

## TEN (U.S.) BREAKOUTS IN 2015

by Bill Finley

For all practical purposes, the 2015 U.S. racing season is over, so it is not premature to construct a list of those who had breakthrough years. Be they horses, sires, jockey, trainers,



American Pharoah | Coady Photography

stallions or owners, they made our list because they exceeded our expectations and/or emerged from the pack to make a name for themselves. A Todd Pletcher doesn't make the cut because he's been an outstanding trainer

for years and nothing he did in 2015 came as a surprise.

There are plenty of candidates who could be added to such a list, but here are the 10 I felt were most deserving of such recognition. With apologies to European correspondent James Willoughby for stealing his idea from the [Nov. 11 TDN](#), here goes:

**1. American Pharoah (Racehorse):** At first glance he might seem like an odd choice for such a list considering he didn't exactly sneak up on anyone. By Pioneer of the Nile, he was the 2-year-old champion in 2014 and, over the winter, was considered the top threat for the following year's Classics. But no one predicted what was about to come, a 3-year-old campaign unlike anything seen since the 1970s. Not only did he become the first horse to win the Triple Crown since 1978 but he capped that off with a stirring victory in the Breeders' Cup Classic. He broke through because he went from being a very good 2-year-old with potential to a horse for the ages.

**2. Florent Geroux (Jockey):** The young French-born jockey first rode in the U.S. in 2007 and, all along, showed signs that he had the talent to emerge as a top rider. But it wasn't until this year that he truly showed he belonged in the upper echelon of U.S. jockeys. He won seven graded stakes races in 2014 and just one Grade I, the Breeders' Cup Sprint with Work All Week. With a month-and-a-half yet to go in 2015, he's already won 12 graded stakes, including five Grade I's. **Cont. p3**

## BRIGHT FUTURE FOR SUNNY RIDGE

by Ben Massam

As the advisor to the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Dennis Drazin is very much an integral player in the Thoroughbred industry in the Garden State. Dividing his time between his personal-injury law firm and ongoing efforts to restore stability to racing in the state while also maintaining a racing and breeding operation of his own, Drazin has pre-entered his homebred 2-year-old **Sunny Ridge** (Holy Bull) in the \$1-million GIII Delta Jackpot S. Nov. 21. The Jason Servis trainee recently took command at the head of the stretch and held on valiantly to finish second behind Greenpointcrusader (Bernardini) in the GI Champagne S. Oct. 3. **Cont. p6**

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**GII Bessarabian S. at Woodbine.**

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## 'CHROME' ON THE COMEBACK TRAIL

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## KEENOV NEARING THE WIRE

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*Hip 3957, the 3-year-old filly Orabella (More Than Ready) offered in foal to the young Hill 'n' Dale stallion Violence (Medaglia d'Oro), attracted a final bid of \$62,000 from representatives of Hidden Brook Farm as agent to top Thursday's second-last session of the Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale in Lexington.*

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### **Curlin gets his third TDN Rising Star in 2015.**

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### Ten U.S. Breakouts cont.

That list includes the Arlington Million, the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint and the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf. He is 11<sup>th</sup> in the nation in earnings, best among any rider who is not a regular in California or New York.

**3. Uncle Mo (Sire):** Though he was a very fast racehorse, that didn't guarantee that he would be a successful sire. But it looks like Uncle Mo the sire is going to out-perform Uncle Mo the racehorse as his first crop of runners hit the track in 2015 and has been nothing short of sensational. He's running away in the battle for leading freshman sire with, as of Nov. 11, \$3,165,100



Uncle Mo | Coolmore

in combined earnings. Zoffany is second at \$1,203,067. From his first crop he will have already produced an Eclipse Award winner in Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Nyquist, who will be named

champion 2-year-old male. Uncle Mo's stud fee has been raised from \$25,000 to \$75,000.

**4. Joe Sharp (Trainer):** Sharp used to be best known as Rosie Napravnik's husband, but it's becoming a case now where Rosie Napravnik's claim to fame might become that she is Mrs. Joe Sharp. Sharp, who was an assistant to Mike Maker, went out on



Joe Sharp | Horsephotos

his own last summer and hit the ground running. He represents the next in line of the new breed of ambitious, savvy young trainers who don't just want to do well but want to create mega-stables that win all over the country. Sharp has thus far won 80 races this

year from 443 starters (18%) and has won seven stakes, a remarkable start for someone who has been training for less than two years. By way of comparison, Pletcher won just 33 races in his first full year as a trainer and Chad Brown won with only 31 starters. **Cont. p4**



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American Ballet. She's blessed with infectious enthusiasm and a drive to succeed, two attributes that are serving her well in her newest endeavor, horse racing. She likes female horses, female partners and female trainers



**Sheila Rosenblum & La Verdad** | NYRA

(Linda Rice is her trainer) and it's a combination that is serving her well. After going a combined 0 for 8 in their first three years in business, Lady Sheila broke through this year with 15 wins from 39 starters and earnings of \$1.5 million. Much of that came from their stable star, the fleet mare La Verdad (Yes It's True). She was 6 for 7 this year, with her only loss coming in the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint, where she was second.

**6. Scat Daddy (Sire):** Not that he was ever a poor sire, but Scat Daddy has had a huge year in 2015 to emerge as one of the sport's best stallions. Led by Nickname, the winner of the Grade I Frizette at Belmont and European star Acapulco, Scat Daddy has had a remarkable six graded stakes winners among this year's 2-year-olds have earned \$2,872,917, second to only fellow Coolmore stallion Uncle Mo. He also made a mark with his 3-year-olds as El Kabeir won two graded stakes on the trail to the Kentucky Derby. His success allowed Coolmore to raise his stud fee from \$35,000 to \$100,000 for 2016.



**Scat Daddy** | Coolmore

**7. Sol Kumin (Owner):** In just his second year in the business, Kumin was the part-owner of nine Breeders' Cup starters, including Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint winner Wavell Avenue (Harlington). Kumin often partners with Jay Hanley, and they run under the name of Sheep Pond Partners. **Cont. p5**

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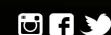
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They made waves both last year and early this year with Lady Eli (Divine Park), who is 6 for 6 lifetime and won three stakes in 2015, including the Grade I Belmont Oaks. Lady Eli's 3-year-old campaign ended due to a bout with laminitis, but she is scheduled to race next year. Lady Eli accounted for two of five Grade I/Group I wins for Kumin over a 12-month period.

**8. Irad Ortiz Jr. (Jockey):** While a top rider in New York for some time, he had always taken a back seat to Javier Castellano and

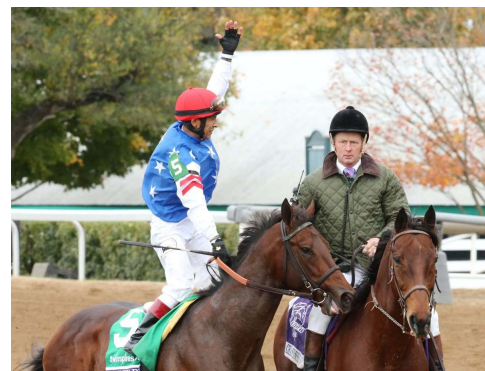


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John Velazquez. No more. Ortiz now belongs on anyone's list of the top two or three riders in the country. He is second in over all earnings behind Castellano, while nearly \$2 million ahead of Velazquez. He's won six Grade I's this year as opposed to three in 2014. After losing to Castellano by one winner at the Belmont spring meet, Ortiz won the jockey titles at both Saratoga and Belmont fall. Castellano is 38 and

Velazquez is 43. Ortiz is all of 23 years old and has the backing of Chad Brown, all of which adds up to him eventually becoming the undisputed top rider in the country in the near future.

**9. Runhappy (Horse):** He began 2015 as a horse who had merely broken his maiden at Turfway Park for the low-profile trainer Laura Wohlers and the even lower profile jockey Adrian Garcia. Not exactly the type of horse who you might think would develop into one of the most sensational sprinters seen in many years. But that's exactly what happened with the son of Super



**Edgar Prado celebrates aboard Runhappy after the BC Sprint** | Coady

Saver. Unfortunately, his accomplishments have been overshadowed by the ugly split between owner Jim McIngvale and trainer Maria Borell, who has sued her old boss, but let's not forget what he did on the racetrack. He won five straight for Borell, including the Grade I King's Bishop S. and the Grade I Breeders' Cup Sprint. And some of wins were simply sensational. With his speed and talent he will no doubt be a much sought-after stallion once done racing. **Cont. p6**



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**10. Mark Casse (trainer):** Casse was one of those guys who has been around forever and everyone knew he was a good trainer, but somehow managed to never land the type of victories that would push him into the elite level when it comes to his



Mark Casse | Fasig-Tipton

profession. Part of that was because his main base has been outside of the U.S. spotlight at Woodbine in Canada, where he is a seven-time Sovereign Award winner as that country's top trainer. But in recent years Casse started to expand his operation outside of Canada and it has paid off. He won the Grade I Stephen

Foster H. with Noble Bird (Birdstone) at Churchill Downs this summer and then picked up four more graded U.S. stakes wins entering the Breeders' Cup. But Casse still had that Breeders' Cup monkey on his back to worry about as he was 0 for 23 going into this year's running. He didn't just win a race, he won two as Catch a Glimpse (City Zip) won the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf and Tepin (Bernstein) won the Mile to emerge as a leading Eclipse Award candidate. With \$12.8 million in earnings to date for 2015, Casse is enjoying his best ever year.

#### Bright Future for Sunny Ridge cont.

According to Drazin, the Jackpot was the best fit among a number of options for the Jersey-bred's next start.

"He's doing terrific," said Drazin. "We spotted three different races for him following the Champagne, and [the Jackpot] is one of the three. The first one was the GII Nashua [Nov. 4], which we entered and passed on because we didn't want to come back too quickly. We had this one and the GII Remsen S. [Nov. 29] picked out for his next start, and then we'll probably freshen him up for the Classics."



Sunny Ridge | Equi-Photo

From a quick assessment of Sunny Ridge's past performances, it may seem like a remarkable achievement for a horse who debuted for a \$40,000 claiming tag to be Grade I stakes-placed three starts later. Although the gray drastically outran his 23-1 odds in the Champagne, Drazin said the juvenile's ability has been apparent from the start. **Cont. p7**

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"He's always been a talented horse," he recalled. "In his first race, we just couldn't get a race to go for him. We were looking for a maiden special weight race, and that didn't go. Then we were going to enter him in a state-bred race, and that didn't go, and he was ready to run. The only race that was out there during that time period was the claiming race at Monmouth, and it was an open race, so we not only got the purse but also the enhancement that comes to a Jersey-bred running in open company. We entered him there and he ran a gutsy race. Off that race, we went to the [Gill Sanford S.] at Saratoga [July 25] and the jockey told us that he had a really bad trip, and he thought he had the ability to win the race, but racing luck doesn't always favor you."

Subsequently returned to the Jersey Shore, Sunny Ridge captured the one-mile Sapling S. in his first try around two turns Sept. 6, setting him up for his effort in the Champagne. With plans set for the gray to ship to Louisiana next Thursday, Drazin said he and Servis are confident that they have a promising runner for next year's major 3-year-old events.



Dennis Drazin | Equi-Photo

Sunny Ridge is a homebred from the final crop of Holy Bull, who broke his maiden first out at Monmouth Park in 1993 and captured the track's premier event, the GI Haskell Invitational, one year later. Given his long-standing ties to the industry, Drazin said it is particularly gratifying to compete a New Jersey-bred in events such as the Champagne and the Jackpot.

"The history of this horse goes way back," Drazin explained. "With John Kimmel, I campaigned a mare called Bodacious Tatas years ago. And then we bred Bodacious Tatas to Seattle Slew and got a mare named Slewadacious. We bred that one to Songandaprayer and got [Sunny Ridge's dam] Lignum Vitae--she didn't pan out on the racetrack, but given that she was part of our foundation family, I took the mare and bred her to Holy Bull. I had a very close relationship to [owner and trainer] Jimmy Croll. I was his lawyer and I remained loyal to Holy Bull, and this is his last crop. It just all kind of works out sometimes, but the racing gods have to be kind to you. We have a very nice horse."

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**Sunny Ridge cont.**

True to his New Jersey roots, Drazin noted that although it may be tempting to push forward on the GI Kentucky Derby trail, his ultimate goal is to run his stable star in next year's Haskell Invitational at his home track.

"Other people may dream of the Derby, but my dream is the Haskell," Drazin asserted. "I would probably tend to be very cautious about putting him on a hard Derby trail. We'll probably look at the Classics and choose one or two of those races to campaign him, but the ultimate goal is the Haskell. Jason has done a terrific job with him, and I have a lot of confidence in him."

Sunny Ridge's success comes during a period of optimism in what has been an uncertain past few years for the industry in his home state. Monmouth Park successfully recruited Triple Crown hero American Pharoah (Pioneer of the Nile) for this year's Haskell, an event that produced a record attendance of 60,983, and Drazin said he is hopeful that the positive momentum will continue.

As the only state in the Mid-Atlantic region without an alternate source of revenue from expanded gaming, the two chief priorities of Drazin and his colleagues are the legalization of sports betting and the expansion of casinos to racetracks and

other locations outside of Atlantic City. Racing supporters recently received a significant boost when the Third Circuit Court of Appeals granted an en banc rehearing in the New Jersey sports betting case, while Drazin believes that the possibility of casino expansion will appear before voters next year.

"[Expanded gaming] will mean a lot to Monmouth," Drazin concluded. "If we have bigger purses, we can offer more days and help the [New Jersey] breeding program. The goal is not to necessarily make money, but to put all the money back into racing. Any money that we receive, we want to do capital improvements, but mostly increase days and pay a better purse structure which will give us a better competitive edge in the region. That's the goal, and we spend practically every day working on it."



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## PLANS FOR 'CHROME' ANNOUNCED

Trainer Art Sherman said that 2014 Horse of the Year **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit), last seen placing second in the



**California Chrome** | Sherack photo

G1 Dubai World Cup Mar. 28, is making faster progress than might have been expected on the comeback trail from a bone bruise injury suffered in mid-summer. He will have his second work at Los Alamitos Saturday.

"He's coming back quick; if there are no problems he'll be ready by January," Sherman said. "I'll be up there for the work. He'll probably go another quarter-mile and gallop out three-eighths like he did before, but gallop out a little stronger this time."

The initial goal for the 2014 GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S. winner is a return to the \$10-million Dubai World Cup Mar. 26. "When he gets back from Dubai, the Pacific Classic is the next one we'll be pointing for," Sherman said.

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## KEENOV NEARS THE FINISH LINE

Hip [3957](#), the 3-year-old filly Orabella (More Than Ready) ([ThoroStride Video](#))

offered in foal to the young Hill 'n' Dale stallion Violence (Medaglia d'Oro), attracted a final bid of \$62,000 from representatives of Hidden Brook Farm as agent to top Thursday's second-last session of the Keeneland



**The Keeneland sales grounds**  
Keeneland photo

November Breeding Stock Sale in Lexington.

Consigned by Three Chimneys Farm as agent for the Regis Farms dispersal, the chestnut was produced by the stakes-placed Hot Trip (Trippi), a full-sister to GI Spinaway S. winner R Heat Lightning and was originally acquired by Nat Rea's operation for \$180,000 at this auction house's September Yearling Sale in 2013.

Oak Lodge Bloodstock landed the day's second highest-priced offering, going to \$60,000 for hip [3828](#), the 5-year-old mare Everything Matters (Lemon Drop Kid). **Cont. p10**



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**KEENOV cont.**

Offered in foal to GI Kentucky Derby hero Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) on a March cover date, the dark bay mare hails from the female family of the precocious GSW Chimichurri (Elusive Quality). Everything Matters was consigned to the November sale by Upson Downs Farm, agent.

The session's top weanling, hip [3903](#), was offered by Taylor Made Sales Agency as agent and was scooped up for \$35,000 by Back to Work Stable. By Astrology (A.P. Indy), the Mar. 10 foal was bred by Archie Barnes and Wood Simpson and descends from the family of MGISW High Yield (Storm Cat).

With Friday's final day of selling still to come, the cumulative average of \$91,680 remains 11.8% ahead of the 2014 figure, while the median price of \$34,000 has dipped slightly into negative territory versus 12 months ago.

The final session of the November sale kicks off at 10 a.m. For full results, visit [www.keeneland.com](http://www.keeneland.com).



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• % RNAs	25.8%
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• Average (% change)	\$10,026
• Median (% change)	\$6,000

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	2015 (Sess. 11/12)	2014 (Sess. 11/11)
• Catalogued	4121	4027
• No. Offered	3184	3213
• No. Sold	2375	2512
• RNAs	809	701
• % RNAs	25.4%	21.8%
• High Price	\$6,000,000	\$3,900,000
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## McNairs Land MTR Mare for Congaree

by Alan Carasso

Congaree (Arazi--Mari's Sheba, by Mari's Book), who has been relocated to Lane's End Texas for the 2016 breeding season, is already being supported by some familiar faces, namely Robert and Janice McNair, who raced the stallion to no fewer than five Grade I victories, including back-to-back renewals of the GI Cigar Mile H. and placings in the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S.

Thursday afternoon, during the 11th and penultimate session of the Keeneland November Sale in Lexington, the couple went to \$40,000 to acquire the 3-year-old filly **Zealous Madame** (More Than Ready) with the express intent of breeding her to Congaree early next season. Acting on behalf of the Houston-based McNairs--the former owner/operators of Stonerside Stable--agent Marette Farrell signed the ticket on the dark bay, consigned by Damian and Braxton Lynch's Royal Oak Farm. Hip [4090](#), originally a \$300,000 purchase at Fasig-Tipton Saratoga in 2013, is a daughter of the multiple stakes-placed Haka Girl (War Chant) and is not only a half-sister to \$200,000-plus earner Keening (Curlin), but also to Tutu Nguru (Blame). That 2-year-old filly has shown promise this year in England, with a pair of victories and close fourth-placings in the G3 Sirenia S. and in the G3 Oh So Sharp S.

"Mr. & Mrs. McNair think the world of Congaree and they want to support Congaree with a handful of mares," explained John Adger, longtime bloodstock adviser to the couple. "We

really like the mare, I think there could be quite a bit of upside, and the 2-year-old sister is doing well in England.

He continued, "She matches up well physically with Congaree and on pedigree, we thought it would be interesting to double up on Blushing Groom. We might try to pick up a few more yet at the sale."



Congaree winning the 2002 Cigar Mile | NYRA photo

Adger also indicated that the McNairs had acquired a few mares privately, including one by former Lane's End Texas stallion Valid Expectations. That recently deceased sire is the broodmare sire of Congaree's best runner, Don't Tell Sophia, who was sold for \$1.2 million on day one of the November sale.

The arrival of Congaree in the Lone Star state is a homecoming of sorts for the McNairs.

"They have always been very close to Congaree," Adger explained. "He was the best horse they had and meant quite a bit to them. We were getting just a few mares in NY and we thought we could do a better job down here in Texas. Lane's End has always been good to us, we used to raise 10 to 12 Texas-breds on their farm and it seemed like a good fit."

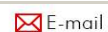
In addition to Don't Tell Sophia, Congaree is also the sire of Grade I winners Jeranimo and Killer Graces, Irish highweight Maoineach and other U.S. graded stakes scorers Mythical Power and Shrinking Violet. He will stand for \$5,000 at Lane's End Texas in 2016.



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### [Sports Illustrated Unveils Contenders for 2015 Sportsman of the Year](#)

Have we ever seen a sporting year like 2015? From American Pharoah's run to the Triple Crown to Ronda Rousey's MMA dominance to Jordan Spieth's taking aim at golf's Grand Slam, it's been a remarkable year in athletic achievement, one of the best ever. Below are the 12 leading contenders for 2015 Sportsman of the Year. **Richard Deitsch, Sports Illustrated**

### [Investing in Racehorses, Despite the Long Odds](#)

One morning this past summer, Ahmed Zayat was in a stall at Del Mar racetrack in California alongside the 2015 Triple Crown winner American Pharoah. "I was kind of cuddling with him, lying down on my back, giggling, and he starts licking me ... it was hilarious," he said. For Mr. Zayat, 53, "life is about moments, moments that go beyond," he said. "That was one of those." **Kerry Hannon, New York Times**

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## WITTSTRUCK WINS BERGSTEIN AWARD

The United States Trotting Association's Chris Wittstruck was presented with Team Valor's Stan Bergstein Award Thursday night at the Fasig-Tipton sales pavillion in Lexington, K.Y. His piece "[Watching the Cheaters Cheat](#)," which argued that catching drug cheaters in the act could be racing's most effective means of deterrence, was selected for the \$25,000 award by a panel of five judges.

"Catching a drug perpetrator in the act red handed is more significant than finding a bad substance in a sample," wrote Wittstruck, who is also an attorney and director of the Standardbred Owners Association of New York. "We don't convict test tubes; we convict people. A positive sample occasions a rule violation. Tying administration to the affirmative act of a specific person via eyewitness observation could lead to a criminal conviction. Soliciting tips, developing leads, conducting professional surveillance, obtaining warrants--hard, old fashioned legwork--is what's needed."

Team Valor's Barry Irwin said, "What I liked about the winning story was that the writer cited a problem, suggested a solution and wrote it in an entertaining and thought-provoking manner. I thought it was just brilliant."

There were a total of eight award finalists, including Ray

Paulick with a total of three stories, Frank Angst of the *Blood-Horse* with two stories and pieces from Doug McCoy and Frank Vespe of the Racing Biz and Natalie Voss of the Paulick Report.

Wittstruck was presented with a bronze trophy from equine sculptor Nina Kaiser as part of a program that featured speeches from harness track operator Jeff Gural and Ben Nichols, an official from the World Anti-Doping Agency.

"After getting our land legs for the first three years of this award and testing out venues, we felt confident enough this year to expand the entire program and invite different college groups, including equine studies students, journalism majors and racing clubs," Irwin said. "We also had a big representation from many of the major racing groups in U.S. racing. We wanted to make the event more of a platform to address the state of journalism in racing. For that, we brought in Mr. Nichols from the internationally respected sporting group WADA, and also Mr. Gural, who is a trend-setting racing entrepreneur who has taken matters into his own hands to change racing for the better. They presented important perspectives."

Wittstruck donated his prize money to the Harness Horse Youth Foundation, a 501(c)3 charity that provides educational clinics, materials and scholarships with the stated goal of "fostering the next generation of participants and fans." **Cont. p2**






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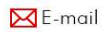


### Wittstruck Wins Bergstein Award cont.

The late Stan Bergstein, a figure in harness racing as well as a regular columnist for *Daily Racing Form*, was the recipient of the Harness Horse Youth Foundation's inaugural Service to Youth Award in 1979.

"I am especially happy to win an award named in honor of Stan Bergstein," said Wittstruck.

The nominees were judged by Steve Haskin of the *Blood-Horse*, Randy Moss of NBC Sports, racing publicist and turf writer Lynne Snierston, esteemed owner-breeder George Strawbridge and Jon White of Santa Anita.



## PENN SHUTDOWN THREAT PUSHED

### BACK...AGAIN by T.D. Thornton

For the third consecutive Friday, it appears as if Pennsylvania horse racing will have a deadline extended and a threatened shutdown of the industry pushed back.

The sport's stakeholders and state officials have been attempting to work out a plan to pay for the operating costs of the Pennsylvania Horse Racing Commission, whose \$20 million annual budget is \$6.2 million in the red.

The new wrinkle this week is that there has been a substantial thaw to the five-month, governor-vs.-legislature state budget standoff. That impasse is what has been preventing a transfer of money from other sources to make up a shortfall in the State Racing Fund, which is the primary funding mechanism for the PHRC.

On Oct. 22, Gov. Tom Wolf's administration threatened to issue a "cease within 30 days" notice to the racing industry, which cannot legally operate without oversight and drug testing provided by the PHRC.

That threat of a shutdown spurred immediate negotiations among Pennsylvania horsemen's group representatives, the state's six Thoroughbred and Standardbred tracks, and government officials. They were tasked with coming up with a plan that would shift the responsibility for funding the PHRC off of the state and onto the sport's stakeholders.

Over the past three weeks, parties involved in those negotiations have cited general progress in restructuring the State Racing Fund while remaining vague about how much of the costs horsemen and the tracks would be expected to bear.

But this week's higher-level breakthrough in the overall budget impasse has raised the possibility that the State Racing Fund woes could be solved without stakeholders being on the hook for the brunt of the costs.

When asked if that was a possibility, Salvatore DeBunda, president of the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, said "until I see the budget, I don't have any ability to respond to that."

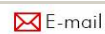
Nor would DeBunda comment on details of the State Racing Fund restructuring plan or how much of the costs his horsemen have agreed to pay going forward.

"Until it's finalized, I think that would not be fair to do," DeBunda said. "I do anticipate that we will not have a shutdown, that we will be able to work this out."

Further insight was not forthcoming from the PHRC or its overseer, the Department of Agriculture. Representatives from both departments failed to respond to requests for comment in time for deadline for this story.

DeBunda did acknowledge that the stakeholders have been making "a lot of progress," but that a Thursday teleconference was called off in deference to the ongoing higher-level budget talks.

"We were supposed to have a conference call [Thursday] at 1:30 p.m. to try and see if we could finalize this by the new [shutdown] deadline of [Friday]," DeBunda said. "Late [Thursday] morning we got an email that the call was cancelled because the people involved are working on finalizing the budget...I think [state budget negotiations] have now taken priority over dealing with [negotiations among stakeholders]. It's really not our fault that we're not able to get together and talk about it. At this point, there's no definitive answer."



## New York

### Thursday's Results:

**7th-AQU, \$71,000, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 11-12, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 3/8mT, 2:19.33, yl.**

**CHOCOLATIER (FR) (f, 4, Lawman {Fr}--Sweet Shop {GB}, by Grand Lodge),** who was privately purchased and transferred from French trainer Mikel Delzangles to New York-based conditioner Chad Brown at the end of last season, won her debut for that barn at Keeneland Apr. 24 and was fifth next out at Belmont behind GSW & GISP My Miss Sophia (Unbridled's Song). Completing the exacta in her next two starts at Saratoga Aug. 12 and Aug. 30, the dark bay was fourth last time in a turf test at Parx Sept. 29. Seizing the early advantage, the 9-5 second-choice was hard held by Kendrick Carmouche as she clocked early splits of :25.82 and :51.33 from the fence. Bowling along on the lead, Chocolatier proved not for catching in the lane as she sailed clear to a three-length success over Pine Needles (Giant's Causeway). Sales history: €26,000 Wlg '11 DEADEC; €125,000 Ylg '12 AR12; €120,000 3yo '14 ARARC. Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-0, \$178,990. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Michael Dubb, Sheep Pond Partners & Bethlehem Stables LLC; B-Haras de Bernesq (FR); T-Chad C. Brown.



**3rd-AQU, \$60,000, Msw, 11-12, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.79, my.**  
**HIGH RIDGE ROAD (f, 3, [Quality Road](#)--Detect, by Devil's Bag)**  
 finished fourth, but was placed third through DQ in her Apr. 4 debut at Keeneland and was subsequently shelved. Returning six months later, she completed the trifecta in a six-panel test at Belmont Oct. 21 and was made the close second-choice at 3-2 to get the job done here. The bay tracked from a two-wide third early and began to advance slightly turning for home under heavy encouragement from Irad Ortiz Jr. Steadily eating away at favored Regia Marina (Medaglia d'Oro)'s lead in the lane, High Ridge Road collared that rival late and kicked clear for a one-length victory. The winner is a half to Senor Rojo (Out of Place), GSW, \$474,288. Sales history: \$180,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP; \$350,000 2yo '14 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, \$49,300. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Martin S. Schwartz; B-Betz/Kidder/Blackburn/Lamantia/J. Betz/Graves/Davidson (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

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## TODAY'S INSIGHTS

**4th-AQU, \$60K, Msw, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:50 p.m. ET**

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Moss and trainer John Shireffs, the connections that brought us the likes of Horse of the Year Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) and 2005 GI Kentucky Derby winner Giacomo (Holy Bull), team up with the latter's half-brother **VENETO (Malibu Moon)**, who makes his career bow in this spot. Out of MSW Set Them Free (Stop the Music), the homebred is not only a half to 50-1 Derby upsetter and \$2 million earner Giacomo, but also to MGISW Tiago (Pleasant Tap) and GSW & MGISP Stanwyck (Empire Maker). [TJCS PPs.](#)

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## Florida

**Thursday's Results**

**7th-GPW, \$35,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 11-12, 2yo, 7 1/2fT, 1:31.00, fm.**

**AT THE READY (c, 2, [Ready's Image](#)--Malabar Star, by Malabar Gold)**, a debut winner sprinting on the turf in Hallandale, finished fifth last time in the Calumet Farm Juvenile at Kentucky Downs Sept. 5. Off a step slowly, the 5-2 chalk kept tabs on the leaders from fourth through solid early fractions. Determinedly chasing after the Copingaway (Brother Derek) in the lane, the bay collared that rival late for a one-length success. Sales history: \$29,000 RNA Wlg '13 OBSOCT; \$7,000 RNA 2yo '15 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$59,850. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Penny Lopez; B-Kathie Maybee (KY); T-Joseph Hennessy.

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## Kentucky

**Thursday's Results:**

**9th-CD, \$57,000, Alw, 11-12, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/4m (off turf), 2:04.88, ft.**

**BULLARDS ALLEY (g, 3, [Flower Alley](#)--Flower Forest {SW, \$107,891}, by Kris S.)** finished third in a main track test at Ellis Park Aug. 30 and completed the trifecta again in a turf test at Kentucky Downs Sept. 16. A close second last time on the lawn at Keeneland Oct. 21, the 7-2 shot broke alertly in this off-the-turf event and settled in a ground-saving third as the leader loped along through leisurely early fractions. Tipped out turning for home, the dark bay split rivals to launch a three-wide bid in the lane and powered past the leaders in the final strides to win by 3/4 of a length. Flash Trading (Broken Vow), who was entered for main track only, was second. The winner is a full sibling to Karibu Gardens, GSW, \$258,579. Sales history: \$11,000 2yo '14 FTKHRA. Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-3, \$100,395. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Wayne Spalding & Faron McCubbins; B-Eugene Melnyk (KY); T-Tim Glyshaw.



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**5th-CD, \$54,310, Msw, 11-12, 2yo, 1m (off turf), 1:36.70, ft.**

**MOON GATE WARRIOR (c, 2, [Bernardini](#)--J Z Warrior, by Harlan's Holiday)** was a non-factor 10th in his six-panel unveiling here Sept. 12 and tired to fourth next out sprinting at Keeneland Oct. 11. Entered for main track only here, he was sent off at 2-1 while removing the blinkers and getting Lasix for the first time. The bay kept close tabs from a three-wide fourth through early splits of :22.84 and :45.92 and drew alongside the leading duo turning for home. Engaged in a three-horse duel for control in the lane, Moon Gate Warrior got the better of his rivals in the final furlong and skipped clear to win by a neck over heavily favored Sir Dudley Digges (Gio Ponti). The winner's MSW dam J Z Warrior is a half-sister to GISW A Z Warrior (Bernardini), MGSW & GISP "TDN Rising Star" Jojo Warrior (Pioneer of the Nile) and GSW & GISP E Z Warrior (Exploit). Originally campaigned by the Zayats and Bill Mott, J Z Warrior was hammered down to Olin Gentry for \$1.125 million at the Keeneland November sale following her sophomore campaign and raced two more seasons for Mr. & Mrs. Ty Scheumann. Moon Gate Warrior is the first foal out of the now 10-year-old mare, who also produced a yearling filly by Tapit and a weanling colt by Malibu Moon and was bred back to that sire. Sales history: \$160,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$35,978. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Rigney Racing; B-Grousemont Farm (KY); T-Philip A. Bauer.

## Central U.S.

### Wednesday Night's Results:

**6th-RP, \$34,815, Msw**, 11-11, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:18.46, ft.

**+FACETS OF ICE (f, 2, [Ice Box](#)--Multifaceted, by Tiznow)** bided her time in mid-pack early, running two wide off opening splits of :22.87 and :46.79 and took closer order approaching the far turn. Producing a five-wide rally in the stretch, the 7-2 shot swiftly inhaled her rivals and cruised clear under a hand ride to win by 2 3/4 lengths over Spontaneity (Wilburn). The bay is the fourth winner for her freshman sire (by Pulpit). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,596. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Dream Walkin' Farms Inc. (OK); T-Donnie K. Von Hemel.

### Pollard's Vision to Oklahoma:

**Pollard's Vision** (Carson City--Etats Unis, by Dixieland Band), sire of champion Blind Luck, has been sold to stand at Mighty Acres in Oklahoma. The deal was brokered by Schumer Bloodstock and The Stallion Company. A stud fee will be announced at a later date. Pollard's Vision stood the 2015 season for \$6,500 at Pleasant Acres Stallions in Florida.

## California

### Thursday's Results:

**7th-DMR, \$70,370, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000)**, 11-12, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.42, fm.

**RICHARD'S BOY (g, 3, Idiot Proof--Marissa's Joy, by Cee's Tizzy)**, who owns three wins in four starts on grass, finished fourth behind ill-fated MGSW Gimme Da Lute (Midnight Lute) three starts back in the state-bred Real Good Deal S. on the main track here Aug. 2. A narrow winner of the five-panel Jess Jackson Owners' H. on the sod at Santa Rose Aug. 15, the gray missed by just a head last time when second in the Cal-bred Harris Farms S. on the dirt at Fresno Oct. 11 and was given a 7-2 chance in this return to the grass. Pressing from second through a sharp opening quarter in :22.76, the sophomore was on even terms with the leader as they hit the half in :45.23 and the pair battled stride-for-stride into the lane. The duel was short lived as Richard's Boy quickly shut the door on that rival and drew away to win by 2 1/4 lengths over favored Holy Lute (Midnight Lute). Lifetime Record: MSW, 10-6-1-1, \$307,260. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Rockingham Ranch; B-Harold Tillema & Pamela Tillema (CA); T-Peter Miller.

**6th-DMR, \$53,250, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000)**, 11-12, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:03.77, ft.

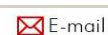
**MY DYNAMO (f, 2, [Discreetly Mine](#)--Dyna Da Wyna {GSW, \$365,740}, by Doc's Leader)** graduated at first asking here Aug. 16 and was sixth behind undefeated GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies winner Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro) in the GI Del Mar Debutante S. Sept. 5. Overlooked at 6-1, the chestnut raced in an eager fifth through a sharp first quarter in :21.73 and tugged her away up to be on even terms with the leader as they hit the half in :57.28. Four-wide at the top of the stretch, My Dynamo instantly seized command and sailed home under a hand ride to win by 2 1/4 lengths over favored One Last Shot (Any Given Saturday). From the family of MGISW Honey Ryder (Lasting Approval), the winner is a half-sister to Sumo (Fusaichi Pegasus), SW & GSP, \$282,443. Her dam Dyna Da Wyna, winner of the 2003 GIII Valley View S., produced a colt by Quality Road this spring and was bred back to Discreetly Mine. Sales history: \$55,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$74,050. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Rusty Brown, Philip Lebherz & Alan Klein; B-Stone Farm (KY); T-Jeff Bonde.

**1st-DMR, \$52,250, Msw**, 11-12, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.83, ft.

**+SEATTLE SERENADE (c, 3, Smart Strike--Serenading {Ch. Older Mare-CAN & GSW-US, \$538,754}, by A.P. Indy)**, a \$1 million KEESEP yearling purchase, was hammered down to even-money favoritism off a solid work tab at Los Alamitos leading up to this unveiling. The sophomore broke on top, but was overtaken by Awesome Ocean (Awesome Again) and settled for a stalking second through an opening quarter in :22.96. Seizing control as they hit the half in :46.54, the bay was overtaken by Statesman (Candy Ride {Arg}) turning for home and looked beat as that rival took a clear advantage. Seattle Serenade found another gear, however, and collared that rival in the final strides to secure an impressive quarter-length victory. The winner is out of Canadian champion and American GSW Serenading and also hails from the deep female family of MGISW Touch Gold (Deputy Minister), Canadian Horse of the Year With Approval (Caro {Ire}) and GISW Brilliant Speed (Dynaformer). Serenading has a yearling filly named Silhouette (Smart Strike) and was bred back to Distorted Humor. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$31,200. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Hollendorfer, et. al. B-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings & N.E.T.P. (KY). T-Jerry Hollendorfer.





**5th-DMR, \$53,000, (S), Msw, 11-12, 2yo, 1mT, 1:36.62, fm.**  
**TOUGH IT OUT (g, 2, Grazen--Mark Set Go, by Marquetry)**  
 finished fifth in his state-bred unveiling on the main track here Aug. 29 and could do no better than sixth next out on the dirt at Santa Anita Oct. 4. Gelded after that start, he was given a 5-1 chance in this switch to the turf and first try at a mile. Sitting pretty in a ground-saving third, the gray continued to track from that position through a half-mile in :47.87. Sneaking through a seam on the rail in the lane, Tough It Out swiftly seized control and drew clear to win by a half-length over heavily favored Gio Mio (Gio Ponti). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$32,850. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).  
 O/B-Nick Alexander (CA); T-Philip D'Amato.

## Canada

### Thursday's Results:

**6th-WO, C\$46,600, (S), Msw, 11-12, 2yo, f, 5f (AWT), :58.42, ft.**  
**+GINGER CANDY (f, 2, Old Forester--Flashy Afleet, by Northern Afleet)** stalked from second off sharp early splits of :22.40 and :45.76, drew even with the leader turning for home and kicked clear in the stretch to win by a length. Lookingforanewspot (Philanthropist) was the runner-up. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,353. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Mary Biamonte & David Harold Thomas James; B-Dr. David & Dr. Ray James (ON); T-Ralph J. Biamonte.

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**CAPE BLANCO (IRE)** (Galileo {Ire}), JBBA Shizunai Stallion Station, \$18K, 165/7/0

6-CD, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Cape Caroline, 4-1

[DROSSELMAYER](#) (Distorted Humor), WinStar Farm, \$18K, 95/4/0

6-CD, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Princess Drossie, \$82K RNA FTK JUL yrl, 20-1

[DUBLIN](#) (Afleet Alex), Keane Stud, \$8K, 71/2/0

9-AQU, Mcl, 1m, Crea Can Do, \$115K KEE SEP yrl, 7-2

**EUROEARS** (Langfuhr), JEH Stallion Station-Oklahoma Division, \$3K, 28/3/0

4-RP, Msw, 1m, Eurodreamer, \$15K TEX APR 2yo, 8-1

**INTERACTIF** (Broken Vow), Red River Farms, 33/2/0

1-DED, Msw, 5f, +Highly Interactive, \$31K EQL 2YO 2yo, 8-1

**J P'S GUSTO** (Successful Appeal), Journeyman Stud, \$4K, 26/2/0  
 8-CD, Msw, 6f, Epic Journey, \$55K OBS APR 2yo, 3-1

**SLEW'S TIZNOW** (Tiznow), Rancho San Miguel, \$3K, 21/3/0  
 1-GG, Aoc, 6f, Tribal Headdress, 5-2

**TIZ WEST** (Gone West), Haras Urama, \$2K, 2/0/0  
 4-RP, Msw, 1m, Tiz a First Lady, 5-1

[TIZWAY](#) (Tiznow), Spendthrift Farm, \$25K, 73/4/2

6-CD, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Paint the Corners, \$85K OBS MAR 2yo, 12-1  
 8-CD, Msw, 6f, Tizmatized, \$3K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 20-1

[UNCLE MO](#) (Indian Charlie), Ashford Stud, \$35K, 165/21/6  
 6-CD, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Auntie Joy, 20-1

[WILBURN](#) (Bernardini), Spendthrift Farm, \$7K, 106/10/0  
 1-DED, Msw, 5f, Willie Wears Pink, \$3K KEE SEP yrl, 7-2

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[LINE OF DAVID](#) (Lion Heart), Spendthrift Farm, \$6K, 90/24/2

1-DED, Msw, 5f, +Danjudon, \$40K EQL 2YO 2yo, 8-1

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### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**7th-WO, C\$62,349, (NW3L)/Opt. Clm (\$30,152), 11-12, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45.65, ft.**

**HOT KISS (f, 3, Philanthropist--Kiss of Fire, by Hennessy)**

Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-2, \$84,922. O-Super Six Stable; B-Denny Andrew (ON); T-Michael P. De Paulo.

**9th-DED, \$42,000, (S), 11-11, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:22.38, ft.**

**BELIEVEINSOMETHING (f, 3, Etbauer--Ls Believeinmagic, by Believe It)**

Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-1, \$75,290. O/T-Brian Schweda; B-Margie K. Averett (LA).

**8th-RP, \$35,200, 11-11, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :58.25, ft.**

**EVEN STREET (g, 3, Don't Get Mad--Dickson Street, by Storm Boot)**

Lifetime Record: 10-4-3-1, \$64,307. O-Jerry Namy; B-Channon Farm, LLC (LA); T-Karl Broberg. \*\$35,000 Ylg '13 BSCYRL.

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**6th-PEN, \$33,300, (S), 11-11, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.83, ft.**

**GWENDOLYN (f, 3, Lion Hearted--Caldara, by Sultry Song)**

Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$51,282. O-Tom Coulter;

B-Arrowwood Farm (PA); T-Rodrigo Madrigal Sr.

**5th-PEN, \$29,500, 11-11, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.54, ft.**

**IT IS BACK (f, 4, Put It Back--Omega Three, by Omega Code)**

Lifetime Record: 16-5-1-2, \$79,289. O-Lisa Kesler; B-Mr. T

Stables (FL); T-Fernando Ferreira.

**7th-CT, \$27,000, 11-11, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:27.85, ft.**

**MISS LUCKY (m, 5, Kafwain--Miss Guts, by American Chance)**

Lifetime Record: 28-5-9-3, \$167,123. O-Black Oak Farm; B-Lloyd

DeBruycker (IA); T-Ray E. Tracy Jr. \*1/2 to Samara Street (Street Cry {Ire}), SP, \$155,220.

**5th-HAW, \$22,680, 11-11, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:47.13, ft.**

**REDSHIRT (f, 3, [Distorted Humor](#)--Perceive, by A.P. Indy)**

Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$39,958. O-Godolphin Racing LLC;

B-Darley (KY); T-Eoin G. Harty.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**King's Songstriss, f, 2, Crowned King--Seattle Songster, by Katowice. DED, 11-11, 7f, 1:29.50. B-John P. Balensiefen (LA).**

**Officer's Oath, g, 2, Luftikus--Officer Pepper, by Officer. CT, 11-11, (S), 7f, 1:30.00. B-Daybreak Stables, Inc. (VA).**

**+Sweet Queen, f, 2, [Twirling Candy](#)--Kiawah Queen, by Lord At War (Arg). DMR, 11-12, (C), 6f, 1:10.99. B-Randal Family Trust,**

**R David & Marylyn A Randal Trustees (KY). \*\$60,000 Ylg '14 FTKJUL. \*\*1/2 to Queen of the Catsle (Tale of the Cat), GSW, \$410,219. \*\*\*18th winner for freshman sire (by Candy Ride {Arg}).**

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**No Lak of Grace, g, 3, Evansville Slew--No Lak of Silver (SP, \$114,502), by Silver Deputy. RP, 11-11, (S), 6f, 1:11.75. B-Willow Ridge Farms Inc. (OK).**

**Jubilation, f, 3, [Hold Me Back](#)--Hawaiian Love, by Not For Love. CT, 11-11, 7f, 1:29.63. B-C. Oliver Iselin (VA). \*\$90,000 Ylg '13 FTKJUL.**

**Barrel of Dreams, f, 3, Not For Love--Wide Barrel, by Broad Brush. AQU, 11-12, (S), (C), 1m (off turf), 1:40.22. B-Tri-County Stables (NY). \*Full to Love Abroad, SW, \$265,913; and Barrel of Love, SP, \$382,647; and a half to Storied Lady (Read the Footnotes), SW, \$271,019.**

**Edgehill Road, f, 3, Old Forester--Elusive Hope, by Elusive Quality. WO, 11-11, (S), 5f (AWT), :58.39. B-Hope Stock Farm (ON). \*1/2 to Evangeline's Hope (City Zip), MSP, \$185,536.**

**Forest Love, f, 3, Old Forester--You Will Love Me (MSW, \$593,769), by One Way Love. WO, 11-11, (S), 5f (AWT), :59.19. B-Lemico Farms & William G. Jones (ON). \*C\$12,000 Ylg '13 CANSEP.**

**Fiftysadesoffun, f, 4, Empire Maker--Informative Style, by Dayjur. PEN, 11-11, 1m, 1:40.14. B-Hinkle Farms (KY). \*\$60,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Stylish Citizen (Proud Citizen), SW, \$150,114.; and Point Blake (Quiet American), SP, \$164,212.**

**Buttercup, m, 5, [Street Sense](#)--Magical Meadow, by Meadowlake. HAW, 11-11, 6 1/2f, 1:17.90. B-R. Larry Johnson (KY). \*\$240,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Street Magician (Street Cry {Ire}), GSW, \$254,440.**

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## HOPES FOUND GUILTY IN COBALT CASE



Shannon Hope | *Racing and Sports*

Australian trainers Lee and Shannon Hope face a minimum of three years on the sidelines after being found guilty of administering cobalt for the purpose of affecting performance by the Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board Thursday, according to published reports. The father-son training team was charged after three horses in their care returned samples with cobalt above the permitted threshold of 200 micrograms per liter of urine last year. It is the first of four cobalt cases to be heard in the state of Victoria, with the cases of high-profile trainers Peter Moody, Danny O'Brien and Mark Kavanagh still to come.

The RAD Board said in its findings it was unsatisfied with evidence provided by the Hopes--which suggested the cobalt positives had occurred through their feeding, supplement and medical routine and not intentionally--and that the board believes the Hopes knew more about cobalt than they let on.

The RAD Board said it thought Shannon, the younger Hope, would receive a harsher penalty than his father because he was responsible for the stable's feeding and supplementation program, according to *Racing.com*.

A decision on the penalty is expected early next week.

## FREE EAGLE HK PLANS UNDECIDED

Moyglare Stud homebred **Free Eagle (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) remains a possible contender for Hong Kong's International meeting Dec. 13, but trainer Dermot Weld told *RadioTAB* he has yet to decide on a race for the 4-year-old.

"He's due to stand at the Irish National Stud next year, but if he runs again, it'll be in one of the Group 1s in Hong Kong," the Irish-based conditioner told *RadioTAB*. "We haven't decided which one yet; there's the Cup and the Vase and it'll be one or the other."

Free Eagle, a 'TDN Rising Star,' won this year's G1 Prince of Wales's S. at Royal Ascot first-up before finishing third in the G1 Irish Champion S. He was last seen running a respectable sixth in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.



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### TEN (U.S.) BREAKOUTS IN 2015

*For all practical purposes, the 2015 U.S. racing season is over, so it is not premature to construct a list of those who had breakthrough years. Bill Finley has the story.*

***Story in today's TDN America, p1.***



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## SIR PERCY'S BREEDER ORMESHER DIES

Harry Ormesher, the breeder of 2006 G1 Epsom Derby winner Sir Percy (GB) (Mark Of Esteem {GB}), died Thursday following a short illness, according to *Racing Post*. Ormesher, who set up his breeding operation as Old Suffolk Stud in Hundon, bred Sir Percy as the last foal out of Percy's Lass (GB) (Blakeney {GB}), who died of colic three weeks after Sir Percy was born in 2003. Sir Percy won the G2 Vintage S. and G1 Dewhurst S. in an unbeaten juvenile season for owners Anthony and Victoria Pakenham and trainer Marcus Tregoning. He finished second to George Washington (Danehill) in the G1 2000 Guineas on his sophomore bow and won the blue riband next out.



Sir Percy | *Racing Post*

Robin Sharp of Houghton Bloodstock told *Racing Post*, "Harry achieved every breeder's dream by breeding a Derby winner in Sir Percy. Unfortunately nothing went right after then, with mares not getting in foal and the commercial part of breeding not taking off, but Harry kept striving on. He gave everything to look after his horses, he loved them and there's no doubt about that. I think it showed as he got a Derby winner, and you only get out what you put in."

"It was very sad to hear he had passed on," Houghton added. "He raised the profile of Hundon and we have a lot of people come by and speak about Sir Percy every day. We'll all miss him in the village."



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Racing Victoria will allow jockeys to also hold a trainer's license beginning in the 2016/17 season, according to *Racing.com*. The change is said to offer jockeys increased options for career transition. Jockeys wishing to hold a dual license will only be able to do so under a set of conditions, including riding a minimum number of races annually--24 for fully licensed jockeys and 12 for apprentice jockeys. In addition, dual license holders will not be allowed to ride any other horse in a race against a horse they are training without specific approval by stewards, and they will not be able to have multiple entries in any one race.

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### Wednesday's Results:

**4th-CHD, £8,000, Mdn, 11-12, 2yo, f, 8f (AWT), 1:39.57, st. FLYWEIGHT (IRE) (f, 2, Teofilo {Ire}--Morinqua {Ire} {SW-Eng, \$109,722}, by Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), who was eighth on his sole start over seven furlongs at Newbury June 25, was sent off the 9-2 second favorite and soon enjoyed a prominent position in second. Sent to the front with 2 1/2 furlongs remaining, the €80,000 GOFNOV weanling and 200,000gns TATOCT yearling was green but stayed in command en route to a 1 3/4-length success from Pirouette (GB) (Pivotal {GB}). The winner is a half-brother to Cornwallville (Ire) (Makfi {GB}), SW-Fr, \$179,700. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$7,872. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

O-Godolphin; B-Corin Stud & Blackwater Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-John Gosden.

**5th-CHD, £8,000, Mdn, 11-12, 2yo, f, 8f (AWT), 1:39.31, st. KHALEESY (IRE) (f, 2, [Galileo {Ire}](#)--Fleeting Spirit {Ire} {Hwt. Older Mare-Eng at 5-7f, Hwt. Older Mare-Fr at 5-7f, G1SW-Eng, G1SP-Fr, \$1,216,865}, by Invincible Spirit {Ire}), a €300,000**



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GOFNOV weanling, had disappointed when finishing fifth in a Newbury maiden over this trip last time Oct. 24 and was sent forward from her wide draw to race in a close-up second. Marginally ahead from halfway, the 5-4 favorite drew away under driving from midstretch to score by 2 1/2 lengths from Shall We (Ire) (Dansili {GB}). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$7,872.

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O-Al Asayl Bloodstock Ltd; B-Paulyn Limited (IRE); T-John Gosden.

**3rd-CHD, £6,500, Mdn, 11-12, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:26.33, st.**  
**+JUFN (GB) (c, 2, [Nayef--Deyaar, by Storm Cat](#)),** sent off the 5-4 favorite, missed the kick and was at the back of the field until the home turn. Finding a surge out wide in the stretch, the homebred rolled to the front with 100 yards remaining and asserted to record an ultimately comfortable 1 1/2-length verdict over Canford Crossing (Ire) (Canford Cliffs {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$6,397. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
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**2nd-BDX, €16,000, Debutantes, 11-12, 2yo, f, 9 1/2ft, 2:08.03, g/s.**

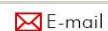
**+CLAIRE DE LUNE (IRE) (f, 2, [Galileo {Ire}](#)--Solo de Lune {Ire} {SP-Ger}, by Law Society),** a half-sister to the G1 Irish Oaks heroine Moonstone (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}), G1SW-Ire & G1SP-Eng, \$452,707, was sent off the 3-1 second choice and worked her way into third early. Gaining a slight lead with 300 meters remaining, the chestnut was briefly headed by stable companion Fresh Air (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) soon after but was pushed out to regain the initiative in the last half-furlong and assert for a half-length score. The winner is also a half-sister to Cerulean Sky (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), G1SW-Fr & GISP-Can, \$146,994; and to L'Ancrese (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), Hwt. 3yo Filly-Ire at 9.5-10.5f, SW & G1SP-Ire, GISP-US, \$398,490. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €8,000. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
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**4th-BDX, €16,000, Debutantes, 11-12, 2yo, c/g, 9 1/2fT, 2:07.85, g/s.**  
**+MORE THAN A DREAM (IRE) (c, 2, Halling--Chabelle {GB}, by Shirocco {Ger}),** sent off the 19-10 favorite, was keen initially under restraint behind the leading trio. Tanking to the front with 300 meters remaining, the 32,000gns TAOCT yearling was pushed out to register an impressive five-length success from Sagaroi (Fr) (King's Best). Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €8,000.  
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 O-Daniel-Yves Treves; B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm (IRE);  
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## OBSERVATIONS

on today's European racing scene

**6.20 Wolverhampton, Mdn, £4,500, 2yo, 7f 32y (AWT)**  
**TAILWIND (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})** was led out unsold at Tattersalls October, despite the bidding hitting 550,000gns, and now debuts for his breeder Robert Barnett for the Roger Varian stable. A half-brother to four black-type performers including the 2005 G2 King Edward VII S. winner Plea Bargain (GB) (Machiavellian), he is a grandson of the high-class Time Charter (GB).

## Turkey

### JUSTENUFFHUMOR, TOCCT TO TURKEY


Stallions **Justenuffhumor** (Distorted Humor--Justenuffheart, by Broad Brush) and **Tocct** (Awesome Again--Cozzene's Angel, by Cozzene) have been sold to the Turkish Jockey Club to continue their stud careers in that country in a deal brokered by Schumer Bloodstock. Justenuffhumor was a dual Grade II winner in New York and was third in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile. He is a half-brother to champion Dreaming Of Anna (Rahy) and Grade II winner Lewis Michael (Rahy). They are out of Justenuffheart, a half-sister to champion racehorse and sire Kitten's Joy (El Prado {Ire}).

Tocct was a dual Grade I-winning juvenile, taking the Champagne S. and Hollywood Futurity, and has sired 14 stakes winners, including Grade II winner Winning Machine.

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**1st-BDX, €27,000, 11-12, 2yo, 6fT, 1:16.61, g/s.**

**LUNA LADY (FR) (f, 2, Acclamation {GB}--Moonbaby {Fr}, by Le Balafre {Fr})** Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 2 wins, 4 places, €37,300. O-Rebecca Hillen & D Watrigant; B-E Puerari & Oceanic Bloodstock Inc (FR). T-D Watrigant. \*€38,000 Wlg '13 ARDEC; €27,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG.

**3rd-BDX, €27,000, 11-12, 3yo, 8fT, 1:39.76, g/s.**

**ALMOROX (GB) (g, 3, [Rip Van Winkle {Ire}](#)--Totem, by Mizzen Mast)** Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €47,300. O-Ecurie Antonio Caro; B-T de la Heronniere & G Lugon (GB); T-Christophe Ferland. \*€17,000 Ylg '13 ARQAUG.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Davey Boy (GB), g, 2, Paco Boy (Ire)--She's So Pretty (Ire), by Grand Lodge.** SOU, 11-12, 7f (AWT), 1:31.21. B-Paul & Judy Buckfield & Highclere Stud (GB). \*12,000gns Wlg '13 TATFOA; 18,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT.

**Noblest (GB), f, 3, Pivotal (GB)--Noble One (GB), by Primo Dominie (GB).** SOU, 11-12, 7f (AWT), 1:29.69. B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB). \*45,000gns 3yo '15 TA15. \*Full to Peeress (GB), Hwt. Older Mare-Eng at 7-9 1/2f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 7-9f, MG1SW-Eng, G1SW-Ire, G1SP-Fr, \$919,393.

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**Stepitup (Aus) (Hussonet)** goes for a sweep of the Singapore Triple Crown in Sunday's Longines Singapore Gold Cup and has the full confidence of trainer Laurie Laxon. "His work has been perfect, including his gallop on grass [Wednesday], and he's spot-on for the race," said Laxon. "The low draw makes things even easier for us." | *Singapore Turf Club photo*

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