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Hip 1281 | Fasig-Tipton

by Jessica Martini

LEXINGTON, KY - The Fasig-Tipton October Fall Yearlings Sale concluded its four-day run Thursday in Lexington with a strong session which featured the auction's top two highest-priced offerings.

Through four sessions, Fasig-Tipton sold 963 yearlings for a total of \$34,260,100--down slightly from last year's record gross of \$35,812,900 for 981 head sold. The average was \$35,576--down 2.5% from last year's record-setting mark of \$36,507--while the median rose 25% to \$15,000. The cumulative buy-back rate was 22.7%.

"It was a very solid four days of sales," said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning, Jr. "The numbers are remarkably similar to last year. It's always encouraging to see the median improve--it improved 25%--and the average and buy-back rate were virtually the same. I thought it was a very fair marketplace from beginning to end. I think it's pretty remarkable that, after as good a year as the yearling sales have had this year, you still sell 1,000 and basically generate \$35 million back into the system is very positive.

Thirty five yearlings sold for \$200,000 or over in 2017, while 23 reached that mark in 2018.

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JAPANESE APPRENTICE KIMURA BREAKING NEW GROUND AT WOODBINE

by Bill Finley

They come from all over the world to ride in North America and do so for obvious reasons--the racing and purses here are among the best on the planet. Jockeys from Latin American countries now dominate the sport and France has produced three of the top riders in the U.S. in Florent Geroux, Flavien Prat and Julien Leparoux. Now, a new country needs to be added to the list.

There's very little, if any, history of a young jockey from Japan coming here and being successful. But that's exactly what 19-year-old apprentice Kazushi Kimura is doing at Woodbine. After getting off to a slow start at the meet, he is now among the hottest riders on the grounds and riding for many of Canada's top outfits, including Mark Casse. **Cont. p8**

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This year's Fasig-Tipton November Sale will offer a half-sister to the 2018 European standout three-year-old filly Alpha Centauri (Mastercraftsman {Ire}). The TDN sat down with her consignor, Bluewater's Meg Levy, to talk about her expectations for Galileo Gal in [this video](#), presented by Fasig-Tipton. | Patty Wolfe

BREEDERS' CUP BULLETIN: OCT. 25

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A plethora of Breeders' Cup contenders put in their final works from coast-to-coast Thursday, headlined by **Bellafina** (Quality Road), **Oscar Performance** (Kitten's Joy), **Restless Rider** (Distorted Humor) and **Wonder Gadot** (Medaglia d'Oro).

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Bloodstock agent Donato Lanni purchased the top-priced yearling of the sale, going to \$500,000 to secure a colt by Street Sense (hip 1281) from the Eaton Sales consignment.

Lanni said the October sale has become a must-attend event. "People kind of dismiss this sale, but I think it's becoming an



Reiley McDonald | Fasig-Tipton

important sale," Lanni said. "There were 1500 horses catalogued and there was a lot of sire power and a lot of good physicals. It's becoming a better and better sale every year. And you just never

know where a good horse will show up."

Reiley McDonald of Eaton Sales agreed the auction continues to exceed expectations as it solidifies its position as the last yearling sale on the calendar.

"With all of the October sales, it feels like there can't be enough people there to pick up 1400 horses, but every year it seems to fill in," he said. "There were people in every price range. It's the end-of-the-year sale, so it's time to fish or cut bait with your horses. So it's a very real market because of that."

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SESSION TOTALS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	378	377
• No. Offered	308	306
• No. Sold	240	253
• RNAs	68	53
• % RNAs	22.1%	17.3%
• High Price	\$500,000	\$400,000
• Gross	\$9,684,200	\$10,114,300
• Average (% change)	\$40,351 (+0.94%)	\$39,977
• Median (% change)	\$17,000 (+13.3%)	\$15,000
CUMULATIVE TOTALS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	1,500	1,461
• No. Offered	1,246	1,267
• No. Sold	963	981
• RNAs	283	286
• % RNAs	22.7%	22.6%
• High Price	\$500,000	\$700,000
• Gross	\$34,260,100	\$35,812,900
• Average (% change)	\$35,576 (-2.55%)	\$36,507
• Median (% change)	\$15,000 (+25%)	\$12,000

Street Sense Colt Jumps to Top at October



Donato Lanni | Fasig-Tipton

Bloodstock agent Donato Lanni, acting on behalf of an undisclosed client, made the highest bid of the four-day Fasig-Tipton October sale when going to \$500,000 for a son of Street Sense Thursday in Lexington.

“I thought he was a beautiful horse—a big, two-turn looking horse,” Lanni said of **hip 1281**. “Obviously other people felt the same, he wasn’t a secret. But we try to buy those kind and hope we get lucky. Bobby [Baffert] will get him and we’ll hope it works out.”

Bred by Forging Oaks and consigned by Eaton Sales, the dark bay colt is out of Shimmer (Pulpit) and is a half-brother to graded stakes placed Sister Moon (Dixie Union).

Jim Peyton’s Forging Oaks purchased Shimmer, in foal to Union Rags, for \$140,000 at the 2013 Keeneland November sale. The colt she was carrying at that auction sold for \$310,000 at the 2015 Keeneland September sale and for \$400,000 at the following year’s Fasig-Tipton Florida sale. Another Union Rags colt out of the mare sold for \$285,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Yearling Sale. The 16-year-old mare produced a colt by Into Mischief this year and was bred back to Overanalyze.

Of the decision to send the March foal through the ring in October, Eaton’s Reiley McDonald said, “He was so big and we were trying to get him to look as good as he could possibly look. He had a little bit of enthesitis in a knee and we thought he is so good that, if we got him perfect, instead of 90% there, it would pay off. And it did.”

McDonald said he had no problem pointing a yearling specifically at the season’s last yearling sale.

“For a good horse who is clean, which he was, it’s a very good alternative market,” he said. “It’s actually not an alternative market anymore. It’s a very good year-end sale if you have a late developer.”

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| 1281 | c | Street Sense--Shimmer | 500,000 |
| | | <i>Breeder:</i> Forging Oaks (KY) | |
| | | <i>Consignor:</i> Eaton Sales, Agent | |
| | | <i>Purchaser:</i> Donato Lanni, Agent | |
| 1171 | c | Tapit--Receivership | 430,000 |
| | | <i>Breeder:</i> Gainesway Thoroughbreds (KY) | |
| | | <i>Consignor:</i> Gainesway, Agent V | |
| | | <i>Purchaser:</i> Kenneth McPeek, Agent | |
| 1488 | f | Carpe Diem--True Kiss | 290,000 |
| | | <i>Breeder:</i> Charles Muth & Patrick Murphy (KY) | |
| | | <i>Consignor:</i> Paramount Sales, Agent VIII | |
| | | <i>Purchaser:</i> Ruckur Racing Stable | |
| 1399 | c | Tapit--Sunny | 280,000 |
| | | <i>Breeder:</i> Pat Pavlish (KY) | |
| | | <i>Consignor:</i> Indian Creek, Agent | |
| | | <i>Purchaser:</i> Voyager Stable LLC | |
| 1449 | f | Liam's Map--That Voodoo Youdo | 210,000 |
| | | <i>Breeder:</i> Crosshaven Bloodstock (KY) | |
| | | <i>Consignor:</i> Paramount Sales, Agent XXXVI | |
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- 1393** f **Violence--Summer Dream** **200,000**
Breeder: Ponder Hill (KY)
Consignor: Stuart Morris, Agent IV
Purchaser: JCE Racing
- 1264** c **Tiznow--Shanon Nicole** **200,000**
Breeder: Sierra Farm (KY)
Consignor: Greenfield Farm (B.D. Gibbs Farm LLC),
 Agent for Sierra Farm
Purchaser: McMahon & Hill, Agent for Cleber Massey

McPeek Partnership for Tapit Colt

Trainer Ken McPeek went to \$430,000 to acquire a son of Tapit on behalf of a partnership Thursday at Fasig-Tipton. Zayat Stables was underbidder on the yearling, who sold as **hip 1171** and was bred and consigned by Gainesway.

McPeek did his bidding upstairs in the pavilion, alongside Three Chimneys Farm's Goncalo Torrealba and the Kentucky nursery will partner on the colt, along with Paul Fireman's Fern Circle Stables, Peter Callahan, and Scott Leeds of Walking L Thoroughbreds.

"They all went quarters," McPeek said of the partners, while pointing out that Callahan had previously owned the yearling's dam Receivership (End Sweep). Receivership is the dam of 2014

GI Forego S. and GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. winner Palace (City Zip), who was bred by Callahan.

Of the yearling, McPeek said, "He was a great mover with plenty of body. The mare is proven. You win a Grade I with this colt and he's going to be standing stud and hopefully one day at Three Chimneys."

Receivership was in foal to City Zip when she was purchased by Gainesway for \$400,000 at the 2014 Fasig-Tipton November sale. That resulting filly sold for \$700,000 at the 2017 OBS March Sale. Her Tapit colt sold for \$160,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton October sale. Receivership produced a filly by Medaglia d'Oro this year and she was bred back to Karakontie (Jpn).

"He was a nice horse with a lot of pedigree and we just thought he would stand out here," Gainesway's Michael Heron said of the yearling. "He sold well over his reserve."

Of the colt's placement in the October sale, Heron added, "When you have a yearling like him by a top stallion and a half to a very good racehorse and potentially a promising stallion, I think there is money here for that kind of horse."

McPeek admitted he was prepared to go higher for the yearling.

"I thought [the price] would be more," he said. "I actually think it's value. We were underbidders on a couple this past September and this colt looked like he checked all those boxes."

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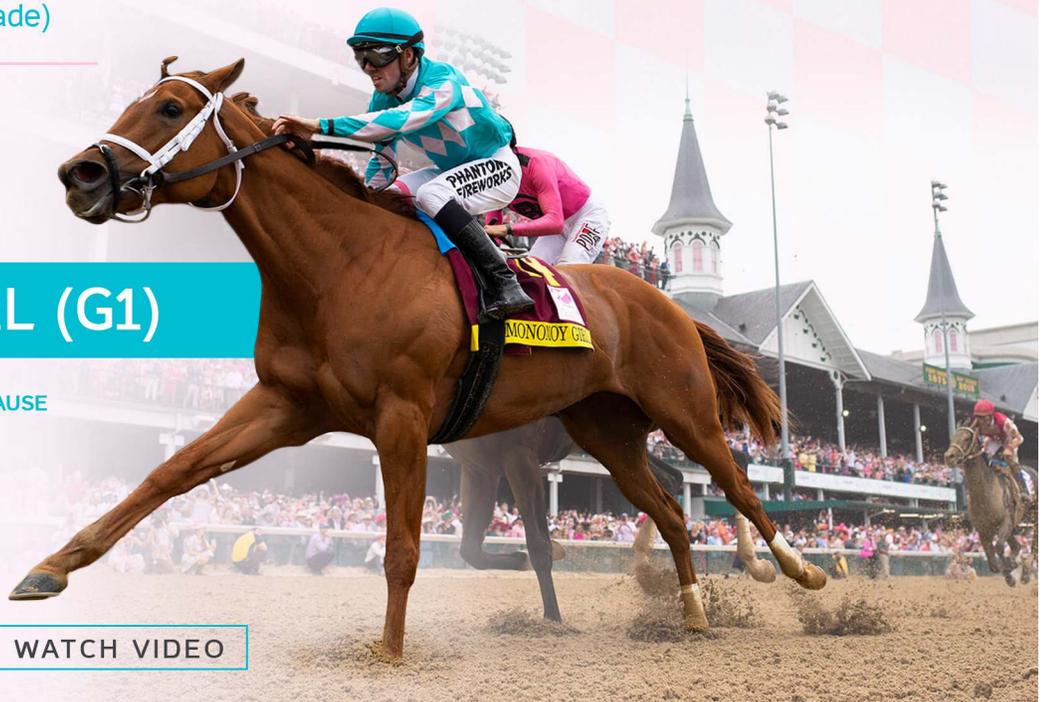
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McPeek Partnership for Tapit Colt cont.



Hip 1171 | Fasig-Tipton

The Tapit colt was McPeek's ninth purchase at the October sale. The conditioner also paid \$190,000 to acquire a colt by Cairo Prince (**hip 969**) during Wednesday's third session of the auction.

"I thought the two colts who were standouts were the Cairo Prince we bought yesterday and this colt today," McPeek said. "I thought they were the standouts of the auction, on physicals and on sire power, they both checked all the boxes."

McPeek ended the sale having purchased 10 yearlings for a total of \$897,000, an average of \$89,700 and a median of \$45,000.

"We've got extremes," he said. "We have this [Tapit] colt and then we have some other horses that we've bought that have been at the bottom end--I have some clients that like playing with those types, too. We're just coming in looking for physicals and we sort through them. I actually thought it was relatively easy to buy some of them. There is opportunity here every year. Over the years, I've bought a whole list of graded stakes winners at this auction. I always enjoy it."

Engelhart Strikes Late for Carpe Diem Filly

Trainer Jeremiah Engelhart, shut out on the sale-topping Street Sense colt earlier in the session, struck late Thursday to secure a filly from the first crop of Grade I winner Carpe Diem for \$290,000. Englehart was bidding on behalf of clients Johns Martin and Bill Rucker and signed the ticket as Ruckur Racing Stable while standing alongside Webb Carroll Training Center's Travis Durr out back of the sales pavilion.

"I liked her overall presence," Englehart said after signing the ticket on **hip 1488**. "She had a nice strong hip to her and a nice shoulder angle. She looked like a nice filly from a nice family. I called my clients on her a couple of days ago and we've been kind of waiting for her. So we're glad we ended up getting her."

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Hip 1488 | Fasig-Tipton

The bay filly is out of stakes winner True Kiss (Is It True) and is a half-sister to graded stakes placed One True Kiss (Warrior's Reward) and Tiz Kissable (Tiz Wonderful). Bred by Charles Muth and Patrick Murphy, the yearling RNA'd for \$170,000 at this summer's Fasig-Tipton July Yearling Sale. She was consigned Thursday by Paramount Sales.

Muth purchased True Kiss as a 4-year-old for \$70,000 at the 2006 Keeneland November sale. The mare produced a colt by Runhappy this year and was bred back to Carpe Diem.

Englehart said he went bid-to-bid with Donato Lanni on the sale-topping colt Thursday.

"I got a little bit of a kick in the gut when Donato bought the Street Sense for \$500,000," he admitted. "I think it was just he and I from \$85,000 all the way to \$500,000. But it was actually a really good sale. I was really happy with the horses that Travis Durr, myself and Greg and Karen Dodd [of Southern Chase Farm] picked out. I thought we had a really nice sale."

Engelhart said he thought the October sale offered something for every buyer, making it an attractive place to shop.

"This sale gets stronger and stronger every year," he said. "There was a really nice group of really nice horses here that people will go very high on. And there is a good mix for everybody. It's a good seller's market and it's a good buyer's market. This is one of the sales that you can get any type of horse here. It's not as long as some other sales, it's just long enough to find a good mix of horses."

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Hip 1179, f, Uncle Mo--Red Sashay, by Big Brown
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Buyer: Michael Scardina, \$75,000

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B-Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds (NY)

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Purchased by De Meric Stables, Agent

Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds purchased the unraced Stella's Dream for \$115,000 at the Fasig-Tipton February Sale carrying her first foal by Violence. They sold the resulting filly for \$235,000 at the Fasig-Tipton July Sale and sold her next foal, a now-2-year-old filly named Aerodynamic (Verrazano) for \$70,000 at last term's Keeneland September Sale. This Tiznow colt just adds to the mare's success record for her new owners and she produced a Candy Ride (Arg) filly earlier this year.

Japanese Apprentice Kimura Breaking New Ground at Woodbine cont. from p1



Kazushi Kimura winning one of five races on the Oct. 12 card aboard Insider Trading | Michael Burns

"We don't usually ride bug riders, but we have started using this one," Casse said. "I think he's a good rider who could turn into a very good rider."

The idea to come to Canada from Japan did not originate with Kimura, who won his first ever race June 9 at Woodbine. A year earlier, another apprentice, Daisuke Fukumoto, came from his native country to Woodbine to ride. Though he has not had nearly the success Kimura has had, he showed his fellow countryman that the transition from the Far East to Canada was something that could be accomplished. **Cont. p9**



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Both could have stayed in Japan, which has astronomical purses, but it is not easy to get going there. A jockey cannot just show up and say they want to ride; they have to be extended an invitation by the Japanese Racing Association in order to get started. Kimura decided not to wait.

“My family wanted me to stay in Japan, but I wanted a challenge, so my family said OK, go ahead,” said Kimura.

Kimura actually came to Canada in 2017 but was not able to get a license because he did not have the proper paperwork in order. Horsemen there remember the sight of the teenager spending his mornings sitting in the grandstand by himself watching workouts. He was 18, spoke no English at the time, was alone in a foreign country and couldn’t gallop horses or do any work of any kind.

Most people in that situation wouldn’t have lasted long, but Kimura got the break he needed when trainer Reade Baker took an interest in him.

“All that fall, you’d just see him sitting in the grandstand by himself,” Baker said. “Finally, one day he came over to me. He came over to me and introduced himself. Nobody understood anything after that as he didn’t speak hardly any English. He showed me a video of himself galloping horses in Japan and I knew right then he was further advanced at the same stage than Daisuke was. I told him as soon as he got his papers in order we’d get him some work. He came back and he worked for me for the first four months this year.”

Kimura returned to Japan at the end of the 2017 Woodbine meet and returned in March. He had gained clearance to work in Canada, but still needed to pass several tests before he could get a jockeys’s license. One included a 60-question exam that was in English. To prepare, he and a Japanese exercise rider left the track every morning after training hours and went to the library of a local college and read books in English. He learned enough to not only pass the exam, but to be able to communicate with trainers, and his language skills seem to be improving by the day.

Still, he struggled to get mounts at first.

“It was very difficult to get good mounts at first,” Kimura said. “Nobody knew me. And I needed more practice.”

What many Woodbine trainers probably didn’t know was that he had already developed skills well beyond those of the normal



Kimura picking up his first win aboard Tornado Cat | Michael Burns

apprentice. His parents own a training center in Hokkaido, Japan and he says he has been riding since he was six and preparing to be a jockey since he was 10. He is also a graduate of the JRA’s riding academy.

“He’s much better than what you see in the modern day bug boys,” Baker said. “They don’t compare to what they looked like 30 years ago when they came up differently. He has a great future. He still has to go through that post-apprentice slump they all go through and we’ll see how he responds to that. Now, he’s a little too enthusiastic on the horses and is bumping into some people, but he’s a good learner in the morning. Daisuke had trouble getting started because of the language barrier and this kid spoke much better English right off the bat.”

Heading into Friday’s card, Kimura was sixth in the jockey standings with 55 wins from 377 mounts and a 15% win rate. He’s also won 15 races at Fort Erie.

Kimura turned many a head Oct. 12 when he had five wins in a single day. Surely, the best is yet to come. He has momentum, has picked up mounts for Casse

and is now riding regularly for the meet’s leading trainer Norm McKnight.

He also will have the benefit of having his apprentice allowance for some time to come. Because there is no winter racing in Ontario, the off time does not count against a bug’s allowance as long as they do not ride somewhere else. Kimura said he will again return to Japan when Woodbine closes Dec. 16. He will not lose his five-pound weight allowance until mid-October 2019, which makes him the early favorite to be named Eclipse Award apprentice next year.

Kimura says he’s here to stay, that he has no designs on riding in Japan. His long-term goal is to become a top rider in the U.S. He mentions wanting to win races at places like Del Mar, Saratoga and Keeneland. He wants to test himself.

“That’s why I came here,” he said. “I wanted to see how good I was.”

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Oscar Performance breezing with Silver Ride Thursday | Coady

- MGISW **Oscar Performance** (Kitten's Joy) put in his final serious work for the GI Breeders' Cup Mile Thursday at Keeneland with regular jockey Jose Ortiz in the irons. Starting a length behind stablemate **Silver Ride** (Candy Ride {Arg}), the **'TDN Rising Star'** breezed five panels in 1:01.40 (4/17), covering his final quarter in :24 flat and galloping out six furlongs in 1:14 (video). "It was the work we needed going into the race," conditioner Brian Lynch said of his 2016 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf winner. "The gallop out and the whole work was a good work. He might have a little blowout at Churchill but nothing serious. This is what he needed, and Jose was thrilled with the work."

- GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies contender **Restless Rider** (Distorted Humor) breezed in company with **Princesa Carolina** (Tapit) at Keeneland Thursday. Grade I-winning **'TDN Rising Star'** Restless Rider finished a length in front, clocking a half-mile in :48.40 (10/56), while her stablemate was clocked in :48.60 (15/56) (video). The pair were timed in splits of :11.80, :23.60 and :36 and galloped out in 1:00.80. "We just wanted to let [Restless Rider] stretch her legs again," trainer Ken McPeek said. "She was coming back six days off her last breeze." Princesa Carolina was pre-entered in the Juvenile Fillies Turf, but was not selected into the field. McPeek said she might run in Sunday's Rags to Riches S. at Churchill Downs.

- GII Jessamine S. winner **Concrete Rose** (Twirling Candy) turned in what trainer Rusty Arnold deemed a "perfect" work in her final preparations for the Juvenile Fillies Turf Thursday morning at Keeneland. Working in company with stablemate Macabre (Hard Spun) to her inside, the dark bay breezed a half-mile in :49 flat (22/56) with splits of :12.40, :24.40 and :36.60.

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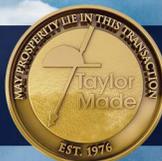
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● Juvenile Turf contender **War of Will** (War Front) and Juvenile Turf Sprint hopeful **Strike Silver** (Violence) breezed together Thursday, going a half-mile in :48.20 (7/56) at Keeneland ([video](#)). The Mark Casse pupils were clocked in fractions of :12.40, :24, :35.80 and :48.20 and galloped out in 1:00.80. "Very happy with them," David Carroll, Casse's Keeneland assistant, said. "Great surface here and a nice, quiet track. Hopefully it'll be a winning breeze."



Bravazo | Coady

● GSW and GI Preakness S. runner-up **Bravazo** (Awesome Again) hit the track at Churchill Downs bright and early Thursday in true D. Wayne Lukas fashion, working a best-of-20 five-panel bullet in :59.80. Breezing in company with **Spire** (Ghostzapper) (1:02), the Calumet Farm runner registered splits of :11.60, :23, :35 and :47 with a six-furlong gallop out in 1:15.60. "This horse has done nothing but improve following the [GI Kentucky] Derby," Lukas said. "The last race wasn't too much, but this colt has danced in every dance and shows up each time. There's not much more you can ask of him, but I wish we could've gotten a little luckier in a couple of his starts." The Hall of Famer pre-entered Bravazo as first preference for the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile and second preference for the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. The sophomore is one spot out of the Classic starting gate at No. 15.

● GI Breeders' Cup F/M Sprint runner **Finley'sluckycharm** (Twirling Candy) covered a half-mile in :47.80 (2/37) beneath the Twin Spires Thursday morning. With jockey Brian Hernandez, Jr., in the irons, the GI Madison S. victress clicked off fractions of :12, :24, 36 and :47.80 before galloping out five panels in 1:00.40. "That was her last work before the Breeders' Cup," said trainer Bret Calhoun. "I am happy to get that behind us." He continued, "I feel better coming into this year's Breeders' Cup [after finishing ninth last year]. She had a long campaign last year and had lost some weight. This year we have spaced her races out more and she has actually gained weight."

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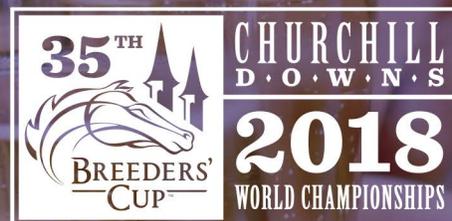
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Wonder Gadot | Coady

● GI Breeders' Cup Distaff contender **Wonder Gadot** (Medaglia d'Oro) and Dirt Mile runner **Awesome Slew** (Awesome Again) put in their final half-mile works at Churchill Thursday. **'TDN Rising Star'** and Queen's Plate victress Wonder Gadot covered the distance in a bullet :47 flat, the best of 37 breezers at the distance, going in fractions of :11.60 and :22.80 with a five-panel gallop-out in 1:01. Awesome Slew worked outside of stablemate **Determinant** (Tapit) (:48.40), completing the work in :48 flat (3/37) with splits of :12.20 and :24 and a five-furlong gallop-out in 1:01. "Both horses worked great this morning," said trainer Mark Casse as he personally walked GI Kentucky Oaks runner-up Wonder Gadot around his Barn 36 shedrow. "We're ready to go." He added, "It's interesting with Wonder Gadot's pedigree how well she takes to this track. I think she absolutely loves this surface."

● Tom Amoss sent out his Breeders' Cup hopefuls **Lone Sailor** (Majestic Warrior) (Classic {1st}/Dirt Mile) and **Serengeti Empress** (Alternation) (Juvenile Fillies) for their final works in Louisville Thursday with both horses going a half-mile in :48.20



Serengeti Empress | Coady

(8/37) under exercise rider Gilbert Concha. GIII Oklahoma Derby victor Lone Sailor was up first, clocking splits of :12.20 and :24.20 with a six-furlong gallop out in 1:14.60. "He had been running all year and today's work nine days out from the race was by design for maintenance mentally and physically," Amoss said. "He had done a lot of work previously." Runaway GII Pocahontas S. winner Serengeti Empress registered splits of :12.60, :24.20 and :36.40, galloping out six furlongs in 1:14.20. "Her work was similar to his, just an easy half," Amoss said. "Her preparation has been different from his. She worked in company last week and has done a lot more than Lone Sailor has. The takeaway from this morning was she rated kindly like she did last week in company. I know it is not a full field, but I think post position will be important. With Bellafina (Quality Road), Jaywalk (Cross Traffic), Restless Rider and us; something has to give and I want to know that she can rate."



Bellafina | Horsephotos

● Likely Juvenile Fillies favorite **Bellafina** (Quality Road) breezed four furlongs in :47.40 (2/21) at Santa Anita Thursday morning (video). "It was really good," trainer Simon Callaghan said of his dual Grade I winner. "She galloped out in a minute and change and she looked like she wanted to keep going, so it was just what we were looking for. She will leave [for Kentucky] early [Friday] morning and we'll just gallop her into the race. She'll paddock school and go to the gate one of the days. She's fit; she's ready."

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Union Strike | Benoit

Grade I winner **Union Strike** (Union Rags), who captured the GII Gallant Bloom S. at Belmont last month, has been supplemented to Book 1 of Keeneland's November Breeding Stock Sale as Hip 245E. Taylor Made Sales Agency will consign the 4-year-old filly as a racing or broodmare prospect.

"We are thrilled to supplement Union Strike to our Keeneland November consignment," said Mark Taylor, Vice President of Public Sales and Marketing for Taylor Made Sales Agency. "Being a Grade I winner by top young sire [in] Union Rags makes her a very special offering. We sold her at Keeneland as a weanling, so I know her conformation matches her resume on the track."

Union Strike captured the GI Del Mar Debutante S. as a juvenile for owner/trainer Mick Ruis and has tallied \$537,625 in earnings from 11 starts. She is currently being trained by Hall of Famer Steve Asmussen.

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THREE NEW SUPPLEMENTS ADDED TO FTKNOV

Fasig-Tipton has added three more supplements to the upcoming November Sale to be held Sunday, Nov. 4.

Catalogued as **Hip 248, Win the War** (War Front), a \$700,000 FTSAUG buy, has won three of her six starts thus far--with two of those wins coming in listed stakes at Woodbine--and earned over \$150,000 for Gary Barber, John Oxley and trainer Mark Casse. The 3-year-old is a half-sister to GSW Dixie City (Dixie Union) and the SP dam of MGSW & GISP Unified (Candy Ride {Arg}). She is being offered by Bluewater Sales as a racing/broodmare prospect. **Cont. p14**



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The 4-year-old filly **Spanish Harlem** (More Than Ready) joins the South Point Sales Agency consignment as a racing/broodmare prospect. **Hip 249** has four wins from 16 starts, including a stakes win on dirt and is stakes-placed on the turf. The \$370,000 KEESep yearling is out of a half-sister to GI Wood Memorial S. victor Buddha (Unbridled's Song).

The final addition is **Foreign Affair** (Exchange Rate), who is a half-sister to Group 3 winner and MG1SP So Perfect (Scat Daddy). Her dam is a half-sister to MGSW sire Cowtown Cat (Distorted Humor). The 4-year-old is being offered as **Hip 250** as a broodmare prospect from Vinery Sales.

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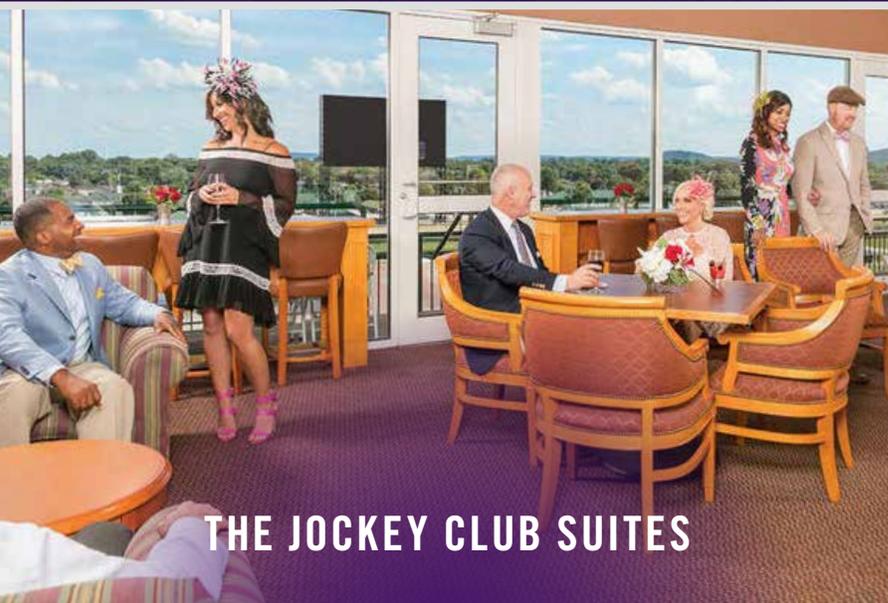
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HOPPERTUNITY RETIRED TO NORTHVIEW PA

Two-time Grade I winner, multi-millionaire and fan favorite **Hoppertunity** (Any Given Saturday--Refugee, by Unaccounted For) has retired and will take up stud duties at Northview Stallion Station in Pennsylvania. His 2019 fee is \$5,000 LFSN with shares and lifetime breeding rights available. With career earnings of \$4,712,625, the 7-year-old becomes the richest horse to ever stand his first season in the Mid-Atlantic region.

"Speed, class, stamina, and soundness will make you a multimillionaire in this business," trainer Bob Baffert said of his longtime pupil. "Hoppertunity has them all. He could dominate the breeding industry in that region."

Purchased by trained Bob Baffert for \$300,000 at KEESOP, Hoppertunity won at least one graded event in each of his five

seasons on the racetrack, during which he captured nine of his 34 starts with eight seconds and five thirds. Scoring his first graded victory in the 2014 GII Rebel S., he finished second to subsequent dual Classic winner California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit)

in that term's GI Santa Anita Derby and closed out his sophomore campaign with his first top-level success in the GI Clark H. Capturing the 2015 GII San Pasqual S., the Watson, Weitman and Pegram runner completed the exacta in that year's GI Awesome Again S. and the Clark.

Winner of the 2016 GII San Antonio S., Hoppertunity checked in third behind California Chrome in the G1 Dubai World Cup and returned to his best form later that season with a win in Belmont's GI Jockey Club Gold

Cup S. He started off 2017 with by successfully defending his San Antonio title and was third in that year's Clark. **Cont. p16**



Hoppertunity winning the 2016 GI Jockey Club Gold Cup with John Velazquez aboard | Sarah K. Andrew

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Hoppertunity Retired to Northview PA cont.

Kicking off 2018 on a winning note in the GII Tokyo City Cup S., the bay was one of three winners for Baffert on GI Belmont S. day June 9 with a 2 1/4-length score in the GII Brooklyn H. prior to Justify (Scat Daddy)'s Triple Crown victory. Hoppertunity was last seen finishing second in the GIII Cougar H. July 25.

"I could go on and on about his racing statistics, but everyone can look them up," said Northview's general manager David Wade. "What most haven't seen yet is this horse. I went to Santa Anita to inspect him for purchase and I thought they had brought me the wrong one. How could a horse that's run 34 times, 31 of them stakes races, have legs this clean and joints this tight? As a group, our breeders are very savvy and inspect our stallions diligently, so conformation is high up on our list when shopping for new stallions. This one certainly won't disappoint anyone."

Out of GSP Refugee, Hoppertunity is a half-brother to MGIW Executiveprivilege (First Samurai), who earned just shy of \$1 million. This is also the extended family of champion Davona Dale.

"He's the first multi-million-dollar earning pet I've had in the barn," Baffert said. "He kept some good company, hanging out with two Triple Crown winners."

The Hall of Famer continued, "We're going to miss him. He was the barn favorite. Everyone loves Hopper."

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RACEDAY CLENBUTEROL BAN IN CALIFORNIA TO BEGIN NOV. 15

by T.D. Thornton

Thoroughbreds racing in California will no longer be allowed to race with any detectable level of the bronchodilator medication clenbuterol in their systems, effective Nov. 15.

The change is a result of evidence the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) has collected via out-of-competition testing (OOC), and the measure was passed unanimously Thursday by the CHRB in a 4-0 vote.

The CHRB's data analysis of OOC testing results recently revealed patterns of the drug being used not for valid therapeutic administration, but as part of conditioning regimens in which trainers appear to be asking for barn-wide clenbuterol prescriptions in an effort to reap a known side effect of the drug that gives an anabolic steroid-like edge.

Clenbuterol is banned in human sports by the World Anti-Doping Association for that very reason, plus the drug's ability to burn fat and reduce weight quickly. In recent years, professional baseball players, boxers, cyclists, and Olympic athletes in various sports have all been penalized for using it.

Clenbuterol does have legitimate veterinary use in horses (and humans) with respiratory problems, and it will still be permitted

by the CHRB for that purpose. But the drug must clear a horse's system prior to racing in order not to trigger a penalty.

The clenbuterol limit that was on the books for Thoroughbreds in California had been 140 picograms per milliliter in post-race testing. As of Nov. 15, the limit will drop to zero (no permissible level).

"What's happened over the last ... six to eight months, we're seeing more and more clenbuterol use, and it's not [randomly distributed]," CHRB equine medical director Rick Arthur, DVM, testified at Thursday's monthly CHRB meeting. "Some trainers use it more than others, and that's been confirmed by monitoring the reports of prescriptions ... [We're seeing veterinarians] prescribe the drug to a large number of horses in one barn and have no prescriptions in the others. So it seems to be more of a trainer-driven prescription than a veterinary-driven prescription."

Arthur said the new clenbuterol regulation deviates from Association of Racing Commissioners International Model Rules "because it is more restrictive than the National Uniform Medication Policy."

Arthur added that "from discussions with colleagues in similar regulatory positions as mine around the country, we are not the only jurisdiction to deal with this issue. We just have better data because of our extensive OOC testing program." **Cont. p18**

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Clenbuterol Ban in California cont.

In order to safeguard horses, the CHRB has the power to make “emergency” changes to permissible medications and substances, but those changes can be in effect for only 12 months from the date of passage. That was how Thursday’s modification was passed.

But in a separate agenda item, the CHRB also advanced to the 45-day public comment period a rule change that, if eventually voted in, will make the clenbuterol-on-raceday ban permanent.

Greg Avioli, the president and chief executive officer of the Thoroughbred Owners of California, told commissioners that while he wasn’t going to object to the passage of the new rule because he felt it was a “fait accompli,” he did take umbrage with the proposal coming up “at the last minute” without stakeholders getting a chance to vet it properly.

In contrast, Alan Balch, the executive director of the California Thoroughbred Trainers, said his organization held a statewide teleconference meeting about the issue and that “our constituents, we think, are very well informed and supportive of this.”

Commissioner Madeline Auerbach also thought stakeholders had worked in concert despite relatively short notice, saying that she found it “amazing” that the racing community acted cooperatively to bring the clenbuterol ban on raceday to quick

fruition.

“This was the first time that I can remember that I didn’t have to push anybody to have a meeting, that I didn’t have to ask them to get together to talk about it,” Auerbach said. “The community did it themselves ... Nobody wants anybody to have either a perceived or a real advantage because of the potential anabolic steroid effect of clenbuterol.”

Arthur said that in an effort to allay fears of positive post-race tests if horses have been recently administered clenbuterol but plan to race as soon as Nov. 15, the CHRB will arrange for free pre-race screenings for the drug.

“The bulk of horses will test clear if they’re taken off clenbuterol today,” Arthur said.

Added Auerbach: “I’m concerned about making sure the community knows that we’re not being draconian; that they will have the opportunity, if they think there might be a problem, to have their horses tested at no cost.”

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ON AFTERCARE: WHO IS DONNER

By Diana Pikulski

Who is Donner, also known as ‘the deer’? He ran as Smart Gorky, a 2003 NY-bred by Gorky Park out of Smart Jane (Smarten). He raced six times, never hit the board and earned only \$2,870. He retired at age three and by his fifth birthday, he was in the capable hands of event rider Lynn Symansky.

Donner is aptly nicknamed ‘the deer’ because of his flighty personality in addition to his leggy athletic frame.

“He is not the bravest horse,” said Symansky who has owned, trained and competed him for the past 10 years.



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They finished fifth at Kentucky’s Four Star Event (formerly Rolex, now known as Land Rover) ([video](#)). The pair have represented the United States twice at both the World Equestrian Games, and at Burghley in England where this [video](#) was taken in 2017.

How did Donner, a failed racehorse, rise to the top of a sport that is clearly not for sissies? Symansky found the champion in Donner by taking her time and watching the signals he gave about his readiness to advance.

With patience and a willingness to listen to Donner and let him dictate the pace of their rise, Symansky coaxed a brilliant diamond of a competitor from the rough.

“In some ways he isn’t the most likely candidate,” said Symansky. “He is not naturally brave and he is a little bit spooky. But, he always showed up 100% willing and ready to work, and he clearly liked the job. So, I listened to him and advanced him at his pace.”

She added, “Mostly, Donner has huge heart and that has been the underlying reason for our success.”

By building strong basic skills and a relationship through ground work as well as riding, she brought him from the back of the pack in racing to the top of the heap in international eventing competition. In 2018, at 15, he is in top form and having his best year.



LynnSymansky & Donner | Taylor Pence/US Equestrian

After the dressage portion of the competition at WEG 2018, they were in 17th place out of 83 horses with a personal best dressage score. His clean and fast cross country run put him in ninth place and the highest American horse in the competition. Overall, they placed 25th in the event because they knocked down three rails in stadium jumping, the third leg of the event, which was delayed a day because of Hurricane Florence.

“I knew that the unscheduled day of rest wasn’t good for us, said Symansky. “But, he tried his best under the circumstances.”

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Donner isn't Symansky's first off-track Thoroughbred to reach the advanced level of three-day competition. Her first was No It Tissant, a WV-bred by Admiral's Flag.

On choosing a Thoroughbred, Symansky looks for certain physical attributes like an uphill build and long legs. She said the prospects don't have to have a beautiful trot to begin with because that is something she can build on.

"The horse has to show natural ability to jump," added Symansky. "In transitioning a Thoroughbred, I build a partnership, do ground work and really focus on fitness and building a top line. And, I always let the horse tell me where he belongs."

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CALEB'S POSSE RELOCATED TO OKLAHOMA

Caleb's Posse (Posse--Abbey's Missy, by Slewacide), the multiple Grade I winner who has stood at Three Chimneys Farm since entering stud in 2013, will record to River Oaks Farm in Sulfur, OK, the farm announced Thursday.

"I'm excited about getting Caleb's Posse to Oklahoma where his first three dams were raised and where his damsire, Slewacide, a perennial leading sire in Oklahoma, stood for many years," said co-owner Everett Dobson, who will retain an interest in the stallion and continue to support him in Oklahoma. "We think he is excellent for the state-bred program and a great opportunity for breeders in Oklahoma to take advantage of a two-time Eclipse Award nominee and one of the most impressive racehorses of his generation."

Trained by Donnie Von Hemel, Caleb's Posse won eight of 19 starts during his racing career, including victories in the 2011 GI King's Bishop S. and that year's GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile, and retired with earnings of \$1,423,379.

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KENTUCKY DOWNS HISTORICAL HORSE RACING UPHeld IN COURT

Franklin Circuit Court Judge Thomas Wingate has upheld the legality of Kentucky Downs' historical horse racing operation, determining that the track's electronic gaming terminals based on the results of previously-run horse races is pari-mutuel in nature and permitted under Kentucky law.

The ruling handed down Wednesday came more than nine months after Judge Wingate oversaw a trial stemming from a lawsuit testing the validity of the Kentucky regulations allowing for historical horse racing and the legality of the systems used for wagering. The Family Foundation of Kentucky claimed that the regulations were invalid and that the system used at Kentucky Downs, the Exacta System, was illegal.

"Obviously we are very pleased with the Court's well-reasoned and detailed ruling," said Kentucky Downs president Corey Johnsen. "Judge Wingate carefully considered the facts and found that Exacta Systems and our historical horse racing is pari-mutuel and complies with Kentucky law."

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The Official Justify Triple Crown Print, featuring Justify winning the 150th GI Belmont S. is now available for purchase at justifytriplecrownart.com. The print, officially licensed by WinStar Farm and Triple Crown Productions and created by international sporting artist Graeme Baxter, features special editions signed by Hall of Fame jockey Mike Smith and two-time Triple Crown-winning trainer Bob Baffert.

The Collection will be displayed during Breeders' Cup week in Louisville at EquestriCon, Booth 500 Oct. 29 and 30, as well as at a special Breeders' Cup Festival Pop-Up Gallery at the downtown Marriott from Oct. 31 through Nov. 3.

The Justify Triple Signed Special Edition (\$295) is individually signed in bronze metallic ink by Baffert, Smith and artist Graeme Baxter. This Triple Signed Special Edition is strictly limited to an edition of 150 fine art prints and measures 18" x 24." Orders for this special limited edition will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

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OAKLAWN NAMES NEW WINNER'S CIRCLE FOR SYNDER

Oaklawn has named its new winner's circle in honor of longtime jockey/steward Larry Synder, who won eight riding titles and 1,248 races in Hot Springs.

"When it came time to think about a name for the new winner's circle, it was a natural choice to name it in honor of Larry Snyder, a valued member of the Oaklawn family for nearly 60 years," Oaklawn President Louis Cella said. "Larry was a leader among his peers both on and off the track. And, the respect he earned as a jockey carried over to the steward's stand where he was respected by horsemen and track management alike."

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NJTHA PLEDGES SUPPORT TO TAA

The New Jersey Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association has pledged \$5,000 to the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance in support of accredited Thoroughbred aftercare.

"We are thrilled to support the TAA. I strongly believe in their mission and accredited Thoroughbred aftercare," New Jersey THA executive director Mike Musto said.

"The TAA is grateful for the contribution from the New Jersey THA, and we are proud to add them to our growing list of horsemen's groups supporting accredited aftercare," TAA president John Phillips said. "These funds will help the TAA provide grants to our 64 accredited organizations that retrain, rehome, and retire thousands of Thoroughbreds."

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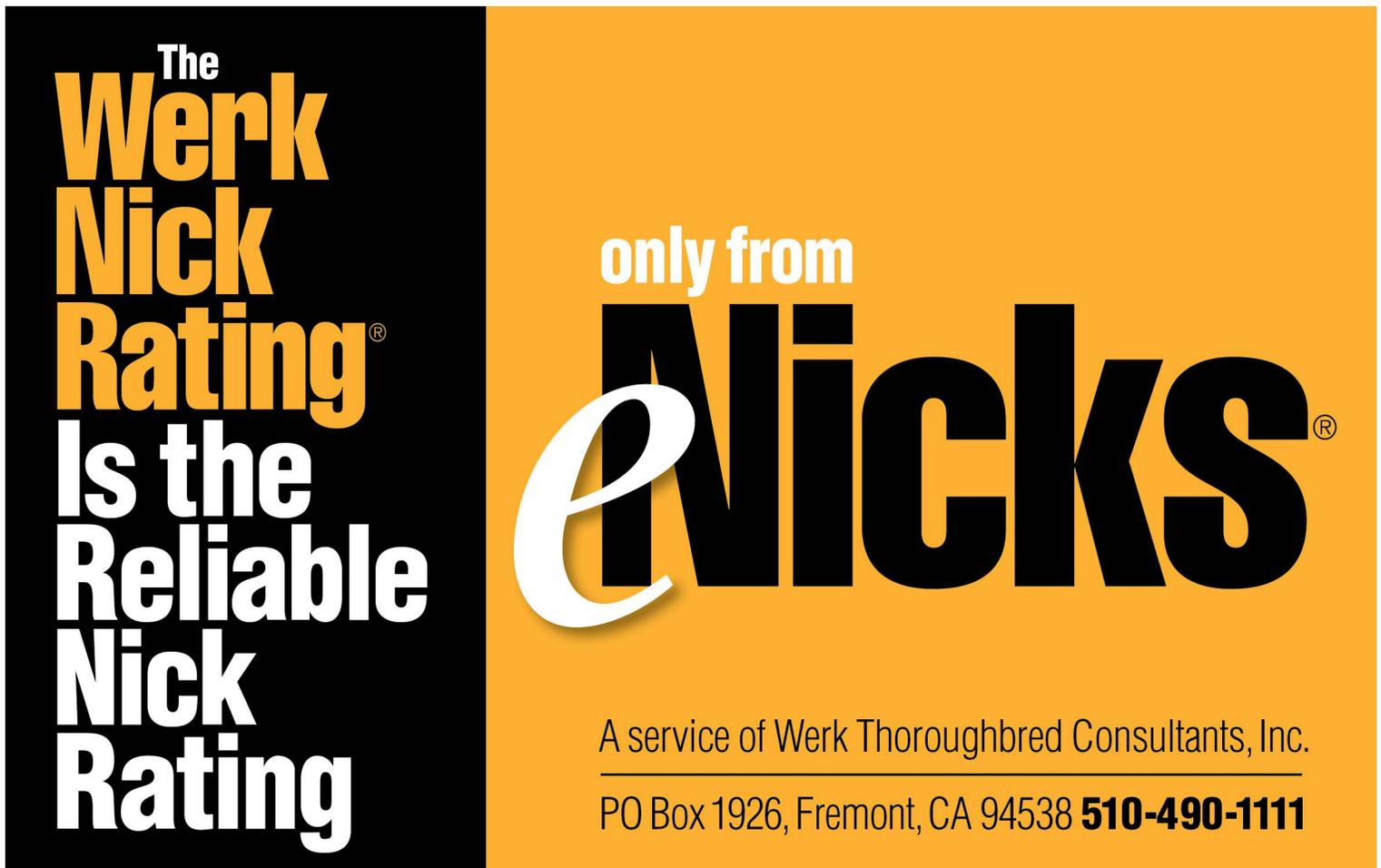
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Lexington is the Horse Capital of the World--a brand that has been earned over centuries of unparalleled equine husbandry and racing, but now faces real economic and infrastructural challenges moving into the future.

Those who want to lure our signature industry to other states, are doing so with aggressive breeding and racing incentives, among other economic strategies. In addition, the very factory floor of our thoroughbred industry--our Bluegrass farmland--is under imminent threat from sprawl development and urbanization.

Without the phosphorous-rich, limestone soils that surround the city of Lexington, our working horse farms will be unable to naturally produce the world's best livestock--compromising our supply of Kentucky-breds, and the many businesses that support them, from our renowned veterinary clinics and nutritionists, to our sales agencies, bloodstock agents, financial institutions, and tourism sectors. In all, an annual \$2.3 billion industry--affecting one in 10 jobs in our community--is at stake in Lexington.

Linda Gorton is running for Mayor, and if elected Nov. 6, she will promote our signature agricultural industry and landscape. From passing land-use laws that protect our daily farming operations and conserve our prime Bluegrass soils, to creating jobs for a 21st century economy, Linda will go beyond giving

platitudes for our signature industry, and produce real results on its behalf.

She publicly supports conserving 50,000 acres of Fayette County farmland under the Purchase of Development Rights Program; spearheading a comprehensive economic development strategy with equine and ag leaders to strengthen our interests; and using the roughly 17,000 acres inside our city limits to sustainably accommodate our community's future growth needs.

This will be a complex undertaking, but one Linda can champion. Not only does she come from a farming background, but for over a decade on the Urban County Council, she led many diverse interests to address some of Lexington's most difficult issues--from establishing the PDR program, holding the line on expanding the Urban Services Boundary in 2006 and 2013, working on an agreement with the EPA to fix our broken sewer system, and supporting Town Branch Park, Horse Country, and other seminal quality of life programs.

Lexington is at a key point in its history. We must be steadfast in our commitment to creating a vibrant and dynamic city, surrounded by a beautiful and economically productive rural landscape. The Thoroughbred industry is the cornerstone of this vision, and one Linda will tirelessly pursue as Mayor.

As a Thoroughbred breeder and owner, she has my vote.
--Ann Bakhaus

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Saturday, Keeneland, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT

HAGYARD FAYETTE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Prime Attraction 🍀	Unbridled's Song	D P Racing LLC	Cassidy	Desormeaux	121
2	Nice Not Nice	Twirling Candy	Keene Ridge Racing, LLC	Bradley	Saez	121
3	Hence	Street Boss	Calumet Farm	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	123
4	Scuba 🍀	Tapit	DARRS, Inc.	Walsh	Gaffalione	121
5	Leofric 🍀	Candy Ride (Arg)	Steve Landers Racing LLC	Cox	Geroux	121
6	Hofburg	Tapit	Juddmonte Farms, Inc.	Mott	Ortiz	118
7	Rated R Superstar	Kodiak Kowboy	Radar Racing LLC	McPeck	Hernandez, Jr.	121

Breeders: 1-Payson Stud, Inc., 2-Sierra Nevada Racing, LLC, 3-Calumet Farm, 4-Palides Investments N.V., Inc., 5-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 6-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 7-Thorndale Stable LLC

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 5:08 p.m. EDT

BOLD RULER H.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	No Dozing	Union Rags	Lael Stables	Delacour	Rosario	119
2	Bon Raison	Raison d'Etat	Empire State Thoroughbreds	Contessa	Franco	112
3	True Timber 🍀	Mineshaft	Calumet Farm	McLaughlin	Bravo	117
4	Coal Front	Stay Thirsty	LaPenta, Robert V. & Head of Plains Partners LLC	Pletcher	Velazquez	122
5	Petrov 🍀	Flatter	Rialto Racing Stables, LLC, Moquett, Ron and Head of Plains Partners LLC	Moquett	Saez	117
6	Delta Prince	Street Cry (Ire)	Stronach Stables	Jerkens	Ortiz, Jr.	118

Breeders: 1-Mr. & Mrs. M. Roy Jackson, 2-Calumet Farm, 3-Mr. & Mrs. Marc C. Ferrell, 4-Michael Edward Connelly, 5-Sun Valley Farm, 6-Adena Springs

Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 7:30 p.m. EDT

AUTUMN MISS S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Pulpit Rider	Lucky Pulpit	Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Larry D.	Puype	Conner	122
2	So Hi Society (Ire)	Society Rock (Ire)	Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC	Mullins	Pereira	120
3	Streetwithnname 🍀	Street Sense	Brown, Darrell, Brown, Lendy, Harty, Kathleen E. and Pulliam, Royce	Harty	Talamo	122
4	Ms Bad Behavior 🍀	Blame	Sayjay Racing LLC, Hall, Greg and Hubbard, Brooke	Baltas	Bejarano	122
5	Toinette 🍀	Scat Daddy	Baca, Ken, Hawkins, Lisa, Hawkins, Nicholas, Hudson, Joseph and Hudson, Lynne	Drysdale	Prat	124
6	Tesora 🍀	Scat Daddy	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and TNIP Racing	Thomas	Van Dyke	122
7	K P Pergoliscious (Ire) 🍀	Declaration of War	Karl Pergola	Mullins	Baze	120
8	West Palm Beach (Ire)	Scat Daddy	Michael B. Tabor	Callaghan	Blanc	120
9	Streak of Luck	Old Fashioned	Roncelli Family Trust	Chew	Smith	120
10	Movie Moment	Paynter	George Krikorian	Shirreffs	Franco	120
11	Rayya	Tiz Wonderful	Sh Rashid bin Humaid Al Nuaimi	Baffert	Roman	120
12	Spring Lily 🍀	Union Rags	Wygod, Pam and Martin	Shirreffs	Gutierrez	120
13	Flammetta	Wildcat Heir	Highland Yard LLC and McCauley, Ron	Baltas	Stevens	120
14	Hey Negrita	Langfuhr	Allied Racing Stable, LLC	Baltas	Cruz	120

Breeders: 1-Mr. & Mrs. Larry D. Williams, 2-Robert Ryan, Brendan Quinn & Joan Quinn, 3-Godolphin, 4-Ron Clarkson, 5-J D Stuart, P C Bance & A REnterprises, Inc., 6-Siena Farms LLC, 7-Tower Bloodstock, 8-Lynch - Bages & Longfield Stud, 9-Roncelli Family Trust, 10-George Krikorian, 11-Mineola Farm II LLC, James W. Hirschmann & Silent Grove Farms, LLC, 12-Emily Wygod, 13-McCauley Farms, LLC, 14-T Enterprises, LLC

Sunday, Woodbine, post time: 4:57 p.m. EDT

ONTARIO FASHION S.-GIII, C\$125,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Moonlit Promise	Malibu Moon	Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc. and Windsor Boys Racing	Carroll	Da Silva	119
2	Jessica Krupnick 🌿	Uncle Mo	Breeze Easy, LLC	McKnight	Hernandez	117
3	Code Warrior 🌿	Society's Chairman	Zilli Racing Stables	De Paulo	Campbell	121
4	Blurrricane	Rebellion (GB)	Lee, Ken, Mitchell, Dennis, Bell, Donald K. and Bell, Gaye	Ensom	Kimura	117
5	Just Be Kind 🌿	Sky Mesa	Jus Luk Stable, Ten Lee Mah Stable and Reade Baker Racing Stable, Inc.	Baker	Carignan	117
6	My Miss Tapit 🌿	Tapit	Breeze Easy, LLC	McKnight	Husbands	117
7	Sugar Jones	Old Forester	Theodore F. Burnett	Mattine	Garcia	117
8	Silent Sonet	Silent Name (Jpn)	Ivan Dalos	Gonzalez	Moran	119
9	Victory to Victory	Exchange Rate	Live Oak Plantation	Casse	Lermyte	117
10	Ami's Mesa	Sky Mesa	Ivan Dalos	Carroll	Contreras	117
11	Marquee Miss	Cowboy Cal	Rags Racing Stable LLC	Mason	Bridgmohan	117
12	Veil	Hat Trick (Jpn)	Andrew Rosen	Day Phillips	Boulanger	117

Breeders: 1-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc, 2-Sanford R. Robertson, 3-Pamela Edel, 4-Bernard & Karen McCormack, 5-John C. Oxley, 6-Gainesway Thoroughbreds, Ltd., 7-Hope Stock Farm, 8-Tall Oaks Farm, 9-Live Oak Stud, 10-Tall Oaks Farm, 11-David Jacobs, 12-AR Enterprises, LLC



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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Scat Daddy (2004) by Johannesburg Crops: 8	15	26	9	15	1	3	251	90	\$510,765	\$6,395,169
										Mr Melody	
2	Kitten's Joy (2001) by El Prado (Ire) Crops: 10	14	27	8	15	3	6	299	105	\$3,929,935	\$15,058,129
										Hawkbill	
3	War Front (2002) by Danzig Crops: 9	18	28	8	19	4	9	164	60	\$952,096	\$6,615,531
										Homesman	
4	More Than Ready (1997) by Southern Halo Crops: 15	8	16	6	10	3	5	194	61	\$822,148	\$6,079,448
										Eagle Way (AUS)	
5	Giant's Causeway (1997) by Storm Cat Crops: 15	8	12	6	8	1	1	164	44	\$675,974	\$4,112,670
										Chief Whip	
6	English Channel (2002) by Smart Strike Crops: 8	11	20	4	14	4	5	165	68	\$644,880	\$5,472,968
										Channel Maker	
7	Declaration of War (2009) by War Front Crops: 2	6	10	4	5	1	1	119	44	\$429,150	\$1,847,776
										Olmedo (FR)	
8	Medaglia d'Oro (1999) by El Prado (Ire) Crops: 11	7	18	3	8	--	2	137	38	\$333,046	\$3,627,806
										Medal Kun (AUS)	
9	Blame (2006) by Arch Crops: 5	7	12	3	7	--	--	102	31	\$369,070	\$2,878,594
										Maraud	
10	Quality Road (2006) by Elusive Quality Crops: 5	5	9	3	4	1	2	102	36	\$684,785	\$2,678,498
										Spring Quality	
11	Stormy Atlantic (1994) by Storm Cat Crops: 17	3	7	3	6	--	4	94	27	\$385,360	\$2,473,048
										Stormy Liberal	
12	Exchange Rate (1997) by Danzig Crops: 14	3	5	2	3	--	2	120	33	\$526,759	\$2,507,558
										Thundering Blue	
13	Street Cry (Ire) (1998) by Machiavellian Crops: 12	4	10	2	7	--	1	117	34	\$275,288	\$2,414,645
										Leshlaa	
14	Speightstown (1998) by Gone West Crops: 11	6	12	2	4	--	2	129	29	\$489,563	\$2,351,947
										Mozu Superflare	
15	Arch (1995) by Kris S. Crops: 17	5	10	2	8	--	1	104	22	\$627,395	\$2,327,062
										Arklow	

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Boldor (Munnings) played second fiddle pari-mutually to fellow first-starter **Super Steed** (Super Saver), but the \$700,000 OBS April graduate managed to hold off his better-backed rival to post a very impressive debut success and become a 'TDN Rising Star'.

Drawn gate two, the burly bay colt--the 4.40-1 third choice--jumped well and made the running while pressed to his outside into the turn as the quarter was up in :22.69. In the meantime, Super Steed, off at 2.10-1 from a morning line of 9-2, took off at the half-mile marker and sustained a run on the bend to be within striking distance at the quarter pole. Boldor was still going well, but had left the rail open enough to allow Gabriel Saez to take a chance with Super Steed and the battle was joined. The latter raced on his incorrect lead from the three-sixteenths to the eighth pole while shoulder to shoulder with his foe, but Boldor did slightly the better of the two late and was home narrowly in front. Each covered their final two furlongs in a very strong :24.01.

A \$100,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling purchase, Boldor breezed an eighth of a mile in :10 flat with a giant gallop-out at OBS and his hammer price was tied for sixth-highest of the sale while ranking as the priciest of 23 juveniles sold for his sire in 2018. The winner hails from the family of GI Belmont S. and GI Travers S. hero Summer Bird (Birdstone). His third dam Ruby Slippers (Nijinsky II) produced champion sprinter Rubiano (Fappiano) and Tap Your Heels (Unbridled), the dam of leading sire Tapit. Boldor is kin to a yearling colt by Tonalist and Senate Caucus was covered by Maclean's Music in 2018.

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6th-Keeneland, \$58,317, Msw, 10-25, 2yo, 6f, 1:10.87, ft.

BOLDOR, c, 2, by **Munnings**

1st Dam: **Senate Caucus**, by **Siphon (Brz)**

2nd Dam: **Hong Kong Jade**, by **Alysheba**

3rd Dam: **Ruby Slippers**, by **Nijinsky II**

Sales history: \$100,000 Ylg '17 FTSAUG; \$700,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$32,220. O-Ed & Susie Orr; B-Carlos S E Moore & Gillian Gordon-Moore (VA); T-Steven M Asmussen. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. Click for the Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Santa Anita, \$52,608, Alw (NW1\$X), Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 10-25, 3yo, 1mT, 1:35.62, fm.

FIGHT ON (c, 3, **Into Mischief**--Havenlass, by **Elusive Quality**) managed to get his picture taken after Ultimate Bango (Uh Oh Bango), who was home first, was disqualified and placed fourth for causing interference to Magic Musketier (Musketier {Ger}) inside the final sixteenth of a mile. Fight On was closest to tearaway leaders, but found himself shuffled back to last entering the second turn. With Rafael Bejarano showing no signs of panic, even as they still trailed off the final corner, Fight On was switched around runners and into the clear at the eighth pole and flashed home, but just missed before being put up to the victory. Sales history: \$340,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-1, \$127,580. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-C T R Stables LLC & Steven Keh; B-Haymarket Farm LLC (KY); T-Doug F O'Neill.



VINERY SALES GRADUATE



7th-Gulfstream West, \$42,800, Alw (NW1X), Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 10-25, 2yo, 7 1/2ft, 1:32.66, fm.
ROYAL URN (c, 2, Kantharos--Born to Royalty, by King of Kings {Ire}) lasted to graduate by a neck sprinting on Gulfstream debit Aug. 24 and was exiting an overmatched eighth to Cairo Cat (Cairo Prince) in the GIII Iroquois S. at Churchill Sept. 15. Trying the grass for the first time, the 3-1 chalk stalked the early pace from second, took command in upper stretch, carried a clear advantage past the eighth pole and held off 82-1 Tangible (Orb) by a neck. Making his U.S. debut, Hope Again (GB) (Sayif {Ire}) found a good spot from his high draw, was very wide on the final turn and ran meritoriously in third. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$52,500. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Roseland Farm Stable (Bowers); B-John Bowers Jr (NJ); T-Michelle Nihei.

4th-Remington, \$34,000, Alw (NW2L), Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 10-24, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.10, gd.
MISS PERFECTA (f, 2, Run Away and Hide--Perfect Meadow {SP}, by Touch Tone) was second at odds-on debuting against fellow Texas-breds at Lone Star May 25, but easily disposed of open maidens by three lengths in her first local try Aug. 30. The 13-10 second choice dropping out of a third in the E.L. Gaylord S. Sept. 30, the homebred chased pacesetting favorite and Gaylord runner-up Ta (Rattlesnake Bridge), overhauled that one outside the eighth pole and skipped clear to score by four lengths. The winner is kin to a to a weanling colt by Overanalyze. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-1, \$49,781. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 O/B-Tom R Durant (TX); T-W Bret Calhoun.



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

3rd-Belmont, \$90,000, Msw, 10-25, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 1:59.92, fm.
HIERARCHY (c, 3, Point of Entry--Place of Honor, by First Samurai) progressed nicely in his three previous runs, finishing a strong fourth to a repeat winner on Belmont debut in June and third to another next-out scorer at Saratoga Aug. 2 before rounding out the exacta back at this track Sept. 23. Adding blinkers for this effort as the 3-2 chalk, the homebred settled nicely in the one-out and one-back position as Chantry Flats (The Factor), who went hard through the opening quarter-mile, was



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able to slow the pace considerably in the middle stages. Off the bridle and scrubbed on by John Velazquez at the entry to the stretch, Hierarchy began to bear down on a resurgent Chantry Flats inside the final 40 yards and got a fortuitous bob. Argonne (Tizway) was locked away inside of the eventual winner down the backstretch and was short of room in the stretch before finishing with gusto for third. The winner's second dam was 1995 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies winner My Flag (Easy Goer), who in turn produced Storm Flag Flying (Storm Cat), the winner of the 2002 Juvenile Fillies en route to an Eclipse Award. Hierarchy's third dam was the immortal champion Personal Ensign (Private Account), undefeated winner of the 1988 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff in dreadful conditions at Churchill Downs. Place of Honor foaled a Lemon Drop Kid colt earlier this year and was bred back to Orb. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$78,450. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Phipps Stable (KY); T-Claude R McGaughey III.



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4th-Belmont, \$75,000, Msw, 10-25, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:44.37, ft.
FILLY JOEL (f, 2, Dialed In--Sally's Song, by Unbridled's Song)
 overcame a bit of a slow start to be a running-on fourth in a six-furlong test at Saratoga Aug. 19 and improved one spot in the slop going that same distance over this strip Sept. 28. Clearly in a 'New York State of Mind' Thursday afternoon, the Arindel homebred sat a stalking trip from second off a reasonable tempo, was roused on the swing for home and opened up at will through the lane to score by 6 1/4 lengths. Her winning mutuel of \$29.20 was enough--maybe--to buy a 'bottle of red, bottle of white.' From the female family of Rockport Harbor (Unbridled's Song), Filly Joel has a yearling full-sister and a weanling full-brother. Sally's Song was most recently bred to Arindel's Brethren (Distorted Humor--Supercharger). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$55,350. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Arindel (FL); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez.

3rd-Keeneland, \$67,000, Msw, 10-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.83, fm.

LESSONS FROM AVERY (f, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Acadeca, by Royal Academy), fourth to a pair of next-out winners at Churchill in May, was last seen finishing a good second at Ellis Park Aug. 24. Sent off the 19-5 second choice in the wagering, Lessons From Avery dropped out to race second last into the first turn and held that spot while being eased out for clear sailing with about a half-mile to race. Given her cue midway on the turn, she advanced while in hand, was angled out to the center of the track for the stretch drive and worked her way past Celia's Song (Distorted Humor) for a half-length success. Favored Twin Channel (English Channel) was two lengths further back in third. The winner is kin to a yearling colt by GI Breeders' Cup Mile winner Karakontie (Jpn) (Bernstein), the last listed produce out of Acadeca. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-0, \$58,064. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Michael & Deborah Rouser (KY); T-Charles LoPresti.

9th-Keeneland, \$65,632, Msw, 10-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.39, fm.

FRENCH EMPIRE (f, 3, Street Sense--Aquitaine {GSP, \$112,231}, by Empire Maker) was third in her first two career appearances, including a one-mile turf maiden at Gulfstream in June, but was entering this off back-to-back fourth-place efforts, including a sloppy Belmont heat Sept. 28. A bit headstrong and under a tight hold from Tyler Gaffalione passing the stands for the first time, French Empire tucked in neatly at the inside and enjoyed the run of the race from there. Steadied off heels nearing the entrance to the stretch, the bay came out soon after, grabbed long-time leader Ballston (Giant's Causeway) inside the furlong pole and staved off a late bid from Artistic Quality (Lemon Drop Kid) by a neck at odds of 7-2. The winner is kin to a yearling colt by Orb and a weanling colt by Mineshaft. Aquitaine was most recently bred to Practical Joke. Sales history: \$190,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, \$63,900. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Jim & Susan Hill; B-Ramona S Bass LLC (KY); T-George Weaver.



5th-Belmont, \$62,000, (S), Msw, 10-25, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.66, fm.

DOUPS POINT (c, 2, Point of Entry--Coy Cat {MSW, \$247,755}, by Hold That Tiger), a debut fourth sprinting over the local turf course June 30, was a distant second trying two turns for the first time at Saratoga Aug. 8 and filled the same spot in a rained-off maiden back at this venue Sept. 9. Well back through the opening exchanges, the 5-2 favorite made steady progress and was up into second for the run around the far turn. Held together on the bend and into the lane, the dark bay needed most of the final quarter-mile to do it, but edged by pacesetter Scotty Brown (Big Brown) in the dying strides to score by a half-length. Coy Cat is the dam of a weanling colt by Into Mischief and returned to that Spendthrift sire earlier this season. Doups Point is a half-brother to Newport Breeze (Majestic Warrior), MSP, \$152,240. Sales history: \$70,000 Ylg '17 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$64,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-New Phoenix Stable; B-Crossed Sabres Farm (NY); T-Christophe Clement.



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2nd-Santa Anita, \$50,345, Msw, 10-25, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:40.78, ft. ENAYA ALRABB (f, 2, Uncle Mo--Lotta Rhythm {SW & GSP, \$263,128}, by Rhythm), fourth to subsequent GII Pocahontas S. runner-up Splashy Kisses (Blame) on her six-furlong debut at Del Mar Aug. 18, was stretching out to two turns as the 11-5 second choice. Handy to the pace while racing along the fence and back in about fourth spot, Enaya Alrabb was ridden quietly around the turn, sliced through underneath the pacesetting favorite Claudelle (Candy Ride {Arg}) with a little more than an eighth of a mile to run and pulled away to take it by 2 1/2 lengths. Calf Moon Bay (Bodemeister) raced awkwardly into the first turn and covered a significant amount of ground four deep on the second bend before staying on for second in a bold effort. The winner is a half-sister to Hattaash (Strong Hope), MGSP, \$414,687, and has a yearling half-sister by Hard Spun and a weanling half-sister by Gemologist. Lotta Rhythm is a half-sister to Lotta Kim (Roar), the dam of Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra (Medaglia d'Oro). Sales history: \$75,000 RNA Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$150,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$33,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Enaya Racing; B-Tony Holmes & Dr & Mrs Walter Zent (KY); T-Doug F O'Neill.

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4th-KEE, \$67K, Msw, 2yo, f, 5 1/2ft, post time: 2:45 p.m. ET LADY WORTHINGTON (Scat Daddy), a \$650K Keeneland September purchase, will have to overcome the rail draw as a 7-2 chance on the morning line for this career debut. Campaigned in partnership by her breeder, Stonestreet and Fitry Hay, the bay is a daughter of Argentinian Group 1 winner Misty Lady (Arg) (Lucky Roberto). **And She's Gone (War Front)** was purchased by Phyllis Wyeth's Chadds Ford Stable for \$725K at KEESEP last year and is out of the MSP Bend (Arch), dam of MGSW and Belmont track-record setter Clearly Now (Horse Greeley) and 'TDN Rising Star' and GSW Bendable (Horse Greeley). **Fancy Dress Party (Munnings),** a full-sister to SW Will Munnings, cost \$280K at KEESEP. Her third dam Meafara (Meadowlake) was desperately unlucky to lose back-to-back GI Breeders' Cup Sprints in 1992 and 1993. **TJCIS PPs**

7th-BEL, \$75K, Msw, 2yo, 1 1/16m, post time: 4:42 p.m. ET CLOSEAU (Pioneerof the Nile) makes his first career trip to the races for breeder Don Alberto Stable after the operation elected to retain the colt when bidding on him stalled out at \$885K at Keeneland last September. The son of SP Chattertown (Speightstown) is a half-brother to 2016 GII Jim Dandy S. upsetter Laoban (Uncle Mo), while the colt's third dam includes treble Grade I winner I'm A Chatterbox (Munnings). **TJCIS PPs**

10th-KEE, \$67K, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f, post time: 6:03 p.m. ET ULELE (Candy Ride {Arg}), a \$300K Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling purchase, is the most recent to make the races out of Princess Arabella (Any Given Saturday), who defeated Glinda the Good (Hard Spun)--later the dam of champion Good Magic (Curlin)--by eight lengths in the 2012 Sunland Park Oaks. A half-sister to SW & MGSP Dyna's Lassie (Dynaformer), Princess Arabella was purchased by Summer Wind Equine for \$725K in foal to Tapit at KEEJAN in 2013. **TJCIS PPs**

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

Cairo Prince (Pioneerof the Nile), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000
 120 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Belmont, Msw 1 1/16m, MIHOS, 5-2
 \$320,000 KEE SEP yrl

Flashback (Tapit), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$7,500
 105 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Remington, Msw 6f, MISS FLASHBACK, 5-2
 \$16,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$55,000 OKC YRL yrl

Guest Star (Storm Cat), Cutsinger Stallion Station, \$500
 6 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Hawthorne, Msw 6f, KATE'S CAT, 8-1

Guilt Trip (Pulpit), Red River Farms, \$2,500
 32 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Delta Downs, Msw 7f, GOODPROFIT, 8-1

Itsmyluckyday (Lawyer Ron), Spendthrift Farm, \$8,000
 81 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Belmont, Msw 6f, LETZGOMETZ, 7-2
 \$45,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$135,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$75,000 OBS
 APR 2yo

Mark Valeski (Proud Citizen), Airdrie Stud, \$2,500
 33 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
 10-Keeneland, Msw 6f, ALIZEE, 7-2
 \$1,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl

Mucho Macho Man (Macho Uno), Adena Springs, \$15,000
 69 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Indiana Grand, Msw 1m, MY MAN ELVIS, 15-1
 \$19,000 EAS JAN yrl; \$47,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$32,000 RNA EAS MAY
 2yo

Noble Mission (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), Lane's End Farm, \$25,000
 112 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
 9-Keeneland, Alw 1mT, NOBLE LOVE, 15-1
 \$20,000 KEE SEP yrl

Real Solution (Kitten's Joy), Blue Star Racing, \$12,500
 41 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
 9-Keeneland, Alw 1mT, SPEEDY SOLUTION, 3-1

Strong Mandate (Tiznow), Three Chimneys Farm, \$10,000
 82 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Remington, Msw 6f, LAVINA, 7-2
 \$13,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$1,000 FTK OCT yrl

Verrazano (More Than Ready), Ashford Stud, \$22,500
 135 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners

4-Keeneland, Msw 5 1/2fT, FREEDOM PASSAGE, 20-1
 \$85,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
 5-Delta Downs, Msw 7f, RAVENEL, 10-1
 \$75,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$95,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

Will Take Charge (Unbridled's Song), Three Chimneys Farm, \$30,000
 109 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner
 9-Keeneland, Alw 1mT, LIGHTSCAMERACTION, 6-1
 \$40,000 KEE SEP yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, OCT. 26

Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), Jonabell Farm, \$35,000
 216 foals of racing age/48 winners/4 black-type winners
 4-Keeneland, Msw 5 1/2fT, SILENT FLUIDITY, 10-1
 \$9,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Data Link (War Front), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500
 186 foals of racing age/42 winners/3 black-type winners
 5-Laurel, Msw 5 1/2fT, ATALANTA BELLE, 8-1
 \$19,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl

Ghaaleb (Unbridled's Song), Wildwood Farm
 21 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Hawthorne, Msw 6f, GHAALEB ROYALE, 9-5
 1-Hawthorne, Msw 6f, GHAALEB'S HEIR, 5-2

Graydar (Unbridled's Song), Taylor Made Farm, \$15,000
 194 foals of racing age/68 winners/2 black-type winners
 3-Belmont, Msw 6f, RALLY CAP, 7-2
 \$20,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$60,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Justin Phillip (First Samurai), Castleton Lyons, \$5,000
 124 foals of racing age/32 winners/2 black-type winners
 10-Keeneland, Msw 6f, LIVE IT UP, 20-1
 \$2,000 KEE NOV wnl

The Lumber Guy (Grand Slam), Chi, \$5,000
 42 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
 4-Charles Town, Msw 4 1/2f, BLAZIN' FURY, 8-1
 \$1,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl

Take Charge Indy (A.P. Indy), Kor, \$20,000
 207 foals of racing age/76 winners/6 black-type winners
 5-Delta Downs, Msw 7f, TAKE CHARGE TAYLOR, 3-1
 \$7,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$17,500 EQL 2YO 2yo

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4th-KYO, ¥13,400,000 (\$119k), Newcomers, 2yo, 1200m

The interestingly named **POMPEII WORM (c, 2, Itsmyluckyday--Briecat, by Adcat)** is the second foal to race from his dam, a Grade II winner and second to Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) in the GI Vanity H. on synthetic and a Grade II winner on turf. A March foal, the chestnut breezed a furlong in a bullet :9 4/5 on his incorrect lead and was purchased by Katsumi Yoshida for \$525K at this year's OBS March Sale ([video](#)). *B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY)*

11th-KYO, Swan S.-G2, ¥112,800,000 (\$1m), 3yo/up, 1400mT

The Saturday feature at Kyoto features the first start of a fall preparation for **MOZU ASCOT (c, 4, Frankel {GB}--India, by Hennessy)**. Last seen posting a spectacular victory in the G1 Yasuda Kinen at Toyko June 3 ([video](#), gate 10), the half-brother to SW & 'TDN Rising Star' Kareena (Medaglia d'Oro) is out of a MGSW Summer Wind-raced half-sister to Pilfer (Deputy Minister), the dam of MGISW To Honor and Serve (Bernardini), GISW Angela Renee (Bernardini) and SW & GISP Elnaawi (Street Sense). Mozu Ascot was a \$275K buyback at the 2015 KEESEP sale and, all things equal, progresses from here to next month's G1 Mile Championship and the G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile in early December. *B-Summer Wind Farm (KY)*

Sunday, October 28, 2018

1st-TOK, ¥9,550,000 (\$85k), Maiden, 2yo, 1400m

LITTLE MONSTER (f, 2, Into Mischief--Pashmina, by Pentelicus) failed to land a blow debuting on turf in July, but woke up with a switch to the main track in her latest to just miss over this course and distance Oct. 13. An \$85K purchase as a short yearling at OBSWIN, the half-sister to the fleet MSW Pashito the Che (Flatter) improved over the next eighth months and was hammered for \$375K at KEESEP. *B-Off the Hook Partners LLC & Farm III Enterprises LLC (FL)*

3rd-KYO, ¥9,550,000 (\$85k), Maiden, 2yo, 2000mT

MINT FRESH (f, 2, War Front--Minorette, by Smart Strike) is the first foal for her dam, stakes-placed in Ireland for Ballydoyle and Aidan O'Brien before annexing the inaugural running of the GI Belmont Oaks Invitational in New York for Chad Brown in 2014. Minorette is a daughter of GSW Silk and Scarlet (GB) (Sadler's Wells), whose distinguished produce include G1 Mile Championship hero Eishin Apollon (Giant's Causeway) and G1 Jebel Hatta S. winner Master of Hounds. *B-Shadai Farm (KY) --Alan Carasso*



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Keeneland, \$72,212, Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 10-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.18, ft.

ANNATHELA (m, 5, Elusive Quality--Ethel Anna, by Storm Cat) Lifetime Record: 20-4-7-2, \$246,587. O/B-Reiko & Michael Baum (KY); T-George R Arnold II. *\$120,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP.

2nd-Belmont, \$72,135, (S), Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 10-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.44, ft.

HELD ACCOUNTABLE (f, 3, Exchange Rate--New Harmony, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: SW, 10-3-1-0, \$242,645. O/B-Chester Sr & Mary R Broman (NY); T-Philip M Serpe. *1/2 to Strike Accord (Smart Strike), SP, \$263,523; and In Harm's Way (Hook and Ladder), GSP, \$196,168.

9th-Belmont, \$69,251, (S), 10-25, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:08.52, fm.

OUTRAGEOUS BET (g, 4, Courageous Cat--Bet On a Chick, by Alphabet Soup) Lifetime Record: 25-4-3-2, \$194,204. O/B-Windhorse Thoroughbreds LLC (NY); T-Gary C. Contessa.

7th-Keeneland, \$67,562, 10-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 3/16mT, 1:58.30, fm.

CAPE ANGEL (g, 4, Cape Blanco {Ire}--Angel Amy, by Theatrical {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 11-4-0-2, \$136,565. O-Damchu Stables; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Joe Sharp.

4th-Santa Anita, \$56,180, Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 10-25, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.57, ft.

AWESOME ANYWHERE (g, 4, Awesome of Course--Baby Doll, by Smarty Jones) Lifetime Record: 11-6-1-3, \$125,420. O-Hollendorfer, LLC, Team Green LLC & George Todaro; B-Edward Seltzer, Beverly Anderson, Joseph & Helen Barbazon (FL); T-Jerry Hollendorfer. *\$14,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$15,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR.

8th-Laurel, \$47,835, Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 10-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:03.37, gd.

MISERICORDIA (GB) (f, 4, Dansili {GB}--Cascata {Ire}, by Montjeu {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-1, \$117,216. O-Colts Neck Stables LLC; B-Stuart Stuckey (GB); T-Alan E Goldberg. *470,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT.



7th-Laurel, \$42,000, 10-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.77, ft.
HOME RUN MAKER (c, 3, Into Mischief--Home Run, by Empire Maker) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-3, \$108,044. O-Jeff Drown; B-Peter E Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Jeremiah C Englehart. *\$280,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$205,000 2yo '17 EASMAY. **1/2 to Fun (Harlan's Holiday), GISP, \$128,729.

5th-Remington, \$36,805, 10-24, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (off turf), :57.54, gd.

LYNAH RINK (f, 3, Artie Schiller--Cascadilla Falls {SW, \$140,310}, by E Dubai) Lifetime Record: 12-4-1-0, \$68,624. O-Danny R Caldwell; B-Brant Laue (KY); T-Federico Villafranco. *\$30,000 3yo '18 FTKHRA.

6th-Penn National, \$31,360, 10-24, (NW1X), 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.87, ft.

TARA'S TALENT (f, 2, Talent Search--Graemy, by Graeme Hall) Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$86,760. O-Stony Brook Stables LLC; B-Glenn E Brok LLC (PA); T-Edward J Coletti Jr.

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7th-Hawthorne, \$26,040, Opt. Clm (\$18,000), 10-24, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08.78, ft.

RICHIESGOTSWAGGER (g, 4, Benny the Bull--Western Mindy, by Western Borders) Lifetime Record: 13-4-1-2, \$87,514. O-Vicki McGowan; B-Larry Rivelli & Bulldog Racing (IL); T-Hugh H Robertson. *1/2 to Doc Galore (Bring the Heat), SP, \$170,901; and Lewys Vaporizer (Lewis Michael), SW, \$423,851.

6th-Hawthorne, \$21,000, (S), 10-24, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.56, fm.

HANNITY (g, 4, Ben Bulben--Castle Dargan, by Anees) Lifetime Record: 19-3-3-1, \$68,223. O-Haran Thoroughbreds, LLC; B/T-John F Haran (IL).

8th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$20,286, 10-24, (NW4LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.61, ft.

LESIA JANE (f, 3, U S Ranger--Devil's Tap, by Devil's Bag) Lifetime Record: 9-4-0-0, \$43,684. O/B-Sovereign Farm LLC (KY); T-Kenny R Cross Jr.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Smooth Operation, g, 2, **Dr Large**--We Will Dance, by You and I. Finger Lakes, 10-25, (S), 1m 40y, 1:44.74. B-Carmalley Valley Farm LLC (NY).

Trainfourtwentyone, c, 2, **New Year's Day**--Wonderfully, by Pure Prize. Penn National, 10-24, 6f, 1:11.99. B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc (KY). *\$1,000 Ylg '17 KEEJAN; \$8,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT; \$10,000 2yo '18 EASMAY.

Floyd Unger, g, 2, **Street Sense**--Missyoulikecrazy (MGSP), by Lion Heart. Finger Lakes, 10-25, (S), 1m 40y, 1:43.99. B-Eaton & Thorne Inc (NY). *\$35,000 Ylg '17 FTKFEB; \$100,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR.

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Jeltrin, f, 2, **Tapizar**--Song to the Moon, by Successful Appeal. Gulfstream West, 10-25, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:18.98. B-C Kidder, N Cole & J K & Linda Griggs (KY). *\$7,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$27,000 RNA 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

Raising the Flag, c, 3, **Tapit**--Milwaukee Appeal (Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, MSW & GSP, \$1,198,674), by Milwaukee Brew. Keeneland, 10-25, (C), 7f, 1:23.85. B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc (KY). *Claimed for \$50,000 by Ken & Sarah Ramsey, trainer Mike Maker. **Full to Actress, MGSW, \$545,150.

Gemologist, c, 4, **Gemologist**--Ruthian (SW, \$212,592), by Rahy. Gulfstream West, 10-25, 6f, 1:12.36. B-Payson Stud Inc (KY). *\$20,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. **1/2 to Rutherienne (Pulpit), GISW, \$1,298,671; Ruthville (Afleet Alex), SW, \$148,515; and Ruthenia (Pulpit), GSW, \$339,635. ***MSP.

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ARTIE SCHILLER, Lynah Rink, f, 3, o/o Cascadilla Falls, by E Dubai. ALW, 10-24, Remington

AWESOME OF COURSE, Awesome Anywhere, g, 4, o/o Baby Doll, by Smarty Jones. AOC, 10-25, Santa Anita

BEN BULBEN, Hannity, g, 4, o/o Castle Dargan, by Anees. ALW, 10-24, Hawthorne

BENNY THE BULL, Richiesgotswagger, g, 4, o/o Western Mindy, by Western Borders. AOC, 10-24, Hawthorne

CAPE BLANCO (IRE), Cape Angel, g, 4, o/o Angel Amy, by Theatrical (Ire). ALW, 10-25, Keeneland

COURAGEOUS CAT, Outrageous Bet, g, 4, o/o Bet On a Chick, by Alphabet Soup. ALW, 10-25, Belmont

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- DANSILI (GB)**, Misericordia (GB), f, 4, o/o Cascata (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). AOC, 10-25, Laurel
- DIALED IN**, Filly Joel, f, 2, o/o Sally's Song, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 10-25, Belmont
- DR LARGE**, Smooth Operation, g, 2, o/o We Will Dance, by You and I. MSW, 10-25, Finger Lakes
- ELUSIVE QUALITY**, Annathela, m, 5, o/o Ethel Anna, by Storm Cat. AOC, 10-25, Keeneland
- EXCHANGE RATE**, Held Accountable, f, 3, o/o New Harmony, by A.P. Indy. AOC, 10-25, Belmont
- GEMOLOGIST**, Gemologister, c, 4, o/o Ruthian, by Rahy. MSW, 10-25, Gulfstream West
- INTO MISCHIEF**, Fight On, c, 3, o/o Havenlass, by Elusive Quality. AOC, 10-25, Santa Anita
- INTO MISCHIEF**, Home Run Maker, c, 3, o/o Home Run, by Empire Maker. ALW, 10-25, Laurel
- KANTHAROS**, Royal Urn, c, 2, o/o Born to Royalty, by King of Kings (Ire). AOC, 10-25, Gulfstream West
- LOOKIN AT LUCKY**, Lessons From Avery, f, 3, o/o Acadeca, by Royal Academy. MSW, 10-25, Keeneland
- MUNNINGS**, Boldor, c, 2, o/o Senate Caucus, by Siphon (Brz). MSW, 10-25, Keeneland

- NEW YEAR'S DAY**, Trainfourtwentyone, c, 2, o/o Wonderfully, by Pure Prize. MSW, 10-24, Penn National
- POINT OF ENTRY**, Doups Point, c, 2, o/o Coy Cat, by Hold That Tiger. MSW, 10-25, Belmont
- POINT OF ENTRY**, Hierarchy, c, 3, o/o Place of Honor, by First Samurai. MSW, 10-25, Belmont
- RUN AWAY AND HIDE**, Miss Perfecta, f, 2, o/o Perfect Meadow, by Touch Tone. AOC, 10-24, Remington
- STREET SENSE**, Floyd Unger, g, 2, o/o Missyoulikecrazy, by Lion Heart. MSW, 10-25, Finger Lakes
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- TALENT SEARCH**, Tara's Talent, f, 2, o/o Graemy, by Graeme Hall. ALW, 10-24, Penn National
- TAPIT**, Raising the Flag, c, 3, o/o Milwaukee Appeal, by Milwaukee Brew. MCL, 10-25, Keeneland
- TAPIZAR**, Jeltrin, f, 2, o/o Song to the Moon, by Successful Appeal. MCL, 10-25, Gulfstream West
- U S RANGER**, Lesia Jane, f, 3, o/o Devil's Tap, by Devil's Bag. ALW, 10-24, Mountaineer
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AVENUE A DRIVING FORCE IN STALLION MARKET



Lancaster Bomber has joined the Avenue Bloodstock stallion portfolio for 2019 | DRC/Mathea Kelley

By Emma Berry

From a first taste of the stallion market through Aclaim (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) in 2018, the team at Avenue Bloodstock has increased its representation three-fold in recent weeks with the announcement that **Lancaster Bomber** (War Front) and **Rajasinghe (Ire)** (Choisir {Aus}) will also join the ranks at the National Stud for next year.

While the operation is a relatively new name in the bloodstock world, the faces behind it are not. Former Godolphin chief executive John Ferguson teamed up with another long-term member of the Godolphin/Darley staff, Mark McStay, and Sam Haggas, son of leading Newmarket trainer William Haggas, last year. The company, which takes its name from the organisation's Newmarket base in The Avenue, right outside Tattersalls, offers a range of bloodstock and sales-related services, with stallion management an area which is clearly a fast-growing concern.

"I went out on my own last year and myself and John got working together pretty much from the start," says McStay, whose personal achievements in the bloodstock world include being co-breeder with Hugo Merry of the G1 Irish Oaks winner Covert Love (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}). [Cont. p2](#)

LILY'S CANDLE SISTER LIGHTS UP ARQANA

Just as Wednesday's session-topping Soldier Hollow (GB) filly had benefitted from a final-hour update when her full-sister added black-type at the racecourse across the street from Arqana's Deauville sales complex just hours before she stepped into the ring, Thursday's €230,000 session-topping filly was also the beneficiary of a late boost. Albeit, hers had come three weeks earlier, but it was about as good as its gets: her half-sister, Lily's Candle (Fr) (Style Vendome {Fr}), had upgraded the page significantly when winning the G1 Prix Marcel Bousac on the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe undercard, and Philippe Decouz, acting on behalf of World Cup-winning footballer Antoine Griezmann, had to work hard to see off Marc-Antoine Berghgracht and Eric Puerari for the American Post filly (lot 436) out of Golden Lily (Fr) (Dolphin Street {Fr}).

"She is a very racy filly with great limbs and a bit of stretch, and the family has worked tremendously with American Post," said Decouz. [Cont. p4](#)

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G2 Coventry S. winner Rajasinghe | Amy Lanigan

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McStay continued, "We formalised the Avenue banner in the spring and it's been going very well. We couldn't have wished for a better or more productive year on the business front. And, obviously, we started off managing Aclaim this time last year."

Providing Martyn Meade with a first Group 1 victory when landing last season's Qatar Prix de la Foret, Aclaim then moved across Newmarket to the National Stud and is managed by Avenue Bloodstock for his owners Dermot Farrington, Canning Downs and Phoenix Thoroughbreds, who bought into the 5-year-old ahead of the start of his stallion career.

"Thankfully nomination sales and managing stallions are things I've had a lot of experience with," McStay says. "We're very grateful to the horses' owners and of course the management team at the National Stud."

Thirty breeding rights were sold in Aclaim, who covered 160 mares this spring and has 135 in foal from his starting fee of £12,500.

"He's had the support of some very good breeders from both England and Ireland," McStay continues, "and we've decided that for 2019 we'll be lowering his fee to £9,500, which I think is going to be very competitive."

"The National Stud is an ideal location for us to standing stallions. It's in Newmarket and it has a wonderful team, led by Tim Lane and James Berney, and they've recently added Joe Callan. They did a fantastic job with Aclaim for us last year, and with Rajasinghe and Lancaster Bomber they're fully behind the project and trying to achieve a full book of mares."

Lancaster Bomber, a half-brother to fellow Group 1 winner and stallion Excelebration (Ire) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), becomes only the second son of Claiborne Farm's acclaimed War Front to stand in Britain and will cover his first season at a fee of £8,500. Runner-up in both the G1 Darley Dewhurst S. and

G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf at two, he returned at three to chase home his half-brother's first Group 1 winner, Barney Roy (Ire), in the G1 St James's Palace S. and notched two further runner-up finishes at the highest level at Woodbine and Del Mar, the latter back at the Breeders' Cup in the Mile. The colt who had appeared to be the perennial bridesmaid was finally rewarded with his own Group 1 success earlier this year when beating Cliffs Of Moher (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) by two lengths in the Tattersalls Gold Cup.

"John Ferguson met Aidan O'Brien last weekend at Newmarket and spent nearly 15 minutes just talking about the horse," says McStay of Lancaster Bomber. "What Aidan conveyed to John was how talented the horse was and how tough he was. He was a horse that danced every dance, and thankfully he's got the looks to boot. And of course the War Front line is one that's proven itself to be very effective in Europe on the turf."

On the same day that Lancaster Bomber was placed at Royal Ascot, Rajasinghe burst onto the scene on only his second start to win the G2 Coventry S. for his young trainer Richard Spencer and Phil Cunningham's Rebel Racing team. Rajasinghe failed to turn that good early 2-year-old form into Classic success this season, but Cunningham has already been involved with a dual Guineas winner, Cockney Rebel (Ire) (Val Royal), who also started his stallion career at the National Stud.

"Rajasinghe was your real Royal Ascot 2-year-old and he's from a sireline that is just pure speed, so he's appealing to the broader base of breeders who want to breed for the speed-orientated market. He's going to stud at £5,000 and will be supported by his owner, Phil Cunningham. I think he's going to go down very well," McStay says. [Cont. p3](#)

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Avenue On The Road To Stallion Success Cont.

As well as a burgeoning stallion roster, the two-legged team at Avenue Bloodstock has also increased with the recent appointment of Amy Lanigan as bloodstock manager.

"We were absolutely thrilled the day Amy decided to join us full time," McStay says of the graduate of the inaugural Darley Flying Start course who is married to trainer David Lanigan and is a talented equine photographer. "She's been helping us all through the year and brings a lot to the team. She's very, very good in dealing with people as well as marketing of the stallions and communications. Hopefully, as our roster of stallions continues to expand, Amy's role is going to grow the same in strength. She's somebody who is going to be very helpful in dealing with the breeders and trying to help them achieve their goals."

Breeders heading to the December Sales at Tattersalls will have ample opportunity to view both Lancaster Bomber and Rajasinghe in their new home.

"The plan is for both horses to be on show during the December sales and we encourage people to get in touch with myself, Amy Lanigan, John Ferguson or the National Stud team to come to see the horses and speak to us about the opportunities available to get involved with the breeding rights. Breeding rights afford breeders the opportunities to get involved with a horse in the early days. If that horse suddenly goes up in value and the stud fee goes up, they're able to be in from the get-go and have a good opportunity to make some money."

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Lily's Candle Sister Lights Up Arqana Cont. from p1

The American Post filly was consigned by Antoine Lepeudry's Elevage de Tourgeville, and that aforementioned family affinity with American Post refers to the dam's stakes-winning half-sisters Liliside (Fr) and Lily America (Fr), as well as G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud winner Robin of Navan (GB), who also appears under the second dam. By the time lot 436 was conceived, however, American Post had rather gone out of fashion and had been relocated from Haras d'Etream to Haras de Treban in Central France. Undeterred, Lepeudry loaded his mare on the van and made the long haul. In another twist of fate, American Post, who was also responsible for a colt that fetched €75,000 from Stroud Coleman Bloodstock on Thursday, died just weeks after covering Golden Lily.



Lot 436, the American Post half-sister to Lily's Candle | Arqana

Lot 436 is by far the highest-priced sales yearling for Golden Lily, her prior best being a son of Kendargent (Fr) that was a

€39,000 yearling turned €95,000 breeze-up horse. Lily's Candle cost just €15,000 at this sale last year, but had been bought by Martin Schwartz on the eve of her Group 1 win at Arqana's Arc Sale for €390,000 off a listed win and Group 3 fourth. The American Post filly was the breakout horse of the session and one of just two to make six-figures.

Thursday's session, the start of Part II of the October Yearling Sale, saw 119 yearlings sold from 153 offered (a clearance rate of 77.8%) for €3,344,000. The average fared well, climbing 7.2% from last year's corresponding session to sit at €28,101, while the median was on par at €22,000. For the first three days of the October sale combined, the clearance rate sits at 78.3%; the median is up to €33,000 from €32,000 at this stage last year, and the average is down 3.5% at

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Lily's Candle Sister Lights Up Arqana Cont.

Earlier in the session, Alex Elliott went to €125,000 for **lot 386**, a filly by Wootton Bassett (GB) from the family of G1 Melbourne Cup winner Americain (Dynaformer).

“She is a gorgeous filly who oozed class,” said Elliott. “We will take her to Ireland first but I am not sure about training plans yet.”

Elliott will be hoping to keep a strong strike rate at the October Yearling Sale alive: last year he purchased a son of Reliable Man (GB) that would go on to be named Master Brewer (Fr) and win the second renewal of the October Yearling Sale Criterium three weeks ago for trainer Michael Bell.

Sea The Moon (Ger) has made a promising start to his stud career this year with his first 2-year-olds, and a colt by the G1 Deutsches Derby winner (**lot 374**) caught the eye of Australian agent John Foote, who signed the ticket at €85,000. While Foote has been active this week buying youngsters with staying prospects Down Under, this particular individual will head to Stephanie Nigge. The colt has an eye-catching page, his family tracing back to the dam of George Strawbridge’s excellent producer In Clover (GB) (Inchiner {GB}), the dam of Group 1 winners With You (GB) (Dansili {GB}), We Are (GB) (Dansili {GB}) and Call The Wind (GB) (Frankel {GB}). The Sea The Moon colt was the third-most expensive yearling of the session, equal with

a son of Siyouni (Fr) picked up by Paul Nataf (**lot 416**).

Another first-crop sire with a good result on Thursday was Anodin, who had a colt picked up by Nicolas Lefevre of Equos Racing International for €82,000 (**lot 420**). Lefevre was formerly assistant to Louis le Metayer of Astute Bloodstock, but has recently gone out on his own. This colt was purchased for an Irish partnership with the intent of going to the breeze-ups. Anodin’s other results on the day included a €75,000 filly and colts that made €72,000 and €67,000. ([Click to return to p1](#))

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SESSION TOPPERS

ARQANA OCTOBER YEARLING SALE (PART II)



THURSDAY'S TOP 3 LOTS

LOT	SEX	SIRE DAM	PRICE (€)
436	f	American Post (GB)–Golden Lily (Fr) <i>Breeder: Monique Lepeudry (Fr)</i> <i>Consignor: Elevage de Tourgeville</i> <i>Purchaser: D Sas Racing</i>	230,000

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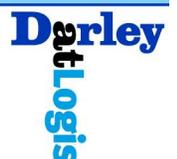


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386 f Wootton Bassett (GB)–Bye Bye Fuji 125,000
 Breeder: Roger & Georges Baudouin & Lucette Hive (Fr)
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 Purchaser: Alex Elliott

374 c Sea The Moon (Ger)–Belle Ambre (GB) 85,000
 Breeder: Elevage Du Haras De Bourgeauville (Fr)
 Consignor: Haras de Bourgeauville
 Purchaser: John Foote Bloodstock Pty Ltd

416 c Siyouni (Fr)–Espirita (FR) 85,000
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Meg Levy of Bluewater Sales

Among the top broodmare prospects to be sold at the Fasig-Tipton November Sale is a half-sister to this year's European superstar Alpha Centauri (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}). The Niarchos family runner proved to be the standout filly of her generation this year, sweeping the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas, G1 Coronation S., G1 Falmouth S. and G1 Prix Jacques le Marois before finishing 3/4 of a length behind the Classic-winning Laurens (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) in Leopardtown's G1 Matron S. in September. The **'TDN Rising Star'** emerged from the Matron with a chip in a fetlock, according to the owners' racing manager Alan Cooper, and was retired. Alpha Centauri and her half-sister **Galileo Gal (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), entered in the November sale as **hip 198**, hail from one of the classic Niarchos families, and will sell for her owner, Gary Barber, at the Night of the Stars on Nov. 4. The *TDN* paid a visit to the stunning chestnut at Bluewater Farm, and sat down with consignor Meg Levy to talk about the filly.

TDN: So often, the best racemares aren't the best producers, but Galileo Gal's third dam Miesque was both one of the great racemares and great broodmares of all time.

ML: I'd say that's a huge testament to the Niarchos family and their breeding program, because there's a lot more to it than just nicking and breeding the best to the best, as we all know. In this case, with Galileo Gal being a half-sister to probably the best filly of her year in Alpha Centauri, it means that there will be an ability for the pedigree to move forward. She's a young mare, so that ability to flush out the pedigree, so to speak, at least in the first dam, is very exciting. Galileo Gal herself is a sister to two others--a 2-year-old filly and a yearling filly, so that really helps as well. **Cont. p7**



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• Number Offered	153	186
• Number Sold	119	151
• Not Sold	34	35
• Clearance Rate	77.8%	81.2%
• High Price	€230,000	€105,000
• Gross	€3,344,000	€3,958,500
• Average (% change)	€28,101 (+7.2%)	€26,215
• Median (% change)	€22,000 (N/A)	€22,000
CUMULATIVE	2018	2017
• Catalogued	525	542
• Number Offered	480	509
• Number Sold	376	408
• Not Sold	104	101
• Clearance Rate	78.3%	80.2%
• High Price	€360,000	€500,000
• Gross	€17,314,000	€19,474,500
• Average (% change)	€46,048 (-3.5%)	€47,732
• Median (% change)	€33,000 (+3%)	€32,000

TDN Q & A W/Bluewater's Meg Levy Cont.

ML: It helps the pedigree move forward commercially, so there are a lot of opportunities. Alpha Centauri is an absolute memory of Miesque, really, with her gameness, and her physical drive. They don't look very much alike. Alpha Centauri is a throwback, a large imposing individual, whereas Miesque was not, but the blood is there.

TDN: Who can you imagine Galileo Gal being bred to?

ML: Galileo Gal has good opportunities to be bred in America, in Europe, in Japan or in Australia. The Danzig line has worked very well with Galileo mares, obviously. With a horse like War Front, you have examples like Roly Poly. You have another example of the Danzig line in Cover Song, by Fastnet Rock (Aus). In America, War Front is the most obvious choice. Galileo himself, in 2018 has been the broodmare sire of 29 black-type winners, which is pretty outstanding stuff. I think she has huge international appeal. She's really a cosmopolitan collectible, as it were, and would work with sires in Japan like Deep Impact (Jpn).

TDN: She concluded her racing career in August. What did you think of her when she arrived here?

ML: Waiting for a filly like this to get off the van is a pretty exciting time. Alpha Centauri was right in the middle of her string of four Grade Is, so when I heard that Mr. Barber was sending the half-sister to Alpha Centauri, I was sitting here waiting like it was Christmas. I was actually particularly impressed when she got off the van because she's a great mover, she's a really, really good-looking filly. She has really good lines, she's got a much bigger hip than I thought she would have. She has a lovely top line and she just moves like silk. Conformationally, Galileo Gal reminds me of some of the best broodmares that I've been around. She's medium-sized, she's correct, she's a great mover, she has a wonderfully balanced top line, and most of all, what I look for in a broodmare, is a really intelligent eye. I love an intelligent eye on a broodmare, it just bespeaks quality. I feel like I can see through that into East of



Click to view an TDN Q & A with Meg Levy of Bluewater Sales about Galileo Gal (pictured). The half-sister to MG1SW Alpha Centauri sells at Fasig-Tipton on Nov. 4

Moon, Miesque, you can see that blood coming through that eye. No one who has come in the barn has looked at her and not asked who she was.

TDN: Talk about her personality.

ML: She's actually been quite kind to be around, she wants to do what you want her to do. The day we saw the personality was with other horses which I also think is important for a broodmare because the broodmares raise the foals, and teach the foals about the world, so the strong-minded broodmares that we've seen in the field, so to speak, are the ones that usually raise the good foals that have a competitive desire, so I do like that about her as well.

TDN: Why is Gary Barber selling her?

ML: Mr. Barber's first and foremost love is racing. We have sold fillies for him over the last seven or eight years. Breeding isn't his main focus, so once a filly is finished with her racing career, usually they are presented at market. It's so exciting to be around those fillies who are from this kind of family and express that quality. It's a real connection for me, and having those fillies here makes it a relief when they sell because it's such a challenge, and you really want them to go to a great home, not just for them, but for their owners so they have the opportunity to go on.

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CLOTH OF STARS TO STAND IN FRANCE

G1 Prix de Ganay winner **Cloth of Stars (Ire)** (Sea the Stars {Ire}–Strawberry Fledge, by Kingmambo), also placed behind Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) in the last two G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphes, has been retired from racing and will stand at Darley's Haras du Logis in France. [Cont. p8](#)

Cloth of Stars to Stand in France Cont.

A 400,000gns yearling, Cloth of Stars was trained by Andre Fabre and won the G3 Prix de Chenes at two and was runner-up in the G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud. His four starts at three included wins in the G3 Prix La Force and the G2 Prix Greffulhe, and at four he was never worse than second, his three wins coming in the G3 Prix Exbury, the G2 Prix d'Harcourt and the Ganay. Cloth of Stars rounded out that season with a runner-up effort to Enable in the Arc, and after a pair of thirds in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic and the Ganay earlier this year, he filled third behind Enable at ParisLongchamp three weeks ago.

Cloth of Stars is out of Strawberry Fledge (Kingmambo), a full-sister to G1 Oaks winner Light Shift and also the dam of Ulysses (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Other top-class Niarchos representatives to appear under the second dam include Smoking Sun (Smart Strike) and Main Sequence (Aldebaran).

Sam Bullard, Darley's director of stallions, said, "Cloth of Stars has an awful lot going for him. He's a Timeform champion and a Group 1 performer every season from two to five, who was absolutely top-class. He's beautifully bred, and a quality individual. Cloth of Stars is in exalted company and we're delighted to be offering him to breeders."

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Group 1 winner and dual Arc-placed Cloth of Stars | Scoop Dyga

EIGHT WILDCARDS JOIN TATTERSALLS HIT SALE

An octet of horses-in-training will be offered as wildcards at the upcoming Tattersalls Autumn Horses in Training Sale from Oct. 29-Nov. 1. All eight new additions will go through the ring on Oct. 30. Lot 729A, Group 3 winning sophomore colt **Chilean (GB)** (Iffraaj {GB}) is the clear leader on form and is ranked 106 on Timeform.



Chilean | Tattersalls

Four-year-old gelding **Red Alert (GB)** (Sleep Indian {GB}) (lot 674A), who has won his two latest trips to the post, hails from the draft of Tony Carroll's Mill House Racing, while 2-year-old filly **Galtee Mist (Ire)** (Gale Force Ten {GB}) (lot 674B) was runner-up in her only start to date for Michael Byrne at Naas last week. Other juveniles entered include recent winner **The Cotswold Wasp (GB)** (Swiss Spirit {GB}) (lot 674C) from John Quinn's Bellwood Cottage Stables; lot 674D, **Tenax (Ire)** (Slade Power {Ire}), who has won once in five starts and is a half-brother to two black-type winners for Joseph O'Brien; the William Knight-trained **Sir Busker (Ire)** (Sir Prancealot {Ire}) (lot 729B), who broke his maiden over six panels at Newbury and is from the family of G1SW Golden Apples (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}); **Aristocratic Man (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) (lot 729C) hails from the yard of Gordon Elliot and was runner-up to subsequent Group 2 hero Japan (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) in a maiden at Listowel; and **Showout (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}) (lot 729D), a two-time winner for trainer Archie Watson, who was runner-up in the Listed Prix Zeddaan at Deauville.

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AGGRESSIVE TOPS GOFFS UK AUTUMN DAY 2

Debut bumper winner **Aggressive (Ire)** (Declaration of War) (lot 290) topped the second day of the Goffs UK Autumn Sale at Doncaster on Thursday when selling for £150,000 to Hamish Macauley Bloodstock on behalf of American Irvin Naylor. Consigned by David Elsworth, the 3-year-old half-brother to SW & GSP Tashaar (Ire) (Seas The Stars {Ire}) was one of 132 sold from 188 offered (70.2%). The gross was £1,497,700, the average rose to £11,346 (+20.9%) from 41 fewer lots offered and the median ticked up slightly to £5,000 (+2%). [Cont. p9](#)

Aggressive Tops Goffs UK Autumn Day 2 Cont.

Thursday’s session of horses-in-training and pointers followed on the heels of Wednesday’s yearling session.

Cumulatively, 331 lots went through the ring with 198 (60%) finding new homes for an aggregate of £1,840,800. The average rose 19% to £9,297 and the median remained flat at £4,000.

Pistol Whipped (Ire) (Beneficial {GB}) (lot 306) was the other lot to reach six figures, when bringing £110,000 from Highflyer Bloodstock. A member of Colin Bowe’s Milestone Stables draft, the 4-year-old gelded pointer most recently ran second at Loughrea this month.

“We have enjoyed a good day’s trade today for the Horses-in-Training and Pointers with the higher-class entries attracting strong demand in the ring from buyers from throughout Europe and America,” said Goffs UK Managing Director Tony Williams. “Yesterday’s yearling session was indicative of the season’s end service trade. Our figures were in line with last year’s edition and the clearance rate was reflective of this market. We were pleased with the top priced yearling selling for £50,000 yesterday and today’s top price of £150,000 proved a highlight of the day and indeed the sale.”

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BREEDERS' CUP MEMORIES

2015 BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC

by Daithi Harvey

I am very much hoping that this week will be my favourite Breeders’ Cup, but up to now the one that resonates most with me is the 2015 GI Breeders’ Cup Classic (*video*), when **American Pharoah** (Pioneerof the Nile) put a crown on his fantastic racing career. I was fortunate enough to be in Keeneland to witness the event and the roars from the stands when he raced clear up the straight were deafening but memorable. The crowd really appreciated that they were witnessing an exceptional Classic winner and for the Triple Crown hero to regain his winning ways on the back of a tough defeat in the GI Travers S. was to me something special.

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American Pharoah rolls in the Breeders’ Cup Classic
Coady Photography

**FIRST-SEASON SIRE
WITH RUNNERS**

Friday, Oct. 26, 2018:

UNITED KINGDOM

Alhebayeb (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Tara Stud

128 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners

19:45-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, ST OUVEN (Ire)

€50,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2017



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GOFFS UK AUTUMN SALE DAY 2

SESSION TOTALS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	245	297
• Number Offered	188	229
• Number Sold	132	188
• Not Sold	56	41
• Clearance Rate	70.2%	82.1%
• High Price	£150,000	£160,000
• Gross	£1,497,700	£1,765,000
• Average (% change)	£11,346 (+21%)	£9,388
• Median (% change)	£5,000 (+2%)	£4,900

CUMULATIVE TOTALS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	404	412
• Number Offered	331	339
• Number Sold	198	270
• Not Sold	133	69
• Clearance Rate	60%	79.6%
• High Price	£150,000	£160,000
• Gross	£1,840,800	£2,112,000
• Average (% change)	£9,297 (+19%)	£7,822
• Median (% change)	£4,000 (N/A)	£4,000

First-Season Sires With Runners Cont.**Australia (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud

126 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner

13:50-DONCASTER, 8f, GRACEFULLY DONE (Ire)

13:40-NEWBURY, 8f, HIGH COMMISSIONER (Ire)

€270,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2017

14:15-NEWBURY, 8f, PLATFORM NINETEEN (Ire)

68,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 2

Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Haras de Bonneval

105 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner

19:45-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, CONSPIRITOR (GB)

13:10-NEWBURY, 6.5f, LYNDON B (Ire)

€70,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2017

Coach House (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Bucklands Farm & Stud (GB)

76 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners

13:50-DONCASTER, 8f, ROYAL COUNTESS (GB)

Heeraat (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Mickley Stud

72 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners

14:25-DONCASTER, 7f, AWA BOMBA (GB)

3,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2016; £15,000 RNA

Goffs UK Doncaster 2yo Breeze-Up Sale 2018

Kingman (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Banstead Manor Stud

116 foals of racing age/19 winners/5 black-type winners

19:45-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, GOLDEN VALOUR (GB)

Mukhadram (GB) (Shamardal), Nunnery Stud

92 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner

14:15-NEWBURY, 8f, SKYMAN (GB)

90,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 3

15:00-DONCASTER, 7f, TABOU BEACH BOY (GB)

8,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 2

Sea The Moon (Ger) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), Lanwades Stud

115 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners

13:10-NEWBURY, 6.5f, CLASSIC STAR (GB)

19,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 3

14:15-NEWBURY, 8f, FLYING MOON (Ger)

€28,000 Baden-Baden Sept. Yearling Sale 2017

Toronado (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot

121 foals of racing age/18 winners/0 black-type winners

13:20-DONCASTER, 8f, KORCHO (GB)

50,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 1

FRANCE**American Devil (Fr)** (American Post {GB}), Haras De Grandcamp

34 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners

3-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, OKAMA (Fr)



Breeders' Cup Moments: Raven's Pass and Frankie Dettori en route to winning the 2008 BC Classic at Santa Anita. | *Racing Post*

First-Season Sires With Runners Cont.

€50,000 RNA Arqana Deauville v2 August Yearlings 2017
3-ANGERS, 1600m, VALENTO (Fr)

Anodin (Ire) (Anabaa), Haras du Quesnay
102 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners
3-ANGERS, 1600m, MATAIVA (Fr)
€18,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2017
4-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1400m, OIL ON CANVAS (Fr)
€9,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2017

Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Haras de Bonneval
105 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner
2-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, THE BIG SMOKE (Fr)
€25,000 RNA Arqana Deauville August Yearlings 2017 (FR)
2-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, CENTAURUS (Fr)
€27,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2017
3-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, OLYMPE (Fr)
€130,000 Arqana Deauville August Yearlings 2017 (FR)

Olympic Glory (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}), Haras de Bouquetot
119 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners
2-ANGERS, 2000m, DUCHESS OF GLORY (Fr)
€15,000 RNA Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2016 -
English Version; €18,000 RNA Arqana Deauville v2 August
Yearlings 2017
3-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, HELCIA (Ire)

Slade Power (Ire) (Dutch Art {GB}), Kildangan Stud
99 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
3-ANGERS, 1600m, DAN (GB)
52,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 3

Sommerabend (GB) (Shamardal), Haras de Saint Arnoult
43 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
3-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, ETERNAL SUMMER (Fr)
4-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1400m, STORM KATY (Fr)
€6,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2016 - English
Version

Toronado (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot
121 foals of racing age/18 winners/0 black-type winners
3-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, TORREALTA (Fr)
€50,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2017

Waldpark (Ger) (Dubawi {Ire}), Haras du Thenney
22 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
2-ANGERS, 2000m, ARUM (Fr)
€10,000 Baden-Baden Sept. Yearling Sale 2017

IRELAND

Bungle Inthejungle (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Rathasker
Stud
95 foals of racing age/24 winners/2 black-type winners

3-DUNDALK, 8f, ONE FOR DELLA (Ire)
€4,800 Tattersalls Ireland Flat Breeding Stock Sale 2016;
€10,000 Goresbridge Flat Breeze-Up Sale 2018

Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Haras de Bonneval
105 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner
3-DUNDALK, 8f, JUPITER ROAD (GB)
110,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2016; 210,000gns
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 2
2-DUNDALK, 5f, ROCKVIEW SPIRIT (GB)

Ruler of The World (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud
43 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner
3-DUNDALK, 8f, MAGIC SHUFFLE (Ire)
€22,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2016

Toronado (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot
121 foals of racing age/18 winners/0 black-type winners
2-DUNDALK, 5f, FESTINA PLENTE (GB)
13,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2016; 15,000gns
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 3
3-DUNDALK, 8f, SWEET DIME (GB)
34,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2016; €58,000 Goffs
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Coach House is hunting his sixth winner at Doncaster on Friday.

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OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

1.50 Doncaster, Mdn, £5,800, 2yo, f, 8ft

Derrick Smith and Michael Tabor's **GRACEFULLY DONE (IRE) (Australia {GB})** is a half-sister to Listed Prix Michel Houyvet winner Only A Pleasure (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) out of G1 Matron S. victress Sense of Style (Thunder Gulch). Opposition to the Luca Cumani-trained debutante includes Waverley Racing's €150,000 Goffs Orby yearling **Dancing Vega (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire})**, who is a half-sister to G3 Prix du Prince d'Orange victor Sky Kingdom (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) out of G1 Levin Classic and G1 Captain Cook S. heroine We Can Say It Now (Aus) (Starcraft {NZ}), from the Ralph Beckett barn.

2.25 Doncaster, Mdn, £5,800, 2yo, 7f 6yT

Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum's **NABBEYL (IRE) (New Approach {Ire})** is a son of G1 Jebel Hatta and G1 Dubai Duty Free heroine Sajjhaa (GB) (King's Best) and one of two hitherto unraced contenders representing the Roger Varian stable. Rivals include stablemate **Emirates Knight (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire})**, who kin to G1 Grosser Preis von Bayern victress Temida (Ire) (Oratorio {Ire}) produced by a stakes-winning half-sister to G1SW sire Midships (Mizzen Mast) and MSW G1 Nassau S. placegetter Principal Role (Empire Maker).

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BRITAIN



Thursday's Results:

2nd-Chelmsford City, £10,400, Cond, 10-25, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:37.45, st.

RED OCTOBER (IRE) (c, 2, Dawn Approach {Ire})--Mamonta {GB}, by Fantastic Light, runner-up in starts at Salisbury first up Sept. 14 and at Kempton last time Oct. 1, was scrubbed up early to hit the front after the initial strides of this one. Shaken up off the home turn, the 5-4 pick poached a decisive advantage entering the final eighth and was driven out to resist the late bid of Wise Ruler (GB) (Dawn Approach {Ire}) by 3/4-of-a-length. He is the fifth scorer out of Mamonta (GB) (Fantastic Light) and a half to MGSW G1 Prix Vermeille and G1 Prix Royal-Oak runner-up Endless Time (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), Listed Oaks Trial third The Sky Is Blazing (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Sea the Stars (Ire). He shares his second dam Mamoura (Ire) (Lomond) with G1 Sydney Cup hero Mourayan (Ire) (Alhaarth

{Ire}) and stakes-winning G1 Melbourne Cup third Mourilyan (Ire) (Desert Prince {Ire}). Sales history: 50,000gns Ylg '17 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$12,792. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Mrs Clodagh McStay & Partner; B-Mabaki Investments (IRE); T-Hugo Palmer.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

The Meter (GB), f, 2, **Helsinki--Lulea (GB)**, by Authorized (Ire). Chelmsford City, 10-25, 7f (AWT), 1:26.24. B-Peter Harper (GB).

Ring Dancer (GB), g, 3, **Teofilo (Ire)--Lady Zonda (GB)**, by Lion Cavern. Newcastle, 10-24, 8f 5y (AWT), 1:40.91. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (GB). *1/2 to Hibaayeb (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), G1SW-Eng, GISW-US & G1SP-Fr, \$630,316.

FRANCE



Thursday's Results:

3rd-Deauville, €44,000, Cond, 10-25, 2yo, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:28.55, st.

SHAMAN (IRE) (c, 2, Shamardal--Only Green {Ire}, by Green Desert) followed up a July 8 debut win at Chantilly with a second in the Aug. 12 Listed Prix Francois Boutin on the turf here and lined up off a third in the Sept. 9 G3 Prix des Chenes and a fifth in the Oct. 7 G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere, both at ParisLongchamp. Swiftly into stride to claim control after the initial exchanges, the 3-5 chalk was shaken up when threatened inside the two pole and driven out to hold the persistent Delaware (GB) (Frankel {GB}) by a half-length. The homebred chestnut is one of five winners produced by dual stakes scorer and G3 Prix Imprudence third Only Green (Ire) (Green Desert), and he is kin to Listed Prix Omnium II and Listed Albury Gold Cup victor Green Sweet (Smart Strike) and the yearling filly Cordova (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Only Green is herself a half to three black-type performers headed by MG1SW European champion Occupandiste (Ire) (Kaldoun {Fr}), who in turn is the dam of four stakes winners--headed by MG1SW Mondialiste (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})--and the granddam of G1 Prix du Jockey Club-winning sire Intello (Ger) (Galileo {Ire}). Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 5-2-1-1, €70,940. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (IRE); T-Carlos Laffon-Parias.

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French Report Cont.

2nd-Deauville, €27,000, Mdn, 10-25, unraced 2yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:46.52, gd.

KING COBRA (FR) (c, 2, Rajsaman {Fr}--Kinlochranoch {GB}, by Kyllachy {GB}) was well away from the outside box to stalk the pace in second after the early strides of this debut. Shaken up to gain a narrow advantage, the 109-10 chance was pushed out to score by a half-length from Top Max (Fr) (Joshua Tree {Ire}). Hailing from a family featuring G1SW sire Al Nasr (Fr) (Lyphard) and MG1SP sire Kingsalsa (Kingmaambo), the bay becomes the second scorer produced by a winning half-sister to G1 Prix de l'Abbaye third Mar Adentro (Fr) (Marju {Ire}) and he is a full-brother to the yearling colt Prospecteur (Fr). Sales history: €5,000 Wlg '16 ARQDEC; €40,000 Ylg '17 OSLATE. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** 1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand & Ecurie Jean-Louis Tepper; B-Mme Elisabeth Vidal (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

4th-Deauville, €27,000, Mdn, 10-25, unraced 2yo, f, 8fT, 1:43.82, gd.

TUNED (GB) (f, 2, Toronado {Ire}--Zagora {Fr} {Ch. Grass Mare, MGSW-US & MGSW-Fr, \$2,368,589}, by Green Tune) skipped a proposed Aug. 21 engagement over this strip, which featured the 'TDN Rising Star' performance of stablemate Commes (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), but dwelt at the break before recovering to sweep by a swathe of rivals and track the pace in fourth along the rail. Quickening when prompted with 300 metres remaining, the 31-5 chance was brave under a late drive and forced her way through an ever-narrowing gap along the fence to oust stablemate Sadiqa (Fr) (Poets' Voice {GB}), herself an Aga Khan homebred half-sister to G1 Prix Saint-Alary heroine Sagawara (GB) (Shamardal), by a short head on the line. She becomes the 18th winner for her freshman sire (by High Chaparral {Ire}) and the second scorer from three runners produced by GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf and GI Diana S.-winning US champion Zagora (Fr) (Green Tune), herself a half-sister to stakes-winning G2 UAE Derby runner-up Asmar (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) and Listed Prix Delahante third Zanet (Fr) (Enrique {GB}). Her stakes-placed third dam Party Zane (GB) (Zafonic) is a half-sister to MGSW sire Titus Livius (Fr) (Machiavellian) and the homebred chestnut is kin to a yearling colt by Dubawi (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** 1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Al Shaqab Racing (GB); T-Jean Claude Rouget.



The Tuned camp is all smiles after the daughter of MGSW Zagora is off the mark at first asking | *Scoop Dyga*

3rd-Lyon La Soie, €16,000, Mdn, 10-25, unraced 2yo, 9f (AWT), 1:57.78, st.

SWING THE STAR (FR) (c, 2, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Don't Hurry Me {Ire} {GSW-Fr & GSP-Itly, \$133,489}, by Hurricane Run {Ire}) was well away to lead past the judge first time, but was shuffled back to race fourth at halfway in this first go. Making smooth headway in the straight to challenge approaching the final eighth, the 29-5 chance was driven out to assert and then hold on by a nose as Flambeur (Mizzen Mast) flew home late. Kin to a yearling filly by Prince Gibraltar (Fr), he is the third scorer from as many runners produced by G3 Prix Penelope victress Don't Hurry Me (Ire) (Hurricane Run {Ire}), herself a half-sister to three-time stakes winner Bernay (Ire) (King's Best), who in turn is out of an unraced half to MGSW sire Gold and Steel (Fr) (Shining Steel {GB}). Sales history: €23,000 Ylg '17 AROCT; €58,000 2yo '18 ARQMAY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Mme Liliane Alarcon, Ecurie du Sud & Ecurie Gribomont; B-Jean-Francois Gribomont (FR); T-Cedric Rossi.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

6th-Lyon La Soie, €24,000, Cond, 10-25, 2yo, 9f (AWT), time: n/a, st.

LARANZA (FR) (f, 2, Roderic O'Connor {Ire}--Hello Sindarella {Fr}, by Sinndar {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, €24,950. O-Jonathan Violet, Mme Claudie Auché & Lionel Larrigade; B-EARL Haras du Camp Benard (FR); T-Lionel Larrigade. *€9,000 Ylg '17 OSLATE.

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IRELAND



Thursday's Results:

2nd-Thurles, €12,000, Mdn, 10-25, 2yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:40.60, g/f.

CONSTANTINOPLE (IRE) (c, 2, Galileo {Ire})--One Moment In Time {Ire}, by Danehill), who ran fifth at Leopardstown in his Aug. 16 debut and third at Newmarket last time Sept. 27, led from flagfall in this one. Holding sway throughout, the 4-11 lock easily disposed of overmatched rivals in the straight and was urged ever clear inside the final quarter mile to hit the line 10 lengths in advance of Counting Sheep (Ire) (Morpheus {GB}). "He had the experience and the ground suited him, but it was a moderate race so it was nice to get the win," said Ireland's champion jockey-elect Donnacha O'Brien. "He's a good-looking horse, he'll stay further and will get a mile-and-a-half next year." The bay is a full-brother to MGSW G1 St Leger runner-up Bondi Beach (Ire), a yearling colt and a filly foal. His dam is an unraced full-sister to G1 Fillies' Mile and G1 Falmouth S. heroine Simply Perfect (GB) (Danehill) out of G1 Moyglare Stud S. and G1 Fillies' Mile placegetter Hotelgenie Dot Com (GB) (Selkirk). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$10,005. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-One Moment In Time Syndicate (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien.

1st-Thurles, €12,000, Mdn, 10-25, 2yo, f, 8fT, 1:40.80, g/f.
MONA LISA'S SMILE (f, 2, War Front--Imagine {Ire} {Hwt. 3yo Filly-Eng at 11-14f, G1SW-Eng & Ire, \$527,013}, by Sadler's Wells) finished off the board in six prior starts, including a last-out seventh at Dundalk Oct. 19, and was sharpest from the gates to claim an immediate lead here. Scrubbed along approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 7-1 chance maintained a relentless tempo under a final-furlong drive to comfortably account for Fujimoto Flyer (Jpn) (Admire Moon {Jpn}) by two lengths. "It's nice to be back and the track rides well," said Wayne Lordan after claim the Co. Tipperary venue's first flat race in 11 years. "I rode a filly with lots of experience, she jumped well from a good draw and I got to the front which is a help. Aidan [O'Brien] told me to get her out good and go forward. I hit the gates and it all worked out well." She is the ninth scorer for G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Epsom Oaks heroine Imagine (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and thus a half to ill-fated G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere victor and MG1SP sire Red Rock Canyon (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}). She is also a half-sister to pattern-race winners Kitty Matcham (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), Point Piper (Giant's Causeway) and Viscount Nelson (Giant's Causeway). Imagine--herself kin to MG1SW sire Generous (Ire) (Caerleon), et al--has a colt foal by American Pharoah to come and was bred back to

American Pharoah this year. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-0, \$9,531. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Mrs David Nagle & Mrs John Magnier; B-Barronstown Stud (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien.



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Madrid (Ire), c, 3, Galileo (Ire)--Logjam (Ire), by Royal Academy. Thurles, 10-25, 8fT, 1:40.77. B-Lynch-Bages & Rhinestone Bloodstock (IRE). *1/2 to Boris de Deauville (Ire) (Soviet Star), MGSW-Fr & G1SP-Ity, \$458,698; Kingoverthewater (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}), SP-Fr.



Mona Lisa's Smile | *Racing Post*



Jessica Harrington hosts members of the new MyRacing25 Club. The Club, which for €10 annually offers 18 to 25 year olds perks like racecourse tickets, behind the scenes trips and meet and greet opportunities, was launched on Thursday. For more visit www.goracing.ie. | *INPHO Photography*



Jockey Ana O'Brien is pictured with her GOAL What On Earth globe. What On Earth is a unique collection of 100 resin globe sculptures which have been decorated/painted by some of Ireland's top artists and celebrities. The collection will be displayed throughout the Autumn in Ireland, before being auctioned off in November of 2018 to raise funds for GOAL, which is an international and humanitarian and development agency dedicated to the alleviation of suffering amongst the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world.

GOAL/WhatOnEarth



IN SOUTH AFRICA:

Greenwood Drive (Aus), g, 4, Lope de Vega (Ire)--Bootsey, by Cat Thief. Vaal, 10-25, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:34.06. O-Colin Bird; B-Patinack Farm (NSW); T-Robbie Sage. *A\$54,000 Wlg '15 MGLMAY; R100,000 Ylg '16 BSAAPR; R800,000 2yo '16 CAPNOV.

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	Kennedy Mile	Flemington
	Coolmore Stud S.	Flemington
	Victoria Derby	Flemington
Nov. 6	Melbourne Cup	Flemington
Nov. 8	Kennedy Oaks	Flemington
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	Darley Classic	Flemington

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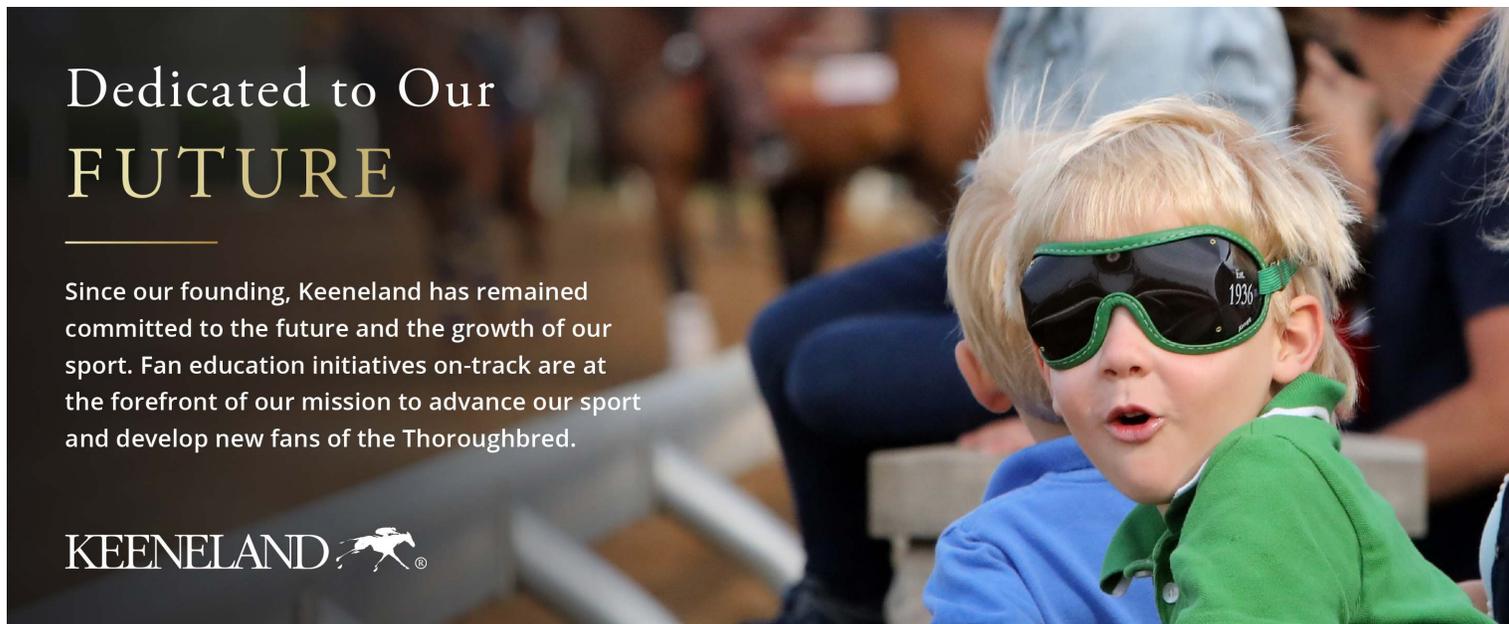
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GODOLPHIN: THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT



William Buick, James Doyle, Charlie Appleby & Saeed bin Suroor
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by John Berry

For most of the current century, what one might call the glory days of Godolphin were but a distant memory. In December 2016, however, we can now perhaps say that some seeds of change were sown, seeds which have been reaping a rich harvest throughout 2018. One consequence of this harvest was that Godolphin was once again crowned Champion Owner of Great Britain at the end-of-term awards' ceremony on QIPCO British Champions' Day at Ascot last Saturday.

Godolphin's high profile inevitably means that its internal politics attract plenty of attention. Changes of trainer invariably become big talking points, as was the case when John O'Shea succeeded Peter Snowden and then when James Cummings was recruited to replace O'Shea. It is a similar story regarding the occupancy of the principal managerial positions, as we saw last year when Henry Plumptre's resignation as managing director of Godolphin's Australian operation was so widely scrutinised, as was the subsequent appointment of Vin Cox to fill the role.

The same level of interest applies in Europe, where in December 2016 John Ferguson (who subsequently resigned from the organisation in June 2017) was appointed to the position of Godolphin's Chief Executive. Ferguson had played various key roles within Sheikh Mohammed's operation for years, but his new role, as he revealed a few weeks later, came

with the exhortation from Sheikh Mohammed to give Godolphin "a kick in the belly". Quite what form this kick took is, even now, hard to say. But Godolphin has been on a tremendous run of success over recent years. Although Ferguson is no longer with the company, Godolphin continue to reap the dividends of his strategic decisions over the years. As well as benefitting from a new group of leading industry thinkers.

So successful have Godolphin in general, and its two principal trainers Saeed bin Suroor and Charlie Appleby in particular, been during 2018 that it is hard to believe that neither of those two men trained a Group 1 winner in Europe in 2015. At time of writing, Godolphin's worldwide tally of Group/Grade 1 victories for the current year stands at 26. This is a startlingly good total by any standards, including by Godolphin's own. In the 27 years since its inception (ie 1992 to 2018 inclusive) Godolphin has posted a Group 1 total of 284, at an average of just over 10 per year. This means that the current 2018 figure (which is likely to rise further between now and the end of year) is roughly two and a half times the operation's annual norm.

Merely to quote these statistics, of course, is to use them for support rather than illumination. Godolphin is currently very different from how it started out. At the outset, Godolphin was a small, select quad of Sheikh Mohammed's best horses, trained initially by Hilal Ibrahim and then by Saeed bin Suroor, and housed (during the European season) entirely within the original, much smaller, Moulton Paddocks Stables. **Cont. p2**



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At that time, the vast majority of Sheikh Mohammed's horses raced in his own maroon and white livery, rather than the Godolphin blue, and were trained by public trainers. Nowadays the Godolphin team contains many hundreds of horses, but then it numbered merely a few dozen.

That, though, does not alter the fact that, as Godolphin grew, it (perhaps inevitably) became far more synonymous with quantity than quality. This year, though, it has turned the tide and rolled back the years. Both Appleby and bin Suroor enjoyed notable success at the Dubai International Carnival at Meydan in the first quarter of the year, and things have continued from there. On 'Super Saturday' at Meydan in March, Appleby saddled the Darley-bred Blair House (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) to land the G1 Jebel Hatta. They then each had a Group 1 double on Dubai World Cup Night three weeks later, highlighted by Bin Suroor sending out Thunder Snow (Ire) (Helmet {Aus}) to win the highlight. Of their four Group 1 winners, all bar one was a Darley-bred son of a Darley sire.

If there is one victory which could please Sheikh Mohammed more than a Dubai World Cup triumph, that is arguably success in the Derby. Previously, Saeed bin Suroor had taken the premier Classic in 1995 with Lammtarra (Nijinsky II) but that horse (who carried the silks of Saeed bin Maktoum al Maktoum) was one of the stable's few inmates not raced by Godolphin. New Approach (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) won the 'Blue Riband' in 2008 in the green livery of Sheikh Mohammed's wife, Princess Haya of Jordan. But this year, the Charlie Appleby-trained Masar (Ire) finally carried the royal blue silks into the hallowed Epsom winner's circle, providing Sheikh Mohammed with one of his finest racing hours. The admirable homebred chestnut colt is a son of a Darley stallion (New Approach) out the Saeed bin Suroor-trained 2011 G2 UAE Derby



Hartnell | Bronwen Healy

heroine Khawlah, herself a home-bred daughter of another Darley sire (Cape Cross {Ire}, a Group 1 winner for Godolphin in 1998) and the Sheikh Maktoum al Maktoum home-bred Villarrica. The latter is a daughter of Godolphin's 2000 G1 Irish Oaks runner-up Melikah (Ire), herself a daughter of Lammtarra-- so the triumph would have been as close to Sheikh Mohammed's heart as could be.

Later in the month Appleby sent out Godolphin's 4-year-old Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal) to take the G1 King's Stand S. at Royal Ascot, merely one more highlight in a superb summer for Moulton Paddocks Stables. Appleby hadn't quite been able to complete the Derby/Oaks double because Wild Illusion (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) had finished 'only' second in the Oaks, but more recently the filly has taken the G2 Ribblesdale S. at Royal Ascot, the G1 Nassau S. at Glorious Goodwood and the G1 Prix de l'Opera at Longchamp on 'Arc Day'. That latter triumph was the second leg of a Group 1 double for Godolphin on Arc Day, following the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere victory of the Bin Suroor-trained Royal Marine (Ire) (Raven's Pass).



Wild Illusion | Scoop Dyga

At the same time, both trainers have been enjoying remarkable success in Australia. Bin Suroor has sent out the winners of two of the biggest races of the Spring Carnival in Melbourne, Benbatl (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) landing the G1 Ladbrokes Caulfield S. and Best Solution (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) taking the G1 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup. In each case, the horse was winning his third Group 1 of the year. Earlier in the spring, Appleby had won the G1 Ladbrokes Sir Rupert Clarke S. at Caulfield with Jungle Cat (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}) who was thus registering his second Group 1 triumph of the year.

Not to be outdone, James Cummings has Godolphin's Australian string in fine form, as highlighted by the win last month in the G1 TAB Epsom H. at Randwick of the redoubtable Hartnell (GB) (Authorized {Ire}). **Cont. p3**

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We can say that Sheikh Mohammed has bred and raced horses more talented than Hartnell, but it is doubtful whether he has ever had one more admirable. That Epsom victory came three and a half years after Hartnell's first Group 1 triumph (in the G1 BMW / Tancred S. at Rosehill in March 2015) and that was after Hartnell had been Group 1-placed in France as a 2-year-old in 2013 and had won the Queen's Vase S. over two miles at Royal Ascot in 2015. The magnificent gelding is currently doing sterling work still flying the royal blue standard while we wait for the breeding operation to produce some more stars of the calibre of the Peter Snowden-trained contemporaries Sepoy (Aus) (Elusive Quality) and Helmet (Aus) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) who between them swept the board in the Two-Year-Olds' Triple Crown in Sydney in the autumn of 2011 before both going on to further Group 1 glory the following spring.

Godolphin has just been crowned Champion Owner of Great Britain for the fourth consecutive season, and thirteenth time overall. This latest title surely must be as pleasing for Sheikh Mohammed as any of the previous 12. Much of Godolphin's success in recent years had come with horses trained by what one might call 'outside' stables, such as Talismanic (GB) (Medaglia d'Oro) and Cloth Of Stars (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) with Andre Fabre, Jack Hobbs (GB) (Halling) with John Gosden, Ribchester (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}) with Richard Fahey, Harry Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) with Clive Cox, and Barney Roy (GB) (Excelebration {Ire}) with Richard Hannon. This year, though, it has been the Godolphin private trainers who have been producing most of the success, generally with Darley homebreds by Darley stallions.

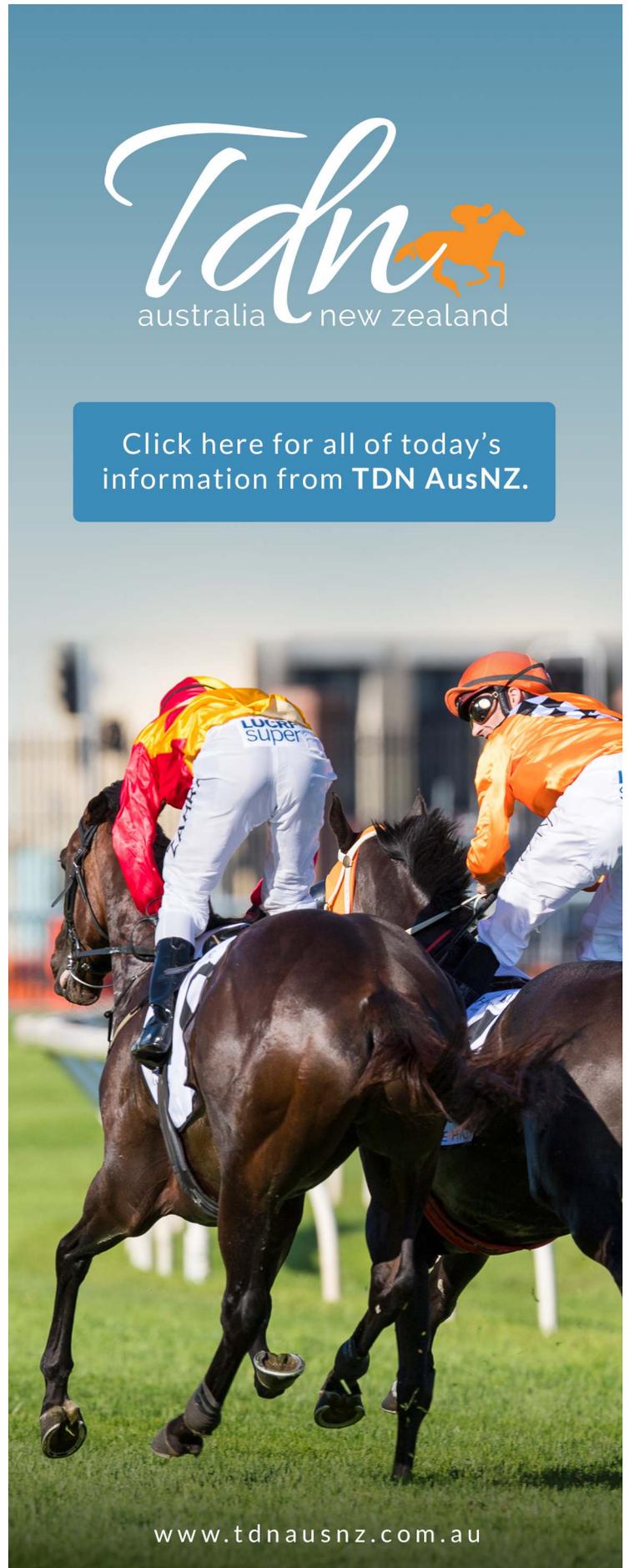
As for the future, things look set to continue in similar vein, not least because the Godolphin string contains so many very promising juveniles, headed by the Appleby-trained G1 National S. winner Quorto (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}). Looking farther ahead, there is scope for further improvement still, thanks to Sheikh Mohammed's recently re-introduced policy of buying yearlings by, and sending mares to, the best Coolmore stallions, most notably Galileo. The mere fact that Sheikh Mohammed has been so personally involved at the sales at Keeneland, Goffs and Tattersalls in recent weeks shows how high the tide of enthusiasm, reinvigorated no doubt by Godolphin's recent high-profile success, is running at present.

As we toast Godolphin, Great Britain's Champion Owner for 2018, we can truly say that the future looks bright, the future looks blue.

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