



## Q&A WITH CHRIS KAY



Chris Kay | A. Coglianese

By T.D. Thornton

The New York Racing Association is ending 2017 with an impressive list of accomplishments: Saratoga Race Course closed its 40-day meet with a record for all-sources handle. A second turf course was installed at Aqueduct Racetrack, and the main track there was also upgraded. The association continued to roll out and upgrade its technological infrastructure, including customer-facing platforms like NYRA Bets, NYRA Now, NYRA XP, and the extension of national and regional television deals. At the state level, control of NYRA was returned to a private entity after being run by a public oversight board for more than four years.

Entering 2018 though, NYRA still faces plenty of challenges. The oft-debated future of whether downstate racing will be consolidated at one racetrack instead of two is still up in the air. The future use of state-owned land at Belmont Park could be decided as early as Wednesday as the state zeros in on proposals for developing parking areas that largely go unused. Could Saratoga dates be expanded? Will Belmont ever bid for the Breeders' Cup again? These were among the questions TDN asked NYRA president and chief executive officer Chris Kay during a half-hour phone interview this past weekend.

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## SAN LUIS REY VICTIM BELLOCQ HAS LONG ROAD TO RECOVERY *By Bill Finley*

Pierre Bellocq, the husband of Martine Bellocq, said Tuesday that his wife has made slight improvement since being burned in the Dec. 7 fire at San Luis Rey Downs, but added that she had a long battle ahead of her.

"It's going to be a very long healing process and a very long medical process, but she is out of critical care," said Bellocq, who served as the co-trainer with his wife of a six-horse stable at San Luis Rey. "She is still in very serious condition. She has had some surgeries, about four of them already on the skin, and has many more to come. The progress is there, but it is very, very little. It's going to take a long time. According to the heart monitor, she apparently can hear me when I talk to her now, but she can't communicate at all yet. It's going to take time, but the care at this hospital [the Burn Center at UC San Diego Health] is extraordinary. I do believe she will return to a normal life, but even the doctors don't know if it is going to take six months or nine months or how long. It depends on how her burns heal."

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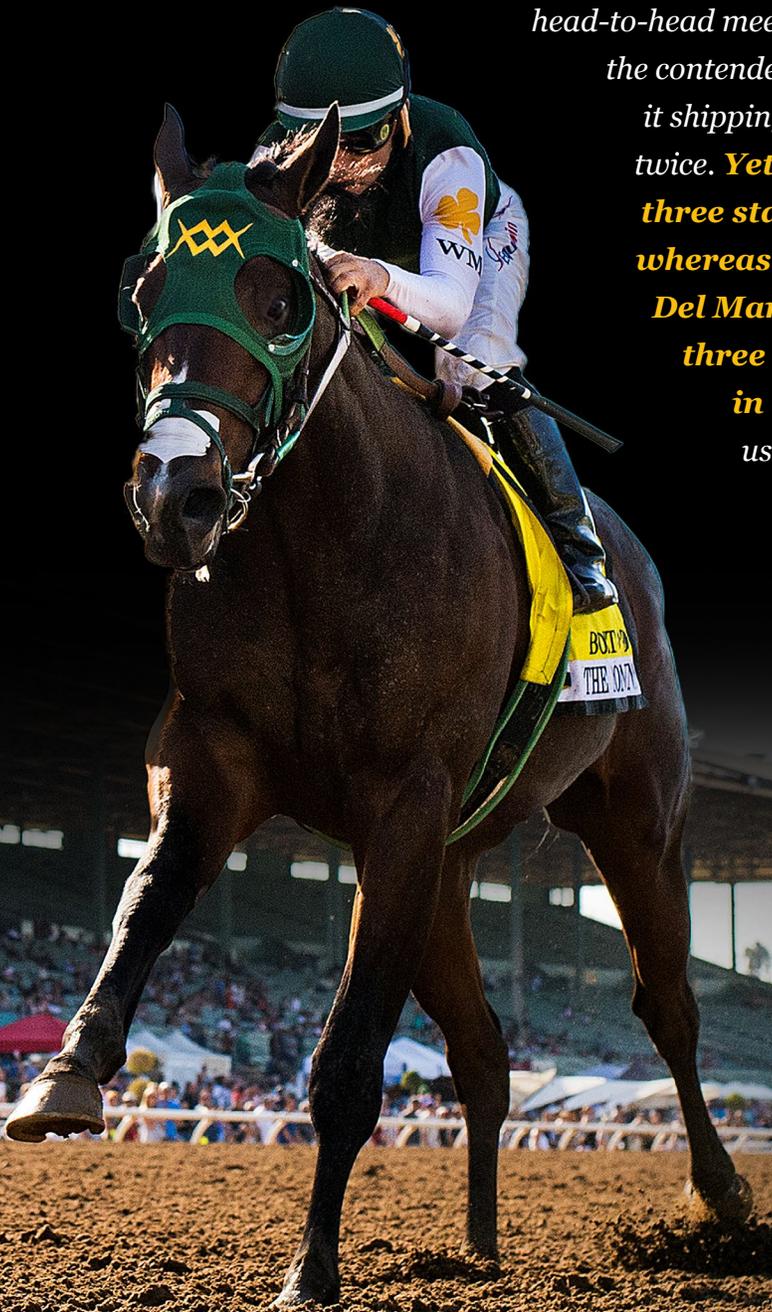
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**A new career.** Isabela de Sousa is all smiles as she poses for a photo with Cozmic One (Bernardini). Team Zenyatta and de Sousa Stables, a hunter/jumper barn based in Lexington, KY, announced Tuesday that the first foal out of Horse of the Year and Hall of Famer Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) will train for and compete in the 2018 Retired Racehorse Project Thoroughbred Makeover, which takes place October 4-7 at the Kentucky Horse Park. | Photo courtesy of de Sousa Stables

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**TDN:** With two weeks remaining in 2017, how would you sum up the past 11 1/2 months at NYRA?

**CK:** If there is one description that I could give to you, is that it's a year of continuous improvement. We came in a few years ago, and we tried to make improvements in three primary areas: 1) To enhance the guest experience both on-track and online; 2) To improve the quality of racing and the safety of our equine athletes and our jockeys; and 3) To strengthen our financial foundation so we can be sustainable for decades to come. And what we're seeing is that each year, the improvement that we make in that year becomes the platform to have even more improvement and achievement moving forward.

**TDN:** Among the big changes was NYRA's transition from a public oversight board to private control. How has that changed the way you conduct business? For nearly five years, NYRA board meetings were open to the public and live-streamed on the internet. Is there a big difference now in not having to discuss the future of the association in a public forum?

**CK:** We have some very tough competitors in this industry. And I know of no other [racing association] board that opens up their meetings to let the competitors listen in on their strategies. And as a consequence, when we were under public control, we provided essentially a report on how we were doing. But we didn't get into any kind of public debate on where we should go. And the great thing about our board is it is comprised of a number of men and women who are very talented, very bright in their own fields, with great insights and a love of horse racing. But we couldn't have those kinds of debates in public. We can do it now in private, and it has been very beneficial.

**TDN:** Can you let us in on some projects that are being discussed behind closed doors that we might see come to reality in 2018?

**CK:** I'll give you one or two hints about what we're going to do at Saratoga, how about that?

First, we're going to create a section of loge boxes that are going to be different from anything we've ever done before. In fact, it's going to be the first enhancement to the structure since 1955. We're going to take out about five sections of grandstand seats, and create boxes--some will have sofas, and some will have very comfortable tables and chairs. All of the boxes will have incredibly awesome technological capabilities. **Cont. p4**

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In addition, we're also going to have individual seats, right there next to the rail, and we're also going to have a massive bar--it will be very cool. You can buy a designated ticket to sit at this bar, and you'll have an iPad in front of you for the day. That will be at the end of the grandstand--think at the top of the stretch.

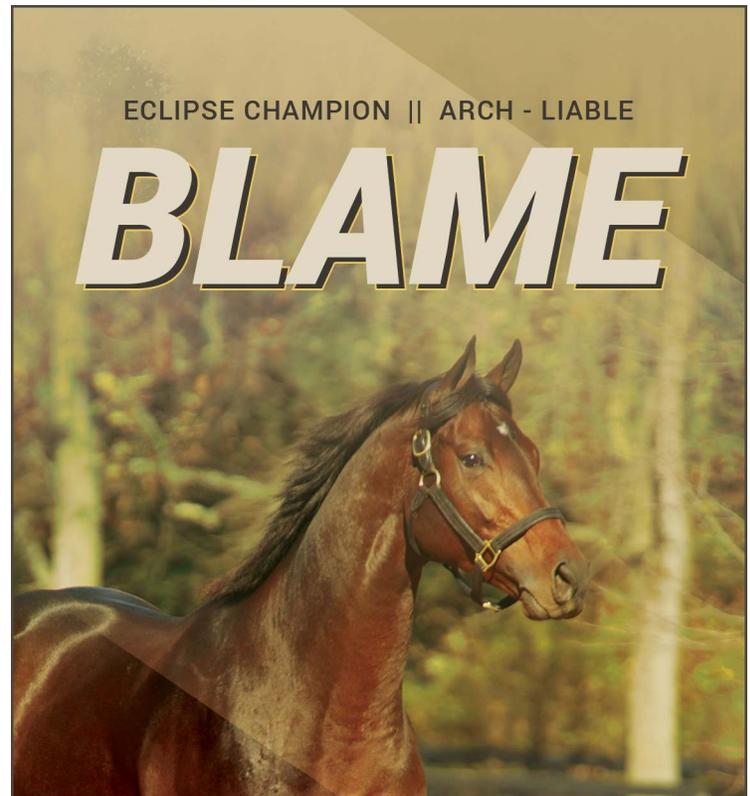
So whether you're coming by yourself, or with a buddy, or part of a group of four or eight or 12, there'll be some choices for you.

**TDN:** Thinking down the road, what about the length of the Saratoga season? Fans and horsemen never seem to tire of speculating about whether or not the meet will get extended beyond the current 40-day format.

**CK:** I'm only going to think down the road for 2018. We're going to have the same 40 days we had last year, starting the middle of July and ending on Labor Day. It's funny, every year, everybody wants to ask this question. I've come to learn it's one of the things everybody want to talk about.

**TDN:** I understand you have to play that question close to the vest politically. But what is your personal opinion? Where is the sweet spot for the meet? Is 40 days a good number in your mind?

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**CK:** The law calls for us to have 40 days, so my focus has been “What can we do to make each one of those 40 days special?” And that’s kind of the way we work.

**TDN:** Let’s shift the focus downstate. It’s been debated for years whether it makes sense for NYRA to run meets both at Aqueduct and Belmont, and Belmont seems to be the clear candidate to be the track that gets upgraded for year-round use. Where does that stand right now?

**CK:** The core question that everybody needs to understand is this: What is the best way to utilize these properties? We’re in New York City. The best way to utilize them may be to continue as two racetracks. Or the best way may be to have one racetrack that’s enhanced, and another one to be developed for an alternative purpose. What would that alternative purpose be? That’s dependent on someone coming to us and saying “I’ve got

a great idea, and here’s how much we’ll pay you.” So some of this is what are the market dynamics out there, and what are developers willing to do? For us, at this moment in time, we don’t have those developers knocking on our doors for Aqueduct, so what we’re doing is making Aqueduct as strong as possible.

**TDN:** It’s been openly speculated that the installation of that second turf course at Aqueduct is part of a pre-emptive plan for closing Belmont for a year or 18 months while renovations are done at Belmont to get it ready to be NYRA’s sole downstate track. Any truth to that?

**CK:** I guess what I’d say to you is this: The most important thing

an executive can do is to create opportunities for future development depending upon market condition. So what you do is say, “Today, here’s what the business is like. How can I make it better?” As I make it better, what does that mean for the future? **Cont. p6**



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**CK:** As I said a moment ago, there are lots of factors that go on in development, including who are the developers and how do state lawmakers feel about it. It would be folly for anybody to say, "I've got a plan, here's how it's all going to work." What we have to do is make sure we're doing the best we can for our horsemen and horseplayers today, and doing it in a way that can create options for the future.

**TDN:** We could get some clarity as early as Wednesday about the future development of the land surrounding Belmont. Are you at liberty to discuss how that might turn out?

**CK:** The state owns the land, and the state has issued a request for proposal (RFP) to develop an eight-acre parcel in our parking lot adjacent to the train station north of Hempstead Turnpike, and a 27-acre parking lot south of Hempstead. In the RFP, the state said it wanted to hear from organizations interested in creating a sports and entertainment district at Belmont Park in conjunction with and in an effort to enhance Thoroughbred horse racing.

We support all of that, and it is public knowledge that both the New York Islanders NHL hockey team and the New York City Football Club, which is the MLS soccer team, have submitted bids, and those bids do provide for an entertainment and retail

district as well as the construction of their sporting venue. All of which I think is in the best interest of Thoroughbred horse racing, and would create a real destination for people here in New York.

So potentially, we could have two sporting venues-- Thoroughbred horse racing at Belmont, and one of those other two stadiums--connected by a retail and entertainment district.

**TDN:** What about the addition of lights at Belmont for night racing? That was talked about quite a bit in 2016 and early 2017, but it's kind of gone dark lately, if you'll excuse the pun. Can you fill us in on what's happening with that idea?

**CK:** We would like to see night racing at Belmont, primarily because the sport of horse racing needs to generate new generations of fans, like millenials. And those folks are working on a Thursday or a Friday afternoon. They like to go out and have a good time; we want to provide them with that opportunity. We want to offer our sport the way baseball offers their sport, at night when people can go. We were very encouraged that we were able to get the state Senate to pass that [lights] bill during this last session. However, it was late in the session, and it was not addressed by the other body of our Legislature, the Assembly. We hope to get passage of that in 2018. **Cont. p7**

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**CK:** When you think about what we just discussed as to the development of Belmont Park as a sports and entertainment destination, there are going to be people coming in the evening, going to some of those restaurants and the other sporting venue operating, or to a concert or whatever else is going on. Restaurateurs need and want to have the kind of traffic that we can generate if we have horse racing on a Thursday or a Friday

night. So I think this concept of night racing is good for NYRA, it is good for the sport of horse racing, and it will be good for whoever our neighbors and partners will be in the development of Belmont Park.

**TDN:** NYRA hasn't hosted the Breeders' Cup since 2005. Are there plans for bidding on hosting racing's world championships in the future?

**CK:** Yes. So let me be clear: When I met with the board of the Breeders' Cup in 2013, roughly a month after I took the job, they said "We want to bring the Breeders' Cup back to New York. When are you going to have [Belmont] renovated?" That's because our building doesn't have any heat. The first week of November can be very cold. It's essentially concrete, and concrete holds the cold.

As part of our plan, we want to see Belmont renovated. [The latest version of Belmont] was built in 1968, and it has the amenities of a 1968 facility. We need to provide updated amenities, and we're working towards that day. When that day comes, I'll be the first person to be submitting a request that the Breeders' Cup come back to New York, and that New York be part of the rotation every three, four, five years thereafter. We want to do it, but we want to do it right.

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**San Luis Rey Victim Had Long Road to Recovery cont. from p1**



**Pierre & Martine Bellocq**

Bellocq described a harrowing and chaotic scene at San Luis Rey when the fire swept through the training center. He said his wife put the safety of the horses over her own as the two worked feverishly to get their horses out of harm's way. Bellocq said he had rescued a horse and went to take it to the training track, and warned his wife not to go back in the barn.

"We had a very nice, unraced 2-year-old colt," Bellocq said of a

horse named Wild Bill Hickory (Many Rivers). "He was a beautiful specimen, starting to train on. He was sort of the star of the show, and unfortunately, he was in the worst possible spot when everything went to hell. She had tried first hosing down the stalls of the horses. Then it just exploded. She went in there to try to get him out to save him, and got as far as the shedrow, and the horse was just engulfed in flames and so was she, basically. She wouldn't have done it any other way, outside of being physically dragged away and I was too late to do that when the barn just exploded."

While noting his wife's heroic act, he said he is more focused on the results of her decision to go in after the horse.

"It's something that is perhaps frustrating, because I was trying to convince her not to put her life in danger," he said. "I asked her not to go in there after I left with the horse and when I got back to the barn, I found her on the ground in the state she was in. Third-degree burns over 60% of her body. I would have much preferred that she didn't get burned the way she did."

Bellocq admitted to wondering if he did enough to keep his wife away from the fire.

"In retrospect, should I have done this, should I have done that?" he said. "It kind of haunts me all day, all night, really. But I know she wouldn't have done anything other than what she did to try to save the horse." **Cont. p9**

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**San Luis Rey Victim Had Long Road to Recovery cont.**

Once he found his wife, Bellocq’s next goal was to get her medical care as soon as possible. Despite the chaos that had overtaken the training center as the fires raged, he was able to track down help.

“It was a question of getting her in a golf cart,” Bellocq said. “It was like a wild circus, but I had to get her to the one exit at the training track and try to get the medics to alleviate the pain. There were something like 100 vans and trailers there and the police were totally overwhelmed. It was just a mess, but they got her airlifted to where she is now.”

Bellocq said there was one point a few minutes earlier when the situation looked like it was going to be manageable.

“I was there trying to help out until the fire truck could get there,” he said. “On the perimeter of the barn, where the fire was already raging, everyone was helping with shovels and trying to fight off the fires. It looked like it was going to be under control and then it flared up on the other side and I ran up the hill to help them put out the fires there. All this time, Martine was trying to hose everything down and it looked like it might be under control and then I looked around and the palm trees caught fire, and I knew that was the end of it. I ran back there and started grabbing one horse at a time, going down the line. It was just too late. In maybe two minutes, three minutes, it was over. It was really a catastrophe.”

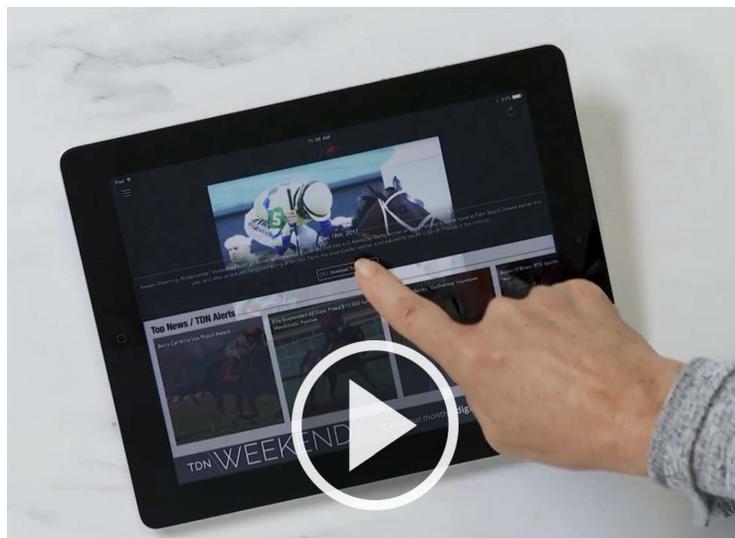


San Luis Rey during the Lilac Fire | Eclipse Sportswire/Patrick Fallon

The Bellocqs lost two horses in the fire. Bellocq said the other four that were saved are doing fine.

“The other four are good, they are okay,” the horseman said. “They are training at Del Mar and they survived the ordeal quite well. A few bumps and scratches, but nothing more. They all seem to be okay, breathing-wise, so we are going on with their training right now.” [\(Click here to return to p1\)](#)

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**December 20, 1987...****D. Wayne Lukas**-trainee **Tejano** became the first juvenile millionaire when he won the Hollywood Futurity with Laffit Pincay Jr. aboard.

**December 22, 1991...**Jockey **Kent Desormeaux**, at age 21, won his 2,000th race aboard Saron Lake, trained by Gary Jones, at Hollywood Park. He was the youngest jockey to reach that mark and did so faster than any other rider.

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2	<b>Overanalyze</b> (2010) by Dixie Union FYR: 2015 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$10,000	4	6	--	2	--	1	62	26	\$237,000 Piedi Bianchi	\$1,591,788
3	<b>Flat Out</b> (2006) by Flatter FYR: 2015 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$7,000	1	3	--	--	--	--	50	19	\$89,600 Pacific Gale	\$677,873
4	<b>Jimmy Creed</b> (2009) by Distorted Humor FYR: 2015 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$5,000	2	6	1	2	--	1	39	18	\$188,400 Spectator	\$795,956
5	<b>Graydar</b> (2009) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2015 Stands: Taylor Made Stallions KY Fee: \$12,500	--	1	--	--	--	--	52	14	\$47,200 Under the Graydar	\$529,919
6	<b>Shanghai Bobby</b> (2010) by Harlan's Holiday FYR: 2015 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$25,000	3	8	--	--	--	--	49	13	\$170,832 Mr. Pete	\$903,908
7	<b>Power Broker</b> (2010) by Pulpit FYR: 2015 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$3,500	--	--	--	--	--	--	30	13	\$47,090 Cute Knows Cute	\$312,594
8	<b>Paynter</b> (2009) by Awesome Again FYR: 2015 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$20,000	1	4	--	--	--	--	48	12	\$81,777 Renaissance Frolic	\$670,410
9	<b>Treasure Beach (GB)</b> (2008) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2015 Stands: Pleasant Acres Stallions FL Fee: \$10,000	--	2	--	--	--	--	32	12	\$82,500 Ambassador Jim	\$543,739
10	<b>Justin Phillip</b> (2008) by First Samurai FYR: 2015 Stands: Castleton Lyons KY Fee: \$5,000	1	4	--	--	--	--	38	12	\$132,867 What a Catch	\$481,828
11	<b>Morning Line</b> (2007) by Tiznow FYR: 2015 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$10,000	1	2	--	--	--	--	29	12	\$92,745 Surrender Now	\$470,126
12	<b>New Year's Day</b> (2011) by Street Cry (Ire) FYR: 2015 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$3,500	--	2	--	1	--	1	27	11	\$113,245 Yesterday's News	\$591,919
13	<b>Soldat</b> (2008) by War Front FYR: 2015 Stands: Woodford Thoroughbreds FL Fee: \$5,000	--	1	--	--	--	--	41	11	\$50,695 Pete Marwick	\$405,920
14	<b>Animal Kingdom</b> (2008) by Leroidesanimaux (Brz) FYR: 2015 Stands: Jonabell Farm KY Fee: \$30,000	3	4	1	2	--	1	34	10	\$335,600 Untamed Domain	\$903,614
15	<b>Point of Entry</b> (2008) by Dynaformer FYR: 2015 Stands: Adena Springs KY Fee: \$20,000	2	2	1	1	--	--	37	10	\$105,000 Analyze It	\$618,581

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## EASTERN U.S.

### Tuesday's Results:

**6th-PRX, \$59,870, Msw, 12-19, 2yo, 6f, 1:13.62, ft.**

**JUMPMASER (c, 2, Jump Start--Bellflower, by Cherokee Run)**

was runner-up debuting in the local slop Aug. 7 and dropped a spot here Sept. 3 before finishing second again in the restricted Christopher Elser Memorial S. Nov. 25 at Laurel behind Whirlin Curlin (Curlin), who returned to upset the Maryland Juvenile Futurity S. at 21-1. Pounded to 1-2 in this spot, the bay broke alertly and sat a close-up second through a :22.37 quarter.

Drawing on even terms passing a :46.21 half, the favorite poked his head in front a furlong from home and edged clear late to a three-length success. Justaholic (Justin Phillip) was second-best after setting the pace. The victor has a yearling half-sister by Scat Daddy named Kew Palace and his dam was bred to Shanghai Bobby this season. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-1, \$67,130.

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O-Tom Coulter; B-Arrowwood Farm, Inc. (PA); T-Guadalupe Preciado.

## CENTRAL U.S.

### Tuesday's Results:

**1st-MVR, \$28,500, (S), Msw, 12-19, 2yo, 6f, 1:15.97, ft.**

**BUSTER'S BOY (c, 2, Twinspired--Maggie's Pleasure, by**

**Eavesdropper)**, made the 29-10 second choice in this debut off of an unassuming worktab, was hustled away to sit second through a :23.41 quarter. Taking over midway on the turn, the gray beat back a bid from favored Stronghammer (Mobil) by the top of the lane and drew clear in the final furlong to a 5 1/4-length success. Stronghammer completed the exacta. The winner is the second for his freshman sire (by Harlan's Holiday). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$17,100. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).

O-Pine Ridge Farm (Holland) & Jim Rumford; B-Pine Ridge Farm (OH); T-William D. Cowans.

## INDUSTRY INFO

### National Museum of Racing & Hall of Fame Launches Foal Patrol:

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame will launch an innovative new project called Foal Patrol, a collection of live web cameras where people can view streams of several in-foal mares during their pregnancy through the actual foaling. The live camera feeds will be available beginning Dec. 19 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST daily with extended hours as the expected foaling date approaches. The live cameras can be accessed for free by visiting [www.foalpatrol.com](http://www.foalpatrol.com).

"We are delighted to be the first to offer this one-of-a-kind program that will build new fans and strengthen insights for racing enthusiasts," said Cathy Marino, the Museum's director. "We are so thankful for the creative mind and generous heart of our president, John Hendrickson, who brought the Museum this opportunity. In addition to creating the concept of Foal Patrol, Mr. Hendrickson and his wife, renowned philanthropist and Thoroughbred owner Marylou Whitney, are underwriting most of the project."

Foal Patrol will debut with five mares: **Sabbatical** (Medaglia d'Oro) at Claiborne Farm in Paris, KY. (in foal to War Front and expected to foal Jan. 28); **Stopchargingmaria** (Tale of the Cat) at Three Chimneys Farm in Versailles, KY. (in foal to Pioneer of the Nile and expected to foal Feb. 2); **Centre Court** (Smart Strike) at Shawnee Farm in Harrodsburg, KY. (in foal to Medaglia d'Oro and expected to foal Feb. 19); **La Verdad** (Yes It's True) at Edition Farm in Hyde Park, N.Y. (in foal to Tapit and expected to foal Mar. 15); and **Memento d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro) at Old Tavern Farm in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (in foal to Bodemeister and expected to foal Mar. 31).

Three additional mares are scheduled to be added to the Foal Patrol roster in March 2018: **Via Veneto** (Orientate) at Double Diamond Farm in Ocala, FL. (in foal to Bodemeister and expected to foal Apr. 25); **Bird Town** (Cape Town) at Gainesway Farm in Lexington, KY. (in foal to Empire Maker and expected to foal Apr. 26); and **Arravale** (Arch) at Chanteclair Farm in Versailles, KY. (in foal to American Pharoah and expected to foal May 24).

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“I am thrilled that Foal Patrol has become a reality. New fans, racing enthusiasts and young people will have their own virtual stable at their fingertips,” Hendrickson said. “They will get to know these magnificent athletes up close and personal and be an integral part of their lives through foaling and far beyond. One of my most-appreciated experiences is to be at Whitney Farm in Kentucky witnessing the foaling process. I truly believe, once you see a foal born, you will never be the same. I want everyone to feel ownership in this wonderful sport, with the magnificent beauty and tranquility of the farms as the backdrop. Foal Patrol will enable everyone to have unprecedented insight into a Thoroughbred's life and allow the followers to learn while having fun.”



Stopchargingmaria holds off Stellar Wind to win the 2015 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff | Coady

Each individual mare page will feature updates on the horse and extensive educational content, including information on breeding, nutrition, information about the stallion the mare was bred to and fun facts. There will also be a comprehensive background of each mare that includes its racing history, video and image galleries. Regular blogging, video content and audio interviews will keep fans of the horses updated on daily activities. Following the foaling, there will be updates on the development of the foal.

Fans following Foal Patrol can sign up for various contests, including opportunities to name some of the foals once they are born. There will be several prize packages announced throughout the duration of Foal Patrol that will feature unique racing experience packages. Whitney and Hendrickson have donated their box seats for the 2018 GI Kentucky Derby and GI Kentucky Oaks as the grand prize. The box seats six and is located at the finish line at Churchill Downs.

People can also sign up for alerts when there is notable activity involving the mares such as new blog postings or when the mare is close to the foaling date. Countdown clocks for each mare's expected foaling date will be included throughout the site.

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**Experimental Free Handicap to Be Renamed:**

The Experimental Free Handicap, a weight-based assessment of the previous year's leading 2-year-olds for a hypothetical race at 1 1/16 miles, has been renamed The Jockey Club's Annual Top 2-Year-Old Rankings, The Jockey Club announced Tuesday. The 2017 rankings will be published under the new name in late January.

“After consulting with various historians, racing secretaries, turf writers and other industry stakeholders, we feel that the time has come to re-brand the Experimental Free Handicap,” said James L. Gagliano, president and chief operating officer of The Jockey Club. “Today, the Experimental Free Handicap name seems to confuse more than enlighten anyone, especially new or prospective fans of our sport. We believe that The Jockey Club's Annual Top 2-Year-Old Rankings will more appropriately reflect The Jockey Club's association with the rankings and what the weights actually indicate.”

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**IN SOUTH KOREA:**

**Mighty Ssing**, c, 2, **Congrats**--Fantasy Forest, by Forestry. Seoul, 12-17, Hcp. (\$55k), 1200m. B-Woodford Thoroughbreds (KY). \*\$55,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$50,000 2yo '17 OBSAPR.

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**Sun Lighting**, c, 2, **Creative Cause**--Dattts Lady Di, by Proud Citizen. Seoul, 12-17, Hcp. (\$69k), 1000m. B-Bret Jones (KY). \*\$43,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$100,000 2yo '17 OBSJUN.

**Best Yeji**, f, 3, **Friesan Fire**--Duck the Punch, by Two Punch. Seoul, 12-16, Hcp. (\$69k), 1000m. B-Mrs J W Y Martin Jr & Country Life Farm (MD). \*\$3,500 Wlg '14 FTMDEC; \$14,000 Ylg '15 FTMOCT.

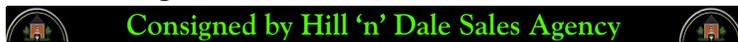
**IN PERU:**

**Smile Boy**, c, 2, **Distorted Humor**--Cat Dancer, by Storm Cat. Monterrico, 12-16, Maiden, 1000m, :58.27. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY). \*1/2 to Drill (Lawyer Ron), GISW, \$557,022. \*\*\$15,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. **VIDEO**

**Warrior's Gold**, h, 5, **Warrior's Reward**--Gold Revenue, by Touch Gold. Monterrico, 12-14, Hcp., 1000m, :57.55. B-Bernardo Alvarez Calderon & Teneri Farm Inc (KY). \*Posted his seventh consecutive victory. \*\*1/2 to Birdie Gold (Birdstone), G1SW-Per. \*\*\*\$32,000 RNA Ylg '13 KEESEP.

**IN PANAMA:**

**Tamborera**, f, 2, **Maclean's Music**--Holiday Bertie, by Harlan's Holiday. Presidente Remon, 12-17, Clasico Jorge Ameglio-Listed, 1400m. B-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings Inc (ON). \*\$14,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. **VIDEO**



Orb looks for his 10th winner in Wednesday's 8th race at Fair Grounds | Claiborne Farm

**IN MEXICO:**

**Pikudo**, c, 2, **Gemologist**--Southern Protocol (SP), by Dixieland Band. Hipodromo de las Americas, 12-16, XVII Campeonato Juvenil (NB), 1m, 1:40.4. B-G Watts Humphrey Jr (KY). \*Scored by approximately 15 lengths to take his record to four wins from five starts. \*\*1/2 to Stormquility (After Market), MSW, \$211,542. \*\*\*\$2,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. **VIDEO**

**Dubai d'Oro**, f, 2, **Warrior's Reward**--Empress of Dubai, by E Dubai. Hipodromo de las Americas, 12-16, VII Campeonato Juvenil (NB), 1m, 1:43. B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY). \*\$1,500 Ylg '16 KEESEP. **VIDEO**

**Paynter** (Awesome Again), WinStar Farm, \$25,000  
95 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner  
8-FG, Msw 1 1/16mT, STARVING ARTIST, 4-1  
\$100,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**Power Broker** (Pulpit), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$10,000  
56 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners  
6-MVR, Msw 5 1/2f, POSITIVE VIBES, 10-1  
\$2,000 KEE SEP yrl  
6-MVR, Msw 5 1/2f, POWER POP, 8-1  
CAN\$10,000 CAN SEP yrl

**Rattlesnake Bridge** (Tapit), Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds LLC, \$7,500  
46 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, AEROMOSA, 20-1  
\$37,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

**Take Charge Indy** (A.P. Indy), Kor, \$20,000  
103 foals of racing age/22 winners/2 black-type winners  
8-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, TENDER VALUE, 12-1  
\$55,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$8,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Turbo Compressor** (Halo's Image), Breakway Farm, \$3,500  
23 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners  
3-GP, Aoc 5ft, PICARA, 10-1

**Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, December 20**

*Farm and fee represent current information*

**Astrology** (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made Stallions, \$7,500  
156 foals of racing age/48 winners/2 black-type winners  
2-MVR, Msw 6f, HOTTLILNUMBER, 12-1

**Bullet Train (GB)** (Sadler's Wells), Crestwood Farm, \$7,500  
89 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner  
8-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, AXIOM, 12-1

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**Flat Out** (Flatter), Spendthrift Farm, \$10,000  
104 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner  
6-MVR, Msw 5 1/2f, TRUCKSTOP DIAMOND, 7-2  
\$30,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Orb** (Malibu Moon), Claiborne Farm, \$25,000  
99 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner  
8-FG, Msw 1 1/16mT, LUNA, 9-2

**Oxbow** (Awesome Again), Calumet Farm, \$20,000  
76 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, SCARLET BOW, 10-1  
\$105,000 KEE NOV wnl  
8-FG, Msw 1 1/16mT, SWEET OATS, 10-1



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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-PRX, \$51,180, 12-19, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:08.12, ft.**

**I'M THIRSTY (f, 3, Stay Thirsty--Slick Road {GSP, \$120,139}, by Mud Route)** Lifetime Record: 15-5-2-3, \$91,010. O-Carole Star Stables; B-Barry R. Ostrager (NY); T-Jose H. Delgado. \*\$8,000 Wlg '14 FTNMIX; \$16,000 Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$9,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR.

**2nd-MVR, \$22,000, 12-19, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:47.99, ft.**

**NORTH PRINCESS (f, 3, Northern Afleet--Jumpin Aire, by Jump Start)** Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-1, \$32,234. O-B and B Racing Stable (Beebe); B-D. R. Beebe (KY); T-C. Steve Larue.

**4th-MVR, \$22,000, 12-19, (NW2L), 2yo, 6f, 1:16.58, ft.**

**IT'S A MAJOR AWARD (c, 2, Algorithms--Deep in Dixie, by Dixie Union)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$28,288. O-Raymond Donald; B-Curtsinger/Salazar Stable (KY); T-Ivan Vazquez. \*\$9,000 RNA Wlg '15 KEENOV.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Five Star Kip, g, 3, Five Star Prospect--Lookingforthegold, by Kipling. SUN, 12-19, 6f, 1:11.93. B-Ron Bybee (OK).**



Kendrick Carmouche is honored at Parx after picking up his 3,000th career victory aboard Good Save (Street Sense) in Tuesday's 4th race.

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## ENERGETIC FOLEY GEARING UP FOR BUSY YEAR



Joe Foley is involved in many facets of the industry | Amy Lynam

By Daithi Harvey

They say if you want something done ask a busy person, so for that reason I was confident Joe Foley would spare 10 minutes out of his hectic schedule to give us his views on the wider bloodstock industry.

Having just got back to Ireland from a pre-Christmas family trip to Lapland, the Ballyhane man was in festive spirit as he looked back on a year that saw him wear many caps from stallion owner to pinhooker, yearling buyer, quasi-racing manager and all-round industry evangelist who is no stranger to committees and steering groups whose aims are to better Ireland's racing and breeding industry. As a man so entrenched in various levels of the sport, Foley is in a unique position to assess the health of the industry and while it is obvious that certain sectors have never been stronger, the trickle-down effect seems slow to engage.

"It's a strange sales market at the moment," he says. "It's getting stronger and stronger at the top. As we saw at the recent breeding stock sales there is a serious appetite among the major players to purchase those elite mares and the same applies to the yearling sale market, but is it filtering the whole way down? Probably not."

Auction results such as Marsha (GB) (Acclamation {GB}) fetching 6-million guineas may have elevated racing's news into the mainstream media, but it doesn't paint a wholly accurate picture of the state of play, as Foley points out. He says, "While it's phenomenally strong at the top, the market may be giving some misleading signals to the outside world as to the strength of the sales and it is certainly not quite as buoyant down through the various levels. However, it's great to see a lot of big players getting into the game trying to buy elite racehorses and producers. That's what we've been hoping for for years and now it is happening. It's so encouraging that so many wealthy people from all parts of the world want to buy good racehorses as it means they want to compete on the world stage and if you are lucky to own a racehorse that is on the up and looks like it could compete in the top races, then that horse is an extremely valuable commodity and it could result in a life-changing sale for someone."

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### Energetic Foley Gearing Up For Busy Year cont. from p1

Foley has transformed his family's former cattle farm into a thriving commercial stallion, breeding and pre-training facility, and he acknowledges that while the free spending of new investors is a boon to the industry it makes his job of identifying and acquiring stallion prospects an increasingly tricky task.

"It's possibly even more difficult now to buy stallion prospects than it was in the past and it was even difficult a number of years ago," he admits. "It goes back to what I said earlier in that there is a growing number of high-net-worth individuals willing to give significant sums of money to buy these high-class racehorses and these horses are often the future stallion prospects."

Ireland continues to house some of the world's most sought-after sires and it is a sector of the industry that has flourished ever since the then-Minister for Finance Charlie Haughey introduced a stallion tax exemption in 1969. That exemption was lifted in 2008 and while Ireland still occupies a lofty position in Europe, there are definite signs that the country's dominance is being gradually eroded.

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*"While it's phenomenally strong at the top, the market may be giving some misleading signals to the outside world as to the strength of the sales."*

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"I was chairman of the ITBA when the stallion tax exemption was rescinded by the government in 2008 and we predicted then, quite vociferously, to politicians and the wider industry, that Ireland would eventually lose its then dominant status within Europe," Foley says. "I think it's fair to say a lot of people didn't take us seriously, including parts of the media who thought we were just thinking the worst, but now less than 10 years later you can already see the difference. The proliferation and quality of new stallions retiring to France this year is stark evidence. When the tax exemption was lifted I think the highest-priced stallion standing in France was Elusive City for €15,000 and he was an ex-Irish stallion. When you see the quality in France now, the difference is staggering. I'm not saying that difference is completely down to the loss of the Irish stallion tax exemption, however it is a significant factor. Some of the horses who have retired to France in recent years would definitely have retired to Ireland under the old system."

Foley also sees Ireland's nearest neighbour upping its stallion offering in recent years and adds, "It's not just France, Britain likewise, maybe not quantity but the quality of stallion there compared to 2008 has significantly increased. So in my opinion the loss of the stallion tax exemption in Ireland has had a very quick negative effect on the industry."



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Joe Foley and entourage at Ballyhane Stud | Amy Lynam

He continued, "We said it back then; the stallions are the inner cog of a large wheel. The economic spinoff is widespread, from boarding farms taking visiting overseas mares, to vets, to farriers, even to the sales companies. The opposite is now happening in Ireland where you have an increased number of Irish breeders boarding their mares in France and selling their progeny in Arqana. So it's a complete reversal in less than 10 years."

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### **Joe Foley cont.**

These are the facts and the Irish Government needs to pay attention to what is a very successful global industry and not take it for granted. The stallion tax exemption was deemed to be state aid but there are examples of advantages that French breeders have over others in the form of premiums, could that be considered state aid?"

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*"In my opinion the loss of the stallion tax exemption in Ireland has had a very quick negative effect on the industry."*

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With that off his chest, Foley was back in his usual upbeat form when talking about his own stallions and why wouldn't he be? Dandy Man (Ire) (Mozart {Ire}) is making steady inroads and has built up a favourable international profile, especially in Hong Kong, where a number of his progeny have been quite successful.

"Dandy Man had a great year at the sales again and had plenty of 2-year-old winners. A lot of his better progeny are now based in Hong Kong so we don't get to see them very often. His yearlings this year are his best crop so we are hoping for a big year for him in 2018," he says.

Foley also has young stallions like Elzaam (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) and Red Jazz (Johannesburg) on his roster and is quite bullish about their prospects in what is a very unforgiving market. "Elzaam is a stallion I have a lot of faith in and I believe his stock is very much on the up. I bought a lot of foals and yearlings by him this year and I think he is going to take a significant rise up the rankings in years to come, and we were delighted with Red Jazz's first crop that hit the track this year."

### **Cont. p4**



Joe Foley at Ballyhane | Amy Lynam

**Joe Foley cont.**

Foley was a prominent buyer at the yearling sales during the autumn with the majority purchased on behalf of his good friend Steve Parkin of Clipper Logistics. The duo topped the Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale when giving £270,000 for a colt by Bated Breath (GB), though in the main the purchases were fillies with an eye on their post-racing career. He explains, "We bought some gorgeous yearlings for Steve this year and they look a really exciting bunch. While in previous years we sort of bought under the market, this year we really latched on to the ones we loved and made a big effort to go and buy them, so we have a lot to look forward to next spring."

Clipper Logistics has been an emerging force in recent years and with north of 60 horses in training for 2018, Foley will have his work cut out to keep tabs on the burgeoning string.

"Steve loves the sport of racing but he's also very interested in the business attached to it, hence his purchase a few years ago of a farm in Yorkshire," says Foley. "That is coming together nicely now and he is keen to develop a quality broodmare band. It's a two-pronged enjoyment for him. He wants to see these fillies race then retire and become successful broodmares back at the farm. We are really excited about 2018, we have a great roster of trainers in Britain and in Ireland and we will hopefully have Danny Tudhope riding the majority of the string in England next year."

Parkin has enjoyed Group 1 success in the past with Rosdhu Queen (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and he again struck at the top level this year when Suedois (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), who he part owns, won the GI Shadwell Turf Mile at Keeneland in October. Foley is hopeful that more Group 1 horses can emerge from the current crop of soon-to-be 2-year-olds, a string he gets to see on a regular basis.

"All the yearlings that we bought are in pre-training at Ballyhane. My wife Jane runs that part of it and it's exciting for Jane and her team to be involved with such a quality bunch of youngsters," he says. "We have cut down on the number of breeze-up horses to focus on the growing number of juveniles for Steve and he will come over shortly and we'll begin allocating them to all the different trainers. Some of the sharper ones will go after Christmas. We also have a few of the older horses here for a break--fillies like Fashion Queen (GB) (Aqlaam {GB}) and Gorane (Ire) (Dream Ahead), who both did well last year, will go back to their respective trainers in the New Year."

Foley's energy is infectious but he'll need to conserve every ounce of it to get through what looks like being a busy and fascinating 2018.

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### JOCKEY CLUB INCREASES CONTRIBUTIONS

The Jockey Club Racecourses will contribute an additional £4.2-million to prizemoney in 2018, putting its total contribution at a record £27.1-million. The contributions will be spread across all levels--no fixture will offer less than £40,000 in prizemoney; every Sunday fixture will offer at least £65,000 and every fixture will include at least one race worth £10,000 or more. The total race values at the Jockey Club Racecourses next year is expected to exceed £53-million, a new record and an £8-million increase from 2017.

The Jockey Club's 348 racing fixtures scheduled for 2018 will offer, on average, record total race values of £153,000 per fixture, up from a record £133,000 in 2017, a growth of 15% year-on-year. This compares to the average prize money per fixture of £86,000 at fixtures run outside Jockey Club Racecourses in 2017. **Cont. p5**

# 35 GSW's in North America in 2017 were bred in Europe



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**CAPLA TEMPTRESS (IRE)**  
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**OFF LIMITS (IRE)**  
**SUEDOIS (FR)**  
**TALISMANIC (GB)**  
**WUHEIDA (GB)**  
**ZHUKOVA (IRE)**



**BLACKTYPE (FR)**  
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**Jockey Club cont.**

Paul Fisher, Chief Executive of Jockey Club Racecourses, said, "This is The Jockey Club's largest-ever commitment to horsemen and we really hope that will also translate into good news for racing fans alike. I'm very proud of our people who have worked hard to achieve the commercial results we need to be able to offer this. Because we already put all of our money back into the sport, we can only increase our prize money contribution if we create the commercial returns to do so. Some people might think that our prize money is all about the highest race classes or at one or two racecourses, but these figures demonstrate another step forward in our commitment to supporting British Racing at all levels."



Newmarket's July Course, a Jockey Club Racecourse | *Racing Post*

Philip Freedman, Chairman of The Horsemen's Group, which represents racehorse owners, trainers, stable staff, breeders and jockeys, said, "horsemen are obviously delighted by the increase in The Jockey Club's prize money contribution for 2018. Given the new media rights contracts are placing greater emphasis on field sizes the increases, particularly for grass roots racing, should ensure that these fixtures are attractive to horsemen. The minimum guarantees at every fixture, and at enhanced levels on Sundays, should ensure that these fixtures are attractive not only to owners, but also to race goers and the betting public, to the benefit of all those whose livelihoods depend on the health of the sport."

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**HANDICAPPER O'BRIEN DIES**

Noel O'Brien, senior National Hunt handicapper for the Irish Turf Club, has died at age 57 after a long illness. O'Brien, who had worked for the Turf Club since leaving school and was senior handicapper since 1995, was instrumental in setting up the Anglo-Irish Classifications.

"It feels like a like a light has gone out in Irish racing," said Brian Kavanagh, chief executive of Horse Racing Ireland. "Noel was an absolute gentleman who had time for everyone. He was passionate about what he did and yet he was very popular in what was often a difficult position in which to keep everybody happy. Noel carried out his job with great ease and was a true professional. Everybody respected him. Our deepest sympathy is sent out to his family. He was only 57 but he had been in hospital since June."

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Noel O'Brien | *Racing Post*

**SIYOUNI NOMINATION SELLS FOR €75K**

Samuel de Barros, a newcomer to the Thoroughbred breeding industry whose wife Elodie is a prominent breeder of trotters, purchased a nomination to Siyouni (Fr) for €75,000 on Arqana Online. The de Barros's own Haras des Authieux in Normandy and were active at this year's breeding stock sales under the advice of Bertrand le Metayer.

The sale of the nomination, one of two offered by a shareholder unable to find suitable mares to use them, took place over 24 hours from Dec. 18 to 19. The second nomination was bought back for €75,000, which is Siyouni's covering fee at the Aga Khan's Haras de Bonneval.

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## LONGINES CEREMONY SET FOR JAN. 23

The Longines World's Best Racehorse and Longines World's Best Horse Race Ceremony will be held on Jan. 23 at Claridge's in London. The three highest-rated horses in the Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings will be honoured, as will the world's highest-rated race. Last year, Arrogate (Unbridled's Song) was honoured as the world's highest-rated horse and the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, which he won, was the Longines World's Best Horse Race.

The current Longines World's Best Racehorse rankings, which are established by international handicappers according to the performance of the horses in top races, are available [here](#).

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**Al Kazeem (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), Oakgrove Stud  
23 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners  
16:40-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, CRAFTINESS (GB)

**Cityscape (GB)** (Selkirk), Overbury Stud  
62 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners  
13:45-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, ROSEAU CITY (GB)

**Dawn Approach (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}), Kildangan Stud  
111 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners  
17:10-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, DAWN DASH (GB)  
12:40-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, DAYBREAK (GB)  
65,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2016 - Book 2  
17:10-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, TUM TUM (GB)  
62,000gns Tattersalls October Sale 2016 - Book 1



Dawn Approach looks for winner #14 on Wednesday | Darley

**Declaration Of War** (War Front), Ashford Stud  
135 foals of racing age/11 winners/3 black-type winners  
17:40-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, BILL CODY (IRE)  
70,000gns Tattersalls December Foals Sale 2015; €165,000  
Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2016  
17:10-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, HOULTON (GB)  
50,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2016 - Book 2

**Epaulette (Aus)** (Commands {Aus}), Kildangan Stud  
104 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners  
16:40-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, ROYAL RESIDENCE (GB)  
25,000gns Tattersalls December Foals Sale 2015; £52,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2016

**Finjaan (GB)** (Royal Applause {GB}), Gazeley Stud  
30 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner  
17:10-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, THAMA (GB)

**Havana Gold (IRE)** (Teofilo {Ire}), Tweenhills Farm & Stud  
104 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners  
12:40-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, ASTROBLAZE (GB)  
13:45-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, OUR MAN IN HAVANA (GB)  
11,000gns Tattersalls December Foals Sale 2015; €16,000  
Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2016  
16:10-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, WORSHIP (IRE)  
16,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2016 - Book 2;  
€260,000 Arqana May 2yr-old Breeze up Sale 2017

**Lethal Force (IRE)** (Dark Angel {Ire}), Cheveley Park Stud  
101 foals of racing age/24 winners/0 black-type winners  
16:10-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, MOON SONG (GB)  
42,000gns Tattersalls December Foals Sale 2015

**Red Jazz** (Johannesburg), Ballyhane Stud  
104 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners  
12:40-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, MARILYN M (IRE)  
€5,000 Goffs November Foals 2015; €9,500 RNA Tattersalls  
Ireland September Yearlings 2016; 52,000gns Tattersalls  
Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale 2017

**Society Rock (IRE)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud  
122 foals of racing age/29 winners/1 black-type winner  
16:10-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, DESERT DOCTOR (IRE)  
115,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2016 - Book 2  
16:10-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, MISCHIEVOUS ROCK (GB)  
5,500gns Tattersalls December Foals Sale 2015; £10,000 RNA  
Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2016; 572gns Tattersalls Ireland  
Ascot March Sale 2017

**Style Vendome (FR)** (Anabaa), Haras de Bouquetot  
78 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
12:40-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, TORNEQUETA MAY (GB)  
10,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2016 - Book 2

**Swiss Spirit (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Whitsbury Manor Stud  
76 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners  
16:10-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, SEA ESS SEAS (IRE)  
€15,000 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2016; £10,000 RNA Goffs  
UK Premier Yearling Sale 2016; £30,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze-Up  
Sale 2017

## FRANCE



### CONDITIONS RESULT:

**4th-CHY, €44,000, 12-19, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:38.27, st.**

**TAWAHID (GB) (c, 2, Delegator {GB}--Show Flower {GB}, by Shamardal)** Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-1, €46,300. O-David Barlow; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (GB); T-Eoghan O'Neill. \*£27,000 HRA '17 GOFHIT.

**2nd-CHY, €35,000, 12-19, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.73, st.**

**LADY DONCASTER (IRE) (f, 3, Harbour Watch {Ire}--Ronja {SW-Ger}, by El Corredor)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, €19,850. O-Stall Alemannia; B-Dr T Grewe (IRE); T-Christian Sprengel. \*€17,500 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; 20,000gns RNA Ylg '15 TAOCT; £18,000 Ylg '15 DBSNOV.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Naif (Fr), c, 2, French Fifteen (Fr)**--Safia (Fr) (2x Hwt.-Qat), by Diktat (GB). CHY, 12-19, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:31.34. B-Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani (FR).

**Money Sister (GB), f, 2, Harbour Watch (Ire)**--Broughtons Flight (Ire), by Hawk Wing. CHY, 12-19, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:31.19. B-M E Broughton (GB). \*8,000gns Ylg '16 TAOCT.

**Shoot (Fr), f, 3, Lawman (Fr)**--Seralia (GB) (SW & GSP-Fr), by Royal Academy. PLB, 12-18, 8 1/2f (AWT), 1:43.00. B-Petra Bloodstock Agency Ltd (FR). \*1/2 to Serisia (Fr) (Exit To Nowhere), GSW-Fr; & to Mayyadah (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), SW & GSP-Fr, \$133,833.

## OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

### 11.40 Lingfield, Cond, £4,500, 2yo, 8f (AWT)

**CULPABILITY (Blame)** is a half-brother to the G3 Oh So Sharp S. and GIII Beaugay S. winner Waterway Run (Arch) who cost \$350,000 at Keeneland September and who sports the Derby-winning silks of Princess Haya of Jordan. John Gosden saddles the bay, who is one of two newcomers in a field of 10.

### 5.40 Kempton, Cond, £5,000, 2yo, 8f (AWT)

**SCOTTISH JIG (Speightstown)** debuts for Khalid Abdullah and John Gosden and is a full-sister to the GI Hollywood Derby-winning sire Seek Again out of the GI Yellow Ribbon S. heroine Light Jig (GB) (Danehill). Among her opponents are the similarly-unraced **Qayed (Blame)**, Abdullah Saeed Al Naboodah's \$250,000 David Simcock-trained colt whose dam is a full-sister to Jump Start (A.P. Indy) and **Fronsac (GB) (Frankel {GB})**, a Gary Middlebrook homebred half-brother to the 2011 G3 Lingfield Derby Trial winner Dordogne (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}) in the hands of Daniel Kubler.

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## AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

**IN SOUTH AFRICA:**

**Fish River (Aus)**, f, 3, **Canford Cliffs (Ire)**--Zabeea (Aus), by Exceed and Excel (Aus). Turffontein, 12-29, Hcp., 1400mT, 1:25.18. O-Maurtizfontein (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Miss J B Slack); B-P Maher (Vic); T-Mike de Kock. \*A\$60,000 Wlg '15 MMNWNL; A\$130,000 Ylg '16 INGMEL.

**Still I Rise (Aus)**, f, 3, **Street Cry (Ire)**--Costa Mesa (Aus), by Encosta de Lago (Aus). Kenilworth, 12-19, Hcp., 1200mT, 1:13.66. O-Mayfair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman) & Mr B P Finch & Mrs K Finch; B-Sun Kingdom (Vic); T-Joey Ramsden. \*A\$80,000 Ylg '16 INGMEL.

**Unrehearsed (Aus)**, g, 4, **New Approach (Ire)**--Bodacious Harmony (Aus), by Danehill. Turffontein, 12-19, Hcp., 1400mT, 1:25.51. O-Mrs M Slack & Mr M B Javett; B-Three Bridges Thoroughbreds (Vic); T-Mike de Kock. \*A\$130,000 Ylg '15 INGMEL.

**AUSTRALIAN GROUP 1 RACES – 2017/2018**

Date	Race	Track
Feb. 10	C. F. Orr S.	Caulfield
Feb. 17	Lightning S.	Flemington
Feb. 24	Blue Diamond S.	Caulfield
	Futurity S.	Caulfield
	Oakleigh Plate	Caulfield
Mar. 3	Chipping Norton S.	Warwick Farm
	Surround S.	Warwick Farm
	Australian Guineas	Flemington
Mar. 10	Randwick Guineas	Randwick
	Canterbury S.	Randwick
	Australian Cup	Flemington
	Newmarket H.	Flemington
Mar. 17	Coolmore Classic	Rosehill
Mar. 23	William Reid S.	Moonee Valley
Mar. 24	Golden Slipper S.	Rosehill
	George Ryder S.	Rosehill
	Ranvet S.	Rosehill
	The Galaxy	Rosehill
	Rosehill Guineas	Rosehill
Mar. 31	The BMW	Rosehill
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