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NEW SHOOTER FOR BELMONT

The Truth Or Else (Yes It's True), a recent winner of an \$80,000 optional claimer at Belmont ([video](#)), has joined the mix for the GI Belmont S. June 6. Trainer Ken McPeek, of course, upset War Emblem's bid for a Triple Crown with Sarava (Wild Again) in 2002. He also campaigned Atigun (Istan) to a third-place finish in the 2012 renewal. "My horse loves the Belmont track," McPeek said. "He has two starts and two wins on a dry track at Belmont. And he's out of a Colonial Affair mare [Lakenheath], so he should get the distance. His last race was a confidence builder. He got a good time and an excellent speed figure. His last two races have set him up for this. He really needed



Ken McPeek
Horsephotos

to win his last race, which he did." Owned by Harold Lerner and McPeek, the \$40,000 KEENOV weanling and \$110,000 FTKJUL yearling was a close second after making a dramatic middle move in Oaklawn's GIII Southwest S. in February. Seventh in the GI Arkansas Derby Apr. 11, he finished fifth in the GIII Pat Day Mile S. May 2. "He's just a really solid horse," McPeek added. "The Truth or Else is bigger and stronger than both Sarava and Atigun. Weird things happen in the Belmont. You shouldn't duck one horse in a race. American Pharoah could possibly not handle the surface. You don't know. So long as it's a dry track, we'll pull the trigger." **Cont. p3**

ROYAL ASCOT AWAITS 'MAGIC' SHOW

By Andrew Hawkins

Racing is full of Hollywood-esque stories--the inconceivable, the implausible, the unrealistic. On a global scale, the story of Joao Moreira is right up there with the most astonishing: the jockey they call the "Magic Man", the Brazilian-born wizard who has taken Asia by storm, now looks set to make a true splash on the world stage. An unrivaled rags-to-riches tale, Moreira has risen from the slums of Brazil, from a destiny of poverty and crime, to the very top of his game, to become arguably Brazil's most successful non-soccer sportsman since the champion Formula One driver, the late Ayrton Senna.

And yet, while Moreira made a big splash in Brazil, broke every record in a remarkable stint in Singapore and is now setting Hong Kong alight, he still doesn't receive the plaudits he deserves globally. **Cont. p11**

SECOND SESSION OF NATIONAL BROODMARE SALE REVEALS DEPTH OF MARKET

by Rob Burnet, Thoroughbrednews.com.au

The second day of the Magic Millions Gold Coast National Broodmare Sale in Bundall Thursday saw solid results posted. After two days of selling, 350 horses have found new homes from 432 lots through the ring for an overall clearance rate of 81%. The gross stands at A\$42,173,000, with an average of A\$120,494--well above the last comparable sale average of A\$71,749 in 2013. The 2014 sale figures were aided by the Teeley Assets dispersal. Thursday's session also saw two seven-figure lots through the ring, including the session-topping Newgate Farm-consigned **Response (Aus)** (Charge Forward {Aus}), who sold to representatives of Katsumi Yoshida of Northern Farm for A\$1.5 million as [lot 867](#).

Vin Cox, Magic Millions' managing director, was understandably pleased with the result of the session, as well as the overall strength of the sale.

"It has been spectacular, the depth of the market is the most revealing thing to us," Cox commented. "We were nervous about that lower and middle-end area of the market and it has come out powering. The buying bench has been strong right through and to sit at a clearance of 81% we are delighted with the result." **Cont. p9**

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Miss Temple City Heading to Ascot



Miss Temple City MJC/Jim McCue

While her fellow 3-year-old fillies will be knocking heads at various racetracks across the country this weekend, Hilltop S. victress Miss Temple City (Temple City) will be tucked neatly away in her stall at Fair Hill, awaiting a trip to England for the G1 Coronation S. at Royal Ascot on the penultimate day of the meeting Friday, June 19. "I love the fact she can go over there and run against 3-year-olds and not open company, which is hard to do. I like that she can run against 3-year-olds, go a mile, which we know she can do, and she's a filly who has never run on Lasix and that's a big fact, too."

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Horse for Course Scores at Sandown



Western Hymn
Racing Post

Though he was encountering turf faster than is his liking, Western Hymn (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}) took his record to Sandown to three wins from as many appearances with a narrow defeat of his chief market rival Arab Spring (Ire) (Monsoon {Ger}) in Thursday's G3 Brigadier Gerard S. under the lights. In the supporting event on the card, Vent de Force (GB) (Hurricane Run {Ire}) validated 3-2 favoritism in the G3 Henry II S., a stepping-stone to the G1 Gold Cup at the Royal meeting in three weeks' time.

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Treve Returns in Prix Corrida



The Mighty Treve
Racing Post

The road to a third G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe for France's wonder mare Treve (Fr) (Motivator {GB}) starts at Saint-Cloud Friday, where the G2 Prix Corrida takes on vastly increased significance. Honoring the memory of the only other mare in history to win two renewals of Longchamp's showpiece, this race serves as a stepping stone for the Criquette Head-Maarek star to the June 28 G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, which was also won by the famous Corrida 80 years ago.

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- The field for the Belmont S., headed by dual Classic winner **American Pharoah** (Pioneerof the Nile), is hovering at 10. Trainer Mark Casse announced Thursday that **Conquest Curlinate** (Curlin), who is stabled at Churchill Downs, would bypass the Belmont and be aimed at the Queen's Plate at Woodbine (*see below*).
- Friday breezes are expected for the Todd Pletcher trio of **Madefromlucky** (Lookin At Lucky), **Materiality** (Afleet Alex) and **Carpe Diem** (Giant's Causeway); the Kiaran McLaughlin-trained **Frosted** (Tapit), and GI Preakness S. runner-up **Tale of Verve** (Tale of Ekati) for trainer Dallas Stewart.

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CONQUEST CURLINATE TO PASS BELMONT

Conquest Curlinate (Curlin), runner-up in his last two appearances in the Gill Illinois Derby Apr. 18 and to **Madefromlucky** (Lookin at Lucky) in the Gil Peter Pan S. May 9, has been removed from Belmont S. consideration by trainer Mark Casse. The Ontario-bred, a maiden winner in five career starts, will be pointed for the Queen's Plate at Woodbine July 5.

"It isn't a soundness issue," Norman Casse said. "He just wasn't training the way that we wanted him."

Conquest Curlinate had worked once since his Peter Pan effort, going five-eighths of a mile in :59.80 (4/20) over the Churchill main track May 22. Should he make the Queen's Plate, he could be joined by stablemate and GI Toyota Blue Grass S. runner-up Danzig Moon (Malibu Moon).

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MISS TEMPLE CITY ON ROYAL TRAJECTORY

Miss Temple City (Temple City), impressive winner of the May 15 Hilltop S. at Pimlico, remains on course for an appearance in the G1 Coronation S. at Royal Ascot June 19, trainer Graham Motion confirmed Thursday.

"I've always wanted another opportunity to go back over there," said Motion, who saddled GI Kentucky Derby and G1 Dubai World Cup winner Animal Kingdom to an 11th-place finish in the 2013 G1 Queen Anne S. "I love the fact she can go over there and run against 3-year-olds and not open



Miss Temple City MJC/Jim McCue

company, which is hard to do. I like that she can run against 3-year-olds, go a mile, which we know she can do, and she's a filly who has never run on Lasix and that's a big fact, too." Cont. p4



Miss Temple City cont.

Owned by Sagamore Racing, Allen Rosenblum and The Club Racing LLC, Miss Temple City has never been off the board in her five career appearances. Perfect in two tries last season, the dark bay was a close third behind Consumer Credit (More Than Ready) in Gulfstream's GIII Sweetest Chant S. Jan. 24 and runner-up to divisional leader Lady Eli (Divine Park) in the GIII Appalachian S. at Keeneland Apr. 12.

Motion suggested that his charge would likely have one breeze prior to her departure on the steeplechase course at Fair Hill as a means to approximate what she'll be faced with at Ascot.

"As long as the ground is all right, I want to give her a nice work under similar circumstances that she's going to have to deal with over there," Motion explained. "Fair Hill has that. The steeplechase course, the last quarter of a mile, is uphill. I think it's a perfect scenario for her to get some experience for that. So that's my idea, to



Graham Motion
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gallop her there once or twice and then breeze her before she leaves."

The conditioner added that 'TDN Rising Star' **Donworth** (Tiznow), the beaten favorite in the Sir Barton S. at Old Hilltop May 16, would likely start in the \$150,000 WinStar Farm Easy Goer S. June 6.

"All the handicappers and everyone tell me he ran his race and he was just up against the inside speed bias," Motion said. "I think it's a fair comment to say that in retrospect. I'm not as disappointed two weeks later than I was on the day of. I think he ran his race and he was beaten by a nice horse, and he came out of the race well. He's such a big horse that he has trouble getting away from the gate and trouble getting around tighter turns. It's always been an issue. I think the wider turns at Belmont should help him."

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MOLLY MORGAN RETIRED

Molly Morgan (Ghostzapper--Capitulation, by Distorted Humor), who parlayed a rail-skimming trip into victory in the GI La Troienne S. at Churchill Downs May 1, has been retired from racing after suffering an injury.

Owned by Bill Cubbedge and bred by him in partnership with Mike Lauffer and Greg McDonald, Molly Morgan graduated for a \$50,000 tag in 2012 and was runner-up in the 2014 La Troienne



Molly Morgan (inside)
Coady photography

before registering a first graded-stakes win with a four-length victory in the GII Fleur de Lis S. in her next appearance. She would go on to win the GIII Gardenia S. and GII Chilukki S. around a third-place effort to Don't Tell Sophia (Congaree) in the

GI Juddmonte Spinster S. The bay mare returned to action this term with a distant third to Sheer Drama (Burning Roma) in the GII Royal Delta S. before turning the tables on that foe by 3/4 of a length beneath the Twin Spires in what would become her final career appearance.

Molly Morgan retires with a record of 8-4-8 from 29 trips to the post and earnings of \$882,159.

IN OTHER NEWS...
A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Other Media

Band New Found Glory Saves Horse With Same Name

"A well-timed Twitter search this week led Florida-based rock band New Found Glory to save a Thoroughbred with the same name. Guitarist Chad Gilbert was perusing social media after New Found Glory announced a new tour and stumbled upon a photo of a yearling filly caked in mud and scheduled to go to slaughter."

Jonathan Lintner, *The Courier-Journal*

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"Ground was broken on a \$34 million hotel at Saratoga Casino and Raceway that officials say will position the video slot machine parlor and harness race track to compete with new, full-fledged casinos in upstate New York, including one about 25 miles south in Schenectady."

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Thursday, Sandown, Britain
CANTOR FITZGERALD RESEARCH BRIGADIER GERARD S.-G3, £65,000, SNP, 5-28, 4yo/up, 10f 7yT, 2:06.55, gd/fm.

1--**WESTERN HYMN (GB), 129, g, 4, by High Chaparral (Ire)**
1st Dam: Blue Rhapsody (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire)
2nd Dam: Blue Symphony (GB), by Darshaan (GB)
3rd Dam: Blue Duster, by Danzig
 (50,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT). O-Robin Geffen & Rachel Hood; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB); T-John Gosden; J-James Doyle. £36,862. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 9-6-0-0, £297,635. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick Rating: **A+++ *Triple Plus***.

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2--**Arab Spring (Ire), 129, h, 5, Monsun (Ger)--Spring Symphony (Ire), by Darshaan (GB)**. O/B-Ballymacoll Stud Farm Ltd (Ire); T-Sir Michael Stoute. £13,975.
 3--**Niceofyoutotellme (GB), 126, g, 6, Hernando (Fr)--Swain's Gold, by Swain (Ire)**. (19,000gns yrl '10 TATOCT). O-R Roberts; B-Minster Stud (GB); T-Ralph Beckett. £6,994.
 Margins: HD, HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 2.75, 1.75, 25.00. Also Ran: Eagle Top (GB), Tryster (Ire). Scratched: Tullius (Ire). [Click for the Racing Post result or the brisnet.com PPs](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

Chanced on ground firmer than ideal, Western Hymn overcame that issue to take his record over this track and trip to three-for-three having won last year's G3 Classic Trial and the G3 Gordon Richards S. on his seasonal bow Apr. 24. At three, the bay's highlight had come when annexing the G2 Prix Eugene Adam in authoritative fashion on a testing surface at Maisons-Laffitte in July and after subsequent fourth placings in the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano at Deauville in August and Ascot's G1 Champion S. in October, the decision was made to geld. Sitting



Western Hymn
Racing Post

with only one behind early as Ryan Moore set out to use the stamina of the favorite Arab Spring, Western Hymn traveled smoothly to that rival and into a slight lead passing the quarter pole.

Needing encouragement from James Doyle to impose himself, it was only in the last stride that he managed to overcome that G3 John Porter S. winner as the outsider Niceofyoutotellme stayed on in eye-catching style. "I told James he was spot on for the race, but not to make his move until inside the two as he thinks he has done it all and has a look at the crowd when he gets to the front," trainer John Gosden explained. "He's a lovely character and would probably have won by a half-length if he'd waited longer. The second is a lovely horse who set a true pace and they were both carrying penalties. I was particularly delighted with Eagle Top (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), because he wants a big field with cover and Frankie [Dettori] said he wanted to race from six out. He was very fresh and needed it, but was in great shape after the race and he'll go to the G2 Hardwicke S. [at Royal Ascot June 20] and if the ground is reasonable Western Hymn will go for the [June 17] G1 Prince of Wales's S."



Thursday, Sandown, Britain
CANTOR FITZGERALD INVESTMENT TRUSTS HENRY II S.-G3, £65,000, SNP, 5-28, 4yo/up, 16f 78yT, 3:37.86, gd/fm.

1--**VENT DE FORCE (GB), 126, c, 4, by Hurricane Run (Ire)**
1st Dam: Capriolla (GB), by In the Wings (GB)
2nd Dam: Seren Quest (GB), by Rainbow Quest
3rd Dam: Serenese (Ire), by Habat (Ire)
 O-The Fairy Story Partnership; B-Deepwood Farm Stud (GB); T-Hugh Morrison; J-Richard Hughes. GSP-Fr, £36,862. Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-1, £148,429. **Werk Nick Rating: A**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Trip To Paris (Ire), 126, g, 4, Champs Elysees (GB)--La Grande Zoa (Ire), by Fantastic Light**. (37,000gns wnlg '11 TATDEC; 35,000gns RNA yrl '12 TATOCT; 20,000gns 2yo '13 TATGNS). O-La Grange Partnership; B-Paul & T J Monaghan (Ire); T-Ed Dunlop. £13,975.

3--**Aussie Reigns (Ire), 126, g, 5, Aussie Rules--Rohain (Ire), by Singspiel (Ire)**. (€9,000 wnlg '10 GOFNOV; €36,000 yrl '11 GOFSP). O-Nick Peacock; B-S Connolly (Ire); T-William Knight. £6,994.
 Margins: 1 3/4, HF, HF. Odds: 1.50, 4.00, 50.00. Also Ran: Forever Now (GB), Simenon (Ire), Forgotten Voice (Ire), Alwilda (GB). Scratched: High Jinx (Ire).

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Henry II S. cont.

With all the big cats away, Vent de Force took full advantage to creep into the June 18 G1 Gold Cup scene with an all-the-way first black-type success under Richard Hughes. After winning the 14-furlong Melrose H. at York's Ebor meeting in August, the bay finished second in the G2 Prix Chaudenay over an extra furlong at Longchamp on Arc weekend and was then 11th on testing ground in the latter venue's G1 Prix Royal-Oak later in October. No match for Mizzou (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) but clear second-best when staying on from behind in Ascot's G3 Sagaro S. on his comeback Apr. 29, he was able to dictate here in a change of tactics and after seeing off all challengers in midstretch was gone beyond reach by the time Trip To Paris was extricated from his pocket. "He did it the hard way from the front and that proves you can ride him where you like," trainer Hughie Morrison commented. "Hopefully that will put him spot on for Ascot and that's where he'll go, providing he doesn't have any blips in the next few weeks."

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RETURN JOURNEY

The road to a third G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe for France's wonder mare **Treve (Fr)** (Motivator {GB}) starts at Saint-Cloud Friday, where the G2 Prix Corrida takes on vastly increased significance. Honoring the memory of the only other mare in history to win two renewals of Longchamp's showpiece, this race serves as a stepping stone for the Criquelette Head-Maarek star to



The Mighty Treve
Racing Post

the June 28 G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, which was also won by the famous Corrida 80 years ago. Al Shaqab's 5-year-old was the subject of a positive bulletin from the owners' racing manager Harry Herbert as he spoke on Thursday. "Trevé

is in fantastic form. I saw her last week and she looked absolutely terrific," he said. "She's fuller than she was last year and is moving beautifully, seeming to have retained all her old zest. Provided she's straight enough and she's done enough work-wise, which I'm sure she has, hopefully she'll give a really good account of herself."

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Prix Corrida preview cont.

Herbert believes that Treve, who is saddled with a penalty for her latest emphatic Arc victory, is at more of a peak than when second on her return in the G1 Prix Ganay in 2014. "It's wonderful having her for this attempt for a third Arc," he continued. "Everything that goes on at this time of year is a bonus, as she's a proper autumn filly. It seems to be that she thrives later on in the year but, I have to say, there is a different look about her right now than perhaps I saw in the spring of last year. She had a little back issue and some foot issues then, but she seems really well and the way she's moving and striding out is impressive. I know Thierry Jarnet couldn't have been happier with her the other day and was all smiles. She's a remarkable racehorse and it's just so exciting for everybody to see her back on the track. At the moment, it's a four-race campaign--the Corrida, Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, G1 Prix Vermeille [at Longchamp Sept. 13] and then the [Oct. 4] Arc." Also saddled with a penalty is George Strawbridge's 2014 G1 Prix de l'Opera heroine **We Are (Ire)** (Dansili {GB}), who was a touch disappointing on her return when fourth behind Cirrus des Aigles (Fr) (Even Top {Ire}) and Al Kazeem (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) in Longchamp's G1 Prix Ganay over 10 1/2 furlongs May 3, and also last year's G1 Preis der Diana winner **Feodora (Ger)** (Lord of England {Ger}). Now switched from Andre Fabre from Andreas Wohler, Gestut Etzean's homebred was last seen finishing fourth in Munich's G1 Grosser Preis von Bayern after being a close-up fifth behind We Are in the Opera. Treve's presence has hardly scared away the opposition, with last year's G3 Prix Gontaut-Biron and G2 Grand Prix de Deauville scorer **Cocktail Queen (Ire)** (Motivator {GB}) and the Apr. 27 G3 Prix Allez France winner **Mayhem (Ire)** (Whipper) also lining up for the challenge.

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PRIX CORRIDA-G2, €130,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 10 1/2ft

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1	1	Treve (Fr)	Motivator (GB)	Jarnet	Head-Maarek	129
2	2	We Are (Ire)	Dansili (GB)	Peslier	Head	129
3	6	Feodora (Ger)	Lrd of England (Ger)	Boudot	Fabre	129
4	3	Cocktail Queen (Ire)	Motivator (GB)	Badel	Bollack-Badel	127
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ASCOT WORKOUT ON CHROME'S AGENDA

Horse of the Year and dual Classic winner **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) is set to have a racecourse gallop at Ascot next week ahead of his engagement at the Royal meeting. It is hoped Frankie Dettori will be able to



California Chrome on the Gallops In Newmarket
Rae Guest Racing

partner last year's G1 Kentucky Derby and G1 Preakness S. winner in the exercise as he prepares for the G1 Prince of Wales's S. June 17. The 4-year-old is lodging with trainer Rae Guest in Newmarket since finishing second to **Prince Bishop (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G1 Dubai World Cup in

March, and trainer Art Sherman's son, Alan, is set to fly in from the U.S. for the gallop.

"California Chrome's progress continues with the start of Royal Ascot less than three weeks away," reported Guest on his website. "Rae is very happy with his work, he has been making use of Newmarket's watered gallop in recent weeks. This gallop runs adjacent to Newmarket's famous Rowley Mile Racecourse. Frankie Dettori will ride him in his gallop at Ascot as long as his existing commitments allow."

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LOFTY TARGETS FOR HANNON PAIR

Al Shaqab Racing's **Osaila (Ire)** (Daneshill Dancer {Ire}) will bid to get her season back on track in the G1 Coronation S. at Royal Ascot next month. Great things were expected of the Richard Hannon trainee after she made a winning seasonal reappearance in the G3 Nell Gwyn S. at Newmarket in April. Osaila never



Osaila Winning At Newmarket
Racing Post

figured in the G1 1000 Guineas at Newmarket May 3 and her owners' representative Harry Herbert is hoping it was a one off lacklustre display.

Herbert told *At The Races* Herbert, "She was a real disappointment that day, I don't know whether she just bombed after winning

the Nell Gwyn when she hadn't come in her coat. The plan is to head to the Coronation at the Royal meeting. She seems in great form. She tried hard but she just had a proper off day. She was quite fractious and keen to post. Something may have just washed over her and set her alight but she's in great form now."

Herbert also had news on another Hannon trainee that carries the same silks. '**TDN Rising Star**' **Moheet (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}), an 800,000gns purchase at Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale last year, will be a rare Richard Hannon runner in the G1 Epsom Derby. Breeding would suggest the colt should handle the step up in trip and according to Herbert, the colt is showing all the right signs at home.

"I realise he's a long shot, but he is held in high regard by Richard [Hannon] and the team. He ran well in the G1 2000 Guineas. I think the horse is crying out to go further. Whether he wants to go a mile and a half we will have to see, but he's worked very well."

Frankie Dettori has ridden Moheet in all his three starts to date, but Al Shaqab's retained jockey is teaming up with ante-post favorite **Golden Horn (GB)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) at Epsom. Pat Dobbs, who rides Moheet in all his work at the Hannon yard, will be entrusted with the mount on Derby day.

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CUMANI KEEN ON POSTPONED

Following a highly respectable first effort in Group 1 company last weekend, the Luca Cumani trained **Postponed (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) will drop down to a Group 2 race next when he lines up in the G2 Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot. The progressive 4-year-old was beaten only a half-length into third behind **Al Kazeem (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and **Fascinating Rock (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) in the G1 Tattersalls



Luca Cumani
Racing Post

Gold Cup at The Curragh last Sunday, a performance that left his trainer full of hope for the season ahead.

"You can't be disappointed," commented Cumani. "It was his first try at a Group 1, so we were still checking to see if he is actually a Group 1 horse and he didn't let us down. A mile and a

quarter we know is a little bit tight for him and a mile and a half is a better trip. We had to make the running because there was no pace in the race, but that is not his preferred style of running. He much prefers sitting quiet and coming with a flourish in the end, like he did last year.

Added Cumani, "His next step is now the Hardwicke at Royal Ascot, which won't be a piece of cake because there is **Telescope (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) in it, so he will have to be at his best."

Telescope won the race by seven lengths last year and proved his recent well-being with a wide-margin win in a listed race at Newbury two weeks ago.

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Magic Millions Gold Coast Nat'l Broodmare Sale cont.

Cox added, "Our prize money in jurisdictions like Queensland and NSW is on the up. The yearling sales all year starting with our January sales were up about 20% and that is what is driving this sale for obvious reasons. There is confidence going forward. We are breeding good horses, people can sell them for good money and that creates confidence in the market. If you can go into any market and you get what you hope for, or a bit more, then there is confidence and that is what this is driven by."

A Positive Response...

The highlight of the session was the multiple Group-1 winning mare Response ([lot 867](#)), who was knocked down for A\$1.5 million by representatives of Katsumi Yoshida, when joint venture partners Coolmore and China Horse Club declined to counter the bid. Response is by Arrowfield Stud's sire Charge Forward out of the Match Winner (Fr) mare Live it Up, and she was presented in foal to another Arrowfield sire, Snitzel (Aus). With Arrowfield's Jon Freyer bidding on behalf of Yoshida from the rear of the sale ring, and bloodstock agent Michael Wallace bidding on behalf of Coolmore/China Horse Club from the left of the



Response
Magic Millions

rostrum, the stage was set for battle for this coveted lot.

Bidding swiftly rose past the A\$1-million mark with bids coming from a number of areas of the ring and then Wallace bid A\$1.1 million. At A\$1.3 million the bid was with Arrowfield and then Wallace countered at A\$1.4 million. The sale ring was

quiet as the parties considered their positions and after a lengthy period, the call came for A\$1.5 million from the rear of the ring. Immediately Wallace conferred with his associates and after a discussion he gave a quiet shake of the head.

"She is a glorious mare," said Freyer. "We thought she was an absolute queen. She's in foal to Snitzel and she's left a couple beautiful types already. She was exactly what we were after."

Freyer continued, "We bought her on behalf of Mr Yoshida of Northern Farm and he sells commercially. She is a magnificent individual and she has left good sorts, so that is what it is all about. It has been a wonderful catalogue put together by Magic Millions and he [Yoshida] is normally very active at the sales down here.

With some excellent lots on offer it has been very attractive and we have been working hard and not always getting what we wanted, but we have a couple of very nice ones so far."

Freyer said that they would see what Response's Snitzel foal was like before making a 2015 mating recommendation, but it was likely she would go either back to Snitzel or to Redoute's Choice (Aus).

The first foal by Response, a colt by Fastnet Rock (Aus), was purchased by the China Horse Club for A\$1.05 million at the 2015 Magic Millions Yearling Sale in January. Her second foal is a colt by Exceed And Excel (Aus).



Lovetorn
Magic Millions

Earlier on the day, the China Horse Club signed for [lot 740](#), Lovetorn (Aus), by Giant's Causeway out of the Mt. Livermore mare Love All consigned by Glastonbury Farms. A six-time winner in America, Lovetorn was presented in foal to Frankel (GB) on Southern Hemisphere time. Initially passed in at A\$550,000, she was signed for by Wallace after the mare left the ring.

Commercial Flavor to Snitzel Mare...

The second session of the Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale was characterised by strong competition for the quality lots. A mare with a large amount of commercial backing was Vinery Stud's **Miss Fearless (Aus)** ([lot 777](#)), who sold to Mystery Downs for A\$290,000. The daughter of Snitzel (Aus) was out of the Zabeel (NZ) mare Uneasy (NZ) and went through the ring in foal to young sire All Too Hard (Aus).

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CUMULATIVE TOTALS	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
• Catalogued	489	466	536
• No. Offered	432	401	466
• No. Sold	350	356	416
• RNAs	82	44	50
• % RNAs	19%	11%	10.7%
• No. \$500K+	18	26	8
• High Price (A\$)	1,600,000	2,300,000	1,550,000
• Gross (A\$)	42,173,000	52,133,500	29,847,500
• Average (A\$)	120,494	146,442	71,749
• % Change ('14/'15)	-17.7%		
• % Change ('13/'15)	+68%		



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**MAGIC MILLIONS GOLD COAST NATIONAL BROODMARE SALE
THURSDAY'S TOP EIGHT LOTS**

Lot	Name	Status	Price (A\$)
867	Response (Aus) <i>(8, Charge Forward {Aus}--Live It Up, by Match Winner {Fr})</i>	i/f Snitzel (Aus)	1,500,000
	Consigned by Newgate Farm, agent Purchased by Katsumi Yoshida		
966	Varena Miss (Aus) <i>(8, Redoute's Choice {Aus}--Mica's Pride {Aus}, by Bite the Bullet)</i>	i/f Piero (Aus)	1,000,000
	Consigned by Newgate Farm, agent Purchased by Emirates Park		
882	Rostova (Aus) <i>(8, Testa Rossa {Aus}--Space Talk {Aus}, by Anabaa)</i>	i/f Frankel (GB)	850,000
	Consigned by Newgate Farm, agent Purchased by Tim Stakemire		
909	Sistine Angel (Aus) <i>(7, Testa Rossa {Aus}--Famous Painter {Aus}, by Peintre Celebre)</i>	i/f Snitzel (Aus)	700,000
	Consigned by Newhaven Park, agent Purchased by James Bester Bloodstock		
826	Our Pride and Joy (Aus) <i>(7, Canny Lad {Aus}--Mica's Pride {Aus}, by Bite the Bullet)</i>	I/f Redoute's Choice (Aus)	675,000
	Consigned by Yarraman Park Stud, agent Purchased by James Harron Bloodstock		
740	Lovetorn (Aus) <i>(9, Giant's Causeway--Lova All, by Mt. Livermore)</i>	i/f Frankel (GB)	550,000
	Consigned by Glastonbury Farms, agent Purchased by China Horse Club		
880	Rose of Kentucky (Aus) <i>(7, Anabaa--Milliyet {NZ}, by Zabeel {NZ})</i>	i/f Medaglia d'Oro	475,000
	Consigned by Almavale Bloodstock, agent Purchased by Grant Knowles, As Agent		
949	The Huntress (Aus) <i>(4, Husson {Arg}--Western Empress {Aus}, by Western Syphony)</i>	i/f Snitzel (Aus)	475,000
	Consigned by Will Park Stud Purchased by Kitchwin Hills		

Wandjina's Book Taking Shape...

The Gai Waterhouse-trained Group 1 hero Wandjina (Aus) (Snitzel {Aus}) might be on his way to race at Royal Ascot, but his next career path is well mapped out and he will stand at Newgate Farm in the Hunter Valley upon retirement. Owners Dr. Edmund and Belinda Bateman have been staying busy acquiring mares for their stallion's first book. One of those mares, from the consignment of Willow Park Stud, was secured during Thursday's session, with bloodstock agent James Harron buying **Nutkin (lot 816)** (Candy Ride {Arg}) out of the Devil's Bag mare Enchanted Spell, for A\$325,000 on their behalf.

Nutkin did not race, but her siblings certainly did, with Enchanted Spell producing 10 foals with nine to race and eight winners. They include the Grade I winner El Brujo (Candy Ride {Arg}) and the stakes winner Galadriel (Ascot Knight), herself dam of Grade II winner and GISP Concave (Colonel John) and stakes winner Peisinoe (Yes It's True). She was presented in foal to Snitzel and Harron had no hesitation in staying on the front foot to sign for her.

"We are looking for some nice quality mares to suit him," said Harron. "She is from a really good family, a speed family, she is a good looking mare and she already carries an early service to Snitzel, so we're very happy to get her. I think the American mares have proven themselves here, the Bateman's sire Foxwedge (Aus) was out of an American mare. They have been so influential and a great speed influence which seems to cross really well and that is something we are keen to do."

Frankel a Factor for Sheikh Khalifa...

The Frankel (GB) factor was in play when **Rostova (Aus) (lot 882)** entered the ring. The G1 SAJC Robert Sangster S. winning daughter of Testa Rossa (Aus), consigned by Newgate Farm, was carrying a service to the champion racehorse on Southern Hemisphere time. Out of Space Talk (Aus) (Anabaa), Rostova's first foal,



Rostova
Magic Millions

a filly by More Than Ready, is in training with Gai Waterhouse. Bidding commenced at A\$300,000 and at A\$850,000 it was Tim Stakemire, Australian Bloodstock Manager for Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa bin Saeed Al Maktoum, on the phone signing for her.

"A quality mare and she proved it on the race track and I think she will prove it in the broodmare barn, too," said Stakemire. "She has a very nice More Than Ready with Gai [Waterhouse] at the moment who goes very well, so she is a lovely mare and we wanted her."

Added Stakemire, "A Frankel to come is a little jewel on top. She was a Group 1 winner and they do not come along every day and she has left some good progeny and she is in foal to Frankel, so very happy to have her."

Stakemire confirmed that Rostova will stay in Australia and join Sheikh Khalifa's breeding program, which produced this season's G1 Blue Diamond S. hero Pride Of Dubai (Street Cry {Ire}).

Kia Ora Stud Plays for an 'Angel'...

Bloodstock agent James Bester waited a while to bid for **lot 909, Sistine Angel (Aus)** (Testa Rossa {Aus}), but he silenced all comers with a single bid, securing the chestnut mare for A\$700,000 on behalf of Kia Ora Stud. Presented by Newhaven Park in foal to Snitzel (Aus), the Group 2 winner earned a Group 1-placing in the wake of champion Black Caviar (Aus) (Bel Esprit {Aus}) in the G1 SAJC Robert Sangster S. during her racing career. **Cont. p11**

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Saving One of the Best For Last...

The session was one lot from the end when Emirates Park Stud outbid China Horse Club for Newgate Farm's **Varena Miss (Aus)** ([lot 966](#)). By Redoute's Choice (Aus), the G2 QTC Cup heroine is out of Group 2 winner Mica's Pride (Aus) (Bite the Bullet). Bidding commenced at A\$500,000 and quickly went upwards in A\$100,000 increments to A\$900,000, with Wallace for China Horse Club holding the bid. There was a pause, but eventually another bid arrived to the tune of A\$1 million from Trevor Lobb, CEO of Emirates Park Stud, and Wallace walked away.



Varena Miss
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Varena Miss is a half-sister to the multiple Group 1 winner Criterion (NZ) (Sebring {Aus}), who is currently in England preparing for an assault on the 2400-meter G1 Prince Of Wales S. at Royal Ascot in June. Already the dam of two foals--a filly by Bernardini and a colt by Sebring (Aus), she is carrying to Pierro (Aus).

"I think she was one of the nicest mares that we have seen for ages, she is just a lovely mare in foal to the right horse and we could not be more pleased to get her," said Lobb. "She had enormous ability, a great family and a progressive family, and she is a half-sister to a champion and that is what it is all about."

When asked about plans for Criterion, Lobb replied, "We now want him [Criterion] to continue to go on overseas."

The third session of the select broodmare sale begins at 10 a.m. local time Friday and is followed by two supplementary sessions. For more information and full results go to www.magicmillions.com.au.

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'Magic' Show cont. from p1

Racing is full of Hollywood-esque stories--the inconceivable, the implausible, the unrealistic.

On a global scale, the story of Joao Moreira is right up there with the most astonishing: the jockey they call the "Magic Man", the Brazilian-born wizard who has taken Asia by storm, now looks set to make a true splash on the world stage.

An unrivaled rags-to-riches tale, Moreira has risen from the slums of Brazil, from a destiny of poverty and crime, to the very top of his game, to become arguably Brazil's most successful non-soccer sportsman since the champion Formula One driver, the late Ayrton Senna.

And yet, while Moreira made a big splash in Brazil, broke every record in a remarkable stint in Singapore and is now setting Hong Kong alight, he still doesn't receive the plaudits he deserves globally.

For those who have seen the Magic Man at work, his name is one of a number bandied about as the world's best jockey, deserving of a spot alongside Moore and Soumillon, a rider with that potent combination of balance, poise and tactical awareness that only champions possess.

His star is slowly rising in Australia, having partnered three Group 1 winners down under, and dual big-race success on the Dubai World Cup undercard in 2014 brought him further acclaim. He's ridden in England's Shergar Cup and partnered a number of graded stakes placegetters in two short stints in the United States. He estimates he's ridden in about 20 countries.

But for all that, Moreira remains still somewhat of a mystery to most in traditional racing heartlands--so much so that a Google search turns up the wrong age for the rider, putting him 12 months younger than his 31 years. The relative obscurity is set to change in the next month as his association with the world's highest ranked turf galloper Able Friend (Aus) (Shamardal) thrusts him into the spotlight at arguably the biggest turf meeting on the planet, Royal Ascot.

It is the continuation of a whirlwind journey for the Brazilian, who was once turned down for an apprenticeship and came within a nose of losing his license in the early days of his career. Anyone who meets Moreira for little more than a fleeting moment has the same story to

report: the nicest man in racing, humble, gentle, kind--the antithesis of his warrior persona on-track. It's a modesty brought about by his humble upbringing.

"I don't think anyone would believe where I come from," Moreira said recently. "I grew up in a small village near Curitiba, and we had very little. It was tough, and we did what we had to do to get by, but I always loved horses."

At the age of 14, he quit his job, working in a factory, to pursue a career with horses. He worked as a stablehand for no pay and was knocked back from joining the jockey ranks in his home town before being offered the chance to join a jockey academy in Sao Paulo. **Cont. p12**



Joao Moreira returns to the winner's circle following his win aboard Sterling City in the 2014 G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen
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Joao Moreira cont.

“In my early days of riding in Sao Paulo, while I was still in the academy, I was considered the worst jockey there,” he explained. “No one would give me a ride and I had some bad luck. My first two winners were both disqualified. I was told I was not born to ride and that I should be getting another job. I only just kept my license. I was almost on my way back to Curitiba and then my luck turned.”

Moreira was a full-fledged jockey by 2003, and by the time of his departure in 2009, he had racked up over 1000 winners, mainly at Sao Paulo’s Cidade Jardim racetrack. He was a two-time Trofeu Mossoro (Brazilian Eclipse Award) winner and it was his early association with champion South American three-year-old Eu Tambem (Brz) (Wild Event), the winner of the 2006 G1 Gran Premio Nacional--the Argentine Derby--and later bought by Godolphin, that catapulted Moreira to stardom. And yet, already, the young rider was looking outside Brazil.

“I knew the world was a big place and I knew I wanted to ride elsewhere,” Moreira says. “I had ridden in France, the United Arab Emirates and Uruguay, but I had big dreams.”

In March 2009, he left Brazil for Singapore. By year’s end, he was seen as a rising star in the Lion City, having finished third in the jockey rankings despite missing almost half the season. It was here that the Moreira myth was borne, where he was nicknamed “Magic” by former commentator Michael Maxworthy, a nickname that quickly developed into the “Magic Man.” In 2010, he set a new Singaporean record with 116 wins, capturing his first premiership in the process. A year later, he set a new benchmark with 153 wins. And then, in 2012, he blew those two marks out of the water with a whopping 206 victories in a season. He claimed a fourth title in 2013 with 179 wins, despite leaving for his new contract in Hong Kong with just over two months left to go in the season. But as a parting gift to Singapore, he managed to win eight races from eight rides at Kranji in September 2013, a feat just as remarkable as Dettori’s Magnificent Seven.

They may not be too distant, geographically or culturally, but in racing circles, Singapore and Hong Kong are worlds apart. Hong Kong is the ultimate test for a rider. Not only is there a higher concentration of top jockeys at their peak, but the intensity of the racing community is unmatched anywhere worldwide. There may be only two meetings a week--and only 83 across the whole season--but the level of scrutiny is extreme, especially for a jockey.

The political climate is not unlike a scene out of House of Cards as jockeys fight for rides, with every move watched by the local media and the punters who splurge, on average, US\$17 million on every single race. It’s a dog-eat-dog environment that has claimed some notable scalps over the years.

And yet the Brazilian has thrived.

With last season’s champion jockey, Australian Zac Purton, Moreira has brought about the end of an era--the end of the dominance of South African master Douglas Whyte, who had won 13 straight championships before he was dethroned by Purton last season. And yet, Moreira believes he’s only starting to find his best form now, despite riding winners at a seemingly unsustainable strike rate of 23%.

“I struggled to get it right in Hong Kong at first,” Moreira admitted. “I was used to riding on left-handed tracks, so when I switched to go right-handed at Sha Tin and Happy Valley, my horses were shifting in and causing interference. I missed 18 meetings (out of 83) because of suspension last season, and I also started late, so I was really happy to finish second to Zac.”

He continued, “This season I’ve really tried to stay out of trouble and to just focus on riding winners, and now I think I’ve got it right. And it’s still getting better, although it will be hard to beat this season.”

And what a season it has been. Moreira has not only got the Hong Kong jockeys’ championship wrapped up with 13 meetings to go in the term, he’s already surpassed Whyte’s previous record of 113 wins in a season. There is talk that the 150 mark could be under threat, an achievement previously thought impossible in the pressure cooker environment of Hong Kong racing.

Moreira’s biggest moment will come in the G1 Queen Anne S. June 16, when he partners the John Moore-trained Able Friend in the opening event at the Royal meeting. It will be the 1300-pound chestnut’s biggest test against horses of the ilk of G1 Dubai Turf winner Solow (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}) and last season’s G1 2000 Guineas victor Night Of Thunder (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), among others, but Moreira



Able Friend winning the Champions Mile
HKJC.com

seems unperturbed by the likely opposition--in fact, he is relishing the chance to test Able Friend against the world’s best milers.

“He’s the best horse I’ve ridden, he’s just outstanding,” he opines. “He’s the easiest ride, he is just so uncomplicated. He goes to sleep, and then you ask him to quicken and the response is instant. Is he the best horse in the world? I think so, he’s just a dream horse to ride--every jockey wants a horse like him. Hopefully he can take his best to England and the world can see how good he is.”

Perhaps the same can be said for his unassuming rider, with the world finally set to witness how lethal Joao Moreira can be.

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Worldwide News cont.

WINX AIMS FOR GROUP 1 GLORY IN QLD OAKS

The Chris Waller-trained MGSW and MG1SP **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}) will attempt to justify market favoritism in this oversubscribed field for the 2015 G1 Queensland Oaks at Doomben Saturday. A smart winner of the G3 Sunshine Coast Guineas last time over 1600 meters May 16, Winx will break from gate 13. Runner-up in the G1 Coolmore Flight S. at Randwick to end her spring campaign Oct. 4, the daughter of Darley's late Street Cry (Ire) returned from a three-month spell and ran seventh at that venue in the 1200-meter G2 Light Fingers S. on Valentine's Day. Just fifth of 12 in the G2 Surround S. two weeks later, Winx reported home a winner in Rosehill's G2 Phar Lap S. Mar. 14. Trying 2000 meters for the first time, the bay was fifth in the G1 Vinery Stud S. later that month and proved longer distances were within her scope when a solid second under the care of Joao Moreira in the 2400-meter G1 Australian Oaks behind Gust of Wind (NZ) (Darci Brahma {NZ}), one start prior to her Classic score. Winx's main rival at the windows takes the form of **Bohemian Lily (NZ)** (O'Reilly {NZ}), who scooped up G2 The Roses S. over 2020 meters here--defeating fellow Oaks starters **Col 'N' Lil (Aus)** (Bradbury's Luck {Aus}) and **Whatalovelyday (Aus)** (Domesday {Aus}) among others--for training wizard Gai Waterhouse last out May 23. Never worse than second in her last four starts, it will be the first appearance at the highest level for the Kiwi, who won the Listed Bracelet S. on the Gold Coast Apr. 25 and just missed when runner-up to rival **Ballet Suite (Aus)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) in the Listed Princess S. when tried over 2000 meters at this venue May 9.

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	20	Bohemian Lily (NZ)	O'Reilly (NZ)	Shinn	Waterhouse
2	13	Winx (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Bowman	Waller
3	14	Platinum Witness (Aus)	California Dane (Aus)	Browne	Latta
4	21	Ballet Suite (Aus)	High Chaparral (Ire)	McEvoy	Waller
5	17	Rustic Melody (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	McDonald	Lees
6	5	Col 'N' Lil (Aus)	Bradbury's Luck (Aus)	Tarrant	Currie
7	11	Whatalovelyday (Aus)	Domesday (Aus)	Harrison	Walk
8	4	Exquisite Jewel (NZ)	Lucky Unicorn (Aus)	Byrne	Walsh
9	10	Heavens Above (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Schofield	Martin
10	16	Swift Lady (NZ)	O'Reilly (NZ)	Angland	Sargent
11	8	Sebrina (Aus)	Sebring (Aus)	Boss	Baker
12	18	Anaphora (Aus)	Dylan Thomas (Ire)	Bell	Noonan
13	12	Ungrateful Ellen (Aus)	Grey Swallow (Ire)	Williams	Smerdon
14	3	No Tricks (NZ)	Savabeel (Aus)	Cahill	Walters
15	9	Zarzali (Aus)	Hussonet	Berry	Cummings
16	19	Yulong Baby (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	Newitt	Price

Also Eligibles:

17	1	Imperial Lass (NZ)	Tavistock (NZ)	No Rider	Moody
18	6	Champion Stage (NZ)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	No Rider	Sargent
19	7	Shandaara (NZ)	Pentire (GB)	No Rider	Laing
20	2	Mine With Lime (Aus)	Strada (Aus)	No Rider	Kropp
21	15	Stewball (Aus)	U S Ranger	Wharton	Kalinowski

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	3	Blazing Speed (GB)	Dylan Thomas (Ire)	Callan	A Cruz
2	7	Dominant (Ire)	Cacique (Ire)	Berry	Moore
3	8	Harbour Master	Mizzen Mast	Mosse	Moore
4	1	Helene Super Star	War Front	Whyte	A Cruz
5	4	Khaya (NZ)	Librettist	Teetan	Size
6	5	Helene Happy Star (Ire)	Zamindar	Moreira	Moore
7	6	Same World (GB)	Hawk Wing	Leung	Moore
8	2	Mr Gnocchi (Aus)	Hard Spun	Rawiller	Millard

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CALIFORNIA MEMORY RETIRED

California Memory (Highest Honor {Fr})--Kalpita, by Spinning World), whose gray color, diminutive stature and considerable talent won him a legion of fans the world over, has been officially registered as retired with the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

Bred in Kentucky by Fred Seitz and sold by Brookdale Sales for \$65,000 at the 2007 Keeneland September sale, California Memory was trained by Carlos Laffon-



California Memory HKJC.com

Parias in France as Portus Blendium and won three times from eight starts. He was third in the Listed Prix Matchem--behind the late Cavalryman (GB) and Cirrus des Aigles (Fr)--and Listed Prix de Tourgeville before his export to Asia.

Trained throughout his Hong Kong career by Tony Cruz for owner Howard Liang, California Memory, who weighed in at right around 1000 pounds, broke through with a victory in the Hong Kong Gold Cup in 2011 and scored the first of his two wins in the G1 Hong Kong Cup the following December ([video](#)). He snapped a six-race skid in the G2 Jockey Club Cup in November 2012 and parlayed that success to become the first and only horse to go back-to-back in the Hong Kong Cup ([video](#)). Runner-up to Military Attack (Ire) (Oratorio {Ire}) in that one's coming-out party in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup in April 2013, California Memory displayed his versatility by taking out the Champions and Chater Cup over 2400 meters to close that campaign. Though he was a good third in that event last May, he failed to visit the winner's circle again in a career which saw him win a dozen times from 47 career appearances. He retires with earnings of \$6,681,008.

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PARX IMPLEMENTS HOUSE SHOCKWAVE RULE THAT SUPERSEDES STATE REGS

By T.D. Thornton

Parx Racing has become the latest United States racing entity to adopt a "house rule" in an attempt to bring about proactive equine welfare change without



A horse being administered shockwave therapy *eswt.net*

having to wait out the bureaucratic delay typically associated with getting regulations passed at the state racing commission level.

As of June 1, extracorporeal shockwave therapy (ESWT) devices will be prohibited on the

backstretch of the Philadelphia-area track, Parx Director of Racing Sam Elliott said.

In addition, Thoroughbreds are banned from being removed from the grounds to receive off-track ESWT within 14 days of racing at Parx.

Horsemen who violate the rule will have stall privileges revoked. Veterinarians will lose their right to practice at Parx.

"We came to the conclusion that there was no real good use for shockwaving in an actively racing Thoroughbred, and the potential for misuse for outweighed any potential benefit of having the machines on the grounds," Elliott said. "Safety's a pretty big thing for me, and sending horses out there who have just had this treatment isn't safe."

ESWT can be safely used on out-of-training racehorses to treat and speed the healing of musculo-skeletal and soft tissue injuries by sending high-pulse energy waves to the affected area via a hand-held wand.

But intentionally or unintentionally, the same treatment can be used in an abusive fashion to mask and deaden pain if it's administered to horses that are expected to race within a few days. A horse might then run hard on a hurt limb without feeling discomfort, exposing both the animal and its rider to danger in the event that a catastrophic injury occurs.

"The current [Pennsylvania Horse Racing Commission] rule says that horses can't be shockwaved within seven days of a race," Elliott said. "That's regulated by the state. But the main problem with shockwave is there's no way to test for it. We're just trying to be cautious with these horses. We couldn't come up with a reason that horse that's actively in training could need it. I spoke to a lot of horsemen here, and almost to a man, they were in favor of it."

Neither representatives from the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association nor the Pennsylvania racing commission could be reached for comment late Thursday afternoon.

Elliott said that under the current seven-day rule, ESWT is "pretty well used" on the Parx backstretch. But he emphasized that the rationale behind the new house rule isn't so much about licensed vets administering the treatments well in advance of a race as with untrained backstretch personnel using ESWT machines inconsistent with their intended use and/or outside the scope of veterinary supervision.

Dr. Dionne Benson, DVM, the executive director and chief operating officer for the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium, could not be reached for comment prior to deadline for this story. But Benson has previously written on the RMTC website that the official RMTC policy and the Racing Commissioners International model rule "prohibits the use of ESWT within 10 days of a race...The biggest problem in terms of enforcement is the use of the machine off racetrack grounds where commissions typically do not have jurisdiction."

In some jurisdictions, there is a requirement that ESWT use has to be voluntarily disclosed by horsemen, even if the therapy occurs off-track. Elliott said Parx horsemen and vets will not have to disclose ESWT use to be in compliance with the new rule.

The Parx house rule is part of a growing trend in U.S. racing whereby tracks and state equine medical directors aren't waiting for commissions to act on health-related rule changes.

In harness racing, Meadowlands owner Jeff Gural is known for his frequent attempts to thwart drug cheats by imposing house rules that go beyond New Jersey racing regulations. In California, prior to the announcement of formal threshold levels and rules against cobalt abuse, state equine medical director Dr. Rick Arthur, DVM, decreed that Thoroughbreds and Standardbreds with any level of the drug in their system had to be placed on the vet's list until the substance cleared, which precluded them from racing with it.

"The reason we made if a house rule was that it would take a long time to get it through at the commission level," Elliott said. "That's not a knock on the commission. It's just the nature of the beast. They have to move slowly and deliberately and they have to get a lot of consensus, so this just seemed like the best way to do it."

"Once we decided to do it this way for expediency's sake, we contacted the commission," Elliott continued. "They're always fine with house rules provided they're stronger than the state regulations, so they have no problem with this."

Elliott said he realizes that Parx can't directly control what happens to horses once they leave the grounds, but the track does already have a separate house rule that dictates horses can't leave grounds once they "hit the overnight." Parx draws entries for some of its races four days in advance. **Cont. p2**



Shockwave Rule cont.

“The purpose of this isn’t to catch anybody. I would prefer if we didn’t. The purpose is to create a safer environment,” Elliott said. “I guess if [trainers] start taking horses off the grounds and returning in short order, maybe those are people we need to pay attention to.”

“Are there people who are going to use [ESWT] still?” Elliott asked rhetorically. “Probably. But the sanction’s pretty stiff, so I’ll bet they’re going to think about it before they do.”

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Power Alert to Jaipur:

Power Alert (Aus) (Alert {Arg}), the 2-1 morning-line favorite for Saturday’s \$300,000 Evangeline Downs Turf Sprint, will instead await the GIII Jaipur Invitational on the GI Belmont S. undercard. Co-owned by James Covello and AJ Suited Racing Stable, the 5-year-old was last seen annexing the GIII Twin Spires Turf Sprint S. at Churchill Downs May 1. “We are redirecting Power Alert to the Jaipur on Belmont S. day,” Covello tweeted. “Soft turf course at Evangeline and more rain on way and he hates soft.”

Be Bullish Arrives at Old Friends at Cabin Creek:

Be Bullish (Pure Prize), claimed by owner Mike Repole and immediately retired following a May 17 victory versus \$16,000 company at Belmont Park, has arrived at Old Friends’s New York satellite facility at Cabin Creek. The 10-year-old was winning for the 19th time in his 87-race career and amassed earnings of \$1,106,288. “Our thanks to Mike Repole for giving this New York favorite the retirement he deserves,” said JoAnn Pepper, owner and manager of Old Friends at Cabin Creek. “Be Bullish gave his all to racing. We’re very grateful to have him, and we look forward to his all of his fans visiting him at the farm.”



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Thursday’s Results:

8th-BEL, \$77,000, Alw, NW1\$X, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:33 3/5, fm.

SENTIERO ITALIA (f, 3, [Medaglia d’Oro--Golden Way {Ire}](#), by [Cadeaux Genereux {GB}](#)) finished a non-threatening seventh going 7 1/2 panels on the Gulfstream sod Mar. 11, and graduated after setting a slow pace over nine furlongs of Aqueduct grass when given Lasix for the first time Apr. 19. Flattered when the third and fourth-place finishers from that heat returned to graduate, the Sheikh Mohammed homebred was given a 4-1 chance. Quickest from the gate, the bay was unhurried by Luis Saez and dropped into a mid-pack spot while off the inside. Spun some six wide into the lane, Sentiero Italia inhaled her rivals with a sharp turn-of-foot to kick away by two good-looking lengths from Kitten’s Roar (Kitten’s Joy), covering her final eighth of a mile in :11.19 according to Trakus data. The winner is a half to Ashkal Way (Ire) (Ashkalani {Ire}), GISW, \$798,580. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$88,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Godolphin Racing LLC. B-Darley (KY). T-Kiaran P McLaughlin.

3rd-BEL, \$75,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:44, ft.

TIGER MOTH (f, 3, [Street Sense--Saratoga Cat, by Sir Cat](#)), a half to Last Gunfighter (First Samurai), MGSW, \$1,210,205, endured a wide journey and checked in a close third sprinting on debut at Gulfstream Apr. 26. Backed down to 8-5 favoritism for this one-turn route, the homebred was away a bit awkwardly before rushing up along the rail to sit fourth down the backside. Taken off the inside for clear sailing into the turn, she mounted a three-wide bid as pacesetter Il Mulino (Elusive Quality) braced for challenges after posting hot splits. The front-runner dug in gamely when challenged by Tiger Moth--who was joined by Regina Marina (Medaglia d’Oro) in midstretch--but Tiger Moth leveled off in the final sixteenth to score by 3/4 of a length from Regina Marina. Il Mulino was another half-length back in third, and 8 1/4 lengths clear of the fourth-place runner. Saratoga Cat has an unraced 2-year-old filly by Lemon Drop Kid, and a yearling colt by Blame. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$48,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-John D Gunther (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.



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Florida

Thursday's Results:

3rd-GPX, \$46,600, Msw, 2yo, f, 5f, :59 3/5, ft.
+ BALLET DIVA (f, 2, Hear No Evil--Dame Sylvieguilhem {SP}, by Nureyev), with just two published works under her belt, was backed down to 6-5 for an owner/trainer combo that had already posted a gaudy 5-4-1-0 record with firsters in the month of May. Sent straight to the lead from the rail, the homebred put up splits of :23.01 and :46.91 with little resistance and poured it on in the lane to win as she pleased by 12 1/4 effortless lengths. Nasha Nadezha (Ghostzapper) was second. "I was worried about the one hole, because if you don't get right out of there, you've got a problem," offered trainer Stan Gold. "But she showed she can run to her gate work in [:47.70 May 22]. She can run. She ran like she trained, so it's not a surprise, but you don't expect them to win so easy." The winner, a half to Flying Trip (Trippi), SW, \$265,946, was racing without Lasix. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$31,500. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O/B-Jacks or Better Farm Inc (FL). T-Stanley I Gold.



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4th-CDX, \$42,898, Msw, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5, ft.
+ ADHARA (f, 2, Cowboy Cal--Tapatia {SP}, by Tapit), the 7-2 second choice behind overwhelming favorite Assoulin (Candy Ride {Arg}), settled into second into the turn as the chalk showed the way. She sidled up to that rival and appeared to be going better approaching the quarter pole, and quickly disposed of her in the lane to win going away by 6 3/4 lengths. The winner is the first foal out of the same connections' stakes-placed Tapatia, who produced a Street Hero filly in 2014 and daughter of Eskendereya this year. Her second dam is GSW and GISP Call Now (Wild Again), who was responsible for the dam of GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile winner Tapizar (Tapit). This is the same deep Winchell family that includes Grade I winners Untapable (Tapit), Paddy O'Prado (El Prado {Ire}), Olympio (Naskra), Pyro (Pulpit), Cuvee (Carson City), et al. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$26,400. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O/B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). T-Steven M Asmussen.

Critics Acclaim, Dam of GISW Rosalind, Dies:

Critics Acclaim (Theatrical {Ire}--Ventured, by Codex), the dam of GI Ashland S. dead-heater Rosalind (Broken Vow) as well as SP American Diva (Quiet American), passed away May 23 at Hurstland Farm due to complications from foaling. She was 20 years old. The mare foaled a full-brother to Rosalind May 22. The colt is reported to be doing well and was readily accepted by his nurse mare "Empress."

California

Memorial Set for Richard Mulhall:

A church service for the late Richard Mulhall will be held Saturday, May 30, at the Holy Angels Roman Catholic Church, 370 Campus Drive, Arcadia, CA, beginning at 11 a.m. Guests are asked to arrive early. Following the church service at 12:30 p.m., guests are invited to "A Day at the Track With Dick," to be held in the Director's Room at Santa Anita. Guests are advised to go to the Will Call window and to inform personnel that they are there to attend the memorial. Entry through Gate 5. A burial service will be held news week. In lieu of flowers, the Mulhall family requests that donations be made to <http://neighsavers.org>.

ROOKIES

First-crop starters to watch: Friday, May 29

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*
ARCHARCHARCH (Arch), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 122/2/0
 4-GP, Msw, 5f, +Arch Leader, \$22K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
D' FUNNYBONE (D'wildcat), Rockridge Stud, \$4K, 36/0/0
 1-BEL, Msw, 5f, +Uno Emayo, \$30K OBS AUG yrl, 2-1
EZ DREAMER (In Excess {Ire}), 13/1/1
 2-PRM, Msw, 5f, Heidi's in Charge, \$33K ARZ NOV yrl, 2-1
HERE COMES BEN (Street Cry {Ire}), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, \$8K, 43/0/0
 1-BEL, Msw, 5f, +There Goes Ben, \$18K SAR AUG yrl, 2-1
SIERRA SUNSET (Bertrando), Paradise Road Ranch, \$3K, 30/1/0
 3-SA, Msw, 4 1/2f, Ma'moisele Speaker, \$10K NCA AUG yrl, 2-1
WILBURN (Bernardini), Spendthrift Farm, \$7K, 105/0/0
 1-AP, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Simply a Treasure, 8-1

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First/second-crop starters to watch: Friday, May 29

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

BLAME (Arch), Claiborne, \$30K, 152/20/2
2-PEN, Msw, 1mT, +Halo Nation, \$325K KEE SEP yrl, 7-2

GLOBAL HUNTER (ARG) (Jade Hunter), 12/0/0

3-SA, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Marian Katherine, 8-1

JAFMIL (Distorted Humor), 10/2/0

6-PRM, Stk, 6f, Jafmils Persuader, 12-1

8-PRM, Stk, 6f, Approximator, 9-2

MUNNINGS (Speightstown), Ashford Stud, \$10K, 165/46/5

1-AP, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Holy Bullex, \$23K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1

6-PRM, Stk, 6f, Colerful Bride, 5-1

SUMMER BIRD (Birdstone), Japan, \$15K, 191/18/1

8-PRM, Stk, 6f, Kid Brock, 4-1

TEMPLE CITY (Dynaformer), Spendthrift Farm, \$5K, 161/22/5

6-CBY, Msw, 6f, +Bear Down, \$5K MNS AUG yrl, 12-1

4th-CTX, \$27,000, 5-27, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52 1/5, ft.

CUPPA MOCHA MOJO (f, 4, Mikimoto's Mojo--Front of Class, by Robyn Dancer) Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$46,620. O/B-Terri T Catlett (WV). T-David Walters.

6th-CTX, \$27,000, 5-27, NW3LX, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19, ft.

WALK OF STARS (f, 4, Street Sense--Star Kell, by Star De Naskra) Lifetime Record: 12-3-0-1, \$65,634. O/B-R Larry Johnson (KY). T-Michael J Trombetta. * 1/2 to What Time It Is (Partner's Hero), MSP, \$221,070; Strike the Moon (Malibu Moon), MSW & MGSP, \$680,170.

8th-ALB, \$26,600, 5-27, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17 4/5, ft.

FRENCH LYON (g, 3, Stormin' Lyon--French Chime, by Chimes Band) Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-2, \$47,713. O/B-Pierre J & Leslie Amestoy (NM). T-Ross A Amestoy.

2nd-FLX, \$25,353, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39 3/5, ft.

FOX RULES (g, 6, Roman Ruler--Shesastonecoldfox {MSW, \$216,409}, by Foxhound) Lifetime Record: 31-11-2-2, \$369,165. O-Langpap Stables. B-Dennis & Deborah Petrisak (NY). T-M Anthony Ferraro. * \$58,000 RNA wlng '09 FTKNOV. ** 1/2 to Elusive Fox (E Dubai), SP, \$169,235; Fox Rox (Officer), SW, \$176,518.

6th-LAD, \$24,000, Opt. Clm. (\$12,500), NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70y (off turf), 1:44 3/5, my.

DEVIL'S BACKBONE (f, 4, Lone Star Special--Nasranian Devil, by Silver Ghost) Lifetime Record: 12-2-5-0, \$45,735. O/B-Tigertail Ranch (LA). T-Danny Pish.

4th-LAD, \$22,900, Opt. Clm. (\$17,500), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (off turf), :57 2/5, ft.

CATHERINE'S DREAM (f, 3, Forefathers--Twice a Deelite {SP, \$167,748}, by Afternoon Deelites) Lifetime Record: 11-5-0-2, \$97,135. O-Steve D & Patricia L Roe. B-William D Pickett (LA). T-Patrick Mouton. * \$13,000 yrl '13 ESLSEP.

7th-ALB, \$22,800, 5-27, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04 3/5, ft.

WARRENS PUPPY LOVE (f, 4, Mongol Warrior--Brneedfur, by Mecke) Lifetime Record: 11-4-3-2, \$79,064. O-Donna Eaton. B-Benjamin C Warren (CA). T-Camille Telford.

6th-LAD, \$22,580, 5-27, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :58 2/5, ft.

K T'S GOLDEN YEAR (g, 5, Ide--Barney's Oldfield, by Jitterbug Chief) Lifetime Record: 36-7-3-5, \$92,845. O-Looch Racing Stables Inc. B-Barney L Core & Regina Bourgeois Core (LA). T-Karl Broberg.

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3rd-WOX, \$65,037, 5-27, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34 1/5, fm.

BEAR'S PRIDE (f, 4, Kentucky Bear--Molly's Pride {SW, \$118,198}, by Maria's Mon) Lifetime Record: 13-4-1-3, \$145,248. O/B-Bear Stables LTD (ON). T-Reade Baker.

3rd-CDX, \$54,880, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW3\$X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43 1/5, ft.

ULANBATOR (c, 4, Offlee Wild--Ashapoo, by Petionville) Lifetime Record: MGSP, 16-4-2-3, \$224,220. O/B-Mary Ann Charlston (KY); T-Ian R Wilkes.

5th-PID, \$39,010, 5-27, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03 1/5, ft.

CATALACTIC (g, 7, Freefourinternet--Cat Dancin, by Secret Claim) Lifetime Record: 28-10-2-2, \$346,200. O-Midwest Thoroughbreds Inc. B-Denise Lingenfelter (PA). T-Jamie Ness.

8th-EVD, \$30,000, 5-27, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :58, ft.

TAI PAN'S QUARTET (g, 4, Closing Argument--Mighty Fine Music, by Pleasant Tap) Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-1, \$107,660. O-Wayne T Davis. B-Highclere & Heiligbrodt Racing Stable (LA). T-Shane Wilson. * \$3,200 wlng '11 OBSOCT; \$13,000 yrl '12 OBSAUG; \$35,000 RNA 2yo '13 BESMAR.

7th-CTX, \$29,000, 5-27, C, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:25 1/5, ft.

HELP A BROTHER (g, 6, Windsor Castle--Kom Kim Lass, by Seacliff) Lifetime Record: 24-7-7-4, \$174,760. O/T-Lewis E Craig Jr. B-Lewis Craig (WV).

6th-WOX, \$27,800, 5-27, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), C, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (AWT), 1:23 3/5, ft.

DUPPY CONQUEROR (m, 5, Sligo Bay {Ire}--Catch a Fire, by Indian Groom) Lifetime Record: 13-3-4-3, \$115,848. O/T-Debra E Rombis. B-Kingview Farms (ON). C\$6,000 RNA yrl '11 ONTSEP.

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5th-CTX, \$19,000, 5-27, Opt. Clm. (\$10,000), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:25 2/5, ft.

TOWN OF TOWNS (g, 7, [Speightstown](#)--Keepondealing {MSW, \$299,515}, by [Friendly Lover](#)) Lifetime Record: 51-13-9-5, \$256,063. O-Horseplay Racing. B-Stonecliff Farm (KY). T-Joan A Reynolds. *\$15,000 RNA yrl '09 KEEJAN; \$19,000 RNA yrl '09 OBSAUG; \$50,000 2yo '10 OBSMAR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Il Est Beau**, c, 2, [Tizdejavu](#)--Wild Debutante, by Forest Wildcat. EVD, 5-27, (S), 4 1/2f, :52 3/5. B-Cloyce Clark & Jay Goodwin (LA). *\$19,000 yrl '14 ESLSEP.

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Private Songster, f, 3, [Private Vow](#)--Seattle Songster, by Katowice. LAD, 5-28, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5. B-John P Balensiefen (LA).

Rock Me Again, f, 3, [Rock Hard Ten](#)--Tina's Goal, by El Corredor. BEL, 5-28, (C), a1 1/16mT, 1:43 1/5. B-Russell B Jones Jr (PA). *\$42,000 yrl '13 FTKOCT; \$40,000 RNA 2yo '14 FTMMAY. **1/2 to Gracer (Exchange Rate), MSW & GSP, \$243,000.

Worbothor, g, 3, [Silent Name \(Jpn\)](#)--Perfect Design, by Marquetry. FLX, 5-28, 1m, 1:41 3/5. B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC (NY). *\$19,000 RNA yrl '13 KEEJAN; \$57,000 yrl '13 FTNAUG.

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+ **Ida's Wonder**, f, 3, [Tiz Wonderful](#)--Ida Maria (SW, \$277,555), by Gold Case. EVD, 5-27, (S), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-R Carson Llewellyn (LA). *\$29,000 yrl '13 ESLSEP; \$38,000 2yo '14 OBSJUN.

Virtadero, g, 3, [Vibank](#)--Psychedelia, by Wild Zone. WOX, 5-27, (S), 6f (AWT), 1:10 3/5. B-Victoria Pappas (ON). *Raced without Lasix. **Full to Virreina, SP.

Blue Grass Mary, f, 4, [Bluegrass Cat](#)--Fast and Early, by Carson City. EVD, 5-27, 1m (off turf), 1:40 4/5. B-Neal & Mary McFadden (LA). *\$36,500 yrl '12 ESLSEP. **1/2 to Speed Hunter (Alydeed), SP, \$392,334; Sharp Impact (Siphon {Brz}), GSW, \$206,568.

Rachel's Temper, f, 4, [Flatter](#)--Fergie's Folly, by Down the Aisle. BEL, 5-28, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:18 4/5. B-Charles H Deters (KY). *\$14,000 RNA yrl '12 OBSAUG.

No Muzzle, g, 4, [Harris Tweed](#)--Erika Is a Hotty, by Aloha Prospector. WOX, 5-27, (S), 6f (AWT), 1:11. B-Bruno Schickedanz (ON).

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Claim the Roses, c, 4, [Speightstown](#)--Reboot, by Rubiano. HAY, 5-28, 6fT, 1:14.87. B-Woodford Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). *\$75,000 yrl '12 KEESEP; 120,000gns yrl '12 TATDEC. **1/2 to Rebuttal (Mr. Greeley), G1SP-Eng, \$145,104; Summer Cruise (Vicar), MSW, \$103,483.

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Thursday's Results:

CANTOR FITZGERALD DEBT CAPITAL MARKETS NATIONAL S.-Listed, £26,000, SNP, 5-28, 2yo, 5f 6yT, 1:01.30, gd/fm.

1--**#KING OF ROOKS (GB)**, 126, c, 2, by [Acclamation \(GB\)](#)

1st Dam: [Slap Shot \(Ire\)](#) (Hwt. 2yo Filly-Ity, Hwt. 3yo-Ity at 5-7f, Hwt. Older Mare-Eng at 5-7f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 5-7f, GSW-Ity, G1SP-Fr & GSP-Eng, \$302,023), by [Lycius](#)

2nd Dam: [Katanning \(GB\)](#), by [Green Desert](#)

3rd Dam: [Katakana](#), by [Diesis \(GB\)](#)

(67,000gns yrl '14 TATOCT). O-Potensis Bloodstock, J Palmer-Brown & Partner; B-Azienda Agricola Valle Falcone SRL (GB); T-Richard Hannon; J-Richard Hughes. £14,745. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, £22,368. *1/2 to [Sandslash \(Ire\)](#) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), GSW-Ity.

2--**Buratino (Ire)**, 126, c, 2, [Exceed and Excel \(Aus\)](#)--[Bergamask](#), by [Kingmambo](#). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum. £5,590.

3--**Steady Pace (GB)**, 126, c, 2, [Dark Angel \(Ire\)](#)--[Cool Kitten \(Ire\)](#), by [One Cool Cat](#). (80,000gns wnlg '13 TATDEC). O-Godolphin. £2,798.

Margins: 5, 1, 1HF. Odds: 2.75, 10.00, 1.75.

Also Ran: [Handytalk \(Ire\)](#), [Silver Wings \(Ire\)](#), [Areen \(Ire\)](#), [Tawdheef \(Ire\)](#), [Case Key \(GB\)](#), [Strands of Silk \(Ire\)](#).

Third to [Steady Pace](#) going five furlongs at Ascot first up May 9, [King of Rooks](#) graduated by six lengths stretching out one panel at Newbury last time May 15, and punched his ticket to Ascot's Royal meet with another demolition job in this black-type bow. The bay was sharp from stall three and seized an immediate lead along the fence. Shaken up approaching the final eighth, he exhibited a smart turn of foot to quickly put distance on toiling rivals and was in splendid isolation when stumbling slightly nearing the line to continue the Hannon-stable dominance in this straight dash. "He had a good draw, which is very important here at Sandown, and I think he got the run of the race," said winning trainer Richard Hannon, Jr. "He traveled lovely, did it well and I'm very pleased. I was disappointed with his first run, but he's a very talented, speedy 2 year-old. He could go for the [June 16 G2] Coventry S. or the [June 18 G2] Norfolk S., but I don't know which yet. Right now he looks a Norfolk horse, but there's still three weeks to Royal Ascot so we'll see." [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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CANTOR FITZGERALD CORPORATE FINANCE HERON S.-Listed, £37,000, SNP, 5-28, 3yo, 8f 14yT, 1:40.89, gd/fm.

1--#CONSORT (IRE), 126, c, 3, by Lope de Vega (Ire)

1st Dam: Mundus Novus, by Unbridled's Song

2nd Dam: Wild Planet, by Nureyev

3rd Dam: Ivory Wings, by Sir Ivor

(85,000gns wIng '12 TATDEC; 150,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Highclere Thoroughbred Racing (Hardwicke); B-Old Long Hill Ballintekin Stud Ltd (Ire); T-Sir Michael Stoute; J-Ryan Moore. £20,983. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £26,158.

 Foal purchase by **MICK FLANAGAN** for **BARODA&COLBINSTOWN**

2--Secret Brief (Ire), 126, c, 3, Shamardal--Discreet Brief (Ire), by Darshaan (GB). (150,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Godolphin. £7,955.

3--White Lake (GB), 126, c, 3, Pivotal (GB)--White Palace (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB). (240,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum. £3,981.

Margins: 2HF, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.75, 14.00, 5.50. Also Ran: Room Key (GB), Johnny Barnes (Ire), Dancetrack, Ijmaaly (Ire), Emirates Skycargo (Ire). Scratched: Flaming Spear (Ire).

Forced to sit out the G3 Craven S. and therefore forego a tilt at the G1 2000 Guineas after disappointing in his preparatory work last month, Consort showed the benefit of Sir Michael Stoute's infamous patience when impressing on this return to action. Shaken up out of the gates by Ryan Moore to race in a pocket behind the leaders, the grey, who had impressed many when winning a seven-furlong maiden at Newmarket on debut in September, was lit up exiting the back straight but had to wait for the gap. When that came with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining after **'TDN Rising Star'** White Lake had swooped on Secret Brief, Consort picked up with a vengeance to inhale that pair in the last 150 yards en route to a convincing win. "He just took a long time to come to himself in the spring and it was only last week that he did an impressive piece of work," commented his trainer who was recording a 10th success in this race. "I like the way he quickened and he's done nothing wrong on the racecourse. Hopefully, he'll have a Royal Ascot engagement but I'd like a word with Ryan and let's see what the race does for him. I thought coming here tonight that he might be a mile and a quarter horse, as he's not an impressive home worker, but he's pretty effective over a mile. It could either be the [June 16] G1 St James's Palace S. or the [June 18] G3 Tercentenary S." **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

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4th-HAY, £5,000, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT, 1:15.47, gd. ELTEZAM (IRE) (c, 2, Kodiak {GB}--Tymora, by Giant's Causeway), who hit the board behind recent Godolphin acquisition Birchwood (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) at Newbury in his first go May 16, stalked the leaders in a handy fourth here. Pushed along approaching the two pole, the 4-11 chalk was ridden to challenge entering the final eighth and driven out to assert by an ultimately snug 1 1/4 lengths from Elronaq (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Sales history: 60,000gns wIng '13 TATDEC; 280,000gns yrl '14 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £8,045. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Al Shaqab Racing. B-Ringfort Stud (Ire). T-Richard Hannon.

2nd-HAY, £5,000, Mdn, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:16.39, gd. + ASHADIHAN (GB) (f, 2, Kyllachy {GB}--Miss Delila, by Malibu Moon) was a shade awkward at the break and raced towards the rear through the early fractions. Nudged into contention once into the final quarter mile, the 5-2 second choice quickened to the fore passing the eighth pole and stretched clear thereafter to score by an impressive three lengths from Martini Time (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}). Sales history: 30,000gns RNA yrl '14 TATOCT; 48,000gns 2yo '15 TATGNS. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,235. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-T A Rahman. B-Highbank Stud (GB). T-Kevin Ryan.

3rd-HAY, £5,000, Mdn, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:17.22, gd. RING OF TRUTH (GB) (f, 2, Royal Applause {GB}--Spinning Top {GB} {SP-Eng}, by Alzao), a short-head second going five panels at Newbury on debut last time Apr. 17, raced under a firm grip in fourth after the initial strides of this one. Angled into a clear lane approaching the final furlong, the 8-13 favorite kept on strongly under whipless coaxing to prevail by a cozy head from Furoon (Ire) (Kodiak {GB}). The winner is a full to Musical Comedy (GB), SW-Eng & SP-Ire. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £5,160. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-The Queen (GB). T-Richard Hannon.

1st-HAY, £5,000, Mdn, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:41.65, gd. + TASHAAR (IRE) (c, 3, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Three Moons {Ire} {SP-Eng}, by Montjeu {Ire}), a 380,000gns TATOCT yearling, was ensconced in midfield from the outset of this debut. Making headway in the straight to challenge approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 4-1 third choice took a slight lead entering the final eighth and drew off inside the last half-furlong to comfortably best Count Montecristo (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) by 4 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,235. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Al Shaqab Racing. B-Paget Bloodstock & Eadling Farm (Ire). T-Richard Hannon.

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6th-LNG, £4,800, Mdn, 2yo, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:13.59, ft. + DREAM ISLAND (IRE) (f, 2, [Kheleyf--Takawiri {Ire}](#), by Danehill) was under restraint in a share of third after an alert getaway in this debut. Pushed along on the home turn, the 3-1 second favorite burst between the leading pair to seize control inside the final eighth and ran on well from there to comfortably account for Highway Dream (GB) (Dick Turpin {Ire}) by two lengths. Sales history: £12,000 yrl '14 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,105. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Saeed Manana. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (Ire). T-James Tate.

3rd-LNG, £4,800, Mdn, 3yo/up, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:40.38, ft.

MUNTADAB (IRE) (c, 3, [Invincible Spirit {Ire}](#)--Chibola {Arg} {GSW & G1SP-Arg}, by Roy), who was on the shelf since running sixth at Kempton Aug. 14, raced in eighth after the early exchanges of this belated return. Rowed along to close with three furlongs remaining, the crowd's 5-4 choice was trapped wide turning into the short straight, but showed a smart turn of foot for two flicks of the persuader in the closing stages to defeat Nosey Barker (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) by three lengths. Sales history: 65,000gns RNA wlng '12 TATDEC; 72,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,105. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum. B-Mrs James Wigan (Ire). T-Sir Michael Stoute.

No Rest for 'Sleepy':

Hughie Morrison is keen to step up one of his stable stars **Not So Sleepy (GB)** (Beat Hollow {GB}) in grade following his gritty win the Listed Dee S. at Chester earlier this month. A tilt at the G3 Tercentenary S. at Royal Ascot June 18 is on the cards for the 3-year-old



Hughie Morrison
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gelding who carries the silks of Lady Blyth, whose husband Lord Blyth bred the horse.

"Not So Sleepy will go for the Tercentenary S. at Royal Ascot now, as it is one of the only races available to him where you didn't have to enter months in advance," said Morrison. "We are very pleased with him, and it was good to see the horse who finished third behind him, Prince Gagarin (Ire) (Dubawi

{Ire}), run well enough to finish third in a group race in Ireland the other day. It shows the result was no fluke."

Hughie Morrison hopes to bring several challengers to Royal Ascot and among them will be **Chil The Kite (GB)** (Notnowcato {GB}) who goes for the Royal Hunt Cup, a race he finished second in last year. Though the battle hardened campaigner will have his supporters Morrison feels he will face a tough task commenting, "I suspect there will be one or two in the race that will get in lightly compared to us."

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Thursday's Results:

1st-MLF, €25,000, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.70, gd. + SUITS YOU (FR) (c, 2, Youmzain {Ire}--Lady Fashion {GB}, by Oasis Dream {GB}), a €12,000 OSASEP yearling, settled in behind the front rank after an alert exit in this first go. Pushed along with a quarter mile to go, the 77-5 chance challenged at the eighth pole and was ridden out in the closing stages to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from Wootton's Walk (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €12,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Melissa O'Neill & Adam Solomon. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (Fr). T-Eoghan O'Neill.

OBSERVATIONS

on today's European racing scene

1.50 Saint-Cloud, Cond, €34,000, 3yo, 12fT

DARIYAN (FR) ([Shamardal](#)) is kept in conditions races by Alain de Royer-Dupre for now following his authoritative breakthrough win in a 10-furlong contest here earlier this month. His Highness The Aga Khan's son of the G1 Hong Kong Vase heroine Daryakana (Fr) (Selkirk), who descends from the 1999 G1 Prix de Diane and G1 Prix Vermeille heroine Daryaba (Ire) (Night Shift), faces four rivals here.

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Thursday's Results:

2nd-FRH, €16,000, Cond, 3yo, 6fT, 1:13.80, gd. MORSELLE (GB) (f, 3, Showcasing {GB}--Mirthful, by Miswaki), off the mark over seven furlongs at Dundalk nine days previously, was placed close to the early pace in second. Finally getting past the long-time leader Zunera (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) in the last yards, the 5-2 second choice stuck to her guns and had a neck to spare at the line. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €19,305. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Khalid Abdullah. B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB). T-Dermot Weld.

1st-FRH, €15,000, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT, 1:16.50, gd. + MISS ELIZABETH (IRE) (f, 2, Intense Focus--Passaggio {GB}, by Pivotal {GB}), sent off at 16-1, was slowly away before slipping into the back of the pack against the rail. Game when pointed through a slender gap inside the last quarter mile, the bay gained a slight edge over Mint Chai (Ire) (Roderic O'Connor {Ire}) with 100 yards remaining and battled to a neck success. "Eddie [Lynam] said he liked her, but that she was going to be a bit raw and every time I gave her a squeeze she picked up," jockey Wayne Lordan commented. "It's only that she's not a bad filly that I was able to get through there quick enough and she will improve a good bit off that." Sales history: €6,000 RNA wlng '13 GOFNOV; €7,500 yrl '14 TATIRE. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €10,350. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Aileen Lynam. B-Golden Garden Stud (Ire). T-Edward Lynam.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-MLF, €29,000, 5-28, 3yo, 8fT, 1:36.70, gd.
VIN CHAUD (FR) (c, 3, [Teofilo {Ire}](#)--Mulled Wine {Fr},
by Night Shift) Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 2 wins,
 2 places, €28,500. O-Khalifa Dasmal. B-Mathieu
 Daguzan-Garros, Rolling Hills Farm & F A McNulty (Fr).
 T-Francois Rohaut. *€85,000 yrl '13 ARQAUG.

8th-MLF, €25,000, 5-28, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:42.31, gd.
DON BOSCO (FR) (h, 8, [Barathea {Ire}](#)--Perfidie {Ire},
by Monsun {Ger}) Lifetime Record: MGSW-Fr, 41
 starts, 12 wins, 20 places, €492,875. O-Omar El Sharif
 & Alain Michel Haddad. B-Haras d'Etreham & Vision
 Bloodstock Ltd (Fr). T-David Smaga. *€55,000 yrl '08
 ARQAUG. **1/2 to Vodkato (Fr) (Russian Blue {Ire}),
 MSW-Fr, \$273,997; and Orcus (Fr) (Russian Blue {Ire}),
 MSP-Fr, \$131,802.

5th-LYN, €22,000, 5-28, 2yo, 5fT, :58.20, gd.
ELEGANT SUPERMODEL (GER) (f, 2, [Lope de Vega](#)
{Ire}--Elegant As Well {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells) Lifetime
 Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €19,000. O-Mme Theresa
 Marnane. B-Gestut Ammerland (Ger). T-Jean-Pierre
 Perruchot. *€13,000 yrl '14 BBASEP.

7th-LYN, €22,000, 5-28, 3yo, 12fT, 2:38.03, gd.
WOLFCATCHER (IRE) (c, 3, [King's Best](#)--Miss Particular
{Ire}, by Sadler's Wells) Lifetime Record: 4 starts,
 2 wins, 2 places, €22,450. O-Godolphin SNC. B-Darley
 (Ire). T-Andre Fabre.

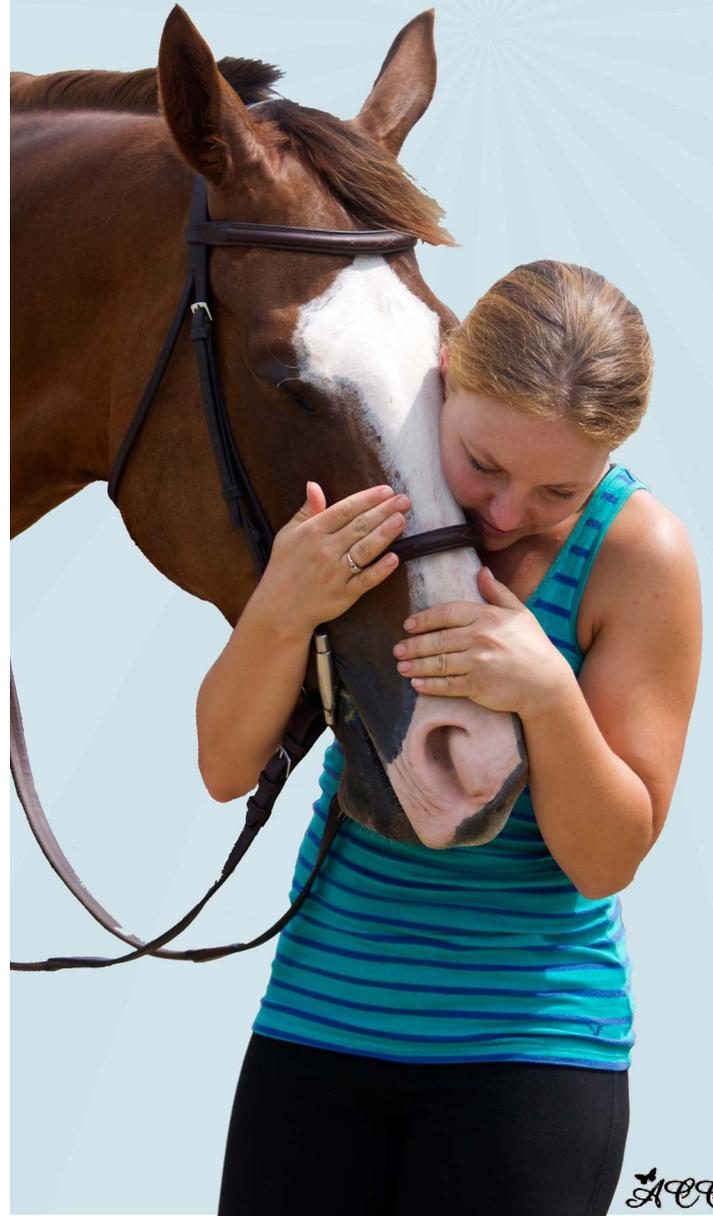
ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- + **King Malpic (Fr), c, 2, [King's Best](#)--Sablonniere (Fr),**
 by Verglas (Ire). LYN, 5-28, 6fT, 1:13.77. B-Ecurie
 Skymarc Farm (Fr). *€6,000 wlng '13 ARQDEC.
- + **Enchanteresse (Ire), f, 3, [Clodovil \(Ire\)](#)--**
 Redrightreturning (GB), by Diktat (GB). FRH, 5-28,
 7fT, 1:29 2/5. B-Mrs E Byrne (IRE). *€2,200 RNA yrl
 '13 TATNOV.
- Rivers of Babylon (Ire), f, 3, [Holy Roman Emperor \(Ire\)](#)--**
 Sweet Times (GB), by Riverman. GOW, 5-27, 9f
 100yT, 2:03. B-Mrs Eleanor Commins (Ire).
 *€38,000 yrl '13 GOFORB. **1/2 to Stonemason
 (Nureyev), GSW-Ire.
- Intrude (GB), g, 3, [Intikhab](#)--Don't Tell Mum (Ire), by**
 Dansili (GB). LNG, 5-28, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:38.88.
 B-Wallace Holmes & Partners (GB). *160,000gns yrl
 '13 TATOCT. **Full to Tell Dad (GB), GSW-Eng,
 \$390,325; and Khawatim (GB), GSP-Fr.
- Sarbacane (GB), f, 3, [Invincible Spirit \(Ire\)](#)--Sarabande,**
 by Woodman. LCR, 5-27, 5 1/2fT, 1:06.90. B-Dayton
 Investments Ltd (GB). *1/2 to Sudan (Ire) (Peintre
 Celebre), G1SW-Ity, GSW-US & G1SP-Fr, \$447,221.

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