred his Group 1-winning son Belardo (Ire), as well as treble Group 2 winner Very Special (Ire) and G3 Sirenia S. winner Burnt Sugar (Ire).

"Our own support of Lope De Vega paid off both for him and for us. We weren't afraid of sending him a top-class mare and we were rewarded with a top-class foal in Belardo. Very Special and Burnt Sugar were also from that same crop. When a stallion really takes off

it has a huge benefit for a stud farm," O'Connor reflects. "We created a very strong syndicate to support him, plus we have a number of share-holders who have been long-term investors in the syndicates and they buy into pretty well every one of our new stallions. They are given first preference when shares become available in a new stallion. The way the stallion business has developed over the last couple of decades allowed a niche for us to take that view because it became the era of the very big multi-national stallion-owning operations who also have enormous racing operations, so if they have a top-class racehorse they already have somewhere to stand him."

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Ballylinch Partnerships Have Solid Foundations Cont.

That high-level support has continued with more recent recruits. Juddmonte will be supporting New Bay--one of three G1 Prix du Jockey Club winners at Ballylinch along with Lope De Vega and Lawman--and China Horse Club has also invested in the newcomer from the family of Oasis Dream (GB) and Kingman (GB).

Meanwhile, New Bay's contemporary Fascinating Rock will not struggle either, with his owner-breeder Maurice Regan having invested heavily at recent breeding stock sales in some enticing new recruits for Newtown Anner Stud with the main aim of supporting his pride and joy.

It would be remiss not to mention the stallion who now inhabits The Tetrarch's box and who is a relation of New Bay, Beat Hollow (GB) (Sadler's Wells).

The 20-year-old marks another way in which Ballylinch differs from many major stallion operations. Having started at his breeder's Banstead Manor Stud, Beat Hollow is now more widely regarded as a National Hunt stallion and was recruited to fill the void left by the death of King's Theatre (Ire), who is well on his way to a fourth champion jump sire title almost six years after he was lost to colic. However, Beat Hollow proved that he can still fire at the highest level on the Flat when his son Wicklow Brave (Ire) lowered the colours of Order Of St George (Ire) in last year's G1 Irish St Leger.

"It's been a little bit of a tradition here," explains O'Connor. "The first stallion we stood here in my time was Bob Back and he sired a Classic winner on the Flat and a Cheltenham Gold Cup winner under National Hunt rules. He was the quintessential dual-purpose stallion. We're not necessarily interested in standing a horse that can't do both. He must have been a high-class Flat horse who has either the pedigree or the physique, or both, who could get you a good horse under both codes." **Cont. p4**



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"Bob Back prepared the way for King's Theatre, and when King's Theatre died we had a very loyal clientele who were used to using a stallion of his ilk so we were trying to pick a horse as close as we could to King's Theatre's talent," he adds. "Beat Hollow was the one we chose and this year will tell for sure how successful we are at that."

Continuity has been a watchword at the stud which has had just three owners in its 102-year history. Dr Tim Mahony bought Ballylinch from the McCalmont family in 1986 and just over two years ago passed the baton to successful Irish-American breeders John and Leslie Malone, who also own Bridlewood Farm in Florida.

"Tim Mahony had a very big influence in what I suppose we would call the re-establishment of the modern Ballylinch," says O'Connor, who has himself been at the helm for almost 30 years. "When Tim bought the property it didn't have any stock on the place so in many ways we were starting afresh. He was a good businessman, was keen to plan ahead and was very supportive."

The arrival of a new owner could well have brought consternation for those involved with an operation that prides itself on tradition and heritage, but in John Malone any such fears have been allayed by the twin positives of a business-as-usual approach coupled with a major investment in new stock.

O'Connor continued, "There are lots of new additions to the property and it's an exciting time. One always looks forward to this time of year to see the new crop of foals and to see the progeny of your young stallions coming through and to be able to assess what their influence might be in terms of physique. Of

course we have to wait until a later time to see what their influence might be on the racecourse."

"It's obvious that John Malone is an extremely clever businessman but he doesn't take a very hands-on view of how a stud farm should be run," O'Connor said. "He tends to be supportive of the management in place and encourages them to do the same things but to do them even better. Those were the instructions he gave me and I'm carrying them out as best I can."

The Malones' Irish property portfolio has been enhanced with the purchase of Castlemartin Stud from Lady O'Reilly, and the Kildare farm is now used for yearlings. While Bridlewood Farm is run entirely separately, O'Connor and manager George Isaacs are in regular contact.

"Because of the great distance involved, it's important for the management of each farm to be able to run independently," O'Connor explains. "Of course we're very conscious of the fact that we work for the same man and we try to help each other in every way we can. For instance, we bought a half-sister to Treve, called Trophee, and she's actually in quarantine at Bridlewood on her way back to us."

The stakes-placed Trophee (Fr) (Mr Sidney) is but one of a number of broodmare prospects bought by O'Connor since the Malones' acquisition of Ballylinch. He says, "Having a strong broodmare band is particularly helpful in the launching of careers of young stallions. We're constantly trying to build and improve the quality of the broodmare band here and the Malones have been particularly supportive of that. We discussed it and they've given us a good budget to strengthen the broodmare band. We've been doing that over the last few years and we will continue to do so."

The home team now numbers around 50 mares and, along with homebreds such as Danielli (Ire) (Danehill), the dam of Chriselliam (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}) and Very Special, includes new blood via the likes of recent purchases L'Amour De Ma Vie (Dansili {GB}), bought in foal to Galileo (Ire) in December 2015 for €600,000, and Lady Penko (Fr) (Archipenko), a £360,000 signing from last year's Goffs London Sale who recently foaled a filly by Golden Horn (GB). [Cont. p5](#)



John O'Connor & George Isaacs
Emma Berry

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Ballylinch Partnerships Have Solid Foundations Cont.

O'Connor concludes, "It's important not to become complacent about a broodmare band but we're very happy with where we are and the stallions have been well supported. If they are good enough themselves then the mares they cover won't hold them back."

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A LOOK AHEAD

WITH HUGO PALMER

As part of an ongoing series, *TDN* caught up with trainer Hugo Palmer to get his views on the 2017 season.

Horse you are most looking forward to seeing this season?

HP: I am lucky that the majority of my leading lights have remained in training and I'm really looking forward to seeing them back on the track this summer. I am particularly excited by the unbeaten Crimean Tatar (Tur) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) and hope that we have a clearer run with him this year.

A stallion who could feature prominently (doesn't have to be first season)?

HP: Dawn Approach (Ire) appeals to me as a stallion who should get lots of 2-year-old winners. I love the ones that I have and hope they run like their appearance and breeding suggests they should. Camelot (GB) too had lots of stunning yearlings and it would be disappointing if there were not high-class horses among them.



Hugo Palmer | *Racing Post*

Positive change you would like to see for the industry in 2017?

HP: It will never happen but I wish we could solve the problem of the increasingly weekend -loaded fixture list.

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CRAVEN BREEZE-UP CATALOGUE ONLINE

The catalogue for the Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Sale is now available [online](#) with hard copies released this Wednesday. The sale takes place Apr. 17-19 and 152 2-year-olds have been entered for the auction that has produced an impressive 34 group and listed winners since 2014, including Group 1 winner **Ventura Storm (Ire)** (Zoffany {Ire}) and multiple Group 2 winner **Mehmas (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}). This year's catalogue is unique in that it features the only colt by Frankel (GB) to be offered at a British breeze-up sale in 2017 and the only juvenile by Japanese champion sire Deep Impact (Jpn) ever offered at a 2-year-old in training sale in Europe.

The Japanese bred filly, offered by Malcolm Bastard as [lot 63](#), is out of the regally bred winning Sadler's Wells mare Soinlovewithyou, herself a three parts and half-sister to multiple Group 1 winners Ruler Of The World (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and Duke Of Marmalade (Ire) (Daneshill). The solitary Frankel offering is consigned by Con Marnane's Bansha House Stables as [lot 17](#) and is out of a half-sister to Cape Blanco (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), a MG1SW in both Ireland and America.

In total, the catalogue features 24 2-year-olds out of stakes winning mares, including [lot 105](#), a colt by Declaration Of War (War Front) out of Group 2 winner Behkara (Ire) (Kris {GB}), making him a half-brother to Group 1 winner Behkabad (Fr) (Cape Cross {Ire}); and a colt from Tally-Ho Stud, [lot 58](#), out of G1 Personal Ensign S. winner Shadow Cast from the first crop of G1 Kentucky Derby and G1 Dubai World Cup winner Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux). There are also a further 24 own or half-brothers and sisters to stakes winners, including [lot 79](#) an Oasis Dream (GB) half-brother to Group 1 winning 2-year-old Morandi (Fr) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) and [lot 145](#) a colt by Dark Angel (Ire), who is a half-brother to Group 1 winning 2-year-old Zafisio (Ire) (Efisio {GB}). An international line up of sires is represented in the catalogue and apart from the usual top Irish and British based stallions, there are also lots by Siyouni (Fr), Le Havre (Ire), Kendargent (Fr), Uncle Mo, Scat Daddy, Bernardini and Kitten's Joy among others. [Cont. p6](#)

Craven Breeze-Up Catalogue Online Cont.

The largest consignment of horses comes from Willie Browne’s Mocklershill which has 14 juveniles catalogued, with Irish counterpart Bansha House Stables next best with a draft of 12. Last year’s sale topping consignor Oaks Farm Stables brings four 2-year-olds to the sale, while the largest British-based team comes from previous sale --topping consignor Malcolm Bastard, who has nine lots to represent him.

Buyers looking to benefit from a number of enticing incentives are also well catered for with 13 lots signed up to the £25,000 Tattersalls October Book 1 Bonus, three with an entry in the €300,000 Tattersalls Ireland Super Auction S. and 52 which are Plus 10 qualified. In addition there are 12 juveniles qualified for French Owners’ Premiums.

Commenting on the Craven Breeze-Up catalogue, Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony said, “Racecourse results are the key to the Craven Breeze-Up’s market leading status and 2016 group and listed winners in Britain, Ireland, Italy, Sweden, Turkey, the Gulf Region, Australia and the USA have continued to advertise the sale’s global appeal. The top British and Irish breeze-up consignors consistently support the sale with quality consignments and buyers, both domestic and international, will as ever be attracted by 2-year-olds by many of the world’s most sought after sires.”

All lots will breeze on Newmarket’s Rowley Mile Racecourse on Monday, Apr. 17 starting at 9:00 a.m. local time and the sale will take place the following two evenings after the day’s racing at Newmarket’s Craven meeting.

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Ventura Storm | *Racing Post*

COMEBACK DAY FOR BELL

Jockey Sammy Jo Bell makes a return to race-riding Monday at Wolverhampton after a long period on the sidelines. The 26-year-old broke her pelvis in a paddock fall last May and has overcome a lengthy period of rehabilitation to get her career back on track. She resumes with two mounts for her boss Richard Fahey and is naturally excited about getting back in action.

"I'm looking forward to getting back and it's all very exciting," Bell told the *Racing Post*. Despite being sidelined for over six months, the jockey never lost faith in her ability to resume her career. "I've always been able to keep positive because there



Sammy Jo Bell | *Racing Post*

was never any reason that I was never going to ride a horse again, despite how long I was going to be off. I suppose the hardest part of it all was being in the wheelchair, just in terms of difficulty, but once I got the

first couple of weeks over it was fine," she added. Bell should not lack for fitness having had two months riding out to prepare for today. "Since Jan. 2, I've ridden out every day, so I've been doing plenty. I haven't missed a day and I've been doing plenty of work riding."

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Sunday's Results:

3rd-BDX, €20,000, Cond, 3-5, 3yo, 8fT, 1:46.05, hy.

WAJNAH (FR) (f, 3, Redoute's Choice {Aus}--Benzolina {Ire}, by Second Empire {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €18,000. O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Francois Rohaut & Haras de Saint Pair (FR); T-Francois Rohaut. *€260,000 Ylg '15 AROCT. **1/2 to Baine (Fr) (Country Reel), SW & G1SP-Fr, \$247,889; and Bassamba (Fr) (American Post {GB}), SW & GSP-Fr, \$116,335.

7th-BDX, €17,000, Cond, 3-5, 4yo, 9 1/2fT, time: n/a, hy.

FINGER ROLL (ITY) (c, 3, Librettist--Calma Apparente {GB}, by Rainbow Quest) Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-1, €24,238. O-Dioscuri SRL; B-Razza Del Velino SRL (ITY); T-A & G Botti. *1/2 to Fujico (Ity) (Mujahid), MSP-Ity, \$109,143.

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

+War Minister (Ire), g, 3, [Iffraaj \(GB\)](#)--Core Element (Ire) (SP-Ire), by Consolidator. BDX, 3-5, 8fT, 1:47.78. B-Ecurie La Vallee Martigny (IRE). *€90,000 Ylg '15 AROCT.

ITALY

3rd-PIS, €17,500, 3-5, 3yo, f, 8fT, n/a, gd.

FOLEGA (GB) (f, 3, [Oasis Dream \(GB\)](#)--Rosa Del Dubai (Ire) (GSW-Ity, \$252,017), by Dubai Destination). Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, €19,839. O-Scuderia Rencati; B-Azienda Agricola Francesca; T-Alduino Botti. *1/2 to Favulusa (GB) (Dansili {GB}), SW-Ity; Facia De Tola (GB) (New Approach {Ire}), SP-Ity.

5th-PIS, €17,500, 3yo, c&g, 8fT, n/a, gd.

AMORE HASS (Ire) (c, 3, [Azamour \(Ire\)](#)--Hassaya (Ire), by King's Best). Lifetime Record: SP-Ity, 5-3-1-0, €26,756. O-Scuderia Rencati; B-Turlough Boylan; T-Alduino Botti. *€35,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV, 40,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT).

WORLDWIDE NEWS**Turn Me Loose Retired Cont. from p1**

He showed he was still a force to be reckoned with this year when beaten a length into second by Black Heart Bart (Aus) (Blackfriars {Aus}) in the G1 C F Orr S. Feb 11. A suitable position at stud will now be sought for the 5-year-old, who retires with a race record of 20-7-4-1 and earnings of A\$1,309,100.

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Turn Me Loose | *Racing And Sports*

ERTIJAAL LOSS A BLOW TO DE KOCK

Racing has always been a game of 'ups and downs' and soon after experiencing the 'up' of training their 3000th winner, the Mike De Kock team experienced the 'down' of losing **Ertijaal (Aus)** (Hard Spun) after he was pulled up by Jim Crowley injured in the G1 Jebel Hatta at Meydan on Saturday. A Group 1 winner in South Africa when winning the G1 Investec Cape Derby at Kenilworth in 2015, Ertijaal broke a sesamoid joint on Saturday and could not be saved.

"This put a dampener on our night after our wonderful day in South Africa and it's a big blow for us," said Mike de Kock. "Ertijaal had recovered well from a throat operation and we had him right for this race, we were expecting a good run. Jim said he heard something snap and that was it, Ertijaal started limping and had to be brought to a halt. Our condolences to Sheikh Hamdan. We've lost a good horse and it's very unfortunate." Ertijaal had been a regular competitor at the Carnival the last two seasons and he had finished third to Tryster (Ire) (Shamardal) in the 2016 Jebel Hatta and also fourth in the G1 Dubai Turf behind Real Steel (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) on Dubai World Cup night last year.

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Sunday, Nakayama, Japan

HOCHI HAI YAYOI SHO-G2, ¥104,760,000, Nakayama, 3-5, 3yo, 2000mT, 2:03.20, fm.

1--CADENAS (JPN), 123, c, 3 by Deep Impact (Jpn)

1st Dam: French Riviera (GSW, \$121,000),

by French Deputy

2nd Dam: Actinella, by Seattle Slew

3rd Dam: Aerturas (Fr), by Manado (Ire)

(¥35,000,000 Wlg '14 JRAJUL) O-Koji Maeda; B-Grand Farm; T-Kazuya Nakatake; J-Yuichi Fukunaga; ¥54,882,000.

Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0. *1/2 to Suzuka Causeway (Jpn)

(Giant's Causeway), GSW-Jpn, \$1,825,451. **Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick Rating: A+++.**

Triple Plus

2--My Style (Jpn), 123, c, 23 by Heart's Cry (Jpn)--First Niner

(Jpn), by Forty Niner. O-Chiyono Terad; B-Inoke Farm;

¥22,252,000.

3--Danburite (Jpn), 123, c, 3, Rulership (Jpn)--Tanzanite (Jpn), by

Sunday Silence. O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm; ¥14,126,000.

Margins: HF, 1 1/4, NO; Odds: 2.30, 25.40, 8.10.

Also Ran: Best Approach, Satono Max (Jpn), Komano Impulse

(Jpn), T O Forte (Jpn), Globe Theatre (Jpn), Daiwa Cagney (Jpn),

Dear Shooter (Jpn), Smart Elements (Jpn), Castle Crown (Jpn).

Click for the [JRA chart and video](#), for the [Racing Post](#) result or

the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

Cadenas continued his rise up the ranks with a cosy success here on his first run of the season. The runner up My Style, who had set the pace throughout, made a bold bid for success and still held the call entering the final furlong. Having charted a wide course sweeping into the straight, Cadenas responded impressively in the last 100 metres to get on top close home for a half-length victory. Cadenas broke his maiden at Hanshin last October and announced himself as a high-class juvenile when he landed the G3 Kyoto Nisai S. on his final outing at Kyoto last November. Making a successful reappearance on Sunday should pave the way for some top-level assignments as the season progresses.

Sunday, Kranji, Singapore

MERLION TROPHY-LISTED (SGP-G2), S\$350,000 (US\$248,191),
Kranji, 3-5, 3yo/up, WFA, 1200m(AWT), 1:10.95, gd.

1--**#INFANTRY (NZ), 127, g, 4, by Tavistock (NZ)**

1st Dam: The Nightingale (NZ), by Stravinsky

2nd Dam: Dawn Run (NZ), by Sir Tristram (Ire)

3rd Dam: Strong Queen (Aus), by Major General (GB)

(NZ\$7,000 Wlg '13 NZBMAY). O-Kajorn Petch Racing No. 2

Stable; B-Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan (NZ); T-Tan Hai Wang; J-Manoel Nunes. S\$208,250. Lifetime Record: 15-6-5-1, \$413,257. *Full to Night Nurse (NZ), SP-NZ.

2--**Nova Swiss (NZ), 121, g, 3, Swiss Ace (Aus)--Asciano Miss (Aus), by Jet Spur (Aus).** (NZ\$10,000 Ylg '15 NWZJAN). O-Nova Racing Stable; B-G J Perry(NZ); T-Tan Hai Wang. S\$74,375.

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3--**Wimbledon (Aus), 127, h, 5, Snitzel (Aus)--Ditas (NZ), by Don Eduardo (NZ).** (A\$170,000 Ylg '13 INGAPR). O-China Horse Club Stable; B-Gooree Park Stud Pty Ltd (NSW); T-J Peters. S\$37,625.

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Margins: NK, HD, 1 1/4. Odds: 5.40, 1.00, 5.40.

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AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN UAE:

Taaj (Aus), g, 4, Street Cry (Ire)--Star On High, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Abu Dhabi, 3-5, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:34.51. B-Gilgai Farm (Aus). *A\$1,500,000 Ylg '14 INGAPR.



Magic Indeed: Joao 'Magic Man' Moreira booted home eight winners from 10 rides on the 11-race Sha Tin card Sunday, a new Hong Kong record. "I really don't have words to describe it, it's amazing," said the Hong Kong champion jockey. "We know how tough it is to make it here in Hong Kong. I didn't expect it to happen, to be honest. To ride eight winners in a day here in Hong Kong is more than special." | HKJC photo