



### WAR IN FRONT YET AGAIN AT CRAVEN

By Emma Berry

Twelve months have passed, but the Tattersalls Craven Breeze-up Sale headline looks remarkably similar to last year, with a Mocklershill-consigned son of War Front ([lot 113](#)) selling to the Coolmore team to head proceedings. The top price of 850,000gns was slightly more modest than last year's 1.15 million gns sales-topper, but it was still 500,000gns clear of the rest of the catalogue, and the second-highest price ever paid at a European breeze-up auction.



**Alex Elliott**  
Tattersalls

Jamie McCalmont did the bidding last year, but this time around his former assistant Alex Elliott was charged with the responsibility, and was pushed all the way to hammer fall by the China Horse Club's Michael Wallace after some early interest from Tony Nerses. Elliott, who signed for the colt jointly with his former boss, for

Michael Tabor, said, "The guys [Willie Browne's Mocklershill] rolled the dice to give \$400,000 for this colt at Keeneland and it's paid off for them. The Factor was in training during my time in America and I think this is probably the closest I've seen to him in looks."

The transaction aided Mocklershill in becoming leading consignor once again at the sale, with 10 juveniles sold for a total of 1,960,000gns.

A significantly stronger second day at Park Paddocks saw the sale as a whole achieve a record median price of 71,000gns--up 1% on last year. The session average rose by 11%, to 119,809gns, but dropped for the entire sale by 9% at 103,057gns. The turnover of 9,893,500gns was down by 6% but the clearance rate climbed 8% from 2014 to an encouraging 79% for 96 lots sold from 121 offered.

### Exchange Well-Rated in Newmarket...

The most expensive filly of the sale was also by an American-based son of Danzig and sourced at Keeneland. The daughter of Three Chimneys' Exchange Rate ([lot 117](#)) is a half-sister to prolific winner and black-type earner Toccet's Charm (Toccet), but she will ply her trade on the other side of the Atlantic after being bought by Oliver St Lawrence for 350,000gns.

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### DOMINATING 2-YEAR-OLD RACES AT KEENELAND: HOW WESLEY WARD DOES IT

By Bill Finley

When the Wesley Ward-trained **Banree** (Macho Uno), a filly facing males, won yesterday's second race at Keeneland, the outcome couldn't have come as a

surprise to anyone. The race was a 4 1/2-furlong maiden event in the spring at Keeneland. And doesn't Ward win every one of those things?

Well, not exactly. But sometimes it seems like it. Arguably no trainer in the history of racing has ever been more dominant in one particular aspect of the sport. When it comes to early season maiden races, Ward's record is pretty close to off the charts.

Since 2009, there have been 47 2-year-old maiden events at the Keeneland spring meet. Ward has had starters in 45 of them. He won 22 of them or 48.9%.

It's no coincidence. When starting out his career, he was looking for an edge over other trainers and figured he could buy fast, precocious horses that also happened to be inexpensive that could win big pots early, before most of the top stables had their horses ready to go. **Cont. p3**



**Banree beating the boys in Thursday's second race at Keeneland** *Coady photography*

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## Ocala Breezes

Four of the six scheduled under-tack previews ahead of next week's OBS Spring Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training are now in the books, and the TDN's Justina Severni caught up Thursday with consignor Eddie Woods. A filly by Big Drama out of Twilight Mirage (Jeblar) tore up the SafeTrack Thursday to earn the bullet for a two-furlong work in :20 3/5. TDN Editor-in-Chief Jessica Martini also spoke with a handful of consignors to get their input on the new breeze-show format.



**Big Drama--Twilight Mirage**  
*Louise Reinagel*

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## Kool Kompany Causes Upset



**Kool Kompany**  
*Racing Post*

Off at odds of 14-1 despite a very productive freshman season in 2014, Kool Kompany (Ire) (Jeremy) was sent to the lead by Richard Hughes in Thursday's G3 Craven S. at Newmarket, played catch me if you can and the leading lights could not, as the flashy colt came home a 1 1/4-length winner. Market rivals Nafaqa (Ire) (Sir Percy {GB}) and Moheet (Ire)(High Chaparral {Ire}) rounded out the minors.

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## Sydney Carnival Set To Wrap

After two weeks of The Championships, the Sydney Autumn Carnival concludes this weekend with a pair of Group 1 affairs. With G1 Golden Slipper S. hero Vancouver (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro) away for the rest of the season, nine freshmen males and females take their chance in the G1 Champagne S., while top sprinters, headed by Chautauqua (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}), go in the All-Aged S.

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"I put a lot of time and effort into this," he said. "My passion is the babies and getting them going where they are absolutely flawless and perfect. I am a perfectionist when it comes to that. That's why I rarely go to the races at Gulfstream in the afternoons. I start at the farm and start training at 12:30 or so and stay there until dark every day until all the babies are broken to perfection."



**Wesley Ward was the first American-based trainer to win at Royal Ascot**  
*Racing Post*

Ward, a former jockey who won an Eclipse Award as an apprentice in 1984, gets on all of his babies and doesn't turn them over to regular exercise riders until he feels he has them figured out.

"They're just so well-schooled and I get a good handle on them because I don't have to rely on other people to break the horses," he said. "I am actually the one on top of them for the first two weeks after I get them. I get on them the first day they come in and within three days they are on the racetrack with me. I just go slow and then I pass them on to whichever one of my exercise boys is right for that particular horse. It's just a passion I have, winning with these young horses. I can't get enough of it. I will stay at that farm all day long if I have to too make sure all the I's are dotted and the T's are crossed. It's something I love to do and fortunately I have gotten good results in the afternoon when we start to run them."

"He goes out there every day, spends a lot of hours, a lot of time with them and puts them over different surfaces and in the pool," said Dave Reid, a partner in Ice Wine Stable, for whom Ward trained



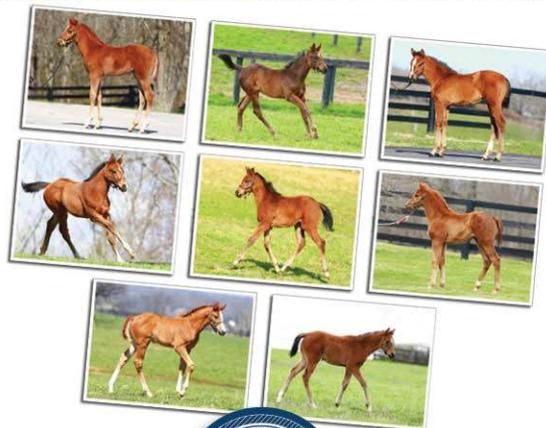
**Ward 2yo trainee No Nay Never wins the G1 Prix Morny at Deauville**  
*Racing Post*

G1 Prix Morny winner **No Nay Never** (Scat Daddy). "They get exposed to a lot of elements. They mature and grow up early and that's a huge part of why he has success. I think he has a very keen eye; he understands which horses will do

well early and which ones won't. He's definitely and out-of-the box thinker and he'll do things that are different than anybody else."

When Ward first started winning with 2-year-olds, few of them amounted to anything. The knock on him was that his horses were one-hit wonders and couldn't compete against the top stables when they rolled their horses out in the summer.

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"In the prior years I could only afford a certain caliber of horse," he said. "When you buy a certain price range of horse at the end of the day they are going to be what they are going to be. I just tried to get the best out of them early where I could win a decent sized purse early on."

But Ward's success caught the attention of wealthier owners and no longer was he forced to rely on \$10,000 yearlings or 2-year-old purchases. In recent years, his 2-year-old winners at Keeneland have included Eclipse Award winner **Judy the Beauty** (Ghostzapper), **No Nay Never** (Scat Daddy) and **Hootenanny** (Quality Road), the winner of last year's Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf.

"Once you get a getter quality horse, at the end of the day you have an athlete that can compete in bigger races," Ward said. "If you can accomplish something early with them it just adds more to it. I did have one-hit wonders, but I was able to jump in and get a big purse with a lesser-priced horse early and then he would find his level down the road. Now I can jump in and get a really good horse's career off in a winning fashion where they get that confidence and then manage it accordingly throughout their careers. We already have that maiden win out of the way and can look forward to the next win." **Cont. p4**

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**Bill Finley cont.**

Ward also converted a lot of skeptics in 2009 when he won two races at Royal Ascot. **Strike the Tiger** (Tiger Ridge) won despite losing a \$30,000 maiden claimer at Churchill Downs in his prior start. A few days later Ward won in the G2 Queen Mary S. with **Jealous Again** (Trippi), another Keeneland baby race winner. In the process, he became the first American-based trainer ever to win at the Royal Ascot meet.

Ever since he has made the Royal Ascot meet a major goal of his operation. He said that owner Kenneth Ramsey gave him seven 2-year-olds by Kitten's Joy this year, the goal being to get them to Royal Ascot. One, **Love the Kitten** (Kitten Joy), finished second on opening day at Keeneland behind stablemate Bruised Orange. Ward said Love That Kitten is nonetheless the better of the two and expects big things from him when he gets to England.

Though Ward's horses are no longer flaming out after the early 2-year-old races it remains to be seen if he can take a horse that is so precocious that they can win in April of their juvenile seasons and go on and win a Triple Crown race or, for that matter, any Grade I 3-year-old race.

He says what people forget is that not all his horses are pushed hard early and that whenever he senses one needs more time and will not do well at short distances he will be far more patient.

He lost the 2011 Florida Derby by a nose with the Ramsey owned **Pleasant Prince** (Indy King) and won the Ohio and Oklahoma Derbies with him later that same year. Ward says Ramsey has told him to be on the look out for horses at the sales that are suited to the classic races and won't necessarily peak early.

Meanwhile, there are a handful more 2-year-old races yet to be run this year at Keeneland. Wesley Ward isn't done visiting the winner's circle.

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**ANGELA RENEE WORKS TOWARDS OAKS**

Siena Farm's **Angela Renee** (Bernardini), most recently the runner-up in the GI Ashland S. at Keeneland Apr. 5, tuned up for a potential start in the GI Kentucky Oaks by working a half-mile in :47.60 in the company of MGISW stablemate Stopchargingmaria (Tale of the Cat) Thursday morning in Lexington. With exercise rider Patti Krotenko in the irons, the homebred full-sister to MGISW To Honor and Serve went in fractions of :13 and :25 before galloping out five furlongs in 1:00.40 and three-quarters of a mile in 1:13.

"I got her in :48 flat and was very happy with the way she did it," trainer Todd Pletcher said. "She is typically a good training filly. She has bounced out of both of her races this year really well, especially this one." Angela Renee, victorious in last year's GI Chandelier S., will look to give Pletcher his third Oaks win following on Rags to Riches (A.P. Indy, 2007) and Princess of Sylmar (Majestic Warrior, 2013).

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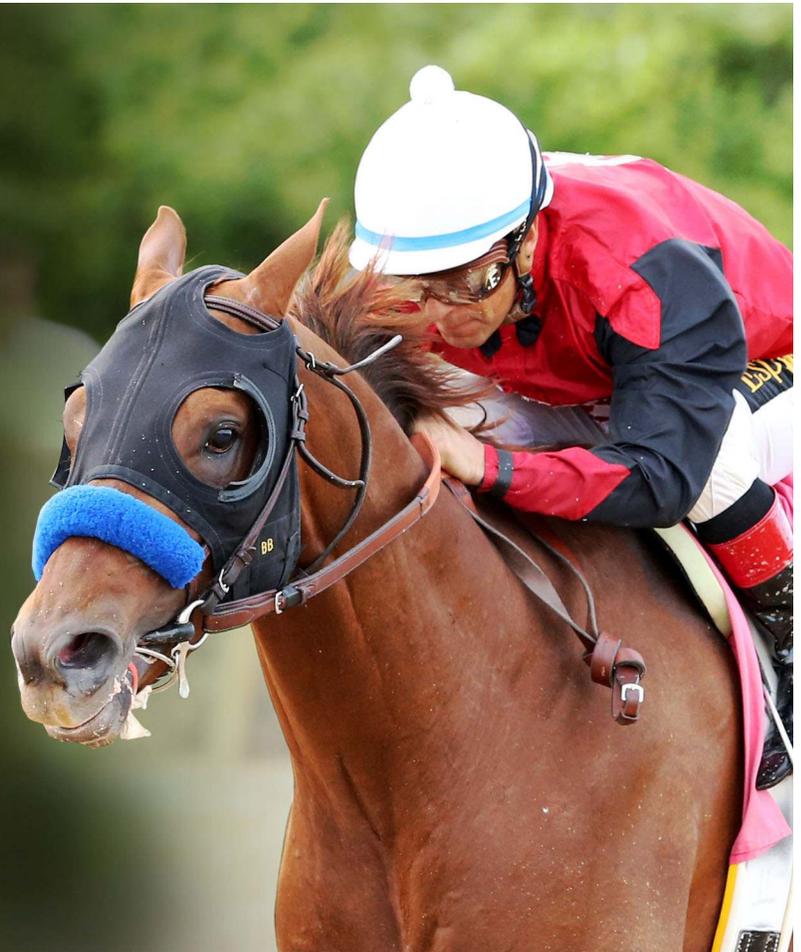
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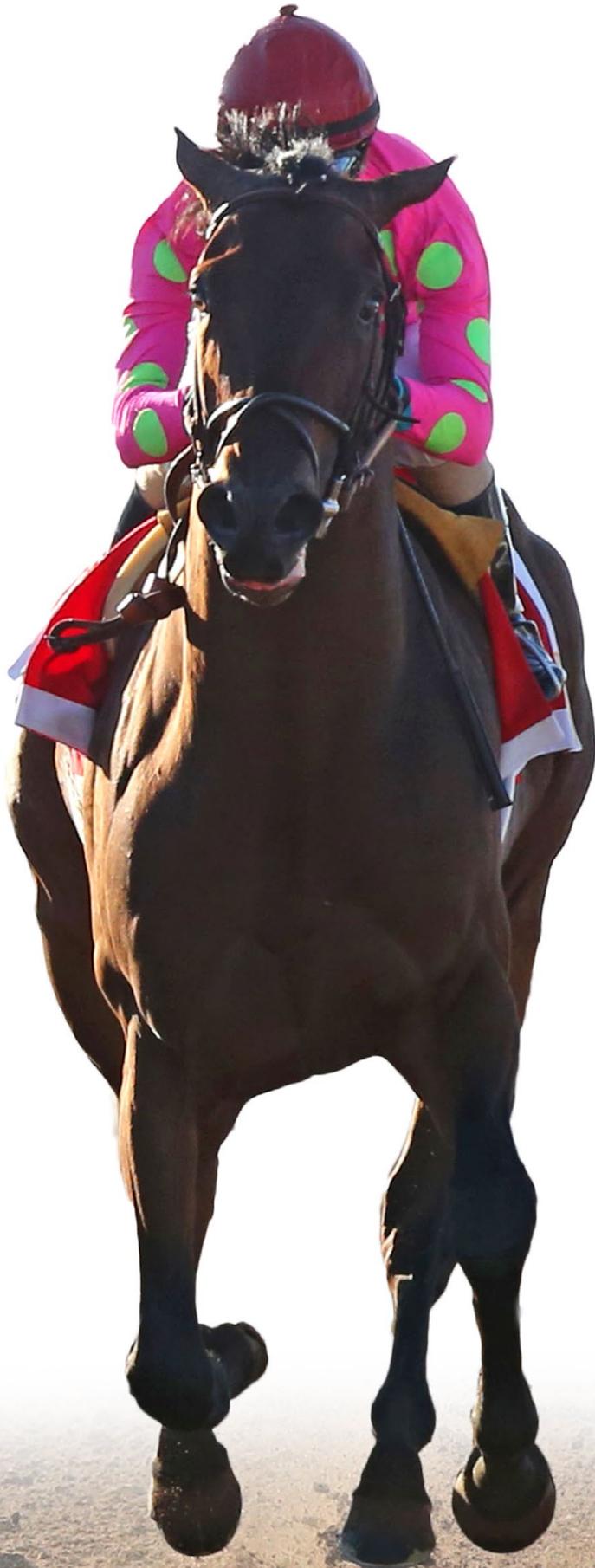
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## WOODS FILLIES EARN QUARTER BULLETS

by J.M. Severni

Through four of six sessions of the OBS Spring 2-Year-Olds in Training under-tack show, two juveniles had turned in sub-:21 quarter-mile breezes and both fillies were consigned by Eddie Woods. First to shade 21 seconds was [hip 572](#), an Any Given Saturday filly who breezed in [:20 4/5](#)



**Big Drama--Twilight Mirage**  
*Louise Reinagel*

Wednesday. She was just outdone Thursday by [hip 608](#), a filly by Big Drama who went in [:20 3/5](#).

"They've been very precocious, they're very shapely fillies with good dispositions," Woods commented. "As with the rest of our consignment, good works were

expected. I'm not going to tell you I thought that filly would work in :20 3/5, but I was expecting her to work very well."

The Any Given Saturday filly is out of stakes winner and graded stakes placed Tequilas Dayjur (Dayjur). Bred by Dean Hayes and Darley, the juvenile sold for \$57,000 at Fasig-Tipton's Kentucky October sale.

Hip 608, from the first crop of sprint champion Big Drama, is out of stakes-placed Twilight Mirage (Jeblar) and is a half-sister to stakes winner Determinato (Closing Argument).

The dark bay filly, bred by Quarter Pole Enterprises, RNA'd for \$47,000 at last year's OBS August yearling sale. **Cont. p6**

### OBS SPRING

2-Year-Olds in Training Sale

Under-tack Show - Apr. 16

Fastest 1/8 mile works

Time	Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam
<a href="#">:9 4/5</a>	<a href="#">692</a>	filly	<a href="#">Lemon Drop Kid</a>	Yonagucci

Consigned by Bobby Dodd, Agent IV

Fastest 1/4 mile works

Time	Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam
<a href="#">:20 3/5</a>	<a href="#">608</a>	filly	Big Drama	Twilight Mirage
<a href="#">:21 flat</a>	<a href="#">635</a>	filly	<a href="#">Hold Me Back</a>	Varus

Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent II  
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Agent for Small Batch Thoroughbreds

Fastest Three-Furlong works

Time	Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam
<a href="#">:33 4/5</a>	<a href="#">673</a>	colt	First Dude	Wild Trial

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Thursday's under-tack show also featured the first horse to shade :10 for a furlong breeze when [hip 692](#), a filly by Lemon Drop Kid, worked in [:9 4/5](#). Consigned by Bobby Dodd, agent, the youngster is out of stakes winner and Grade I placed Yonagucci (Yonaguska).

As the breeze show marathon marches on, Woods said the track has played well throughout the week.



**Eddie Woods**  
*Keeneland photo*

"I think the track, for the most part, has been consistent for the last four days," Woods said Thursday. "It's a hair slower than what we saw at March, but that's not a bad thing, and it's been the same track for everyone. Being a hair slower, it's been a better track than a really fast one."

Off such a strong OBS March sale, which offered an expanded format for the first time this year,

Woods believes the OBS Spring sale will also post impressive results.

"This will be a good sale," he said. "What has affected this sale more than anything is Keeneland not having a sale. There are a lot of horses here who would have gone to Keeneland that are now in here, which puts a bit of quality into the thing. You can't have it every way--the March sale was so overwhelmingly good, so if it affects this sale a little bit, it's not the end of the world, you can't have it all the time."

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**SIX BREEZE SHOWS KEEP CONSIGNORS BUSY**

by *Jessica Martini*

With 1,203 horses catalogued for its Spring Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training, the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company is offering six breeze show sessions this week in Florida, with approximately 200 horses working each day. The extra sessions have gotten a generally positive review, but are not without their own drawbacks.

"I think it is an excellent idea," consignor Nick de Meric said after Thursday's fourth under-tack session. "It's much fairer on the horses. It's fairer on the consignors. And to witness what I am looking at now, which is my courtyard full of people looking, I think it's going to be good for buyers because they have 1 1/2 to two hours at the end of each day to look at horses they like on the track.

He continued, "For us as consignors, we're not out there in the heat of the day, the horses aren't coming back to the barn at 5:30 in the afternoon and then coming out looking exhausted and hot. So I think there are lots of big pluses."

The sheer numbers of the Spring sale make it a logistically challenging proposition.

"I don't think there is any good way to get through 1,200 horses," said consignor Ciaran Dunne. "They are trying to do the best they can. One of the hardest things about what we do is to have the buyers sit through six, seven, eight-hour breeze show sessions. I think for the horses, when it gets late in the afternoon and it gets hot, the track starts to get chewed up, the wind picks up--it's unfair on the horses who maybe have to go later. So eliminating that fourth set is good from that point of view."

Both consignors agreed there is a downside to a six-day breeze show.

"The one adjustment I would suggest, is that I think we need to condense it to five days, not six, because people like myself, Eddie Woods, Niall Brennan and Barry Eisaman, we have not seen our horses train at the farm in a week," de Meric explained. "It would be really nice if we had Saturday when we did not have a breeze show, we could be at our own farms and do what training we need to do there. And then come back to the sale on Sunday or probably Saturday afternoon and conduct our business here. So to have six days in a row, that's basically a week of training you are missing at home. And that is kind of difficult."

While the breeze sessions might be shorter, the days are still long.

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**KTOB 2014 KENTUCKY-BRED CHAMPIONS**

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Bred by Ken & Sarah Ramsey

Champion Sprinter

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**OBS Spring cont.**

"It's very hard on our help," Dunne said. "Given the nature of what we do, they have to be here early in the morning. The horses have to train here all week while we are waiting for their turn to come in the breeze show. What we've been trying to do is leave the horses who have breezed open for buyers to come and see. As it has gotten later in the week and the numbers have started to build up, it's 4:30-5:00 p.m. when we get to shut down for the evening. By the time guys get done doing up a bunch of horses and then we get to feed and then they clean up around the place, all of a sudden it's 6-6:30 at night before they get to go home and they've worked a 13-14 hour day. And it's not just one day, we're looking at doing this for two weeks. It's very, very hard. It's not easy on anyone, but I'm not sure there is any good way around it."

The penultimate session of the Spring breeze show begins Friday at 8 a.m. and the show concludes Saturday. The Spring sale will be held next Tuesday through Friday with sessions beginning daily at 10:30 a.m.

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**Friday, Keeneland, post time: 5:13 p.m. EDT**

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<b>HILLIARD LYONS DOUBLED OGDARE S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m</b>					
1	Lunar Surge (K)	Malibu Moon	Lanerie	Weaver	8-1
2	Liberated (K)	Curlin	Bravo	V Oliver	20-1
3	Deceptive Vision	A.P. Indy	Velazquez	Pierce	5-2
4	Twenty in One (K)	Invasor (Arg)	Lopez	Arnold II	20-1
5	Blue Violet	Curlin	Clark	Jones	6-1
6	Pretty Fancy	Lemon Drop Kid	Castellano	Arnold II	10-1
7	Handmade	Candy Ride (Arg)	Hernandez	Howard	12-1
8	My Miss Sophia (K)	Unbridled's Song	Rosario	Mott	2-1
9	Tiz Windy	Tiznow	Leparoux	Nafzger	5-1

**Sunday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 6:30 p.m. EDT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
<b>SAN SIMEON S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, a6.5fT</b>					
1	Get Happy Mister	First Samurai	Baze	Tsagalakis	118
2	Home Run Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Stevens	Hofmans	120
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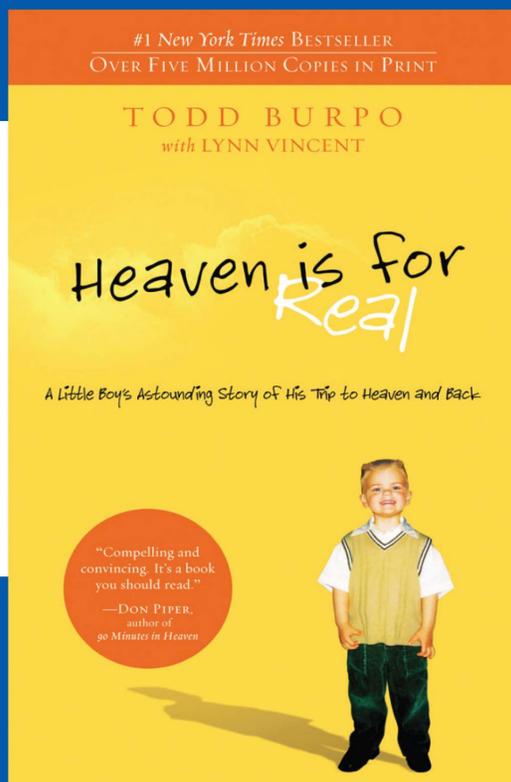
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SESSION TWO TOP LOTS**

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (gns)
<a href="#">113</a>	c	<a href="#">War Front</a> (\$400,000 yrl '14 KEESEP) <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-W.S. Farish & Lazy F Ranch Consigned by Mocklershill Purchased by Jamie McCalmont/A C Elliott	Rehear	850,000
<a href="#">117</a>	f	<a href="#">Exchange Rate</a> (\$45,000 yrl '14 KEESEP) <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-Audley Farm Equine Consigned by Oak Tree Farm Purchased by Oliver St Lawrence Bloodstock	Ruler's Charm	350,000
<a href="#">142</a>	c	<a href="#">Exceed and Excel (Aus)</a> <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-Mise Soledad De Moratalla Consigned by Mocklershill Purchased by China Horse Club/David Redvers	Torentosa (Fr)	310,000
<a href="#">125</a>	c	<a href="#">Elusive Quality</a> (\$90,000 yrl '14 KEESEP) <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-Mineola Farm II, LLC, Jim Geisler, James W. Hirschmann, et al Consigned by Lynn Lodge Stud Purchased by Gerard Hourigan	Shady Reflection	300,000
<a href="#">127</a>	c	<a href="#">Exceed and Excel (Aus)</a> <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd Consigned by Grove Stud Purchased by SackvilleDonald	Shepherdia (Ire)	290,000
<a href="#">96</a>	c	<a href="#">Showcasing (GB)</a> <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-Crossfields Bloodstock Ltd Consigned by Gaybrook Lodge Stud Purchased by George Moore/SackvilleDonald	Nizhoni	240,000
<a href="#">95</a>	c	<a href="#">Showcasing (GB)</a> <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-RJ & SA Carter Consigned by Oak Tree Farm Purchased by George Moore/SackvilleDonald	Night Symphonie (GB)	200,000 (21,000gns wnl '13 TATDEC; €82,000 yrl '14 GOFORB)
<a href="#">120</a>	c	<a href="#">Lope De Vega (Ire)</a> <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-Max Morris Consigned by Derryconnor Stud Purchased by Jamie McCalmont	Saik	200,000 (€32,000 wnl '13 GOFNOV)
<a href="#">141</a>	f	<a href="#">Galileo (Ire)</a> <a href="#">(breeze video)</a> B-Mrs Evie Stockwell Consigned by Mocklershill Purchased by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock	Theann (GB)	200,000

[142A](#) f [Shamardal](#) Two Marks 200,000  
 (65,000gns yrl '14 TATOCT)  
[\(breeze video\)](#)  
 B-Mr G. Morrin  
 Consigned by Mocklershill  
 Purchased by John Ferguson

**U.S.-Breds Prominent at Tatts...**

"She's for an existing client and she's just a lovely filly with a good pedigree," St Lawrence said of his new Exchange Rate filly. "Hopefully she can add some more black-type to her family. She breezed in a very nice time but that's not the be-all and end-all."

The filly's return represented the best pinhooking result of the sale for Norman Williamson of Oak Tree Farm, who bought her last September for \$45,000.

Exchange Rate was responsible for another of the more expensive offerings of the second session when [lot 114](#) boosted Gaybrook Lodge Stud's successful



**Oliver St Lawrence**  
Tattersalls

draft yet further when selling to Yorkshire trainer David Barron for 190,000gns. The late April colt is a half-brother to the Washington Oaks-placed Champagne Gal (Yes It's True) out of an unraced half-sister to Grade II winner Imperialism (Langfuhr). Darley

America-based Elusive Quality looks set to have a pretty fancy runner in Denmark following the sale of [lot 125](#) to Ger Hourigan for 300,000gns.

"He's a gorgeous colt and he breezed really well. Let's hope he's lucky," said the agent after signing for the three-quarter brother to GII Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Marathon winner Cary Street (Smarty Jones) on behalf of an undisclosed Danish client. Mags O'Toole selected the colt at Keeneland for \$90,000 on behalf of consignor Eddie O'Leary of Lynn Lodge Stud.

**Qatar and China Pair Up Again...**

Qatar Bloodstock and the China Horse Club went into partnership at Tattersalls back in December when paying 4.5 million gns for Classic winner Just The Judge (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}) but the two entities didn't have to part with such a large amount this time around when pooling resources to buy [lot 142](#), an Exceed And Excel (Aus) colt from the family of G1 Prix Saint-Alary winner Belle Et Celebre (Fr) (Peintre Celebre).

As is common in France, where he was bred, the colt has already been named Jackfish, and he is the first foal of the Oasis Dream (GB) mare Torentosa (Fr). The Marquesa de Moratalla homebred was consigned by Mocklershill on behalf of The Channel Consignment.

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**Michael Wallace**  
Tattersalls

“His sectionals were really good and he impressed us with his time and his action,” said the China Horse Club’s Michael Wallace, standing with Sheikh Fahad Al Thani and his racing and bloodstock manager David Redvers. “He’ll stay in the UK and we’ll have a chat about who will train him. He’s by a stallion who’s proved he can do a good job and he has a lovely pedigree.”

**Donald Comes Up Trumps...**

Alastair Donald was busy for Hong Kong clients through Wednesday’s session and resumed his spending spree on the final day of the sale when signing for consecutive lots--both colts by Showcasing (GB)--at 200,000gns and 240,000gns, respectively. The more expensive of the two, [lot 96](#), was consigned



**Alastair Donald**  
Tattersalls

by Jim McCartan of Gaybrook Lodge Stud, who bought the chesnut son of Nizhoni (Mineshaft) for 55,000gns at Tattersalls October Book 3.

Donald said, “He did an excellent breeze and is an extremely athletic and speedy-looking horse. He’ll go to Ed Walker.”

The preliminary trainer for [lot 95](#) is as-yet unknown, but he looks likely to remain in England for the time being, though Hong

Kong is his ultimate destination, having been bought for George Moore.

“The stallion has done so well and his stock seem to like firm ground, which is ideal for Hong Kong,” added Donald.

The SackvilleDonald agent struck again later in the session when giving 290,000gns for an Exceed And Excel (Aus) grandson of Grade III winner Buffalo Berry (Ire) (Sri Pekan). Catalogued as [lot 127](#), the Grove Stud consignee is another to be joining Ed Walker’s stable at the historic Warren Place in Newmarket.

**Team Valor Strikes For a Brace of Colts...**

Barry Irwin’s Team Valor added a pair of juveniles to its string within a couple of minutes when agent Gordian Troeller went first to 160,000gns for a first-crop son of Dream Ahead ([lot 84](#)), and then to 100,000gns for a neat colt by last season’s European champion freshman sire, Lope De Vega (Ire) named Speak To Me (Fr) ([lot 86](#)).

The former, out of the listed-placed Hussonet mare Maramaba, is a half-brother to the dual winners Wakeup Little Suzy (Ire) (Peintre Celebre) and Taper Tantrum (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}) and cost €58,000 as a yearling at the Goffs Orby Sale.

Troeller commented, “I thought both colts were exceptional individuals. The Dream Ahead is a good-looking horse with plenty of scope and size--he really took the eye. The Lope De Vega colt is a May foal and is a bit smaller so he’s likely to need a bit more time. Michael Fitzpatrick always presents them really well and he had a bit of quality about him.”

Fitzpatrick, who consigns under the Kilminfoyle House Stud banner, spotted the French-bred colt when he was the last lot through the ring at the Arqana October Sale and picked him up for €52,000. He wasn’t the only son of Lope De Vega to sell well on the night; Derryconnor Stud consigned a March-born colt out of the unraced Riverman mare Saik, which was knocked down to Jamie McCalmont for 200,000gns. Originally bought as a foal by Luke Barry for €32,000, the half-brother to eight winners missed the yearling sales but has more than compensated for the time and money invested in him by delivering a handsome profit.



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• RNAs	9	13
• % RNAs	14%	21.6%
• No. \$500K+	1	1
• High Price	850,000gns	1,150,000gns
• Gross	6,589,500gns	5,086,000gns
• Average (% change)	119,809gns (+11%)	108,213gns
• Median (% change)	80,000gns (+29%)	62,000gns

CUMULATIVE	2015	2014
• Catalogued	146	166
• No. Offered	121	128
• No. Sold	96	93
• RNAs	25	35
• % RNAs	20.6%	27.3%
• No. \$500K+	1	2
• High Price	850,000gns	1,150,000gns
• Gross	9,893,500gns	10,489,000gns
• Average (% change)	103,057gns (-9%)	112,785gns
• Median (% change)	71,000gns (+1%)	70,000gns

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**Chairman's Assessment...**

Summarizing the trade after a particularly buoyant final session, Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony said, "Last year's record breaking Tattersalls Craven Breeze-up Sale was always going to be a hard act to follow, especially with a smaller catalogue, but the second-highest price ever for a European breeze-up 2-year-old, a record median and a considerably improved clearance rate are all positives to take from this week's sale."

"Competition at the top of the market has been the real feature of the sale and the number of different buyers active at the upper levels has been notable," he added. "Demand from throughout the world, particularly from Hong Kong, North America and throughout the Gulf region, has again demonstrated the truly global reputation of the Craven Breeze-up Sale."

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**Thursday, Newmarket, Britain**

**NOVAE BLOODSTOCK INSURANCE CRAVEN S.-G3,** £60,000, NMT, 4-16, 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:38.86, gd/fm.

1--**KOOL KOMPANY (IRE), 129, c, 3, by Jeremy 1st Dam: Absolutely Cool (Ire), by Indian Ridge 2nd Dam: Absolute Glee, by Kenmare (Fr) 3rd Dam: Looking Brill (GB), by Sadler's Wells** (€8,000 wlng '12 GOFNOV; £40,000 yrl '13 DONAUG; £730,000 RNA HRA '14 DONHIT). O-Kool Kompany Partnership; B-Imelda O'Shaughnessy (IRE); T-Richard Hannon; J-Richard Hughes. £34,026. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, GSW & G1SP-Ire, 10-6-1-0, £236,729. \*1/2 to Ridge City (Ire) (Elusive City), SP-Fr, \$198,679. **Werk Nick Rating: A+ . Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Nafaqa (Ire), 126, c, 3, Sir Percy (GB)--Maghya (Ire),** by Mujahid. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited (IRE); T-Barry Hills. £12,900.

3--**Moheet (Ire), 126, c, 3, High Chaparral (Ire)--Abunai (GB),** by Pivotal (GB). (41,000gns yrl '13 TATDEC; 800,000gns 2yo '14 TATAPR). O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Hascombe and Valiant Studs (IRE); T-Richard Hannon. £6,456.

Margins: 1 1/4, 2, SHD. Odds: 14.00, 2.75, 2.00. Also Ran: War Envoy, Aces (Ire), Hail the Hero (Ire), White Lake (GB).

One of the blue-collar juveniles of 2014, Kool Kompany earned early black-type when taking the Listed Rochestown S. at Naas in early June and by the end of that month had rebounded from a disappointing 12th placing in Royal Ascot's G2 Coventry S. to regain the winning thread in the G2 Railway S. at The Curragh. After a win in the 5 1/2-furlong G2 Prix Robert



**Kool Kompany**  
*Racing Post*

Papin at Maisons-Laffitte in July, the dark bay was second to Dick Whittington (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) in the G1 Phoenix S. back at The Curragh in August before finally feeling the effects of an arduous campaign when sixth in York's DBS Premier Yearling S. 11 days later.

Signing off with a fifth in the G1 Middle Park S. after a relative holiday on Future Champions Day here in October, he entered this seemingly as a backnumber racing beyond six furlongs for the first time under a Group 2 penalty. Ignored by the jockeys of the leading fancies as well as the punters, Kool Kompany enjoyed a perfect uncontested trip under the wily tactician Richard Hughes as most of his rivals pulled away their chances waiting for him to fold. With the unexposed brigade struggling to change gear in behind, the battle-hardened front-runner had only Nafaqa to worry about late on but always had that rival's measure as the 2-1 favorite Moheet stayed on in encouraging fashion without looking likely to threaten. **Cont. p12**



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“He likes to be up there handy and have a bit of room, so it worked out beautifully,” his rider commented. “When this track is riding firm and you have a bit of a tailwind, you can really bowl along and they are hard to peg back like the horse in the European Free yesterday. I had it easy to the three, he is a tough horse and there were some inexperienced horses behind me. He keeps popping back up, despite us overlooking him in the yard and he had a huge amount of experience and has a huge constitution. You won’t get an easy lead in the Guineas and it might be tough for him to get a stiff mile, so maybe France or Germany might be better.”

Kool Kompany is the second feature-race winner in the space of four days for the late Irish National Stud sire Jeremy after another of his 3-year-old colts, Success Days (Ire), upset the G3 Ballysax S. at Leopardstown Sunday. [Click for the Racing Post result](#) or the [brisnet.com PPs](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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**Thursday, Newmarket, Britain**

**CONNAUGHT ACCESS FLOORING ABERNANT S.-G3,** £60,000, NMT, 4-16, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:12.09, gd/fm.

1--**ASTAIRE (IRE), 132, c, 4, by Intense Focus**

**1st Dam: Runway Dancer (GB), by Dansili (GB)**

**2nd Dam: Shall We Run (GB), by Hotfoot (GB)**

**3rd Dam: Sirnelta (Fr), by Sir Tor**

(€45,000 wlng ‘11 GOFNOV; 23,000gns yrl ‘12 TATOCT; £70,000 2yo ‘13 GOFMAR). O-Mrs Angie Bailey; B-Mr J P M O’Connor (IRE); T-Kevin Ryan; J-Jamie Spencer. £34,026. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Eng, 13-5-2-0, £321,566. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Watchable (GB), 132, g, 5, Pivotal (GB)--Irresistible (GB), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB).** O-Mr P Bamford; B-Cheveley Park Stud (GB); T-David O’Meara. £12,900.

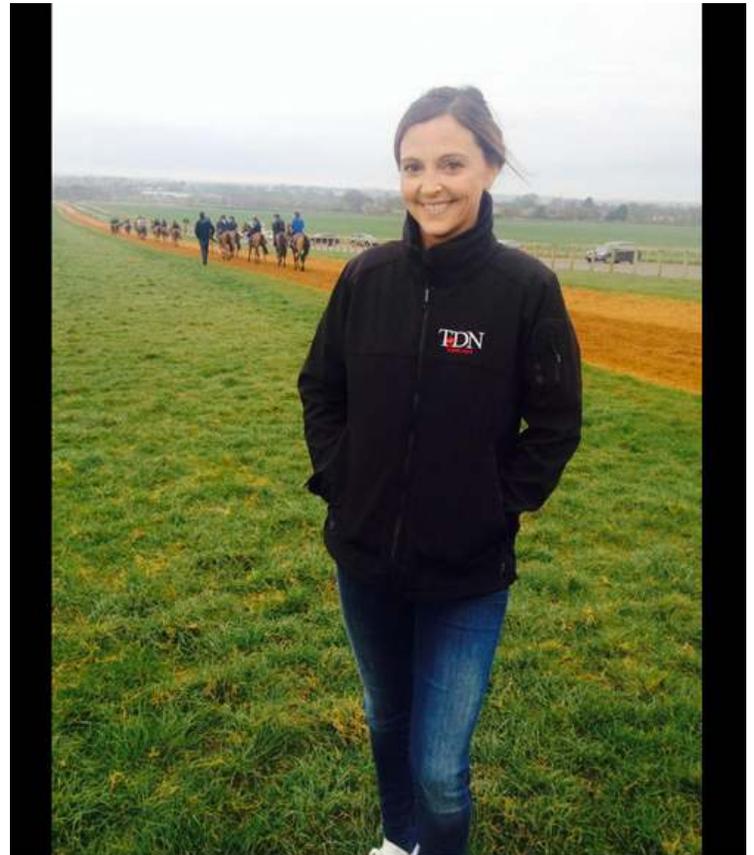
3--**Music Master (GB), 132, c, 5, Piccolo (GB)--Twilight Mistress (GB), by Bin Ajwaad (Ire).** O-Mr Godfrey Wilson; B-Mrs Caroline Wilson (GB); T-Henry Candy. £6,456.

Margins: HF, 1 1/4, 2. Odds: 4.50, 8.00, 1.75.

Also Ran: Jack Dexter (GB), Lucky Kristale (GB), Gamesome (Fr), American Hope, Angelic Lord (Ire), Chookie Royale (GB), Rivellino (GB), Magnus Maximus (GB). Scratched: Musical Comedy (GB). [Click for the Racing Post result](#) or the [brisnet.com PPs](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Despite his 2-year-old exploits when winning the G2 Gimcrack S. and G1 Middle Park S., Astaire always gave the impression he would be able to hold his own during the difficult sophomore season for sprinters and confirmed that with a second in the G2 Duke of York S. last May. Contesting the four major British sprints thereafter, he was unable to land a blow on each occasion, running sixth in the G1 Diamond Jubilee S. at Royal Ascot, 11th in the G1 July Cup here and G1 Haydock Sprint Cup and 10th in the G1 Nunthorpe S. at York.

Run down late on by Naadirr (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}) on his 4-year-old bow in the Listed Cammidge Trophy over this trip at Doncaster Mar. 28, the bay faced nothing with that progressive profile here and with the help of conditions highly beneficial to front-runners was able to register another pattern-race success. Soon at the head of affairs, Astaire had only the similarly prominently placed Watchable to concern him where it mattered but drew on his extra element of class to prevail.



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**WEATHERBYS GENERAL STUD BOOK EARL OF SEFTON S.-G3**, £60,000, NMT, 4-16, 4yo/up, 9FT, 1:51.81, gd/fm.

1--**FRENCH NAVY (GB)**, 125, h, 7, by [Shamardal](#)  
 1st Dam: **First Fleet (SW-Fr)**, by **Woodman**  
 2nd Dam: **Frankova**, by **Nureyev**  
 3rd Dam: **Secret Asset**, by **Graustark**  
 O-Godolphin; B-Darley (GB); T-Charlie Appleby;  
 J-William Buick. £34,026. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr,  
 22-11-4-1, £304,322. \*1/2 to Sea Lord (Ire), GSW-  
 Eng, \$370,775. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Arod (Ire)**, 125, c, 4, [Teofilo \(Ire\)](#)--My Personal Space, by Rahy. (€170,000 yrl '12 GOFORB).  
 O-Qatar Racing Limited; B-Kabansk Ltd & Rathbarry Stud (IRE); T-Peter Chapple-Hyam. £12,900.  
 3--**Mondialiste (Ire)**, 125, c, 5, [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)--Occupandiste (Ire), by Kaldoun (Fr). (€190,000 HRA '14 ARQJUL). O-Geoff & Sandra Turnbull; B-Wertheimer et Frere (IRE); T-David O'Meara. £6,456.

Margins: 3/4, 3/4, HD. Odds: 3.00, 3.33, 3.33.  
 Also Ran: Niceofyoutotellme (GB), Grandeur (Ire), Educate (GB), Glory Awaits (Ire), Iman (Ger). [Click for the Racing Post result or the brisnet.com PPs.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Now at the grand age of seven, the ultra-consistent French Navy showed he has more than enough ability to slap down the younger brigade and delivered arguably his most impressive display to date. Making it pattern-race win number three in Epsom's G3 Diomed S. last June, the bay was rolling back the years to his salad days when



**French Navy**  
*Racing Post*

successful in the 2010 G3 Prix des Chenes at Longchamp and the following year's G3 Select S. at Goodwood. Absent from Derby day until the start of November, the homebred showed no ill-effects when returning with a seventh black-type win overall in the Listed Ben Marshall S. over a

mile here and again demonstrated his potency when fresh on this seasonal bow.

Held up early traveling strongly, French Navy was angled wide by William Buick to swoop on Arod just before the furlong pole and surge clear before idling close home.

"He seems to be getting better and that was an impressive performance," trainer Charlie Appleby said. "He built up so much confidence last year and wintered well and he proved me wrong with regards to the ground today. He tells me when he's ready to run and there are an array of options for him."

**DOLNIYA COULD HAVE CORONATION DATE**

The Aga Khan's G1 Dubai Sheema Classic victress **Dolniya (Fr)** (Azamour {Ire}) has been given an option to travel to England after trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre entered her in the G1 Coronation Cup on Epsom Derby Day June 6.

"Dolniya has come out of Dubai very well," de Royer-Dupre noted. "She has a few options. She could either



**Dolniya**  
*Racing Post*

run in the Coronation Cup or stay at home for races in France. She is entered in the [G1] Prix Ganay [at Longchamp May 3] and the other race for her is the [G1] Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud [June 28]."

The conditioner said the 4-year-old's plans will hinge on the going.

"It will depend on the ground because she does not like the soft," he said. "If we have too

much rain in France, it is likely she will go to Epsom. I think Epsom will be OK for her; she stays well and the long home straight will help."

A total of 24 have been entered for the Coronation Cup. Other entrants include last year's one-two **Cirrus des Aigles (Fr)** (Even Top {Ire}) and **Flintshire (GB)** (Dansili {GB}); Godolphin's progressive **Manatee (GB)** (Monsun {Ger}); last year's G1 Yorkshire Oaks winner **Tapestry (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}); the promising **Free Eagle (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}); popular gelding **Red Cadeaux (GB)** (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) and Classic winner **Just the Judge (Ire)** (Lawman {Fr}).

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**CHEVELEY PARK BUYS INTO GUINEAS HOPE**

Cheveley Park Stud has bought into last year's G3 Acomb S. winner **Dutch Connection (GB)** (Dutch Art {GB})), a 25-1 chance for the G1 2000 Guineas May 2, according to *Racing Post*. Cheveley Park, which stands Dutch Art, joins the colt's breeder, Susan Roy, on the



**Trainer Charlie Hills**  
*Racing Post*

ownership line. Charlie Hills trains. Dutch Connection was last seen finishing third behind Gleneagles (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 National S. at The Curragh in September, and he galloped on Newmarket's Rowley Mile before racing yesterday under William Buick.

"I am absolutely delighted with him," Hills said after Dutch Connection pulled away from a stablemate by five lengths. "It was great to get William back on board, as he has a great relationship with the horse. He said that he gave him a really nice feeling, while he showed a good turn of foot, which was nice to see. I didn't want him to come here and go through the motions; I wanted to give him a good blow up the hill." **Cont. p14**



Hills said his charge has progressed over the winter. "He has certainly lengthened and looks pretty imposing--whatever he did as a 2-year-old was a bonus," Hills said. "I really think the Guineas will suit him, as they will go hard, while I see him as a mile-and-a-quarter horse in time. We have got an exciting couple of weeks ahead."

A short time later, Hills's father, trainer Barry Hills, sent out Sheikh Hamdan's G1 1000 Guineas hopeful **Fadhayil (Ire)** (Tamayuz {GB}) for a seven furlong gallop under Paul Hanagan.

"All I can say is that I've been very happy with her, as she has had a clear run all the way through the winter," the elder Hills said. "We took her through the motions today and she quickened up well when coming down the hill."

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### AMBITIOUS DRAGON RETIRED

**Ambitious Dragon (NZ)** (Pins {Aus}--Golden Gamble {NZ}, by Oregon), a dual international Group 1 winner and a two-time Horse of the Year in Hong Kong, has been retired from racing, trainer Tony Millard announced through the Hong Kong Jockey Club Thursday.

Bred by E.P. Lowry, Ambitious Dragon was passed in on a bid of just NZ\$47,500 at the 2008 New Zealand Bloodstock Select Yearling Sale, and, after a slow start while under the care of Francis Lui, exploded onto the scene during his 4-year-old season in 2010-11. Possessed of an all-time turn of foot when on song, the bay won seven of his eight trips to the post that season, including a 3/4-length defeat of the classy miler Xtension (Ire) (Xaar {GB}) in that year's Hong Kong Derby ([video](#)) before besting another future local legend, California Memory (Highest Honor {Fr}), in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup ([video](#)) to lock down the first of his two Horse of the Year titles. Rolled as the even-money favorite in the G1 Hong Kong Cup in late 2011, he cut back to a mile to best Xtension and California Memory in the Stewards Cup before returning to 10 furlongs to handle those two foes yet again in the Hong Kong Gold Cup in early 2012.



**Ambitious Dragon**  
*HKJC.com*

Kept at distances mostly around a mile for the balance of his career, Ambitious Dragon was subjected to a veterinary exam on the eve of the 2012 Hong Kong Mile, but was passed fit to run and came with a stinging rally on the grandstand side for a comfortable victory over Glorious Days (Aus) (Hussonet) ([video](#)). He tacked on a brilliant victory in the 2013 Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup over 1400 meters ([video](#)), arguably one of the best performances of his storied career.

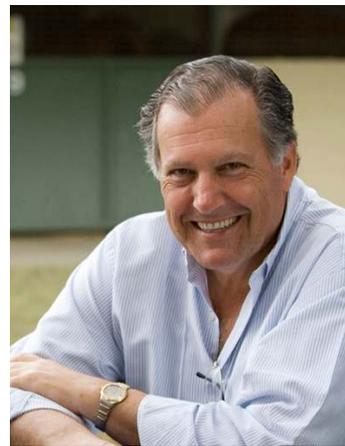
Sidelined for 18 months with a tendon injury preparing for the 2013-14 season, the 'Dragon' made it back to the races last fall at the age of eight and gave his legion of fans a thrill with a third-place effort to Able Friend (Aus) (Shamardal) in the G2 Jockey Club Mile. He was scratched with a foot injury on the eve of one final try in December's Hong Kong Mile and was fifth in a pair of subsequent runs. He retires with 13 wins and seven minor placings from 30 career starts and earnings of HK\$58,722,850 (*US\$7,553,264*).

"In my opinion, he is as good as you get, and why I say that is because he was so versatile," said Millard. "I have yet to see a horse, in my time here in Hong Kong, win Group 1 races [domestic and international] at 1400 meters, 1600 meters, 1800 meters and 2000 meters. I haven't seen another horse do that in the 16 years I've been here. That type of versatility you just don't get, and that is why a champion has no distance--that horse is a champion, he can do it--and that, to me, was Ambitious Dragon."

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### AUSTRALIA FORMS NEW NATIONAL BODY

A new national body, Racing Australia, has formed Down Under. Racing Australia merges three key



**John Messara**

national functions--the Australian Racing Board, Racing Information Services Australia and the Australian Stud Book--into one entity. The delivery of the organizations' services will remain the same, while the movement will consolidate the databases of the industry. The shareholders of Racing Australia are the eight principal racing authorities representing each state and territory, and Racing NSW Chairman John Messara was elected

chairman of Racing Australia by his fellow directors at the inaugural board meeting Apr. 13.

"The formation of Racing Australia promises to be an exciting period for the industry," Messara said. "There is enormous scope to better utilize the industry's combined assets for the benefit of industry participants. The integration of the databases will significantly enhance integrity and transparency and a number of initiatives in this regard will be announced in coming months." **Cont. p15**



**Worldwide News cont.**

“Racing Australia represents a long-held desire by the Australian racing industry for greater unity and cohesion between jurisdictions,” he continued. “I believe that the goodwill which brought Racing Australia about will see it serve the interests of the industry into the future.”

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**PROTECTIONIST TO SPELL**

Last year’s G1 Melbourne Cup winner **Protectionist (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger}), a well-beaten seventh before pulling up sore in last Saturday’s G1 Sydney Cup at Royal Randwick, will be spelled six to eight weeks before connections reassess him with the hopes of



**Protectionist**  
*Racing and Sports*

embarking on a spring campaign, according to *Racing and Sports*. Tests performed this week revealed the 5-year-old had a badly bruised left knee, but no chips or breaks.

“It’s good considering what we thought it was going to be this time yesterday,” trainer Kris

Lees told *Racing and Sports*. “He got down on his bumpers really badly [in the Sydney Cup] so he could have hyperextended [his knee], which caused some bruising and he did have some localized swelling behind his knee.”

If Protectionist is deemed healthy enough for an Australian spring campaign, a title defense of the Melbourne Cup will be his main goal.

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**JUVENILES TOAST IN CHAMPAGNE**

Saturday’s G1 Champagne S. puts a wrap on the Sydney 2-year-old Triple Crown, and while that title isn’t on the line this year--G1 Golden Slipper winner Vancouver (Aus) (Medaglia d’Oro) and G1 Sires’ Produce S. victor Pride of Dubai (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire})



**Pasadena Girl**  
*Racing and Sports*

are both in the spelling paddock--this lineup nonetheless boasts some intriguing juveniles stepping up to a mile. The Champagne has often served as an indicator for classy 3-year-olds down the road, with recent past winners including Pierro (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}) and Helmet (Aus) (Exceed

and Excel {Aus}). Both of those colts won the Sires’ Produce previously, and in fact the Sires’ has produced all but two of the Champagne winners since 1999.

**Odyssey Moon (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}) got going late to be a dead-heat second in the Sires’ Produce two weeks ago, and that run suggests the added furlong could be within his reach. One who certainly looked like he wanted more real estate in the Sires’ was Godolphin’s **Tarquin (Aus)** (Hard Spun), who lost his unbeaten record in his third outing but stayed on strongly to be fifth. Also finishing with a flourish in the Sires’ was the filly **Pasadena Girl (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}), who finished fourth three weeks after she had won Flemington’s G3 Thoroughbred Breeders’ S. Claire Cunningham, Sydney foreman to trainer Peter Moody, did not express concern about the added distance.

“She has always been running through the line so it should be OK,” Cunningham said. “She is a good galloper and she’s very competitive, which is her biggest asset.”

The only one in the field with a win over the distance is **The Barrister (Aus)** (Star Witness {Aus}), who looks to run his record to three straight after taking the Fernhill H. over this strip two weeks ago.

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**Saturday, Randwick, Australia, post time: 12:25 a.m. ET**  
**MOET & CHANDON CHAMPAGNE S.-G1, A\$400,000 (US\$307,220),**  
2yo, 1600mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	7	The Barrister (Aus)	Star Witness (Aus)	Berry	Warren
2	5	Odyssey Moon (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Oliver	Northam
3	9	Takedown (Aus)	Stratum (Aus)	McEvoy	Moore
4	3	Tarquin (Aus)	Hard Spun	McDonald	O’Shea
5	2	Street Rapper (Aus)	Street Boss	Shinn	Waterhouse
6	8	Rhode Assassin (Aus)	Lookin At Lucky	Collett	Cummings
7	1	Reckless Russell (Aus)	Excellent Art (GB)	Cassidy	Myfld-Smith
8	4	Pasadena Girl (NZ)	Savabeel (Aus)	Bowman	Moody
9	6	Mine Two (Aus)	I Am Invincible (Aus)	Boss	Frazer

All carry 124 pounds bar Pasadena Girl & Mine Two, 120 pounds.

**ONE FOR THE AGES**

Saturday’s G1 All Aged S. at Royal Randwick pits a strong lineup of older sprinters against some exciting sophomores. **Chautauqua (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago {Aus}) will get plenty of attention at the betting



**Chautauqua**  
*Racing and Sports*

windows off his eye-catching last-to-first victory in the G1 TJ Smith S. over this strip two weeks ago over a furlong shorter, and he has winning form over this distance. Third in the TJ Smith was last year’s G1 Darley Classic winner **Terravista (Aus)** (Captain Rio {GB}).

The 5-year-old gelding has filled that position both starts this campaign, and jockey Hugh Bowman admitted his mount will need to bounce back strongly to turn the tables on Chautauqua.

**All-Aged S. Preview cont. p16**



**All-Aged S. cont.**

"I thought Chautauqua was the run of the day [in the TJ Smith] and the writing was on the wall before it; I've got a lot of respect for him," Bowman told *Racenet*. "Looking back, I think he probably had a gut buster first-up and that may have taken its toll second-up. It's not a hard 1400 meters, we've drawn softly and I'll put him where he's comfortable."

Four-time Group 1 winner **Dissident (Aus)** (Sebring {Aus}) makes his first starts since a third in the G1 Futurity S. Feb. 28, and he had previously won the G1 C.F. Orr S. over this trip first-up two weeks earlier.

The older brigade will have to see off an intriguing trio of 3-year-olds, including last-out G1 Australian Guineas scorer **Wandjina (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}). Partnered by Damien Oliver for trainer Gai Waterhouse, Wandjina is joined by last year's G1 Caulfield Guineas winner **Shooting To Win (Aus)** (Northern Meteor {Aus}) and the promising **Scissor Kick (Aus)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), who is unbeaten in two tries over the course.

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**Saturday, Randwick, Australia, post time: 1:45 a.m. ET**  
**SCHWEPES ALL AGED S.-G1, A\$400,000 (US\$307,220), 3yo/up, 1400mT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	1	Chautauqua (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Berry	Hawkeses
2	6	Dissident (Aus)	Sebring (Aus)	Cassidy	Moody
3	2	Terravista (Aus)	Captain Rio (GB)	Bowman	Pride
4	13	Lucky Hussler (Aus)	Husson (Arg)	Boss	Weir
5	8	Rebel Dane (Aus)	California Dane (Aus)	Shinn	Portelli
6	11	Famous Seamus (NZ)	Elusive City	McEvoy	Myflid-Smth
7	7	Laser Hawk (Aus)	Artie Schiller	Arnold	Pride
8	10	Weary (Fr)	Astronomer Royal	G Schfld	Waller
9	5	Fontelina (Aus)	Testa Rossa (Aus)	Collett	Cummings
10	9	Generalife (Aus)	Lonhro (Aus)	McDonld	O'Shea
11	3	Shooting To Win (Aus)	Northern Meteor (Aus)	Clark	Snowdens
12	12	Wandjina (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Oliver	Waterhse
13	4	Scissor Kick (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Angland	Messara

All carry 130 pounds bar Shooting To Win, Wandjina, Scissor Kick, 124 pounds.

**WALLOON, 9, Alphabet Soup--Northern Destiny, by Crafty Prospector**  
 Foal born Mar. 31, a filly by Violence.  
 Will be bred back to Street Boss.  
 Owned by Jeff & Chiquita Reddoch.  
 Boarded at Stonehaven Steadings.  
 Accomplishments: SW.

**ANOTHER WORLD, 7, Maria's Mon--Space City, by Carson City**  
 Foal born Apr. 1, a colt by Alternation.  
 Will be bred back to Broken Vow.  
 Owned and boarded at Pin Oak Stud.  
 Accomplishments: SW, \$189,503.

**PERT LADY, 20, Cox's Ridge--Impertinent Lady, by Sham**  
 Foal born Apr. 1, a colt by Uncle Mo.  
 Will be bred retired from breeding.  
 Owned by Mill Ridge, JAMM LTD & Dr John A Chandler.  
 Boarded at Mill Ridge Farm.  
 Accomplishments: Dam of Zavata (Phone Trick), MGSW & GISP, \$346,533.

**SHINY SHEET, 17, Press Card--Miss Otis, by One for All**  
 Foal born Apr. 1, a colt by Jimmy Creed.  
 Will be bred back to Jimmy Creed.  
 Owned by Sarah A Wells.  
 Boarded at Water Maple Farm.  
 Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$543,432.

**OUR MISS JONES, 13, Alphabet Soup--Charity Country, by Country Store**  
 Foal born Apr. 2, a colt by Silent Name (Jpn).  
 Will be bred back to Central Banker.  
 Owned and boarded at McMahan Thoroughbreds.  
 Accomplishments: SP, \$130,210. Dam of Mr. Online (Silent Name {Jpn}), SW & GISP, \$472,435.

**ALWAYS IN MY HEART, 9, Hennessy--Vow That Binds, by Miswaki**  
 Foal born Apr. 3, a colt by More Than Ready.  
 Will be bred back to Alternation.  
 Owned and boarded at Pin Oak Stud.  
 Accomplishments: SW & GSP, \$170,604.

**MARIA'S LEGEND, 8, Maria's Mon--Notable Legend, by Notebook**  
 Foal born Apr. 5, a filly by Data Link.  
 Will be bred back to Algorithms.  
 Owned by Pontchartrain Stud.  
 Boarded at Denali Stud.  
 Accomplishments: Dam of Why Two (Bob and John), SW, \$110,065.

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**ADORAHY, 18, Rahy--Adorable Micol, by Riverman**  
 Foal born Mar. 27, a filly by Bernardini.  
 Will be bred back to Medaglia d'Oro.  
 Owned and boarded at Gallaghers Stud.  
 Accomplishments: Dam of Icabad Crane (Jump Start), MSW & GISP, \$585,980; and Our Golden Dream (Medaglia d'Oro), SW, \$148,637.

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**PLATTNER WINS TONY RYAN BOOK AWARD**

*By Michele MacDonald*

Writer Andy Plattner capped a personal triple crown as a finalist for the Dr. Tony Ryan Book Award by winning the top prize for his novel *Offerings from a Rust Belt Jockey* during a lively presentation at Castleton Lyons Farm in Lexington Apr. 15.



**Andy Plattner**  
*Michele MacDonald*

“It’s so cool to be acknowledged for work that you like to do. Writing is my life and I love to do it,” Plattner said in remarks to dozens of guests at the cocktail party award ceremony held in the cozy loft over the Castleton Lyons stallion barn.

Shane Ryan, farm president and son of the late Dr. Ryan, presented

Plattner with a check for \$10,000 as well as a Tipperary Irish crystal trophy designed in the shape of the Lexington farm’s trademark medieval-style tower.

The other finalists for the award, Kevin Chong and Philip Von Borries, received similar trophies as well as checks for \$1,000 each for their respective books, *Northern Dancer: The Legendary Horse that Inspired a Nation* and *RaceLens: Vintage Thoroughbred Racing Images*.

All three writers entertained the award ceremony guests, who sipped champagne flavored with raspberry liqueur and snacked on smoked salmon and alpaca tenderloin, with jovial remarks and reflections on their books.

Plattner, an Atlanta resident who is currently a visiting assistant professor of English at the University of Tampa, has drawn inspiration for his characters from people he met while growing up around River Downs, where his father presided as general manager.



**Plattner receives a \$10,000 check from Castleton Lyons’s Shane Ryan**  
*Michele MacDonald*

“I want to thank my characters,” Plattner said of the key figures in his novel, jockey Carl Arvo and the woman he is drawn to, Christine Fleming. “I was lucky to get characters like that because they told me what to do. I just got up in the morning and made my coffee and said, “What are we doing today, guys?”

Arvo, a low-level rider in his mid-40s, suddenly gains a new perspective on life when he rides an impressive winner, Plattner related about the book.

“And even though he understands his life, he feels like this little good luck can allow him to think beyond his normal means,” Plattner said, adding that the constant hope and chance for something bigger and better “is the wonderful thing about racing.”

*Offerings from a Rust Belt Jockey* grew out of a short story penned by Plattner in his collection *A Marriage of Convenience*, which was a finalist for the Dr. Tony Ryan Book Award in 2011. Plattner also was recognized as an award finalist in 2009 for *The Kentucky Derby Vault: A History of the Run for the Roses*.

Dzanc Books of Ann Arbor, Michigan, which published *Offerings from a Rust Belt Jockey*, had previously honored Plattner with its Mid-Career Novel Award for the book.

“The writing is hilarious and touching. The narrative and each of Andy’s fully realized characters presents a perfectly pitched tale of love and ambition, honor and betrayal,” said Steven Gillis, Dzanc Books publisher and co-founder. “The ability to be at once funny as hell and at the same time heartbreakingly accurate in the depiction of what it means to be human with all of our flaws and wants and needs is captured with a marksman’s eye.”

Judges for the Dr. Tony Ryan Book Award-- Washington *Post*-Bloomberg News Service Managing Editor Kay Coyte, broadcast journalist Caton Bredar and last year’s Dr. Tony Ryan Book Award winner, British freelance sportswriter David Owen--praised Plattner’s work, as well as the other finalists’ books.

“Plattner has taken a short-story kernel and nurtured it into a novel that’s an unflinching look at real lives that revolve around racing’s low-rent district. It is a backstretch *noir* that captures the hope and desperation of a struggling, middle-aged jockey who tasted major-league success,” said Coyte, who served as the head judge. “In *Rust Belt*, he is dead-on in his descriptions of a rider’s far-from-glamorous day-to-day, season-to-season hustle. It’s not easy to write racing fiction free from cliché, but Plattner does that here. He’s a master of dialogue.”

“Andy Plattner takes us into the heart and soul--or, at times, lack thereof--of a small-time jockey and the horses and people that make up his world. Alternating between hope and melancholy, Plattner expertly uses language to paint the often wistful world of horse racing on the small town stage,” Bredar said.

Owen, who won the top award in 2014 for *Foinavon: The Story of the Grand National’s Biggest Upset*, said Plattner’s work was “pitch perfect.” During remarks from the podium, Owen said one of the best rewards from being acknowledged as last year’s winner was the chance to be a judge for the 2015 competition, and he called all three finalists “absolutely wonderful” books.

“If you are a writer, the best way of learning is by reading other writers. I’ve learned so much from this experience,” Owen said, noting that “it’s also a great privilege to come to a place as special as Castleton Lyons.” **Cont. p2**



### Plattner Wins Tony Ryan Book Award cont.

During the evening, Chong—who had traveled to the award ceremony from China—drew perhaps the most laughs when recounting how much he enjoyed writing about the colorful people around Northern Dancer, including owner/breeder E. P. Taylor and trainer Horatio Luro.



**Kevin Chong**  
Michele MacDonald

“It was such a joy writing about Horatio Luro—just the fact that he was in a duel in the 1930s, he was a tango dancer and a fighter, and a pilot and a racecar driver,” said Chong, a resident of Vancouver, British Columbia. “At one point in the 1980s, somebody asked him whether or not he was thinking about his mortality, and he said one day he would want to be

turned into a woman’s saddle because then he could be between the two things he loved the most.”

Bredar noted all three finalists displayed passion for the subject of racing in their writing.

Von Borries, author of several other books on baseball and racing and already winner of an Eclipse Award and the Standardbred equivalent, the John Hervey Award, recalled that he discovered his enthusiasm for racing early in life, when reading books on the sport and missing school to go with his father to Keeneland for Nashua’s retirement ceremony. The Lexington resident related how, when working for ABC-TV as an assistant producer covering the 1998 Kentucky Derby, he was overwhelmed while stationed in the winner’s circle.

“I thought that this has got to be the best moment of my life. The race is over and I hear a voice to my left say, ‘Watch your backs, watch your backs; big hoss coming through, big hoss coming through.’ At that moment, Real Quiet walked in front of me and yes I tried to reach out and touch him,” Von Borries declared.

The producer he was working with at the time, who was handling a boom microphone, “is looking at me like, ‘What are you doing? Get the cable, will you?’ I said, ‘This is it. God, you can take me now. I’ve lived a complete, rich life.’

“Until tonight,” Von Borries added, referring to his recognition at the Book Award ceremony for the collection of racing photographs that he began assembling in the 1980s, “I thought that was the greatest moment in my racing life and career, but this far exceeds it.”

The Dr. Tony Ryan Book Award was established in 2006 by the late Dr. Ryan, who founded Irish-based airline Ryanair and Castleton Lyons, now home to champion Gio Ponti and Grade I winner Justin Phillip. Originally called the Castleton Lyons-*Thoroughbred Times* Book Award, the competition was renamed in 2008 to honor the memory of Dr. Ryan, who died in 2007.

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### CHRB APPROVES NO CAL DATES SWAP; NEW WHIP AND VET RULES By T.D. Thornton

The California Horse Racing Board approved a reshuffling of autumn race dates for the Northern California circuit on Thursday that will mean Golden Gate Fields (GGF) has to open, close, then reopen for a series of several one-week periods in succession to accommodate a dove-tailing of meets at other venues that host fairs.

Heated discussions that erupted at the previous day’s ad-hoc committee meeting to set the schedule were only passingly alluded to Thursday en route to unanimous passage of the dates swap.

On Wednesday, the *Blood-Horse* had quoted an official with The Stronach Group (TSG), which owns GGF, as saying such a split-dates schedule was “broken beyond repair” and that TSG might be forced to consider selling the GGF property unless significant changes to the NoCal racing schedule were implemented for 2016.

On Thursday, CHRB executive director Rick Baedeker presented a revised agreement that he said had been “worked out in real time” by the affected licensees on Wednesday.

Instead of being dark Sept. 14-Oct. 14, as had originally been assigned, GGF will now race Aug. 21-Sept. 7 and again Sept. 24-Oct. 4.

The gap will be filled by the fair at Stockton, which will now race Sept. 11-20, one week earlier than scheduled. The Fresno fair will now push back its start date one week later than its original assignment of Oct. 1. Racing Oct. 8-18 allows racing at Fresno to commence at roughly the same time as the fair at the track’s location is in operation.

“Whereas Fresno was misaligned with [its own] fair, it is now aligned,” Baedeker said. “That was the problem. Golden Gate then starts after that and will run through the end of the calendar in December.”

The CHRB approved a request from TSG to consider the split autumn dates as a single meet for the purposes of GGF’s application. Separately, in response to a request from the CHRB to back up Wednesday’s assertions that GGF was incurring financial losses, a representative of TSG agreed to provide the track’s audited, stand-alone financial statements. **Cont. p3**

#### MIKE MITCHELL MEMORIAL

A public memorial for former Southern California trainer Mike Mitchell is set for Monday, Apr. 20 at 1:30 p.m. PT in the Chandelier Room at Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, California. The Mitchell family has arranged for the pastor and choir from their church, Fellowship Monrovia, to address invitees. At the request of the family, donations may be made in Mike Mitchell’s name to the Race Track Chaplaincy of America (RTCA). Guests should enter by car through Gate 5 and follow signage to the Mitchell Memorial in the Chandelier Room. Mitchell passed away Tuesday, Apr. 18, at his Monrovia home following a battle with brain cancer.



**CHRB cont.**

The CHRB also approved a request by Oak Tree at Pleasanton to race June 17-July 6.

Two regulatory actions that the CHRB had approved at earlier meetings were stamped as official by the California Office of Administrative Law.

Baedeker said the most significant was a change to section 1688, which governs the use of the whip (which will now be referred to as a "riding crop" in the rules): "A jockey will be prohibited from using the crop more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond."

Also approved was a change to section 1866, which now reads, according to Baedeker, "A horse placed on the vet's list as sick or having received veterinary shock wave therapy may not work out for 72 hours after being placed on the list without the permission of the official veterinarian. Additionally, the action requires a horse to remain on the vet's list for a specific number of days after being placed on the list as lame or unsound before the horse is eligible to be removed from the list. Both changes will be effective as of July 1.

The CHRB unanimously approved moving forward with amending CHRB Rule 1843.2 (Classification of Drug Substances), to add cobalt to the CHRB Penalty Categories Listing by Classification, which would establish the violation and penalty guidelines for the presence of cobalt in an official blood sample.

Movement forward on an amendment to CHRB Rule 1588 (Horse Ineligible to Start in a Race), also passed unanimously, "to provide that a horse is ineligible to start in any race in California if it is on the veterinarian's list in another racing jurisdiction, unless with prior approval of the stewards."

CHRB Equine Medical Director Rick Arthur testified on behalf of the need for the amendment.

"It's an issue that has been brought up before the RCI [Racing Commissioners International]," Arthur said. "There are other states that respect veterinarians' lists from other states, but this is an effort to try and get reciprocity nationwide. We don't get a lot of those horses coming into California. We certainly have a lot of horses on the vets' list in California that go to other states."

In an odd divergence over semantics, the CHRB debated for several minutes whether to change the wording of the proposed veterinary list rule to "competent racing jurisdiction" before dropping the qualifier "competent" and voting to move forward on the amendment as written.

"What is there besides a 'competent' racing jurisdiction?" Arthur asked rhetorically, eliciting chuckles from the board members and audience.

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# Kentucky

**Thursday's Results:**

**8th-KEE, \$60,977, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:45, sf.**

**ANALOG GIRL (f, 4, [Artie Schiller](#)--Internal Affair, by Orientate)** graduated at third asking on the Gulfstream lawn against \$75,000 maiden claimers last January and won an optional claimer there a month later. Returning



**Analog Girl (right) edges clear of Canny Nanny**  
*Coady Photography*

at Tampa after a year on the bench, the bay was sixth in a turf optional claimer Feb. 21 and a close second last time going 1 1/8 miles over that course Mar. 14. Overlooked at 23-1, Analog Girl assumed the early advantage and hugged the fence through early splits of :24.42 and :50.72

while under a tight hold by jockey Paco Lopez. Joined on the front end by Canny Nanny (Smarty Jones) turning for home, the pair battled stride-for-stride to the wire with Analog Girl edging clear late for a neck victory. Sales history: \$87,000 yrl '12 KESEP. Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, \$85,799. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Baumann Stables. B-Royal Oak Farm LLC (KY). T-Kellyn Gorder.

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**7th-KEE, \$60,000, Alw, NW2L, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11, ft. I'M A LOOKER (f, 3, [Henny Hughes](#)--Our Mariella, by Victory Gallop)** finished fourth behind eventual GI Ashland S. victress Lovely Maria (Majesticperfection) in a Fair Grounds optional claimer Jan. 26 and was second sprinting over that oval Feb. 14. Seventh last time when switched to the turf for that venue's Allen LaCombe Memorial S. Mar. 7, the 6-1 shot caboosed the field through an opening quarter in :22.63 and advanced to sit in a threatening third through a half in :46.44. Pacesetting 'TDN Rising Star' Caval (Blame), who was making her debut for new trainer Michael Matz, tried to run away with it in the stretch, but I'm a Looker was just hitting her best stride and pulled clear of that rival late for a 3/4-length success. The winner's dam is a half to the dam of unbeaten MGISW and top GI Kentucky Derby contender Dortmund (Big Brown). Sales history: \$4,500 yrl '13 FTKFEB. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$80,300. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Glenmare Farm LLC. B-Emilie Gerlinde Fojan & Bona Terra Stud LLC (KY). T-Patrick J Dupuy.

**Kentucky Report cont.**

**4th-KEE, \$58,650, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50, ft.**

**HEREDITARY (c, 4, [Medaglia d'Oro--Pleasant Home {GISW, \\$1,378,070}](#), by [Seeking the Gold](#)), seventh in his career bow at Aqueduct in November of 2013, won a 1 1/16-mile test at Laurel in his return from a one-year layoff last November, but was disqualified and placed second for kicking the second-place finisher in the lane. He overcame a bump at the start and a wide trip to score again next time out going a mile at Gulfstream Feb. 19 and was sent as the 9-5 second choice in this first attempt against winners. Tracking from fourth through leisurely early splits of :24.20 and :48.63, the dark bay made a two-wide bid to seize control approaching the far turn. The original pacesetters were not ready to surrender just yet, but Hereditary kept on finding with some encouragement from pilot Javier Castellano and drew away in late stretch to score by 3 1/2 lengths. Saa Mi (Any Given Saturday) was the runner-up. The winner is out of 2005 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff winner Pleasant Home, who produced a colt by Phipps and Janney homebred and GI Kentucky Derby winner Orb (Malibu Moon) this year. Hereditary also hails from the family of champion Sky Beauty (Blushing Groom {Fr}); MGSWs Point of Entry (Dynaformer) and Pine Island (Arch); and MGSWs Boca Grande (A.P. Indy) and Country Hideaway (Seeking the Gold). Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$68,575. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

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

**5th-KEE, \$58,392, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:03 1/5, sf.**

**TONI'S HOLLYDAY (f, 4, [Harlan's Holiday--May Day Vow {MSW, \\$166,285}](#), by [Broken Vow](#)) won an allowance on the main track here Oct. 18 and was fourth next out on the turf at Churchill Downs Nov. 14. Seventh sprinting on the dirt at Fair Grounds Dec. 26, she was fourth behind recent Giant's Causeway S. winner Katie's Eyes (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) in a turf sprint there Jan. 22. Let go at 10-1 in this turf test, the bay saved ground in mid-pack off early splits of :22.33 and :45.41. Ranging up three wide in the lane, Toni's Hollyday ran down Adventure Love (Fr) (Orpen) just in time to win by a neck. Sales history: \$62,000 yrl '12 KEEJAN; \$75,000 yrl '12 KEESEP; \$165,000 2yo '13 KEEAPR. Lifetime Record: MSP, 12-3-0-2, \$118,047. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

O-Castleton Lyons. B-Forging Oaks LLC (KY). T-Andrew McKeever.

Another Big Fish from **BLUEWATER**

**6th-KEE, \$57,965, Msw, 3yo, f, a7f, 1:27 3/5, ft.**  
**MESHELL (f, 3, [Elusive Quality--Kobla Cat, by Tale of the Cat](#)), third on debut in the slop at Oaklawn Mar. 12, missed by just a half-length last time going six panels there Mar. 29. Away quickest of all, the 2-1 chalk was quickly engaged by She's a True Beauty (Yes It's True) and the pair battled it out through a first quarter in :23.48. Regaining control shortly there after, the bay skipped clear in the lane to don cap and gown by three lengths over that rival. The winner was produced by an unraced half-sister to MGSW multi-millionaire and sire Quality Road (Elusive Quality). Sales history: \$12,500 yrl '13 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$54,400. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

O-Andrew Knapczyk & Joel Zawitz. B-Jamm Ltd (KY). T-Jeffery C Lynn.

**2nd-KEE, \$49,600, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :52, ft.**  
**+ BANREE (f, 2, [Macho Uno--Grand Glory, by Distorted Humor](#)), favored at 2-1 as the only filly in this field of 11, kept the pressure on her pacesetting stablemate Deep in a Dream (Quiet American) from a head second through an opening quarter in :22.88. Charging to the lead at the top of the stretch, the roan effortlessly powered clear to register a decisive four-length decision over Ready by You (Ready's Image). Sales history: \$80,000 yrl '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$30,000. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

O-Mark Dodson. B-Adena Springs (KY). T-Wesley Ward.

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## TODAY'S INSIGHTS

**6th-KEE, \$58K, Msw, 3yo, 7f, 3:40 p.m. ET**

Hall of Fame conditioner Bill Mott saddles WinStar Farm homebred **SPEIGHTSTER ([Speightstown](#))** in this unveiling. The chestnut is out of a full-sister to Eclipse and Sovereign award winner Dance Smartly (Danzig), who produced fellow Canadian champion Dancethrudawn (Mr. Prospector). This is also the family of GISWs Smart Strike (Mr. Prospector), Moreno (Ghostzapper) and Full of Wonder (Mr. Prospector). Speightster fired a three-furlong bullet here in :35 Apr. 13. [Brisnet.com PPs.](#)

**2nd-SA, \$56K, Msw, 3yo, 1m, 4:27 p.m. ET**

Champion Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire})'s first foal **COZMIC ONE ([Bernardini](#))** makes his highly anticipated debut in this spot for owner/breeder Mrs. and Mrs. Jerome Moss and trainer John Shirreffs, who campaigned his famous dam. A three-time champion and Horse of the Year, Zenyatta's resume speaks for itself with 13 Grade I wins, including the 2009 GI Breeders' Cup Classic and 2008 GI Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic, and an almost perfect record of 19 wins from 20 total starts. Her half-sister Balance (Thunder Gulch) is also a MGSW and millionaire. [Click here](#) for a feature on Cozmic One. [Brisnet.com PPs.](#)

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### Thursday's Results:

**3rd-PIM, \$53,214, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$50,000-\$45,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12 4/5, ft.

**CANDIDA H.** (f, 3, [Lemon Drop Kid](#)--[Magical Broad](#) {SW, \$155,470}, by [Broad Brush](#)) kicked off her career last fall with a trio of second-place finishes at Laurel and closed out her juvenile campaign with a fourth in that venue's state-bred Maryland Juvenile Filly Championship S. Dec. 26. She got this term off to a good start, earning her diploma in a one-mile test over that strip Feb. 6 and was installed as the 6-5 chalk to make it two in a row here. Keeping tabs on the leaders from fourth, the bay swept past the leaders while running three wide in the lane and kicked clear to score by 2 3/4 lengths. San Gregoria (Fairbanks) completed the exacta. The winner's dam is a full sister to GISW Include. Lifetime Record: 6-2-3-0, \$96,372. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-Fitzhugh LLC (MD). T-Michael J Trombetta.

**7th-PIM, \$46,485, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$25,000-\$20,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45, ft.

**SCUBA** (c, 4, [Tapit](#)--[Cuaba](#) {MGSP, \$208,264}, by [Smoke Glacken](#)), previously trained by Hall of Famer Bill Mott, captured his debut for the Tony Dutrow barn in a Laurel allowance at this distance Dec. 13. Third last time in a 1 1/16-mile optional claimer at Oaklawn Feb. 7, the 7-2 shot rode the rail near the back of the pack through a leisurely first quarter. Advancing to be a close-up fifth after a half in :48.51, the gray launched a six-wide attack to pick off rivals in the lane and pounced on the Gin Makes Ya Sin (Straight Talking) in the final strides to score by a neck. The winner is a half to L'Amour de Ma Vie (Dansili {GB}), GSW-UAE, SW-Fr & GSP-Eng, \$322,640. Sales history: \$375,000 w/ing '11 KEENOV; \$105,000 HRA '14 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, \$78,955. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-DARRS Inc. B-Palides Investments N V Inc (KY). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

### Suffolk To Apply for Three Live Dates:

Suffolk Downs in East Boston, Massachusetts, will stage three live race meetings over the summer months, with total purse money of \$1.5 million, according to published reports. Racing would take place one day in June, July and August, with purse money divided equally for an average of \$500,000 on each of the three days. The purse structure would be the second-highest in the region, behind only Belmont and Saratoga. A total of 12 races would be staged each day, including steeplechase racing. "We are thrilled to be involved with the effort to return racing to Suffolk Downs," said Bill Gallo, Jr., the National Steeplechase Association's director of racing. "If the plan goes forward, it would allow us to provide some of our better horses with racing opportunities during the summer."

NSA President Guy J. Torsilieri complimented Gallo on the months of work that went into integrating jump racing in the New England HBPA's proposal. "I want to personally thank Bill Gallo for all the time and effort he has put into this project," Torsilieri said in a memo to the NSA Board of Directors.

Career  
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Who: Trainer Fernando Abreu  
When: Thursday, April 16  
Where: 5th race, Gulfstream Park  
With: Bold Summit (In Summation)

"It's great, but it's also bittersweet," said the 36-year-old Abreu, who had worked for the late Allen Jerkens since 1996. "It's great to get the first one out of the way. The big guy isn't standing next to me, but he's looking down."

## ▶ Florida

### Mandatory Rainbow 6 Payout Apr. 25:

Officials at Gulfstream Park have announced that there will be a mandatory payout of the 20-cent Rainbow 6 Pool Saturday, Apr. 25. Heading into Friday's live program, the carryover stands at \$937,087.86 after the sequence went un-hit for the 21st consecutive time since one winning ticket paid \$210,973.74. Mandatory Rainbow 6 payouts in the past have generated high handles. There was a mandatory payout Apr. 23, 2011 with a \$1.4-million carryover. The total pool that afternoon swelled to \$5.1 million after \$3.5 million was bet into it. There were 1,311 winning tickets, each worth \$3,279.26. On Apr. 25, a bettor doesn't necessarily have to have a ticket with all six winners to grab a share of the mandatory carryover pool. All bettors holding tickets with the most winners in the six-race sequence will share in the entire pool that day.

### TODAY'S FEATURED VIDEO REPLAYS

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**Banree** (Macho Uno), the only filly in a field of 11 juveniles, charged clear to win her debut by four lengths. [Click here to watch this race, and all of our featured video replays.](#)



## California

### Thursday's Results:

**6th-SAX, \$65,134, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$80,000), NW3\$X, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:33 1/5, fm.

1--**MIDNIGHT STORM, 118, c, 4, Pioneer of the Nile--My Tina, by Bertrando.** (\$38,000 RNA yrl '12 KEESEP).

O-Marjorie Post Dye, A Venneri Racing Inc & Little Red Feather Racing; B-Alex Venneri & Marjorie Post Dye (KY); T-Philip D'Amato. Lifetime Record: GSW, 8-4-2-0, \$323,610.

2--**Gabriel Charles, 118, h, 5, Street Hero--Star of Atticus, by Atticus.** (\$19,000 yrl '11 KEESEP; \$160,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR).

3--**Global View, 118, c, 4, Galileo (Ire)--Egyptian Queen, by Storm Cat.** (\$500,000 yrl '12 KEESEP).

Margins: 7 3/4, 2 1/4, NO. Odds: 1.80, 5.00, 2.80.

Midnight Storm, previously trained by Jorge Gutierrez, has really found his niche since by transferred to the Phil D'Amato barn and switched to the turf last summer. With one on the dirt here in five starts for Gutierrez, the dark bay captured his debut for the D'Amato barn in a one-mile optional claimer on the Del Mar lawn Aug. 10. Making his black-type debut next time out, he posted a front running score in the grassy 1 1/8-mile GII Del Mar Derby at odds of 17-1 when last seen Aug. 31. Favored in this return from that 7 1/2-month layoff, Midnight Storm took up his preferred position at the head of affairs and doled out early splits of :23.33 and :46.48 from the fence. Already well clear of the field turning for home, the dark bay continued to sail clear in the lane under a hand ride from Tyler Baze to win for fun. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

**3rd-SAX, \$58,250, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$80,000), NW1\$X, 3yo, 1m, 1:36 2/5, ft.

**CYRUS ALEXANDER (c, 3, [Medaglia d'Oro--Supercharger, by A.P. Indy](#)),** a \$1.7-million KEESEP yearling and half-brother to GI Kentucky Derby hero Super Saver (Maria's Mon), GISW, \$1,889,766, finally broke through going 1 1/16 miles in Arcadia Feb. 7 after four previous attempts. A neck second last time going that distance in an optional claimer here Feb. 27, the 3-2 chalk saved ground in a close-up fourth through moderate early splits. The bay reeled in the pacesetter in mid stretch and drew clear to score by 2 1/2 lengths over Commute (Hold Me Back). "He doesn't like the inside, but he's learning," said trainer Jerry Hollendorfer's assistant Dan Ward. "He still doesn't know everything. He got the lead, he ducked in, he changed leads again...It's just taken him awhile. That's why we give him time in between races." Also a half to Brethren (Distorted Humor), GSW, \$386,465, the winner hails from the family of GISWs Imagining (Giant's Causeway), Bluegrass Cat (Storm Cat) and Girolamo (A.P. Indy); as well as MGSW Daydreaming (A.P. Indy). Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-2, \$115,840. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)** O-Spendthrift Farm LLC & Stonestreet Stables LLC. B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY). T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

## INDUSTRY INFO

### Carpe Diem Website Up and Running:

Barbara Banke's Stonestreet Farm and Kenny and Lisa Troutt's WinStar Farm have launched a new interactive website [www.SeizetheDerby.com](http://www.SeizetheDerby.com) to promote their jointly owned 'TDN Rising Star' Carpe Diem (Giant's Causeway) as he progresses towards a start in the GI Kentucky Derby May 2. The website currently hosts a two-minute video clip highlighting his \$1.6-million sale at OBS March in 2014 and concluding with his recent score in the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. at Keeneland Apr. 4. "Whether it's through our website or social media channels, Stonestreet strives to share current news about its stars," said Banke. "With WinStar, we will bring you into our magnificent colt's journey to the Kentucky Derby, as we launch Carpe Diem's SeizeTheDerby.com website." SeizeTheDerby.com will chronicle the next 16 days of preparation leading up to Kentucky Derby 141, with exclusive access and features that include diary-style videos, photos, interviews, social media, and more.

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### Joe Clancy to Receive David F. Woods Award:

Celebrated writer Joe Clancy is the recipient of the David F. Woods Memorial Award for excellence in journalism which he will accept at this year's Alibi Breakfast in the Terrace Dining Room at Pimlico Race Course May 14. Clancy will be recognized for "Horse of a Lifetime," a news account of the 2014 Preakness S. won by California Chrome. Earlier this year Clancy's "Horse of a Lifetime" won the 2014 Media Eclipse Award for Writing in the News/Enterprise category. The story appeared in the July edition of *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred* magazine. "It's an honor to win the David Woods Award and to be recognized for my work," Clancy said. "The California Chrome story was a great one to tell and really couldn't have been told so well without the cooperation of trainer Art Sherman and the whole team. They were gracious, welcoming and open. They wanted to share their good fortune and it made for a great story. I just had to tell it right." He continued, "No article happens without a lot of help, so I thank my brother, Sean, and Tom Law for the editing help, everyone at the *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred* office and the atmosphere created by the Maryland Jockey Club at Pimlico every year for helping make that article become a reality."

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### Jockey Club TIP to Recognize Thoroughbred Riders: *Edited Press Release*

This year's Thoroughbreds For All event will once again host a presentation by The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Incentive Program (T.I.P.) to recognize and award the riders who will be competing at Rolex on registered Thoroughbreds. The remainder of the evening will consist of educational and entertaining sessions about selecting and working with off-track Thoroughbreds (OTTBs) in addition to a delicious Southern meal. **Cont. p7**

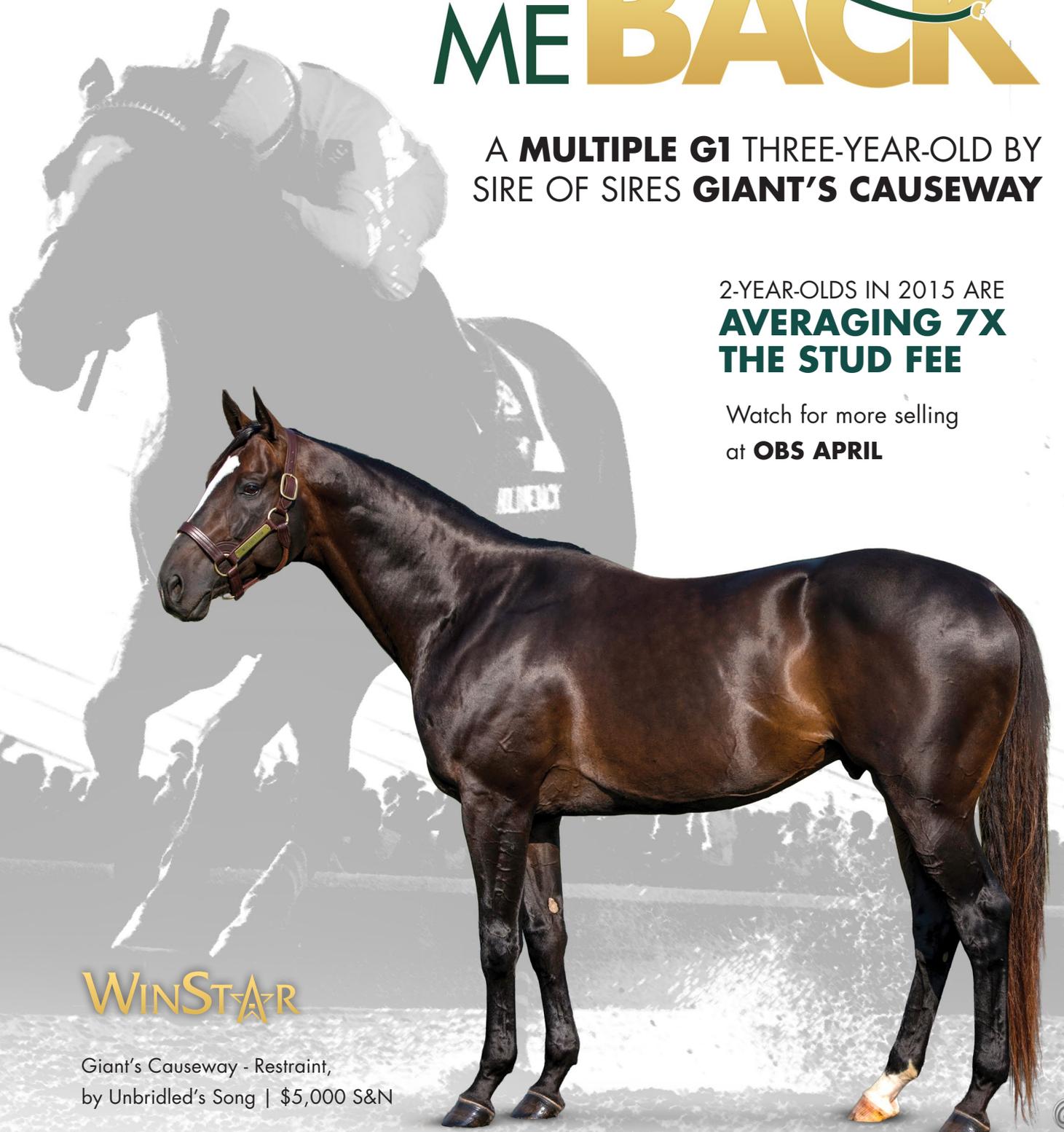


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**Jockey Club TIP to Recognize Thoroughbred Riders cont.**

Other presenters at this year's event include international high-performance dressage rider, trainer, coach and clinician Reese Koffler-Stanfield; world-class colt trainer and winner of both the 2014 Kentucky Reining Cup and the 2014 All-American Quarter Horse Congress Freestyle Reining Dan James of Double Dan Horsemanship; and Laine Ashker, a four-time competitor at the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event.

"For the fourth year in a row, T.I.P. will be presenting an award to the highest placing Thoroughbred at the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day event," says Kristin Leshney, legal associate for The Jockey Club and coordinator of T.I.P. "Thoroughbreds For All gives us the opportunity to recognize all of the riders who have chosen to represent the versatile Thoroughbred at the highest level of equestrian competition."

New Vocations is thrilled to once again host this wonderful event that not only showcases the Thoroughbreds in our program but also promotes the retraining of these athletes into a variety of new careers," says New Vocations Program Director Anna Ford. "We have a great evening planned with a diverse group of highly qualified riders who want to share their knowledge of working with Thoroughbreds."

"The most exciting thing about the Rolex Three-Day Event for Thoroughbred lovers is that horses bred to race compete and win against horses bred for eventing," says Retired Racehorse Project President Steuart Pittman. "Bringing the riders of these horses together with their fans and The Jockey Club is a great way to recognize their achievement. We truly do have the stars lined up for this year's event."

Last year's event drew more than 600 people from more than 20 states. This year's event aims to draw an even larger crowd. Sponsored by AmWest Entertainment, Gulfstream Park Thoroughbred After-Care Program and Wild Aire Farm, the evening festivities start at 5 p.m. on Friday, April 24, in the covered arena at the New Vocations Facility at West Wind Farm, 4787 Haley Rd., Lexington, KY 40516.

All sessions will be moderated by Steuart Pittman and Anna Ford. The event will take place just 15 miles from the Kentucky Horse Park. Tickets are limited to 600 and are available for purchase online at <https://eventbrite.com/event/15518199352> for \$35 each. Proceeds from the event will benefit New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program and Retired Racehorse Project. Both are 501(c) 3 charitable organizations.

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**Chancery**, g, 7, [Street Cry {Ire}](#)--Follow That Dream {GB}, by Darshaan {GB}. RIP, 4-16, 9f 170yT. B-Darley. \*£6,500 2yo '10 DONNOV.

**BREEDERS' EDITION  
AMERICA****ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**2nd-AQU**, \$76,950, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), C, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.

**PIQUANT** (g, 7, [Arch--Right Spice](#), by Salt Lake) Lifetime Record: 37-8-13-4, \$416,685. O-Brian & Kerry Novak Inc. B-Claiborne Farm & Adele B Dilschneider (KY). T-Richard L Stoklosa. \*\$40,000 HRA '13 KEEJAN. \*\*1/2 to Flavor (Elusive Quality), SW, \$285,452.

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**2nd-SAX**, \$58,250, NW1\$X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:36 3/5, ft.

**YANA** (f, 4, [Bertrando--Wild Apart](#), by Tribal Rule) Lifetime Record: 11-3-3-0, \$118,968. O/B-Stephen Ferraro (CA); T-William Spawr. \*\$30,000 RNA yrl '12 BESOCT.

**8th-PIM**, \$47,835, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000-\$20,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42, fm.

**CAGE FIGHTER** (h, 5, [Closing Argument--Untamed Passion](#), by Pulpit) Lifetime Record: 11-5-3-1, \$143,471. O-Matthew Schera. B-Craig L Wheeler (FL). T-James L Lawrence II. \*\$50,000 2yo '12 OBSJUN.

**4th-GPX**, \$40,600, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), C, 3yo/up, 5fT, :55 1/5, fm.

**GOLDEN EMPEROR** (g, 5, [Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}](#)--Scoop of Gold, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 15-6-3-1, \$128,165. O-Car-Den Racing Stable (Yokum). B-Cornerstone Thoroughbreds LLC (PA). T-J Michael Rogers. \*\$150,000 wlng '10 KEENOV. \*\*1/2 to Medea (Ire) (Danhill Dancer {Ire}), GSW, \$264,847.

**5th-GPX**, \$34,000, Opt. Clm. (\$12,500), NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11, ft.

**BOLD SUMMIT** (g, 4, [In Summation--All Two One](#), by Henbane) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$52,440. O-Waterford Stable. B-Becky Bunn (FL). T-Fernando Abreu.

**1st-PEN**, \$29,500, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft. **ITS MY TOWN** (f, 4, [Cowtown Cat--Relic Notebook](#), by Notebook) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$57,155. O-Nicole Hedus, Old First Ward Stable & Michael Reilly Jr. B-Steve Tucker (FL). T-William C Hedus. \*\$27,000 2yo '13 OBSAPR.

**7th-CTX**, \$27,000, 4-15, NW3LX, 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52 1/5, ft.

**WHENNOONE'SLOOKING** (f, 4, [Street Boss--What Do I Do {SP}](#), by Two Smart) Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-0, \$53,760. O/B-R Larry Johnson (VA). T-Suzanne A Dempsey. \*1/2 to Doing Great (Great Notion), MSW, \$137,630; and Heaven Know What (Holy Bull), MSW, \$193,170.



**Breeders' Edition America cont.**

**9th-EVD, \$26,950, 4-15, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.**

**DEBBIE ANN (m, 5, [Posse--Red Cause, by Red Ransom](#))**  
Lifetime Record: 19-5-2-2, \$117,000. O/B-Roy Zuppardo (LA). T-Sturges J Ducoing. \*\$7,500 yrl '11 OBSJAN; \$5,500 RNA yrl '11 LTBSEP. \*\*1/2 to U Belong to Me (Scrimshaw), SW. \$250, 147.

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**2nd-EVD, \$25,500, 4-15, NW2L, 3yo, 7f, 1:24, ft.**  
**PATERSON HILL (g, 3, [Fusaichi Pegasus--Hardly Holly, by Harlan's Holiday](#))** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$37,505. O/B-Thomas JYoung (KY). T-Samuel Breaux.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Mr. Count On Me, g, 3, [Good Journey--Academy Buzz, by Royal Academy. SAX, 4-16, \(C\), 5 1/2f, 1:03 1/5. B-Verge, English & O'Neill \(CA\).](#)**

**A P Bandera, f, 3, [Mineshaft--Bandera Negra, by Dynaformer. GPX, 4-16, \(S\), 6f, 1:12. B-Y-Lo Racing Stables LLC \(FL\). \\*\\$40,000 RNA yrl '13 KEESEP.](#)**

**Charlie's Affair, g, 3, [My Pal Charlie--Seaside Affair \(SW, \\$229,476\), by Sea of Secrets. EVD, 4-15, \(S\), 1m \(off turf\), 1:41. B-Stewart M Madison \(LA\). \\*\\$30,000 yrl '13 LTBSEP. \\*\\*MSP.](#)**

**Blue Shark, g, 4, [Colonel John--Pulpit's Treasure \(SP\), by Pulpit. AQU, 4-16, \(S\), \(C\), 1 1/16mT, 1:46 4/5. B-Dunlane Farm \(NY\). \\*\\$85,000 RNA yrl '12 KEESEP; \\$95,000 RNA 2yo '13 OBSAPR.](#)**

• ON THE WORKTAB •

BELMONT PARK

Sweet Corine (Pulpit), 4f, :49.62, 3/7

GULFSTREAM PARK WEST

Private Zone (Macho Uno), 5f, :59.60, 1/3

KEENELAND

Angela Renee (Bernardini), 4f, :47.60, 4/36

Stopchargingmaria (Tale of the Cat), 4f, :47.60, 4/36

Unbridled Juan (Unbridled's Song), 5f, 1:01, 4/17

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**Thursday's Results:**

**£200,000 TATTERSALLS MILLIONS 3-Y-O TROPHY**

**(COND), £207,231, NMT, 4-16, 3yo, 10fT, 2:08.24, gd/fm.**

1--**CAPE CLEAR ISLAND (IRE), 131, c, 3, [Fastnet Rock \(Aus\)--](#)**

**Kushnarenkovo {GB} {GSP-Ire}, by Sadler's Wells.**

(100,000gns wlng '12 TATDEC; 220,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Mr D Smith, Mrs J Magnier, Mr M

Tabor; B-Kushnarenkovo Syndicate (IRE); T-Aidan

O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £112,133. Lifetime Record:

5-2-2-0, £124,220.

2--**Greatest Journey (GB), 131, g, 3, [Raven's Pass--](#)**

**Sensationally (GB), by Montjeu (Ire). (240,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Godolphin. £45,881.**

3--**Rocky Rider (GB), 131, c, 3, [Galileo \(Ire\)--](#)**

**Symphony (GB), by Darshaan. (400,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Qatar Racing Limited. £20,412.**

Margins: NK, HD, 3/4. Odds: 14.00, 8.00, 1.75.

Also Ran: Tannaaf (Ire), Azmaam (Ire), Proposed (GB),

Groor (GB), Secret Brief (Ire). Scratched: Melodious

(GB). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

Showing precocious speed to win on his third start over six furlongs at Fairyhouse in July, Cape Clear Island was seen only once more when fourth as the 4-5 favorite to the subsequent G2 Rockfel S. winner



**Michael Tabor at Tattersalls Thursday evening**  
*Tattersalls*

Lucida (Ire) (Shamardal) in a conditions event over that trip at Naas the following month.

Restrained early to race towards the rear, the bay strode closer down the outer under coaxing from Ryan Moore and, when given a smack, edged ahead of Greatest Journey inside the last furlong. Part-owner Michael Tabor commented, "He's a nice

horse, hopefully he will improve on that and who knows, we will see what happens. He could go for the Derby trials at either York or Chester if he is good enough, but we will discuss it with Aidan."

Cape Clear Island's dam is a full-sister to G1 St Leger winner Brian Boru (GB) (Sadler's Wells), as well as to the dam of G1 Epsom Derby and G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Workforce (GB) (King's Best). It is also the family of G1 Kentucky Oaks winner Flute (Seattle Slew).

**2nd-NMT, £10,000, Mdn, 3yo, 8fT, 1:40.32, gd/fm.**

+ **WINTER HOUSE (GB) (g, 3, [Cape Cross {Ire}--](#)**

**Villarrica, by Selkirk), sent off at 11-2, was soon adrift**

in rear after a respectable break and appeared to be

fighting a losing battle passing halfway. Gaining

momentum as rivals came back to him, the homebred

wore down Mustaaqem (Dynaformer) in the last 50

yards to earn a neck success. The winner is a full-

brother to G2 UAE Derby and G3 UAE Oaks winner

Khawlah (Ire), Hwt. 3yo-UAE at 7-9.5f, MGSW-UAE &

GSP-Eng, \$1,366,160; and a half-brother to

Vancouverite (GB) (Dansili {GB}), GSW-Fr, G1SP-UAE &

SP-Eng, \$444,090. His third dam is the great Urban

Sea (Miswaki), the dam of Galileo (Ire) (Sadler's Wells)

and Sea the Stars (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}). Lifetime

Record: 1-1-0-0, £6,469. [Video, sponsored by](#)

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O-Godolphin. B-Darley (GB). T-Saeed bin Suroor.

**7th-NMT, £8,000, Mdn, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:27.17, gd/fm.**

**CEASELESS (IRE) (f, 3, [Iffraaj {GB}--](#)**

**by Sadler's Wells), who had been absent since finishing**

second in a seven-furlong maiden here on the July

Course in August, broke smartly against the fence

before being reined back to take a lead. Hard at work

inside the final quarter mile, the €85,000 GOFORB

yearling finally gained the lead with 50 yards remaining

en route to a half-length score from Havre de Paix (Fr)

(Le Havre {Ire}). "I thought she'd improve for this run,

so that was a nice surprise," trainer James Tate said.

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**Newmarket 7 cont.**

Tate continued, "The best thing is her attitude and we might try some black-type over at least a mile." Golden Laughter (Bernardini), the half-sister to Footstepsinthesand (GB) (Giant's Causeway) and Pedro the Great (Henrythenavigator), missed the break and was coaxed into eighth. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, £7,004. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum. B-M Morris (IRE). T-James Tate.

**1st-NMT, £7,000, Mdn, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:01.89, gd/fm.** + **KURLAND (IRE) (f, 2, [Kheleyf--Bunditten {Ire}](#) {SP-Eng}, by Soviet Star),** sent off at 8-1, showed early dash to race in the front line. Kicking clear from before the furlong pole, the €15,500 GOFNOV weanling registered an impressive 3 3/4-length success from Sakhee's Jem (GB) (Sakhee's Secret). Sense of Fun (Distorted Humor), the full-sister to Aesop's Fables, was not sharp enough and finished last of 10. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,528. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Ladyswood Stud. B-J & G Mulcahy (IRE). T-M. Meade.

**7th-RIP, £5,000, Mdn, 3yo, 8fT, 1:43.92, gd/sf.** **AUSPICION (GB) (c, 3, [Dansili {GB}](#)--Superstar Leo {Ire} {Hwt. 2yo Filly-Eng & Fr, MGSW-Eng, G1SP-Ire & Fr, \$279,695}, by College Chapel {GB}),** who had been rested following his disappointing sixth as the 6-5 favorite for a seven-furlong maiden at Ascot in September, tanked his way to the front in the early stages. Responding to pressure from Count Montecristo (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) inside the final quarter mile, the 9-4 pick toughed it out to score by 3/4 of a length. The winner is a half-brother to Enticing (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), MGSW-Eng, \$260,639. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, £7,085. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Lael Stable. B-Lael Stables (GB). T-William Haggas.

**OBSERVATIONS**  
on today's European racing scene

**1.50 Newbury, Mdn, £8,500, 3yo, f, 10f 6yT**  
**YET AGAIN (GB) ([Oasis Dream {GB}](#))** represents the Sir Michael Stoute yard, on behalf of the Juddmonte operation, and faces a cast of nine in this unveiling. The homebred bay is out of the 2004 G1 Yorkshire Oaks heroine and G1 St Leger runner-up Quiff (GB) (Sadler's Wells).

**2.20 Newbury, Mdn, £10,000, 2yo, 5f 34yT**  
**SANAADH (GB) ([Exceed and Excel {Aus}](#))** is a son of Queen's Logic (Ire) (Grand Lodge), Europe's Champion juvenile filly and G1 Cheveley Park S. victress in 2011, and is therefore a half-brother to Lady of the Desert (Rahy), who hit the board three times at the highest level. Debuting for the Jaber Abdullah-Richard Fahey axis, he faces 11 rivals in this speed heat. They include Earle Mack's **Harvard Man (GB) (Equiano {Fr})**, who is a son of the 1997 GI Test S. winner Fabulously Fast (Deputy Minister), from the Brian Meehan stable.

**4.30 Newbury, Mdn, £7,500, 3yo, f, 7fT**  
**MULTILINGUAL (GB) ([Dansili {GB}](#))**, another Juddmonte homebred, is a daughter of the 2002 G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches winner Zenda (GB) (Zamindar), and is thus a half-sister to last year's European Champion Miler and MG1SW Kingman (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). John Gosden again oversees this branch of the family, with 17 distaffers tackling his representative making her first start.

**5.30 Newbury, Mdn, £8,500, 3yo, f, 10f 6yT**  
**SHOAL (GB) ([Oasis Dream {GB}](#))** is a full-sister to the 2009 G1 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf victress and MG1SW Midday (GB), and is another to debut in the Juddmonte silks for conditioner Sir Michael Stoute. Eight-strong opposition includes Lael Stable's **Forever Popular ([Dynaformer](#))**, a homebred daughter of MG1SW Pussycat Doll (Real Quiet), from the William Haggas barn.

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**Thursday's Result:**  
**2nd-LIM, €11,000, Mdn, 3yo, 6f 160yT, 1:29.14, sf.**  
**THE HAPPY PRINCE (IRE) (c, 3, [Rip Van Winkle {Ire}](#)--Maid to Dream {GB}, by Oasis Dream {GB}),** a first-up fifth at The Curragh in his only prior go Oct. 12, occupied a handy berth in third for the most part here. Easing closer rounding the home turn, the 4-9 chalk had taken the lead when veering into the center of the track just inside the eighth pole, but was soon returned on an even keel by Joseph O'Brien to assert by 1 1/4 lengths from Gussy Goose (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). Sales history: £90,000 yrl '13 DONAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €7,590. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith. B-Floors Farming (Ire). T-Aidan O'Brien.

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**Friday, Maisons-Laffitte, post time: 3:55 p.m.**  
**PRIX DE SURESNES-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, c/g, 9fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	1	Almanaar (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Jarnet	Head
2	3	Mostaneer (Ire)	Dutch Art (GB)	Thulliez	Clement
3	4	Eternal (GB)	New Approach (Ire)	Peslier	Fabre
4	2	Echo Maker (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Badel	Doumen
5	5	Kahouanne (Fr)	Cockney Rebel (Ire)	Soumillon	A&G Botti

All carry 128 pounds.

**Thursday's Results:**  
**PRIX LORD SEYMOUR-Listed, €52,000, LCP, 4-16, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:36.96, gd.**  
1--**#BILLABONG (MOR), 123, h, 6, by Gentlewave (Ire)--Lunattori (GB), by Vettori (Ire).** O-Abdelouahed El Alami; B-Stud Jalobey (Mor); T-Pascal Bary; J-Cristian Demuro. €26,000. Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 16 starts, 11 wins, 4 places, €170,448.  
2--**Glaring (GB), 127, c, 4, Champs Elysees (GB)--Brightest (GB), by Rainbow Quest.** O-Khalid Abdullah. €10,400.  
3--**Spirit's Revench (Fr), 123, h, 5, Spirit One (Fr)--European Style (Fr), by Ezzoud (Ire).** O-Mme Philippe Demercastel & Fabrice Zouari. €7,800.  
Margins: SHD, NK, 1HF. Odds: 1.90, 1.80, 6.80. [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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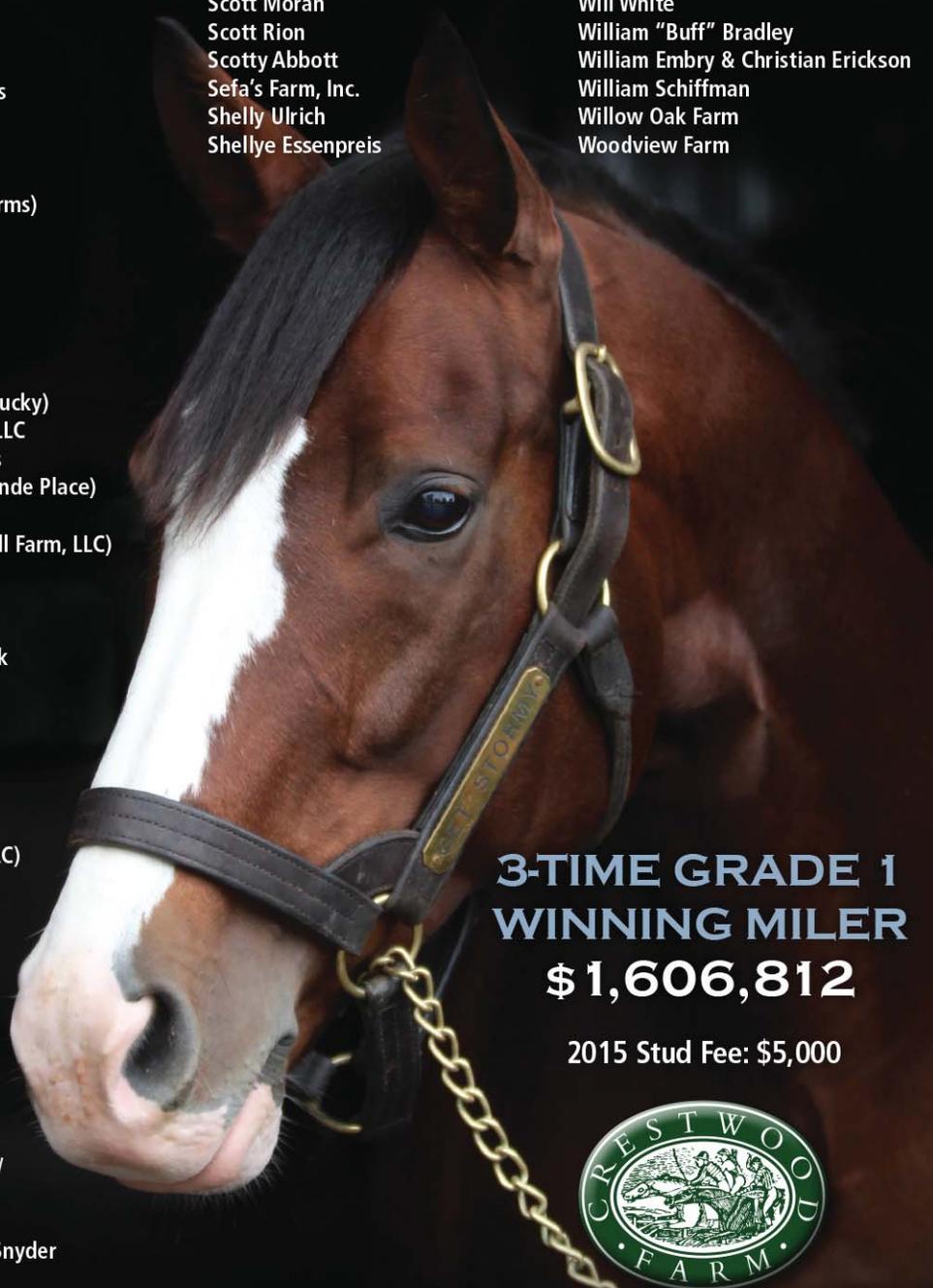
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**Prix Lord Seymour cont.**

Billabong, a nine-time winner from 11 starts in his native Morocco, was runner-up at Chantilly on European debut Oct. 31, before hitting the board in the Listed Wild Flower S. at Kempton Nov. 26. Making a winning return this term at Chantilly Mar. 13, he ran second in the Mar. 28 Listed Prix de la Porte de Madrid at Saint-Cloud last time and broke through with little to spare for a first black-type score here. The grey was sent straight to the front and set a modest tempo until beyond halfway. Chaperoned by Glaring throughout, he received vigorous encouragement from Cristian Demuro as that rival inched into a slight lead entering the final eighth, but rallied gamely under a power drive to get his nose in front on the nod.

**1st-LCP, €29,000, Cond, 2yo, 5fT, :58.18, gd.**  
**DU PYLA (FR) (c, 2, Vertigineux {Fr}--Do I Worry {Fr}, by Charge d'Affaires {GB})**, a debut winner at Marseille-Borely last time Mar. 31, settled in a close fourth after a quick getaway in this one. Sent forward to claim a slender lead passing the two pole, the 33-10 chance kept on well for continued pushing thereafter to prevail by a cozy 1 1/2 lengths from Pastrida (Fr) (Alexandros {GB}). Sales history: €12,000 yrl '14 OSASEP. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €22,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Andre Canavero, Anthony Bolis, Michel Cheno & Roger Del Bucchia. B-Dr Yves & Eliane Fremiot (Fr). T-Christian Scandella.

**4th-LCP, €25,000, Mdn, unraced 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:13.25, gd.**  
**+ MOI MEME (GB) (f, 3, Teofilo {Ire}--Di Moi Oui {GB} {MGSW-Fr, \$150,795}, by Warning {GB})** was keen in fifth early and settled into a rhythm once tanking past rivals into second. Last off the bridle in the straight, the 117-10 chance was stoked up to challenge inside the two pole and ran on strongly under mainly whipless coaxing to edge Solilea (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) by a short neck. Royana (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), a daughter of the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner Rosanara (Fr) (Sinndar {Ire}), was handily placed from the outset, but was unable to make an impact in the straight and finished seventh. The winner is a half to Toi et Moi (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Co-Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 11-14f, MSW-Fr & GSP-Ity, \$147,120; and Moi Non Plus (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), MGSP-Ity, \$130,177. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €12,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O/B-Scuderia Vittadini SRL (GB). T-Pascal Bary.

**2nd-LCP, €25,000, Mdn, unraced 3yo, c/g, 10fT, 2:06.47, gd.**  
**+ VISION DES AIGLES (FR) (c, 3, Vision d'Etat {Fr}--Vie des Aigles {Fr}, by Alamo Bay)** broke in rear and raced last of the eight runners for most of this first go. Coaxed into contention approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 49-10 chance hooked up with Dariyan (Fr) (Shamardal) entering the final eighth and found extra for two late flicks of the persuader to secure a short-neck verdict over that rival. Sales history: €110,000 yrl '13 ARQOCT; €130,000 2yo '14 ARQMAY. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €12,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Al Shaqab Racing. B-Haras du Grandcamp (Fr). T-Francis-Henri Graffard.

**BENOIST FRENCH CHOICE FOR AL SHAQAB**

Jockey Gregory Benoist will be the number one rider for Al Shaqab Racing in France in going forward, according to *Racing Post*. Frankie Dettori, who has been the main rider for Sheikh Joaan's stable since the summer of 2013, will maintain his position as stable jockey in Britain.

"Really it's a natural progression because of the growing number of horses we have. It's just not practical for Frankie," Harry Herbert, racing advisor to Al Shaqab, told *Racing Post*. "Frankie was getting on a plane for one ride and then the horse might not race. There was a lot of traveling. We're delighted to have Gregory, who will be able to ride work in France and will be around the French trainers more often than Frankie was able to be."

Herbert noted that Al Shaqab's dual G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner **Treve (Fr)** (Motivator {GB}) would continue to be ridden by Thierry Jarnet.

## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**8th-NMT, £15,000, 4-16, 3yo, 10fT, 2:08 3/5, gd/fm.**  
**DISSOLUTION (GB) (c, 3, New Approach {Ire}--Portodora, by Kingmambo)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, £16,677. O-Khalid Abdullah. B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB). T-Sir Michael Stoute.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

+ **Sweet Zappa (Fr)**, c, 2, **Evasive (GB)**--Sweet Alabama (Fr), by Enrique (GB). NTS, 4-16, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.02. B-Mme Geraldine Bouquil & Andre Ladeveze (Fr). \*€4,000 RNA yrl '14 ARQFEB; €10,000 yrl '14 OSASEP.

**Corail (Ire)**, f, 3, **Lope de Vega (Ire)**--Croisiere (SW-Ger & US, SP-Fr), by Capote. LIM, 4-16, 7f 50yT, 1:35.90. B-Skymarc Farm (Ire). \*€37,000 RNA yrl '13 ARQAUG.

+ **French (GB)**, f, 2, **Monsieur Bond (Ire)**--Guadaloup (GB), by Loup Sauvage. RIP, 4-16, 5fT, 1:01 4/5. B-Northgate Lodge Stud Ltd (GB). \*£800 yrl '14 DONHIT.

+ **Dawn Missile (GB)**, g, 3, **Nayef**--Ommadawn (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). CHD, 4-16, 10f (AWT), 2:08 3/5. B-Mr & Mrs R & P Scott (GB). \*19,000gns RNA wnlg '12 TATDEC; 12,500gns yrl '13 TATOCT.

**Neverushacon (Ire)**, g, 4, **Echo of Light (GB)**--Lily Beth (Ire), by Desert King (Ire). LIM, 4-16, 11f 70yT, 2:31.61. B-Mrs Barbara Jamieson (Ire).



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