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MCKENNA NOT A BAD 'JUDGE' OF HORSEFLESH



Tom McKenna (center) following the Mine That Bird Derby
Coady photography

by Alan Carasso

Tom McKenna reckons that he's been in the horse business "for a lifetime." The affable 81-year-old may well have finally landed his horse of a lifetime in the form of **Conquest Mo Money** (Uncle Mo), who will start the 9-2 second choice in Sunday's \$800,000 GIII Sunland Derby.

McKenna and his wife of 35 years, Sandy, have approximately 50 horses in training in New Mexico and operate their racing stable as Judge Lanier Racing, named in honor of McKenna's grandfather.

"My grandfather was Judge C. M. Lanier from El Paso, Texas, and he raised me," McKenna explained. "Before I got into the horse business, I rodeoed quite a bit and so did my kids, and I trained most of the horses for them. Quarter Horses, Barrel horses, things of that type. I began riding horses when I was two years old. My grandfather owned two horses, one Quarter Horse and one Thoroughbred, and I started exercising those horses when I was 9 or 10. The first race gate was set up in El Paso when McKenna was 12 years old and that's the first time I rode a racehorse out of the gate."

The owners of a ranch in Colorado, the McKennas became interested in Thoroughbreds in the early 2000s and were enticed by the burgeoning program in the state of New Mexico.

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AMERICAN FAVORITES LOOM LARGE IN DUBAI

by Michael Adolphson

If the 2017 G1 Dubai World Cup card were a stagy Olympics-style event, with medal counts determining bragging rights, Team America would enter the opening ceremonies arena with no small amount of swagger. In three of the eight Thoroughbred events, the United States holds a significant advantage with a logical favorite, if not a dominant force. Juddmonte Farms' '**TDN Rising Star**' **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) is the epitome of the latter. The roan warrior--along with **Sharp Azteca** (Freud) in the \$1-million G2 Godolphin Mile and **Mind Your Biscuits** (Posse) in the \$2-million G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen--is the overwhelming market choice in the \$10-million G1 Dubai World Cup and appears primed for another overpowering procession. **Cont. p5**

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War Pony or Racehorse? Todd Pletcher trainee Fact Check tried to get out of training Thursday morning by going in disguise. | Jill Spangler

EL AREEB BREEZES AT LAUREL; WOOD STILL TARGET 7

'TDN Rising Star' El Areeb (Exchange Rate), a disappointing third at 2-5 in Aqueduct's GIII Gotham S. Mar. 4, breezed Thursday at Laurel, covering four panels in :49.40 (7/14). M M G Stable's MGSW is being pointed for the GII Wood Memorial S. Apr. 8.

ALGORITHMS FILLY SHARP AT FAIR GROUNDS RR

Minnie Blip (Algorithms), a half-sister to the same connections' GSP Blip n' The Bye (Tale of Ekati), belied 8-1 to romp on debut at Fair Grounds Thursday.

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The couple settled on 1200 acres of land near Taiban in the east central part of the state. But things were not off to a profitable start.

“We decided we’d get in the horse business here in New Mexico in the breeding end and we bought a handful of Kentucky mares, brought them back to New Mexico to raise horses for the state’s program, which has become very successful,” he commented. “But there was no market for them and I was losing plenty of money trying to raise horses. It just wasn’t going to work. I’ve been in a lot of businesses and I don’t stay in businesses where I can’t at least break even.”

He continued, “At that point I decided, ‘Well, heck, I can’t do any good at selling these things, I’ll start racing them.’ So we got into the racing business.”

Judge Lanier Racing had its first runners at the track in 2004, winning a grand total of one race and seven other placings while earning just shy of \$19,000. But things have gotten considerably

better since: in 2016, the stable sent out no fewer than 415 starters for 68 winners (16%) and earnings in excess of \$1.1 million, good enough to rank in the top 100 nationally.

“We’ve had a lot of success and that’s no small feat for a string of horses that run exclusively in the state of New Mexico,” McKenna offered. “I’ve never had a jockey get hurt, never had a drug violation and that I’m really, really proud of. We’ve been blessed and very lucky in the racing business. We’ve had some very

good horses and we’ve got a pretty nice string of horses right now.” **Cont. p4**



Conquest Mo Money | *Coady photography*

By the sire of Arrogate, **Emcee** – the horse who won his four races by a combined 19.5 lengths and set a new Stakes record in the seven-panel G1 Forego.

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McKenna cont.

It is Conquest Mo Money that is poised to give the couple their biggest accomplishment in racing. The New York-bred was a \$180,000 purchase by Ernie Semersky and Dory Newell's Conquest Stable out of the 2015 Fasig-Tipton New York-Bred Sale at Saratoga. The colt, still unraced, but galloping, found himself as part of the Conquest dispersal at last year's Keeneland November sale and the McKennas were not going to miss out on the opportunity to acquire some high-quality and well-pedigreed stock.

"I love the dispersals, absolutely," McKenna affirmed. "If I can find dispersals, I'm really interested, especially from top-flight breeders and owners. This sale was a Godsend. [Ernie Semersky] certainly spent a lot of money to get where he got and he certainly collected a super nice group of horses. I knew I was going to have a chance to look at a lot of them, knowing that many of them weren't going to fit my pocketbook, but nonetheless, we went out there and did our due diligence. I don't use any agents, I do my own buying, do my own claiming. We bought seven horses. It was a wonderful sale, Lane's End did a tremendous job with the horses."

And the objective for the trip to the Bluegrass?

"At this time in my career, I felt that dispersal represented an opportunity for me to buy some above-average horses," McKenna said. "There were enough horses there that I knew I could go through them and spot some horses that might be under the radar for some other bidders. I was looking for some potential stakes horses that I could bring back to New Mexico."

McKenna signed for seven horses at the November sale for a total of \$157,500, six from the Conquest dispersal. The most expensive of those purchases was the once-raced 3-year-old filly [Conquest Slayer](#) (Scat Daddy), for whom McKenna went to \$43,000. The least expensive of the lot was the \$8,500 he paid for [Conquest Mo Money](#).

"Absolutely not!" McKenna replied when asked if he thought he could acquire the colt for that sort of money. "I was shocked. This is a wonderful sport and you never know what's going to happen. We were extremely fortunate. I'd love to tell you that I'm the best horseman in the world, that I can work a sale better than anyone else, and that's not true at all. When I got him for that price, I couldn't believe it. It was God's will. Why that guy dropped the hammer at that point is beyond me."

Of the half-dozen former Conquest horses they acquired, four have managed a victory, but easily the biggest surprise of the bunch is Conquest Mo Money. Turned over immediately to McKenna's private trainer Miguel Hernandez, Conquest Mo Money didn't exactly hint that he was a future stakes-caliber performer. **Cont. p5**

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McKenna cont.

“I told Miguel, ‘When you get these horses up to five furlongs [in their breezes], let’s see how they look, you tell me what you think,’” he explained. “Where it came to ‘Mo Money,’ he said, ‘I don’t know, that horse is really lazy. He just doesn’t like to work.’ I said, ‘Well, sometime they don’t like to work and they run like a house on fire and sometimes they work like a house on fire and they don’t want to run.’ I said, ‘Let’s see what happens when we put him in a gate.’ All the Uncle Mos I’ve studied and read about have a great mind, and this horse is no exception. When he goes into the paddock, you’d think he was eight years old with a bunch of races. He’s laid back, takes a nap in the stall, easy to handle, he’s just a dream.”

A 5-1 chance debuting over a mile at Sunland Park Jan. 6 ([video](#)), Conquest Mo Money defeated entrymate Oh So Regal (Sidney’s Candy), the lone non-Conquest purchase at KEENOV who cost McKenna \$18,000 from the WinStar Farm draft. An 11-length winner of the Riley Allison S. in his next start ([video](#)), Conquest Mo Money wired the field by two lengths in the Mine That Bird Derby ([video](#)) to punch his ticket to Sunday’s ‘big dance.’

Conquest Mo Money’s rapid progression has meant that McKenna has fielded his fair share of would-be suitors. But the no sale sign has been out.

“If I was 20 years younger, I wouldn’t look back,” he said. “I didn’t take it because Sandy and I said, ‘We’ve had a lot of fun in this sport, let’s just take this ride and see where it takes us.’”

Judge Lanier will also be represented on the Derby undercard by African Rose (Bwana Charlie), purchased as a 2-year-old filly for just \$7,500 out of the Heiligbrodt Dispersal conducted by Fasig-Tipton at Lone Star Park in 2011. She has since gone on to win seven black-type races and better than \$573,000. The 8-year-old, referred to affectionately by McKenna as ‘our diva,’ goes for a fourth win in five years in Sunday’s \$100,000 Harry Henson S.

So exactly what does it mean to McKenna and his team to be in this position?

“It’s hard to describe,” he submitted. “I’ve been around a long time and I’ve had a lot of horses and Sandy and I and Miguel—we never thought we’d be at this point, really and truly. This is a dream. If the dream ends at the Sunland Derby, so be it. We’ve been rewarded. It’s a wonderful trip, it’s been great to this point, the horse is training great and we’ll just have to see what happens when the gate opens.”

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American Favorites in Dubai cont. from p1

Arrogate’s exploits are already approaching storybook, with him as the protagonist appeasing racing’s penchant for the histrionic. His act has been short thus far, but no less powerful. In the first scene he exhilarated the audience with a hope-inspiring, history-making GI Travers S. romp in record time.

Scene Two depicted an epic Santa Anita civil war and ultimately a usurping of the reigning king in a GI Breeders’ Cup Classic out-willing of California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit).

Scene Three reveled in the provocative as the Bob Baffert-trained behemoth managed to not only thwart an attempt of his predecessor to reclaim the crown in the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational, but also gain the adoration of the populace.

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Arrogate | Dubai Racing Club/Matthea Kelley

Arrogate’s next act involves a campaign to conquer a new continent. As the highest-rated (134) horse ever to enter the Dubai World Cup’s international showcase, he appears poised to prove in only his eighth career start to be one of the best horses of the modern era. Jockey Mike Smith will again pilot the equine Alexander the Great when he breaks from post nine against a full field that includes seven international Grade I or Group 1 winners.

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American Favorites cont.

“On paper it looks like it's going to be easy, but it's probably going to be his most difficult challenge,” Baffert said. “You have to ship across the world and there are 30-minute walks to the track here like in Europe and those things can take a bit off their fastball, but we’re all in the same boat. One thing I know is that he’s doing great and all his races have been pretty spectacular. He’s just going to need another spectacular run to win here. It’s a lot of pressure because you have the best horse in the world--and he is the best horse in the world, like [Triple Crown winner] American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) was--but you have to go out there and prove it again.”

In the day’s first race, Sharp Azteca will look to commence proceedings with a win in a complex renewal of the Godolphin Mile. At a one-turn mile (1600m) on Meydan’s dirt course, the race appears to be at the whim of said swift, talented multiple graded stakes winner. Fresh off a resounding victory in the GII Gulfstream Park H. over the same distance, the muscular son of Freud puts his undefeated 4-for-4 record at a mile on the line for high-percentage trainer Jorge Navarro and owner Gelfenstein Farm.

“He kind of reminds me of Private Zone (Macho Uno), who I trained a couple years ago,” Navarro said. “If you want to go with him, he will bury you. That’s the way he is. He is a fighter and he keeps digging. He likes to go out there and roll and there’s no doubt he’s going to be better this year. He keeps getting bigger and stronger and maturing mentally. He’s more of a professional, so everything is coming around with him.”

Major competition in the full field could come from Imhamed M I Nagem’s streaking **North America (GB)**(Dubawi {Ire}), who romped by seven lengths in a key course and distance prep, the G3 Firebreak S. Feb. 11. Another who brings considerable class is Mamoru Kato’s Sachio Yukubo-trained **Kafuji Take (Jpn)** (Precise End) from Japan, whose third-place finish in the one-mile G1 February S. Feb. 19 and length-beaten fourth in the G1 Champions Cup (formerly Japan Cup Dirt) Dec. 4 demand respect. Still, all ways to victory go through the Florida-based



Sharp Azteca | Dubai Racing Club/Andrew Watkins

speed fiend that is Sharp Azteca, who will be ridden by regular pilot Edgard Zayas from post six.

The last horse to defeat Sharp Azteca was coincidentally Mind Your Biscuits, who out-finished said adversary in the seven-furlong GI Malibu S. Dec. 26 at Santa Anita. An adjudged second in the GI Breeders’ Cup Sprint a race prior, the four-time winner of \$800,000-plus goes the opposite direction in trip and shortens up to 1200m--or about six furlongs--in the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen.



Mind Your Biscuits | Dubai Racing Club/Neville Hopwood

Owned by J Stables, Head of Plains Partners, et al., the chestnut son of Posse received a two-month break after the Malibu, was transferred from Robert Falcone, Jr., to the barn of part-owner and newly licensed conditioner Chad Summers and now tops a full field of 14 both literally--breaking from the much-loathed 14-hole--and figuratively as the horse to beat. Overall, Mind Your Biscuits boasts an impressive record of solid performances in graded stakes company since taking the GII Amsterdam S. as a sophomore last July. He enters off a brave runner-up effort to highly regarded **Rising Star** Unified (Candy Ride {Arg}) in the GIII Gulfstream Park Sprint Feb. 25 and looks to have taken extremely well to the trans-Atlantic ship.

“He’s doing great, he shipped great and I’m really happy with him,” Summers said. “Everything he is doing says that he’s sitting on a career-best effort and if that happens, I think he could win by two or three lengths. It’s a good field, but we have a lot of confidence in our horse and just hope for the best.”

Prime adversaries include Americans from each side of the country in **St. Joe Bay** (Saint Anddan) and **Stallwalkin’ Dude** (City Place). The California-based former seeks to win his fourth race and third graded event in a row since being shortened up to one-turn races by trainer and co-owner Peter Miller. Seven-year-old multiple graded stakes-winning warrior Stallwalkin’ Dude, trained and co-owned by David Jacobson in New York, has hit the board in his last eight starts, including two GI placings. While local horses must also be respected, it seems that if Mind Your Biscuits can defeat those two, the rest is gravy.

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EL AREEB BREEZES AT LAUREL; WOOD STILL TARGET

‘[TDN Rising Star](#)’ El Areeb (Exchange Rate), a disappointing third at 2-5 in Aqueduct’s GIII Gotham S. Mar. 4, breezed Thursday at Laurel, covering four panels in :49.40 (7/14). The work came in company with stakes-winning 4-year-old stablemates Winter (Awesome Again) and Vorticity (Distorted Humor), who were each credited with :50 flat drills. The M M G Stables colorbearer, who took the GIII Jerome S. and GIII Withers S. at the Big A in January and February, respectively, is pointing for the GII Wood Memorial S. back in Ozone Park Apr. 8.

“He worked a mile and an eighth and finished up really, really well. We were very pleased. Everything’s good,” conditioner Cal Lynch said. “I’ll talk to the owners after his work next week and we’ll make a plan, but it looks like the Wood’s on schedule unless something changes.”



El Areeb & Lynch | MJC

The \$340,000 OBS March acquisition is scheduled to breeze Mar. 29 and Apr. 4 in continued preparation for the Wood. Being up on a hot pace cost him in the Gotham, and the goal appears to be to work on his ability to settle ahead of his final GI Kentucky Derby prep.

“I put him in behind horses [Thursday],” Lynch noted. “He was like two or three lengths behind those two horses and then finished up a little stronger than they did. I just wanted to make sure Trevor felt the horse relaxing for him. It’s going to be him on him in the afternoon so I just wanted to give him the feel of a race scenario and have him on there to know how he felt. He was very good today. I was very pleased.”

Lynch remains hopeful of El Areeb’s Wood and Derby prospects.

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“I’m pleased with him,” the Irishman said. “We were pleased with how he came out of the race, it was just one of those things with the pace scenario unfortunately. He’s always been a nice horse and he’s continued to be. We’re just optimistic he shows up with a little different pace scenario next time and we’re hopefully looking at a different result.”

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| 5 | Super Saver (2007) by Maria's Mon FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: WinStar Farm KY (\$50,000) | 11 | 22 | 6 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 195 | 124 | \$1,496,250 | \$10,113,864 |
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| 14 | Discreetly Mine (2007) by Mineshaft FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Lane's End Farm USA (Dead/Ret/Exp) | 3 | 12 | -- | 3 | -- | 1 | 192 | 101 | \$332,690 | \$5,993,945 |
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| 15 | Desert Party (2006) by Street Cry (Ire) FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Irish Century Farm NY (\$2,500) | 3 | 10 | -- | 3 | -- | -- | 104 | 59 | \$315,934 | \$3,935,825 |
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FLORIDA

Thursday's Results:

9th-GP, \$41,000, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 3-23, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.84, ft.

APOLOGYNOTACCEPTED (m, 6, Fusaichi Pegasus--Withmom's approval, by With Approval), tabbed a **"TDN Rising Star"** after romping by 16 lengths in her belated career bow here at age five just over a year ago, closed out 2016 with a pair of off-the-board efforts at Aqueduct, including a seventh-place effort there Dec. 4. The dark bay displayed an affinity for this oval when returning a dominant six-length winner going this trip Feb. 2 and took her record in Hallandale to three-for-three Thursday. Away alertly, the 6-5 chalk battled Concealedwithakiss (Political Force) through early fractions of :24.47 and :47.78. The homebred shook free of that rival while on the far turn and rolled clear in the stretch under a hand ride from Nik Juarez to win by a decisive 4 1/4 lengths. Meadow Rose (Ghostzapper) completed the exacta and Concealedwithakiss faded to finish fourth out of five. The winner is a half-sister to Curlin's Approval (Curlin), MGSW, \$313,315; the unraced 3-year-old filly Curlin's Miss (Curlin); and a yearling colt by Morning Line. Her dam was bred back to Fusaichi Pegasus last term. Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, \$98,235. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Alter's Racing Stable (Happy Alter), Gary Barber & Wachtel Stable; B-Happy Alter (KY); T-William I. Mott.

Hidden Brook Foaled & Raised

8th-GP, \$40,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 3-23, 3yo, 5ft, :55.61, fm.

MONGO NATION (c, 3, Speightstown--Ciao {MSW & MGSP, \$292,718}, by Lear Fan) completed the trifecta in his first two attempts last summer, the latter being in a Sept. 15 test at Kentucky Downs. Failing to fire when eighth in his Feb. 5 return over the local lawn, the dark bay earned his diploma last time over this course and distance Feb. 26. Keeping close tabs on the leaders through a sharp first quarter in :21.50, the 7-2 shot squeezed through a tight hole at the top of the lane, bumping his neighboring rival a bit, but spurted clear to score by 1 1/2 lengths. White Smoke (J P's Gusto) filled the place spot. Mongo Nation's dam Ciao, a two-time stakes winner, is also responsible for the 2-year-old colt Untamed Domain (Animal Kingdom) and was bred to Declaration of War last year. Sales history: \$140,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$68,480. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-JEH Racing Stable LLC; B-Clearsky Farms (KY); T-David Fawkes.

 **LAMBHOLM SOUTH Training Graduate** 

7th-GP, \$46,000, Msw, 3-23, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.12, ft.
EVA LONDON (f, 4, Adios Charlie--Ennuhway, by Notebook) was a non-factor fifth in her six-panel unveiling here Jan. 2 and faded to sixth next out in another local sprint Feb. 14. She improved to second when extended to this distance last time in Hallandale Feb. 3 and was favored at 9-5 to go one better here. Battling A J's Amex (Tale of Ekati) through modest early fractions, the bay took control at the quarter-pole and kicked away to a 3 3/4-length success. Saved by the Swell (Speightstown) overtook A J's Amex late to be second. The winner is a half to Lisa's Booby Trap (Drewman), SW, \$182,440. Eva London also has a 2-year-old full-brother and newborn half-brother by I Spent It. Sales history: \$90,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$39,580. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**
 O-Hardacre Farm LLC; B-Ocala Stud (FL); T-Amy Tarrant.

1st-GP, \$38,000, (S), Msw, 3-23, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:36.95, fm.
O. K. KAY (f, 3, English Channel--My Secret Brook, by Montbrook) checked in fifth after a wide trip when dropped in for a \$50,000 tag on debut over this course and distance Feb. 25 and was favored at 9-5 to turn things around here after breezing a best-of-26 half-mile over the Palm Meadows turf Mar. 10. Away alertly, the bay was wrangled back into a ground-saving third by Jose Ortiz, keeping close tabs on the leader through opening splits of :23.55 and :49.10. Relegated to the back as several rivals swept up the outside, O.K. Kay was fully loaded with nowhere to go turning for home. The seas parted in the lane and she charged up two-wide to win going away by 2 1/4 lengths. Greatreviews (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) completed the exacta. The winner is a half-sister to Dark Thunder (Trippi), SW, \$194,170; and a juvenile filly by Wildcat Heir. Her dam was most recently bred to Gemologist. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$23,060. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**
 O/B-George Vires (FL); T-Jane Cibelli.

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EASTERN U.S.

Wednesday Night's Results:

1st-PEN, \$29,127, Msw, 3-22, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:07.31, ft.

STAY SPECIAL (f, 3, [Stay Thirsty](#)--Special Dream {SW & GSP, \$124,968}, by Officer) checked in fourth in her Nov. 6 unveiling at Parx and was a non-factor seventh last time there Jan. 17. Adding blinkers for this venue change, the 2-1 shot veered in at the break, bumping her neighbor, but was quickly righted and raced in a two-wide fourth back off an opening quarter in :23.75. Quickly advancing up the outside on the backstretch, the dark bay drew alongside the leaders turning for home and swiftly disposed of those rivals in the lane, skipping clear to a 3 1/4-length victory. Tanya's Gem (Dialed In) was the runner-up. The winner is a half-sister to Momamemaria (Quality Road). Stay Special is the most recent produce of her stakes-winning dam, who was bred to champion Will Take Charge last term. Sales history: \$30,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$22,000 2yo '16 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$20,350. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Nicole Hedus & William O'Neill; B-White Fox Farm (KY); T-William C. Hedus.

CENTRAL U.S.

Thursday's Results:

9th-FG, \$44,120, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 3-23, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:38.30, fm.

CHOCOLATE RIDE (g, 7, [Candy Ride {Arg}](#)--Heatherdoesntbluff, by Old Trieste) is a horse for the course when it comes to the Fair Grounds lawn, boasting a record of 10-5-1-1 over this strip including four graded stakes wins. Kicking off 2016 with a win in the GIII Colonel E. R. Bradley S. and his second straight victory in the GIII Fair Grounds H., the hard-knocking gelding checked in fourth when attempting a title defense in the GII Mervin Muniz Memorial H. last March. Shelved after finishing ninth when taking a big step up in class in Churchill's GI Woodford Reserve Turf Classic last May, he resurfaced with a close fourth back in Nola in the Buddy Dilberto Memorial S. Dec. 17 and was third last time in the Colonel Bradley Jan. 21. Hammered down to 3-5 favoritism for this class drop, the 7-year-old was bumped a bit at the break, but quickly recovered and tracked from fourth off early fractions of :22.27 and :46.23. Swung out three-wide entering the lane, the dark bay hit the front in the final sixteenth and crossed the line one-length clear of Tiznoble (Tiznow). The winner is a half-brother to Killer Graces (Congaree), GISW,

\$451,907; a 2-year-old colt by Arch; and a yearling filly by More Than Ready. His dam visited Speightstown in 2016. Sales history: \$260,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 21-8-2-3, \$580,091. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-GenStar Thoroughbreds; B-Brian Kahn (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

8th-FG, \$41,000, Msw, 3-23, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.35, ft.

+MINNIE BLIP (f, 3, [Algorithms](#)--Zero Interest, by Kafwain) saved ground in third as the pacesetters carved out early splits of :22.27 and :46.23 and was tipped out for a three-wide bid at the top of the stretch. It was all over from there as the 8-1 shot powered clear to a dominant 7 1/4-length graduation over Belle Star Park (Divine Park), providing conditioner Al Stall, Jr. with his third win of the day. The winner's year-old half-sister Blip n' The Bye (Tale of Ekati), who is also trained by Stall, finished second in last term's GII Eight Belles S. and has \$149,900 in earnings. Minnie Blip's dam Zero Interest is also responsible for a yearling filly by Fed Biz and was bred back to Carpe Diem. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,600. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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3rd-FG, \$41,000, (S), Msw, 3-23, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39.61, ft.

SNOBLIZ (f, 3, Frost Giant--Meg's Answer, by West Acre) finished second in a sloppy off-the-turfer going 5 1/2 panels here on New Year's Day and could only manage fifth next out when extended to a mile on the local lawn Feb. 28. Backed down to 7-5 favoritism for this return to the main track, the dark bay hugged the rail in a three-horse duel for second through an opening quarter in :23.96 and a half in :47.46. Drawing even with the pacesetter on the far turn, she charged clear in the lane to win by dominant 6 1/4 lengths over Singing a Song (Songandaprayer). The winner has a juvenile half-brother named A P's Winner (Redding Colliery) and a yearling half-sister by Bind. Her dam was bred to both Guilt Trip and Forefathers last term. Sales history: \$5,500 Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$52,000 2yo '16 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$33,340. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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3rd-FG, \$41K, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 3:19 p.m. ET

Ron Moquett unveils William Spark's **REYDELL** ([Creative Cause](#)), a half-brother to GI Donn H. hero and young sire Graydar (Unbridled's Song) in this spot. The gray is also a half to MGSP Union Course (Dixie Union) and Star of David (Bernstein). [TJCIS PPs.](#)

2nd-SA, \$54K, Msw, 3yo/up, f, 6 1/2f, 4:29 p.m. ET

Ron Ellis saddles a half-sister to a talented New York-based runner in **TIZ THE LIGHT** ([Tiznow](#)), who makes her career bow in this test for breeder Samantha Siegel's Jay Em Ess Stable. Out of MSW By the Light (Malibu Moon), the 4-year-old is a half-sister to GI Frizette S. winner and millionaire By the Moon (Indian Charlie), who also won the GIII Bed o' Roses H. and ran second in three other Grade I events. Trainer Ron McAnally saddles another well-related firster in Sumaya US Stable's **California Spirit** ([Tale of the Cat](#)). The homebred is a half-sister to MGSW and MGISP Protonico (Giant's Causeway), who recently took up stud duties at Taylor Made Farm. Hall of Famer Bob Baffert is always dangerous with newcomers and he unveils Don Alberto Stable homebred **Charlatana** ([Harlan's Holiday](#)), a half-sibling to last term's GII Jim Dandy S. upsetter Laoban (Uncle Mo). Also worth a look is the Richard Mandella-trained **Lyrics** ([Speightstown](#)), a daughter of Canadian champion Embur's Song (Unbridled's Song). The \$475,000 KEESEP buy finished second behind a "TDN Rising Star" performance from Selcourt (Tiz Wonderful) in her career bow here Feb. 12 and her conditioner boasts very good numbers with second timers. [TJCIS PPs.](#) --@CDeBernadis

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CALIFORNIA

Thursday's Results:

7th-SA, \$57,353, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 3-23, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:48.16, fm.

SEPTEMBER STARS (IRE) (f, 4, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Altesse Imperiale {Ire}, by Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) won two of her eight starts in England for previous trainer Ralph Beckett, including a six-length romp at Windsor in August. Transferred to Paddy Gallagher following an eighth-place finish in the Muhaarar Rosemary S. at Newmarket Sept. 23, she was sent off at 5-1 while adding Lasix for this U.S. debut. Away well from her rail draw, the chestnut rode the rail in fourth off early fractions of :23.61 and :48.25. Blocked in on the far turn, September Stars wove back toward the rail to punch through a narrow opening in the stretch and unleashed a furious turn of foot to out finish Mrs. Norris (Bernardini) by a length. The winner is a half-sister to Altruistic (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), GISP, \$76,189; and has yearling and weanling full-sisters. Their dam Altesse Imperiale is a half-sister to Angara (GB) (Alzao), winner of the 2005 GI Beverly D. S. and 2006 GI Diana S.; and French Group 2 winner Actrice (Ire) (Danehill). Sales history: 260,000gns Ylg '14 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-1, \$49,201. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Edward Easton & Andrew Rosen; B-John Connaughton (IRE); T-Patrick Gallagher.

4th-SA, \$54,690, Msw, 3-23, 3yo, 6 1/2fT, 1:13.84, fm.

FARLEY (c, 3, Distorted Humor--Hot Summer {MGSW, \$298,959} by Malibu Moon) finished off his juvenile campaign with a runner-up effort over this course Oct. 1 and faded to seventh behind last year's \$1.2 million OBSAPR topper Glacier (Broken Vow) in his seasonal debut in going a mile over the local lawn Mar. 12. Dispatched as the 2-1 second-choice for this cut back in trip, the bay seized the early advantage and was hounded by favored Kopitar (Shackleford) as he ticked off opening splits of :22.46 and :45.87. Showing the way into the lane, he determinedly held off the chalk to win by a head. The winner is the first foal out of dual Grade III-winning sprinter Hot Summer, who has since produced a juvenile full-sister to Farley and a yearling colt by Speightstown. Sales history: \$285,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$410,000 RNA 2yo '16 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$56,435. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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NOTABLE US-BRED RUNNERS IN JAPAN

Saturday, March 25, 2017

9th-CKO, ¥14,250,000 (US\$128k), Alw, 4yo/up, 1200m

A \$425K KEESEP yearling purchase, **G BLAZE (c, 4, [Tapit](#)--Miss Mambo, by Kingmambo)** seems to have turned a corner with a switch to the dirt during his sophomore season, with a win and a pair of runner-up efforts in three tries. The gray is a son of Miss Mambo (Kingmambo), a stakes winner in Ireland and the 2004 G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches third. Her stakes-winning daughter Race to Urga (Bernstein) is the dam of GISW and current top U.S. 3-year-old Gormley (Malibu Moon). G Blaze's third dam is Eclipse Award winner Estrapade, herself a half-sister to Horse of the Year Criminal Type. G Blaze makes her first appearance since last June.

Sunday, March 26, 2017

4th-CKO, ¥9,550,000 (US\$128k), Maiden, 3yo, 1400mT

HONEY JADE (f, 3, Harlan's Holiday--Hard Hat, by Hard Spun) shaped with all sorts of promise in her Dec. 17 bow at Hanshin, finishing a close third over 1200 meters, but ballooned to 14th when stretched out to the mile at Kyoto Jan. 8. A \$130K FTKJUL yearling turned \$300K Fasig-Tipton Florida breezer, the dark bay is out of a half-sister to GISW Albert the Great (Go For Gin), SW Watch The Bird (Rahy) and MSW Sheer Bliss (Relaunch). She'll cut back to the metric seven furlongs for this try.

5th-HSN, ¥9,550,000 (US\$128k), Maiden, 3yo, 1200m

MOZU KIN MEDALIST (f, 3, [Bernardini](#)--Indulgence, by Macho Uno) is certainly bred to excel over further, but gets her career underway at this abbreviated trip. Her dam won her maiden at second asking over 4 1/2 furlongs and went on to be a good third to Sassy Image (Broken Vow) in the GI Princess Rooney H. in 2012. Indulgence was purchased by Borges Torrealba Holdings carrying this filly--her first foal--for \$400K at KEENOV in 2013, and Mozu Kin Medalist repaid part of that bill when selling for \$150K at KEESEP in 2015. --Alan Carasso

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 - 3-AQU, Msw 6f, Horoscope, \$75K OBS APR 2yo, 8-5
 - [BODEMEISTER](#) (Empire Maker), WinStar Farm, \$30K, 262/23/2
 - 8-SA, Msw 6 1/2f, Kenda, \$110K RNA BAR MAR 2yo, 5-1
 - BOYS AT TOSCONOVA** (Officer), Questroyal North, \$5K, 47/4/0
 - 1-PEN, Alw 6f, Bertranda, \$15K EAS MAY 2yo, 4-1
 - [CALEB'S POSSE](#) (Posse), Three Chimneys Farm, \$10K, 71/13/1
 - 3-FG, Msw 6f, +Class Won, \$110K FTK JUL yrl, 9-2
 - [CREATIVE CAUSE](#) (Giant's Causeway), Airdrie Stud, \$15K, 174/24/2
 - 3-FG, Msw 6f, Reydell, \$50K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
 - [DIALED IN](#) (Mineshaft), Darby Dan Farm, \$7.5K, 174/24/4
 - 8-MVR, Msw 6f, Landline, \$2K RNA FTK OCT yrl, 6-1
 - [DOMINUS](#) (Smart Strike), Spendthrift Farm, \$6.5K, 85/11/2
 - 1-PEN, Alw 6f, Dominus Effect, 6-1
 - FOXWEDGE (AUS)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), Whitsbury Manor Stud, \$7K, 147/27/0
 - 8-TP, Aoc 6f, The Curt Fox (GB), \$54K TAT FOA wnl, 9-5
 - GET STORMY** (Stormy Atlantic), Crestwood Farm, \$5K, 141/13/1
 - 8-MVR, Msw 6f, Elite Justice, \$9K PED IND yrl, 20-1
 - [JERSEY TOWN](#) (Speightstown), Darby Dan Farm, \$10K, 90/5/0
 - 8-MVR, Msw 6f, Norestforthewicked, 20-1
 - [MACLEAN'S MUSIC](#) (Distorted Humor), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$6.5K, 147/28/3
 - 8-TP, Aoc 6f, B Rod Maclean, \$3K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
 - REDDING COLLIERY** (Mineshaft), Red River Farms, \$2K, 65/5/0
 - 5-OP, Msw 1 1/16m, Dixie Flyer, 3-1
 - [SHACKLEFORD](#) (Forestry), Darby Dan Farm, \$20K, 208/27/2
 - 3-FG, Msw 6f, Diamondmaze, \$55K KEE SEP yrl, 7-2
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 - [STAY THIRSTY](#) (Bernardini), Ashford Stud, \$17.5K, 160/33/2
 - 1-PEN, Alw 6f, Always Thirsty, \$15K EAS OCT yrl, 6-1
 - [THE FACTOR](#) (War Front), Lane's End Farm, \$15K, 218/28/3
 - 7-GP, Msw 1mT, +Kroy, \$185K FTS AUG yrl, 8-1
 - [UNION RAGS](#) (Dixie Union), Lane's End Farm, \$35K, 220/22/3
 - 7-GP, Msw 1mT, Dixie Mambo, \$45K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 20-1

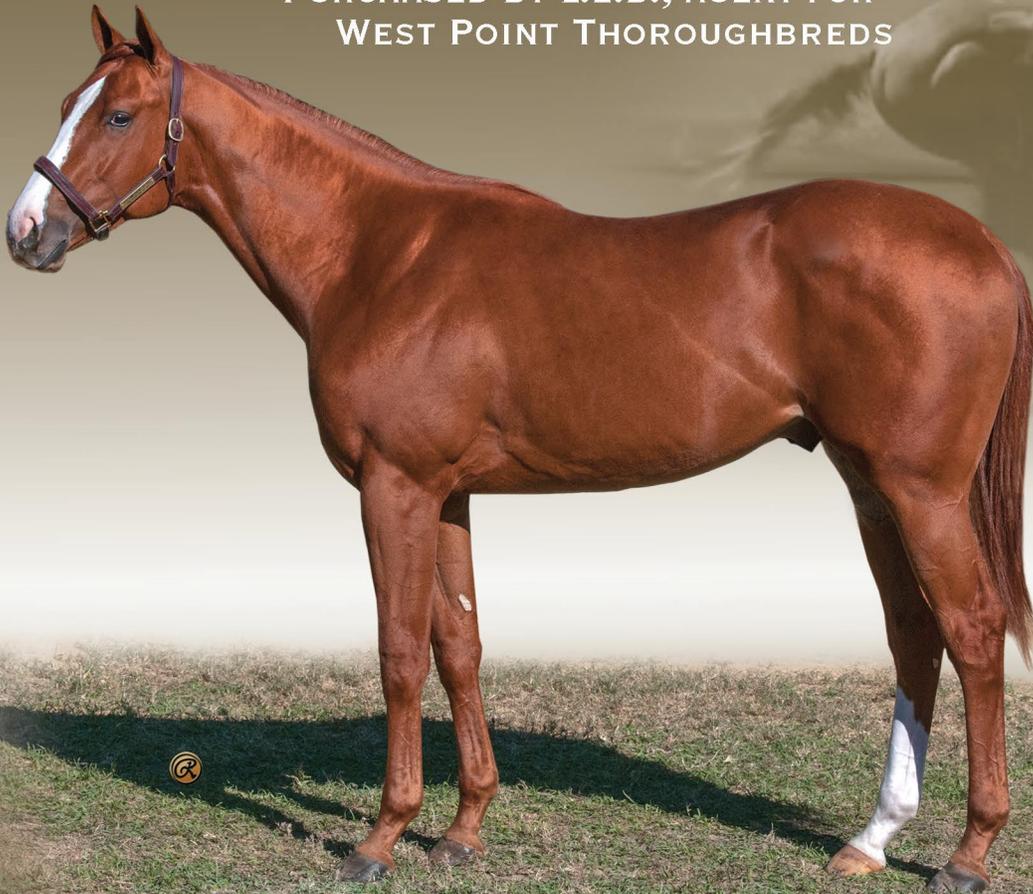
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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-OP, \$84,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$55,000), 3-23, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.77, ft.

BLACK BEAR (h, 7, [Midnight Lute](#)--Angel Trumpet {MSW & GSP, \$297,589}, by Cape Canaveral) Lifetime Record: MSP, 21-8-6-5, \$346,159. O-Richard Bahde; B-St. George Farm LLC (KY); T-Randy L. Morse. *\$35,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP; \$150,000 2yo '12 EASMAV.

8th-OP, \$84,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$55,000), 3-23, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.06, ft.

WABEL (h, 5, [Curlin](#)--Rockintotherhythm, by Broad Brush) Lifetime Record: 12-4-5-0, \$194,831. O-Flurry Racing Stables LLC; B-Indian Springs Farm, Inc. & Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings, LLC. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. *\$55,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP; \$170,000 2yo '14 OBSOPN.

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2nd-SA, \$56,345, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 3-23, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.98, ft.

BAR SCENE (f, 4, [Rocky Bar](#)--Jungle Girl, by Forest Camp) Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, \$87,600. O/B-Triple AAA Ranch (AZ); T-Philip A. Oviedo. *Full to Rockin Home, SW, \$178,451.

2nd-FG, \$42,000, (S), (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 3-23, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:38.30, fm.

ROSARY MAN (g, 5, [Songandaprayer](#)--Doubtless, by Grand Slam) Lifetime Record: 14-3-4-3, \$91,725. O-Dedomenico LLC & Muddy Waters Stables; B-Roy Zuppardo (LA); T-Michael Stidham. *\$50,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP. **1/2 to Hero Force (Political Force), MSW, \$353,415.



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7th-FG, \$42,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 3-23, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.54, fm.

EUROBOSS (m, 5, [Street Boss](#)--Mega, by Horse Chestnut {Saf}) Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-4, \$82,805. O-DARRS, Inc.; B-Ben McElroy (KY); T-Michael Stidham. *\$70,000 RNA Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$105,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP.

5th-FG, \$40,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$17,500), 3-23, 4yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.17, fm.

THEYCALLHIMTHEKID (g, 4, [Hard Spun](#)--Kid Majic {SP}, by Lemon Drop Kid) Lifetime Record: 7-2-4-0, \$73,538. O-Feel The Thunder Stable, The Farm on 4 LLC, Cobra Farm, Inc. & B. Gasaway; B-H. Allen Poindexter (KY); T-Michael Stidham. *\$50,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. **1/2 to Miss Mischief (Into Mischief), Ch. Female Sprinter & Ch. Older Mare-CAN, GSW, \$522,980.

2nd-PEN, \$34,220, 3-22, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.91, ft. **HOPEFUL TIMES (f, 4, [Reflect Times](#) {Jpn}--Unwavering Hope, by Strong Hope)** Lifetime Record: 17-6-3-4, \$123,532. O-Joseph E. Besecker; B-Flint W. Stites (PA); T-Timothy C. Kreiser.

4th-PEN, \$29,500, 3-22, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:39.75, ft. **QUALITY INTEREST (g, 5, [Quality Road](#)--A. P. Interest, by A.P. Indy)** Lifetime Record: 15-4-4-2, \$101,823. O-Silver Trail Stables LLC; B-R. S. Evans (KY); T-Keith Nations. *1/2 to Golden Spikes (Seeking the Gold), GSW, \$390,750; and Al Muhtasib (Distorted Humor), SW, \$251,412.

7th-CT, \$24,500, 3-22, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:28.53, ft. **SINGMEALOVESONG (f, 4, [Songandaprayer](#)--Ghost of Love, by Silver Ghost)** Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-1, \$61,400. O/B-Dr. Stephen & Debbie Jackson (KY); T-Flint W. Stites.

8th-WRD, \$23,826, 3-22, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.32, ft. **INAGOODWAY (f, 4, [Save Big Money](#)--Truth Takes Time, by Devil His Due)** Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1, \$67,871. O-Steve Dupy, Kent Blair & Mike Caster; B-Mike Castor (OK); T-Roger F. Engel.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Pistolnypocket, g, 3, [Cat Genius](#)--Joann's Appeal, by B L's Appeal. CT, 3-22, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.80. B-Stephen Shawyer (WV). **Charitable Ellie**, f, 3, [Charitable Man](#)--Ellie Martin, by Olmodavor. CT, 3-22, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:24.97. B-James Casey (WV). **Pinch Hit**, f, 3, [Harlan's Holiday](#)--Change Up (GSW, \$375,420), by Distorted Humor. OP, 3-23, (C), 6f, 1:12.40. B-Bertram W. Klein & Reklein Stables (KY).

Hold Me Black, c, 3, [Hold Me Back](#)--Stylish Affair, by Not For Love. FG, 3-23, (C), 6f, 1:09.17. B-C. Oliver Iselin (VA). *\$20,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

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ARROGATE, BALLYDOYLE TEAM STAR AT MEYDAN



Ballydoyle's nine entrants for Dubai World Cup night get their first look at the Meydan main track on Thursday | *Emma Berry*

By *Emma Berry*

Thursday morning at Meydan was billed as Breakfast With The Stars, but the real star of the show was out way before the coffee was brewing, with Dubai World Cup favourite **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) appearing on the main track with Dana Barnes just after 5 a.m.

A huddle of connections, which included Bob, Jill and Bode Baffert and Juddmonte's Garrett O'Rourke, looked on as Arrogate had a practice run with the starting stalls before heading out for a sedate canter on the dirt, looking relaxed with his head held low. As the valuable colt left the track after an uneventful exercise, his trainer let out a sigh of relief, saying, "One more day, just one more day."

The nerves may be jangling in the Arrogate camp but Baffert, ever the professional, soon recomposed himself to spend the next hour chatting with the media and posing for selfies as he waited for Barnes to bring **Hoppertunity** (Harlan's Holiday) to the main track for a very similar exercise.

The amiable O'Rourke patiently answered umpteen questions about his role in the purchase of Arrogate while skillfully deflecting attempts to compare him to Juddmonte's other superstar, Frankel (GB).

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TEMPLE RETURN FOR QUIET REFLECTION

Last year's champion sprinter **Quiet Reflection (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}) could make her seasonal debut at Haydock, the same track over which she won last year's G1 Sprint Cup. Trainer Karl Burke laid out a few options for the 4-year-old filly's return, but indicated he is favouring the G2 Temple S. at Haydock on May 27.

"She looks great," said North Yorkshire-based Burke. "She's definitely matured and she's 10 kilos heavier than this time last year, but obviously that will come down as we start to get her a bit fitter. She won't run until the [G2] Duke of York at the earliest or there's the Temple S. a week later or a race in Ireland. She'll have entries for all of them and we'll see nearer the time where we go."

"As we stand, if the ground on the slow side of good I'd favour Haydock as she loves Haydock," Burke added. "She's unbeaten there and she's not short of speed so five furlongs wouldn't worry me. If she did perform really well there it might bring races like the Nunthorpe into the equation." [Cont. p3](#)

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Arrogate, Ballydoyle Team Star At Meydan cont. from p1

O'Rourke said, "Everything seems well with [Arrogate]. He seems to be pushing all the right buttons and enjoying his celebrity status. He had a nice, easy swagger this morning."

The army of owners, trainers and their representatives in town continues to grow, with Georges Rimaud and Nemone Routh both having arrived overnight to see the Aga Khan's duo of **Zarak (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and **Vazirabad (Fr)** (Manduro {Ger}) exercise together, with the imposing Zarak, an intended starter in the G1 Dubai Turf, continuing to take the eye.

Arrogate aside, the greatest interest of the morning was reserved for the nine horses from Aidan O'Brien's powerful Ballydoyle stable, who ventured onto the main track for the first time since their arrival on Tuesday. The trainer was due to arrive yesterday afternoon, but had been delayed owing to unseasonal snow in Ireland, so his trusted lieutenant Pat Keating was charged with masterminding the exercise from the ground, with G1 Dubai Sheema Classic runner **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) leading his stablemates down the chute before heading out to the track for a warm-up trot.

Having only recently arrived and with the noisy backdrop of the Breakfast With The Stars action hotting up on the other side of the track, it was understandable that the newcomers were a little on their toes as they filed out for exercise, but by the time they had completed a circuit and changed direction for a hack canter, they had settled into their work and enjoyed a useful introduction to the sights and sounds of Meydan.

The G1 Yorkshire Oaks winner **Seventh Heaven (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who joins Highland Reel in the Sheema Classic, whipped in the boys and the strong, well-made filly appears to have done really well over the winter.

War Front's son **Long Island Sound** is another powerful individual and is one of a trio, along with **Deauville (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Cougar Mountain (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Ire}), who will break from consecutive outside stalls in the G1 Dubai Turf.

Tommy Berry, who has ridden John Moore's G1 Golden Shaheen entrant **Not Listenin'tome (Aus)** (Dylan Thomas {Ire}) just once when he was third in the G2 Centenary Sprint Cup in January, reacquainted himself with the 6-year-old on the dirt track.

"It was quite nice work," said the Australian. "He got through the track really well. It's very deep, you can feel him working on the surface and not just flying over it. But I was very pleased with him, he's a happy horse and he went through his paces very well."



Australian jockey Tommy Berry | Emma Berry

As the action on the track wound up and the seats filled for the lavish breakfast, Godolphin trainers Charlie Appleby and Saeed Bin Suroor arrived to issue updates on their teams for World Cup night, who are trained away from the Meydan track.

Appleby's **Jungle Cat (Ire)** (Iffraaj {GB}) is set for the G1 Al Quoz Sprint after his victory over stablemate **Baccarat (GB)** (Dutch Art {GB}) on Super Saturday. "Ertijaal and Limato are two classy horses and will be hard to beat," said the trainer. "But Jungle Cat got his head in front last time and he's danced plenty of dances in the past. I'm pleased with Baccarat too, and they have both come forward since their last run, Jungle Cat more so."

Saeed Bin Suroor knows that **Move Up (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) has a mountain to climb if he is to beat Arrogate in the World Cup but issued an upbeat bulletin on his progress, saying, "He's by Dubawi and he can handle the dirt and the turf. He did his last piece of work five days ago and I was very happy with him. He's ready to run a huge race. Arrogate is a terrific horse and of course I have huge respect for him but my horse is improving all the time so we'll see how we go."

Godolphin stable jockey William Buick had earlier partnered the John Gosden-trained **Jack Hobbs (GB)** (Halling) for an easy workout on the training track ahead of his start in the G1 Longines Dubai Sheema Classic.

"We just cantered but he felt great," he advised. "He's wearing blinkers for the first time which should help. It's a tough race but if things work out for him he should be considered. You have to respect the whole field--Highland Reel will be very dangerous and Postponed as well. It's a huge race."

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"She's been in since the middle of January and has been cantering for the last month but we're in no rush--she'll step up from the end of next month," Burke added. "It will be great to get her back on the track but you can't get too far ahead of yourself in this game."

Quiet Reflection won four of her six starts last year, including the G3 Prix Sigy and G2 Sandy Lane S. prior to Royal Ascot's G1 Commonwealth Cup. She finished third behind Limato (Ire) (Tagula {Ire}) in the G1 July Cup prior to her Sprint Cup score, and was last seen finishing seventh in the G1 Qipco British Champions Sprint on Oct. 15.

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DUBAWI was responsible for *two* maiden winners at Saint-Cloud on Thursday.

Indian Skies
 and **Plumatic**





BLUEBLOODED DUBAWI COLT A RISING STAR



New 'TDN Rising Star' Plumatic | Scoop Dyga

Sent off the 11-10 favourite for this Saint-Cloud maiden, **Plumatic (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) broke alertly but was anchored

early by a confident Maxime Guyon to race with three behind. Making smooth progress at the end of the back straight, the bay was shaken up to take control approaching the furlong marker and draw away for a facile 2 1/2-length verdict over **Malkoboy (Fr)** (Rajsaman {Fr}). Like his useful listed-winning stablemate Maniaco (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), who was judged worthy of a place in the line-up in last year's G1 Grand Prix de Paris by Andre Fabre and was beaten just under three lengths in sixth, Plumatic is a son of the former 'TDN Rising Star' Plumania. Her career was marked by steady progression, with a second in the G1 Prix Vermeille and third in the G1 Prix de Diane at three followed by wins in the G2 Prix Corrida and G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud as a 4-year-old. Her half-sister Balladeuse (Fr) (Singspiel {Ire}) proved a smart middle-distance performer, winning the G2 Prix de Royallieu before producing another in her own image in Left Hand (GB), the daughter of Dubawi who swooped to conquer in last year's G1 Prix Vermeille having finished runner-up in the G1 Prix de Diane. The third dam Featherhill, who also features as the fourth dam of Thursday's Listed Prix Francois Mathet winner Soleil Marin (Ire) (Kendargent {Fr}) on the same card, is renowned as the producer of the G1 Prix Lupin-winning Groom Dancer and fellow sires Slew the Slew and Tagel, while her daughter Sea Hill (Seattle Slew) began a chain reaction of pattern-race notables which featured the G2 Prix de Malleret



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winner Legerete (Rahy), her son Pilote (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains-winning sire Falco and Iron Lips (GB) (Iron Mask). Of the several spin-offs of Sea Hill's sister Pieds de Plume (Fr), the Group 1 fillies Rave Reviews (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and Moth (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) stand out, while this is also the family of the Japanese champion sprinter Kinshasa No Kiseki (Aus), G1 Australian Oaks heroine Absolutely (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) and G1 Australasian Oaks winner Abbey Marie (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}). Still to come from Plumania are a 2-year-old colt by New Approach (Ire) named Maniac (Ire) and a yearling son of Sea the Stars (Ire) entitled Starmaniac (GB).

4th-SCD, €30,000, Mdn, 3-23, 3yo, c/g, 10 1/2fT, 2:18.41, sf.
+PLUMATIC (GB), c, 3, by [Dubawi \(Ire\)](#)

**1st Dam: Plumania (GB) (G1SW-Fr, \$838,738),
 by Anabaa**

2nd Dam: Featherquest (GB), by Rainbow Quest

3rd Dam: Featherhill (Fr), by Lyphard

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €14,100. [Click for the Racing Post result](#) or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

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O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (GB); T-Andre Fabre.

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FRANCE



Thursday's Results:

PRIX FRANCOIS MATHET-Listed, €55,000, SCD, 3-23, 3yo, 10 1/2fT, 2:18.05, sf.

1--#SOLEIL MARIN (IRE), 125, c, 3, by Kendargent (Fr)

1st Dam: Sousmarine (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire)

2nd Dam: Underwater, by Theatrical (Ire)

3rd Dam: Sea Hill, by Seattle Slew

O-Mme Elisabeth Fabre; B-Ecurie Peregrine SAS (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-0, €71,680.

2--My Valentine (Fr), 125, c, 3, [Rock of Gibraltar \(Ire\)](#)--Private Eye (Fr), by American Post (GB). (€125,000 Ylg '15 ARQAU). O-Jean-Claude Seroul. €11,000.

3--Amazing (Fr), 125, g, 3, Kentucky Dynamite--Little Jaw (GB), by Footstepsinthesand (GB). (€4,000 Ylg '15 OSASEP). O-Stephan Hoffmeister. €8,250.

Margins: 1 3/4, 1 3/4, 2. Odds: 1.70, 3.30, 13.00.

Also Ran: Vargar (Fr), Go Fast (Ire).

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Dazzling Success for SOLEIL MARIN in the Listed François Mathet

Kendargent and Haras de Colleville congratulate the winning connections



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Soleil Marin produced a remarkable turn of foot to win impressively and in doing so beat a quality field, many of whom hold Classic entries.

The son of Kendargent was already a breathtaking seven length winner at the end of last season and is now a leading hope for this year's Classics.



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Prix Francois Mathet cont.

Successful on his third start in September, Soleil Marin followed up with confidence bolstered over the same 9 1/2-furlong trip at Deauville a month later and signed off his progressive juvenile campaign with an impressive seven-length success in a 10-furlong conditions event here in November. Allowed to bowl to the head of affairs from the outset by Pierre-Charles Boudot, the bay faced little threat once the favourite Vargar (Fr) (Azamour {Ire}) had begun to wilt in early straight and was pushed out to secure another comfortable success for his owner-breeder and trainer.

Soleil Marin is out of the modest maiden Sousmarine, who ran once for the Fabre stable for her owner-breeders the Wertheimers before joining the broodmare band of Elisabeth Fabre. Her dam Underwater, who was runner-up in the G2 Prix de Malleret, is a daughter of Sea Hill (Seattle Slew) which links her to the afternoon's 'TDN Rising Star' Plumatic (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). Sea Hill produced a Malleret winner in the fellow Fabre trainee Legerete (Rahy), whose son Pilote (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) also performed admirably for the stable when winning the Listed Prix Matchem and finishing second in the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano and G2 Prix Eugene Adam. Underwater's half-sister Icelips (Unbridled) was responsible for three black-type winners headed by the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains hero and sire Falco, while the highly influential fourth dam Featherhill (Fr) (Lyphard) is a half to the champion Indian Rose (Fr) (General Holme) and sires Vert Amande and Le Nain Jaune (Fr). Sousmarine has a 2-year-old filly by Shamardal named Setsuko (Fr) to come.

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Soleil Marin | Scoop Dyga

2nd-SCD, €30,000, Mdn, 3-23, 3yo, f, 10 1/2ft, 2:15.87, sf.
INDIAN SKIES (GB) (f, 3, [Dubawi {Ire}](#)--[Lady of Everest {Ire}](#), by [Montjeu {Ire}](#)), a 420,000gns TATOCT yearling, was a half-length ahead of Wednesday's La Croise-Laroche winner Diabliesse (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}) when runner-up over 9 1/2 furlongs on Deauville's Polytrack at the start of the month and languished with one behind early. Sent between rivals to make her impact once straightened for home, the even-money favourite was green but once she had found the lead 100 metres out was always doing enough to hold on by a short neck from Beyond the Sea (Sea the Stars {Ire}). The unraced Lady of Everest, who died last year, produced the smart Listed Height of Fashion S. winner and G1 Epsom Oaks third Lady of Dubai (GB) from a mating with Dubawi, SW & G1SP-Eng, \$154,122. The second dam Head In the Clouds (Ire) (Rainbow Quest) is one of the gems of Neil Jones's Abergwaun Farms, winning the G3 Princess Royal S. before producing the Listed Vintage Crop S. scorer and G1 Irish Oaks runner-up Roses for the Lady (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). Head In the Clouds is a half to the owner-breeder's star performer Millenary (GB), hero of the G1 St Leger, G2 Yorkshire Cup, G2 Jockey Club S., G2 Lonsdale Cup and two editions of the G2 Princess of Wales's S. and G2 Doncaster Cup apiece, as well as to the G1 Epsom Derby third and fellow sire Let The Lion Roar (GB). The parting shot of Lady of Everest, who ultimately emerges from the Ballymacoll dynasty of Spectrum (Ire) and Sun Princess (GB), is a 2-year-old daughter Saving Grace (GB) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €19,100.

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O-Godolphin; B-Fittocks Stud (GB); T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

1st-SCD, €27,000, Debutantes, 3-23, 2yo, 9 1/2ft, 0:53.63, sf.
+EVABIENCHOPE (FR) (f, 2, [Captain Chop {Fr}](#)--[Free Track {Fr}](#), by [Solid Illusion](#)), sent off the 23-10 favourite for France's first juvenile contest of 2017, showed the same speed that had made her the market leader on reputation to race towards the fore from the break. In front passing halfway, the bay only required hand riding to comfortably account for Get Even (GB) (Multiplex {GB}) by 1 3/4 lengths. The dam, who has already produced the useful listed winner Action Choche (Fr) (Muhaymin), is a half to the GII Bayakoa H. third Fonce De (Fr) (Smadoun {Fr}). Sales history: €31,000 RNA Ylg '16 OSASEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Guy Pariente; B-A Chopard (FR); T-Philippe Sogorb.

6th-SCD, €26,000, Cond, 3-23, 3yo, 8ft, 1:43.82, sf.
LIVRABLE (GB) (c, 3, [Exchange Rate](#)--[Medolina {SW-US}](#), \$130,858, by [Aragorn {Ire}](#)), who was third on his 3-year-old bow over 7 1/2 furlongs on the Polytrack at Deauville at the beginning of the month, raced in rear throughout the early stages. [Cont. p7](#)

6th-SCD, cont.

Tending to race lazily when the question was asked at the top of the straight, the 7-1 shot responded to the whip to work his way into the lead with 300 metres remaining and score by a head from Mille Pieds (Fr) (Zoffany {Ire}). Medolina, who has a 2-year-old colt by Intello (Ger) named Penseur (Ire) and a yearling colt by Mastercraftsman (Ire) named Melodrame (Ire), descends from the matriarch La Dame du Lac (Round Table). That half-sister to the champion Tosmah (Tim Tam) and leading sire Halo was responsible for the likes of the G1 Prix Morny third Heeremandi (Ire) (Royal Academy), herself the dam of the sire Emerald Cat, and Nazoo (Ire) (Nijinsky II), who produced the G1 Prix Saint-Alary heroine and G1 Prix de Diane runner-up Nadia (GB) (Nashwan). This is also the family of the sires Lake Como and Zindabad (Fr) (Shirley Heights {GB}) and the dual champion Flawlessly (Affirmed). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, €24,900. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (GB); T-Christophe Ferland.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Puelo (Fr), c, 3, **Sinndar (Ire)**--Premiere Danseuse (GB), by Gold Away (Ire). LYS, 3-23, 2150m (AWT), 2:14.49. B-Dayton Investments Ltd (FR). *€22,000 HRA '16 GOFSEP.



This filly from the first crop of Hot Streak (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}) is out of the Group 3-placed Stroll Patrol (GB) (Mount Nelson {GB}) from the family of GI Turf Classic S. winner Stroll (Pulpit). | Tweenhills

BRITAIN**Thursday's Results:**

6th-WOL, £5,000, Mdn, 3-23, 3/up, f, 8f 141y (AWT), 1:50.67, st. +HIDDEN CHARMS (IRE) (f, 3, [Canford Cliffs {Ire}](#)--[Gilded Vanity {Ire}](#), by [Indian Ridge {Ire}](#)), a 200,000gns TATOCT yearling, was slowly away but unhurried early and allowed to find her feet in rear. Cajoled into contention off the home turn, the 9-1 shot responded to hand riding to roll to the front 50 yards from the line and register a snug 3/4-of-a-length success from Rinaria (Ire) (Tamayuz {GB}). The dam has also produced the G2 Superlative S. runner-up Birdman (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), GSP-Eng & Ire, \$164,679, and also a full-sister to that smart performer in the G3 Coolmore Stud Fillies' Sprint S. third A Mind of Her Own (Ire). Still with a yearling colt by No Nay Never to come, she is a full-sister to the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas runner-up Fa-Eq (Ire), related to a clutch of speedy and precocious Ballydoyle representatives who made their mark in pattern-race company in Abraham Lincoln (Ire) (Danehill), South Dakota (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and Devil Moon (Ire) (Danehill). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,037. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Mrs Doreen Tabor; B-Lynchbages Edgeridge Ltd & Glenvale Stud (IRE); T-David Simcock.

1st-CHD, £8,000, Mdn, 3-23, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :59.97, st. MIDNIGHTLY (GB) (f, 3, [Acclamation {GB}](#)--[Midnight Shift {Ire}](#), by [Night Shift](#)), staying on when runner-up over five furlongs at Lingfield on debut Feb. 18, broke well to dispute the lead against the rail. In front before halfway, the 9-2 second favourite maintained the pressure to hit the line two lengths to the good over Kowaiyess (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}). "She might be quite nice and it is a nice family," her owner-breeder Chris Mills commented. "The dam's just been covered by Sea the Moon (Ger) and she's been very good to us." Midnight Shift's first foal was the talented sprinter Miss Anabaa (GB) (Anabaa), who captured the G3 Ballyogan S., GSW-Ire & SP-Fr, \$116,302, while two of her daughters also produced smart types in the listed-winning Minalisa (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) and the G3 Prix du Bois scorer and Italian highweight Fly On the Night (GB) (Equiano {Fr}). A half to the G1 July Cup-winning sire Owington (GB), who is also connected to the G1 Phoenix S. scorer Dick Whittington (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) and the G3 Nell Gwyn S. winner and G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches runner-up Nathra (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), she has a 2-year-old colt by Equiano (Fr) and the aforementioned Sea the Moon to follow. Sales history: 50,000gns RNA Wlg '14 TATFOA. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$7,535. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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TATTS TOP LOT HEADED TO AUSTRALIA

Three-year-old filly **Lost Diamond (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) is headed to Australia after being purchased by agent Johnny McKeever for £70,000 at Thursday's Tattersalls Ireland Ascot March Sale. The unraced filly is out of the Group 2-placed Lurina (Ire) (Lure), and a half-sister to G2 Great Voltigeur S. winner Centennial (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}) and Listed Salsabil S. winner Siren's Song (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}). It is also the family of dual Group 1 winner Croco Rouge (Ire) (Rainbow Quest).

At the conclusion of the sale, Director of Horses in Training Sales at Tattersalls Ireland, Richard Pugh, said, "The decision to consolidate the Ascot February and April Sales and strategically position the Ascot March Sale to the week after the Cheltenham Festival has proven to be the right one and the new date has been very well-supported by vendors. The success of today's sale, which saw robust demand for Point to Pointers and the expected and anticipated trade for the exclusive draft from Godolphin, has demonstrated again that Ascot is a viable alternative for all categories of bloodstock. Today's sale has produced positive statistics with 13 horses selling for £20,000 or more and we now look forward to the Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Breeze-Up Sale on Apr. 4 and 5, which saw the aggregate increase by 120% in 2016."

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HRH The Duchess of Cornwall met Frankel during a visit to Juddmonte Farms's Banstead Manor Stud in Newmarket on Wednesday. HRH also toured the stables and viewed a selection of Juddmonte's mares and foals. Douglas Erskine Crum, CEO Juddmonte Group, said, "We were delighted to welcome The Duchess Of Cornwall to Banstead Manor Stud. It was a pleasure to be able to show her Frankel as well as behind the scenes of our European headquarters." | *Laura Green*

WORLDWIDE NEWS

SHE WILL REIGN TO RUN IN EVEREST

Last weekend's G1 Golden Slipper winner **She Will Reign (Aus)** (Manhattan Rain {Aus}) is the first horse confirmed for the inaugural running of the A\$10-million The Everest on Oct. 14. Owner Darby Racing confirmed on Twitter on Thursday that it has purchased a starting spot from Yu Long Investments in a deal brokered by Inglis.

The Everest offers 12 starting spots for purchase for A\$600,000 apiece, with the purchaser of a slot having the right to run their own horse, lease a horse or sell the slot at their discretion. [Click here](#) for a TDN Q&A with Racing NSW Chief Executive Peter V'landys on The Everest.

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Golden Slipper winner She Will Reign | Bronwen Healy

DERBY WINNER SEARCHING FOR BMW WIN

One of three last-start winners in Saturday's A\$1.5-million G1 The BMW at Rosehill Gardens, last season's G1 Australian Derby winner **Tavago (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}) comes into the 2400m contest having taken out the G3 Sky High S. at the track over 2000m last time out.

With his only start at the trip resulting in an impressive 3 1/4-length victory over **Jameka (Aus)** (Myboycharlie {Ire}) in the Derby just under 12 months prior, the Trent Busuttin and Natalie Young-trained Tavago (NZ) has some good wet form and should be capable of playing a leading role in the finish. [Cont. p9](#)

The BMW cont.

While a failure at his only prior start over 2400m in the New Zealand Derby at three when trained in his native homeland, last-start G1 Australian Cup (2000m) winner **Humidor (NZ)** (Teofilo {NZ}) has improved considerably since joining the Darren Weir yard, and with jockey Damian Lane—who understands the 4-year-old, having ridden him at his last four starts—aboard, the talented middle-distance performer looks up to recording back-to-back Group 1 victories.

Super impressive last Saturday in the G1 Ranvet S. over 2000m when winning by more than three lengths, the Lee and Anthony Freedman-trained **Our Ivanhowe (Ger)** (Soldier Hollow {GB}) was having his first start since the G1 Melbourne Cup in November. Now a dual Group 1 winner at 2000m plus, Our Ivanhowe certainly has shown a liking for the heavy track conditions as well as the Rosehill track, and if there are no issues with the week back-up, the stallion prospect should prove very competitive with Golden Slipper-winning jockey Ben Melham aboard.

A winner over 2400m of the G1 Caulfield Cup during the spring, Ciaran Maher’s talented mare Jameka has produced some outstanding closing sectionals at her three runs back from a spell including her last-start narrow defeat to Humidor in the Australian Cup. Impressive on the heavy ground in the G1 Victorian Oaks as a 3-year-old, the mare will be ridden by Hugh Bowman, who will be having his second start on the 4-year-old after piloting her last start to a narrow Group 1 defeat.

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Tavago winning last year’s Australian Derby | Sharon Chapman

DAWN WALL HAS PEDIGREE FOR VINERY WIN

The most inexperienced in terms of number of race starts heading into the G1 Vinery Stud S. (2000m) at just her fifth start, trainer Chris Waller is sure to have the last-start G3 Kembla Classic winner **Dawn Wall (Aus)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) primed for a forward showing.

Out of an unraced half-sister to G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Carnegie (Ire) (Sadler’s Wells), Dawn Wall is by Coolmore’s champion sire Fastnet Rock (Aus), who has sired 27 individual Group 1 winners, seven at 2000m and over.

Second in the G1 VRC Oaks during the spring carnival in Melbourne, the David and Ben Hayes and Tom Dabernig-trained **Harlow Gold (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}) will relish the trip off the back of a fourth to Hey Doc (Aus) (Duporth {Aus}) in the G1 Australian Guineas three weeks ago.

If you’re willing to forgive the last-placed finish of **La Bella Diosa (NZ)** (So You Think {NZ}) against the older mares in the G1 Coolmore Classic last start, the G1 NZ One Thousand Guineas winner will appreciate being back against her own age group on the wet track surface.

Although Sydney trained, Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott’s **Cassadee (Aus)** (Redoute’s Choice {Aus}) has raced in Melbourne for her last four starts, winning her most recent two by a combined margin of more than seven lengths. While having never meet the class of Saturday’s race, the filly is race fit and likes to get out in front and could prove hard to catch.



DID YOU KNOW?

Zarak (Dubawi)
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Saturday, Rosehill, New South Wales, Australia, post time: 3:30 p.m. (12:30 a.m. EDT)

THE BMW-G1, A\$1,500,000 (US\$1,152,135/£924,371/€1,065,099), Open, WFA, 3yo/up, 2400m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | WT |
|----|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------|-----|
| 1 | Our Ivanhowe (Ger) | Soldier Hollow (GB) | Melham | L/A Freedman | 130 |
| 2 | Exospheric (GB) | Beat Hollow (GB) | Oliver | L/A Freedman | 130 |
| 3 | Who Shot Thebarman (NZ) | Yamanin Vital (NZ) | Clark | Waller | 130 |
| 4 | Grand Marshal (GB) | Dansili (GB) | Collett | Waller | 130 |
| 5 | Libran (Ire) | Lawman (Fr) | Schofield | Waller | 130 |
| 6 | Humidor (NZ) | Teofilo (Ire) | Lane | Weir | 129 |
| 7 | Tavago (NZ) | Tavistock (NZ) | Shinn | Busuttin & Young | 129 |
| 8 | Jameka (Aus) | Myboycharlie (Ire) | Bowman | Maher | 124 |
| 9 | Lasqueti Spirit (Aus) | Beneteau (Aus) | Avdulla | Curtis | 115 |

Saturday, Rosehill, New South Wales, Australia, post time: 4:10 p.m. (1:10 a.m. EDT)

VINERY STUD S-G1, A\$500,000 (US\$383,658/£308,113/€354,845), Open, 3yo, f, 2000m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER |
|----|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 1 | La Bella Diosa (NZ) | So You Think (NZ) | Collett | M/M Brown |
| 2 | Foxplay (Aus) | Foxwedge (Aus) | Bowman | Waller |
| 3 | Harlow Gold (NZ) | Tavistock (NZ) | Bayliss | D/B Hayes & Dabernig |
| 4 | Dawn Wall (Aus) | Fastnet Rock (Aus) | Melham | Waller |
| 5 | Nurse Kitchen (NZ) | Savabeel (Aus) | Shinn | Brideoake |
| 6 | Smart as You Think (Aus) | So You Think (NZ) | Brown | McArdle |
| 7 | Lubiton (Aus) | Snitzel (Aus) | Schofield | Baker |
| 8 | Cassadee (Aus) | Redoute's Choice (Aus) | Clark | Waterhouse & Bott |
| 9 | Moqueen (Aus) | Uncle Mo | Avdulla | A/E Cummings |
| 10 | Montoya's Secret (Aus) | High Chaparral (Ire) | Callow | L/T Corstens |
| 11 | Concessions (Aus) | Tickets (Aus) | Taylor | Singleton |
| 12 | She's Magical (Aus) | Gio Ponti | Adkins | Hickman |
| 13 | Kamili (Aus) | Bernardini | Oliver | Carey |

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