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# GUN RUNNER NAMED HORSE OF THE YEAR



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As expected, GI Breeders' Cup Classic hero **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) was the star of the show at Thursday night's Eclipse Awards ceremony at Gulfstream Park, taking home the trophies for Horse of the Year and champion older dirt mile after winning four prestigious Grade 1s in 2017. **Forever Unbridled** (Unbridled's Song) was another overwhelming winner in the champion older dirt female category on the back of a perfect three-for-three season that culminated with a victory in the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff.

Distaff runner-up and impressive GI Kentucky Oaks heroine **Abel Tasman** (Quality Road) dominated the 3-year-old filly category. Dual Grade 1 winner **West Coast** (Flatter) gave Hall of Famer Bob Baffert his third straight win in the 3-year-old male category, following in the footsteps of Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (2015) and Arrogate (2016).

**2017 ECLIPSE AWARD WINNERS**

<b>Horse of the Year:</b> Gun Runner	<b>2-Year-Old Female:</b> Caledonia Road
<b>Older Dirt Male:</b> Gun Runner	<b>3-Year-Old Male:</b> West Coast
<b>Older Dirt Female:</b> Forever Unbridled	<b>3-Year-Old Female:</b> Abel Tasman
<b>Male Turf Horse:</b> World Approval	<b>Owner:</b> Juddmonte Farm
<b>Female Turf Horse:</b> Lady Eli	<b>Breeder:</b> Clearsky Farms
<b>Male Sprinter:</b> Roy H	<b>Trainer:</b> Chad Brown
<b>Female Sprinter:</b> Unique Bella	<b>Jockey:</b> Jose Ortiz
<b>2-Year-Old Male:</b> Good Magic	<b>Apprentice Jockey:</b> Evin Roman

It was a close race in the 2-year-old male division, but GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile hero **Good Magic** (Curlin) edged out MGISW **Bolt d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro) to take home the Eclipse statue; while GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies upsetter **Caledonia Road** (Quality Road) was named champion juvenile filly.

Top turf miler **World Approval** (Northern Afleet) earned top honors in the champion older turf male category and fan favorite **Lady Eli** (Divine Park) clinched her first championship title in the older turf female division. One of the few surprises was **Unique Bella** (Tapit), who bested her older rival **Paulassilverlining** (Ghostzapper), in the female sprint division. The male sprint division, however, was no shock with GI Breeders' Cup Sprint hero **Roy H** (More Than Ready) collecting the hardware.

In the people categories: trainer Chad Brown and owner Juddmonte Farms both won their second straight Eclipses; Clearsky Farms was named leading breeder; and Jose Ortiz earned his first win in the jockey category.

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*Twice as nice.* The connections of Abel Tasman (Quality Road) were given two more reasons to celebrate at the Eclipse Awards on Thursday night when Abel Tasman took the 3-year-old filly division and Clearsky Farms won the award for Outstanding Breeder. See the TDN's special Eclipse Edition for coverage. | Coody Photography

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## THURSDAY'S PEGASUS TRACK REPORT

by Ben Massam

Increasingly gusty winds swept across the Gulfstream Park oval during Thursday morning training hours--the first session of the week where all 12 GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational contenders were present on-site. Most notably, the Bob Baffert-trained pair of **Collected** (City Zip) and **West Coast** (Flatter) got their first looks at the track after arriving from California Wednesday afternoon.

Collected was the first to hit the track, briefly pausing to take in his new surroundings beneath exercise rider Dana Barnes on the clubhouse turn. The newly turned 5-year-old proceeded to put in a strong gallop that gave every indication he handled the cross-country trip well. West Coast came out later in the morning and also displayed good energy in his training.



Collected at Gulfstream early Thursday morning

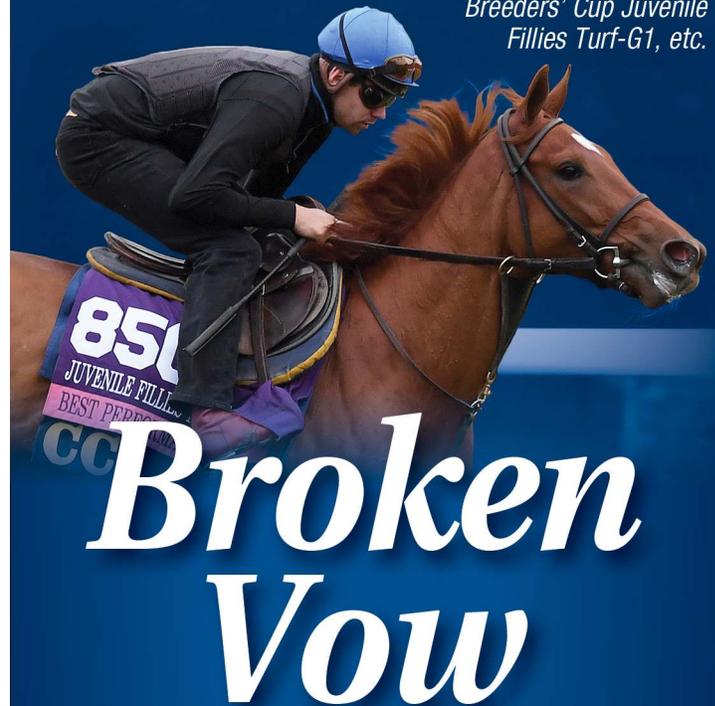
Jorge Navarro has a duo of his own for the Pegasus and sent both **War Story** (Northern Afleet) and **Sharp Azteca** (Freud) out to train before sunrise. As has been the case in previous mornings, their gallops matched their running styles, with Sharp Azteca training with vigor and War Story assuming a more relaxed tempo. Although Sharp Azteca trained during the mid-morning session earlier in the week, Navarro chose the earlier, typically more quiet training window Thursday, noting, "No traffic jam this morning," on Twitter. Chuck Fipke's **Seeking the Soul** (Perfect Soul {Ire}) made a favorable impression hugging the rail in his pre-dawn gallop and is slated to break from post 11 Saturday.

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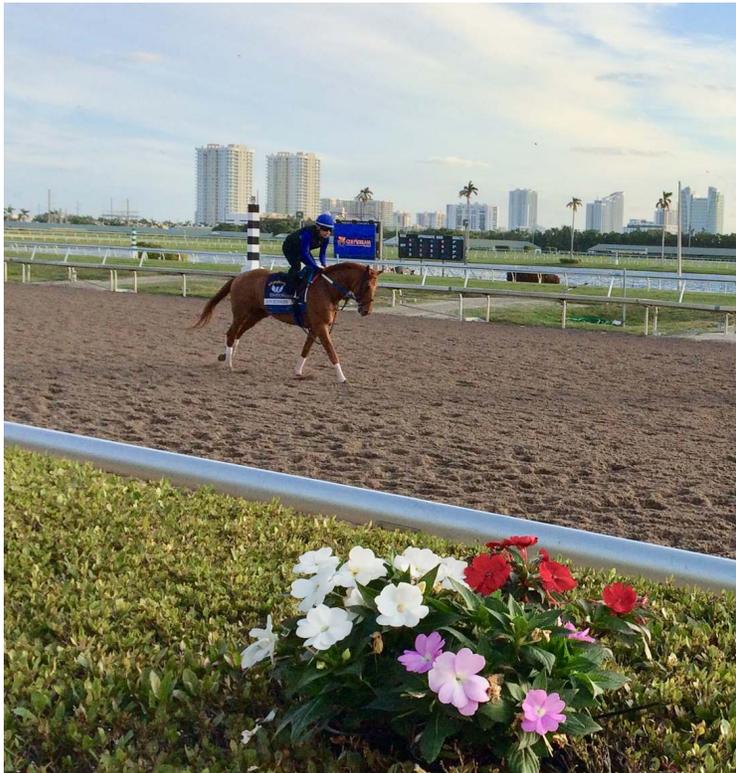
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**Thursday's Pegasus Report cont.**



**Gun Runner begins his gallop Thursday**

After the renovation break, activity began to pick up on the track and on the frontside, where familiar faces such as West Point Thoroughbreds' Terry Finley and Hall of Fame jockey Angel Cordero were on hand to observe training. West Coast, local hero **Gunnevera** (Dialed In) and 4-5 Pegasus favorite **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) all trained simultaneously after the track reopened, with the latter schooling in the gate before embarking on an abbreviated-but-sharp gallop. Gun Runner, who was named 2017's Horse of the Year Thursday evening, displayed the same focus and composure that has come to define his recent four-race win streak amid the morning rush.

Training hours wrapped up with a number of Pegasus longshots appearing during the final session, including **Toast of New York** (Thewayyouare), who galloped a circuit of the track one day after being credited with a three-furlong breeze in :39.99 as a tune-up for Saturday's test.

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## MIAMI CLUB SCENE MEETS PEGASUS

by Joe Bianca

HALLANDALE BEACH, Fla.--Racetracks hosting parties and concerts to correspond with important days on the racing calendar is nothing new. There is an understandable desire to attract young people with disposable income to the racetrack and hope some of their social influence absorbs parts of the usual track experience. Whether or not those events create meaningful, long-term relationships with horse racing is up for debate, but the sport may have its greatest test case yet for that thesis Saturday at Gulfstream Park, when iconic Miami club/restaurant entrepreneur David Grutman hosts the LIV Boardwalk Village party at the Pegasus World Cup, featuring A-list performers Post Malone and Ludacris among others.

Grutman owns several popular destinations in the area, but the event to the next level and offer guests an experience they've never had before at a horse race."

Unlike most other racetracks, Gulfstream is in a location and is built in such a way that it has the potential to attract a wide



David Grutman

variety of partygoers and thrill seekers. Less than 20 miles from the vibrant late-night community of Miami and with myriad food and drink locations on its property bustling into the morning hours, the track has tried to build itself into an attractive entertainment hub for the greater South Florida area. The Pegasus, with its \$16 million purse, serves as an opportunity for Gulfstream to solidify that connection. Grutman, for his part, is also trying to create that lasting association between the two.

"It is so important to leverage the social scene as much as possible," he said. "We love bringing the fun factor to big events like this. The racetrack is always an exhilarating place to be. Everyone who comes out is looking for a thrill, whether you are betting or not, the excitement is in the air. That's why we want to bring LIV to Pegasus and offer attendees the chance to keep the fun going once the races are over. It's just going to be a good time."

The main obstacle in building a harmony between track and party usually comes in getting the latter not to step on the former. But Grutman and his team are determined to be supporting players in the drama staged at the track Saturday. **Cont. p6**

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**Miami Club Scene Meets Pegasus cont.**

“We don’t want to take away from the traditions of the race,” he said. “It is important to us that the avid racing fans see us as an added experience and added amenity to the Pegasus World Cup. We want to offer guests a unique experience with the LIV Boardwalk pop-up and tasting village, but we also want to support the Pegasus World Cup in every way. That’s why the concert goes on once the races are over.”

So can the spirit of Miami nightlife mesh with one of the biggest days in racing and enhance both experiences, perhaps making a long-term partnership viable? Time will tell, but Grutman is optimistic.

“We’ve gotten a great response,” he said. “People in South Florida love LIV, so seeing that we are bringing our pop-up to Gulfstream Park has been really exciting for a lot of our recurring guests. I think that those who are serious about the races are really excited too. This partnership with the Pegasus World Cup is going to be a great experience, so we look forward to recreating it and growing it for years to come.”

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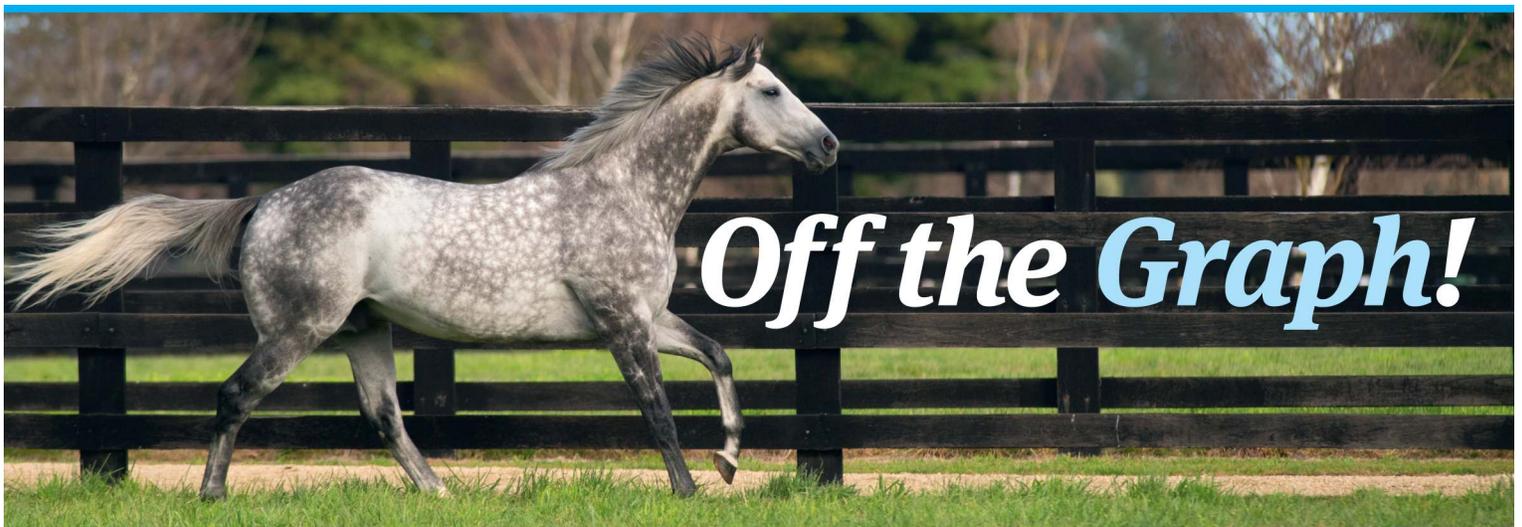
**\$818,000 ALLOCATED SO FAR TO SAN LUIS REY FIRE VICTIMS** *By T.D. Thornton*

After distributing some 90% of \$906,000 in donations raised through a GoFundMe drive and other charitable efforts, the group overseeing the distribution of financial assistance for victims of the Dec. 7 fire at San Luis Rey Downs (SLRD) gave its most complete public accounting of the project to date at the Jan. 25 California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) monthly meeting.

The wildfire killed 46 horses, hospitalized three people, displaced hundreds of workers, and destroyed eight barns.

The California Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Foundation, Inc. (CTHF), which was asked in December to take responsibility for the donated GoFundMe money under the umbrella of its 501 (c) (3) registered charitable trust, is now focusing on allocating the remaining funds to longer-term medical and psychological assistance for victims, getting displaced trainers and workers back into self-sustaining employment, and making sure that no people or horses adversely affected by the blaze have been left uncared for.

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**\$818,00 Allocated so Far to San Luis Rey Victims cont.**

CTHF executive director Cliff Goodrich outlined the timeline of donations as such:

On Dec. 15, eight days after the fire, the CTHF coordinated a distribution of \$500 cash to every groom and hotwalker displaced by the fire (\$115,000 cumulatively). Some other non-direct employees of trainers, such as exercise riders and SLRD training facility workers who helped to free horses, also were granted shares.

That same day, every trainer whose barns and equipment were destroyed was allocated \$600 via check for each horse stabled at SLRD on the day of the fire.

“These blanket and expedited donations were meant to quickly put money in the hands of workers and trainers who were clearly going through a tumultuous time physically, mentally and financially,” Goodrich said.

On Dec. 21, two weeks after the fire, a second \$500-per-backstretch-worker cash distribution was made, and

trainers in barns that were not destroyed (but who were displaced by the fire) were allocated \$250 per horse stabled at SLRD.

Also that day, the CTHF made a \$100,000 grant to the California Retirement Management Account (CARMA), a charitable 501(c)(3) dedicated to providing funding for the rehabilitation, retraining and/or retirement of California-raced Thoroughbreds. The money will be used to help cover expenses related to finding new homes for the approximately 100 horses who were taken in at Trifecta Equine Athletic Center, which is across the road from SLRD.

“Simultaneously, while the above distributions were being made,” Goodrich said, “the CTHF was in touch with the three hospital[ized] victims and/or their families to

ensure if at all possible that no burned or injured victim or family member would have to go out of pocket, whether it be for hospital bills, family housing, transportation or food costs.”

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San Luis Rey Fire | Patrick Fallon/Eclipse Sportswire

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**Leading Sires in 2017, by Beyer 100+ Performances**

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2	CURLIN (\$150,000)	182	13	106 KEEN ICE, CONNECT
3	<b>LOOKIN AT LUCKY (\$17,500)</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>110 ACCELERATE</b>
4	SCAT DADDY (Died)	251	10	118 TU BRUTUS (CHI)
-	WAR FRONT (\$250,000)	117	10	104 DESIGNED FOR WAR



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The money listed above amounts to roughly \$550,000 that the CTHF distributed before the Christmas holiday, Goodrich said. But, he added, “it was clear that the trainers needed more financial assistance, not only for themselves, but to be able to keep their workers employed. Many had lost all of their tack, equipment, supplies and personal belongings.”

Because the CTHF “was not in a position to determine various levels of hurt” Goodrich said his organization called upon an advisory committee established by the California Thoroughbred Trainers (CTT) to make more precise determinations of need.

Within a matter of days, the CTT came back with a plan of action, and on Jan. 10, a cumulative \$255,550 in checks to 19 SLRD trainers whose barns had been consumed by the fire went out “in varying degrees recognizing both large and small stables,” Goodrich said.

So through Jan. 10, Goodrich outlined the \$818,000 distribution breakdown (in round numbers) as follows: \$453,000

(55%) to trainers; \$238,000 (29%) to workers; \$100,000 (12%) to CARMA; \$15,000 (1%) to hospitalized victims; \$12,000 (1%) for a backstretch gathering (with food) for displaced racetrackers.

Since that date, no further distributions have been made, although individual and corporate donations are still coming in, Goodrich said.

“There’s no question that we will be left with a reserve that will hopefully be enough to take care of inevitable issues including hospital bills, family support, long-term care, therapy, etc.” Goodrich said. “Both the GoFundMe and CTT advisory committees feel it prudent, as we do, to let some time pass before any further distributions take place.”

Alan Balch, the executive director of the CTT, said “I know that there’s some concern about the equity, so

to speak, of having trainers receive X percent and workers receive Y percent. This is something [that] we really have labored very hard to bridge this gap.

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San Luis Rey Fire Aid | Katie Jones

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“There’s no one solution that would be perfect,” Balch continued. “But I think everyone involved has acted in good faith to try to do the best that we can. When I have received criticism of the amount of funding that has gone to trainers, I am constantly reminding people that the trainers are the employers. So having trainers succeed and continue to be in business is critically important to employment.”

Balch said his organization is attempting to make sure that there are no racetrackers out there who might be entitled to funds but didn’t get them.

At the December CHRB meeting, commissioner Madeline Auerbach had cautioned all parties about keeping eyes open for fraudulent victims who might potentially attempt to scam the charity system. But she said Thursday that outside of one or two people who claimed to be SLRD workers that no other co-workers could definitively identify, theft by deception did not appear to be an issue.

“We were very easy with making sure everybody got paid, but we weren’t careless,” Auerbach said. “If there were people who didn’t get paid, it’s because they didn’t show up, would be my guess.”

Goodrich said that after administering donations from 6,000 people in amounts that ranged from five dollars to \$50,000, the CTHF will also be thinking about properly winding down the funds distribution process at an undetermined near-future date

(the GoFundMe campaign has already been listed as closed after having exceeded its \$600,000 goal).

“It can’t go on forever, in fairness. So at some point we’ll be officially closing it,” Goodrich said.

One remaining item on Goodrich’s radar before that happens though, is making sure some of the funds are available for fire victims who are just now realizing they might be in need of emotional or psychological assistance from trained professionals.

“Monies will certainly and can be used for that purpose,” Goodrich said.

Rick Hammerle, the vice president of racing for Santa Anita, who was on the GoFundMe committee, said the experience has given him a new perspective on disaster assistance.

“I’ve done a lot of things in my life and I’ve met a lot of challenges, but I’ll tell you what: Giving away money to [fire victims] was one of the toughest things I’ve ever had to do,” Hammerle said. “To sit down at a table and decide who’s going to get what and when and where and how is not as easy as it sounds.

“It’s a miracle that we got not only as much money as we raised from all the kind people out there, but to get this done in such an expedient manner, and to get cash in people’s hands that needed it ‘now’ was pretty heartwarming to see, and it was great to be a part of,” Hammerle said.

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## LOWE 'BETS' THAT CHARLES TOWN CLASSIC WILL RUN IN 2018 *By T.D. Thornton*

One day after an assertion from the track's ownership group that the GII Charles Town Classic won't be run this year because the West Virginia Racing Commission (WVRC) refused to approve contracted purse account funds for the \$1.2 million race at its Jan. 23 meeting, the commissioner spearheading the effort to redirect that money to local racing took to talk radio to both defend his position and to vow a personal wager that Charles Town will indeed end up carding its signature race in 2018.

"This area, in horse racing and breeding, they're starving to death. People are going out of the business faster than you can say 'Jack Robinson,'" commissioner Ken Lowe Jr. told WKAZ, the state capital-based news radio station in West Virginia. "There's over 300 empty stalls at the track at Charles Town right now. If you want to let [the industry] die [by allowing the Classic to be fully funded], then go ahead and do that. If you want to put people out of work, then go ahead and do that. Because that's what's happening here."

The WVRC and Charles Town management have been at odds for the past six weeks since the commission refused to extend what in many racing jurisdictions is a perfunctory okaying of an

8% allocation from the purse account to fund a slate of stakes races that has already been approved via contract by Charles Town's Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association.

At Tuesday's meeting, Lowe reiterated his proposal to either approve a \$300,000 Classic funded solely out of the purse account, or, if Charles Town wished to put on a Classic for a larger amount, he proposed a 50/50 scheme whereby the WVRC would approve letting half of that money come from the purse account if the track covered the other half out of its own operational pocket.

Within 24 hours of the commission voting to impose such a funding scheme, the WVRC vote faced public criticism from West Virginia legislators and Governor Jim Justice, who told WKAZ he was looking "into ways to have this decision reversed."

Under questioning from WKAZ host Hoppy Kercheval, Lowe said he would be willing to sit down and talk with track officials about reaching a compromise so the Classic would not be in jeopardy.

But when Kercheval pointed out that John Finamore, the senior vice president of regional operations for Penn National Gaming, Inc., already said on his show Wednesday that "the race is off" and "Mr. Lowe's alternative option is a non-starter," Lowe responded with a personal vow in the form of a wager.

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California Chrome's dam, **Love the Chase**, is line bred 3x3 to **NUMBERED ACCOUNT**, one of the best 2-year-olds of all time.

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“I’ll tell you what I’ll do,” Lowe said. “I’m not a betting man per se, but I will tell you on the air, if this race isn’t run this year, I will donate \$1,000 to a local charity or non-profit that I will personally write a check for. Because I believe it can be run as long as they promote it, as long as they go out and get the horses. And that could have--should have--been done before this. There’s issues involved there. I don’t think [the Classic] was ever in jeopardy. I really don’t.”

Lowe then underscored his willingness to work out a solution so the Classic can be run.

“I’m no Donald Trump, but I get along with--I’ve never met an honest person in my life I couldn’t work with,” Lowe said.

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**Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 12:30 p.m. EST**

**LA PREVOYANTE H.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Miss Nancy 🍀	Arch	Fred M. Allor	Wilkes	Leparoux	117
2	Summersault	Rock Hard Ten	Parsons, Jr., William and Howe, David S.	Hennig	Lopez	119
3	Beaully (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Rebecca Hillen	Walsh	Saez	117
4	Daring Duchess 🍀	Arch	Ramsey, Kenneth L. and Sarah K.	Maker	Ortiz	121
5	Texting	Candy Ride (Arg)	Sarah Sharp Farish	Brown	Castellano	117
6	Taralena 🍀	Arch	Cheyenne Stables LLC	Clement	Rosario	117
7	Apple Betty (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Joseph Allen LLC	McGaughey III	Velazquez	123

Breeders: 1-Frederick M Allor, 2-William Parsons Jr. & David S. Howe, 3-New England, Mount Coote & P. Barrett, 4-Kennelot Stables LTD., 5-Sarah S. Farish, 6-Daniel J. Burke & Kathleen Schweizer, 7-Absolutelyfabulous Syndicate

**Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 1:20 p.m. EST**

**TOBOGGAN S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Summer Revolution 🍀	Summer Bird	Jeff Drown	Rodriguez	Carmouche	114
2	Takaful	Bernardini	Shadwell Stables	McLaughlin	McCarthy	123
3	Vulcan's Forge 🍀	Giant's Causeway	Heiligbrodt, W & C & Team Valor International	Pletcher	Cancel	116
4	Great Stuff 🍀	Quality Road	Bruce Golden Racing	Jacobson	Davis	116
5	Life in Shambles 🍀	Broken Vow	Paradise Farms Corp.	Asmussen	Franco	114
6	Green Gratto	Here's Zealous	Grant, Gaston and Grant, Anthony	Grant	DeCarlo	123

Breeders: 1-Camelia Casby, 2-Shadwell Farm, LLC, 3-Gabriel Duignan, Crosshaven Bloodstock, Petaluma Bloodstock & Ashleigh Stud, 4-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 5-C. Clement & Don M. Robinson, 6-Kaz Hill Farm

**Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 2:32 p.m. EST**

**FRED W. HOOPER S.-GIII, \$175,000, 4yo/up, 1m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Tale of Silence	Tale of the Cat	Charles E. Fipke	Tagg	Ortiz	117
2	Eight Town 🍀	Speightstown	Hill, Jim and Susan	Lynch	Juarez	117
3	Conquest Big E 🍀	Tapit	Daniel C. Hurtak	Hurtak	Batista	121
4	Frammento 🍀	Midshipman	Mossarosa	Zito	Vasquez	117
5	First Growth 🍀	Candy Ride (Arg)	Michelle Winters	Londono, Jr.	Corrales	121
6	Giuseppe the Great	Lookin At Lucky	Mossarosa	Zito	Rosario	117
7	Moves Like Ali 🍀	Maclean's Music	Loooch Racing Stables, Inc. and Ellis, Glenn K.	Navarro	Ortiz, Jr.	117
8	Tommy Macho	Macho Uno	Pompa, Jr., Paul P. and J Stables	Pletcher	Saez	119
9	Game Over 🍀	Mineshaft	Loooch Racing Stables, Inc. and Quartarolo, Ashley	Navarro	Gaffalione	117
10	Beasley 🍀	Shackleford	Lewis, Lee and Grier, Mark B.	Hennig	Castellano	117
11	Dreaming of Gold	Unbridled's Song	Granpollo Stable	Barboza, Jr.	Jaramillo	121

Breeders: 1-Charles Fipke, 2-A & G Racing Stables, 3-Gaineway Thoroughbreds Ltd., 4-Mr. & Mrs. Oliver S. Tait, 5-Alexander Groves Matz, LLC, 6-Buck Pond Farm Inc., 7-Steve M. DeMaiolo, 8-John Liviakis, 9-Al Graziani & Joe Russell, 10-Nancy Shuford, 11-Rustlewood Farm, Inc.



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**Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 3:04 p.m. EST****W. L. MCKNIGHT H.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Markitoff 🌿	Giant's Causeway	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Gaffalione	117
2	Final Copy	Malibu Moon	Chiefswood Stable	Attfield	Hernandez	121
3	Gold Shield 🌿	Medaglia d'Oro	Lane's End Racing and Kinsman Stable	McGaughey III	Ortiz, Jr.	119
4	Nessy	Flower Alley	Sierra Farm	Wilkes	Leparoux	117
5	Bullards Alley	Flower Alley	Spalding, Wayne and McCubbins, Faron	Glyshaw	Lopez	123
6	Durocher	Niagara Causeway	Sterling Racing, Herzberg, John and Allan, Michelle	Benson	Lezcano	117
7	Oscar Nominated	Kitten's Joy	Ramsey, Kenneth L. and Sarah K.	Maker	Ortiz	123
8	Mr Cub 🌿	Artie Schiller	Turf Stable LLC	Wilkes	Landeros	117
9	Infinite Wisdom 🌿	Smart Strike	Amerman Racing LLC	Lynch	Dettori	121

Breeders: 1-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 2-Chiefswood Stables Limited, 3-Kinsman Farm, 4-Sierra Farm, 5-Eugene Melnyk, 6-La Bahia Stud, Inc., 7-Mrs. Jerry Amerman, 8-G. Watts Humphrey Jr., 9-Jon Kelly & Sarah Kelly

**Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 3:38 p.m. EST****HURRICANE BERTIE S.-GIII, \$175,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Marley's Freedom 🌿	Blame	Barbara J. Ranck Perry	Hess, Jr.	Smith	117
2	Jordan's Henny	Henny Hughes	Woolsey, E. Ervine and Kinder, Ralph	Tomlinson	Gaffalione	117
3	Rich Mommy 🌿	Algorithms	Winds of Change Racing Stable Corp	Barboza, Jr.	Jaramillo	123
4	Shar Ran	Munnings	Suzanne Stable	Tomlinson	Leparoux	121
5	Apologynotaccepted	Fusaichi Pegasus	Mrs. Paul Shanahan	Walsh	Ortiz	119
6	Bodacious Babe 🌿	Mineshaft	Panic Stable LLC	Cibelli	Ortiz, Jr.	117
7	Curlin's Approval	Curlin	Alter's Racing Stable Inc. and Bridlewood Farm	Alter	Saez	121
8	Spice Lady 🌿	Speightstown	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	117
9	Magalie	Maltese Dog	D P Racing LLC	Biancone	Santana	117
10	Nonna Mela 🌿	Arch	St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Castellano	117
11	Moonlit Promise	Malibu Moon	Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings & Windsor Boys Racing	Carroll	Boulanger	123
12	Money Or Love	J Be K	Anthony J. Russo	Russo	Castrenze	121

Breeders: 1-Jack Swain III, 2-Erv Woolsey & Ralph Kinder, 3-Lantern Hill Farm LLC, 4-Suzanne Stables, 5-Happy Alter, 6-Hubert H. Vester Jr., 7-Happy Alter, 8-Piacentino Farms, Town and CountryFarm, Polo Green Stable & Shannon Potter, 9-Morgan Miller, 10-WinStar Farm, LLC, 11-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc, 12-Darsan Inc.

**Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 5:35 p.m. EST****PEGASUS WORLD CUP INVITATIONAL S.-GI, \$16,300,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Singing Bullet 🌿	Hard Spun	Stronach Stables and Pegasus Race Participants, LLC	Romans	Albarado	124
2	West Coast 🌿	Flatter	West, Gary and Mary	Baffert	Castellano	124
3	Stellar Wind 🌿	Curlin	Tabor, Michael B., Magnier, Susan & Smith, Derrick	Brown	Rosario	121
4	Sharp Azteca	Freud	Gelfenstein Farm, Scharf, M., Quartarolo, A. and Loooch Racing Stables, Inc.	Navarro	Ortiz, Jr.	124
5	Collected 🌿	City Zip	Speedway Stable LLC	Baffert	Smith	124
6	Gunnevera 🌿	Dialed In	Margoth and GalloStables	Sano	Saez	124
7	Fear the Cowboy	Cowboy Cal	Amaya, K., Centofanti, R., Frankel, R., Frankel, G. & Stronach Stables	Loza, Jr.	Gaffalione	124
8	War Story 🌿	Northern Afleet	Loooch Racing Stables, Ellis, Imaginary Stables, et al.	Navarro	Ortiz	124
9	Toast of New York 🌿	Thewayyouare	Al Shaqab Racing, Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, R. A. Hill Stable and Young, E.	Osborne	Dettori	124
10	Gun Runner	Candy Ride (Arg)	Winchell Thoroughbreds & Three Chimneys Farm	Asmussen	Geroux	124
11	Seeking the Soul	Perfect Soul (Ire)	Charles E. Fipke	Stewart	Velazquez	124
12	Giant Expectations 🌿	Frost Giant	Exline- Border Racing, Gatto Racing, Zubok, et al.	Eurton	Stevens	124
13	Giuseppe the Great	Lookin At Lucky	Mossarosa	Zito	Juarez	124
14	Game Over 🌿	Mineshaft	Loooch Racing Stables, Inc. and Quartarolo, Ashley	Navarro	Ortiz	124

Breeders: 1-Adena Springs, 2-CFP Thoroughbreds LLC, 3-Keswick Stables & Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Cloyce C. Clark Jr., 5-Runnymede Farm Inc. & Peter J. Callahan, 6-Brandywine Farm & Stephen Upchurch, 7-University of Kentucky, 8-Jack Swain III, 9-Ashleigh Stud, Frank Ramos & Jackie Ramos, 10-Besilu Stables, LLC, 11-Charles Fipke, 12-Sunrise Stables, 13-Buck Pond Farm Inc., 14-Al Graziani & Joe Russell

**Sunday, Sam Houston Race Park, post time: 4:40 p.m. EST**

**JOHN B. CONNALLY TURF CUP S.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Camelot Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Ramsey, Kenneth L. and Sarah K.	Maker	Leparoux	116
2	Roman Approval 🦄	Roman Ruler	West Point Thoroughbreds and Masiello, Robert	Morley	Bridgmohan	116
3	Big Bend 🦄	Union Rags	Union Rags Racing LLC	Proctor	Geroux	123
4	Net Gain 🦄	Include	Claim To Fame Stable	Stuart	Cabrera	123
5	Highly Prized (GB)	Manduro (Ger)	Signal Hill Farms	Stidham	Bravo	118
6	Flashy Chelsey 🦄	Flashy Bull	Michael M. Hui	Maker	Hernandez, Jr.	116
7	Chicago Style	Kitten's Joy	Glen Hill Farm	Proctor	Van Dyke	120
8	Some in Tieme (Brz)	Shirocco (Ger)	Some In Time, Inc	McPeek	Cruz	123
9	Bigger Picture	Badge of Silver	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Ortiz	123
10	Paternal Pride	Majesticperfection	H. V. Farms, Ltd.	Asmussen	Diego	118
11	West Road 🦄	Hard Spun	Richard Drake	Davidson	Bridgmohan	116
12	Harlan Strong (Arg)	Harlan's Holiday	Fern Circle Stables	McPeek	Albarado	118

Breeders: 1-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 2-Glencrest Farm LLC & Fox-Straus, 3-Daniel J. Burke & Kathleen Schweizer, 4-Lane Thoroughbreds LLC, 5-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 6-Augusta Farm, 7-Glen Hill Farm, 8-Haras Santa Maria de Araras, 9-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 10-H. V. Farms, Ltd., 11-H. Allen Poindexter, 12-Firmamento

**Sunday, Sam Houston Race Park, post time: 5:10 p.m. EST**

**HOUSTON LADIES CLASSIC S.-GIII, \$400,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ready to Confess	More Than Ready	Pin Oak Stable	Von Hemel	Cabrera	118
2	Martini Glass	Kitalpha	Campanella, Vince and Nation's Racing Stable LLC	Nations	Lopez	118
3	Promise of Spring	Drosselmeyer	Best Of Times Racing, LLC	Margolis	Albarado	116
4	Valadorna	Curlin	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Casse	Hernandez, Jr.	118
5	Adore 🦄	Big Brown	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Diego	116
6	Sandy's Surprise 🦄	Drosselmeyer	STD Racing Stable, Fuller, John and Haymes, Neil	O'Neill	Gutierrez	118
7	Actress	Tapit	West, Gary and Mary	Servis	Ortiz	123
8	Tiger Moth	Street Sense	John D. Gunther	Cox	Geroux	123

Breeders: 1-Pin Oak Stud, LLC, 2-Aschinger Bloodstock LLC, 3-Bottom Line Stables Inc., RowlandHancock & Dick Walker, 4-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 5-Charles P. Merrick III, 6-WinStar Farm, LLC, 7-Gary & Mary West Stables, Inc, 8-John D. Gunther

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## TOP 'GUN' LANDS HORSE OF THE YEAR

by Ben Massam and Joe Bianca

HALLANDALE BEACH, Fla.--The 47th Eclipse Awards were held Thursday evening at Gulfstream Park's Sport of Kings Theatre, and **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) took home the highest honor as 2017 Horse of the Year. With the speedy chestnut's final career race looming in Saturday's GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational at Gulfstream, the award took on added meaning for his connections.

"This is bittersweet, knowing that in a week, Gun Runner won't be part of our racing stable, but it's a great honor and pleasure to stand here and be part of his career and legacy," co-owner Ron Winchell said while accepting Gun Runner's earlier honor as champion older dirt male.

After sharing the microphone with co-owner Goncalo Borges Torrealba of Three Chimneys Farm, Winchell later added, "Every year, I look at every horse and dream of which one could get a little bronze trophy at the end of the year. I never dreamed that I could get a gold trophy."

"The memories Gun Runner has allowed us for the year that he's had, they will stay with us forever," added trainer Steve Asmussen, who became the first trainer in history to train four Horses of the Year.

Nick Luck began the evening with a few good-natured barbs at trainers Steve Asmussen and Chad Brown while roaming the crowd and interviewing Brown, the trainer's family, bloodstock agent Bradley Weisbord and jockey Irad Ortiz, Jr. Minutes later, Keeneland's Bill Thomason dished it right back to the charismatic host, joking that Luck may have enjoyed himself too much at the pre-show cocktail hour.

Clearsky Farms took home the award for outstanding breeder for a season that was capped by the achievements of stand-outs **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) and **Abel Tasman** (Quality Road). Bernard Cleary of Clearsky credited the award to his team back at the farm and his late father, Eamon, who he said put in 16 hours of work every day after founding Clearsky, despite being ill.

"That's why this is quite meaningful to me and my family," he said. "We don't feel like it's our award, we feel like it's his."

Keeping with the theme of Arrogate, Juddmonte Farms

notched its second-straight and fourth overall Eclipse Award for champion owner on the heels of a season that saw them take home nine North American Grade I races.

Gary and Mary West's **West Coast** (Flatter) was honored as champion 3-year-old male and Gary West was quick to credit racing manager Ben Glass and the rest of his sales team for making shrewd purchases in the auction ring--an aspect of racing that West likened to the NFL Draft. He also credited the patience shown by trainer Bob Baffert with the later-developing colt.

"If there's one piece of advice

I have for anyone new in this game, it's to have patience with horses," West said. "If a trainer tells you the horse isn't ready to run, they're not ready to run...We've waited 40 years for this award and if we'd won in our first 5-10 years, it wouldn't mean nearly as much as this does."

China Horse Club and Clearsky Farm's Abel Tasman landed the Eclipse Award for champion sophomore filly and a large group was on stage to celebrate the award.

"Tonight, many in Asia and China were waiting to see if Abel Tasman would be recognized," said Teo Ah Khing of China Horse Club, who was joined by Allen Chastanet, Prime Minister of St. Lucia, while mentioning a new racetrack project he is developing on the island nation.



L to R: Ron Winchell, Steve Asmussen & Goncalo Borges Torrealba celebrate with Gun Runner's Horse of the Year trophy  
*Horsephotos*

Charles Fipke's homebred **Forever Unbridled** (Unbridled's Song) was crowned champion older dirt female after a memorable 2017 season that wrapped up with a victory in the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff.

Sheep Pond Partners's **Lady Eli** (Divine Park) claimed a well-deserved first-ever Eclipse Award as champion female turf horse, providing a fitting conclusion to her storied career. Co-owner Sol Kumin, who noted that Lady Eli was named for his wife Elizabeth, thanked both trainer Chad Brown and his team and jockey Irad Ortiz, Jr., while Jay Hanley gave a special thanks to Lady Eli's farriers for devoting themselves to her recovery from Laminitis.

"She really forever changed my life and my family's life," Kumin said. "We fell in love with this sport on the journey she took us on. People talk about the highs and lows of horse racing, and I never really knew what that meant until I had Lady Eli."

Live Oak Plantation homebred **World Approval** (Northern Afleet) captured three Grade I turf miles to close out his 2017 season, good enough for recognition as champion male turf horse.

The first award of the evening, champion female sprinter, went to recent GI La Brea S. winner **Unique Bella** (Tapit) in a tightly contested division. The fleet-footed gray became the first 3-year-old to win the award since Indian Blessing in 2008.

"Our family has a long history and tradition in our home country of Chile," said Don Alberto's Carlos Heller. "We had a dream of racing and breeding at the highest level in America and tonight, we have confirmation that our dream has come true."

**Roy H** (More Than Ready) took home the male sprinter award on the heels of a five-win campaign from six starts that culminated with a victory in the GI Twinspires.com Breeders' Cup Sprint. Co-owner David Bernsen and trainer Peter Miller accepted the award, with the latter delivering a heartfelt thank you to both his owners and help.

"Without the people backing you up, you're nothing," Miller noted.

Famed announcer Tom Durkin provided some mid-evening comedic relief, joking that people need to put their Eclipse

Awards in perspective before revealing his own statuette he was holding behind his back and talking about sleeping with the award. He also gave Winchell advice on how to polish and maintain it.

The awards for champion 2-year-old male and female went to **Good Magic** (Curlin) and **Caledonia Road** (Quality Road), respectively. Caledonia Road gave her sire his second Eclipse of the evening, following in the footsteps of Abel Tasman, and became the first Eclipse winner for trainer Ralph Nicks. The award was accepted by Luc Paiement, who reached the stage with the aid of crutches after recently rupturing his Achilles tendon.



Frank Stronach | Horsephotos

Bob Edwards of the Five Racing Thoroughbreds also became a first-time Eclipse Award winner and credited co-owner and breeder Barbara Banke of Stonestreet Farm and his bloodstock agent Mike Ryan, among others, to contributing to the championship season.

"All I do is just bring the luck," Edwards said with a laugh.

**Scorpiancer** (Scorpion {Ire}) was honored as champion steeplechaser despite an abbreviated two-start campaign.

Chad Brown was named champion trainer for the second consecutive year and stressed how the award is more a reflection of his entire team than him as an individual.

Jose Ortiz claimed his first Eclipse award as champion jockey and got emotional while dedicating the award to his brother and competitor Irad Ortiz, Jr. Southern California-based Evin Roman took home the award for champion apprentice jockey.

Frank Stronach received the Eclipse Award of Merit and spoke of the challenges faced by horse racing while outlining the goals of The Stronach Group to bring about positive change in the industry.

"I can only imagine what this game would have been like without him," said The Stronach Group CEO Tim Ritvo as he introduced Stronach.

"We as horse people need to sit down and think, 'Where are we going?' In life, you have to know where you're going," Stronach asserted. "Horses are liked all around the world. There are no politics involved, no religion."



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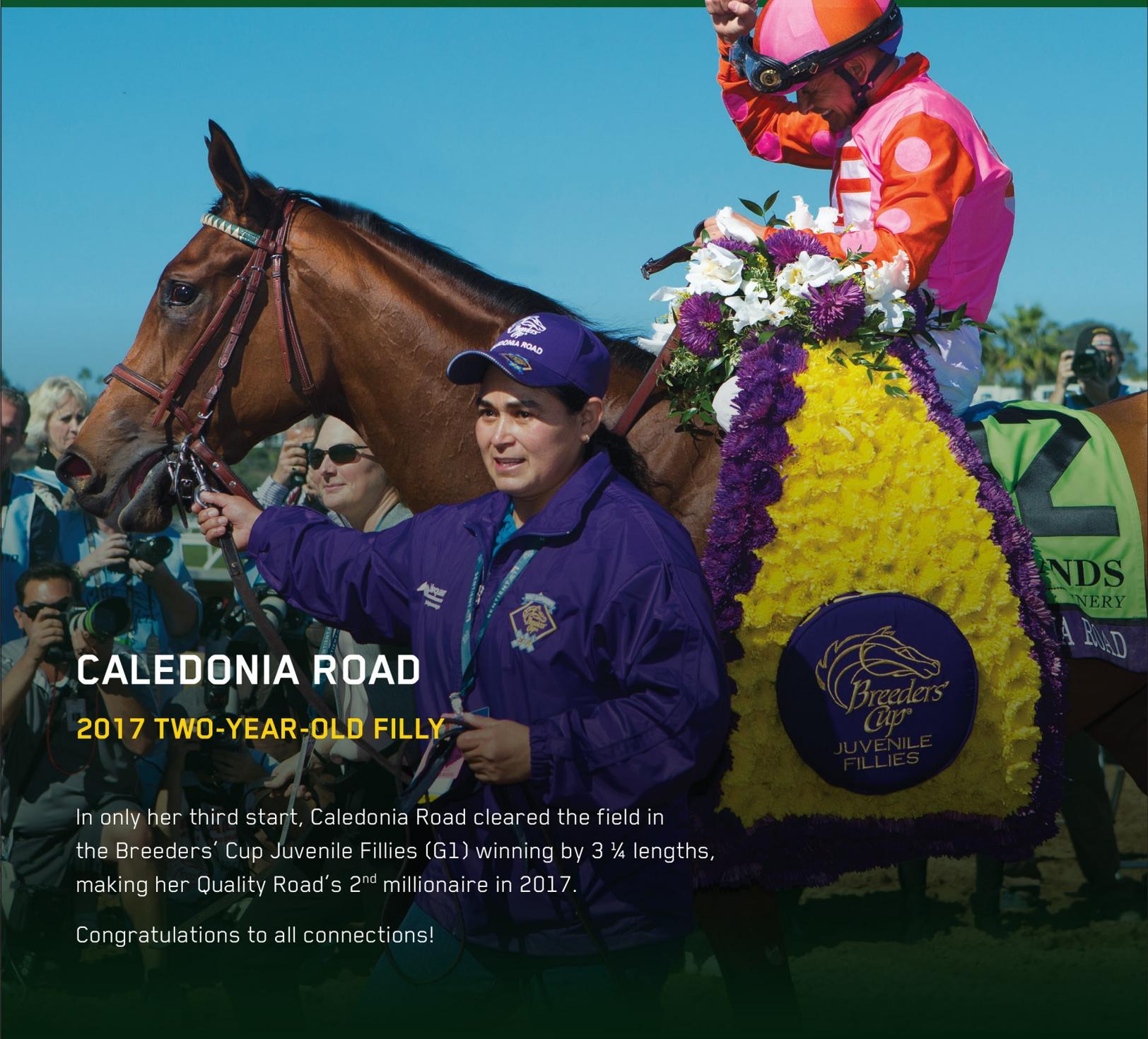
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## CALEDONIA ROAD

### 2017 TWO-YEAR-OLD FILLY

In only her third start, Caledonia Road cleared the field in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (G1) winning by 3 ¼ lengths, making her Quality Road's 2<sup>nd</sup> millionaire in 2017.

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**Eclipse Special Award: Courage in the Face of Tragedy**

Special Eclipse Awards were handed out to the first responders to both the San Luis Rey Downs wildfire and Hurricane Maria, which devastated Puerto Rico's Camarero Racetrack, recognizing their efforts to provide relief to horse and human populations alike under dire circumstances.

"We cannot thank everyone, but the spirit of this award is all-encompassing," Gulfstream Park announcer Pete Aiello noted in a video message that recounted heroic relief efforts in response to both tragedies. Nick Luck went on to note that the racing community has raised nearly \$900,000 in donations to aid the San Luis Rey relief efforts.

Kelly Stobie and Shelly Blodgett of Caribbean Thoroughbred Aftercare Inc. accepted the special award on behalf of the first responders in Puerto Rico, thanking their colleagues for their continual efforts while stressing that the situation requires ongoing attention. Blodgett thanked TDN's Sue Finley among others for raising awareness of the catastrophe in its aftermath. She also thanked Charlotte Weber, the TRF and "countless individuals" who donated.



Shelly Blodgett & Kelly Stobie | Horsephotos

Peter Miller, who lost five horses in the San Luis Rey blaze, took the stage next and delivered a heartfelt speech that emphasized the contrast between the devastation of the fire and the "sheer kindness, selflessness and generosity of horsepeople from around the world" in response to the tragedy. Miller specifically thanked his grooms and hotwalkers for risking their own well-being to save the stable.

"San Luis Rey is a special place. It's more than a training center--it's like a family, a community," said Miller. "We're there for each other, we care about each other and we help each other."

Miller concluded that the response to the fire "Restored my faith in people--especially horse people."

A second Eclipse Award of Honor was given to the NTRA for their efforts advocating for new IRS regulations in favor of horseplayers on Capitol Hill.

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**HORSE OF THE YEAR  
CHAMPION OLDER DIRT MALE  
GUN RUNNER**



Gun Runner | Eclipse Sportswire/Breeders' Cup

(c, 4, **Candy Ride {Arg}**--Quiet Giant, by Giant's Causeway)  
O-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC & Three Chimneys Farm;  
B-Besilu Stables (KY); T-Steve Asmussen  
2017 Record: 6-5-1-0, \$6,950,700

**Major 2017 Races**

**GI Stephen Foster H. • GI Whitney S.  
GI Woodward S. • GI Breeders' Cup Classic  
TJCIS PPs • Equine catalog-style pedigree**

Gun Runner was very consistent as a 3-year-old in 2016, but a Grade I eluded him. The chestnut more than made up for it in 2017, dominating the handicap division with four victories at the highest level, including the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. Kept out of the GI Pegasus World Cup due to an EHV-1 quarantine at the Fair Grounds, Gun Runner was re-routed to the GIII Razorback H. at Oaklawn, where he scored a decisive win in February, and finished a gutsy second to champion **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) in the G1 Dubai World Cup in March.

He proved unbeatable when returned to these shores, reeling off impressive victories in the GI Stephen Foster H., GI Whitney S., GI Woodward S. and BC Classic, a race in which Arrogate dead-heated for fifth. Gun Runner's connections have opted to keep him in training for this year's Pegasus Jan. 27, after which he will **retire to stud** at Three Chimneys Farm.

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
Horse of the Year: Gun Runner, 248; Arrogate, 2

Champion Older Male: Gun Runner, 247; Arrogate, 3

### Accepting the Award...

*"For me, this is a very bittersweet moment. The bitter part is knowing that next week Gun Runner won't be part of our racing stable and he's simply irreplaceable. The sweet part is knowing that last year we kept Gun Runner in training with the hope and anticipation of maybe coming here and winning an Eclipse Award. And as most people know, in horse racing, if you come up with a plan, usually by March that plan is out the window and you got to come up with a new one. It's a great honor and a great pleasure to stand here and be part of Gun Runner's racing career and legacy. On behalf of my family, myself and our partnership, I want to say thank you."* --Owner Ron Winchell

*"I'd like to thank, mainly, Gun Runner, and as you can tell, for this ownership group as well as myself, [assistant] Scott [Blasi] and my family--the memories that Gun Runner has given us by the year that he has had will stay with us... I thank [the owners] for taking a horse of his value who won a Grade I as a 3-year-old, putting him back in training and being rewarded like this. Thank you very much to Ron and the Winchell team as well as Mr. Torrealba and the Three Chimneys team."* --Trainer Steve Asmussen

### Early Impressions...

*"I've been a fan of Gun Runner since the beginning. You can find me to be proportionately biased based on my involvement. But it also makes it very satisfying for me, and I've been lucky to remain a part of it. I liked Gun Runner from the beginning. I liked the way he was when he was born. I thought he was an exceptional first foal on size, scope and attitude. I had confidence in Quiet Giant, because she could run. She had Grade I ability that didn't show up on her race record."* --Chris Baker, current Three Chimneys COO and former general manager for Ned Evans's Spring Hill Farm. Gun Runner hails from a Ned Evans family. His dam is a half to Horse of the Year Saint Liam (Saint Liam), who in turn produced a Horse of the Year himself from just one crop in Havre de Grace. *Quote courtesy Gulfstream Park*

**All ages of horses listed are their 2017 ages**

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## CHAMPION OLDER DIRT FEMALE FOREVER UNBRIDLED

(m, 5, Unbridled's Song--Lemons Forever, Lemon Drop Kid) O/B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Dallas Stewart  
2017 Record: 3-3-0-0, \$1,595,280

### Major 2017 Races

**GII Fleur de Lis H.** • **GI Personal Ensign S.**  
**GI Breeders' Cup Distaff**  
**TJCIS PPs** • **Equineline catalog-style pedigree**

Forever Unbridled only made three starts this season, but she made them count. Opening her 2017 account with a victory in the GII Fleur de Lis H. at Churchill June 17, the daughter of GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Lemons Forever defeated the mighty Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro), herself a two-time champion, next out in the GI Personal Ensign S. at Saratoga in August. The homebred saved the best for last with a half-length defeat of newly crowned champion 3-year-old filly Abel Tasman (Quality Road) in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff at Del Mar Nov. 3.

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**Older Dirt Female:** Forever Unbridled, 237; Songbird, 8; Stellar Wind, 4



Forever Unbridled | Eclipse Sportswire/Breeders' Cup

**Accepting the Award...**

*"Well, I have to say, winning a fantastic trophy like this is just awesome. Many, many hours of hard work go into receiving an award like this and you need to build a team--you have to have a horse, that's Forever Unbridled--but a whole team that goes behind her... You can't have anything go wrong along the way. Most of the credit goes to [trainer] Dallas Stewart. He's a phenomenal worker, he works all the time. He's such a great inspiration--always happy and laughing and positive... It's really the team who helped Forever Unbridled, and the horse herself."*

**--Owner/breeder Charles Fipke**

*"Chuck Fipke, what a guy. He put the whole thing together. I owned the mother with the Hortons and he bought Lemons Forever. That's the way we started our association. He's a great breeder. He's so great for the game. Everybody knows Chuck--he puts his heart and soul into it, and I'm just so glad for him to get this award tonight. What a great man to work for."* **--Trainer Dallas Stewart**



Chuck Fipke and his team | Horsephotos

**CHAMPION TURF MALE  
WORLD APPROVAL**

(g, 5, **Northern Afleet**--Win Approval, by With Approval)  
O-Live Oak Stud; B-Live Oak Plantation (FL); T-Mark Casse  
2017 Record: 6-5-0-0, \$2,043,600  
Major 2017 Races  
**GI Fourstardave H. • GI Woodbine Mile • GI BC Mile**  
**TJCS PPs • EquineLine catalog-style pedigree**



World Approval galloping at Saratoga | Sarah K Andrew

Live Oak homebred World Approval tasted defeat just once in a six-race campaign culminating with a strong success over an international field in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile to clinch divisional honors as this country's top turf male. In so doing, the popular grey gelding was providing his sire with a third Eclipse Award winner (Afleet Alex, Amazombie) and seventh champion overall, while Win Approval was being recognized with a second Eclipse Award winner. Like World Approval, Miesque's Approval won the Mile en route to a statuette in 2006.

"She's just a phenomenal mare," Live Oak's Charlotte Weber said of Win Approval in a piece in the **January edition of TDN Weekend**. "She's paid off and she's done all the hard work, really. She's enjoying herself now in the field with her boys."

One of four graded stakes winners for his dam and one of eight winners overall, World Approval won Tampa's state-bred restricted Turf Classic and added the GII Dixie S. before finishing a close fifth in the GI Manhattan S. He returned a generous \$12.60 in winning the GI Fourstardave H. over rain-affected turf at Saratoga in August and easily defeated the good European sophomore miler Lancaster Bomber (War Front) in the GI Woodbine Mile the following month and again on Breeders' Cup Saturday.

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**World Approval cont.**

In addition to Miesque's Approval, World Approval's accomplished half-brothers Za Approval (Ghostzapper) and Revved Up (Sultry Song) won stakes at six and beyond and World Approval will try to follow suit in 2018. He is scheduled to return in the GIII Lambholm South Endeavour S. at Tampa Feb. 10 as a possible stepping stone to the \$6-million G1 Dubai Turf at Meydan Mar. 31.



Charlotte Weber | Horsephotos

**Accepting the Award...**

*"Last year was the year of years for me, and this year marks my 50th anniversary in the business, so this a wonderful, wonderful presentation. As you know, racing takes a lot of talent, a lot of people and a lot of love. For all of us--from the blacksmiths, to Mark [Casse] my trainer, to Mike [Trombetta] my other trainer and many other trainers I've had, they've all boosted me in this position. Bruce [Hill] has helped at the farm, kept me steady and realistic. All I can say is it's a dream come true. I hope I don't disappoint you next year because I'm striving to do it again."* --**Owner Charlotte Weber**

*"I just want to say 'thank you' to Charlotte and the Live Oak team. She's been part of my life for 50 years and was a great friend of my father's, so this is special."* --**Trainer Mark Casse**

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**Champion Turf Male:** With Approval, 211; Beach Patrol, 20; Talismanic (GB), 11; Highland Reel (Ire), 8.

**CHAMPION TURF FEMALE**

**LADY ELI**

(m, 5, Divine Park--Sacre Coeur, by Saint Ballado)  
 \$160,000 yrl '13 KEESEP; \$160,000 2yo '14 KEEAPR  
 O-Sheep Pond Partners; B-Runnymede Farm Inc &  
 Catesby W Clay (KY); T-Chad Brown  
 2017 Record: 5-3-1-0, \$790,000

**Major 2017 Races**

**GI Gamely S. • GI Diana S. • GII Ballston Spa S.**  
**TJCIS PPs • Equineline catalog-style pedigree**



Lady Eli following the Ballston Spa | Sarah K Andrew

The third time was ultimately the charm for Lady Eli. A finalist for the Eclipse as champion 2-year-old filly in 2014, she fought a well-documented and winning battle against laminitis in 2015, and missed a spot on the ballot, deserving though she was. She was back on the ballot in 2016, but had the great misfortune of posting an award-worthy campaign in the same year as Tepin (Bernstein) and was forced to settle for a minor award. There was no such misfortune this time around, as Lady Eli easily out-pointed GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf upsetter **Wuheida (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and GI Matriarch S. winner **Off Limits (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) to secure the trophy.

Just run down in the final jump of the 2016 Filly & Mare Turf, Lady Eli led late, but was caught in the waning strides of the GI Jenny Wiley S. by Dickinson (Medaglia d'Oro) on her seasonal debut in April. Returned to California for her next, she showed versatility and tenacity in winning the GI Gamely S., forcing a fast pace and holding on late.

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**Champion Turf Female:** Lady Eli, 203; Wuheida (GB), 33; Off Limits, 12; Cambodia, 1; La Coronel, 1.

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The connections of Lady Eli | Horsephotos

Tough as nails in landing the GI Diana S. by a head in July, she turned the tables on Dickinson in the GII Ballston Spa S. in August. She suffered a minor injury when seventh as the favorite in the 2017 F/M Turf and though connections held open the chance of a return to the races at age six, they recently elected to call time on her career. She will be bred to War Front in 2018.

“The hard part for us was she always had told us what she wanted to do,” Sol Kumin, who campaigned Lady Eli with Jay Hanley, **told the TDN’s Bill Finley**. “When she was sick [with laminitis], we didn’t feel any pressure to bring her back to the races, but we could tell she always wanted to do more. This time we kind of took the decision away from her.”

Lady Eli is the first champion for her expatriated sire and first champion owned by Sheep Pond Partners.

### Accepting the Award...

*“Lady Eli, for me, was actually one of the first horses that I ever owned, which makes me very lucky. She’s named after my wife Elizabeth. Lady Eli was really my introduction to horseracing. She took me to Saratoga for the first time. She took me to my first Breeders’ Cup. She was my first Grade I winner. And she really forever changed my life and my family’s life as we’ve fallen in love with this sport on the journey, really, that she took us on. I just feel blessed that I’ve been lucky enough to go on this journey with her. I’m going to miss her.”* --Co-owner Sol Kumin

*“I’m hoping that Lady Eli’s story resonates far beyond the hallowed clubhouses of the world’s famous racetracks. Let’s allow her to stand as a model of strength and a beckon of hope for generations to come. She survived. She overcame all odds. And so can you.”* --Co-owner Jay Hanley



## LADY ELI

**Congratulations to two-time Keeneland sales graduate Lady Eli, who received the 2017 Eclipse Award as champion female turf horse. She sold for \$160,000 at both the 2013 September Yearling Sale and 2014 April Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale.**

**Champions have special qualities from the beginning. In honor of Lady Eli’s remarkable year and career, those involved in the making of this champion reflect on her path to success.**

**Lady Eli is to be bred to War Front and consigned to Keeneland’s 2018 November Breeding Stock Sale.**



That said, we thought she sold well at \$160,000 at the September Sale.”

**– Brutus J. Clay III, Chief Executive Officer of Runnymede Farm, which bred Lady Eli and sold her at the 2013 September Sale**



“She was a very forward filly. When prepping her class of yearlings, she was our best walker and very well balanced. She was the alpha in the field, but pretty straightforward to work with in the barn. There is a video of a conversation between previous Runnymede manager Martin O’Dowd and myself and she was clearly our top pick of the fillies that year. We talked about keeping her, since we bred her sire, Divine Park.

While I make a living as a bloodstock agent by buying, selling and trading horses the main reason I do what I do is to try to find exceptional equine athletes. In the end of the day, my job is to be a talent scout. So for me, Lady Eli is the fruition of my passion for this sport. She is one of the best of her generation.”

**– Pete Bradley, whose Bradley Thoroughbreds bought Lady Eli for \$160,000 at the September Sale**



“(Co-owner) Jay Hanley and (trainer) Chad Brown were at the Keeneland sale and they liked her breeze so they decided to buy her. A lot of good horses have come out of Pete Bradley’s and Eddie Woods’ pinhook ventures so we paid attention to that.

You always dream and hope and that is one of the great parts of this sport. But you never really know how good they can become.

I love her. We have been so lucky to have been associated with her. She has taken us on quite a journey. I am thrilled for her. She deserves it.”

**– Co-owner Sol Kumin**

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## CHAMPION MALE SPRINTER

### ROY H

(g, 5, **More Than Ready**—Elusive Diva, by Elusive Quality)

\$115,000 yrl '13 KESEP; \$310,000 2yo '14 KEEAPR

O-Rockingham Ranch & David A Bernsen;

B-Ramona S. Bass, LLC (Ky); T-Peter Miller

2017 Record: 6-5-1-0, \$1,270,900

#### Major 2017 Races

**GII True North S.** • **GI Bing Crosby S.** • **GI Santa Anita Sprint Championship S.** • **GI TwinSpires Breeders' Cup Sprint TJCIS PPs** • **Equine catalog-style pedigree**



**Roy H in Breeders' Cup winner's circle with Peter Miller and Kent Desormeaux | *Eclipse Sportswire/Breeders' Cup***

Roy H, named after the late grandfather of Rockingham Ranch owner Gary Hartunian, enjoyed a nearly perfect season in 2017. The bay gelding opened the year with a pair of allowance tallies at Santa Anita before flying east to make his stakes debut at the ripe old age of five. He proved worth the wait, ranging up four wide turning for home and pulling away in upper stretch before holding off Stallwalkin Dude (City Place) to win the GII True North S. by 2 1/2 lengths at Belmont Park in June.

He suffered his lone loss of 2017 in an eventful running of the GI Bing Crosby S. as 2016 sprint champion Drefong (Gio Ponti) pitched jockey Mike Smith shortly after the break and ran loose throughout the race. The wayward champ carried Roy H some six wide into the stretch, allowing Ransom the Moon (Malibu Moon) clear run along the inside. Despite the wide trip, Roy H ran a very creditable second behind his luckier foe.

David Bernsen, a long-time client of trainer Peter Miller, purchased a minority share in Roy H from Rockingham Ranch after the Bing Crosby and things went more smoothly in his next start, with the gelding earning a spot in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint with a facile victory in the GI Santa Anita Sprint Championship S.



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### ROY H

Congratulations to two-time Keeneland sales graduate Roy H, who received the 2017 Eclipse Award as champion male sprinter. He sold for \$115,000 at the 2013 September Yearling Sale and \$310,000 at the 2014 April Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale.

In honor of Roy H's remarkable year, those involved in the making of this champion reflect on his path to success.



"Roy H was foaled and raised at Claiborne Farm. He was a good-looking foal and progressed into a strong sales yearling. The team at Claiborne did a fantastic job prepping him for the September Sale and it's been exciting to follow his success on the track.

Breeding a Breeders' Cup winner and Eclipse Award winner is the pinnacle of our sport, and we couldn't be more thrilled."

- Breeder Ramona Bass



"It's a very proud moment and I am thrilled for the horse and his connections. We strive to raise champion racehorses at Claiborne, so Roy H being nominated for an Eclipse Award is one step closer to our goal that we have for every horse we foal and raise.

I will note the last champion we had, Blame, was the same kind of yearling. He too was overshadowed by some flashier, well-bred horses that were his pasture mates. Both

horses were similar in their appearance and in a way flew under the radar while here at the farm but really blossomed once they got to the race track."

- Walker Hancock, President of Claiborne Farm, which sold Roy H for \$115,000 at the September Sale



"At the time of the Keeneland Sale, a partner of ours brought this horse to our attention. He really liked his physicality and athletic build. Furthermore, his dam, Elusive Diva, by Elusive Quality, was a multiple graded stakes winner. He felt this would be one we should consider. Little did we know he would be an Eclipse Award nominee years later.

Roy H has been the model of consistency for us this past year and is such a pleasure to be around in the barn. He is a very smart horse and we feel truly blessed to have him. We are forever grateful for trainer Peter Miller and his team for the attention and hard work they have put in with Roy H."

- Brian Trump, racing manager for Rockingham Ranch, which purchased Roy H for \$310,000 at the April Sale

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**Roy H cont.**

At the first Breeders' Cup to ever be held at Del Mar, Roy H capped a career day for locals Miller and Hartunian. The owner and trainer also teamed up for a one-two finish in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint.

"He always had Grade I talent, but he never put it together," Miller said of the late-developing champion after his Breeders' Cup win. "He always had either niggling issues or he wasn't quite mentally there. We gelded him. When he was out, we gelded him and gave him some time off, and he's just been a beast since he came back."

Roy H is currently training towards his expected 2018 debut in the Feb. 3 Gil Palos Verdes S.

"He's doing great," Miller said. "Things couldn't have gone better in the Breeders' Cup. He came out of it great and we gave him a little break after that, just backed off him, but he's training super now."

**Champions Lady Eli and Roy H are both graduates of the final Keeneland April 2-year-old sale held in 2014.**



**Bernsen & Miller | Horsephotos**

**Accepting the Award...**

*"I thought I might repeat my Breeders' Cup speech, which was about 10 words, but I really want to thank my partner in this, the Rockingham Ranch guys--especially Gary Hartunian, who was gracious enough to allow me to partner with him on this horse and participate in one of the greatest racing days that someone can have. I want to also thank Peter Miller, who I've been with for about 10 years. We've had quite a bit of success and more than my fair share."* --Co-owner David Bernsen

*"It's a great honor to win an Eclipse Award. Roy H has been a special horse for us. I'd really like to thank Gary Hartunian and his wife Amy. They've been tremendous supporters of mine... I'd also like to thank my crew--my team. A trainer is only as good as his crew. And I'm fortunate to have a great one. Without the people around the horse and the people backing you up, you're nothing. Thank you, I'm humbled by this."* --Trainer Peter Miller

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**Early Impressions...**

*“He was always a beautiful-moving horse and very fast. Temperamentally very laid back and straightforward. We had big expectations for him both as a sale and a racehorse.”*  
**–Ciaran Dunne, who purchased Roy H at Keeneland September before re-offering him through his Wavertree Stables consignment at the now discontinued Keeneland April sale in 2014.**

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**Male Sprinter:** Roy H, 241; Imperial Hint, 5; Drefong, 1; Mind Your Biscuits, 1; Stormy Liberal, 1

**CHAMPION FEMALE SPRINTER**

**UNIQUE BELLA**

**\$400,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP**

**(f, 3, **Tapit**--Unrivaled Belle, by Unbridled's Song)**  
**O-Don Alberto Stable; B-Brushwood Stable (PA);**

**T-Jerry Hollendorfer**

**2017 Record: 6-5-0-0, \$550,000**

**Major 2017 Races**

**GII Santa Ynez S. • GIII Santa Ysabel S.**

**GIII L. A. Woman S. • GI La Brea S.**

**TJCIS PPs • EquineLine catalog-style pedigree**

Though she was forced to miss the 2017 GI Kentucky Oaks with a shin injury, Don Alberto Stable's **'TDN Rising Star' Unique Bella** finished the season with a flourish and outpointed dual Grade I winner Paulassilverlining (Ghostzapper) and GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint runner-up Ami's Mesa (Sky Mesa) to take home the Eclipse for female sprinter. She is the fourth U.S. champion for her Gainesway-based stallion and seventh overall.



**Unique Bella | Horsephotos**



**UNIQUE BELLA** 

**Congratulations to Keeneland September Yearling Sale graduate Unique Bella, who received the 2017 Eclipse Award as champion female sprinter.**

**In honor of Unique Bella's remarkable year, those who contributed to the making of this champion reflect on her path to success.**



*“Unique Bella was an absolutely beautiful big yearling at Keeneland – tall and leggy. What a great filly she is now.”*

**– Reiley McDonald,**  
*whose Eaton Sales, agent, sold Unique Bella for \$400,000 at the 2015 September Sale*



*“Unique Bella was right at the beginning of the sale (Hip 8). We had one or two lots (selling) at the opening of the sale, and Carlos (Heller) and the (Don Alberto) team were there. Carlos saw her page and he got interested and went to the back to see her, liked her and ended up buying her. He was definitely*

*interested (in buying a horse at the sale), but it helped that there were a couple of lots (we were selling) right before her. So it was just a coincidence that everybody was together there and it happened.*

*She always showed a lot of quality, always showed that she had a lot of class since breaking, pre-training and starting. She had some really nice races at the beginning of the year, but the La Brea (G1) definitely solidified her as a major contender because she showed a different dimension against Paradise Woods, a fantastic filly.*

*We're extremely excited. It's a testament to the hard work (of Don Alberto). The whole operation in the U.S. is still quite new, but it's already very influential, and that's a major compliment for Carlos and his mother, Liliana (Solari), who are very passionate about horses and they deserve to be recognized and have an award like that.”*

**– Fabricio Buffolo**  
*Executive Director of owner Don Alberto Corporation*



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# *Unique Bella*



*2017 Eclipse Award Winner  
Female Sprinter*

*Bred by Brushwood Stable*

**Unique Bella cont.**

The gray kicked off her sophomore season with a 7 1/2-length thrashing of fellow ‘Rising Star’ It Tiz Well (Arch) in the GII Santa Ynez S. over seven panels, then proved she could negotiate the stretch out to two turns with victories in the GII Las Virgenes S. and the GIII Santa Ysabel S., defeating future champion and GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Abel Tasman (Quality Road) in the latter test. She returned from her injury-enforced absence to annex the Oct. 8 L. A. Woman S. by open lengths and though she was down the field in the Filly and Mare Sprint, Unique Bella clinched a title with a 3/4-length decision over ‘Rising Star’ Paradise Woods (Union Rags) in the GI La Brea S. Dec. 26.

Unique Bella remains in training for 2018 and is expected to make her 4-year-old debut in the 1 1/16-mile GII Santa Maria S. at Santa Anita Feb. 10. The Pennsylvania-bred has been working very well for that race and recently logged a best-of-110 five furlongs in :59 flat in Arcadia Jan. 21.

**Accepting the Award...**

*“We appreciate the entire racing industry for honoring us with this award. Our family has a long tradition of supporting racing and breeding in our country, Chile. We had a dream, and decided to pursue it, of racing at the highest level here in North America. Today, we have confirmation that our dream can come true. All of this work would not be possible without the hard work and dedication of our employees at Don Alberto. A special thanks to [jockey] Mike Smith and [trainer] Jerry Hollendorfer and all of his crew for transforming Unique Bella into an Eclipse Award winner. We can only hope that fate and good fortune may some day lead us here again. This evening, we are humbled to stand before you as newcomers accepting this prestigious award.”* --Carlos Heller, Don Alberto Corp.



**Team Unique Bella | Horsephotos**

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**

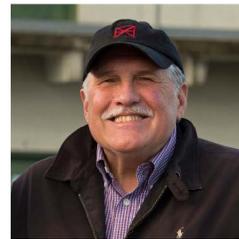
**Female Sprinter:** Unique Bella, 90; Paulassilverlining, 60; Ami’s Mesa, 41; Bar of Gold, 36; Lady Aurelia, 8; By the Moon, 5; American Gal, 3; Finley’sluckycharm, 1.



**WEST COAST** 

**Congratulations to Keeneland September Yearling Sale Graduate West Coast, who received the 2017 Eclipse Award as champion 3-year-old.**

**In honor of West Coast’s remarkable year, those who contributed to the making of this champion reflect on his path to success.**



– Bill Landes, General Manager of Hermitage Farm of Goshen, Kentucky, where West Coast was foaled. Hermitage sold him at the 2015 September Sale.

“West Coast was awkward and weedy at yearling inspection time. We put him in our second group of yearlings (for Book 2), and he sold very well. It was really good because we took the chance that he was going to improve and mature, and that’s exactly what he did.”



“He was a dynamite-looking athlete. Looking at him, I thought, ‘If he keeps improving, he will be a fantastic racehorse.’”

– Bloodstock agent Ben Glass, who purchased him for \$425,000



“Ben said he was a very athletic-looking horse out of a champion mare but because he was a late foal, we would have to be patient with him. We were and it has paid off.

His last three races, the Travers (G1), Pennsylvania Derby (G1) and Breeders’ Cup Classic (G1), were all very impressive. I believe West

Coast had the three highest Beyer speed figures around two turns of any 3-year-old (during the) year, which says a lot about his quality and consistency.

We are both very appreciative and excited to be named among the top three 3-year-old colts in the country.”

– Gary West, who races West Coast with his wife, Mary

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## CHAMPION 3-YEAR-OLD MALE WEST COAST

(c, **Flatter**–Caressing, by Honour and Glory)

\$425,000 yrl '15 KEESOP

O-Gary & Mary West; B-CFP Thoroughbreds LLC (Ky);

T-Bob Baffert

2017 Record: 9-6-2-1, \$2,083,800

Major 2017 Races

**Easy Goer S.** • **GIII Los Alamitos Derby**

**GI Travers S. Presented by NYRA Bets** • **GI Pennsylvania Derby**

**TJCIS PPs** • **Equineline catalog-style pedigree**

A mid-May foal, West Coast wasn't quite ready for the bright lights around Derby time, but the striking bay was definitely laying the foundation for a championship campaign. He only made his racetrack debut in February and graduated second time out before finishing runner-up, beaten just a head, in the Apr. 15 GIII Stonestreet Lexington S. in his third career start.



West Coast | Sarah K Andrew



Trainer Bob Baffert & Gary & Mary West | Horsephotos

After a Santa Anita allowance score in May, West Coast was back in the stakes ranks and was unbeaten by a sophomore the rest of the year. He won the Easy Goer S. at Belmont in June and added the GIII Los Alamitos Derby in July.

With echoes of fellow Bob Baffert trainee Arrogate (Unbridled's Song) in 2016, West Coast swooped into Saratoga for the GI Travers S. The accomplished field included all three winners of the Triple Crown, but it was West Coast striding home much the best in the Midsummer Derby. He proved that victory was no fluke with a dominant score in the GI Pennsylvania Derby and finished the year with a solid third-place finish behind established older rivals Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) and Collected (City Zip) in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

"Obviously, I liked him a lot," Gary and Mary West's racing manager Ben Glass **told TDN** after West Coast's Travers victory. "But we don't usually buy that late a foal. I just looked back at my catalogue page and I saw at the top I had May 14 circled and then under that I had written, 'But I really like him.' So I went out on a limb because Mr. West doesn't like to buy foals [born] after May 10. So with that said, on the page I had written, 'Very athletic, athletic walk. Love him.'" **Cont. p13**



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**West Coast cont.**

West Coast looks poised for a big 2018 season. The 4-year-old turned heads with three straight bullet works at Santa Anita in January as he prepares for a tilt at Saturday's \$16-million GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational.

**Accepting the Award...**

*"West Coast was sent to Bob Baffert, who I can't thank enough for his patience with this horse. Had Bob pushed on West Coast early in his career and tried to make it to the Triple Crown races, we would not be accepting this award tonight. If there's one piece of advice I have for anybody that's new into this game, it is to be patient with horses. And if a trainer tells you a horse is not ready to run, take their word for it. They're not ready to run.*

*"We've waited nearly 40 years for this award. When you wait 40 years for something and then it finally happens, you are more grateful, more appreciate and more humble than words can possibly express. This means more to us than anybody can imagine."* --Owner Gary West

**Early Impressions...**

*"Being a late foal (May 14), West Coast was always in 'catch up' mode until the summer of his yearling year when he blossomed. He always had a good walk, became strong and rugged and at the Keeneland Sales had the 'race car' look (hip higher than his withers) that seems to attract buyers."* --Bill Landes of Hermitage Farm, which raised, foaled and sold West Coast at the 2015 Keeneland September Sale.

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**3-Year-Old Male:** West Coast, 229; Always Dreaming, 14; Battle of Midway, 5; Irap, 1; Mastery, 1.

**CHAMPION 3-YEAR-OLD FILLY**  
**ABEL TASMAN**

(f, **Quality Road**—Vargas Girl, by Deputy Minister)

**\$65,000 RNA yrl '15 KESEF**

**O-China Horse Club International Ltd. & Clearsky Farms;**

**B-Clearsky Farms (KY); T-Bob Baffert**

**2017 Record: 7-3-4-0, \$1,747,200**

**Major 2017 Races**

**GI Longines Kentucky Oaks • GI Acorn S.**

**GI Coaching Club American Oaks**

**TJCIS PPs • Equine catalog-style pedigree**

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**3-Year-Old Filly:** Abel Tasman, 244; Unique Bella, 5; Elate, 1.



**ABEL TASMAN** 

**Congratulations to Keeneland September Yearling Sale alumnus Abel Tasman, who received the 2017 Eclipse Award as champion 3-year-old filly.**

**In honor of Abel Tasman's remarkable year, those involved in the making of this champion reflect on her path to success.**



"Abel Tasman was a large, correct filly. She wasn't really flashy, but had a good mind – she was one of the easy ones that never caused any problems – and her disposition is a quality (trainer Bob Baffert) still notes about her to this day. We didn't have any idea she would become the racehorse she did. She's clearly the best of that year's yearlings.

We feel very fortunate and know that luck has a big part to do with it. It's really great for all the staff because we see the work they put in day in and day out, and they play a big part in raising some of these good horses, so it's nice to see their effort being rewarded.

We get a thrill anytime any horse we've bred wins a race but the excitement is on another level when you have horses like that competing in some of the biggest races in the country.

We're only a small part in the success of these horses, so a lot of credit has to go to their other connections: owner, trainer, jockey, etc. We're also lucky that we've got a great team of people working with us, as any organization is only as good as its employees."

**– Brothers Bernard & Eamonn Cleary, owners of breeder Clearsky Farms**  
*Clearsky co-owns Abel Tasman with China Horse Club.*



"2017 has been a year of immeasurable joy with Abel Tasman. The China Horse Club is very fortunate to have the privilege of racing her and of sharing her story with the people of China. Bernard and Eamonn Cleary bred Abel Tasman with their father, Eamon senior, at Clearsky Farms and the chance to race Abel Tasman with them has been truly memorable. They are exceptional partners and world-class breeders.

And in Bob Baffert and his team and in Mike Smith, Abel Tasman has a peerless team guiding her career, it has all of us at the China Horse Club and so many racing fans across China eagerly anticipating 2018. The Eclipse Awards recognize excellence and to have Abel Tasman shortlisted for this year's awards is very rewarding in itself. She is a great filly and all involved with her are so proud of her and delighted that she has been recognized in this manner against such quality peers."

**– Teo Ah Khing**

*Chairman of co-owner China Horse Club*

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Abel Tasman | Horsephotos

Abel Tasman closed out her juvenile campaign in 2016 with her first top-level success, which proved to be a hint at what was to come in 2017, a season that saw her add a trio of prestigious Grade I events to her resume and cement her status as the best in her class. The China Horse Club team was so impressed with her 2016 GI Starlet S. victory that they entered into a partnership with breeder Clearsky Farm, who was named this year's champion breeder, following that race.

Kicking off her sophomore season for her new connections with a second to 'TDN Rising Star' and newly crowned champion **Unique Bella** (Tapit) in the GIII Santa Ysabel S. in March, the bay was subsequently transferred from Simon Callaghan to Hall of Famer Bob Baffert and completed the exacta behind 'TDN Rising Star' Paradise Woods (Union Rags) in the GI Santa Anita Oaks a month later.



Abel Tasman's connections | Horsephotos

Abel Tasman quickly ascended to the top of her division when she came charging from the back of the pack to spring a 9-1 upset in a muddy renewal of the GI Kentucky Oaks May 5 and followed suit with victories in the GI Acorn S. on the GI Belmont S. undercard and the GI CCA Oaks at Saratoga July 23. Runner-up to 'TDN Rising Star' It Tiz Well (Arch) in Parx's GI Cotillion S., she came flying late to be just a half-length second to champion older mare **Forever Unbridled** (Unbridled's Song) in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff Nov. 3.

**Accepting the Award...**

*"Tonight, many in Asia and in China are waiting to see whether Abel Tasman will be recognized and I want to thank everyone for their support. China Horse Club and our partners are building a new racetrack in St. Lucia in Caribbean and we hope that in not too long that we can have similar racing there. I just want to thank the American people, the media, and all those in the horse industry for supporting our early entry into horseracing--it's only been three years. You've given us a lot of encouragement."* --Owner China Horse Club's Teo Ah Khing

**Early Impressions...**

*We were lucky Abel Tasman ever came to be. She was a very long-legged foal and right before birth she put a foot through the mare's uterus. Fortunately by doing a C-section and rushing her to the clinic, we were able to save her and she was put on a nursemaid, who she took to right away. Her best quality has probably always been her mind: she always had a good attitude at the farm, which is something to this day Bob Baffert notes about her. When we think about it now, luck struck again when we brought her to the Keeneland September yearling sale to sell: Quality Road was having a pretty quiet year and a vet doing work for a number of clients interested in her failed her because of her scope. As a result, she didn't meet her reserve which, it's turned out, was a blessing for us."*

--Owner/breeders Clearsky Farms



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## CHAMPION 2-YEAR-OLD MALE GOOD MAGIC

(c, **Curlin**—Glinda the Good, by Hard Spun)

\$1,000,000 yrl '16 KEESEP

O-e Five Racing Thoroughbreds & Stonestreet Stables LLC;  
B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Chad Brown  
2017 Record: 3-1-2-0, \$1,216,600

### Major 2017 Races

**GI Champagne S.** • **GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile**  
**TJCIS PPs** • **Equine catalog-style pedigree**



Good Magic | Horsephotos

Good Magic, a \$1-million yearling, made it to the winner's circle only once in 2017, but in the race for all the marbles, he took home the year's biggest prize in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

Bred by Stonestreet out of its multiple stakes winner Glinda the Good and by its multiple champion Curlin, the chestnut races in partnership with Barbara Banke's operation and e Five Racing Thoroughbreds.

Second in his debut at Saratoga in August, Good Magic earned a spot in the Breeders' Cup with a promising runner-up effort behind Firenze Fire (Poseidon's Warrior) in the GI Champagne S.

At Del Mar, Good Magic enjoyed a rail-skimming trip as favored Bolt d'Oro was caught wide. Tipped out for the drive, he powered past the talented **Solomini** (Curlin) and sailed clear in the final furlong for an authoritative victory. It was the second win of championship weekend for Bob Edwards's e Five Racing. Owner of e5 Pharma, a pharmaceutical company for pets, Edwards also won the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf with Eclipse finalist Rushing Fall (More Than Ready).

### ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes

**2-Year-Old Male:** Good Magic, 131; Bolt d'Oro, 113; Catholic Boy, 3; Firenze Fire, 1; Mendelssohn, 1; Solomini, 1.



## GOOD MAGIC

Congratulations to Keeneland September Yearling Sale graduate Good Magic, who received the 2017 Eclipse Award as champion 2-year-old male.

In honor of Good Magic's remarkable year, those involved in the making of this champion reflect on his path to success.



"Good Magic has always been first class and one of those rare horses that was gorgeous as a foal, weanling, yearling and 2-year-old. A very intelligent horse, he never shied away from anything we introduced him to.

He's an exceptional mover, plus he looks a lot like his sire (Curlin). Despite being extremely busy at the September Sale, he showed as well at the end of each day as he did at the beginning – I think this attitude

helped him top Book 2 and it helped him travel to California, gallop a couple times at Del Mar and then win the Breeders' Cup Juvenile (G1). He's a horse who doesn't need everything to go in his favor to win.

His grandam was one of the first mares (my husband) Jess (Jackson) bought when he started the farm and we raced his stakes-winning dam, Glinda the Good. As a commercial breeder, we are keenly focused on developing a broodmare band that produces yearlings that can perform. As someone who races, it is special that we were able to retain an interest with e5 and enjoy the ride."

– **Barbara Banke,**

*whose Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings bred Good Magic and became a partner in the colt after he sold at the 2016 September Sale*



"It's always very rewarding to sell one good horse. You always dream that they can compete at the highest level. So to sell the first- and second-place finishers in the Breeders' Cup (Juvenile in Good Magic and Solomini) both at the same September sale is extremely rewarding. The fact that they're by Curlin makes it even better.

All credit to Curlin and the Stonestreet program. They gave us a very good horse to sell. Chad Brown did a great job training the horse – peak performance on the most important day in racing. It all came together very well."

– **John G. Sikura,**

*whose Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency sold Good Magic at the September Sale*



"It's particularly rewarding when you buy a top horse for clients, because that's what your business is based on: success. When you buy a good horse, it's a terrific feeling.

Bob Edwards (of e5 Racing Thoroughbreds) is a great friend of mine. For Barbara Banke to be partners with Bob is a great match because they're wonderful people.

All of Bob's horses go to Stonestreet to be broke and they have since Day 1. There's a great relationship between Bob and Barbara."

– **Bloodstock agent Mike Ryan,**

*who bought Good Magic for e5 Racing Thoroughbreds at the September Sale for \$1 million*

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**CHAMPION 2YO  
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WHOSE DAM IS A HALF SISTER  
TO WILL TAKE CHARGE

**1st Dam - BROODMARE OF THE YEAR**

**TAKE CHARGE LADY**, by Dehere, 11 wins, 2 to 4, \$2,480,877. Won Ashland S. [G1]; Overbrook Spinster S. [G1] twice, Walmac Int'l Alcibiades S. [G2], Fair Grounds Oaks [G2], Silver Fox S. [G3], Arlington Matron H. [G3], Dogwood S. [G3], Ntra Great State Chal Inv. S. [G3], 2nd Kentucky Oaks [G1], Apple Blossom H. [G1], Ogden Phipps H. [G1], Gazelle H. [G2], Delaware H. [G2], Falls City H. [G2], Golden Rod S. [G2]. Dam of 6 foals to race, 5 winners. **WILL TAKE CHARGE** (c, by Unbridled's Song), **Champion 3YO Colt**, 7 wins at 2, 3, 4, \$3,924,648, Travers S. [G1], Clark H. [G1], Pennsylvania Derby [G2], Oaklawn H. [G2], Rebel S. [G2], Smarty Jones S. 2nd BC Classic [G1] by a nose, etc.

**TAKE CHARGE INDY** (c, by A.P. Indy). Winner at 2, 3 and 4, \$1,103,496 in US. Won F. S. [G1], Alysheba S. [G2], 2nd Clark H. [G1], Arlington-Washington Futurity S. [G3], Skip Away S. [G3], 3rd Donn H. [G1], Fayette S. [G2].

Charming (f, by Seeking the Gold). Winner at 2, 3 and 4, \$1,155 in US. Dam of **TAKE CHARGE BRANDI** (f, by Unbridled's Song), 5 wins at 2, 3 and 4, \$1,155 in US.

**Champion 2-year-old filly**, 5 wins at 2, 3 and 4, \$1,155 in US. Won Delta Downs Paces S. [G2], Elarose (f, by Storm Cat), Intelligence (c, by Shalicki).

**2nd Dam**

**FELICITA**, by Rubiano. Unraced. **TAKE CHARGE LADY** (f, by Dehere), 11 wins, 2 to 4, \$2,480,877. Won Ashland S. [G1]; Overbrook Spinster S. [G1] twice, Walmac Int'l Alcibiades S. [G2], Fair Grounds Oaks [G2], Silver Fox S. [G3], Arlington Matron H. [G3], Dogwood S. [G3], Ntra Great State Chal Inv. S. [G3], 2nd Kentucky Oaks [G1], Apple Blossom H. [G1], Ogden Phipps H. [G1], Gazelle H. [G2], Delaware H. [G2], Falls City H. [G2], Golden Rod S. [G2].

**COMMENDATION** (g, by Cigar), 5 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,155 in US. Won Bourbon County S. [G3], Dave Feldman S. [G3], 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, \$300,899.

**EVENTAIL** (f, by Lear Fan), 5 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,155 in US. Won New York Oaks. 2nd Hollywood Gold Cup S. [G3], Ticonderoga S. [G3].

**STRAIGHT STORY** (c, by Cigar), 7 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,155 in US. Won Fort Marcy S. [G3], Westchester S. [G3], 2nd Jamaica B. [G2], Colonial Turf Cup S. [G2], Ashley T. Cole S. [G2].

**Mobile (JPN)** (c, by Heart's Cry (JPN)), 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$1,155 in USA. 3rd Sapporo Nikkel Open.

Jessi Take Charge (f, by War Chant). Unraced. Dam of **Northern Giant** (c, by Giant's Causeway), 3 wins, 3 to 4, \$1,155 in USA. 3rd Risen Star S. [G2].

**3rd Dam**

**GRAND BONHEUR**, by Blushing Groom (FR), 2 wins, 2 to 4, \$22,420. Dam of **Northern Tryst** (c, by Northern Baby), 3rd Tattersall's Ladies Park S. [G3].

**Zarbyev** (c, by Nureyev), Winner at 4, \$38,471 in USA. 3rd Thar Memorial H. At 1 Sent to GB, 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$19,743.

**Comilfo** (f, by Compliance), 11 wins, 3 to 6, \$96,140 in NA. Dam of **Mi Louisa** (f, by Mi Selecto), 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,155 in NA. 1st H. Dan Carnation S. [G2].

**MADONNA LILY** (f, by Elusive Quality), 3 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,155 in USA. Producer: **Are You Home** (f, by El Prado (IRE)), 3 wins, 2 to 4, \$76,140 in USA. Producer: **She's a Winner** (f, by Polino), Unplaced at 2 and 3, \$1,155 in USA.

**CHAMBERLAIN BRIDGE** (g, by War Chant), 19 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,155 in USA. Won Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint [G2], Aegon Turf Sprint S. [G2], Colonel Power S., Bonapaw S., My Frenchman S. [G2].

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**Good Magic cont.**

Of his partnership with Stonestreet on the champion, Edwards explained, “Both camps got together [at the sale]. We’re familiar with one another. All our babies go to Stonestreet. They get broke there. So we’re together quite a bit. It just kind of worked out that Barbara had something special, and we were part of it.”

Good Magic turned in his first recorded work as a sophomore last Sunday, going three furlongs in :36.95 (1/10) at Brown’s winter base at Palm Meadows. He could make his 2018 debut in the Mar. 3 GII Fountain of Youth S.



Good Magic’s connections | Horsephotos

**Accepting the Award...**

“Wow, thank you. This is awesome to be recognized amongst the elite horses of the world. All I actually do is just bring the luck.” --Co-owner **Bob Edwards of e Five Racing**

“Magic is when you have a trainer that says, ‘Let’s go to the Breeders’ Cup.’ And we say, ‘Really Chad, you think we could do that?’ Yes we can. Magic is when Jose Ortiz thanks his horse after the race, and says, ‘Good boy, thank you!’ Magic is when you have the mare and you breed the horse and you follow him from the time he’s a minute old and he wins the Breeders’ Cup Juvenile. That’s magic.” --Co-owner **Barbara Banke of Stonestreet Stables**

**Early Impressions...**

“You wouldn’t be truthful if you said that every good-looking horse was going to win the Breeders’ Cup. He’s a lovely horse and his Breeders’ Cup win was a championship performance. He was a lovely, smooth, nice horse when we had him at Keeneland September. We also had Solomini in there as well. To sell two Eclipse Award finalists is very rewarding. They were both graduates of our consignment at Keeneland. That was a neat thing. You always hope for those things, but realistically if it was

a crop of 25,000 and you are the last man standing, it’s pretty significant. Hard to fathom that really. Credit to Curlin, credit to Stonestreet for breeding such a good horse and to John Moynihan for hand-picking a really good yearling--and Donato [Lanni] saw the horse as well--that would be well-received at auction. And he was. The partners had great success and Chad has done a great job with the horse, having him exhibit a peak performance on the most important day in racing. So all the credit goes to all of those individuals.” --**John Sikura, whose Hill ‘n’ Dale consigned Good Magic at the 2016 Keeneland September sale**

**CHAMPION 2-YEAR-OLD FILLY  
CALEDONIA ROAD**

(f, **Quality Road**—Come a Callin, by Dixie Union)

\$140,000 yrl ‘16 KEESOP

O-Zoom & Fish Stable, Inc., Charlie Spiring & Newtown Anner Stud; B-Vegso Racing Stable (FL); T-Ralph E. Nicks  
2017 Record: 3-2-1-0, \$1,229,800

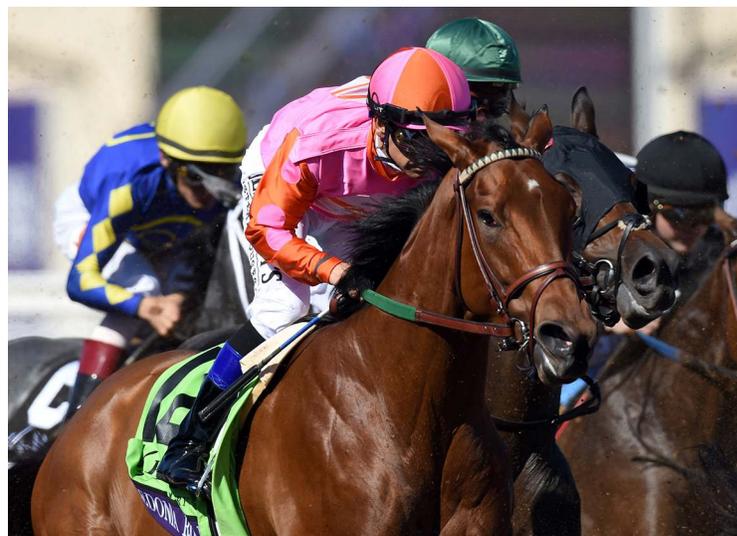
Major 2017 Races

**MSW-SAR • GI Frizette S.**

**GI 14 Hands Winery Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies**

**TJCS PPs • Equineline catalog-style pedigree**

When Caledonia Road splashed home a determined winner of her debut on closing day of the Saratoga meet, a start in the Breeders’ Cup might have seemed a long way away. But the filly earned her chance on championship weekend with a last-to-second run in the Oct. 8 GI Frizette S. that saw only Separationofpowers (Candy Ride {Arg}) too good to beat. The bay filly continued her emphatic progression at Del Mar. Despite an outside post and a wide trip, Caledonia Road soared past Alluring Star (Exchange Rate) in deep stretch to win the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies by 3 1/4 lengths.



Caledonia Road | Eclipse Sportswire/Breeders’ Cup

**Caledonia Road cont.**

The Zoom and Fish Stable of Luc Paiement, with the help of trainer Ralph Nicks, purchased Caledonia Road for \$140,000 at the 2016 Keeneland September sale. She made her first two starts for Canadian businessmen Paiement and Charlie Spiring. Maurice and Samantha Regan’s Newtown Anner Stud purchased a third of the filly following the Frizette.

Of the process of picking the filly out at the sales, Paiement said after the Breeders’ Cup, “It’s teamwork. We picked her. I look at the book, he looked at the conformation, and here we go, here we are.”

Nicks, who was winning his first Breeders’ Cup race, added, “Luc’s the catalog guy, and I look at the individuals. She was big and leggy and really rangy. So she looked like the two-turn type.”

**Accepting the Award...**

*“I want to thank the NTRA and the voters. I’d also like to say a special thanks to the two guys that initiated me into Thoroughbred horseracing--Barry Irwin of Team Valor and Terry Finley of West Point. Mr. Ralph Nicks is a great horseman and a great individual. You will be hearing more from him over the coming years. Thank you very much Ralph.” --Co-owner Luke Paiement of Zoom and Fish Stable*



**Team Caledonia Road | Horsephotos**

**Early Impressions...**

*“She was a big, leggy Quality Road filly. She was very athletic. Obviously, the purchaser made a heck of a buy on the market, considering. But she was just a big, lovely filly and I’m so happy that they’ve done so well with her.” --Reiley McDonald, whose Eaton Sales consigned Caledonia Road at KEESEP ‘16.*

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**2-Year-Old Filly:** Caledonia Road, 161; Rushing Fall, 68; Moonshine Memories, 17; Dream Tree, 2; Dream It Is, 1; Road to Victory, 1.



**CALEDONIA ROAD** 

**Congratulations to Keeneland September Yearling Sale graduate Caledonia Road, who received the 2017 Eclipse Award as champion 2-year-old filly.**

**In honor of Caledonia Road’s remarkable year, those involved in the making of this champion reflect on her path to success.**



“Caledonia Road was a pretty yearling and like the Quality Roads, very leggy and scopey. You never know that (sales yearlings) will be that good, but she certainly has turned into a great filly.”

**– Reiley McDonald,**  
*whose Eaton Sales, agent, consigned Caledonia Road to the 2016 September Sale*



“She was a big leggy, rangy filly who moved well and showed herself well. She covered a lot of ground and looked like she had quality. She had a lot of presence. When she got to Saratoga (the next summer) she started getting better every week.

At the September Sale, I look for athletes that fit our budget. We get outbid on some. Just because you like them doesn’t mean you can always get them. With her we were fortunate that she was within our budget.

It’s special to win a Breeders’ Cup race and have an Eclipse Award on my own as a trainer. When I first left my longtime position as an assistant to Bill Mott, I thought maybe it could happen but after 13 years, I sort of resigned myself to the fact that maybe it would not.

She trained really well leading up to the Breeders’ Cup so we decided to go. I didn’t really expect to win, but I knew she would make a good showing. I have worked with many Eclipse Award winners (including Cigar) but this is extra special.”

**– Trainer Ralph Nicks,**  
*who purchased Caledonia Road for \$140,000 at the September Sale*



## OUTSTANDING OWNER JUDDMONTE FARMS INC.

2017 Record: 147-30-28-18, \$10,841,155\*  
(\*does not include Dubai World Cup)



Prince Khalid Abdullah | *Racing Post photo*

Owing in great measure to Arrogate (Unbridled's Song)'s victory in the inaugural GI Pegasus Invitational S., Khalid Abdullah's Juddmonte Farms Inc. was named America's outstanding owner for the second year running and for the fourth time overall (1992, 2003). The operation's 30 winners in 2017 and purse money of \$10.8 million does not include the \$6 million earned by Arrogate in the G1 Dubai World Cup last March.

Bred by Eclipse Award winner Clearsky Farm, Arrogate amassed domestic earnings of \$7,338,000 in four starts, earning more money on his own than any other entity for the entire season. Juddmonte collected nine graded stakes in 2017, four of which came at Grade I level, including wins from the privately purchased **Paulassilverlining** (Ghostzapper) in the Madison S. and Humana Distaff S. and from homebred **Antonoe** (First Defence) in the Just A Game S. Other graded winners included **Projected (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}), **Suffused (GB)** (Champs Elysees {GB}) and **Grand Jete (GB)** (Dansili {GB}).

Juddmonte ended the year tied with Godolphin in graded wins, while Winchell Thoroughbreds and Three Chimneys Farm teamed to also annex four Grade 1s with Horse of the Year Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}).

### ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes

**Outstanding Owner:** Juddmonte Farms, 143; Winchell Thoroughbreds, 31; Godolphin Racing, 21; Sol Kumin, Head of Plains, Sheep Pond Partners, 19; Klaravich Stables, Inc. & William Lawrence, 11; Calumet Farm, 7; End Zone Athletics, 3; Charles Fipke, 2; Coolmore, 1; e Five Racing Thoroughbreds, 1; Fox Hill Farm, 1; Live Oak Plantation, 1; John Oxley, 1; Stonestreet Stables, 1.

### Accepting the Award...

*"On behalf of Prince Khalid, thank you all very much for this very prestigious award, which will thrill him. He's had a fantastic year, and very special thank you to his staff, many of whom have been with him for up to 30 years, and also his trainers: Bill Mott, Chad Brown and Bob Baffert."* —Douglas Erskine Crum, CEO, Juddmonte Group

## OUTSTANDING BREEDER CLEARSKY FARMS

2017 Record: 286-52-32-38, \$11,065,268\*  
(\*does not include Dubai World Cup)

Clearsky Farms, founded by the late Eamon Cleary in 2009, is now operated by his sons, Bernard and Eamonn. The boutique operation, with a broodmare band of some 30 head, was launched to the pinnacle of the racing world with the exploits of superstar **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song). The gray colt was named 2016 Horse of the Year after winning the GI Breeders' Cup Classic and he returned in 2017 to win the inaugural GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational before a dramatic last-to-first victory in the G1 Dubai World Cup.

Clearsky Farm also took home an Eclipse statue Thursday evening as breeder and co-owner of last year's GI Kentucky Oaks winner **Abel Tasman** (Quality Road). Racing in partnership with the China Horse Club International, Abel Tasman also won the GI Acorn S. and GI Coaching Club American Oaks and was second in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff.

In business for less than a decade, the farm is also birthplace of GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner New Year's Day (Street Cry {Ire}) and his half-brother Mohaymen (Tapit), a multiple graded stakes winner and \$2.2-million Keeneland September yearling of 2014. **Cont. p19**



Eamonn and Bernard Cleary (third and fourth from right) in winner's circle at Saratoga | *Sarah K Andrew*

**Clearsky cont.**

The farm bred last year's multiple Grade I winning sprinter and Eclipse finalist Lord Nelson (Pulpit), as well as 2015 GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Firing Line (Line of David).

The Irish-born Eamon Cleary was an international businessman with agricultural and commercial interests in New Zealand, Ireland, Australia, Chile and the U.S. He passed away in 2012.

**Accepting the Award...**

*"My brother and I are the ones up here accepting the award, but the credit lies elsewhere--first the team at Clearsky. We're very lucky to have a great group of people who work for us. From the grooms who take care of the horses every day, to Alan Porter who has been a tremendous help to us with out matings, to Lois Robinette, our very capable office manager and Barry Robinette, our general manager. He just has great horsemanship skills, but unfortunately couldn't be here tonight because he's foaling mares, but that's the type of dedication we very much appreciate... Finally, I'd just like to acknowledge my dad. He was the one who started this and very shortly afterwards he got sick and was very sick for two years, but during that whole time he got up every day and did a day's work, which for him was 16 hours--planning matings, buying mares, adding facilities to the farm--all so we could potentially be in a position to compete for an award like this. That's why this is actually quite meaningful to my family. We don't feel like this is our award, we feel like it's his award."* --Bernard Cleary



**Bernard & Eamonn Cleary** | Horsephotos

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**

**Outstanding Breeder:** Clearsky Farms, 141; WinStar Farm, 72; Charles Fipke, 8; Besilu Stables, 7; Live Oak Stud, 6; Godolphin Racing/Darley, 4; Brereton Jones, 3; Adena Springs, 1; Calumet Farm, 1; Kenneth & Sarah Ramsey, 1.

**OUTSTANDING TRAINER**

**CHAD BROWN**

**2017 Record: 820-213-162-128, \$26,202,164**



**Chad Brown** | Horsephotos

It was another record-setting season for trainer Chad Brown, who Thursday evening won his second straight Eclipse Award as champion trainer.

A year after the horses under his care earned over \$23 million, the 39-year-old conditioner blew right through that mark in 2017, as he sent out no fewer than 213 winners from 820 starters (26%), while fully 61% of those runners finished in the top three.

Brown led all trainers by sending out the winners of 16 Grade I events in 2017, including champions **Lady Eli** (Divine Park) and **Good Magic** (Curlin) Eclipse nominees **Paulasilverlining** (Ghostzapper) and **Rushing Fall** (More Than Ready).

While the bulk of Brown's success over the last several years has come on the turf, he continues to prove that he can train top-class horses on the dirt as well. A half-dozen of his Grade I wins in 2017 came on the main track, including a landmark first American Classic success courtesy of **Cloud Computing** (Maclean's Music) in the GI Preakness S. in addition to the GI H. Allen Jerkens S. with **Practical Joke** (Into Mischief). Both Cloud Computing and Practical Joke were campaigned by Seth Klarman's Klaravich Stable in partnership with William H. Lawrence. Among the barn's other Grade I winners were **Beach Patrol** (Lemon Drop Kid, Arlington Million, Turf Classic); **New Money Honey** (Medaglia d'Oro, Belmont Oaks); **Dacita (Chi)** (Scat Daddy, Beverly D. S.); **Off Limits (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), Matriarch S.); and **Antonoe** (First Defence, Just A Game S.) He also led all trainers in overall graded stakes wins.

**Chad Brown cont.**

Brown dominated the major meetings on the New York Racing Association circuit, finishing the year with 148 victories, some 27 clear of Rudy Rodriguez, while his runners earned over \$15.8 million in New York alone. During the Belmont spring and fall meetings, Brown made 81 trips to the winner's circle, nearly double the amount by Todd Pletcher. Brown fell one win shy of the training title at Saratoga, dropping a 40-39 decision to Pletcher.

**Accepting the Award...**

*"I want to congratulate the other two finalists--two trainers that I have a lot of respect for that had outstanding seasons, and in particular, their expert management of two of the world's best racehorses last year. I'm always learning from people and those are two guys that I always learn from.*

*"I think this is the one award tonight that's really a team award. It's for the entire stable. Not just for one person and there are so many valuable parts of this team that make it successful. I'm so lucky to have so many dedicated, talented people, men and women, that get up everyday and work beside me.*

*"I want to thank my family... And of course, Bobby Frankel, who taught me so much, I know he's watching somewhere. And all of our brave horses. They're not only the MVP's of our stable, but of the entire evening tonight." --Trainer Chad Brown*

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**

**Outstanding Trainer:** Chad Brown, 215; Bob Baffert, 16; Steve Asmussen, 13; Mark Casse, 2; Todd Pletcher, 2.



**Jose Ortiz aboard Tapwrit after their GI Belmont S. win**  
*Horsephotos*

**OUTSTANDING JOCKEY**

**JOSE ORTIZ**

**2017 Record: 1408-270-259-211, \$27,318,875**



**Jose Ortiz | Horsephotos**

Jose Ortiz landed his first Eclipse as Outstanding Jockey, leading the way among riders with \$27,318,875 in earnings in 2017. The 24-year-old rode 270 winners--30 graded--from 1,408 mounts.

Ortiz's highlight reel in 2017, headed by 13 Grade I victories, included trips to the winner's circle aboard **Tapwrit** (Tapit) in the GI Belmont S. and **Good Magic** (Curlin) in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile. He also partnered with 'TDN Rising Star' **Elate** (Medaglia d'Oro) for wins in the GI Alabama S. and GI Beldame S.; Eclipse finalist **Paulassilverlining** (Ghostzapper) in the GI Madison S. and GI Humana Distaff S.; and 'TDN Rising Star' **Oscar Performance** (Kitten's Joy) in the GI Belmont Derby Invitational S. and GI Secretariat S.

Ortiz and his year-older brother and fellow leading rider Irad Ortiz Jr. are both from Puerto Rico, where they graduated from the Escuela Vocacional Hipica jockey school. Their grandfather as well as an uncle also were jockeys. Ortiz is married to former rider Taylor Rice.

Ortiz's first win the U.S. came aboard Corofin (Flashy Bull) in a claiming race at Aqueduct on Mar. 21, 2012.

**Accepting the Award...**

*"This is what I have worked so hard for my whole life. It's been one of my biggest dreams to win this award. I want to thank all the owners and trainers, and course all the horses, because without them we wouldn't be here... My agent Jimmy Riccio has done a great job with me. We're a great team. He had my book when I was a bug boy in 2012 and we've stuck together and we're here tonight. I really appreciate all the hard work you do for me, Jim. I want to thank my family, who is here with me tonight... and I want to dedicate this award to my brother [fellow jockey Irad Ortiz, Jr.]."* --Jose Ortiz

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**Outstanding Jockey:** Jose Ortiz, 189; Mike Smith, 45; Irad Ortiz, Jr., 10; Javier Castellano, 4.

**OUTSTANDING APPRENTICE JOCKEY**  
**EVIN ROMAN**

**2017 Record: 912-166-128-110, \$5,118,077**



Evin Roman | Eclipse Sportswire/Breeders' Cup

Puerto Rico native Evin Roman led all apprentice jockeys by both wins and earnings in 2017 with 166 victories from 912 mounts, good for \$5,118,077 in earnings. Roman began riding in Southern California last February and captured 41 races to tie for the leading jockey title at Santa Anita's prestigious spring meeting at the age of 19. He became the first apprentice to earn that title at 'The Great Race Place' since 1949. Roman won his first stakes race in June 2017 aboard Street Surrender (Street Boss) in Santa Anita's Southern Truce S. and also piloted home the winner of Emerald's GIII Longacres Mile H. via Gold Rush Dancer (Private Gold). Roman was **profiled** by Joe Bianca in TDN last July.

**Accepting the Award...**

*"Before anything, I want to thank God for the blessing he's given me. I'm very happy and excited to get this award because it wasn't easy. I want to thank my agent Tony Matos. One of my biggest dreams has come true."* --Jockey Evin Roman

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**Outstanding Apprentice Jockey:** Evin Roman, 232; Katie Clawson, 4; Jenn Miller, 1.

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(g, 8, Scorpion {Ire}--Janebailey {GB}, by Silver Patriarch {Ire}))  
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 O-Bruton Street-US; B-Mrs. Mary O'Connor (Ire);  
 T-Jack O. Fisher. 2017 Record: 2-2-0-0

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**Accepting the Award...**

*"He's a really good horse. And we've been really really lucky to be part of a fun team watching this horse come over from England and run so well here. It's a privilege to be here with all of you. Steeplechase racing has long been thought of as a great afterlife for flat horses. It's gotten pretty exciting. The last year the biggest purse of the year was \$400,000 and is going up to \$500,000 in two years. We're big on our sport and we appreciate being recognized as part of Thoroughbred flat racing tonight."* --Owner Mike Hankin

**ECLIPSE AWARDS 2017 First-Place Votes**  
**Steeplechase:** Scorpiancer (Ire), 92; All the Way Jose, 70; Mr. Hot Stuff, 35; Modem (GB), 7; Diplomat, 4; Swansea Mile (Ire), 3.

**AWARD OF MERIT**  
**FRANK STRONACH**

Frank Stronach was honored with the Eclipse Award of Merit Thursday evening in recognition of his **outstanding success** in racing, breeding, racetrack ownership and support of retired racehorse programs.

**Accepting the Award...**

*"There's an old saying: the whole world is a stage, and we all play a part in it. Tonight, the stage belongs to the great horses of 2017. We want to celebrate these horses, and the people involved with them--the owners, the trainers, the jockeys and the breeders and many others. Without those people, there wouldn't be any horse racing. Cont. p22*

*“We also have to realize that without the racetracks there would be no horse racing, and the economics do not look very good for the racetracks. On every table, there’s a copy of my latest book, which just came off the press, with the title The Question of All Questions: Where did we come from, and where do we go?.”*

*“We have a good idea where horse racing came from, but we as horse people need to sit down and think about where we are going. In life, you have to look back in order to see the future. When we look back, approximately 30 years, the betting handle was approximately \$50 billion per year. In today’s dollars, that would be at least \$75 billion per year. Right now, betting handle is approximately \$11 billion per year. This is a dramatic decline in the betting handle. Horse owners and track owners are the big losers.”*

*“Horse racing faces many challenges: from lotteries, to casinos and now most likely sports gaming. Horses are alike all over the world. There’s no politics involved, no religion. For business people, they are a great equalizer, to connect with nature, and a chance to get away from mundane activities and the pressure of work.”*

*“The horse should be man’s great friend, and has made a great contribution to the civilization of mankind. Especially since not that long ago the American West was settled relatively quickly with the help of horses.”*

*“People love to have pets. It connects them with nature--from birds to cats to dogs. But among large animals, the horse is the most loved and wanted.”*

*“Of course, there are always exceptions. I know of a little girl who came into the pet store and said with a sweet voice, ‘I would like to buy a rabbit. The sales lady asked her if she wanted a black rabbit or a white rabbit. The little girl said, ‘My anaconda snake does not care if it’s white or black.’”*

*“But I know most girls love horses. I remember my granddaughter when I sat her for the first time on a pony. Her eyes were gleaming, and I think they’re still gleaming.”*

*“I would like to state here that The Stronach Group does not seek to dominate horse racing, but we would like to interface with all the stakeholders--horse owners, breeders, jockeys, tracks, the NTRA and The Jockey Club. I believe we the stakeholders, if we work together, can get horse racing on a higher level.”*



**Frank Stronach and his GISW Shaman Ghost | Benoit Photo**

*“The year 2018 should be the year of the horse. I would like to interface with the stakeholders and establish some priorities. We should establish a horse racing charter of rights. We should establish a marketing plan for the whole industry with the focus on how we get young people to the races. Third, a responsibility program for the well being of racehorses, during and after their racing years.”*

*“The above rules and programs must benefit all the stakeholders. They must*

*comply with anti-trust regulations. The horse racing industry must prove constantly to the public that we operate under the highest ethical standards and we make a provision that horses are properly cared for.”*

*“Any racetrack can join this new program providing that they adhere to the newly designed rules and programs. Those programs will be formulated to enhance competition and to improve the quality of horse racing.”*

*“I would like to take the lead in this new initiative, and I hope the horse racing community will say by this time next year, ‘It was justified that Frank Stronach was awarded the Eclipse Award of Merit.’” --Frank Stronach*

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## UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
1/27	GI Pegasus World Cup	GP
	GIII W.L. McKnight H.	GP
	GIII Hurricane Bertie S.	GP
	GIII Fred W. Hooper S.	GP
	GIII La Prevoyante S.	GP
1/28	GIII Houston Ladies Classic	HOU
	GIII John B. Connally Turf Cup	HOU
2/3	GII Holy Bull S.	GP
	GIII Dania Beach S.	GP
	GIII Forward Gal S.	GP
	GIII Swale S.	GP
	GIII Sweetest Chant S.	GP
	GII San Pasqual S.	SA
	GII San Marcos S.	SA
	GII Palos Verdes S.	SA
	GIII Robert B Lewis S.	SA
	GIII Withers S.	AQU

## NUMBERS SOAR AT OBS WINTER SALE

by Jessica Martini

The Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Winter Mixed Sale concluded its two-day run Thursday with figures up significantly across the board. During the two days, OBS sold 407 horses for a total of \$6,104,600. The average rose 66.5% to \$14,999 and the median was up 37.9% to \$6,000. The auction, which had one horse sell for six figures in 2017, had nine hit that mark this year, including the \$200,000 topper by Violence who sold during Tuesday's consignor preferred session.

Bloodstock agent Patti Miller of EQB, Inc. waited until nearly the very end of the Winter sale to make her first purchase of the two-day auction, going to a session-topping \$150,000 to acquire a filly by Malibu Moon three lots from the end of Thursday's session. Out of graded stakes winner Yara (Put It Back), **hip 745** was bred by Spendthrift Farm and was consigned by Francis and Barbara Vanlangendonck's Summerfield.

"She is a beautiful, big filly, a Jan. 22 foal," Miller said of the yearling's appeal. "I thought there was so much good about her and obviously she had a great cardio and jumped through all of

my hoops."

Miller purchased the yearling on behalf of an undisclosed client.

"They might race her and they might pinhook her," Miller said. "They bought her right, so they might consider reselling. But they really like her and they're very excited to get her."

During Thursday's open session, 202 horses sold for \$1,630,000. The average more than doubled to \$8,074 and the median rose 75% to \$3,500. The top price at last year's open session was \$28,000.

"If it's a good physical that vets and has pedigree, you're going to have to pay for it," Miller said of the current sales scene. "One of the things about this strong market is that people who are racing enthusiasts have trouble getting horses bought. The idea was to come to this sale and try to dodge some of the bigger bullets and try to get a horse that has real value. It was hard to do. Another horse that I bid on was **hip 5**--a beautiful More Than Ready filly [who sold for \$170,000 Tuesday]--and I followed her to about the same level and it was just really frustrating. So this one, I was just hoping that I could tough out the opposition."

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**OBS WINTER -Thursday's Open Session**

SESSION TOTALS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	348	349
• No. Offered	273	289
• No. Sold	202	178
• RNAs	71	112
• % RNAs	26%	38.6%
• High Price	\$150,000	\$28,000
• Gross	\$1,630,900	\$695,700
• Average (% change)	\$8,074 (+106%)	\$3,908
• Median (% change)	\$3,500 (+75%)	\$2,000
CUMULATIVE TOTALS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	714	646
• No. Offered	545	516
• No. Sold	407	326
• RNAs	138	190
• % RNAs	25.3%	36.8%
• No.\$100k+	9	1
• High Price	\$200,000	\$110,000
• Gross	\$6,104,600	\$2,937,700
• Average (% change)	\$14,999 (+66.5%)	\$9,011
• Median (% change)	\$6,000 (+37.9%)	\$4,350

# NEW YORK

**Thursday's Results:**

**BUSANDA S.**, \$100,000, AQU, 1-25, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m, 1:55.81, ft.

1--**MIDNIGHT DISGUISE, 118, f, 3, by Midnight Lute**

1st Dam: Thin Disguise, by Yes It's True

2nd Dam: Naughty Natisha, by Known Fact

3rd Dam: Noble Natisha, by Noble Commander

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Dr. William B. Wilmot & Dr. Joan M. Taylor (NY); T-Linda Rice; J-Trevor McCarthy. \$60,000.

Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$137,600. \*1/2 to Holiday Disguise (Harlan's Holiday), SW, \$149,150.



2--**Oldfashioned Style**, 116, f, 3, Old Fashioned--Smartybegone,

by Smarty Jones. (\$27,000 Ylg '16 FTKJUL). O-Leonard C.

Green; B-Angela Ingenito (FL); T-Gary C. Contessa. \$20,000.



3--**Hail**, 116, f, 3, **Tapit**--Rising Tornado, by Storm Cat.

O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-William I. Mott. \$10,000.

Margins: 4 1/4, 3 3/4, 4 3/4. Odds: 2.65, 6.40, 1.15.

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Midnight Disguise, a debut winner in a \$50,000 seller versus New York-breds at the Big A Dec. 15, returned six days later with another tally in a starter allowance. She was second best in the East View S. going a mile last time Jan. 14. Backed as the second choice while making her two-turn bow here, Midnight Disguise caboosed the field in the run to the first turn. She settled into fifth down the backstretch, hit the gas with a three-wide sweep on the far turn and kicked past the pacesetter in deep stretch to register a career high. Midnight Disguise earned 10 points toward a berth in the GI Kentucky Oaks May 4 at Churchill Downs.

"The distance, whether it's two turns or one turn, will be key," winning trainer Linda Rice said. "We're just trying to find what makes the most sense and gives her the most opportunity and let her learn and improve and not try and set the bar too high for her."

The winner's dam, a half-sister to millionaire Naughty New Yorker (Quiet American), had a colt by Verrazano in 2016, a filly by Tiznow in 2017 and was bred back to Bodemeister.

Winning owner/breeder Dr. William B. Wilmot & Dr. Joan M. Taylor were profiled during our 2017 GI Belmont S. coverage. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Gallery Racing/Runhappy Expand NYRA Partnership:

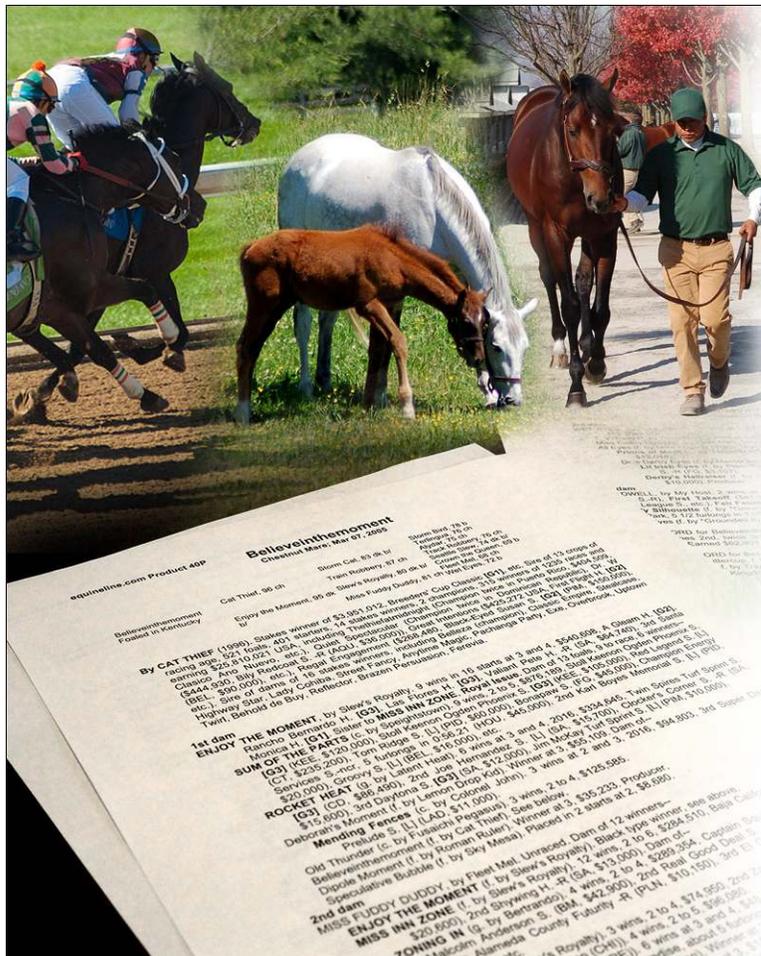
The New York Racing Association and Gallery Racing--the connections of champion sprinter Runhappy (Super Saver)--have expanded their partnership with new sponsorships covering the Aqueduct winter and spring meets as well as the Belmont spring/summer meet.

Gallery Racing/Runhappy will present the pre-race handicapping show Talking Horses, hosted by Andy Serling, at Aqueduct Racetrack and will be featured partners in NYRA's national and regional live racing broadcasts throughout 2018.

This year at Belmont Park will also see the first running of the \$150,000 Runhappy S., formerly the Diablo, a six-furlong sprint to be contested Saturday, May 12.

"NYRA represents the very best in Thoroughbred racing, and we are pleased to broaden our 2018 relationship to include Belmont Park and Aqueduct Racetrack," said James McIngvale, owner of Gallery Racing. "Runhappy's effort in the King's Bishop will always be one of my favorite memories in racing and we're excited by the prospect that he'll be associated with NYRA racing deep into the future."

As part of the agreement, Gallery Racing/Runhappy sponsorship elements will be displayed across NYRA's digital and simulcast platforms during the 2018 Belmont Stakes Racing Festival June 9.



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## FLORIDA

### Fasig-Tipton to Sponsor Hurricane Bertie:

Fasig-Tipton will be the presenting sponsor of the 13th running of Saturday's GIII Hurricane Bertie S. at Gulfstream Park.

"We're pleased to be the title sponsor of the Hurricane Bertie on Pegasus World Cup Day, which has quickly become one of the most anticipated race days on the North American calendar," said Fasig-Tipton President and CEO Boyd Browning. "It is another exciting element of our ongoing sponsorship of Gulfstream's Championship meet in the lead up to the Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale on March 28."

"We're very happy to have Fasig-Tipton has presenting sponsor of the Hurricane Bertie on Pegasus World Cup Day," said Gulfstream General Manager Bill Badgett. "It seems only fitting that a wonderful partner like Fasig-Tipton would be part of one of our biggest days as well as one of the world's biggest race days."

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### Valiant Minister Retired to Bridlewood:

Baoma Corporation's **Valiant Minister** (Candy Ride {Arg}--Spooky Minister, by Deputy Minister), a \$680,000 OBS June 2-year-old buy, has been retired and will stand stud at Bridlewood Farm in Florida for a fee of \$2,500 S&N.

"Valiant Minister could have been any kind, everything about him suggested he was a serious racehorse," said George G. Isaacs, Bridlewood general manager.

Valiant Minister made just one start for Hall of Famer Bob Baffert, graduating by 2 1/4 lengths on debut at Santa Anita Jan. 14 of last year. The now-5-year-old completed that six-furlong test in 1:08.84.

Valiant Minister is a full-brother to GISP Moe Candy and GSP Holy Candy. His second dam is GISW Lunar Spook (Silver Ghost).

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## CENTRAL U.S.

### Maryland Horses Cleared to Enter Fair Grounds:

Following negative tests for Equine Herpesvirus-1 involving a horse based at Laurel Park, Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots have announced that, as of Thursday, Jan. 25, all horses based in the state of Maryland are cleared to enter the backside. Meanwhile, those that are based in New York are still not allowed to enter the premises until further notice.

### Thursday's Results:

**8th-OP, \$77,000, Alw (NW2X)/Opt.** Clm (\$40,000), 1-25, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.51, ft.

**OUR MAJESTY (f, 4, ~~Majesticperfection~~--Undervalued, by Cox's Ridge)**, disqualified from first and placed fourth for interference in the Purple Martin S. here last March, concluded her sophomore season with a runner-up finish as the 2-1 favorite in the GIII Adena Springs Miss Preakness S. May 19. Working smartly for her return, the 6-5 favorite sat close in fourth while racing in between horses early. Steered into the clear three deep into the stretch, Our Majesty outkicked Katalust (Munnings) home by 3/4 of a length. It was another nose back to Stelath Drone (Smoke Glacken) in third. Our Majesty is a half-sister to Overvalued (Forest Grove), MSW, \$247,213; and I Spy Wolfie (Chief Three Sox), SW, \$119,108. Sales history: \$162,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; \$150,000 2yo '16 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: GSP, 5-3-1-0, \$170,100. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-It's All About The Girls Stable LLC; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Ron Moquett.

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**Midnight Disguise (Midnight Lute) earned 10 points toward a berth in the GI Kentucky Oaks with a win in the Busanda S.**

**2nd-FG, \$42,000, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 1-25, 4yo/up, 5 1/2ft, 1:04.41, fm.**

**AWESOME SATURDAY (c, 4, Any Given Saturday--Brucie, by Fusaichi Pegasus)**, an optional claiming winner going two turns at Churchill Downs in late June, was sidelined after finishing a distant fifth in the GIII Indiana Derby July 15. Trying turf for the first time off the shelf here, the 5-1 chance, seventh through an opening quarter in :22.06, turned it in on nicely splitting horses in deep stretch to win by 3/4 of a length. Kissthatbabygoodby (Sing Baby Sing) was second. The winner is a half-brother to Majestic Slew (Majestic Warrior), MGSP, \$267,144. Sales history: \$32,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$45,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-1, \$128,030. **Click [Equibase.com chart](#).** O-Chuck Hovitz; B-Craig L Minten (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun.

**6th-OP, \$75,000, Msw, 1-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.87, ft.**

**NAPLES MIST (f, 4, Medaglia d'Oro--Glacken's Gal {SW}, by**



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**Smoke Glacken)**, a debut fourth in her Keeneland unveiling for trainer William Harrigan last April, switched to grass in her first attempt for this barn with a solid runner-up finish at Fair Grounds Dec. 14. Back on the main track this time, the 6-5 favorite was hustled to the front, raced under heavy pressure through fractions of :22.25 and :46.91, and kept on finding more in the stretch to get the money by a length. Ettalusive (Elusive Quality) was second. The winner is a full-sister to the ill-fated Live Lively, GSW, \$280,300. Glacken's Gal had a filly by Ghostzapper in 2015, a colt by Ghostzapper in 2016 and a colt by Honor Code in 2017. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$56,100. **Click [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Edward A. Cox, Jr. (KY); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr.



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**7th-FG, \$41,000, Msw, 1-25, 3yo, 6f, 1:11.74, ft.**

**CARLSBAD (c, 3 Distorted Humor--Muy Muy, by Dixie Union)** broke sharply and held a narrow advantage through an opening quarter in :22.62. The homebred put away his first challenger entering the far turn before feeling the presence of Making a Marc (Uncle Mo) to his outside at the quarter pole. Carlsbad began to kick away to lead by two lengths inside the final furlong and held steady under strong urging from Shaun Bridgmohan in the final stages for the 1 1/4-length graduation. Making a Marc (Uncle Mo) was second. Carlsbad is the first winner out of his maiden dam, who is a half to 1995 Champion grass mare Possibly Perfect (Northern Baby). His third dam is MGSW Sandy Blue (Windy Sands). Muy Muy also has a yearling filly by Tiznow and visited Empire Maker last season. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).** O/B-Gary & Mary West Stables, Inc (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

**6th-FG, \$38,000, Msw, 1-25, 3yo, 5 1/2ft, 1:05.90, fm.**

**KILROY WAS HERE (c, 3, Distorted Humor--Miss Kilroy, by A.P. Indy)** finished a rallying third in all three of his previous attempts sprinting on dirt, including a Dec. 16 effort here. Adding blinkers in this switch to grass, the 2-1 choice shot out to the front from his inside draw, duked it out through fractions of :22.57 and :47.55, and kept on fighting to outslug First Spring (Spring At Last) by a nose. The winner is a half-brother to Cara Marie (Unbridled's Song), SW & GSP, \$103,650; Abby's Angel (Touch Gold), SW & GSP, \$152,671, dam of recent G3 Dubawi S. winner Comicas (Distorted Humor); and Miss Jean Brodie (Maria's Mon), G1SP-Ire, \$111,784. Sales history: \$120,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV; \$110,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-3, \$45,110. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).** O-Barry Butzer; B-Sun Valley Farm & Distorted Humor Syndicate (KY); T-Albert M. Stall Jr.

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## KENTUCKY

### KTA/KTOB Elected Three New 2017/2018 Directors:

The Kentucky Thoroughbred Association (KTA) and Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders (KTOB) elected three new members to the Board of Directors: Pat Costello, Jason Litt and Ann Archer Hinkle, who will serve the final year of Marty Buckner's term.

Members of the KTA/KTOB Board of Directors serve three-year terms and are elected by the full membership of the organization.

Chris Baker, James Baker, Walker Hancock, Walter W. Hillenmeyer III, Dermot Ryan and Mark J. Taylor were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

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### Jeff Ruby Culinary Entertainment to Sponsor Spiral S.:

Jeff Ruby Culinary Entertainment has signed a three-year agreement to sponsor Turfway Park's GIII Spiral S. Mar. 17, which will be known as the Jeff Ruby Steaks.

"We are delighted to partner with Jeff Ruby," said Turfway Park general manager Daniel 'Chip' Bach. "He has a passion for Thoroughbred racing and his involvement brings fresh excitement to this race. Turfway Park was among the first to develop race sponsorships, and our Derby prep has had strong sponsor support since 1982. We're proud to continue that tradition with a partner of Jeff Ruby's stature."

In addition to sponsoring the race itself, Jeff Ruby Culinary Entertainment will provide all the food served in the VIP Tent on race day.

"We feel great about partnering with Turfway on its biggest day of the year," said Ruby. "We both have strong brands with deep community roots and this is a natural fit. There are such terrific people involved on all sides of this and we can't wait to bring the Jeff Ruby Experience to what has been a fantastic event for so many years."

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### Turfway Moves Saturday Post Time:

Effective Jan. 27 until further notice, post time at Turfway Park on Saturdays will be 5:15 p.m. ET, an hour earlier than originally scheduled.

The changes to Saturday cards duplicate changes to Friday cards announced earlier this month. As was the case for Fridays, the Saturday changes reflect an effort to bring back races lost to repeated cancellations. As on Friday, the wagering menu on Saturday gains a late Pick 5, starting with race six, and a third Pick 4, starting with race seven.

The change to Saturdays does not apply to the final three Saturdays of the meet, when post time will be 1:10 p.m. as originally scheduled.

## CALIFORNIA

### Thursday's Results:

**4th-SA, \$54,345, Msw, 1-25, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40.99, ft.**

**MAPIT (f, 3, Tapit--Mi Vida {SP}, by Distorted Humor)** had her best result sprinting over the local main track when a distant fourth Oct. 15. She exited a sixth-place effort down the hill Dec. 26. Trying two turns for the first time, the 6-1 shot stalked the early leader Tea for Tam (Malibu Moon) on her outside into the first turn. Those two hooked up for most of the way, with Mapit putting her head in front passing the eighth pole. The bay fought off the resilient pacesetter inside the sixteenth pole for the half-length victory. Mapit's third dam is MGISW Dream Supreme (Seeking the Gold), who produced GI Hopeful S. victor Majestic Warrior (A.P. Indy). Mi Vida was purchased by Don Alberto Stable at the 2013 Fasig-Tipton Fall Mixed sale for \$350,000. She also has a juvenile filly by Medaglia d'Oro, who sold at Keeneland September sale for \$200,000, a yearling full brother to the winner and was bred back to Medaglia d'Oro last season. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$36,435. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Don Alberto Stable (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

### SA Jockeys Set for Holy Angels Charity Basketball Game:

The 51st annual Santa Anita Jockeys vs. Holy Angels Elementary Charity Basketball Game will be played Thursday, Feb. 1 at La Salle High School in Pasadena. The proceeds will benefit Holy Angels Athletics and The Bill Hartack Charitable Foundation, which contributes to Thoroughbred racing industry charities and presents the winning rider in each year's GI Kentucky Derby with the Hartack Memorial Award.

Hall of Fame jockeys Kent Desormeaux, Laffit Pincay, Jr., Mike Smith and Alex Solis will be available at center court for an autograph session beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 per person, and for every two tickets purchased, individuals will receive one free admission ticket to Santa Anita Park.



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**2nd-SA, \$56K, OC 40k/N1X, 4yo/up, 6f, 4:30 p.m. ET**

**CAPTAIN SCOTTY (Quality Road)**, a runaway debut winner at Laurel Park Dec. 3, makes his first start for Barber/Wachtel Stable and trainer Peter Miller. The \$75,000 FTMOCT yearling, previously owned and trained by Tim Ritchey, fired a best-of-27 four-furlong bullet in :48 1/5 at Del Mar Jan. 20. **TJCIS PPs.**

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## IN QATAR:

**Otwo**, g, 5, **Medaglia d'Oro**--Vacare (GISW, \$1,269,086), by Lear Fan. Al Rayyan, 1-25, Khor Al Adaid Cup (NB), 2800mT, 3:01.42. B-Double K LLC & Helen C Alexander (KY). \*\$200,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. **VIDEO**

## U.S.-BRED/SIRED RUNNERS IN JAPAN



Saturday, January 27, 2018

3rd-KYO, ¥11,400,000 (\$105k), Newcomers, 3yo, 1200m

**SHIVAJI** (c, 3, **First Samurai**--Indian Bay, by Indian Charlie), a \$90K KEESEP acquisition, caught the eye of many after breezing an eighth of a mile in :9 4/5 for last year's OBSAPR sale and was hammered down for \$540K, easily the best of 12 juveniles for his sire sold in 2017. The March foal is a maternal grandson of GSW Buy the Barrel (E Dubai), the dam of MGSP Mise En Rose (War Front). *B-Hinkle Farms (KY)*

3rd-TOK, ¥11,400,000 (\$105k), Newcomers, 3yo, 1600m

**PRINCESS NONKO** (JPN) (f, 3, **Orb**--Seaneen Girl, by Spring At Last) is the first produce for her dam, a \$5K FTKOCT yearling who went on to win the 2012 GII Golden Rod S. and 2013 GIII Monmouth Oaks before being sold carrying this foal for \$525K at KEENOV in 2014. Seaneen Girl's now 2-year-old colt by Heart's Cry (Jpn) fetched ¥92m (\$807,760) as a yearling at the 2017 JRHA Select Sale. Top rider Christophe Lemaire has the debut assignment. *B-Shadai Farm*

7th-TOK, ¥13,400,000 (\$123k), Allowance, 3yo, 1600m

Despite a pedigree that screams turf, **GREAT SEAL** (c, 3, **War Front**--Quarter Moon {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells), an \$800K KEESEP graduate, validated debut odds of 9-10 to take a 1400-meter debutants' event over the Hanshin main track Dec. 23 (**video**, gate 12). His dam, the Irish highweight 2-year-old filly of 1999, was a Group 1 winner at two and was runner-up in the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and the G1 Epsom and Irish Oaks. Her daughter Diamondsandrubies (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) won the G1 Pretty Polly S.m while G1SP You'll Be Mine (Kingmambo) is the dam of

MGSW & G1SP Eminent (Ire) (Frankel {GB}). Quarter Moon is a full-sister to 2003 Irish 1000 Guineas winner Yesterday (Ire). *B-Premier Bloodstock (KY)*

**RAMSES BAROWS** (c, 3, **Curlin**--Devious Intent, by Dixie Union) was second on debut over soft Tokyo turf before switching to the main track for a convincing maiden victory over track and distance Nov. 11 (**video**, gate 6). A \$425K KEESEP yearling and \$350K OBSMAR purchase, the chestnut is out of a Grade III-winning half-sister to SP Virgil Caine (Dixieland Band) and also has the services of Lemaire. *B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings (KY)*

10th-TOK, ¥36,200,000 (\$330k), Open Class, 3yo, 1400mT

**RYONO TESORO** (c, 3, **Justin Phillip**--Town Belle, by Speightstown) was runner-up to track record-setter Mr Melody (Scat Daddy) in what has become a key Tokyo maiden Nov. 4, but returned on two weeks' rest to graduate at that venue (**video**, gate 4) and added a Nakayama allowance Dec. 3 (**video**, gate 3). While the turf is a question mark, his second dam Clearly A Queen (Lucky North) was a two-time Grade III winner over the surface. A \$45K KEENOV weanling, the bay was an \$80K KEESEP acquisition and was successfully resold for \$300K at last year's BARMAR sale. *B-Highland Yard LLC (KY)*  
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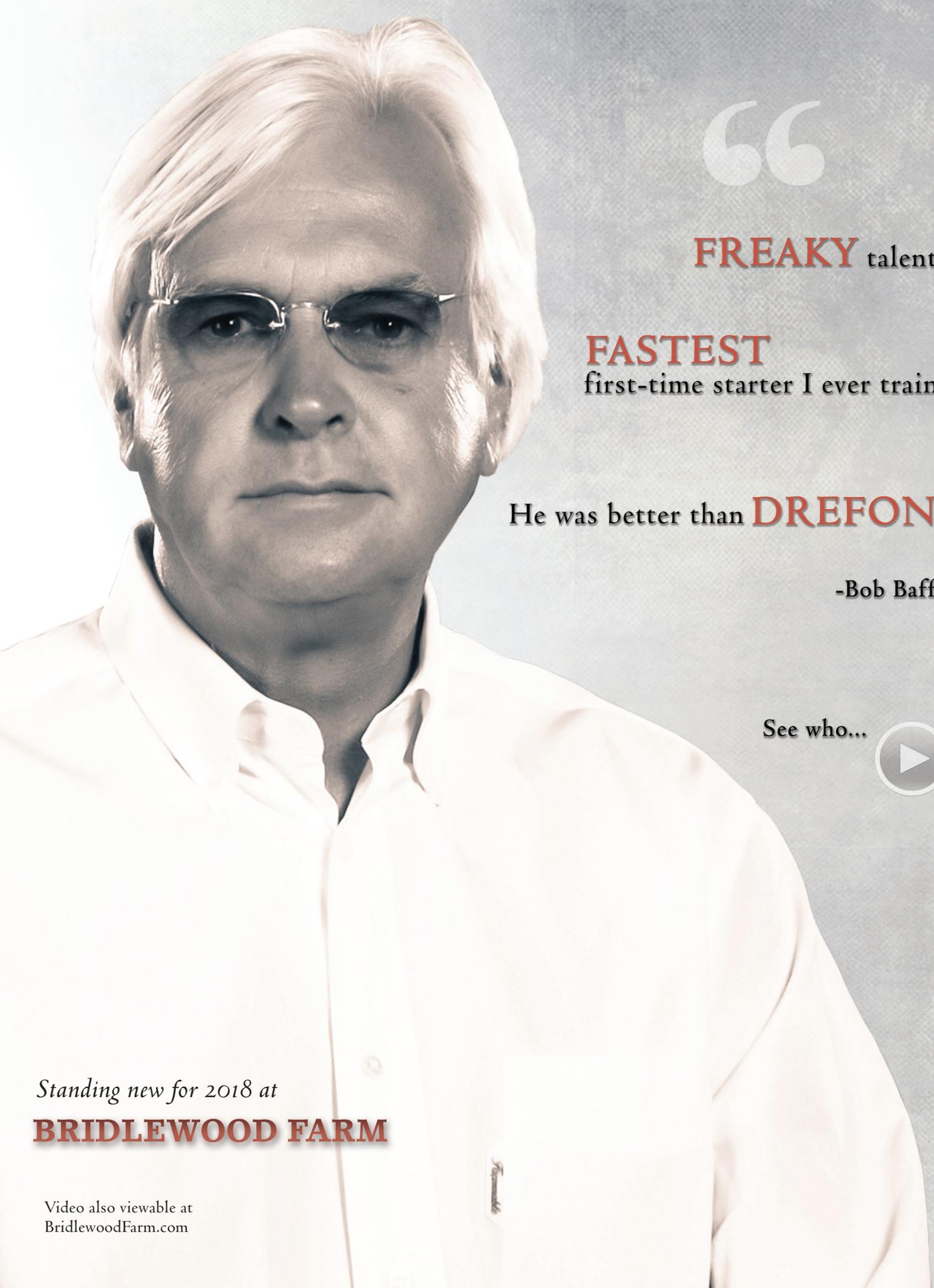
First-crop starters to watch: Friday, Jan. 25

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**Alternation** (Distorted Humor), Pin Oak Stud, \$7,500  
143 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners  
6-SA, Msw 5 1/2f, SPECTACULAR MOVE, 6-1  
\$47,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$15,000 OBS AUG yrl; \$260,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Animal Kingdom** (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), Jonabell Farm, \$35,000

215 foals of racing age/10 winners/3 black-type winners  
6-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, QUEENOFTHEKINGDOM, 6-1  
9-TAM, Msw 1mT, RAILROADER, 8-1  
\$120,000 KEE SEP yrl



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186 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner  
9-TAM, Msw 1mT, BIG AGENDA, 3-1

**Denman (Aus)** (Lonhro {Aus}), Darley, \$15,000  
47 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners  
6-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, SISTER SUNDAY, 5-1  
\$90,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Heavy Breathing** (Giant's Causeway), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views  
Stallions, \$2,500  
30 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
4-OP, Msw 1 1/16m, SAN JUAN DIEGO, 12-1  
\$24,000 OBS AUG yrl; \$90,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Morning Line** (Tiznow), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000  
134 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners  
6-SA, Msw 5 1/2f, MONDAYMORNINGBLUES, 3-1  
\$70,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Orb** (Malibu Moon), Claiborne Farm, \$25,000  
195 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner  
9-TAM, Msw 1mT, SHILOH LANE, 7-2  
\$100,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$315,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**Paynter** (Awesome Again), WinStar Farm, \$25,000  
217 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
8-TP, Msw 1m, DON'T TELL LYDIA, 6-1  
\$5,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$8,000 E '17 KEE JAN

**Point of Entry** (Dynaformer), Adena Springs, \$25,000  
147 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners  
9-TAM, Msw 1mT, BLAZE A TRAIL, 30-1

**Prospective** (Malibu Moon), Ocala Stud Farm, \$5,000  
96 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner  
6-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, PROSPECTIVE LADY, 6-1  
\$30,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Violence** (Medaglia d'Oro), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$15,000  
248 foals of racing age/36 winners/5 black-type winners  
6-TAM, Msw 1 1/16mT, SMASHING SERENA, 5-2

**8th-AQU, \$59,000**, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 1-25,  
4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.44, ft.

**STARTWITHSILVER (m, 5, Jump Start--Office Miss {MSW, \$394,721}, by Silver Ghost)** Lifetime Record: 14-4-4-2,  
\$213,559. O-Iris Smith Stable, Lady Sheila Stable & Linda Rice;  
B-Burning Sands Stable, LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice. \*\$32,000 Ylg '14  
FTKCOCT; \$180,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

**1st-GP, \$44,000**, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 1-25, 4yo/up,  
1mT, 1:35.27, fm.

**MATANZAS INLET (h, 6, Kitalpha--She's Stacked, by Stack)**  
Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-1, \$65,090. O-Phyllis Godwin; B-Phyllis  
Booth & Harry Jackson Godwin (FL); T-Michael J. Maker.

**9th-GP, \$44,000**, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 1-25, 4yo/up,  
f/m, 1mT, 1:36.79, fm.

**STARSHIP TRIBBLES (f, 4, Macho Uno--Starship Voodoo, by Roar)** Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-1, \$62,200. O/B-Starship Stables  
(FL); T-Steven Dvoskin. \*\$47,000 RNA Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$20,000  
RNA 2yo '16 OBSMAR. \*\*1/2 to Starship Zorro (Giant's  
Causeway), SP, \$205,982.

**5th-PEN, \$31,600**, (S), 1-24, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.46, ft.

**THE GEMINI MAN (g, 4, Astrology--Fleet Special, by Afleet Alex)** Lifetime Record: 13-2-2-1, \$87,667. O- Nicole Hedus &  
William O'Neill; B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-William C. Hedus.  
\*\$50,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$65,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP;  
\$16,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR.



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**8th-PEN, \$28,616**, 1-24, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.92, ft.

**WILDCAT SAILOR (g, 6, Ministers Wild Cat--Sailor's Sister {MSW, \$227,375}, by Petionville)** Lifetime Record: 22-8-3-3,  
\$185,310. O-Charles Orfe; B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC  
(CA); T-Alfredo Velazquez.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Joejoe's Kingdom**, g, 3, **Animal Kingdom**--Catstar (GSP-Eng), by  
Storm Cat. SA, 1-25, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:06.01. B-Meritage Ventures,  
Inc. (KY). \*\$15,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$60,000 2yo '17 BARMAY.

**Jump Ruler**, f, 3, **Roman Ruler**--Keeneland Kat (SW & GISP,  
\$132,200), by Hennessy. AQU, 1-25, (C), 1m, 1:40.81. B-K & G  
Stables (KY).

**Desert Affair**, f, 4, **Desert Party**--Struckbylightning, by  
Cryptoclearance. AQU, 1-25, (C), 7f, 1:27.89. B-Richard J.  
Troncone & Richard J. Troncone Jr. (NY). \*1/2 to Royal Posse  
(Posse), MSW, \$1,037,020.

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**Risksrhighpayislow**, f, 4, **Garnered**--Makin the Blues, by Makin. CT, 1-24, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.92. B-Michael G. Atkins (WV).

**Queen Jill**, f, 4, **Giant's Causeway**--Key Is to Win, by Dixie Union. GP, 1-25, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.92. B-Doug & Felicia Branham & Giant's Causeway Syndicate (KY). \*\$140,000 Wlg '14 FTKNOV; \$60,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$100,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSMAR.

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**Looks Super**, m, 6, **Super Saver**--Looks Strong, by Strong Hope. FG, 1-25, 1 1/16mT, 1:47.68. B-T. F. VanMeter (KY). \*\$30,000 Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$130,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP.

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**THIS DATE IN HISTORY...**

**January 26, 1950...**Citation's 16-race win streak came to an end in the La Sorpresa Handicap at Santa Anita. Despite giving 16 pounds to the winner, Miche, Citation, carrying 130 pounds, lost only by a neck.

**January 27, 1973...**Penny Chenery accepted the Eclipse Award for Horse of the Year on behalf of Secretariat, who was also voted champion two-year-old of 1972.

**January 28, 1928...**Kentucky Derby winner Black Gold broke down during the running of the Salome Purse at Fair Grounds and is buried in the track's infield.

**January 29, 1960...**Future Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner Carry Back finished 10th in his first start ever, a three-furlong race for two-year-old maiden runners at Hialeah. Sired by Saggy, the only horse to defeat Citation during his three-year-old season, out of an undistinguished mare named Joppy, Carry Back became a popular runner and was dubbed, "the people's horse."

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## RICHARD HUGHES: A TRAINER ON THE RISE



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By Tom Peacock

There were many obstacles in the road when Richard Hughes made a high-speed manoeuvre from jockey to trainer in 2015.

With experience, elite owners and even a Classic aspirant now in the stable, there finally seems to be a little time for a man who has been living on his nerves to ease his foot off the pedal.

"I'm very conscious that I really wanted to make this work and the first two years I was very full on, terrified of failure," he said. "I think the outside world really thought--'champion jockey, straight away he'll be having group winners' and 'he's not winning big races or training Saturday horses', but it's a totally different level to where I was at. I was 15 when I started riding, and wasn't champion until I was nearly 40. That kept me going."

"There were many arguments with [wife] Lizzie, bringing the work back into the house, being too afraid to ring a fella or not lose an owner because of something," he said. "There was no pressure riding horses, the only stress I ever had was being on the M25. It's getting a bit easier, realising now I can step away and start to enjoy it."

One of the great stylists in the saddle hung his own up after Glorious Goodwood in August. It was perhaps the track with which he is best associated despite winning Classics around Europe and as far afield as India and having a Breeders' Cup success to his name.

A month later he began sending out runners from Stockbridge in Hampshire but teething problems with the premises meant that by November he had moved to Weathercock House in Upper Lambourn. The 45-year-old had to get the paperwork through to sell his house and thereby finance the new stable by the following spring--with the family expecting their third child at the same time.

"I think I was 8st 7lb at one stage and I could hardly do that when I was riding," he recalls. "The first year was tough, they were sick, the 2-year-olds would go three furlongs and fall out the back of the telly. The spotlight was on me. It was my first year going to the sales buying them and we got through it still having winners. The vets said they'd never seen anything like it. Luckily the older horses weren't sick, they were our saving grace, and we didn't buy really early 2-year-olds, they were nurtured through as handicappers and won races."

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## IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

### GUN RUNNER NAMED US HORSE OF THE YEAR

Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}), whose four Grade I wins in 2017 included the Breeders' Cup Classic, was named US Horse of the Year at Thursday's Eclipse Award ceremonies in Miami.

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**Richard Hughes: A Trainer On The Rise cont. from p1**

With 36 winners through 2016, Hughes managed a marked improvement to 63 the following season as well as an incredible 91 seconds.

“I suppose that’s frustrating, even if there weren’t loads of really unlucky seconds,” he explained. “I suppose it shows we’re placing them well and they’ll keep going up a couple of pounds in the handicap.”

The yard has already received Royal patronage, the legacy of which Hughes believes could stem from riding the Queen’s first winner at the new Ascot aboard Free Agent (GB) (Dr Fong) in the 2008 Chesham S. He was delighted to win with Her Majesty’s **Patchwork (GB)** (Paco Boy {Ire}) at Redcar and has been sent another juvenile by the same sire.



Free Agent & Richard Hughes win the Chesham S. | *Racingfotos.com*

The likes of Jaber Abdullah and Philippa Cooper are on the roster and a pack of 10 2-year-olds with sharper pedigrees are already in the kindergarten stages on the gallops with the idea of picking up some early median auction races.

Hughes monitors them closely, as he has already been frank in telling significant patrons if they are wasting their time with ordinary horses.

One with whom he would have no interest in parting is **Glendevon** (Scat Daddy), an impressive winner at Kempton last October. Previously owned by friends Dave Campbell and Danny Waters, the athletic chestnut will now carry the colours of Cheveley Park Stud after it bought a majority stake.

“I hope he’s our Guineas horse, but we’ll have to find out if he’s good enough by running him in the Craven,” said Hughes. “He’s got a very extravagant action but I think he’ll handle Newmarket. He’s not slow and he covers so much ground. I think he’ll be a group horse but, with the breeding he has, even if he won the Craven he could be a stallion.” **Cont. p3**



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### **Richard Hughes cont.**

Whether Glendevon lives up to expectations remains to be seen, but Hughes rode many of the type for the Richard Hannon yard, such as Olympic Glory (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}) and Toronado (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}). However, one will probably always stand out on his own and the dazzling Canford Cliffs (Ire) (Tagula {Ire}) has the biggest portrait in prime position in his owners' room.

"From day one I rode him he was the best horse I've ever ridden," he said. "Aidan O'Brien has one of them every year, he really does, but apart from that outfit they come along very seldom. He was so deceptive, and I never got the same feeling again ever in Hannon's. Toronado was very good, so was Olympic Glory, but he was just a bit different."



**Canford Cliffs with Richard Hughes aboard winning the G1 Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot in 2011 | *Racing Post***

After so much time spent with Hannon senior and junior when riding, there has been something of a clean break in professional terms with his former bosses now rivals on the track. They are, of course, still bound by friendship and by blood, as Lizzie is the younger Hannon's sister.

Instead, Hughes is more likely to bounce ideas off long-term weighing room ally-turned-stable jockey Shane Kelly and Patrick McEwan, now on the staff after stints with the likes of Brian Meehan and the late Peter Walwyn.

Hughes has also been overseeing the development of apprentice-of-the-moment Nicola Currie and Finley Marsh, currently preserving his claim with a winter in Australia.

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**Richard Hughes cont.**

“Nicola was at a bit of a crossroads when she came to me,” he said. “I said to her ‘give me four months here and I’ll get you your licence’. She’s done brilliantly. It’s difficult, though, as I’m in no position to be looking after kids as I’m a kid myself in this game. Put it this way, if you arrive five minutes early with me, you’ve got more of a chance of getting rides than if you’re five minutes late.”

Given that he spent so long in the Hannon regime, it seemed likely that he would look to recreate a large-scale operation across the county border capable of one day winning training titles. This might eventually be the case, but he acknowledges that the foundations must be installed first.

“I’m building a team around me really, the sort that when I go away, I know they will do the same things the way I know I would do them. That’s the big thing I noticed at Richard Hannon’s. People would say ‘oh, but he has loads of horses’. The place was in place to cater for loads of horses, there were good people behind him and good people behind them, running a business.”



Apprentice jockey Nicola Currie | *Racing Post*

Hughes continued, “I don’t want to jump into that bigger way unless I’m ready and there’s a structure. The people around here have my best interests at heart and it’s hard to find good people like that. There’s such a staff shortage--it’s a massive crisis--and most of them stay where they are. If it happens, it happens, but I’m very mindful of having something in place, it can unravel otherwise. At 70 or 80 horses, you can keep an eye on them all. Ten are going to be sick or sorry, so it’s easily done to get round 60 or so, you know most of their traits. If you’re bigger and you’ve got better staff, they’ll be able to tell you.”

Even if Hughes has been made twitchy through the challenges, his willpower is robust. He had pledged to his late father Dessie that he would stop smoking when the riding was over and he achieved it by going cold turkey. Instead, he mainlines coffee between duties.

“I was in Australia, India, worked for Henry Cecil and a good bit for Sir Michael Stoute, so I’ve seen bits and bobs from everyone,” he said. “Training’s not as complicated as people think--you can make it so if you want--but if they’re healthy, eating and happy, it’s not rocket science. Running the business is 10 times as hard--keeping owners happy, getting owners in the yard and that’s the bit I struggle with. At the time I was 30 say, I wanted to train horses, and I said to Lizzie before I went out to be champion jockey, that if I made it it’d stand me in good stead. That’s why I went from riding to training the following week, I wanted to keep that name in lights.”

Hughes concluded, “Then you go three years not training Saturday horses you start to think, but I’ve enough belief that I know I’m going to come out the other side, that it will happen.”

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## EUROPEAN NEWS

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### HORSE MIX-UP AT SOUTHWELL REVEALED

The British Horseracing Authority has vowed it will “take measures to improve the robustness of the identification process” after it was revealed on Thursday that two horses ran in incorrect races at Southwell on Jan. 14. It is the **second time in six months** that an incorrect horse has competed on a British racecourse.

A hearing will be held to consider charges against trainer Ivan Furtado, whose Scribner Creek (Ire) (Roderic O’Connor {Ire}) and African Trader (Lonhro {Aus}) ran in each other’s respected races at Southwell on Jan. 14, finishing third and a dead-heat seventh, respectively. The error was picked up the following day through a BHA audit process where it was discovered there was a discrepancy with the identity of a horse that was sent for sampling. As it is the responsibility of the trainer to ensure that the correct horse runs in the correct race, Furtado will face an independent disciplinary panel to determine what, if any, action should be taken.

The BHA recognized in its statement, however, that it has overall responsibility for the running of a raceday and that such incidents affect the confidence of the betting public, bookmakers and other participants and undermines the integrity of the sport. **Cont. p5**

**Horse Mix-Up cont.**

The BHA will in March roll out a scanning device that “links the identity of the horse being scanned out to the racecard for the race it is being scanned out for. This will ensure that if the wrong horse is brought out to be saddled an alert will prevent this from occurring.” The BHA may also implement an interim measure to ensure all placed horses are scanned prior to weighing in. The BHA noted the extra step of scanning horses before they enter the saddling enclosure was implemented after the Yarmouth incident in July, but the most recent incident shows the system needs further improvement.

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**Trainer Ivan Furtado ran the wrong horses in two races at Southwell earlier this month | *Racing Post* photo**

Paying tribute to his stepfather, who worked for Cheveley Park Stud before setting up on his own, Stuart Williams said, “David very much loved what he did and had no interest in retiring. He had so much experience foaling mares that if [vets] Rosssdales ever had a problem they would ring David and ask what to do. At this time of the year he never left the farm.”

The funeral will take place at 12:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 6 at West Suffolk Crematorium, Risby, Bury St Edmunds (IP28 6RR) with a reception afterwards at the Jockey Club Rooms in Newmarket. Family flowers only with any kind donations to the charity Brook, Action for Working Horses and Donkeys.

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**David Shekells**

**NEWMARKET MOURNS LOSS OF DAVID SHEKELLS**

Newmarket’s racing and breeding community is mourning the loss of successful breeder David Shekells, who died on Jan. 12.

With his wife Carol, Shekells, 74, had owned Old Mill Stud in Chippenham, on the outskirts of Newmarket, since 1981. In partnership with Carol’s son, the Newmarket trainer Stuart Williams, they were responsible for breeding the Royal Applause (GB) full-brothers Mister Cosmi (GB), winner of the G2 Richmond S., and Auditorium, who won the Listed Two-Year-Old Trophy at Ripon and was runner-up in the G2 Champagne S. for Cheveley Park Stud.

Old Mill Stud also co-bred the Lincoln winner Ocean Tempest (GB) (Act One {GB}) and raised another winner of the competitive Flat season curtain-raiser, Sweet Lightning (GB) (Fantastic Light), at the farm. Another celebrated Old Mill Stud-bred performer was Cruzspiel (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), winner of the Queen Alexandra S. at Royal Ascot as well as the Listed Ballycullen S. and later a successful hurdler.

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**8.15 Kempton, Cond, £6,000, 3yo, 7f (AWT)**

**WALK IN THE SUN (Street Sense)** was the €1.4-million Arqana Breeze-Up record-setter who debuts for Phoenix Thoroughbred and Jeremy Nosedo. Out of a half to the GI Woodward S. and GI Travers S. winner Alpha (Bernardini), the April-foaled bay meets 11 rivals including last year’s Listed Prix Roland de Chambure runner-up **Ghost Serge (Ire) (Zebedee {GB})**.

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## BRITAIN

**Thursday's Result:**

**2nd-CHD, £8,000, Cond, 1-25, 3yo, 10f (AWT), 2:09.58, st. CULPABILITY (c, 3, Blame--Princess Consort, by Dixieland Band),** blinkered after his debut fifth over a mile at Lingfield on Dec. 20, was restrained initially before being allowed to move into a close-up second. Driven to lead with two furlongs remaining, the 9-2 shot dug in gamely when tackled by Tabernas (Ire) (Dawn Approach {Ire}) and hit the line with a half length to spare. Glories (Galileo {Ire}), the \$1.2-million KEENOV half-sister to Bodemeister (Empire Maker), was slowly away and green throughout and came home fifth. The winner is a half-brother to the G3 Oh So Sharp S. and GIII Beaugay S. winner Waterway Run (Arch), GSW-Eng & US, \$234,289, and to King of New York (Street Boss), SP-US, \$315,957. The dam, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Scat Daddy and a yearling filly by Declaration of War, has been bred back to the latter. Her MSW and MGSP dam Camella (Housebuster) is a half to the SW sire Stone Canyon (Mt. Livermore). Sales history: \$70,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEEJAN; \$350,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$7,368.

**Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-H. R. H. Princess Haya of Jordan; B-Ice Wine Stables (KY); T-John Gosden.

**CONDITIONS RESULT:**

**2nd-SOU, £5,800, 1-25, 3yo/up, 4f 214y (AWT), :59.06, st. COOL SPIRIT (GB) (g, 3, Swiss Spirit {GB}--Marmot Bay {Ire}, by Kodiak {GB})** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-2, \$14,480. O-The Cool Silk Partnership; B-Mr John Hanson (GB); T-James Given. \*£34,000 Ylg '16 GOUKSI; £78,000 2yo '17 GOFBRE; 28,000gns RNA 2yo '17 TATAHI.

## FRANCE

**Thursday's Results:**

**2nd-CGN, €24,000, Debutantes, 1-25, 3yo, f, 10f (AWT), 2:09.90, st.**

**HOLY RULER (FR) (f, 3, Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}--Ruler of My Heart {Ire} {SW-Fr, \$133,159}, by Green Tune),** sent off at 13-2, was restrained early to race in third on the rail. Angled off to challenge between rivals in the straight, the homebred earned

the advantage from Tresorerie (Fr) (Intello {Ger}) 100 metres from the line en route to a half-length success. Pure Elegance (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), the daughter of the GI Frizette S., GI Test S. and GI Alabama S. heroine Society Selection (Coronado's Quest), stayed on late without threatening to be fifth. The useful Ruler of My Heart is a half to three other black-type performers headed by the MSW sire Al Namix (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}), whose extended family features the sire Dunphy (Ire) (Riverman) and GII E. P. Taylor S. scorer Devalois (Fr) (Nureyev). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul (FR); T-Jean-Pierre Gauvin.

**4th-CGN, €24,000, Debutantes, 1-25, 3yo, c/g, 10f (AWT), 2:08.69, st.**

**MUTAWAJEH (c, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Marraasi, by Rahy),** sent off at 3-1, was allowed to gain an easy lead from his wide draw. Applying the pressure from two furlongs out, the homebred--who is a half-brother to Mamdooha (Daaher), MSW & MGSP-US, \$325,200--stayed on under hand riding to secure a length success from Petit Fils (Fr) (Makfi {GB}). The dam, who also has a 2-year-old son of Speightstown and has been bred to Frosted, is connected to the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf and GI Flower Bowl Invitational S. heroine Lahudood (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}). The third dam is the queen Height of Fashion (Fr) (Bustino {GB}) of Nayef, Nashwan and Unfuwain fame. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Farm (KY); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.



The stakes-placed **Thetis**, who will be offered as part of the final installment of the Ballymacoll dispersal at the Tattersalls February sale, has foaled a Lope de Vega filly. Both are available for inspection at the National Stud | *Tattersalls photo*

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## STALLIONS' FIRST FOALS

### FASCINATING ROCK



Fascinating Rock filly out of Serenity Dove

The first foal for the G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup and G1 Qipco Champion S. winner Fascinating Rock (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) has been born at Derek Veitch's Ringfort Stud. Veitch said the filly, out of Serenity Dove (GB) (Harbour Watch {Ire}), "It is a lovely foal that is a strong bodied filly with good bone, especially for a foal out of a maiden mare."

Fascinating Rock stands at Ballylinch Stud for €10,000, and that farm's Managing Director John O'Connor said, "Fascinating Rock was a top-class racehorse and he is the highest rated horse Fastnet Rock has ever produced. This led to Maurice Regan of Newtown Anner Stud and ourselves giving him great support at stud with some real high-quality mares. Here at Ballylinch we are eagerly awaiting foals by Fascinating Rock out of the really top-class mares Lady Livius and Uncharted Haven, both of whom are due very shortly."

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

### Thursday, Meydan, UAE

**CAPE VERDI SPONSORED BY EMIRATES GLOBAL ALUMINIUM-G2**, \$200,000, MEY, 1-25, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, f/m, 1600mT, 1:36.56, gd.

1--**PROMISING RUN**, 126, m, 5, by **Hard Spun**

1st Dam: **Aviacion (Brz) (G1SW-Brz)**, by **Know Heights (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Arbulus**, by **Liloy (Fr)**

3rd Dam: **Buck the Tide**, by **Buckpasser**

O-Godolphin; B-Darley (KY); T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Pat

Cosgrave. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 18-5-2-4, €593,506.

\*1/2 to Arabian Comet (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), GSP-Eng. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.** Werk Nick Rating: D+.



2--**Rehana (Ire)**, 126, f, 4, Dark Angel (Ire)--Rayka (Ire), by

Selkirk. O-His Highness The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's

Studs SC (IRE); T-Mick Halford. \$40,000.

3--**Aljuljalah**, 126, m, 5, Exchange Rate--Ruler's Charm, by Cape

Town. (\$45,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; 350,000gns 2yo '15 TATAPR).

O-Salem Rashid; B-Audley Farm Equine (VA); T-Salem bin

Ghadayer. \$20,000.



Margins: 4HF, SHD, 2.

Also Ran: **Opal Tiara (Ire)**, **Smiling Blue Eyes (SAf)**, **Icecapada**

(Ire), **Singyoursong (Ire)**, **Absolute Blast (Ire)**. **Click for the Racing Post result. VIDEO.**

Promising Run made it a group win in four consecutive seasons when justifying favouritism in Thursday's G2 Cape Verdi S. at Meydan. Bouncing out of the barriers on top, Promising Run conceded a lead to the keen Rehana down the backstretch. Moving off the fence to confront that rival coming off the bend, Promising Run collared Rehana in midstretch and, with a few slaps of the whip from Pat Cosgrave, she drew clear to win convincingly while Aljuljalah made a late rally to claim third.

"As I said in the week, this mare shows us very little at home in the mornings but produces on the track," trainer Saeed bin Suroor said. "We were hopeful, but you can never be confident given the way she trains. The Balanchine, over 1800m in three weeks, is the likely next target. As well as Dubai, she has also won group races in England and Turkey so is clearly a smart performer."

### Cape Verdi S. cont.

Cosgrave added, "I rode her at Goodwood last year when she did not like the soft ground and she was much happier here on the quicker conditions. She shows very little at home but has produced another big performance on the track and is decent."

The winner of the G2 Rockfel S. in her third start at two, Promising Run the following season found herself in the unfortunate position of being born in the same crop as Polar River (Congrats), and she finished second behind that dominant rival in the UAE 1000 Guineas trial and the main event itself, the Listed UAE 1000 Guineas. She picked up her second pattern win that fall when scooping Turkey's G3 Istanbul Trophy, and the bay opened her 2017 carnival with a victory in the G2 Al Rashidiya S. going a mile and one furlong. Promising Run was beaten 3 1/4 lengths in two further starts of that campaign, a third behind subsequent Group 1 winner Zarak (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G3 Dubai Millennium S. and a seventh in the G1 Jebel Hatta. Given a break over the spring and summer, Promising Run came into this off a fourth in listed company at Goodwood on Sept. 27 and a third at the same level at Lingfield on Nov. 2.



Promising Run runs away with the Cape Verdi | DRC/Andrew Watkins

### Pedigree Notes...

Promising Run is the sixth and most accomplished produce of the Brazilian Group 1 winner Aviacion, who is also the dam of Arabian Comet (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), second in the G3 Lillie Langtry S. Aviacion's 3-year-old Medaglia d'Oro filly Voladora (Ire) was a winner last year at two, and after being barren to Dawn Approach (Ire) the following season she produced a colt by Night Of Thunder (Ire) last year. Promising Run's fourth dam is Swansea (Turn-to), a full-sister to Sir Gaylord and a half-sister to Secretariat. [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

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4th-MEY, \$100,000, Cond, 1-25, 3yo, 7f, 1:25.08, ft.

**GOLD TOWN (GB) (g, 3, Street Cry {Ire}--Pimpernel {Ire} {SW & GSP-Eng, \$146,809}, by Invincible Spirit {Ire})** showed marked improvement after being gelded mid-season last year, and he put himself firmly in place as one of the favourites for the Dubai Classics when running away with this first division of the UAE 2000 Guineas trial. A debut winner in April, Gold Town was handily beaten when fifth in a Newcastle novice race and the listed Marble Hill S. before checking in seventh, beaten 8 1/4 lengths, in Royal Ascot's Listed Chesham S. The bay was gelded thereafter and returned with an improved third in a Newmarket nursery handicap on July 14. Gold Town returned to the winner's enclosure with a 3 3/4-length handicap score when last seen at Newmarket on Aug. 12, and he made it two straight in his dirt debut on Thursday.



Gold Town | DRC/Andrew Watkins

Hustled from the gates by William Buick to join the frontrunners on the inside, Gold Town vied for the early lead and had stretched his advantage to two lengths by the time he hit the quarter pole. The bay proved far superior thereafter, drawing as much as 10 lengths clear before being geared right down by Buick and hitting the line 4 1/4 lengths the better of Roland Rocks (Ire) (Red Jazz {Ire}).

"It was a great performance and I was delighted with him," Buick said. "Once I was able to get in front and across to that rail, then give him a bit of a breather, I was always more than happy. He is by Street Cry so you expect him to go well on this dirt surface and he has been training well on a similar surface. He felt like there was improvement to come and a natural on the dirt."

Gold Town is the second produce of the listed winner and G2 Rockfel S. second Pimpernel (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), who has a Dubawi colt that just turned two and a yearling filly by Shamardal. [Cont. p9](#)

**4th-MEY, cont.**

Pimpernel is a great granddaughter of Masskana (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), whose four stakes winners include the Eclipse champion and dual Group 1 winner Dank (GB) (Dansili {GB}), G1 Hong Kong Cup winner Eagle Mountain (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) and the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner Sulk (Ire) (Selkirk). Gold Town's fourth dam, Masarika (Ire) (Thatch), won the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and the G1 Prix Robert Papin and produced two group winners. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, \$82,345. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [VIDEO](#).** O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby.

**6th-MEY, \$100,000, Cond, 1-25, 3yo, 7f, 1:26.09, ft.**

**EL CHAPO (GB) (g, 3, Lethal Force {Ire}--Never Lose {GB} {SP-US}, by Diktat {GB})** may have taken six starts to break his maiden, but he had now notched three in a row and could be in line to give Lethal Force his first black-type winner in the G3 UAE 2000 Guineas in three weeks' time. Stalking the favoured Racing Country (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) in this second division of the UAE 2000 Guineas trial, El Chapo had a half-length to make up on that rival turning for home. El Chapo got his head in front in midstretch and while Racing Country briefly stole back the lead, El Chapo refused to fold and ground his way back to the lead and hit the wire a half-length in front in a time more than a second slower than the earlier division of the race won by Gold Town.



El Chapo | DRC/Andrew Watkins

"He was tough and brave," said jockey Luke Morris. "When I needed him to help me close home, he really dug deep. I was very pleased going to the start as he seemed to love the surface which filled me with a lot of confidence as his pedigree suggested dirt would suit him. I think my horse has needed that run and will improve as he was getting tired, but his attitude has seen him home."

It was a long way back to the third, so hopefully it was a good performance."

Placed in two of his first five outings for trainer Richard Fahey, El Chapo at last got off the mark at Catterick on Sept. 23. He followed up with another score at the same track on Oct. 10, and was subsequently picked up by trainer Fawzi Nass's agent Oliver St Lawrence at the Tattersalls Autumn Horses-in-Training sale for 58,000gns. He was making his first start since here. El Chapo is the fifth foal out of his stakes-placed dam, who has a yearling colt by War Command. Sales history: 19,000gns wnl '15 TATNOV; 40,000gns yrl '16 TATOCT; 58,000gns HRA '17 TAAOCT. Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, \$78,604. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [VIDEO](#).**

O-Maher E Lutfallah & Fawzi Nass; B-Tibthorpe Stud (GB); T-Fawzi Abdulla Nass.

**HANDICAP RESULTS:**

**2nd-MEY, \$160,000, Hcp, 1-25, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2810mT, 2:58.78, gd.**

**LOS BARBADOS (IRE) (g, 6, Galileo {Ire}--Milanova {Aus} {GSW & MG1SP-Aus, \$159,402}, by Danehill)** Lifetime Record: 15-2-2-3, \$180,390. O-EERC (Mngr: Mrs Rebecca Byrne) & Fawzi Nass; B-Milanova Syndicate (IRE); T-Fawzi Abdulla Nass. \*Full to Pretty Perfect (Ire), GSW-Ire & GSP-Eng, \$116,242. \*\*47,000gns HRA '15 TAAOCT.

**1st-MEY, \$125,000, Hcp, 1-25, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2000m, 2:05.55, ft.**

**DON'T GIVE UP (GB) (c, 4, Dubawi {Ire}--Avongrove {GB}, by Tiger Hill {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$94,028. O-Godolphin; B-Darley (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor.

**7th-MEY, \$125,000, Hcp, 1-25, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1000mT, :57.84, gd.**

**DUTCH MASTERPIECE (GB) (g, 8, Dutch Art {GB}--The Terrier {GB}, by Foxhound)** Lifetime Record: GSW-Ire & SW-Eng, 34-9-4-2, \$280,445. O-Ramadhan Stable; B-Bumble Bloodstock (GB); T-Jaber Ramadhan. \*3,500gns wnl '10 TATNOV; €15,000 yrl '11 TISSEP; €67,000 2yo '12 GBMMAY; 78,000gns RNA HRA '15 TAAOCT; 28,000gns HRA '16 TAAOCT.

**8th-MEY, \$125,000, Hcp, 1-25, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2000mT, 2:02.93, gd.**

**MOUNTAIN HUNTER (g, 4, Lonhro {Aus}--Tamarillo {GB}, by Daylami {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$93,014. O-Godolphin; B-Darley (KY); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \*1/2 to Summer Fete (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), GSW-Eng.

**Cont. p10**

**3rd-MEY, \$60,000, Hcp, 1-25, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1600m, 1:37.63, ft.**

**CLAIM THE ROSES (g, 6, Speightstown--Reboot, by Rubiano)**

Lifetime Record: 23-5-4-2, \$90,287. O-Salem Rashid;

B-Woodford Throughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Salem bin Ghadayer.

\*1/2 to Rebuttal (Mr. Greeley), G1SP-Eng; and Summer Cruise (Vicar), MSW-US. \*\$75,000 yrl '12 KEESEP; 120,000gns yrl '12 TATNOV; 65,000gns RNA HRA '16 TAAOCT.

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## GOLD COAST MARCH CATALOGUE ONLINE

The catalogue for the Magic Millions Gold Coast March Yearling Sale Mar. 19 and 20 is now **online**. The sale that has produced top sprinters Buffering (Aus), Spirit of Boom (Aus) and Winning Rupert (Aus) this year has 389 catalogued, and buyers can take advantage of a 33% discount to nominate to the Magic Millions Race Series. All lots have also been paid up for the first stage of QTIS. Sale graduate and standout first-season sire Spirit of Boom leads all sires numerically with 44 lots offered.

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## VOLKSTOK'N'BARRELL TO JOIN LOGAN IN SINGAPORE

by Alan Carasso

**Volkstok'n'barrell (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}), whose four Group 1 victories include the 2015 Rosehill Guineas, will be relocated to Singapore when trainer Donna Logan opens her new stable at Kranji, *racingnews.co.nz* reported Wednesday.

Purchased by Logan for NZ\$50,000 at the 2013 NZB Select Yearling Sale and trained in partnership with Chris Gibbs, Volkstok'n'barrell was a Group 2 winner and runner-up in the 2015 G1 New Zealand Derby before launching a successful Australian raid that saw him post a narrow success in the Rosehill Guineas. Victorious in the G1 Haunui Farm Classic and the G1 New Zealand S. in 2016, he tacked on a win in the 2017 G1 Herbie Dyke S. The 6-year-old was a latest third in the G1 Zabeel Classic at Ellerslie Dec. 26 and is not expected to start again prior to his departure for Singapore.

"We're just keeping him ticking over until he heads up there," Gibbs said.

From 31 trips to the post, Volkstok'n'barrell has nine wins and better than US\$1 million in earnings. **Cont. p11**



Glendevon (Scat Daddy) was a smart juvenile for Richard Hughes in 2017. [Click here](#) for video. He will carry the Cheveley Park Stud silks into his Classic campaign. | [racingfotos.com](http://racingfotos.com)

**Volkstok'n'barrell cont.**

Logan announced her intention to relocate last November to attempt to follow in the footprints of fellow Kiwi trainers such as Laurie Laxon, Stephen Gray and Mark Walker. The move has been on hold since Logan suffered a fractured skull in a fall last month. In Singapore, Volkstok'n'barrell is likely to be targeted for races like the Kranji Mile in May, and the Raffles Cup (1600m), the Queen Elizabeth II Cup (1800m) and Dester Singapore Gold Cup (2000m) later in the season. Each of those tests offers prize money of S\$1 million or more.

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Volkstok'n'barrell is reportedly off to Singapore | Trish Dunell

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Mar. 30	S\$250k Singapore 3YO Sprint <i>(1st leg Singapore 3YO Challenge)</i>	1200mT
Apr. 1	S\$200k JBBA Rocket Man Sprint <i>(1st leg Singapore Sprint Series)</i>	1200mT
Apr. 22	S\$500k Singapore 3YO Classic <i>(2nd leg Singapore 3YO Challenge)</i>	1400mT
Apr. 27	S\$500k Merlion Trophy <i>(2nd leg Singapore Sprint Series)</i>	1200m (AWT)
	S\$500k Chairman's Trophy	1600mT
May 18	S\$1m Singapore Guineas <i>(3rd leg Singapore 3YO Challenge)</i>	1600mT
May 20	S\$1m Lion City Cup <i>(3rd leg Singapore Sprint Series)</i>	1200mT
	S\$1m Kranji Mile	1600mT
June 10	S\$500k Stewards' Cup <i>(1st leg Singapore 4YO Challenge)</i>	1400mT

**Friday, Meydan Racecourse, United Arab Emirates, post time: 3:30 p.m. (6:30 a.m. EST/11:30 a.m. BST)**

**JEBEL ALI MILE-G3**, AED575,000, NH 4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 1600m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Long River	A.P. Indy	SCR	SCR	132
2	Farrier 	Tapit	Seemar	Mullen	125
3	Forjatt (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Selvaratnam	O'Donoghue	125
4	Frankyfourfingers (Fr)	Sunday Break (Jpn)	bin Ghadayer	Ffrench	125
5	Manahir (Fr)	Naaqoos (GB)	bin Ghadayer	Ziani	125
6	Portamento (Ire)	Shamardal	Al Rayhi	O'Shea	125
7	Shamaal Nibras 	First Samurai	Watson	Dobbs	125
8	Taamol (Ire)	Helmet (Aus)	Al Rayhi	Crowley	125

**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa, post time: 5:15 p.m. (10:15 a.m. EST/3:15 p.m. BST)**

**SUN MET CELEBRATED WITH G.H. MUMM-G1**, R5,000,000 (£296,528/€337,557/A\$518,798/US\$414,567), 3yo/up, 2000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	15	Legal Eagle (SAf)	Greys Inn	Tarry	Marcus	132
2	3	Captain America (SAf)	Captain Al (SAf)	Crawford	Orffer	132
3	13	Marinaresco (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Bass-Robinson	Domeyer	132
4	17	Sail South (SAf)	Sail From Seattle	Crawford	Cheyne	132
5	12	Silicone Valley (SAf)	Jay Peg (SAf)	Puller	Botha	132
6	14	Krambambuli (SAf)	Black Minnaloushe	Snaith	B Lerena	132
7	1	Nebula (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Crawford	Veale	132
8	11	Elusive Silva (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Snaith	Khathi	132
9	10	Coral Fever (SAf)	Judpot	Sage	Yeni	132
10	9	Gold Standard (SAf)	Trippi	Kotzen	Fourie	132
11	7	Copper Force (SAf)	Royal Air Force (SAf)	Snaith	Hewitson	131
12	20	Last Winter (SAf)	Western Winter	Kannemeyer	Strydom	131
13	2	Heavenly Blue (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Scr	Scr	Scr
14	8	African Sky (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Snaith	Fayd'Herbe	131
15	19	Horizon (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Bass-Robinson	Andrews	131
16	18	Nother Russia (SAf)	Tiger Ridge	de Kock	Zackey	127
17	4	Nightingale (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Bass-Robinson	Byleveld	127
18	16	Safe Harbour (SAf)	Elusive Fort (SAf)	Tarry	Danielson	126
19	5	Cascapedia (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Scr	Scr	Scr
20	6	Oh Susanna (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Snaith	van Niekerk	113



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**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa, post time: 3:00 p.m. (8:00 a.m. EST/1:00 p.m. BST)**

**BETTING WORLD CAPE FLYING CHAMPIONSHIP-G1**, R1,000,000 (£59,278/€67,488/A\$103,778/US\$82,870), 3yo/up, 1000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	9	Trip To Heaven (SAf)	Trippi	Tarry	Marcus	132
2	7	Search Party (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Crawford	Fourie	132
3	6	Sergeant Hardy (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Snaith	Fayd'Herbe	132
4	8	Always In Charge (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Marshall	Byleveld	132
5	4	Brutal Force (SAf)	Western Winter	Ramsden	Zackey	132
6	12	La Favourari (SAf)	Querari (Ger)	Nel	de Melo	132
7	5	Tevez (SAf)	Caesour	Bass-Robinson	Domeyer	132
8	18	Talktothestars (SAf)	Overlord (Aus)	de Beer	Behr	132
9	15	Attenborough (SAf)	Western Winter	Ramsden	Strydom	132
10	17	Graduation Day (SAf)	Trippi	Soma	Hewitson	132
11	14	Olympian (SAf)	Scarlet Letter (GB)	Marshall	Danielson	132
12	16	Percival (SAf)	Var	Nel	B Lerena	132
13	3	Jo's Bond (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Snaith	van Niekerk	127
14	11	Sommerlied (SAf)	Var	Drier	Veale	127
15	1	Live Life (SAf)	Trippi	Bass-Robinson	Cheyne	127
16	13	Naafer (Aus)	Lonhro (Aus)	de Kock	Delpech	135
17	2	Alfolk (Aus)	Lonhro (Aus)	de Kock	Murray	125
18	10	Bold Respect (SAf)	Bold Silvano (Ger)	Crawford	Orffer	125

**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa, post time: 3:35 p.m. (8:35 a.m. EST/1:35 p.m. BST)**

**INVESTEC CAPE DERBY-G1**, R1,000,000 (£59,278/€67,488/A\$103,778/US\$82,870), 3yo, 2000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY
1	5	Eyes Wide Open (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Kotzen	Fourie
2	3	Tap O' Noth (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Marshall	Byleveld
3	7	White River (SAf)	Trippi	Crawford	Orffer
4	11	Like a Panther (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	de Kock	Marcus
5	2	Pack Leader (SAf)	Philanthropist	Kotzen	Delpech
6	10	Kimberley Star (SAf)	Ideal World	Greeff	Cheyne
7	8	Do It Again (SAf)	Twice Over (GB)	Snaith	Fayd'Herbe
8	9	Opera Royal (SAf)	Oratorio (Ire)	Kotzen	Mxothwa
9	13	Steel Rose (SAf)	Gitano Hernando (GB)	Puller	Botha
10	14	Spring Man (SAf)	Marchfield	Crawford	Murray
11	15	The Sun Also Rises (SAf)	Trippi	Sands	Hewitson
12	4	Visigoth (SAf)	Visionaire	Tarry	Zackey
13	1	Silver Coin (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Ramsden	van Niekerk
14	6	What a Joker (SAf)	What a Winter (SAf)	Bass-Robinson	Domeyer
15	12	Fresnaye (SAf)	Western Winter	Ramsden	Strydom

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**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa, post time: 4:15 p.m. (9:15 a.m. EST/2:15 p.m. BST)****KLAWERVLEI MAJORCA S-G1**, R1,000,000 (£59,278/€67,488/A\$103,778/US\$82,870), 3yo/up, f/m, 1600mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	6	Just Sensual (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Ramsden	Marcus	132
2	11	Gimme Six (SAf)	Gimmethelight (Aus)	Snaith	Strydom	132
3	14	Silvan Star (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Kotzen	Fourie	132
4	2	Star Express (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Snaith	Murray	132
5	13	Goodtime Gal (SAf)	Royal Air Force (SAf)	Robinson	Fayd'Herbe	132
6	4	Premier Dance (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Drier	Veale	132
7	12	Captain's Flame (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Nel	B Lerena	132
8	10	Louisiana (SAf)	Ideal World	Crawford	Orffer	132
9	1	Final Judgement (SAf)	Judpot	Kotzen	Mxothwa	132
10	8	Beataboutthebush (SAf)	Gimmethelight (Aus)	Greeff	Zackey	132
11	3	Seattle Gold (SAf)	Sail From Seattle	Crawford	Cheyne	132
12	9	Snowdance (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Snaith	van Niekerk	121
13	5	Rose In Bloom (SAf)	Gimmethelight (Aus)	Ramsden	Seidl	121
14	7	Rockin Russian (SAf)	Seventh Rock (Aus)	Tarry	Hewitson	121

**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4:40 p.m. (3:30 a.m. EST/8:30 a.m. BST)****STEWARDS' CUP-G1**, HK\$10,000,000 (£904,446/€1,031,865/A\$1,593,549/US\$1,279,161), 3yo/up, 1600mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY
1	13	Beauty Generation (NZ)	Road to Rock (Aus)	Moore	Leung
2	2	Helene Paragon (Fr)	Polan (Fr)	Moore	Berry
3	9	Time Warp (GB)	Archipenko	A Cruz	Purton
4	11	Werther (NZ)	Tavistock (NZ)	Moore	Bowman
5	6	Beauty Only (Ire)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	A Cruz	Callan
6	1	Seasons Bloom (Aus)	Captain Sonador (Aus)	Shum	Moreira
7	4	Western Express (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Size	Clipperton
8	3	Joyful Trinity (Ire)	Zanzibari	Moore	Mosse
9	12	Giant Treasure	Mizzen Mast	A Cruz	Prebble
10	5	Horse of Fortune (SAf)	Stronghold (GB)	Millard	Rawiller
11	10	Fifty Fifty (NZ)	Thorn Park (Aus)	Ho	Teetan
12	7	Southern Legend (Aus)	Not a Single Doubt (Aus)	Fownes	Rispoli
13	8	Sichuan Dar (Aus)	Not a Single Doubt (Aus)	Millard	Schofield

All carry 126 pounds.

**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4:05 p.m. (3:05 a.m. EST/8:05 a.m. BST)****CENTENARY SPRINT CUP-G1**, HK\$10,000,000 (£904,446/€1,031,865/A\$1,593,549/US\$1,279,161), 3yo/up, 1200mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY
1	4	Mr Stunning (Aus)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Size	Rawiller
2	8	D B Pin (NZ)	Darci Brahma (NZ)	Size	Doleuze
3	5	Lucky Bubbles (Aus)	Sebring (Aus)	Lui	Bowman
4	6	Blizzard (Aus)	Starcraft (NZ)	Yiu	Teetan
5	1	Not Listenin'tome (Aus)	Dylan Thomas (Ire)	Moore	Berry
6	3	Peniaphobia (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	A Cruz	Prebble
7	2	Lucky Year (Aus)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Shum	Badel
8	7	Beat the Clock (Aus)	Hinchinbrook (Aus)	Size	Moreira

All carry 126 pounds.

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