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NY CASINO SITES TO BE ANNOUNCED TODAY

By Mike Kane

A major step in New York's march toward full-scale commercial casinos will take place Wednesday in Albany when recommendations for up to four upstate sites are announced by the Gaming Facility Location Board.

Members of the board appointed by the New York Gaming Commission reviewed a total of 16 proposals to build the destination resorts in three regions of the state north and west of New York City. Each region is to receive one license and the board can recommend that one of the regions receive a second license. It is expected that the Catskill/Hudson Valley region of Orange, Sullivan and Ulster counties--the closest to the New York metro area with its huge population--will be awarded the second license.

Earlier this year, residents of Saratoga Springs, home to the historic Saratoga Race Course and part of the Capital/Saratoga region, successfully fought a proposal by the owners of Saratoga Casino and Raceway to seek a license to expand its video lottery terminal (VLT) facility at the 73-year-old Standardbred track into a full-fledged casino with table games.



Saratoga
A. Coglianese

Saratoga Casino and Raceway is located about one mile from America's oldest Thoroughbred track. The closest of the four remaining bidders in the Capital/Saratoga region to the Saratoga Race Course is a site 24 miles away in Schenectady.

Saratoga Casino and Raceway has partnered with Churchill Downs on a Capital region proposal, called Capital View Casino and Resort, east of Albany in the Rensselaer County town of East Greenbush. Also, Saratoga Casino and Raceway is a partner in the Hudson Valley Casino & Resort proposal in Newburgh.

The third region is the Southern Tier/Finger Lakes, an L-shaped area with a base along the Pennsylvania border around the city of Binghamton and a narrow leg that extends north between Rochester and Syracuse to the southern shore of Lake Ontario.

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo said in August 2011 that his administration was actively involved in determining whether casinos should be legalized in the state. A proposal to amend the constitution passed two consecutive sessions of the state legislature and was approved by voters--57-43%--in Nov. 2013. While it permits a total of seven casinos in the state, the legislation calls for upstate casinos to be built first--to foster economic development--to be followed in seven years by up to three casinos in the New York City metro region. **Cont. p3**

OAKLAWN TO OFFER LASIX FREE BONUS

By T.D. Thornton

One oft-repeated mantra about medication reform in Thoroughbred racing is that horsemen will follow the money.

Oaklawn Park will attempt to test that theory in 2015 by paying a 10% bonus on top of the first-place purse value to horses who win without Lasix in their systems.



Oaklawn Park
Coady Photography

The Arkansas track will open Jan. 9 with myriad unanswered questions about its Lasix-free bonus program: Will a three-month meet generate a meaningful-enough sample size to gauge whether the program works or not? Will there be horsemen who support the experiment in theory, but are reluctant to try it for fear of compromising performance or losing owners? Does Oaklawn's lack of 2-year-old racing skew the study? Would writing entirely Lasix-free races be a better way to level the playing field?

The only agreement among Oaklawn officials, industry leaders and horsemen seems to be that the program is worth a shot, and that the sport has to start making incremental changes if it intends to get serious about weaning the nationwide horse population off a well-entrenched regimen of raceday medication.

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McLaughlin Holds Strong Hand in FL

Trainer Kieran McLaughlin had one of the top sophomores in the country at Gulfstream Park's Championship Meet last year in Cairo Prince (Pioneerof the Nile), and he heads into the meet fully loaded this year with some of the top soon to be 3-year-olds in country.

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Xcellence to Visit Frankel

Martin Schwartz's **Xcellence (Fr)** (Champs Elysees {GB}), who RNA'd for €950,000 at Arqana's December Breeding Stock Sale Dec. 6, will be bred to Frankel (GB) next year.



Xcellence
NYRA photo

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O'Hara Fined by HKJC

Singapore trainer John O'Hara was fined HK75,000 by the Hong Kong Jockey Club for failing to provide important veterinary information about his charge **Spalato (NZ)** (Elusive City) prior to his run in the G2 Jockey Club Sprint Nov. 23.



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NORTH AMERICAN NEWS

NY Casino Sites to be Announced Today cont. from p1

New York already is home to five upstate casinos owned by Native American tribes and nine racetracks that have the (VLT), electronic slot machines on their grounds. The Cuomo administration reached agreements with the tribes not to place competing casinos near their properties. The VLT facilities were approved in Oct. 2001, a few weeks after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and did not require a constitutional amendment because they are considered part of the state lottery. Two other tracks--Belmont Park and Saratoga Race Course--offer nothing but Thoroughbred racing.

Many of the most prominent national and international gaming companies are among the bidders ready to launch projects. The group includes Genting, the Malaysian powerhouse which operates the Resorts World Casino at Aqueduct Racetrack that has pumped millions of dollars into New York's Thoroughbred racing and breeding industries, Caesars Entertainment, Hard Rock, Mohegan Sun, Empire Resorts, Penn National and Full House Resorts.

Genting is involved in two proposals for Orange County, the closest county to New York City in the casino sweepstakes. Critics of the three southern-most proposals in Orange County contend that casinos located there would be so convenient to New York City residents that they would doom to failure developments in either Sullivan or Ulster counties, which are part of the economically stressed Catskill Mountains.

The meeting will be streamed live on the New York Gaming Commission's [website](#) starting at 2:00 p.m.
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Oaklawn to Offer Lasix Free Bonus cont. from p1

"The perception of Lasix is not what it was five, six or seven years ago," said David Longinotti, Oaklawn's director of racing. "It's a work in progress. It's a step in the right direction. You have to start somewhere, and we're going to evaluate things and see how things go during the 2015 racing season."

Lasix (also branded Salix) is furosemide, a once-unsanctioned but now nearly universally prescribed legal diuretic in American racing. It gained widespread use in the 1970s for its ability to reduce exercise-induced pulmonary hemorrhage in equine athletes. In the decades since its legalization, there has been endless debate over the role of Lasix as a performance-enhancer and in fostering a culture of over-medication. Grave questions have arisen about its short-term effects on individual horses and long-term implications for the breed as a whole. *Cont. p4*

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Highlighted by FREUDIE ANNE's victory in the East View Stakes at Aqueduct, Dec. 14. The NY-bred filly earned \$24,000 in awards.

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Oaklawn to Offer Lasix Free Bonus cont.

Suffice to say it would take an entire issue of *TDN* to properly outline both sides of the debate. But a substantial gray area exists in which advocates for the therapeutic benefits of Lasix overlap beliefs with those of reformers calling for an outright ban on raceday medication. This murky middle ground is the starting point from which Oaklawn will attempt to incentivize owners and trainers to race--and win--without Lasix.

Oaklawn will pay the bonus money separate from its purse account. Oaklawn Jockey Club president Charles Cella has underscored to his executive staff that he wants to accentuate the track's reputation as a "hay, oats and water" example.

"If you remember back in the 1970s and 1980s, we were one of the last tracks that actually allowed Lasix," Longinotti said. "We're not advocating that horses who need Lasix should run without it. But we think that maybe there are horses that don't require Lasix, and if you can run without Lasix, they should certainly do so."

The Oaklawn incentives will range from \$1,800 on top of a minimum winning purse of \$18,000 up to \$60,000 for a Lasix-free victory in the GI Arkansas Derby. The total amount budgeted for the program is \$1.4 million.

"One of our concerns was we did not want to create an incentive for people to run horses without Lasix if the horses needed it," Longinotti said. "So that was a big reason we made sure these funds are not coming out of the purse account at all. The funds to create these bonuses come out of our own pocket."

A perusal of the charts of the 2014 racing season at Oaklawn shows that the track is unlikely to have to dig too deeply into its till to fulfill the bonus pledge.

In 473 races at Oaklawn last season, only five races were won by Lasix-free Thoroughbreds (four horses total, with one repeat winner). So barely 1% of all winners ran Lasix-free. Had the bonus program been in effect last year, Oaklawn would have paid \$14,850.

In fairness, Oaklawn does not conduct 2-year-old racing, and a sizable shift within the industry has been for owners of juveniles to pledge not to race their young horses on Lasix.

"That's because of the time of the year that we race," Longinotti said. "We race January through mid-April. That's too early for 2-year-olds to race, obviously. But we do get a lot of 3-year-old first-time starters. What we kind of expect to happen is some owners will run first-timers without Lasix. Obviously, we hope that they will scope them before they attempt that to make sure they have some confidence that the horse is not going to need Lasix."

Trainer Chris Richard was third in wins last year at Oaklawn. Two of his 23 victories came with Lasix-free horses in maiden special weight races.

"Those two horses--All Call and Discipline--were both owned by James McIngvale," Richard said. "He is a big proponent for not running horses on Lasix. Those were young 3-year-olds, and if they don't show that they have bled in the mornings or anything, Mr. McIngvale would prefer that they do not run on Lasix."

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Although Oaklawn's initial September press release about the bonus program claimed that the track would be the "first in America" to offer such incentives, Longinotti said Oaklawn officials have since learned that Arapahoe Park was the first to implement medication-free bonuses. Oaklawn has since conceded that honor to the Colorado track, which operates on a far smaller scale on a geographically isolated circuit.

Arapahoe spokesman Jonathan Horowitz said track management decided "at the last minute and in the middle of the season" last summer to offer flat \$1,000 bonuses to any winning horse that ran totally medication-free (Lasix, Phenylbutazone, Banamine and Ketoprofen are permissible on raceday in Colorado).

"We were thrilled that after we were the first to do it, Oaklawn Park has a similar bonus system," Horowitz said. "When you're the first one to do something, it seems kind of lonely. But when other people come on board, you sort of take a little satisfaction that, hey, we might be doing the right thing."

A total of 21 Arapahoe horses ran medication-free, and three of them won a total of four races.

"Now that we have it out there, we might change things up a bit [for 2015]," Horowitz said. "We have some time to target trainers and give them a heads up so they can figure out if they have horses they want to run under this program."

Longinotti said Oaklawn considered several options as to how to best promote Lasix-free racing.

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Oaklawn to Offer Lasix Free Bonus cont.

“We talked about giving a weight break to horses who do not run on Lasix, or special race conditions for non-Lasix users,” Longinotti said. “But at the end of the day, this kind of boiled down as the most fair way of doing it.”

As for expectations at Oaklawn, Longinotti said he did not want to commit in terms of numbers. He said the initial response has been supportive, but not overwhelming.



Jack Van Berg
Horsephotos

“We’ve gotten a few emails, a couple of nice letters and some phone calls, but nothing huge,” Longinotti said. “A lot of pats on the back, things like that. The first person who came in my door and patted us on the back was Jack Van Berg.”

Reached by phone near Remington Park in Oklahoma last Saturday, Van Berg, a Hall of Fame trainer, said he was in

favor of Oaklawn’s initiatives, but doesn’t know if they are enough to spur serious reform.

“I’ve tried over and over to stop all medication,” Van Berg said.

“What Mr. Charles Cella is doing in Hot Springs is going to help, but the only bad side of it is if you’ve got an owner, and you run his horse without Lasix, if he doesn’t like it he’s going to take that horse to another trainer [who will run the horse on Lasix]. There are quite a few trainers that abuse the drug route. But the owner doesn’t have to suffer if a trainer has a bad test.”

Van Berg added, “The only way you’re going to change the darn thing is to invest enough money to have the most sophisticated testing there is to detect all drug use, and then trainers will have to follow the rules when they take out a stall application and sign their license.”

The conditioner continued, “Back in my time, years ago, when you got a bad test, you [were sent packing] down the road. Nowadays they just get an injunction and keep racing. They don’t do anything to them; they give them a little slap on the wrist.”

Van Berg said that at Remington, he starts his 2-year-olds without Lasix. Those juveniles will be three by the time he brings a stable of 18 to Oaklawn. Past performances show some older Van Berg entrants at Remington do race on Lasix.

“I testified before Congress in New York [in 2008] and there hasn’t been anything done since then,” Van Berg said. “The bad part about it, when I was up there testifying, some of the same people who were abusing the system then are still doing [illegal] things now. Either you make a rule or you don’t. I feel sorry for the horses, and what they have to go through.” **Cont. p6**

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Oaklawn to Offer Lasix Free Bonus cont.

Richard said it's a case-by-case basis as to whether he uses Lasix on his horses. He will have 35 head at Oaklawn, but because of the way his stable has rotated, he only expects to train one for Lasix-free advocate McIngvale.

"I go a different direction than some of the people who are against Lasix," Richard said. "If they outlawed Lasix tomorrow, would I have a huge problem with it? Not really, because I think I can do without it. Certain horses who are bleeders can greatly benefit from it, and I'm all for trying to take the best possible care of my horses as I can."

Richard sees pitfalls in experimenting with taking a known bleeder off of Lasix just to chase bonus money.

"What people don't realize is that it's very easy to put a horse on Lasix [initially]," Richard said. "But if you take a horse off of Lasix, he doesn't run well, and you scope him and find out he bled, it's not just as simple as, 'Well let me go to the test barn and get him back on Lasix.' Each jurisdiction is different, and there's a time period [before a bleeder is allowed back on the drug]. A lot of times you could be sitting in the barn for 30 days."

Richard said he tries to keep an open mind and be respectful of both sides of the Lasix issue.

"I think the benefit of the horses is the number one criteria," the trainer remarked. "And unfortunately, we do have a lot of Thoroughbreds that do bleed. It's taxing on the horse's system."

"Then the horse needs to be put on antibiotics, because you don't want to chance infection and the horse getting sick. So then there's even more expense and more time lost in getting that horse back to a healthy state that you can feel comfortable getting him back to a race."

Richard continued, "There are horsemen who want to get away from Lasix, but then there are horsemen saying 'Let's take care of these horses the best that we can with legal therapeutic medications. So it will be absolutely interesting to see where this goes within the next couple of years.'"

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MCLAUGHLIN RETURNS TO FL FULLY LOADED
Courtesy of Gulfstream Park

Kieran McLaughlin arrived at Gulfstream Park's Championship Meet last year with an ace up his sleeve in the form of **Cairo Prince** (Pioneerof the Nile), but the conditioner could be holding a full house in his return this winter.

Among the horses the Lexington, Kentucky, native may have in South Florida are a quartet of talented 2-year-olds led by **Classy Class** (Discreetly Mine), **Frosted** (Tapit) and **Imperia** (Medaglia d'Oro), each among the 23 single betting interests in pool one of the GI Kentucky Derby future wager, along with **Mawthooq** (Distorted Humor), a 10 1/2-length maiden winner at Aqueduct Nov. 26.

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McLaughlin Returns to FL Fully Loaded cont.

That doesn't include **Ocean Knight** (Curlin), an impressive debut winner at Aqueduct Dec. 13; well-regarded Tapit colt **Good Pick Nick** or the unstarted **Jess's Dream** (Curlin--Rachel Alexandra), a son of two Horse of the Year titlists whose unveiling is expected to come during the Championship Meet.

"We will have a few nice young horses," said McLaughlin, who is stabled at Palm Meadows, Gulfstream's satellite training facility in Palm Beach County. "We have 50 stalls at Palm Meadows, and hopefully we have 50 nice horses that fit. We feel good about Florida. We're happy to be there, happy to be at Palm Meadows and hopefully we have a good winter."



Kiaran McLaughlin
A. Coglianese

Last year, McLaughlin brought GII Nashua S. winner **Cairo Prince** to Gulfstream off a runner-up finish in the GII Remsen S. at Aqueduct. Considered the leading Triple Crown contender, **Cairo Prince** was

an impressive winner of the GII Holy Bull S. before being injured following a fourth place finish in the GI Florida Derby and subsequently retired.

McLaughlin was second in the Remsen again last month with **Frosted**, who came up a half-length short as the favorite after breaking from the outside post in a 13-horse field and was eight lengths clear of the third place finisher. **Classy Class**, owned by Everest Dobson's Cheyenne Stable, finished fourth after chasing the early pace.

Both **Frosted**, a son of Tapit, and **Medaglia d'Oro**-sired **Imperia** are owned by Godolphin Stable. **Imperia** made his first three starts on grass, winning the GIII Pilgrim S. at Belmont Park and finishing a troubled 10th in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf before rallying to be second, beaten a head in the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. at Churchill Downs in his dirt debut.

"I said that maybe this was a good time to run him on the dirt and see if he would like it, rather than waiting until February to find out if he's equally good on the dirt," McLaughlin said. "Sometimes you start a horse on the turf because of the distance, and that's what he wanted. We felt like we weren't going to waste our time running short on the dirt, so we ran him long on the turf and he ran very well."

Jess's Dream, **Ocean Knight** and **Good Pick Nick** are all owned by Barbara Banke's Stonestreet Stable. By two-time Horse of the Year and Hall of Famer **Curlin**, **Jess's Dream** is the first foal out of 2009 Horse of the Year **Rachel Alexandra**. He is named for Banke's late husband **Jess Jackson**, who campaigned both **Curlin** and **Rachel Alexandra** and envisioned their mating.
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“He is working very well and should get started before the year’s end,” McLaughlin said. “Obviously, he is very well-bred. He’s been working weekly and doing very well. He’s really improving mentally and physically and we hope for big things from him. He’s a talented colt. It’s nice to have him in the barn.”

Other notable McLaughlin horses are Florida-bred allowance winner **Transparent** (Bernardini), who is targeting the \$250,000 Sunshine Millions Classic Jan. 17; **Mutin (Fr)** (Kentucky Dynamite), a 4-year-old colt bred in France who won a Nov. 9 turf allowance at Aqueduct in his North American debut and is being pointed to the \$200,000 GII Fort Lauderdale S. Jan. 10; 2-year-old filly and **“TDN Rising Star” Cavorting** (Bernardini), winner of the GII Adirondack S. this

summer; graded stakes-placed 3-year-old fillies **Penwith** (Bernardini) and **Divided Attention** (A.P. Indy) and juvenile filly **Gap Year** (Bernardini).

“We have some nice horses,” McLaughlin said, “possibly for the big races, we hope.”



Cavorting
A. Coglianese

McLaughlin ended the 2013-14 Championship meet with 12 wins and \$631,294 in purse earnings, and has averaged 13 wins and \$581,893 over the past three winters. Among his career graded stakes victories at Gulfstream are the GI Donn H. with **Invasor (Arg)** (Candy Stripes) in 2007 and **Albertus Maximus** (Albert the Great) in 2009; the 2011 GII Fountain of Youth S. with **Soldat** (War Front); the 2009 GII Davona Dale S. with **Justwhistledixie** (Dixie Union) and the 2008 GII Mac Diarmida S. with **Stream of Gold** (Strike a Gold Mine); the GIII Very One S. in 2004, 2006 and 2012; and the Holy Bull both last year and in 2005.

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Kieran McLaughlin (left) with Imperia

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EUROPEAN NEWS

ARQANA RNA XCELLENCE TO FRANKEL

By Kelsey Riley

Martin Schwartz's **Xcellence (Fr)** (Champs Elysees {GB}), a €950,000 buyback from Arqana's December Breeding Stock Sale Dec. 6, will be bred to Frankel (GB) next year, according to Michel Zerolo of Haras des Capucines, which consigned the 3-year-old in Deauville.

"The three horses that were considered were Frankel, Galileo and Sea the Stars," Zerolo said. "Galileo was maybe a little too expensive, and [Schwartz] felt



Xcellence
NYRA photo

Frankel was a good bet, and I can't disagree with him. It's always a little tricky to go there in the third year but at the same time you would expect his yearlings to sell well, so that should carry us forward and help us sell her accordingly wherever she goes."

Xcellence made her first seven starts in

France under the care of trainer Francois Doumen. She earned a black-type victory when besting last year's G1 Cheveley Park S. victress Vorda (Fr) (Orpen) in the G3 Prix Imprudence Apr. 3 and finished third in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches for original owner and co-breeder Henri De Pracomtal May 11. She made her first start in the Schwartz silks and notched another Classic placing when third in the G1 Prix de Diane a month later.

Expatriated to the U.S., Xcellence finished fourth in the G1 Belmont Oaks in her Stateside debut July 5 for Doumen before transferring to Chad Brown. In two starts for Brown, Xcellence finished second in the GII Lake Placid S. and third in the GII Sands Point S.

Schwartz plays the racing game chiefly as an owner, and thus he entered Xcellence in the Arqana sale alongside his G1 Garden City S. winner Alterite (Fr) (Literato {Fr}), who sold for €1.1 million to Narvick International from the Capucines consignment. Zerolo could not confirm whether Xcellence would for sure be offered for sale after being covered by Frankel.

"As everybody knows he's not really a breeder, but sometimes the events are such that you don't get the price you want for horses so you keep them and you end up breeding with them," Zerolo said. "It has happened with [Schwartz] in a few cases. Does that mean he's going to keep Xcellence? I personally doubt it, but you never know."

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WORLDWIDE NEWS

SINGAPORE TRAINER O'HARA FINED

Stewards for the Hong Kong Jockey Club reconvened one day after the International Races to conclude an inquiry into the condition of Singapore's **Spalato (NZ)** (Elusive City) prior to his run in the G2 Jockey Club Sprint at Sha Tin Nov. 23.

A report emerged following that race that the 5-year-old had briefly exhibited 'restricted action' in his right hind leg in the stable area prior to being led over for the race. In previous testimony, trainer John O'Hara stated that he had massaged the gelding's affected hoof until he was



Spalato

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comfortable on it. Spalato exhibited no signs of distress in the parade ring or behind the stalls and was pronounced fit to run.

In a ruling issued Monday, the stewards announced that O'Hara would be fined HK\$75,000 and that the trainer had pleaded guilty to a breach of a rule of racing which reads: "Each trainer shall as soon as practicable report to the Veterinary Officer any veterinary condition having the potential to affect, or which might have affected, a horse's performance in any race."

In assessing the fine, stewards recognized that O'Hara had volunteered the information, albeit after the race, and took into consideration the forthright nature of O'Hara's testimony throughout the inquiry. Stewards indicated that absent this sort of candor, the fine they assessed would likely have been much larger.

Spalato, who was undefeated in six starts prior to the Jockey Club Sprint, was 12th behind Aerovelocity (NZ) (Pins {Aus}) in Sunday's G1 Hong Kong Sprint.

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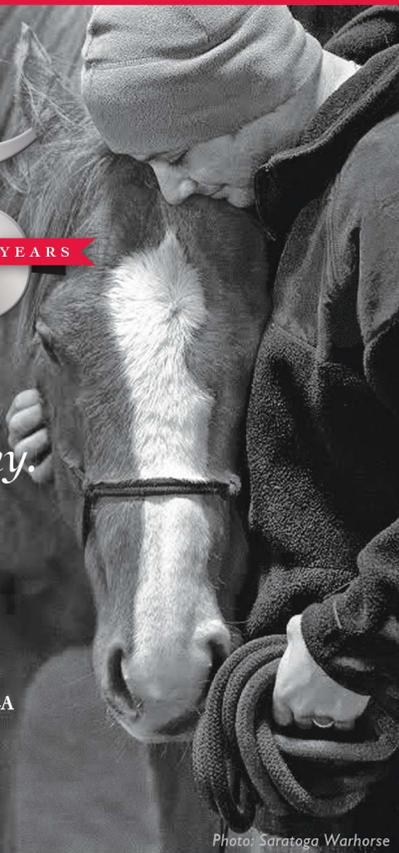
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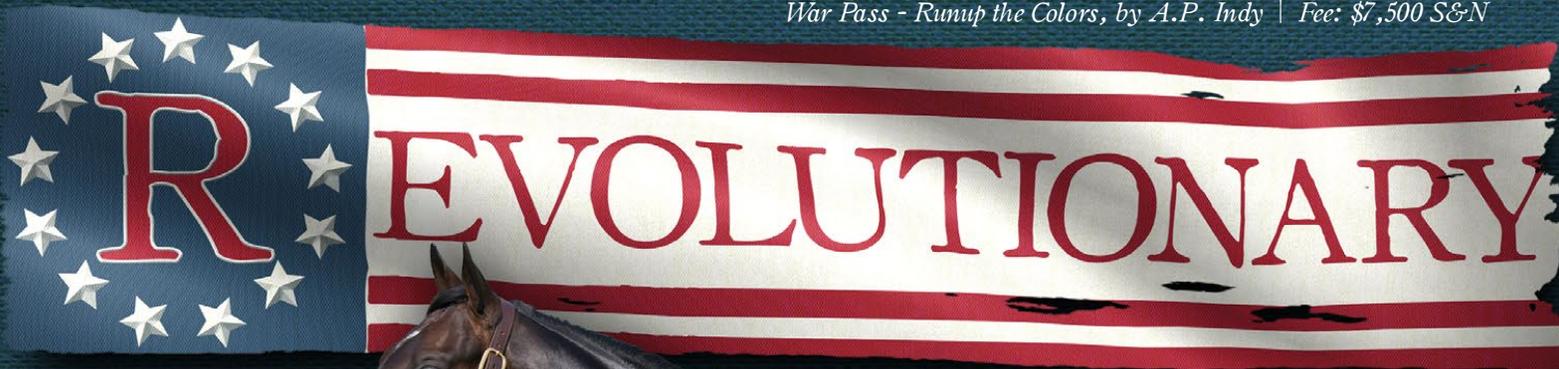
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HILLARY FARISH STRATTON DIES

Hillary Farish Stratton, the daughter of Lane's End Farm's owners Will & Sarah Farish and sister of Breeders' Cup Chairman Bill Farish, passed away in Houston Dec. 12 surrounded by her children, siblings and parents. Born Nov. 20, 1968, Farish Stratton graduated from The Purnell School and Pine Manor College and following her education, she spent a year traveling with the singing group 'Up With People.' She served on the board of The Children's Museum of Houston and remained a volunteer and donor to the organization throughout her life. Farish Stratton enjoyed photography, especially her favorite subject--her sons Ford, Bayard, Wilson and Jack. Family and friends will gather for a celebration of Farish Stratton's life today, Wed., Dec. 17, from 5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. CST at Houston Country Club. A memorial service will be held Thurs., Dec. 18 at the Church of St. John the Divine, 2450 River Oaks Boulevard, Houston, at 11 a.m. CST.

 **Florida**

Yesterday's Results:

4th-GPX, \$36,000, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft. + BLAME GAME (c, 2, [Blame](#)--La Pascua {Swi} {SW-Fr}, by Caerleon), a 3-1 chance, rated just off the early pace in third down the backstretch, but kicked into gear on the turn. The bay cruised up to bid from the three path at the top of the lane, shook free from Ready Get Set (More Than Ready) in the stretch and finished 3 1/4 lengths the best. Blame Game becomes the eighth winner for his freshman sire (by Arch). The winner is a half to Hot Hot Mama (Menifee), SW, \$215,519; Pascal (Menifee), SW & GSP, \$188,402; La Bomba (Menifee), SP, \$179,892. Blame Game hails from the extended family of multiple champion, Classic winner and Arc hero Dancing Brave (Lyphard), as well as GSW Cozzetti (Cozzene). Sales history: \$200,000 yrl '13 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$21,600. [Click for the **brisnet.com chart or VIDEO.](#)**

O-Alto Racing LLC. B-Stone Farm (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

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8th-GPX, \$36,800, Msw, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:37 2/5, fm. ICE FESTIVAL (f, 2, [Awesome Again](#)--Phil's Pill, by Cozzene) was fifth in her first two starts, first over the Woodbine turf Aug. 3 and then on the Churchill main track Oct. 26. The 9-1 shot rated along the rail in midpack through the opening stages. The grey was blocked in at the top of the stretch, but a seam opened up late and she scooted up the rail to nab Miss Margaret (Bwana Charlie) by a half-length. Ice Festival was running without Lasix. The winner is a full-sibling to Happy Clapper, MSP, \$221,151. Sales history: \$60,000 RNA yrl '13 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$24,524. [Click for the **brisnet.com chart or VIDEO.](#)**

O-Stronach Stables. B-Adena Springs (ON). T-Brian A Lynch.

BRIS Speed Ratings
Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Liam's Map	Unbridled's Song	Harlan's Holiday S.	108
Micromanage	Medaglia d'Oro	Queens County S.	103
U. S. S. O'Brien	Empire Maker	Golden Beach H.	103
Sunbean	Brahms	LA Champions Day Classic S.	102
Too Dim	Mutakddim	LA Champions Day Sprint S.	101
Freudie Anne	Freud	East View S.	100
Merry Meadow	Henny Hughes	Sugar Swirl S.-G3	100
Take Charge Brandi	Giant's Causeway	Starlet S.-G1	100
Honey's Ryan	Student Council	She's All In H.	94
Good Luck Gus	Lookin At Lucky	Damon Runyon S.	93
Our Quista	Half Ours	LA Champions Day Ladies S.	93
Buggin Out	Indy	Magic City Classic S.	92
Bayerd	Speightstown	Remington Springboard Mile S.	91
String King	Crowned King	LA Champions Day Turf S.	91
Mshawish	Medaglia d'Oro	El Prado S.	90
Acceptance	Vronsky	King Glorious S.	89
Dom the Bomb	Bring the Heat	Jim Edgar Illinois Futurity	89
Marbre Rose (IRE)	Smart Strike	South Beach S.	89
Mr. L. S. Shoe	Forefathers	LA Champions Day Juvenile S.	89
Afternoon Tango	Afternoon Deelites	LA Champions Day Ladies Sprint S.	88
The Louisiana Kid	Afleet Alex	LA Champions Day Starter H.	88
Wind Chill Factor	Successful Appeal	LA Champions Day Lassie S.	88
Fesstune	Omega Code	Jim Thorpe S.	86

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Trainer Gary Caple Passed Away after Lengthy Illness:

Florida-based conditioner Gary Caple died Sunday morning at age 60 after battling a lengthy illness. The third generation horsemen was an owner and trainer for more than 20 years. He is credited with 333 career training victories and earnings of \$3,353,199.

"I've worked for a lot of horsemen," said fiancée Chris Reynolds, a mutuels teller at Tampa Bay Downs, "and Gary was one of the best. He learned so much from his grandfather and his father, and he seemed to always figure out what each horse needed individually."

One of Caple's best horses was Groomstick Stock, winner of the 1999 Sam F. Davis S. at Tampa Bay. He also found success in breeding and raced many of his homebreds.

"He enjoyed racing, understood the game and was very dedicated to what he did," said longtime friend and turf writer Bernie Dickman. "He learned from two consummate horsemen in his grandfather and father, and he was a hands-on trainer who was always at the barn."

Funeral services for Caple will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday at Countryside Funeral Home in Anthony, Florida.

Which sires are hot and WHICH are not?
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**Florida Jockeys Visit Children's Hospital:**

Members of the Tampa Bay Downs riding colony made a holiday visit to All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida Monday. Jockeys Daniel Centeno, Ronnie Allen, Jr., Dean Butler, Antonio Gallardo, Pablo Morales, Keiber Coa and Janelle Campbell distributed Tampa Bay Downs caps, goggles, autographed action racing photos, toy horses and coloring books featuring the tracks miniature horse Mouse.

"I came here thinking I was going to encourage them," said Morales, "and they actually wound up encouraging me. Their strength is amazing. They're very sick, but they don't look sad or depressed. This was a great experience."

Campbell added, "I didn't know if I was prepared mentally. But when you see the kids' smiles and their excitement, it melts your heart. You realize how easy it is to take what you have for granted."

Eastern U.S.**Yesterday's Results:**

8th-PRX, \$46,000, Alw, NW1X, 2yo, 6f, 1:12 2/5, wf. ACKERET (r, 2, Mach Ride--Lady Zieg, by Touch Gold) rallied to win first-out against \$65,000 taggers at Belmont Oct. 9, but finished fifth next out in Laurel's James F. Lewis III S. Nov. 15. The 4-5 favorite contested the lead out of the gates, but was settled to sit behind the leaders. Ackeret swung out three wide on the turn, gained the advantage and pulled away down the lane to finish 5 3/4 lengths clear of Discreetly Placed (Discreetly Mine). Ackeret becomes the second winner for his freshman sire (by Pentelicus). Sales history: \$53,000 2yo '14 OBSJUN. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$60,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-Pick Six Racing (David Wilkenfeld) & Silver Streak Stables. B-Rustlewood Farm Inc (FL). T-Rudy R Rodriguez.

6th-PRX, \$57,060, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:13 3/5, ft. LOVE CAME TO TOWN (f, 2, Medallist--Talkin About Love {GSW, \$741,103}, by Not for Love), a well-beaten second here Nov. 25, was given a 8-1 chance to get it done at second asking. The Kevin Sleeter homebred rated off the pace early, but quickly picked off rivals down the backstretch. She tipped out to the two path entering the stretch and, despite running on the incorrect lead down the lane and bearing in, opened up to win by four lengths. Jammin With Jamie (Colonel John) completed the exacta. Love Came to Town is the first foal out of Gill Monmouth Breeders' Cup Oaks winner Talkin About Love. She produced colts by King Puma in 2013 and this past Spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$45,760. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O/T-Kevin G Sleeter. B-Kevin Sleeter (NJ).

INDUSTRY INFO**Blowen to Receive ThoroFan Award:**

Michael Blowen of Old Friends will be honored with this year's ThoroFan award at the company's third annual awards breakfast Jan. 16. The award is given each year to a person or entity who substantially contributes to building Thoroughbred racing's fan base.

Through Old Friends, Blowen has educated many fans on the importance of caring for racehorses after their racing careers are over.

"He has brought so many fans to our sport through his humanitarian endeavors and unmatched commitment to aftercare of Thoroughbred horses," said ThoroFan Board Chairman, Michael Amo. "It is our honor to recognize Mr. Blowen as our 2015 ThoroFan Award recipient."

Jack Wolf, president of the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance and founder of Starlight Racing, will be the keynote speaker, and the National Thoroughbred Racing Association will present their Moment of the Year award. The moments nominated illustrate a variety of emotions and achievements, as well as outstanding equine athleticism, and the winning moment is voted on by the fans.

To reserve a table for the breakfast, which will take place at Gulfstream Park, click [here](#).

RCI Creates Scientific Advisory Board:*Edited Press Release*

The Association of Racing Commissioners International has voted to create a permanent scientific advisory board to develop recommendations upon which anti-doping programs are conducted, modeled in part after the process conducted in human sport by the Partnership for Clean Competition.

"The RCI Board believes the advisory process on racing medication and anti-doping policy can be strengthened and redundancies eliminated," RCI Chairman John T. Ward, Jr. said. "As regulators, we have the exclusive responsibility to make and enforce the rules and given current challenges we believe it is time to restructure the advisory process to make it stronger."

The action was prompted by numerous factors: functional concerns about the current scientific advisory process, transparency, non-participation of key experts, and the withdrawal of the United States Trotting Association from the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium.

Regulators from 21 major racing jurisdictions directed RCI President Ed Martin to send a formal letter to the RMTTC, proposing a partial or complete merger of the organization into a reconstituted RCI Drug Testing Standards and Practices Committee.

"Given the economic challenges faced by the racing industry, we believe any effort to eliminate redundancies and simplify processes is the right way to go," Martin said. **cont. p3**



Should the RMTC accept an invitation to merge, it would not be the first time that RCI has worked to effectuate a racing industry merger. In 2005, the North American Pari-Mutuel Regulators Association merged with RCI.

"Today, our collective effort is stronger, more professional, and effective than when we had two groups," Martin said. "The current policy formation process has seven steps. We think that can be cut to five."

"All equine racing medication scientific research should be transparent, independently researched, peer reviewed and publically available for analysis by the scientific community and interested industry participants," stated Robin Richards, the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association President and Chair. "And the RCI's action should facilitate this process."

Voting Now Open for NTRA Moment of the Year:

Edited Press Release

Voting is now underway for the 16th annual NTRA Moment of the Year. Fans can choose from among 10 of the year's most memorable, moving and significant events in Thoroughbred racing. The winning moment will be revealed the morning of Jan. 16 at the annual ThoroFan Awards Breakfast at Gulfstream Park.

Those that vote for the eventual winner automatically will be entered in a random drawing to win a \$100 gift certificate for Breeders' Cup merchandise.

The eligible moments were selected to illustrate a wide range of human emotions and achievements as well as outstanding displays of equine athleticism. Listed chronologically, the events that fans can choose from are: **Game On Dude** (Awesome Again)'s third win in the GI Santa Anita H.; John Velazquez becoming the first North American rider to surpass \$300 million in career earnings; **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit)'s GI Kentucky Derby win and his overall Triple Crown quest; Trainer Jimmy Jerkens saddling the top two finishers in the GI Travers S.; the winning return of two-time Horse of the Year **Wise Dan** (Wiseman's Ferry) after colic surgery; legendary track announcer Tom Durkin's final call at Saratoga; the death of Hall of Famer **Cigar**; Rosie Napravnik's retirement; and **Bayern** (Offlee Wild)'s win in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

The first-ever "NTRA Moment of the Year" was the touching scene between Charismatic and jockey Chris Antley following the 1999 GI Belmont S. Other winners include Zenyatta's Classic win, as well as her loss to Blame, and Barbaro's struggle to recover from his injury.

"The NTRA Moment of the Year is about a singular event, whereas The Eclipse Awards recognize entire campaigns across many months," said Keith Chamblin, NTRA Senior Vice President. "Fans deserve a voice, too, and this is their opportunity to tell us what they will never forget from an extraordinary year for racing."

Fans 18 years and older can register to vote online at www.ntra.com. There is a limit of one vote per valid e-mail address. Multiple votes from the same e-mail address will be disqualified. Votes must be received by 11:59 p.m. (ET) on Friday, Jan. 2.

ROOKIES

First-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, December 17

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2011 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

CHARITABLE MAN (Lemon Drop Kid), Taylor Mountain Farm, \$4K, 36/5/0 7-CT, Alw, 6 1/2f, Too Much to Do, 5-1

DISCREETLY MINE (Mineshaft), Lanes End, \$10K, 97/17/0 7-GP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Brightly Mine, \$47K OBS OPN 2yo, 5-1

KANTHAROS (Lion Heart), Ocala Stud, \$5K, 51/17/1

7-GP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Hannah Bear, 15-1

LINE OF DAVID (Lion Heart), Spendthrift Farm, \$6K, 49/8/0

4-PEN, Msw, 6f, Precise Line, \$8K EAS SEP yrl, 6-1

MIDSHIPMAN (Unbridled's Song), Darley, \$8K, 67/17/1

9-GP, Aoc, 1m, Frammento, \$260K FTF MAR 2yo, 6-1

MUNNINGS (Speightstown), Ashford Stud, \$10K, 104/24/3

7-CT, Alw, 6 1/2f, Sir A. J. Munnings, 5-2

MUSKET MAN (Yonaguska), Elite Thoroughbreds, \$3K, 15/3/1

7-GP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +La Moskette, 8-1

ORTHODOX (Pulpit), Peach Lane Farms, \$1000, 27/1/0

3-DED, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Orthodox River, 20-1

SUPER SAVER (Maria's Mon), WinStar, \$20K, 116/14/4

8-GP, Aoc, 1 1/16mT, Back Flip, \$200K OBS APR 2yo, 7-2

TEMPLE CITY (Dynaformer), Spendthrift Farm, \$5K, 89/11/2

8-GP, Aoc, 1 1/16mT, Miss Temple City, \$10K RNA KEE JAN yrl, 9-2

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IN HONG KONG:

Giant Treasure, g, 3, **Mizzen Mast**--Palisade, by Gone West. Sha Tin, 12-14, Hcp. (\$137k), 1400mT. B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY). *Formerly trained by Roger Charlton as Sea Defence in Europe, Giant Treasure was his maiden at second asking at Newmarket last November and returned from a six-month absence to finish last of three in a Warwick handicap as the long odds-on favorite May 10. The full-brother to Jibboom, MGSW & GISP-US, \$487,600, was last seen taking an Ascot handicap by 2 3/4 lengths July 11 and was sent off the 11-2 third choice in this initial appearance in Hong Kong. Drawn wide in gate 11, Giant Treasure was taken hold of by the hot-riding Douglas Whyte and settled in the latter third of the field. Still held up, but traveling well on the turn, the gray gelding switched wide for the drive and raced on his incorrect lead into the final furlong, but came away to a handy success ([video](#)). Packing Pins (NZ) (Pins {Aus}), favored at 9-10, raced in traffic most of the way, nearly went down when bothered by a rival at the furlong grounds and showed a fair bit of determination to be second, beaten two lengths. Giant Treasure is owned by Pan Sutong and trained by Richard Gibson, the same combination responsible for the 2013 Hong Kong Derby and G1 Hong Kong Cup hero Akeed Mofeed (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). cont. p4



Sutong stands Akeed Mofeed at Goldin Farms, the former Lindsay Park Stud, in Australia. Giant Treasure could take the next step along a path to a Derby start of his own in the Hong Kong Classic Mile Jan. 18, where he could run into Packing Pins again.

Dundonnell, g, 4, [First Defence](#)--Family, by Danzig. Sha Tin, 12-14, Hcp. (*\$284k*), 1400mT, 1:22.09. B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY). *GSW-Eng, SP-HK.

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Jinmyeong Bulpae, g, 2, [Bellamy Road](#)--Friend of a Friend, by Crafty Friend. Seoul, 12-13, Maiden (*\$45k*), 1300m. B-New Dawn Stable (KY). *Won by five lengths. **\$15,000 yrl '13 KEESEP.

+ **Dancing Rachel**, f, 2, [Exclusive Quality](#)--Gold Bag Lady, by Friendly Lover. Seoul, 12-13, Maiden (*\$45k*), 1200m. B-Ken & Cheryl Breitenbecker (FL). *\$8,500 yrl '13 OBSJAN; \$10,000 RNA yrl '13 OBSAUG; \$21,000 2yo '14 OBSJUN.

Bulguruishinwa, f, 2, [Kantharos](#)--Langworthy (SP), by Langfurh. Seoul, 12-14, Maiden (*\$45k*), 1200m. B-Susan F Woods (FL). *\$20,000 yrl '13 OBSAUG; \$50,000 2yo '14 OBSAPR. **17th winner for freshman sire (by Lion Heart).

Nagasinda, c, 2, [Latent Heat](#)--A Star is Gorn, by Aragorn (Ire). Busan, 12-14, Maiden (*\$36k*), 1000m. B-Witer-Ledesma (KY). *\$20,000 2yo '14 OBSJUN.

IN PERU:

Alcindoro, c, 2, [Istan](#)--Great Family, by Harlan's Holiday. Monterrico, 12-11, Cond., 1300m. B-Brereton C Jones (KY). *\$14,000 yrl '13 KEESEP.

Sunshine Zoe, f, 3, [Henrythenavigator](#)--Rosie Dooley (SW & GSP, \$182,920), Trempolino. Monterrico, 12-11, Cond., 1000m. B-Doug Branham (KY). *\$12,000 yrl '12 KEESEP.

Condor de Oro, c, 4, [Medaglia d'Oro](#)--Sweet Sierra, by Crafty Prospector. Monterrico, 12-12, Hcp., 1000m. B-Liberation Farm & Brandywine Farm (KY). *Won by five lengths. **Winner of six of his eight career starts. ***1/2 to Golden Country (Menifee), MSW, \$340,646. ****\$14,000 RNA yrl '11 KEESEP; \$37,000 RNA 2yo '12 FTMMAY.

Capo di Monte, g, 5, [Point Given](#)--Show Me the Wire, by Beau Genius. Monterrico, 12-14, Hcp., 1000m. B-C Gary Edelen (KY). *\$7,500 yrl '10 KEESEP; \$20,000 2yo '11 OBSJUN.

IN SINGAPORE:

Speedy Dragon, g, 2, [Safe in the U S A](#)--Yen, by Lure. Kranji, 12-12, Maiden (*\$58k*), 1100m (AWT). B-Michael Ezekiel (FL).

IN BRITAIN:

Shackled n Drawn, c, 2, [Candy Ride \(Arg\)](#)--Cajun Flash, by Bertrando. KMP, 12-16, 5f (AWT), 1:00.59. B-Pam & Martin Wygod (KY). *\$27,000 wlng '12 KEENOV; \$60,000 yrl '13 FTKOCT. *1/2 to Snapshot (Awesome Again), MGSP-US, \$271,271; and Cajun Gent (Yankee Gentleman), MSP-US, \$230,810.

Tempus Temporis, c, 2, [Dynaformer](#). See "Britain."

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Yesterday's Results:

5th-KMP, £6,300, Mdn, 2yo, f, 8f (AWT), 1:38.73, ft. **CARTIER (IRE)** (f, 2, [Montjeu {Ire}](#)--Rosamixa {Fr}, by Linamix {Fr}), third going one mile at Goodwood last time Sept. 2, found cover in midfield through halfway in this one. Making smooth headway on the bridle in the straight, the 7-2 second favorite quickened to the front approaching the final eighth and ran on strongly to comfortably best Bittern (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) by 2 1/4 lengths. Zamzama (Ire) (Shamardal), a daughter of the 1999 G1 Nassau S. heroine and G1 Epsom Oaks placegetter Zahrat Dubai (GB) (Unfuwain), shaped with promise and ran on from off the pace to finish three-quarters of a length further adrift in third. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, £5,037. [VIDEO](#), [courtesy Racing UK](#).

O-AI Asayl Bloodstock Ltd. B-HE Sheikh Sultan bin Khalifa Al Nahyan (Ire). T-David Simcock.

6th-KMP, £5,000, Hcp, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:39.32, ft. **TEMPUS TEMPORIS** (c, 2, [Dynaformer](#)--Tempus Fugit {MSW & GSP-US, \$344,471}, by Alphabet Soup), a last-out sixth at Lingfield Nov. 26, raced fifth of the six runners after a docile exit here. Looming large off the home turn, the 3-1 chance surged clear once asserting superiority at the eighth pole to score by an impressive six lengths from Cape Cay (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}). The winner, a \$300,000 KEESEP yearling, is a half to Majestic River (A.P. Indy), GSW-US, \$258,138. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, £3,235. [VIDEO](#), [courtesy Racing UK](#).

O-HRH Princess Haya of Jordan. B-Briland Farm, Robert Mitchell & Stacy Mitchell (KY). T-John Gosden.



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OBSERVATIONS

on today's European racing scene

1.00 Lingfield, Mdn, £4,500, 2yo, f, 7f 1y (AWT)

Godolphin's juvenile entries continue deep into December and **MIDDLE ENGLAND (IRE)** ([Dubawi {Ire}](#)) is the latest to test her mettle. Representing the Charlie Appleby sector, she is out of the G1 Blue Diamond S. and G1 Newmarket H. third Mannington (Aus) (Danehill), and is therefore a half-sister to the 2005 G1 Victoria Derby victor Benicio (Aus) (More Than Ready). Her 12 opponents include Lael Stable's fellow debutante Moon Eyes (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), a homebred daughter of the speedy dual Group 3 scorer Enticing (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), from the William Haggas stable.

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By Black-Type Winners to Starters

Stallion	2015 Fee	Strtrs	Wnrs	SWnrs	%SWnrs/Strtrs
TIZDEJAVU	\$5k	11	6	1	9.09%
Lookin at Lucky	\$25k LF	34	20	3	8.82%
Super Saver	\$35k LF	54	13	4	7.41%
Munnings	\$10k LF	49	24	3	6.12%
Temple City	\$12.5k LF	34	11	2	5.88%
Quality Road	\$35k LF	39	14	2	5.13%
Concord Point	\$7.5k LF	24	11	1	4.17%
Hold Me Back	\$5k LF	29	8	1	3.45%
Midshipman	\$7.5k LF	30	16	1	3.33%
Warrior's Reward	\$25k LF	46	13	1	2.17%

Source: TDN Sire Lists 12-16-14

#2 Freshman Sire in NA

By # of Repeat Winners

Stallion	2015 Fee	Strtrs	Wnrs	Rpt. Wnrs
Lookin at Lucky	\$25k LF	38	24	10
TIZDEJAVU	\$5k	12	6	4
Super Saver	\$35k LF	56	14	4
Majesticperfection	\$10k LF	36	18	4
Tale of Ekati	\$15k LF	29	13	3
Concord Point	\$7.5 LF	24	11	3
Quality Road	\$35k LF	40	15	2
Warrior's Reward	\$25k LF	46	13	2
Temple City	\$12.5k LF	34	11	2
Munnings	\$10k LF	49	24	2

Source: BH Sire Lists 12-16-14

2015 Stud Fee: \$5,000



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Australasia

AUSTRALIAN TRAINER MCDONALD DIES

Caulfield-based trainer Ross McDonald died yesterday at age 68. McDonald, who trained for more than three decades, conditioned the likes of Courtza (NZ), who completed the coveted G1 Golden Slipper/G1 Blue Diamond S. double in 1989; Tristarc (Aus), winner of the 1985 G1 Australian Derby and 1986 G1 Queen Elizabeth S., and Weekend Hussler (Aus), victorious in the G1 Randwick Guineas and G1 George Ryder S. in 2008.

"The racing industry has lost one of its great characters," said Racing NSW Chief Executive Peter V'landys. "Ross was a champion racehorse trainer and also a great bloke who achieved so much in his career in racing. Our condolences go out to the family and friends of Ross, especially his wife Margaret and son Clinton."

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-MPV, €18,000, 2yo, 10f (AWT), 2:12.53, ft. **KASARCA (FR)** (c, 2, **Kingsalsa--Sikkim {Fr}**), by **Linamix {Fr}**) Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €25,150. O-Mme Marie-Christelle Lacaille & Mme Brigitte Re-Scandella. B-Bruno Plainfosse (Fr). T-Christian Scandella.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Nadat (Ity), c, 2, **Aussie Rules--Nicoline Tuxen (Ity)**, by Elmaamul. CAP, 12-16, Mdn, 9fT, 1:59.63, hy. B-Azienda Agricola Rosati Colarieti (Ity).

Elysian Fields (Gr), f, 3, **Champs Elysees (GB)**--Second of May (GB), by Lion Cavern. KMP, 12-16, 11f (AWT), 2:23.34. B-Queensway SA (Gr).

Satellite Express (Ire), f, 3, **Observatory--Composition (GB)**, by Wolfhound. SWL, 12-16, 6f (AWT), 1:16.50. B-Razza Del Pian Del Lago (Ire).

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AQUEDUCT

Salutos Amigos (Salute the Sarge), 3f, :39.63, 1/4

FAIR GROUNDS

Cassatt (Tapit), 5f, 1:01.20, 3/12

La Tia (City Place), 5f, 1:04.00, 12/12

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS

Shared Belief (Candy Ride {Arg}), 6f (AW), 1:15.00, 1/7

GULFSTREAM PARK WEST

Mr. Jordan (Kantharos), 4f, :48.00, 1/11

PALM MEADOWS

Heart to Heart (English Channel), 4f, :51.60, 29/29

Asia

Sunday's Results (non black-type):

GRAND PRIX S., KRW600,000,000 (US\$554,633), Seoul (South Korea), 12-16, 3yo/up, 2300m, 2:29, ft.

1--**GYEONGBUDAERO (KOR)**, 128, h, 5, **Menifee--Princess Lanique, by Cherokee Run**. O-Jung Kwang Hwa; B-Yoo Sang Ho; T-Oh Moon Sik; J-Choi Si Dae; KRW330,000,000. Lifetime Record: 28-11-6-7, KRW2,311,255,000 (US\$2,137,741).

2--**Wonder Bolt**, 128, c, 4, **Desert Warrior--Little Champ, by Great Gladiator**. (\$1,000 yrl '11 OBSJAN; \$20,000 2yo '12 OBSJUN). KRW126,000,000.

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3--**Beolmaui Kkum**, 128, c, 4, **Put It Back--Wild Dixie Gal, by Wild Event**. (\$6,500 RNA yrl '11 OBSJAN; \$20,000 yro '11 FTKOCT). KRW84,000,000.

Margins: 3, 4, 2HF. Odds: 12.70, 3.10, 1.10.

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Got Fly (Fr), g, 3, **Early March (GB)**--**Gotdream (Fr)** (SW-US), by Loup Solitaire. Sha Tin, 12-14, Hcp. (\$137k), 1800mT, 1:48.16. B-Earl Haras de Magouet. *SW-Fr. **€4,000 RNA yrl '12 ARQNOV. ***Got Fly announced himself as a potential Hong Kong Derby threat in the day's second race at Sha Tin. Trained in France by Christophe Ferland, Got Fly took a conditions event over the Chantilly Polytrack Mar. 4 before filling the runner-up spot behind subsequent G1 Prix de Diane victress Avenir Certain (Fr) (Le Havre {Fr}) in a similar test Apr. 9. The bay gelding, victorious in the Listed Prix Georges Trabaud S. at Maisons-Laffitte in his French finale May 13, was a useful fifth in a Class 3 over 1400 meters Nov. 23 and was bet into 3-1 at this more-suitable distance. Forced to deal with the 13 hole, Got Fly was taken back to near the tail of the field by Douglas Whyte and raced three or four wide down the backstretch. He began to work his way into the race with about three furlongs to travel, came out into the clear and raced greenly into the final furlong, but stuck on well to take it by 1 1/2 lengths ([video](#)). Richard Gibson, who later saddled Gold-Fun (Ire) (Le Vie dei Colori {GB}) to a runner-up effort in the G1 Hong Kong Mile, conditions Got Fly for owner Marces Lee.



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