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## CALIFORNIA CHROME RETURNS A WINNER



California Chrome is greeted by assistant trainer Alan Sherman (and passenger) upon his return to the winner's circle Saturday at Santa Anita | Benoit photo

When last seen under raceday conditions, 2014 Horse of the Year **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) carried the silks of majority owner Perry Martin and minority owner Steven Coburn to a gallant runner-up effort in the G1 Dubai World Cup at the end of March 2015.

Much has transpired since. A European sojourn, to include potential starts at Newbury in the G1 Lockinge S. and at Royal Ascot, was ultimately abandoned after the blaze-faced chestnut was scratched from the latter venue's G1 Prince of Wales's S. on the eve of the race. An appearance in Chicago for the G1 Arlington Million came into the discussion, but that, too, was given up nearly as soon as it was suggested. A spell ensued at Taylor Made Farm, ultimately a change in ownership, a much-anticipated return to the Art Sherman barn at Los Alamitos and, Saturday, a triumphant return to the races in the GII San Pasqual S. at Santa Anita.

"It set up just as we figured," Art Sherman confirmed. "I knew he'd show speed. He's been wanting to run quite a bit right now by watching his workouts, and I said, 'He's got a lot of gas [speed] himself and you can place him where you want. That's why he's a perfect horse. You don't have to bring a game plan with him. He can sit off the pace or go on the pace.'"

And what's next?

"Right now I think, Wow! Maybe the [G1] Dubai World Cup [\$10-million March 26]," Sherman enthused. **Cont. p3**

## CONNECTED PROVES TOO TOUGH IN SHAM

Transitioning to the dirt after a series of promising moves over the local surface, Speedway Stables's **Connected** (City Zip) overcame a three- and four-wide trip to win the first main-track graded stakes of 2016. The chestnut, whose second and third dams are by noted turf influences, took to this track's hillside course for his Oct. 12 debut and flashed excellent speed from the outside barrier to be right on the opening half-mile split of :43.07, carried a narrow advantage into the final furlong and managed to get his nose down on the line first. Given plenty of time to recover from that effort, he was sent off at just under 9-1 for the GIII Cecil B. DeMille S. (formerly Generous S.) at Del Mar and, making full use of his low gate, attended the pace, was clear passing the eighth pole and was run over late by Dressed In Hermes (Hat Trick {Jpn}), who was also an intended runner in this race, but was scratched early Saturday morning. **Cont. px**

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*'Racing's First Lady' Penny Chenery signed autographs alongside trainer Bob Baffert Saturday at Santa Anita. Chenery was on hand to present the Vox Populi award to the connections of the Baffert-trained American Pharoah, who followed in the hoofprints of Chenery's Secretariat as a winner of the Triple Crown Benoit photo*

## AL SHAQAB DOUBLE AT GULFSTREAM

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*A year after striking with seven of its first eight runners at Gulfstream Park, the Al Shaqab Racing team was back at it again Saturday. Sheikh Joann al Thani's operation recorded a stakes double, courtesy of wins in the GIII Hal's Hope S. by Mshawish (Medaglia d'Oro) and in the GIII Marshua's River S. by Sandiva (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}).*

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*Trainer David Fawkes confirmed Saturday that Sheer Drama (Burning Roma), a dual Grade I winner in 2015 and Eclipse Award finalist in the older dirt female category, would remain in training as a 6-year-old.*

## GRAHAM MOTION FROM MAGICS

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*Before he and his family begin the long journey back from Queensland to the Eastern U.S., trainer Graham Motion files a fifth and final blog entry recounting his experiences from the past week. "There's nothing like the promise of a new season," Motion writes.*

## LA VERDAD LOOKS AS GOOD AS EVER

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*Lady Sheila Stable's La Verdad (Yes It's True), herself an Eclipse Award candidate in the filly/mare sprint division, made the first of what is expected to be two starts this year, scoring easily in the Interborough S. at Aqueduct. She is slated to have one final run in the GII Barbara Fritchie S. before a date in the breeding shed with Medaglia d'Oro.*

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**The Return of a Champion...**

After closing his sophomore season with a victory in the GI Hollywood Derby, California Chrome squared off with the ill-fated Shared Belief (Candy Ride {Arg}) in the GII San Antonio S. last February, but could not match strides late and finished second best. From there it was on to the desert and the colt acquitted himself well with a wide-trip second behind Prince Bishop (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}). Chaos largely ensued and it was up to Team Sherman to restore some order Saturday.

Kicked away from the stalls by Victor Espinoza, California Chrome was content to stalk an easy pace from second as Alfa Bird (Birdstone) took up the running. The long odds-on selection had the pacesetter whenever he wanted and he made the lead under cruise control with about three furlongs to race. With chief market rival Hoppertunity hard at it back on the fence, Imperative emerged as the only potential threat. It looked for a few strides as if that one could make a race of it, but California Chrome held well in an effort from which he will surely improve by several lengths. The victory pushed California Chrome past Tiznow as the leading Cal-bred money spinner of all time. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#), the [TJCIS.com PPs](#) or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). Cont. p4**

**Saturday, Santa Anita**

**SAN PASQUAL S.-GII**, \$200,500, SA, 1-9, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43.39, ft.

1--**CALIFORNIA CHROME, 119, h, 5, by Lucky Pulpit**

**1st Dam: Love the Chase, by Not For Love**

**2nd Dam: Chase It Down, by Polish Numbers**

**3rd Dam: Chase the Dream, by Sir Ivor**

O-California Chrome, LLC; B-Perry Martin & Steve Coburn (CA); T-Art Sherman; J-Victor Espinoza. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: Horse of the Year, Ch. 3yo Colt, MGISW-US, G1SP-UAE, 19-10-3-1, \$6,442,650. **Werk Nick Rating: B+**

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2--**Imperative, 119, g, 6, Bernardini**--Call Her, by Caller I. D.

(\$325,000 Ylg '11 KESEEP). O-KM Racing Enterprise, Inc.;

B-Glencrest Farm LLC & Darley (KY); T-Richard Baltas. \$40,000.

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3--**Hoppertunity, 121, h, 5, Any Given Saturday**--Refugee, by Unaccounted For. (\$300,000 Ylg '12 KESEEP). O-Karl Watson, Michael E. Pegram & Paul Weitman; B-Betz/D.J.

Stable/Kidder/J. Betz/Robenalt (KY); T-Bob Baffert. \$24,000.

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Margins: 1 1/4, 1, 3HF. Odds: 0.60, 7.60, 2.40.

Also Ran: Hard Aces, Blingo, Point Piper, Alfa Bird. Scratched: Mystery Train (Arg).

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**California Chrome Returns a Winner cont.**

“I wanted to make sure to let him run a little bit down the lane, so he doesn’t create any [new] bad habits,” commented winning rider Victor Espinoza. “The way Chrome ran today is how he ran before. He’s one of the best horses I’ve ever been on. I am so proud of him, the way he ran today. I don’t think he got too tired. For such a long time off I think it was a good race, I expected him to be more tired than he was. Today is what I wanted. I didn’t want to override him, I didn’t want to push him. I wanted a balance.”

Martin, who still retains an interest in California Chrome, was equally enamored with the performance.

“I think he ran perfect,” he offered, adding that the task ahead is a clear one, at least from where he stands.

“We’re going to Dubai, I’m adamant,” he said. “After the race today, I think we need two. I’d like to see him run at a mile and an eighth and then a mile and a quarter prior to running in the World Cup and I’ll think that’ll have him 100%.”

Sherman confirmed that California Chrome will depart for Dubai Jan. 21. One potential target could be Round 3 of the G1 Al Maktoum Challenge over the World Cup course and 10-furlong distance on Super Saturday Mar. 5.



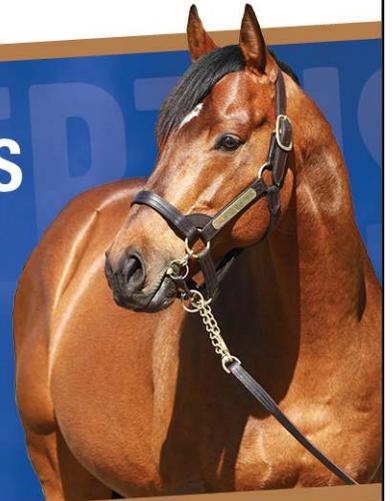
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North American Stakes Results cont.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park

FT. LAUDERDALE S.-GII, \$200,000, GP, 1-9, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.71, fm.

1--HEART TO HEART, 123, h, 5, by [English Channel](#)

1st Dam: Ask the Question, by Silver Deputy

2nd Dam: Fair Advice, by Cozzene

3rd Dam: Fair Astrologer, by Quack

(C\$25,000 Ylg '12 CANSEP). O-Terry Hamilton; B-Red Hawk Ranch (ON); T-Brian A. Lynch; J-Julien R. Leparoux. \$119,040. Lifetime Record: Ch. 3yo Colt-Can, 19-8-2-2, \$635,820. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick Rating: A +++ \*Triple Plus\*.

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2--Lukes Alley, 119, h, 6, Flower Alley--Vaulcluse, by A.P. Indy. O-Melnyk Racing Stables Inc.; B-Eugene Melnyk (ON); T-Josie Carroll. \$38,400.

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3--All Included, 119, h, 5, [Include](#)--Eximius (GB), by Atticus. O/B-Wertheimer Et Frere (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. \$19,200. Margins: HF, 1 1/4, NO. Odds: 3.00, 8.40, 10.00.

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Also Ran: Lochte, Takeover Target, Key to Power, War Correspondent, Fredericksburg, Slip By. Scratched: Money Talker, Madefromlucky, Sky Flight.

Though he was drawn widest in the field of 11 for Saturday's GII Fort Lauderdale S. at Gulfstream Park, Heart to Heart appeared to have his rivals over a barrel from a tactical standpoint, and so it proved, as he led home a 1-2 finish for a pair of Ontario-bred Sovereign Award winners from 2014.

The champion 3-year-old of his generation off a pair of graded



Heart to Heart | Leslie Martin

wins south of the border, Heart to Heart, at his very best when allowed to call his own shots, carried Victor Espinoza to a Haskell Day undercard victory in wire-to-wire fashion in the GIII Oceanport S. Aug. 2 and employed similar front-running

tactics en route to a two-length success in the GIII River City H. at Churchill Downs when last spotted Nov. 26.

Heart to Heart looked to toss his head ever so slightly at the break, but that had no consequence, as he crossed his rivals and was down onto the rails passing under the line with a circuit to travel. All Included, War Correspondent (War Front) and a trapped-out Fredericksburg (Speightstown) gave chase, while Lukes Alley, Canada's champion older horse two seasons ago, settled in with a ground-saving trip. Nicely rated on the engine by Julien Leparoux, he cut the corner into the stretch with a daylight advantage, carried that lead while still traveling nicely into the final 150 yards and got home first as Lukes Alley parlayed that inside trip into a solid runner-up effort. All Included took a multiple-horse photo for third.

"He's tough when he makes the lead and gets to dictate the terms," said winning trainer Brian Lynch. "I've always felt he's a superior turn runner and he showed it again today going into that bottom turn there. They were all sort of scratching the leather to get to him and his little ears pricked and he opened up. He always has an opportunity to steal a few lengths as they straighten for home and I think that's where he gets it."

The winner could make his next start in the GI Gulfstream Park Turf H. Feb. 6, though Lynch wasn't ready to commit just yet.

"He probably needs a little bit more time between [races], but it's certainly on the radar," the Australian commented.

**North American Stakes Results cont.**

**Saturday, Gulfstream Park**

**HAL'S HOPE S.-GIII**, \$150,000, GP, 1-9, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:34.61, ft. 1--**MSHAWISH, 119, h, 6**, by [Medaglia d'Oro](#)

**1st Dam: Thunder Bayou, by Thunder Gulch**

**2nd Dam: Bayou Storm, by Storm Cat**

**3rd Dam: At the Half, by Seeking the Gold**

(\$25,000 Wlg '10 KEENOV; \$10,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP; €170,000 2yo '12 ARMAY). O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-OTIF 2007 (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-Javier Castellano. \$93,000. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP-Fr, GSW & G1SP-UAE, GISW-US, 22-7-2-3, \$1,920,651.

**Werk Nick Rating: A+++ \*Triple Plus\*** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

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2--**Valid, 123, g, 6**, [Medaglia d'Oro](#)--Grand Prayer, by Grand Slam. (\$500,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP; \$115,000 3yo '13 FTNMIX). O-Crossed Sabres Farm; B-Edward P. Evans (VA); T-Marcus J. Vitali. \$30,000.

**LANE'S END Sales Graduate**

3--**Grande Shores, 119, h, 8**, Black Mambo--Sexy Stockings, by Tabasco Cat. O/B-Jacks or Better Farm Inc. (FL); T-Stanley I. Gold. \$15,000.

Margins: NK, 3 1/4, 2 3/4. Odds: 2.20, 1.80, 17.60.

Also Ran: Matrooh, Mr. Jordan. Scratched: Midnight Cello.

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Favored deep into the waning minutes of the wagering for Saturday's GIII Hal's Hope S. at Gulfstream Park, Mshawish was eventually off as the third choice, but fought his way past a very stubborn Valid to post a first victory on the dirt, to lead home a one-two for his sire and to give Al Shaqab Racing a stakes double on the program.

Trained through the first part of his career by Mikel Delzangles, Mshawish was a listed winner and Group 3-placed in France at three before annexing the G2 Zabeel Mile at Meydan the following winter. The dark bay ran the table in three starts at this meeting last year, posting narrow successes in the GII Fort Lauderdale S. and in the GI Gulfstream Park Turf H. ahead of a respectable five-lengths' third behind Solow (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}) in the G1 Dubai Turf on World Cup night Mar. 28. An even fifth in Saratoga's GII Fourstardave H. in his return to action Aug. 15, he rounded out the superfecta in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile Oct. 31 prior to a maiden try on the dirt in the GI Cigar Mile H. Nov. 28.

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Mshawish traveled well for the opening seven furlongs and looked every bit a winner entering that final furlong, but was overtaken late by the Christophe Clement duo of **TDN Rising Star** Tonalist (Tapit) and Red Vine (Candy Ride {Arg}) as well as the reopposing Matrooh (Distorted Humor) and called it a season.

While it appeared on paper that **TDN Rising Star** Mr. Jordan (Kantharos) and Matrooh would be the speeds of the speed, they were the dueling back markers down the chute as Valid took them along from Grande Shores with Mshawish nipping at their heels from third. The two would-be front-runners commenced middle moves--Matrooh up the rail and Mr. Jordan outside--and Mshawish was relegated to last in a tightly bunched field as they reached the turn. Sent up three deep outside of Grande Shores, Mshawish left Mr. Jordan behind and had his sights set on Valid after making a bit of an awkward move at the head of the stretch. Despite edging to his right late, the Al Shaqab runner did slightly the better work to beat Valid while in receipt of four pounds under the allowance conditions of the race.

**Hal's Hope S. cont. p7**



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"I thought it was a quality effort," said winning trainer Todd Pletcher. "I'm happy to see him win a big race on the dirt because he's always trained well on it. I have a lot of respect for Valid. He's a tough horse to get by. I was a little concerned when he made the lead. You know when you go to fight with him he's going to fight back. I think Javier [Castellano] knew that as well. That's why he stayed out a little and not try to engage him, but still he dug in."



Mshawish | Kenny Martin

Brad Weisbord, the U.S. racing manager for Al Shaqab, was reveling in the double.

Both of these those - [Marshua's River winner Sandiva and Mshawish] - all the credit goes to the European team. They were bought publicly and privately and they were sent to America in great shape and Todd Pletcher has continued on with them. They're shining here.

Immediate options for Mshawish include the nine-furlong GI Donn H. on the main track or a title defense in the GP Turf H., both scheduled for Feb. 6. He will also be given entries for World Cup night in the G2 Godolphin Mile and G1 Dubai Turf, and, potentially, to the World Cup itself.

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**Saturday, Gulfstream Park**

**MARSHUA'S RIVER S.-GIII**, \$150,000, GP, 1-9, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.04, fm.

1--**SANDIVA (IRE)**, 119, m, 5, by [Footstepsinthesand \(GB\)](#)

**1st Dam: Miss Corinne (GB)**, by **Mark of Esteem (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Percy's Girl (Ire)**, by **Blakeney (GB)**

**3rd Dam: Laughing Girl**, by **Sassafras (Fr)**

(£18,000 Ylg '12 DNPRM). O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Denis McDonnell (IRE); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-Javier Castellano. \$89,280. Lifetime Record: GSW-Eng & Fr, 18-7-2-2, \$569,537. \*1/2 to Irish Cliff (Ire) (Marju {Ire}), Ch. Imp. 2yo Filly-Spa, SP-Fr; Wentworth (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), SW-Den, \$186,608. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

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2--**A Little Bit Sassy**, 117, m, 5, [More Than Ready](#)--Miss A.

Bomb, by Lemon Drop Kid. (\$220,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP).

O-Ramona S. Bass, LLC; B-William D. Gould (KY); T-Michael R. Matz. \$28,800.

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3--**Tuttipaesi (Ire)**, 121, m, 6, Clodovil (Ire)--Ruby Ridge (Ire), by

Acatenango (Ger). (€18,000 Wlg '10 GOFNOV; 12,000gns Ylg '11 TAOC; \$490,000 RNA 5yo '15 FTKNOV). O-Valor Ladies LLC; B-Mrs Eithne Hamilton (IRE); T-William I. Mott. \$14,400.

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Also Ran: Hope Cross (Ire), Partisan Politics, Strike Charmer, Devine Aida, Quiet Kitten, Shanon Nicole. Scratched: Gamblers Rose, Stiffed, Can't Explain.

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**Marshua's River S. cont.**

Somewhat difficult to ride at times and a mare that usually likes some cover, Sandiva was a bit out of her element in Saturday's GIII Marshua's River S. at Gulfstream Park, but managed to get the job done to kick off what connections hope will be her biggest year at the races.

Second as the favorite in the 2013 G3 Albany S. and winner in France of the G3 Prix du Cavaldos in her first two tries after being acquired by Sheikh Joann al Thani from Middleham Park Racing XXX, Sandiva defeated subsequent GI Beverly D. S. winner Euro Charline (GB) (Myboycharlie {Ire}) in the 2014 G3 Nell Gwyn S. and was sent stateside off a fifth in the G1 Coronation S. at Royal Ascot. Victorious in the Tropical Park Oaks and the GIII Suwannee River S. in her first two appearances on these shores, she missed by a neck in the GII Honey Fox S. last Mar. 28, then finished twice behind Eclipse Award finalist and GI Breeders' Cup Mile victrix Tepin (Bernstein) when third in the GII Distaff Turf Mile S. at Churchill May 2 and when fifth in the GI Just a Game S. at Belmont June 6. Rested thereafter, the chestnut had one run under her belt since, a third in the GIII My Charmer H. at Gulfstream Park West Nov. 21.

Drawn in pole position for this 5-year-old debut, Sandiva was one of the first into stride and though Javier Castellano had the opportunity to take a hold of Sandiva and cover her up from the box seat, he instead held a spot at the fence and vied on the lead through modest opening fractions. Allowed to cruise along under a long hold while beginning to sneak away on the home turn, Sandiva was shaken up to stride further in front with an eighth of a mile to race and wanted to drift out a bit late, but was never in any real danger. A Little Bit Sassy, five deep at the head of the lane, rallied nicely for second ahead of an in-form Tuttipaesi in third.



Sandiva | Adam Coglianesse

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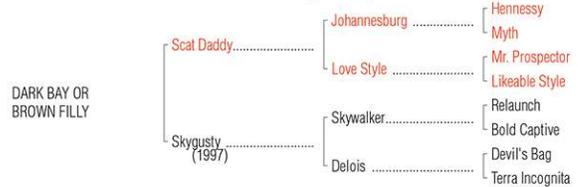
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"I didn't expect to be on the lead but the way she did it she was very sharp today," the winning rider explained. "I was very impressed with the way she did it because she had never been on the lead. I didn't expect to be close to the pace behind the horses. The way I handicapped the other two horses had the speed and she showed it today. The filly was training so well and Todd Pletcher put the horse where she belonged. He told me don't take it away if it comes easy. If you find yourself on the lead, go ahead. I think she was much the best today."

Sandiva is a half-sister to the unraced 3-year-old Mawthooq (Ire) (Arcano {Ire}) and a yearling filly of 2016 by Dawn Approach (Ire). The winner's aforementioned half-sister Irish Cliff was purchased in foal to Le Havre (Ire) by the BBA Ireland for €200,000 at the Arqana December Sale last month.

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Drawn widest in the field of eight, Connected was away in good order for Martin Garcia, but so, too, were half of his rivals and the race favorite was consigned to a four-path trip around the first bend. Semper Fortis (Distorted Humor), the half-brother to **TDN Rising Star** Carpe Diem (Giant's Causeway) emerged with the lead turning up the backstretch and tracked by GI Los Alamitos Futurity third l'malreadythere (Crown of Thorns), as Connected remained deep on the track and the maiden Laoban to his outside. Connected and Laoban came with runs in unison leaving the three-eighths, but Connected was clearly doing the better of the two, bid for the lead outside of Found Money (Square Eddie) with a furlong and a half to race and held sway late. Let's Meet in Rio, ground-saving for the opening six panels,

exchanged bumps with l'malreadythere in upper stretch, then leveled out nicely to finish a clear second. Stewards conducted an inquiry into the bumping incident, but the result was allowed to stand.

"He really impressed me with his last couple of works, so I was sort of excited to see what he could do, but you never know until they do it," trainer Bob Baffert said of the winner.

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**Sham S. cont.**

"I was hoping for a little easier trip, hoping to [be] lone speed, but that didn't work out. Everybody had the same instructions, but Martin did a great job. He stayed patient with him and still had something left at the end after all that, so that was pretty impressive.

He continued, "Let's Meet in Rio looks like he'll go longer. He was really coming late. It's the time of year when you want to see something like that, so it's exciting. He really had to work a little extra hard on the outside like that...but he responded the way you want him to respond. He kept on digging away at it."

The winner's dam produced a full-brother to Collected, who fetched \$140,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale. Helena Bay was bred to Lookin at Lucky in 2015.



**Saturday, Santa Anita**

**SHAM S.-GIII**, \$100,750, SA, 1-9, 3yo, 1m, 1:38.00, ft.

1--#@COLLECTED, 118, c, 3, by [City Zip](#)

1st Dam: Helena Bay (GB), by Johannesburg

2nd Dam: Josette (Ire), by Danehill

3rd Dam: Loure, by Lyphard

(\$150,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$170,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR).

O-Speedway Stable LLC; B-Runnymede Farm Inc. & Peter J. Callahan (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-Martin Garcia. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$111,200. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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2--**Let's Meet in Rio**, 118, c, 3, [Flutter](#)--Rio Carnival, by Storm Cat. O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-Bob Baffert. \$20,000.

3--**Laoban**, 118, c, 3, [Uncle Mo](#)--Chattertown, by Speightstown. (\$40,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$260,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP).

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**IMAGINARY SAILOR** (c. by Mizzen Mast). 2 wins at 2, \$48,820, Lost in the Fog S. (GG, \$27,800).

**Armstrong Mill** (g. by Dynaformer). Winner at 3 and 4, \$125,564, 3rd Saranac S. [G3] (SAR, \$10,700).

**Imaginary Saint** (f. by Saint Liam). Black-type-placed winner, see record.

**Elusive Checkers** (f. by Quality Road). Winner at 3, 2015, \$24,773.

**2nd dam**  
**CUDDLES**, by Mr. Prospector. 7 wins, 2 to 4, \$582,996, Hollywood Starlet S. [G1], Oaklawn Budweiser Breeders' Cup H. [G3], Junior Miss S. [G3], etc. Half-sister to **Augusta Springs** (\$55,600). Dam of 4 winners, incl--  
H. [G2], Thoroughbred Club of America S. [G3], 2nd Sorority S. [G3], etc.  
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## SHEER DRAMA TO TRAIN ON AT SIX

Harold Queen's **Sheer Drama** (Burning Roma), an Eclipse Award finalist in the older filly/mare dirt division, will remain in training for a 6-year-old campaign, trainer David Fawkes confirmed Saturday.

"She'll get started up at Harold's farm and he'll put a little bottom on her and get a little exercise into her," the conditioner commented. "He might breeze her one time up there and when she's ready get her down here. Hopefully she'll be here in about a month."

Having visited the Florida-bred mare over the winter, Fawkes continued, "She looks great. Harold said she's running around the paddock and feeling great. He told me this morning she's kicking and bucking and playing. It's only January. We've got a long summer in front of us. We've got plenty of time."



Sheer Drama | Leslie Martin

First or second in seven of her eight appearances in 2015, Sheer Drama won the GI Delaware H. and GI Personal Ensign S. back-to-back over the summer and was runner-up in the GI La Troienne S. at Churchill Downs. In her most recent appearance, she endured a wide trip and ran on to finish fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff at Keeneland Oct. 31. Fawkes anticipates a carbon copy of that campaign in 2016. "We'll try to follow a similar pattern as last year," he said. "I don't know if we can be ready for anything [at Gulfstream Park]. It would give me three months to get her ready for Churchill. I have to go up to Ocala at the end of the month for the races up there, and when I do I'll talk to Harold and we'll see."

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## MILESTONE WIN FOR RODRIGUEZ

by Tom Thornbury

To begin the New Year, Alberto “Droopy” Paz Rodriguez has just reached 6,000 career wins as a trainer. Most recently, “Droopy” saddled Calinico to win the Clasico del Caribe, a prominent stakes race that brings together the best 3-year-olds from Panama, Puerto Rico, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Trinidad & Tobago, Mexico, and Venezuela. Calinico is owned and was bred by the Stud Campo Azul of Luis Shirley in Panama. Droopy has now trained the winners of 410 stakes races in Panama. Although he trains for several well-known owners, Droopy has long been the trainer

and general manager for the Haras Cerro Punta of the Don Fernando Eleta family, the most prominent and successful Thoroughbred breeding farm in Panama. His son Luigi is also a trainer of note in Panama and his sons Alberto and Juan Carlos are enthusiastic racehorse owners, as well. Father and sons have become a buying fixture at the Keeneland sales, and have formed lasting friendships with several major consignors.



Droopy has no plans to slow down for now, and with the year he had in 2015, and having reached 6,000 career wins, he is likely to notch quite a few more in the New Year.

## TAYLOR MADE LAUNCHES E-CATALOG

To coincide with the beginning of the Keeneland January Sale, officials at Taylor Made Farm have announced the launch of an online ‘E-Catalog’, including photos, pedigrees, updates and walking videos of each horse in the Taylor Made consignment.

"This new website is ideal for buyers to inspect our horses online at their convenience," said Duncan Taylor, President & CEO of Taylor Made Farm. "Agents can forward links to their clients, buyers can share links with their partners, and anyone who wants to beat the cold weather can just log-on to the website while they sit by the fire.

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**MOTION AT MAGIC MILLIONS: PART FIVE**



**Graham Motion & Susan Archer**  
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*Guest Blog by Graham Motion*

Well, it was a great Magic Millions Raceday on the Gold Coast, fantastic competition with the kind of standout performances that racing restricted to sale graduates might be expected to show.

The track dried up very quickly after some heavy rain during the week and the times were fast with a new track record set in the Magic Millions Sprint. Low draws in the big fields were a big advantage, and seven of the nine winners came from single-figure gates, not surprising due to the tightness of the track, including the very impressive Magic Millions 2YO Classic winner Capitalist. However, the Magic Millions Plate winner Buffering took his career earnings beyond A\$6-million with an equally impressive effort from gate 10.

There was a great crowd, with plenty of betting, and partying that continued at the lively evening session of what's been a very buoyant Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale. We spent the day in a very nice marquee towards the end of the grandstand with amazing fashions and food. I also saw something I've never seen before: the first race, a A\$250,000 maiden was held up for several minutes as a shoe was replaced on the eventual winner while the other horses stood somewhat patiently in the gate. Quite extraordinary!



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Johnny Velazquez didn't fare well with his three horses, but he really enjoyed the experience, and the whole week, as I have.

This trip has been fun for me, Anita and our children, and my experience of the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale has given me new opportunities and options to talk about with my owners. Everyone we've met has been welcoming and we've very much appreciated the wonderful hospitality of Magic Millions and John and Kris Messara and their team at Arrowfield. I'm especially grateful to Susan Archer, who edited my blog as well as hosting buyers and guests at Arrowfield's busy sale marquee.

Animal Kingdom's first yearlings inspire the same kind of confidence in his prospects as a stallion that he inspired as a racehorse. I look forward to following their progress and seeing some of his U.S.-bred progeny in my barn.

As we begin the long journey home, I'm thinking about the year ahead, especially with our newly turned 3-year-olds including the Wertheimers' Rafting and Team Valor's Kasseopia, both of whom are exciting prospects. There's nothing like the promise of a new season and I'm excited to see how it unfolds.

See TDN Europe/International for more Magic Millions coverage by Kelsey Riley.



**BERNICK, FLANERY & LAMBERTH GUESTS AT VISION 20/20 PANEL**

Vision 20/20, a group of young industry members dedicated to educating its members on industry challenges, encouraging dialog and effecting change, will host a panel discussion Sunday evening at Keeneland at 5 p.m. The panel is entitled, "The State of the American Thoroughbred Industry," and will feature Glen Hill Farm's Craig Bernick, Churchill Downs President Kevin Flanery, and the Association of Racing Commissioners International Chairman Mark Lamberth. Vision 20/20 is for industry members under the age of 40, but all who are interested are invited to take part in the event.

"Vision 20/20 is very honored to have Craig, Kevin and Mark join us as panelists for our 'State of the American Thoroughbred Industry' Panel," said Vision 20/20's Chip McGaughey. "2015, as a whole, was a very positive year for our industry. It will be very interesting to hear what these three influential Thoroughbred industry members think can be done to build off of that momentum and also what steps they think can be done to help grow our sport. We very much look forward to the event this evening as well as seeing everyone there at Keeneland."

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**Florida**

**Saturday's Results:**

**6th-GP, \$40,000, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-9, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:46.66, fm.**

**JAY GATSBY (r, 4, [Giant's Causeway](#)--[Starry Dreamer](#) {MSW & GISP, \$564,789}, by [Rubiano](#))** began his career in France for Jean-Claude Rouget, where he went 2-2-1 from five tries, capped by a third in a Marseille-Borely conditions event behind a next-out stakes winner in April. Beaten a neck after setting a pressured pace going 10 panels at Belmont Sept. 29, he settled for fifth over soft going in Belmont's Oct. 3 Gill Hill Prince S. The well-bred grey had last been seen finishing fifth again over wet going at the Big A Nov. 13, and was dismissed at 8-1 off the bench. Well-placed in second early, Jay Gatsby put a head in front at the top of the lane and dug deep to best pacesetter favorite Hollywood Idol (Smart Strike) by a head. Bombagua (Borrego) was another nose back in third. The winner is a half to top sire War Front (Danzig), GSW & GISP, \$424,205; Ecclesiastic (Pulpit), MGSW, \$346,472; and Teammate (A.P. Indy), MGSW & MGISP, \$618,276; and a full to Riviera Cocktail, SW & MGSP, \$204,095. He has a 2-year-old half-brother named Freedom Act (Smart Strike), and his dam was most recently bred to Medaglia d'Oro. Lifetime Record: 9-3-3-1, \$106,092. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)** O-Joseph Allen LLC; B-Joseph Allen (KY); T-James A. Jerkens.

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**9th-GP, \$38,000, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 1-9, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44.37, ft.**

**CHERRY WINE, c, 3, by [Paddy O'Prado](#)**

**1st Dam: C. S. Royce, by Unbridled's Song**

**2nd Dam: Sweeping Story, End Sweep**

**3rd Dam: Appealing Story, by Valid Appeal**

Cherry Wine earned "TDN Rising Star" status with an ultra-impressive last-to-first victory at Gulfstream Saturday afternoon. Sent off as the 2-1 second-choice, the newly-minted sophomore trailed the field by several lengths through opening splits of :23.98 and :48.05. Splitting horses to move into contention on the backstretch, the gray

ranged up three-wide on the far turn and uncorked a powerful rally to swiftly inhale his rivals and sail clear to a dominating six-length victory over favored Battery

(Bernardini). A non-factor ninth in his career bow going this distance on the Saratoga lawn Aug. 30,



Cherry Wine | Lauren King

Cherry Wine was fifth when switched to the dirt and cut back to seven furlongs at Churchill next out Sept. 26. Third when returned to the turf at Keeneland Oct. 11, he was second over a yielding course at Churchill Nov. 1 and broke through with a decisive 9 1/4-length graduation in a sloppy off-the-turfer next out there Nov. 28. Cherry Wine is from the first crop of fellow Dale Romans trainee Paddy O'Prado, a GISW on turf who finished third to Super Saver (Maria's Mon) in the 2010 GI Kentucky Derby. The winner is the first foal out of C.S. Royce, who produced a full-sister to the winner in 2014, a Take Charge Indy filly in 2015 and was bred back to Point of Entry. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$73,878. Click [here](#) for more on the Romans barn. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#), the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)** O-William Pacella & Frank Jones, Jr. B-Pacella Racing, Frank Jones Jr. & Frank Shoop (KY). T-Dale Romans.

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by 7 lengths

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**Florida report cont.**

**11th-GP, \$40,000, Msw, 1-9, 3yo, 7 1/2ft, 1:29.86, fm.**  
**NEXT SHARES (g, 3, [Archarcharch](#)--Two Dot Slew {MSP, \$288,546}, by Evansville Slew),** purchased privately by these connections following a debut second for owner Michael Foster and trainer William Cowans at Ellis Aug. 1, just got reeled in late to finish second at 15-1 in the GII With Anticipation S. at Saratoga Sept. 2. Subsequently transferred to Hall of Famer Bill Mott, the dark bay failed to land a blow in his next three starts, including a 10th-place finish in the GIII Pilgrim S. at Belmont Sept. 26 and a ninth-place finish in an Aqueduct maiden special weight most recently Nov. 8. Given a 7-1 chance to turn it around off the shelf here, Next Shares kept them within his scope in fourth through early fractions of :23.28 and :47.41. He made a bold three-wide move on the far turn and kept on rolling after exchanging multiple bumps with 58-1 Grand Nenuco (Lookin At Lucky) to take it by a neck. Next Shares is a half to Angelica Zapata (Sharp Humor), MSW & MGSP, \$649,845. Sales history: \$87,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: GSP, 6-1-2-0, \$70,982. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Brous Stable LLC, Gary Barber & Wachtel Stable; B-Buck Pond Farm Inc. (KY); T-William I. Mott.



**8th-GP, \$40,000, Msw, 1-9, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:51.12, ft.**  
**GETTYSBURG (c, 3, [Pioneerof the Nile](#)--L. A. Devine, by Pulpit)** was a well-beaten ninth behind an impressive performance from Matt King Coal (Cool Coal Man) on debut at Belmont Oct. 29 and improved to be third as the favorite next out over this strip Dec. 12. Given a 5-1 chance this time around, the gray seized the early advantage and clocked early fractions of :23.73 and :47.46 from the fence. Showing the way into the lane, he cruised clear to a decisive 4 1/2-length victory over Direct Message (Bernardini). It was the third win on the card for trainer Todd Pletcher and jockey Javier Castellano, who captured the GIII Marshua's River S. with Sandiva (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) and the GIII Hal's Hope S. with Mshawish (Medaglia d'Oro) earlier in the day. Sales history: \$425,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$28,215. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-WinStar Farm LLC; B-Whisper Hill Farm (KY); T-Todd Pletcher.

**8th-TAM, \$20,600, Msw, 1-9, 3yo, 7f, 1:24.75, ft.**  
**+GOOD SAVE (g, 3, [Street Sense](#)--Witch Tradition, by Holy Bull),** a half-brother to Go Forth North (North Light {Ire}), GSW & GISP, \$296,488, was let go at 10-1 for this afternoon unveiling. Slowest from the blocks, he made a huge move along the inside approaching the turn all the way up into third.

**8th-TAM cont.**

Taking over through a wide-open rail, he kicked away in midstretch and fended off odds-on Faction Cat (Wildcat Heir) by a bobbing head. Sales history: \$57,000 RNA Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$52,000 RNA 2yo '15 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,400. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Mike Schmeling, Michael Bradley & Ron Blake; B-Fox Straus KY & Ron Blake (KY); T-Thomas F. Proctor.

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**TODAY'S INSIGHTS**

**11th-GP, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, f, 7 1/2ft, 5:05 p.m. ET**

Sam-Son Farm homebred **SMART MISSION (Smart Strike)** is unveiled from the Malcolm Pierce barn. A daughter of fellow Sam-Son representative in Woodbine stakes winner Misty Mission (Miswaki), she is a half to versatile Canadian champion and MGSW Irish Mission (Giant's Causeway), as well as MGSW French Beret (Broad Brush). **Blase (Leroideosanimaux {Brz})** debuts for breeder Team Valor International and trainer Kelly Rubley. By the same sire as Team Valor's GI Kentucky Derby and GI Dubai World Cup winner Animal Kingdom, the chestnut filly is a half to GSW Howe Great (Hat Trick {Jpn}).

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**New York**

**Saturday's Results:**

**INTERBOROUGH S., \$100,000, AQU, 1-9, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.65, ft.**

**1--LA VERDAD, 123, m, 6, [Yes It's True](#)--Noble Fire (SP), by Hook and Ladder.** O-Lady Sheila Stable; B-Eklektikos Stable LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice; J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: MGSW & GISP, 25-16-3-0, \$1,563,200. \*1/2 to Hot City Girl (City Zip), GSW & GISP, \$515,150.

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**2--Dancing House, 117, m, 5, Tapit--Tout Charmant, by Slewvescent.** O-Godolphin Racing LLC; B-Darley (KY); T-Kiaran P. McLaughlin. \$20,000.

**3--Room for Me, 121, m, 6, Harlington--Graziella, by Honour and Glory.** (\$1,200 Wlg '10 KEENOV). O-David Jacobson; B-Stonebriar Stables (KY); T-David Jacobson. \$10,000.

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**BLACKWOOD GRADUATE**

Margins: 2 3/4, 1, 3/4. Odds: 0.40, 8.10, 3.25. Cont. p3

**INTERBOROUGH S. cont.**

Also Ran: Princess Violet, Jubilant Vision, Fat Kat. Scratched: Willet.

La Verdad, a 2015 Eclipse finalist for champion female sprinter, added another trophy to her collection here. The speedy bay held off Wavell Avenue (Harlington) to capture the GII Gallant Bloom H. at Belmont Sept. 26, then annexed the Iroquois S. versus state-breds there Oct. 24. Wheeled back one week later, she reported home a game second behind the aforementioned GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint upsetter at Keeneland Oct. 31. La Verdad most recently disappointed when sixth at 9-5 against the boys in the GIII Fall Highweight H. at the Big A Nov. 26. Pressed through an opening quarter of :23.22 here, La Verdad took over within her own restraint on the far turn and was never seriously threatened while drifting out somewhat down the stretch. La Verdad will have one more race before heading to the breeding shed, according to trainer Linda Rice. "We brought her home from the Breeders' Cup and after the Fall Highweight which, two years in a row, was somewhat disappointing, she trained well, we kept her in New York and made plans to breed her to Medaglia [d'Oro]," Rice said. "[Owner] Sheila [Rosenblum] and I spoke about it and said, 'Well, she's doing so well, let's see if we can win a race or two with her before she goes.' We will be pointed to the [GII] Barbara Fritchie [Feb. 13 at Laurel] off of this, so hopefully she can get another win and go out a winner." [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

**8th-AQU, \$67,000, Alw, 1-9, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.25, ft. EIGHTY THREE (g, 5, Harlan's Holiday--Life's a Dance, by Gone West),** claimed for \$40,000 off owner Wes Welker and trainer Wesley Ward out of a second-place finish over the Saratoga turf Aug. 5, went one better in his first attempt for these connections on dirt at that level in Ozone Park Dec. 3. Second in a first-level allowance over the inner Dec. 19, he was off at 3-1 to get the money here. Eighth in the early going, he took the overland route on the far turn and kept on coming in the stretch to reel in the well-clear 16-1 shot Here Sir (More Than Ready) by 1 1/2 lengths. Sales history: \$75,000 Ylg '12 KEEJAN; \$180,000 Ylg '12 FTKJUL; \$250,000 2yo '13 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-1, \$128,900. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
O-Final Turn Racing Stables LLC; B-Thomas/Burleson (KY); T-David Jacobson.

**6th-AQU, \$55,000, (S), Msw, 1-9, 3yo, 6f, 1:13.83, ft. +BEST VERSION (c, 3, Dublin--Ski Seattle, by Seattle Slew)** showed an upbeat worktab at Parx, but snuck under the radar here at 23-1. Tracking from midpack one off the fence early, the homebred was asked for more along the bend and started to inch closer as he tipped out wider. He reeled in the floundering pacesetter with a sixteenth to run, and found the line a neck to the good of fellow longshot firster Wine Not (First Dude). Best Version becomes the seventh winner from his sire's first crop. His dam produced a filly by The Lumber Guy last season, and was bred back to that stallion, who resides at the same Keane Stud as Dublin--both are property of B. Wayne Hughes's operation. Sales history: \$57,000 RNA 2yo '15 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
O/B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (NY); T-Blane Servis.

**Eastern U.S.**

**Saturday's Results:**  
**8th-LRL, \$49,961, Alw (NW3X)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000-\$40,000), 1-9, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.56, ft.**  
**MEAN SEASON (h, 6, Henny Hughes--Mean Imogene {GSP}, by Silver Deputy),** off since his first career defeat when seventh in last February's GIII Gulfstream Park Sprint, was backed down to 9-10 and got the job done here, but had to work a bit harder than might have been expected. Emerging with the early advantage down the backside, the 'TDN Rising Star' was collared and passed by D C Dancer (Not For Love) approaching the straight, but hugged the rail and fought back to score by a half-length. A debut winner for Ginger Punch Racing and Jose Corrales here in September of 2013, Mean Season was scooped up by these connections for \$150,000 at that year's Keeneland November sale. He went on to air by eight lengths for Bill Mott at the Big A that December, and reemerged in March to cruise again in Ozone Park, earning a 107 Beyer Speed Figure. Vanned off after the Gulfstream Sprint, he had been showing his usual early zip in the mornings preparing for this. Sales history: \$72,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-0, \$132,190. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
O-Jake Ballis & Rashard Lewis; B-Nursery Place, Manfuso & Grum (KY); T-William I. Mott.



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STALLION	AUCTION PRICE	STUD FEE DUE
Flashback	\$15,000	\$0
Flashback	\$20,000	\$5,000
Flashback	\$22,500+	\$7,500 (full fee)
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$15,000	\$0
Power Broker / New Year's Day	\$17,500	\$2,500
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To win: You must be the owner of the mare at the time of purchase of the season resulting in the mating that produced: the first U.S. 2017 foal crop Grade 1 Winner sired by Flashback, New Year's Day or Power Broker (no time restriction). Grade 1 Winners by all three sires are eligible for the bonus and the same person/entity can win all three (\$1,500,000 total).<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> In the event of a dead-heat in any of the above described races by horses sired by any of the 3 West Stallions, any such bonus will be divided pro-rata among the successful owners of the mares at the time of purchase of the season resulting in the mating that produced such horses.

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<sup>3</sup> The provisions listed in Footnotes 1 and 2 also apply to this bonus payment.

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# Central U.S.

**Saturday's Results:**

**9th-FG, \$40,000, Msw, 1-9, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13.06, sy.**  
**+SAPPHIRE SEAS (f, 3, [Proud Citizen](#)--Haven's Honey {MSP, \$219,704}, by E Dubai)** was hammered down to heavy 4-5 favoritism off a steady series of works, including a best-of-98 half-mile in :47 3/5 over this strip three works back Dec. 6. Eagerly tracking from a two-wide third off early splits of :22.44 and :46.96, the bay still had plenty left in the tank when given the signal by Florent Geroux turning for home. Sweeping past the leaders with a three-wide move in early stretch, Sapphire Seas charged home in the slop to a decisive 1 1/2-length victory over fellow first timer Misseventhirteen (Flatter). The winner's dam produced a juvenile filly named French Nouget (Old Fashioned), a yearling filly by Old Fashioned and was bred back to that sire. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-Cindy & Larry Jones (KY). T-Larry Jones.

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# California

**Saturday's Results:**

**3rd-GG, \$32,127, Alw (NW1\$X), Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 1-9, 3yo, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.53, ft.**  
**LIFE IS A TRIP (g, 3, Many Rivers--Tadita, by Indian Charlie),** a smart wire-to-wire debut winner at Golden Gate Dec. 13, was backed as the 1-5 chalk to remain perfect. The dark bay vied for early command while racing on the inside and kicked clear in the stretch to score by 2 1/2 lengths. The winner is a half to Life Is a Joy (Globalize), SW, \$226,131. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$41,340. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-Jerry & Janet Hollendorfer & George Todaro (CA); T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

**4th-SA, \$57,500, Msw, 1-9, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:03.97, ft.**  
**+DENMAN'S CALL (g, 3, [Northern Afleet](#)--Maggie McGowan, by Salt Lake),** dismissed at 22-1 in this career bow while second-time-starting stablemate Rim Nick (J P's Gusto) was hammered down to 7-5 favoritism, tracked from third off the inside through an opening quarter in :22.24 and ranged up for a bid as they hit the half in :45.79.

**4th-SA cont.**

Charging to the lead in early stretch, the chestnut hit the line a good-looking 3 3/4 lengths ahead of Cupid (Tapit). Rim Nick endured some trouble and checked in fifth. The winner, who is out of a half-sister to MGISW Evening Jewel (Northern Afleet), has a 2-year-old half brother by Into Mischief and a yearling half-sister by Graydar. His dam was bred back to Goldencents. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,600. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

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**1st-SA, \$57,000, Msw, 1-9, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39.25, ft.**  
**PAGEANT MATERIAL (f, 3, [Bernardini](#)--Crown of Diamonds, by Distorted Humor)** hit the board in her last two efforts at this distance, including a third-place finish as the 7-5 chalk at Del Mar most recently Nov. 19. Hammered into 3-5 favoritism while adding blinkers here, she raced with the early leaders while three wide. With Santiago Gonzalez aboard, she turned up the heat on the far turn and battled free to earn her diploma by 1 1/4 lengths over \$1.25-million EASMAY graduate Garnet (Bernardini). Sales history: \$122,000 RNA Ylg '14 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$50,490. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

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**First/second-crop starters to watch: Sunday, January 10**

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**ALBERTUS MAXIMUS** (Albert the Great), Shadwell Farm, 92/4/2 8-TP, Msw, 1m, Moving Parts, 15-1  
**ARCHARCHARCH** (Arch), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 248/17/2 9-FG, Msw, 6f, Victory Arch, \$47K OBS OPN 2yo, 4-1  
**BOLD CHIEFTAIN** (Chief Seattle), Victory Rose Thoroughbreds, \$3K, 36/2/0 8-GG, Msw, 6f, Awe, 8-1  
 8-GG, Msw, 6f, Lil' Chieftain, 20-1  
**DROSSELMAYER** (Distorted Humor), WinStar Farm, \$18K, 175/8/0 1-SA, Msw, 1m, Clara's Dream, 6-1  
**DUBLIN** (Afleet Alex), Keane Stud, \$8K, 131/7/0 5-AQU, Aoc, 1m, King Dublin, \$32K OBS OPN 2yo, 20-1

**Rookies cont.**

- GIROLAMO** (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$15K, 150/19/1
- 5-AQU, Aoc, 1m, Charming Indy, \$40K SAR AUG yrl, 4-1
- 1-AQU, Msw, 1m, Out of Nowhere, 20-1
- 8-TP, Msw, 1m, Zabeel Saray, 20-1
- 5-AQU, Aoc, 1m, Pagan, \$40K SAR AUG yrl, 4-1
- HAYNESFIELD** (Speightstown), Airdrie Stud, \$10K, 136/12/1
- 9-FG, Msw, 6f, Jensen, 7-2
- 1-AQU, Msw, 1m, Storm Cell, \$90K SAR AUG yrl, 2-1
- RENDEZVOUS** (Victory Gallop), Daehling Ranch, \$2K, 11/0/0
- 8-GG, Msw, 6f, +Our Rendezvous, 30-1
- TIZ THE ONE** (Tiznow), Red River Farms, 62/11/0
- 9-FG, Msw, 6f, +Tiz Me Is, 20-1
- TIZWAY** (Tiznow), Spendthrift Farm, \$25K, 182/6/2
- 8-TP, Msw, 1m, Quality Street, 12-1
- TRAPPE SHOT** (Tapit), Claiborne Farm, \$10K, 182/11/0
- 6-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Shot Twice, \$55K OBS APR 2yo, 30-1
- 8-TP, Msw, 1m, Kimstrong, \$65K OBS MAR 2yo, 30-1
- WILBURN** (Bernardini), Spendthrift Farm, \$7K, 210/22/1
- 8-TP, Msw, 1m, +Willburnhot, 10-1
- 9-FG, Msw, 6f, Looks Like Thunder, \$20K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1

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**STAKES RESULTS:**

- TURF DASH S.**, \$90,000, TAM, 1-9, 4yo/up, 5fT, :55.06, fm.
- 1--**FAST FLYING RUMOR, 116, g, 4, West Acre--Silver Scandal, by Silver Deputy.** (\$35,000 2yo '14 OBSOPN). O-Winning Stables Inc. & Midnight Rider LLC; B-Gilbert G. Campbell (FL); T-Gerald S. Bennett; J-Ronald Dale Allen Jr. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 14-5-4-0, \$180,795.
- 2--**Power Alert (Aus)**, 120, g, 6, Alert (Arg)--Gold Locket (Aus), by Lochrae (Aus). O-Brian A. Lynch; B-Mr. J Power (AUS); T-Brian A. Lynch. \$15,000.
- 3--**Night Officer**, 116, g, 8, Officer--Perilous Night, by Coronado's Quest. O-Chalk Racing; B-Fitzhugh LLC (MD); T-Thomas Albertrani. \$7,500.

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- BY THE LIGHT S.**, \$75,000, DED, 1-8, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:27.77, sy.
  - 1--**BROOKE'S A BOOKIN, f, 3, by Jonesboro--Orange Street, by Storm Boot.** O/B-Jess George (AR); T-Tim Dixon; J-Rico Flores. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$81,255.
  - 2--**Another Bond Girl**, 122, f, 3, Don't Get Mad--She's a Bond Girl, by Truluck. O/B-William Higgins & Brent Davidson (OK); T-M. Brent Davidson. \$14,250.
  - 3--**Go No Go**, 122, f, 3, **Archarcharch**--Oneinamilliongirl, by Dance Master. O/B-Forrest Hills Farm LLC (OK); T-W. Bret Calhoun. \$7,500.
- Margins: 2HF, 4 3/4, 1HF. Odds: 22.50, 19.10, 5.80.



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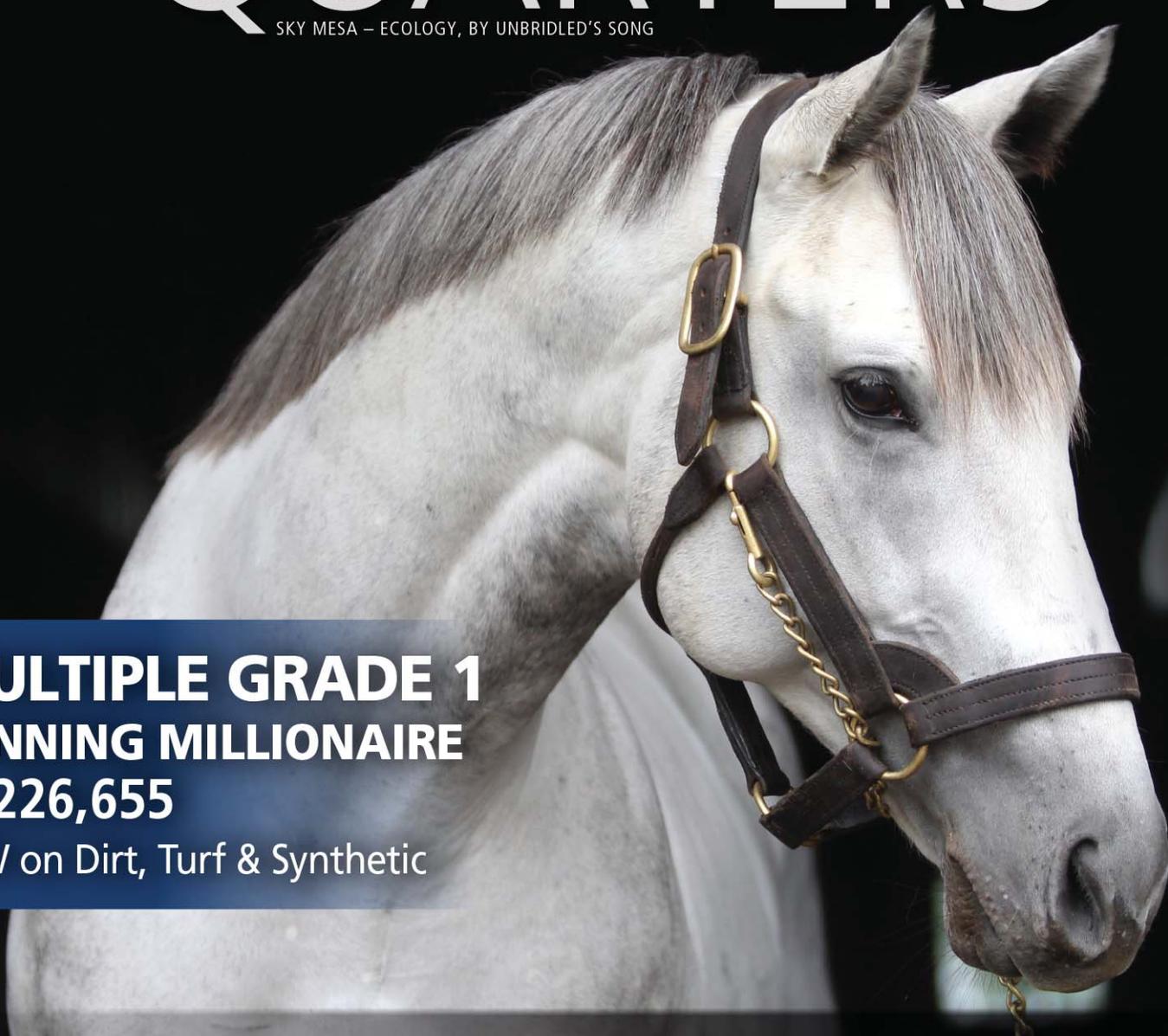
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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**7th-SA, \$61,610, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-9, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43.39, ft.**

**FOLLOW ME CREV (g, 4, [Quality Road](#)--Vicki Vallencourt {MSW & GSP, \$356,014}, by Regal Classic)** Lifetime Record: 15-4-3-3, \$159,440. O-Holly & David Wilson; B-Lynn B. Schiff (KY); T-Vladimir Cerin. \*\$27,000 RNA Ylg '13 FTKJUL; \$30,000 Ylg '13 FTKOCT; \$75,000 2yo '14 OBSOPN.

**5th-FG, \$41,800, 1-9, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:12.88, sy.**

**DISTANT KINGDOM (g, 4, [Majesticperfection](#)--Distant Charm, by Distant View)** Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-1, \$84,440. O-Robert Orth & Wesley Hawley; B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY); T-Wesley E. Hawley. \*\$60,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP; \$32,000 2yo '14 OBSOPN.

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**1st-FG, \$41,000, (S), (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$30,000), 1-9, 3yo, 6f, 1:12.73, sy.**

**SO SORRY RUSTON (c, 3, [Interactif](#)--So Sorry {SP}, by The Prime Minister)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$56,800. O-Terrell Jarrett Jr. & Lara Racing Stables, LLC; B-Neal McFadden (LA); T-Jorge Lara. \*\$2,200 Ylg '14 ESLMIX; \$6,500 2yo '15 TEXAPR. \*\*1/2 to Nubin Ridge (Gold Tribute), MSP, \$332,905.

**7th-FG, \$41,000, (S), 1-9, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:42.15, sy.**

**JUST STORMIN (g, 4, [Freud](#)--Crypto Cream {SP}, by Cryptoclearance)** Lifetime Record: 15-2-0-4, \$79,915. O-Charles Carlton; B-Tom Curtis & Wayne Simpson (LA); T-Glenn Delahoussaye. \*\$15,000 Ylg '13 ESLYRL; \$55,000 2yo '14 EQL2YO.

**8th-FG, \$39,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 1-9, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:42.11, sy.**

**TIZ LATELY (m, 5, [Tiz Wonderful](#)--Prevention, by Aptitude)** Lifetime Record: 22-4-5-3, \$112,386. O-Louis Clarizio, III; B-Woods Edge Farm, LLC (KY); T-Eduardo Rodriguez. \*\$37,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP; \$42,000 2yo '13 OBSMAR.

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**GRAVES ISLAND (g, 3, [Petionville](#)--Sherrie Belle {SP}, by Outflanker)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$66,000. O-Robert C. Roffey Jr.; B-Robert C. Roffey (PA); T-Marya K. Montoya.

**9th-TAM, \$20,600, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 1-9, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:23.92, wf.**

**DANZIG STORM (r, 5, [Distorted Humor](#)--La Suena, by Storm Cat)** Lifetime Record: 17-3-3-3, \$115,382. O-Save Ballou, Kathy Thompson & Harriette Waldron; B-Windhaven Farms Limited (ON); T-Joan Scott. \*\$300,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP.

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- Troisade, g, 3, [Divine Park](#)--Moondancer, by Cuvee.** TP, 1-8, 1m (AWT), 1:39.30. B-Michael & Patricia Freeny (KY).
- Jacky's Notion, f, 3, [Great Notion](#)--Jacky Juice, by Friends Lake.** CT, 1-9, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:20.78. B-Taylor Mountain Farm (WV).
- Madame Maybry, f, 3, [Maybry's Boy](#)--My Amandari, by El Prado (Ire).** AQU, 1-9, (S), (C), 6f, 1:13.44. B-R. A. Hill Stable (NY).
- Honeyhasdamunnings, g, 3, [Munnings](#)--Spiritofthenight, by Black Tie Affair (Ire).** AQU, 1-9, (C), 6f, 1:13.36. B-Green Hill Farm LLC & Charles H. Huber (KY). \*\$9,000 RNA Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$20,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$40,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.
- Lady Forest, f, 4, [Jump Start](#)--Lady Marion, by Forestry.** LRL, 1-9, 6f, 1:12.78. B-Brice Ridgely (MD). \*\$25,000 Ylg '13 EASSEP.

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**Gentlemen Dale, g, 5, [Prospect Bay](#)--Questa, by Norquestor.** CT, 1-8, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.70. B-Oak Hill Farms (WV).



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## ITS ALL RELATIVE ON THE GOLD COAST



Saturday's session-topping Fastnet Rock filly | Magic Millions

by Kelsey Riley

If you thought the pedigree of [lot 672](#) at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale looked familiar, you'd be on the right page. Ten Carat Rock (Aus) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}), the dam of Saturday evening's session-topping A\$1 million Fastnet Rock (Aus) filly from Newgate Farm, is a half-sister to Monsoon Wedding (Aus) (Danehill), whose Pierro (Aus) filly was bought by Coolmore for A\$1.4 million Friday. The 'cousins' were the only fillies to break the seven-figure barrier this week. Lot 672 was bought by up-and-coming Victorian trainer Brent Stanley.

The session concluded Book 1 of the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale which, with A\$115,646,000 brought in over three and a half days of selling, became the highest-grossing yearling sale in the Southern Hemisphere since 2008. The six seven-figure lots was also a record for the sale.

The gross--for 591 sold--was up 26% from last year, when 539 were sold for A\$92,022,500. The average was up 15% to A\$195,679, while the median climbed 15.4% to A\$150,000. The clearance rate was up to 88.5% from 86%.

"It's the highest-grossing yearling sale conducted in the Southern Hemisphere since 2008, which is a very good result by any measure," said Magic Millions Managing Director Vin Cox. "The fact that we've had six million-dollar yearlings is first a testament to the breeders who put them in there, and the fact that we can get well into seven figures for yearlings and have multiple million-dollar yearlings tells the world that the sale has moved to another level, and it's onwards and upwards from here."

## CAPITALIST KING IN 2YO CLASSIC

Trainer Peter Snowden--with son Paul as his foreman--recorded a remarkable feat in 2011 when winning every 2-year-old Group 1 in Australia with Darley's Sepoy (Aus) (Elusive Quality) and Helmet (Aus) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}). Now training as a partnership with a public stable, the Snowdens have another 2-year-old they can dream big with in the form of 'TDN Rising Star' **Capitalist (Aus)** (Written Tycoon {Aus}), who extended his unbeaten streak to three with a facile score in the A\$2 million Magic Millions 2YO Classic Saturday. Breaking like a shot from barrier two, Capitalist found himself about third on the fence down the backstretch and, after nearly being sandwiched out of his position as the false rail fell away, switched to the outside for the run into the turn. He found himself prematurely in front while two-wide midway on the turn and never looked like relinquishing his position, drawing away under mostly hand urging and hitting the wire under wraps by Blake Shinn. [cont. p4](#)

in **TDN America** today...

### SAN PASQUAL GOES THE WAY OF 'CHROME'

2014 Horse of the Year and dual Classic winner **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) easily landed Santa Anita's GII San Pasqual S. for trainer Art Sherman Saturday.

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Cox said the success of the sale was also a testament to the health of the country's industry.

"We're always the first [yearling sale of the year] and set the tone, but I'd say the Thoroughbred industry in Australia is in a pretty good space at the moment," he said. "There's a massive appetite for horses and the international investment was fantastic. Most of the horses are to be left here in Australia, which is great for our industry and shows our industry is very well promoted and highly regarded."

**New Horizons For Newgate...**

The sale of the million-dollar Fastnet Rock filly capped a memorable day for Henry Field's Newgate Farm, which is a part-



Henry Field | Newgate Farm

owner of Capitalist (Aus) (Written Tycoon {Aus}), a graduate of this sale who confirmed his status as one of the best juveniles in the land Saturday afternoon with a win in the Magic Millions 2YO Classic.

"It's been a dream day to have won a Magic Millions with Capitalist, a future stallion for Newgate, and to have sold this magnificent filly for a million dollars tonight," said Field.

It wasn't the first good day of the week for Newgate. The farm's 16 sold through Book 1 made a total of A\$4,410,000, and also included a A\$550,000 Fastnet Rock filly and a A\$400,000 Sebring (Aus) colt on day one, and a A\$380,000 Pierro colt on Friday.

"We brought a very select draft here and we really focused on the quality," Field explained. "She's one of the rarest fillies to go on the market this year; she's a queen of a physical and has an unbelievable pedigree."

That pedigree, to reiterate from Friday, is that of three-time champion sire Redoute's Choice (Aus). Ten Carat Rock is a half-sister to him, as well as Group 1 winners Platinum Scissors (Aus) (Danehill) and Manhattan Rain (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}). She is a full-sister to Sliding Cube (Aus), the dam of Group 2 winner and young Coolmore sire Rubick (Aus). This is her second foal, and Ten Carat Rock was bought by Newgate carrying this filly, for A\$750,000 from the Teeley dispersal at the 2014 Magic Millions National Sale--the same draft that Monsoon Wedding was plucked from. Her first foal, the 2-year-old filly Our Lucky Raquie (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), is as-yet unraced.

"If she can run, on a global market, she's a four- or five-million-

dollar mare," Field predicted.

Brent Stanley, a former Group 1-winning jockey who has held his training license around three years, operates his Victorian stable as Cloud 9 Thoroughbreds. He said the filly had been bought on behalf of a pair of clients. The young trainer appeared unfazed by the lofty price tag.

"The page sold itself to a certain degree," he said. "She was a pretty easy buy at a million dollars."

"I was taking her home," Stanley added when asked about his limit.

"She's a packaged racehorse," he continued. "You're not just buying the page; she's a proper physical. She's a great mover, very athletic, with good bone and great muscle--everything I look for in a horse. You see a lot of big-priced horses who don't make it to the next level because people are just buying the page. They need to also have all the physical attributes."



Brent Stanley  
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Stanley said his business has grown from one horse to 160 in three years.

"I have some big clients, who are also breeders and want to race horses before sending them to stud," he said. "I have proven to my clients that I can train 2-year-olds and older horses from other trainers and improve them. These guys have jumped on board and want to buy horses for the future and they are all about their breeding and making Australian racing bigger and better and having a big future in it."



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CUMULATIVE	2016	2015
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• No. Sold	591	539
• RNAs	77	90
• % RNAs	11.5	14.3
• No. \$500K+	29	20
• High Price	1,600,000	1,200,000
• Gross	115,646,000	92,022,500
• Average (% change)	195,679 (15%)	170,728
• Median (% change)	150,000 (15.4%)	130,000

**MAGIC MILLIONS GOLD COAST YEARLINGS  
SATURDAY'S TOP SIX LOTS**

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (A\$)
<a href="#">672</a>	filly	<a href="#">Fastnet Rock</a> (Aus)	<a href="#">Ten Carat Rock</a> (Aus)	1,000,000
		<i>B-Blake Sandblom Pty Ltd (Aus)</i> Consigned by Newgate Farm Purchased by Cloud 9 Thoroughbreds/C B Bloodstock		
<a href="#">704</a>	colt	<a href="#">Snitzel</a> (Aus)	<a href="#">Very Cherry</a> (Aus)	460,000
		<i>B-Mr D W Flower (Aus)</i> Consigned by Amarina Farm Purchased by George Moore Bloodstock		
<a href="#">737</a>	colt	<a href="#">I Am Invincible</a> (Aus)	<a href="#">Zadiym</a> (Aus)	380,000
		<i>B-Mr. J Byrne (Aus)</i> Consigned by Glastonbury Farms Purchased by Hong Kong Jockey Club		
<a href="#">743</a>	filly	<a href="#">Not A Single Doubt</a> (Aus)	<a href="#">Zimaretto</a> (Aus)	360,000
		<i>B-Mr. H J Mitchell (Aus)</i> Consigned by Yarraman Park Stud Purchased by Blue Sky Bloodstock		
<a href="#">651</a>	filly	<a href="#">Commands</a> (Aus)	<a href="#">Swansea</a> (Ire)	340,000
		<i>B-O'Shea Family Trust and Rosemont Stud (NZ)</i> Consigned by Rosemont Stud Purchased by Shadwell Australasia		
<a href="#">700</a>	colt	<a href="#">Redoute's Choice</a> (Aus)	<a href="#">Velocitea</a> (NZ)	340,000
		<i>B-R A and J E Ferguson (Aus)</i> Consigned by Rheinwood Pastoral Co. Purchased by Mick Price Racing		

**Moore of the Same For Snitzel...**

Snitzel was responsible for three of the six millionaires of the week and his popularity didn't wane Saturday, with Hong Kong-based agent George Moore pushed to A\$460,000 for [lot 704](#), his colt from Amarina Farm out of Very Cherry (Aus) (Anabaa).

"They're selling really well," Moore said of the Snitzels.

"Arrowfield has done a really good job with him. This horse was a good mover and very athletic, exactly what we look for in a horse. The Snitzels have run well in Hong Kong. We've been trying to buy a Snitzel for the whole sale and we're happy to get a beautiful one."



George Moore (left) and his father, trainer John Moore | *Magic Millions*

He noted the horse had been bought on spec with plans undecided as to whether he will be immediately exported to Hong Kong or start his career in his country of birth, the latter of which may be Moore's preferred avenue.

"Hong Kong is a better environment for the tried horses, so I'm having a lot of my clients for these yearlings race them in Australia then export them to Hong Kong, because it turns out to be a lot cheaper," he explained.

Also headed to Hong Kong is [lot 736](#), a colt by I Am Invincible (Aus) bought by the Hong Kong Jockey Club for A\$380,000. That organization's Mark Richards explained that I Am Invincible is a sire they are keen to try in Hong Kong.

"We've been underbidder on about three I Am Invincible's at this sale," he said. "He was the nicest one--he didn't quite have the same page as one or two of the others--but as an individual he was the pick. We tried on the earlier ones but we just didn't get them; with those stronger pages they cost a little more money. That's why we missed out. At the end of the day we got the one we really wanted, so we're more than happy."

I Am Invincible hasn't yet had many chances in Hong Kong, but Richards said the progeny of the Yarraman Park sire--who was Australia's champion first-season sire in 2013/14--boast traits he thinks would suit that country.

"He's a very early sort of sire but his success here is what's leading us in," Richards noted. "He's stamping his horses incredibly well. They're all coming out almost like peas in a pod and they're the right type; they go on top of the ground and they look like fast horses. Great temperaments--that's one thing I've noticed about all of them. You can just pull them out and they go to sleep in your hands. They're ideal types."

**Price Pays For Familiar Family...**

Trainer Mick Price is plenty familiar with Velocitea (NZ) (Volksraad {GB}), having conditioned her to win the G1 Goodwood H. in addition to three other black-type races, and on Saturday evening he went to A\$340,000 for her Redoute's Choice (Aus) colt ([lot 700](#)) that he described as "the best foal the mare has had."

"I've watched these foals out of this mare and this is the best foal the mare's had," Price said, explaining he bought the colt on spec. "We trained Velocitea and she was so gutsy. She won Group 1s for us and raced at the highest level for a long time." [cont.p4](#)



Mick Price | *Racing and Sports*

### Price Pays for Familiar Family cont.

The colt is the fourth foal out of Velocitea. Her first is this one's full-brother, the stakes-placed Limehills (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), who was a A\$320,000 purchase by Arrowfield from this sale in 2013. Another full-brother was bought by James Harron for A\$300,000 here last year. Velocitea was separated from Redoute's Choice for the first time in her breeding career last year; she produced a colt by Fastnet Rock (Aus).

Price was philosophical about his new acquisition's price tag.

"You pay a lot for these horses, especially at this sale, but I have a bit of knowledge about the family and he's the best that mare's had and he'll be a nice horse."

Price has enjoyed success with another son of Redoute's Choice in recent years, the champion sprinter Lankan Rupee (Aus), and he said he expects this colt to be of a similar profile.

"He's a sprinter," Price said. "He's out of a sprinter and that's what the world is looking for so that's why we bought him."

### Colt Commands Shadwell's Attention...

The last yearlings by Street Cry (Ire) have generated plenty of good press this week on the Gold Coast, and another late Darley sire with his last yearlings to enjoy a good result Saturday was Commands, whose [lot 651](#) was hammered down to Shadwell racing manager Angus Gold for A\$340,000. Perennial leading sire Commands, who died in July 2014, set an Australian record for winners in a season (155) in 2010/11, and was one of just two sires in the country to sire 10 or more stakes winners in Australia in the four years before his death. Shadwell's latest acquisition is proven on the dam's side as well, being a half-brother to Godolphin's dual Group 3 winner Sweynesse (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}).

In total Gold—who was making his first visit to Magic Millions in eight years—signed for eight lots for a A\$2,765,000.

### Another Juvenile Star For Baker?

Burgeoning Sydney trainer Bjorn Baker recorded a career milestone two years ago to the day when his Unencumbered (Aus) (Testa Rossa {Aus}) took the Magic Millions 2YO Guineas, and Baker will be hoping his latest purchase, [lot 727](#), can live up to those expectations after paying A\$220,000 for the Pierro (Aus) colt Saturday night.

The colt was consigned by the Lyster family's Three Bridges Thoroughbreds, the Victorian operation that stands Unencumbered. Peter Lyster said he was happy with the price fetched by his colt.

"He's a lovely horse and he's going to a very nice home going to Bjorn. We have a good relationship with Bjorn since we purchased Unemcumbered, his Magic Millions winner, and we hope for our sake and Bjorn's sake he can replicate that."

Three Bridges sold 10 yearlings of 12 offered through Book 1 for A\$1,749,000, and that haul also included a A\$410,000 Sebring colt and a A\$260,000 All Too Hard colt on day one, as well as a A\$220,000 Not A Single Doubt filly for A\$220,000.

"That's the eighth horse we've had here and we're averaging just over A\$200,000, so it's a great result," Lyster said midway through the session. Three Bridges later sold [lot 746](#), a Bel Esprit (Aus) filly who was the final yearling through the ring of Book 1, for A\$170,000 to Boomer Bloodstock and Matt Cumani.

Magic Millions's single-session Book 2 of the Gold Coast Yearling Sale begins at 10 a.m. local time Sunday.

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Arrowfield's John Messara spotted enjoying his TDN at Magic Millions earlier this week

### Capitalist King in 2YO Classic cont.

"He is just a wonderful 2-year-old and up there with the best I've ridden," Shinn said. "He flew the gates today and the key was to keep him out of trouble and because he jumped so well he was contesting the lead pretty early. We were in a line of four and he was there comfortable but I thought if I gave away that spot there was a chance I could get pushed three pairs back so I had to hold my position. As soon as I got him off the rail it was smooth sailing from there."

Twelve months ago nearly to the day, Capitalist was parading across the street from the Gold Coast Turf Club at the Magic Millions Bundall complex before selling to agent James Harron and the Snowdens for A\$165,000. [cont. p5](#)

**Capitalist King in 2YO Classic cont.**

**Saturday, Gold Coast, Australia,**

**JEEP MAGIC MILLIONS 2YO CLASSIC**-Restricted Listed, A\$2,000,000, GCTC, 1-9, 2yo, 1200mT, 1:09.29, gd.

1--**CAPITALIST (AUS), 125, C, 2, Written Tycoon (Aus)--Kitalpha (NZ), by Fusaichi Pegasus.** (A\$165,000 yrl '15 MMGCYS)

O-James Harron Bloodstock, Newgate S F, Horse Ventures, Est E G T Bateman, Mrs B C Bateman, Doyles Breeding & Racing, Rockingham Thoroughbreds, J A & Mrs F A Ingham, Love Racing, D & L Alford, Dr M A Holland, G1g Racing & Breeding & D Saab; B-Daandine Pastoral Co Pty Ltd; T-Peter & Paul Snowden; A\$1,200,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, A\$2,104,200.

2--**Nikitas (Aus), 125, c, 2, Snitzel (Aus)--Mine Game (Aus), by General Nediym (Aus).** (A\$280,000 yrl '15 MMGCYS). O-D H T Devine, Mrs D M Devine, N Morgan, Mrs J G Morgan, E A Galante & Mrs J A Galante; B-Gilgai Farm; T-K C Wood; A\$370,000.

3--**Candika (Aus), 121, f, 2, Sebring (Aus)--Divya (Aus), by Danzero (Aus).** (A\$100,000 yrl '15 MMGCYS) O-Proven Thoroughbreds (Mgr: A Walter), Niugini Racing (Mgr: R Allport), J Cross, G Kirby, J Parry, Mrs G Parry, T D Hughes, Miss K Hasson, S Roberts, Mrs J Peck, Mrs P Goddard, A McMaster, Mrs E McMaster, V Corry, G Macandrews, W Glass, K Richmond, Mrs J Martin, M Hunter & L Gray; B-Kia Ora Stud; T-Steven O'Dea; A\$180,000.

Margins: 2HF, 3, 3 1/4. Odds: 1.40, 11.00, 26.00.

Also Ran: Niccolance (Aus), Mooshakissa (Aus), Faraway Town (Aus), Slumber Party (Aus), Zafina (Aus), Zelady's Night Out (Aus), Highland Beat (Aus), Rare Occurrence (Aus), Rainy Day Woman (Aus), Claro El Banco (Aus), Punishing (Aus), Party Pardee (Aus), Just Orm (Aus).

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Now with three starts under his girth, he has more than earned that purchase price back with A\$2,104,200 in the bank. Debuting in Randwick's prestigious Listed Breeders' Plate Oct. 3, Capitalist scampered home by three lengths to earn 'TDN Rising Star' status in the same event that produced last year's 'Rising Star' and G1 Golden Slipper winner Vancouver, as well as the likes of Pierro, Sebring, Snitzel and Choisir since the turn of the century. Capitalist was equally impressive when taking Wyong's Magic Millions 2yo Classic Dec. 17, but his path to this event wasn't entirely clear thereafter. He missed a barrier trial later in the month after spiking a temperature, but signaled his readiness with an 800-meter gallop between races at Randwick Jan. 1, and his fortunes appeared to be firmly back on track when he drew barrier two for this.

Capitalist firmed into A\$3.50 from A\$6.00 for the G1 Golden Slipper, and Peter Snowden confirmed that would be his target.

"That was everything you want to see," Snowden said. "He jumped well, probably better than I thought he would and he showed tremendous gate speed which he hasn't really been doing because we haven't asked him to do it. I think Blake was super confident from the 700-meter pole because he doesn't normally do what he did there to pull himself to the front."

"It [the Golden Slipper] is doable and I was very mindful of it because this is only his second run back from a spell," Snowden added. "There is room to move because he was ready for today but I think there is more to come."



**Blake Shinn jubilant aboard Capitalist, who is led in by Belinda Bateman**  
*Magic Millions*

The feature win capped a good day at the office for the Snowdens, who kicked off the card with a win by Wolf Cry (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) in the A\$230,000 maiden.

Capitalist's dam, Kitalpha, has a yearling filly by Real Saga (Aus) who was bought by Harron at the Gold Coast sale Tuesday for A\$200,000. Kitalpha died last year after producing a filly by Smart Missile (Aus).

The Magic Millions 2YO Classic carries a A\$500,000 bonus for the first four across the line owned exclusively by women. The recipients were as follows: Faraway Town (sixth, A\$325,000); Zelady's Night Out (ninth, A\$100,000); Highland Beat (10th, A\$50,000); and Rainy Day Woman (12th, A\$25,000).

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**MAHUTA ANNEXES MM GUINEAS**

Magic Millions Adelaide yearling sale graduate Mahuta has gone from strength to strength this campaign, and the bay colt continued his upward trajectory Saturday when overcoming barrier 20 to score in the A\$2 million Magic Millions 3YO Guineas. Second on debut at Seymour Sept. 9, Mahuta finished fourth two weeks later at Echuca and got off the mark by six lengths a further three weeks after that when stepped up to this distance at Kyneton. The Darren Weir charge hasn't lost since. He took his black-type debut in the Listed Gothic S. at Caulfield Oct. 17, and added Flemington's G3 Carbine Club S. over a mile on Halloween. He took another step up in grade when a clear-cut winner of the G2 Sandown Guineas also over a mile, and was cutting back in this rich test off a near two-month layoff. Rocketing to the lead from the break and getting over to the rail, Mahuta was never headed and never truly tested, getting to the line under mostly hand urging from Brad Rawiller. [cont. p6](#)

**Mahuta Annexes MM Guineas cont.**

**Saturday, Gold Coast, Australia**

**GOLD COAST MAGIC MILLIONS 3YO GUINEAS**-Restricted Listed, A\$2,000,000, GCTC, 1-9, 3yo, 1400mT, 1:21.57, gd.

1--**MAHUTA (AUS), 128, c, 3, Flying Spur (Aus)--Vahine (NZ), by Zabeel (NZ).** (A\$35,000 yrl '14 MMADE) O-Roll The Dice, N Gottlewski, G Buchan, B Stonehouse, D Anderson, J Rullo, H Norton, G Moss, B Grace, S McKenzie, T Samuel, D Parkinson, W W W Racing, Sixlands & National Queen; B-Packaging Investments Aust Pty Ltd; T-Darren Weir; A\$1,200,000. Lifetime Record: 7-5-0-0, A\$1,562,460. \*1/2 to Anlon (Aus) (Stratum {Aus}), SW-Aus, \$270,773.

2--**Single Gaze (Aus), 121, f, 3, Not A Single Doubt (Aus)--Redaluca's Gaze (Aus), by Intergaze (Aus).** (A\$70,000 yrl '14 MMGCYS) O-N Olive, M P Hay, D E Tout, W P Oxford, M Notaras, R P Keeley, P Kouvelis, N Keeley & Redbank North Pty Ltd; B-J A Middleton; T-Nick Olive; A\$370,000.

3--**Egyptian Symbol (Aus), 121, f, 3, Stratum (Aus)--Our Egyptian Raine (NZ), by Desert Sun (GB).** (A\$90,000 RNA yrl '14 MMNYS) O/B-Cressfield; T-Bjorn Baker; A\$180,000.

Margins: 1, 1, 2. Odds: 4.50, 26.00, 5.50.

Also Ran: Flippant (Aus), Madotti (Aus), Most Important (Aus), Dram Of Red (Aus), In His Stride (Aus), Typing (Aus), Sir Bacchus (Aus), Flamboyant Lass (Aus), I'm Belucci (Aus), Sagaronne (Aus), Star Of Night (Aus), Atalanta Miss (Aus), Real Good (Aus).

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"It's easy to say after the event but if you went on his form it was good for a race like this, but it was his first time the reverse way, he had the outside barrier and a bit of weight," said Weir, who recorded a double having won the Magic Millions Cup with Lucky Hussler (Aus) (Husson {Arg}) one race earlier. "But after they'd gone 300 metres all of that was out of the way because he looked to be on his right leg and he got across into a nice



**Mahuta and Brad Rawiller | Magic Millions**

rhythm. He was getting tired late but he was entitled to do that."

Mahuta was a A\$35,000 buy from the Redbank North consignment at the Magic Millions Adelaide sale in 2014, and with this win has now bankrolled A\$1,562,460. He led in an exacta for that

consignment, with runner-up Single Gaze having also been sold by the operation. Mahuta's dam, Vahine, has a yearling filly by Foxwedge and did not produce a foal last year after coming up barren to I Am Invincible (Aus).

**BUFFERING BREAKS A\$6 MILLION BARRIER**

In another notable result on the Magic Millions Raced card, six-time Group 1 winner **Buffering (Aus)** (Mossman {Aus}) recorded a popular win in the 1300-meter Magic Millions Plate. The 8-year-old gelding, a A\$22,000 yearling buy, has now bankrolled more than A\$6,444,866 with 19 wins from 51 starts.

"If we'd lost today they [owners] probably would've sacked the trainer at fives on [\$1.20], so it's an enormous relief," said trainer Robert Heathcote. "It gives me a lot of pride to showcase him here on his home turf in Queensland. He's one of Queensland's best-ever sprinters so to win here in front of everybody is just magic."

Buffering's next target will be the G1 Al Quoz Sprint on the Dubai World Cup card in March.

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**'EAGLE' WINS L'ORMARINS QUEEN'S PLATE**

South Africa's highest-rated horse, **Legal Eagle (SAf)** (Greys Inn) gained a berth in the G1 Breeders' Cup Mile at Santa Anita Nov. 4-5 and pilot Anton Marcus proved the doubters wrong, winning the G1 L'Ormarins Queens Plate at Kenilworth Racecourse Saturday.

There was considerable negative buzz among the critics when Marcus chose the 7-1 shot over South African G1 Grand Parade Cape Guineas



**Legal Eagle | Liesl King**

winner **Act of War (SAf)** (Dynasty {SAf}) (sixth), both horses representing Ingrid and Markus Jooste, in the nation's premier weight-for-age mile. Given a positive ride by Marcus, Legal Eagle led into the first corner, but was displaced from that position and was content to sit second until asked to kick entering the final 300 meters. He sustained his run to the line, delivering the spoils with market second-choice **Legislate (SAf)** (Dynasty {Aus}) weaving through traffic to take second over the Mike de Kock-trained 3-year-old **Noah From Goa (SAf)** (Tiger Ridge). The winner, and several of those that finished behind, will press on to the G1 J & B Met in three weeks' time. [cont. p7](#)

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**'Eagle' Wins L'Ormarins Queen's Plate cont.**



L'Ormarins Queen's Plate  
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Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa

**L'ORMARINS QUEEN'S PLATE-G1**, R1,000,000 (US\$61,334), KEN, 1-9, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:39.23, gd.

1--**LEGAL EAGLE (SAF)**, 132, g, 4, by Greys Inn

**1st Dam: Young Sensation (SAf) (GSP-SAf),  
by National Emblem (SAf)**

**2nd Dam: Fair Model (SAf), by Model Man (SAf)**

**3rd Dam: Winged Princess (SAf), by Another Prince**

(R425,000 Ylg '13 EMPNAT). O-Ingrid & Markus Jooste;

B-Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm (SAf); T-Sean Tarry; J-Anton

Marcus. R625,000. Lifetime Record: 9-5-2-0, R2,297,875. **Werk**

**Nick Rating: A. Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)**

2--**Legislate (SAf)**, 132, h, 5, Dynasty (SAf)--Champers (SAf), by

Restructure (Ire). (R100,000 Ylg '12 EMPNAT). O-John T

Freeman, W J C Mitchell & Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A

Rupert); B-Cheveley Stud (SAf); T-Justin Snaith. R200,000.

3--**Noah From Goa (SAf)**, 121, g, 3, Tiger Ridge--Limerick (SAf),

by Fort Wood. (R325,000 2yo '14 BSAAUG). O-Wilgerbosdrift

(Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mrs M Slack), M F de Kock, G M Grant, C S

Haynes, G J Westwater, Mrs N P Malherbe, Dr J McVeigh &

Mrs A J McVeigh; B-Wilgerbosdrift (SAf); T-Mike de Kock.

R100,000.

Margins: 1HF, HF, 1. Odds: 7.00, 4.00, 6.00.

Also Ran: Captain America (SAf), Futura (SAf), Act of War (SAf),

Master Sabina (SAf), Gold Onyx (NZ), Heartland (SAf), Ashton

Park (SAf), Night Trip (SAf), Bouclette Top (Arg), King of Pain

(SAf), Power King (SAf).

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"I am elated but I am so sorry at the same time that owner Markus [Jooste] could not be here," Marcus, who also won the 2013 Queen's Plate with Variety Club (SAf) (Var), told the *Sporting Post*. "I really did have faith in Legal Eagle, even with a few questions raised after his last run--which was on the inside track. He showed today what he is capable of and we always felt that if he could reproduce his 120 rating, as he does on the outside course at Turffontein, he would be a big runner. I feel that we can put a line through his July run as there were excuses first time at Greyville. Today I followed Bouclette Top and didn't really want to lead--even though I am sure we could have, had the need arisen."

Added trainer Sean Tarry to the *Sporting Post*, "Anton rode a great race and I was pleased to see we got the cover. The game plan changed a few times. But, hey, it worked out well."



Legal Eagle | Liesl King

"The five-month break from racing has done him well," he continued. "I must thank all my staff who headed up my team here. Thanks to Eric Sands for assisting us. And I'm thrilled to have gotten the open boxes--the Cape guys are missing something by not filling them."

A winner of the Listed Derby Trial going 2000 meters at Turffontein Apr. 4, Legal Eagle saluted in the G1 SA Derby later that month and made it three in a row shortened to 1800 meters in the G3 Jubilee H. June 14. Only fifth in the G1 Vodacom Durban July behind the reopposing pair of favorite **Power King (SAf)** (Silvano {Ger}) and South African Horse of the Year **Futura (SAf)** (Dynasty {SAf}) July 4, the Sean Tarry charge was freshened, but only managed second as the 1-4 chalk in an allowance plate at Turffontein Dec. 10.

By G1 Vodacom Durban July hero Greys Inn, himself a half-brother to the dam of Smart Call (SAf) (Ideal World), who landed the G1 Maine Chance Farm Paddock S. one race earlier on the card, Legal Eagle is out of the group-placed Young Sensation (SAf) (National Emblem {SAf}). His second dam, Fair Model (SAf), (Model Man {SAf}) scored in South Africa's G1 Allan Robertson Bloodline Championship.

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# L'Ormarins Queen's Plate Day

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**MAINE CHANCE FARMS PADDOCK S.-G1**, R1,000,000

(US\$61,334), KEN, 1-9, 3yo/up, f/m, 9fT, 1:51.77, gd.

1--**SMART CALL (SAF)**, 131, f, 4, by **Ideal World**

**1st Dam: Good Judgement, by Horse Chestnut (SAf)**

**2nd Dam: Great Verdict (Aus), by Christmas Tree (Aus)**

**3rd Dam: Summoned (Aus), by Crowned Prince**

O-Mauritzfontein (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Miss J B Slack);

B-Mauritzfontein Stud (SAf); T-Alec Laird; J-Weichong

Marwing . R625,000. Lifetime Record: 15-6-4-2, R1,991,125.

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**Rating: A+++.** \*Triple Plus\*.

2--**Inara (SAf)**, 131, f, 4, [Trippi](#)--Mountains of Mist (Ire), by Shirley Heights (GB). O/B-Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert) (SAf); T-Mike Bass. R200,000.

3--**Bela-Bela (SAf)**, 119, f, 3, Dynasty (SAf)--Mystic Spring (Ire), by Royal Academy. (R1,400,000 2yo '14 BSAAUG).

O-Varsfontein Stud (Pty) Ltd (Nom: J S Kalmanson); B-Cheveley Stud (SAf); T-Justin Snaith. R100,000.

Margins: 2, 1, HF. Odds: 3.30, 8.00, 5.00.

Also Ran: Same Jurisdiction (SAf), Pine Princess (SAf), Star Express (SAf), Cat and the Moon (SAf), Ma Choix (Aus), Come Fly With Me (SAf), Acrostar (Aus), Moonsong Magic (SAf), Gallica Rose (SAf), Harlem Shake (SAf), Crystal Cavern (SAf), Zante (SAf), Deputy Ryder (SAf). Scratched: Sublime Lady (SAf).

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Smart Call (SAf) secured the first berth on offer in 2016 for the Breeders' Cup, gaining entry to the G1 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf at Santa Anita in November with a two-length victory in the G1 Maine Chance Farms Paddock S. over last year's victrix Inara (SAf). Away smartly, Smart Call settled just behind the leading bunch, while saving ground through the early going. Unleashed up the inside with a quarter-mile remaining, the 3-1 shot seized command and outfooted Inara to the wire. Bela-Bela (SAf) made up some late ground to take third.

Previously a winner of the G1 Woolavington 2000 at Greyville in May of last year, the Mauritzfontein Stud homebred ran second to Saturday's favorite Same Jurisdiction (SAf) (Mambo In Seattle) in the G1 Jonsson Workwear Garden Province S. that July, but could do no better than fifth in the Pinnacle S. coming off a four-month layoff at Turffontein Nov. 3. Smart Call came on from that run with a tally in the G2 Ipi Tombe Challenge at that venue Nov. 28 and added a fitness-building 1800-meter conditions plate over that strip Dec. 12.

Smart Call was sired by Juddmonte homebred Ideal World (Kingmambo), a son of French champion sophomore filly and U.S. champion grass mare Banks Hill (GB) (Danehill), who scored twice at the listed level in France and also ran second in the G2 Qatar Prix Niel. By far the best foal produced by her parents, Smart Call's dam was unraced, but her second dam, the winning Great Verdict (Aus) (Christmas Tree {Aus}) is a half to a slew of Australian stakes winners, including Australian highweight and MG1SW Zeditave (Aus) (The Judge), GSW winner and G1 Lightning S. runner-up Alannon (Aus) (Noalcoholic {Fr}), GSWs Pampas Fire (Aus) (Prince True) and Zedagal (Aus) (The Judge {Aus}) and SW Square Deal (Aus) (The Judge {Aus}).



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**DE SOUSA & MARQUAND BUSY OVERSEAS**

Silvestre de Sousa, champion flat jockey in Britain in 2015, and champion apprentice reinsman Tom Marquand both booted home winners Saturday--at Sha Tin in Hong Kong and at Caulfield in Australia, respectively, the *Racing Post* reported. Although only licensed in Hong Kong for a three-week period, de



Silvestre de Sousa | *Racing Post*

Sousa was aboard **Crimson Heart** (Lion Heart) at Sha Tin Saturday. Marquand is spending a month riding for trainers David Hayes and Tom Dabernig, arriving only this past Thursday, and scored with **Tashbeeh (Aus)** (Commands {Aus}) at Caulfield.

"It was fantastic, he traveled very well through the race and he picked up under pressure and made my job easy," a jubilant Marquand told the *Racing Post*. "As much as it's the other side of the world, it's similar to what we do everyday at home. You've got to treat it the same way--it's a race, it's your job and it's what I came over here to do. As much as it's brilliant to ride winners out here, I can't be getting silly about it and trying to get on everything I can."



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**Saturday's Results:**

**6th-LIN, £4,500, Mdn, 1-9, 3yo, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:11.30, ft.**  
**THE COMMENDATORE (GB) (c, 3, Starspangledbanner {Aus}-- Donna Giovanna {GB}, by Mozart {Ire})**, who hit the board stretching out to seven furlongs at Chelmsford last time Jan. 2, raced in a handy third after the opening stages of this return dropped back to six panels. Afforded an open seam along the fence off the home turn, the crowd's 2-1 choice was ridden to challenge passing the eighth pole and driven out to prevail by 3/4 of a length from Cee Jay (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}). The bay, who is kin to a 2-year-old colt by Equiano (Fr) and a yearling filly by Westlake (GB), hails from the family of GI Yellow Ribbon Invitational heroine Super Staff (Secretariat). Sales history: 32,000gns Wlg '13 TATFOA; 105,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-3, \$9,598. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-M. Tabor & R. Hood; B-J K Beckett & Son (GB); T-John Gosden.

**2nd-LIN, £3,500, Mdn, 1-9, 3yo, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:38.33, ft.**  
**SINGYOURSONG (IRE) (f, 3, Aqlaam {GB}--Dhan Dhana {Ire}, by Dubawi {Ire})**, a debut third going one mile at Kempton Dec. 15, was slowly into stride from the outside box, but recovered to race in touch after the initial stages of this one. Pushed along with three furlongs remaining, the even-money favorite came under increased pressure on the home turn and ran on strongly once taking over approaching the final eighth to score by three lengths from Lord Huntingdon (GB) (Lord of England {Ger}). The winner's third dam is G1 Moyglare Stud S. heroine Flamenco Wave (Desert Wine) and the bay therefore hails from the family of a swathe of top-level winners which includes Charming Thought (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Ballingarry (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), Aristotle (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), Starborough (GB) (Soviet Star) and St Nicholas Abbey (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}). Her dam Dhan Dhana has also produced a yearling filly by Casamento (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$4,209. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Mohammed Jaber; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-D. Simcock.

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**5th-LIN, £19,000, Alw, 1-9, 4yo/up, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:38.96, ft.**  
**LAMAR (IRE) (m, 5, Cape Cross {Ire}--Deveron {G1SP-Fr & GSP-Eng}, by Cozzene)** Lifetime Record: SW-Eng, 23-6-3-3, \$221,146. O-Saif Ali; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-James Tate. \*40,000gns Ylg '12 TAOCT.

 **EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS**

**IN UAE:**

**Lanadam (ITY), g, 6, by Elnadim--Villa Via (Ire), by Night Shift.** Al Ain, 1-9. Hcp. (\$19k), 1800m. B-Ipposervice SRL. \*1/2 to Champion Place (GB) (Compton Place {GB}), GSW-Ity. \*\*€24,000 Ylg '11 SGASEP, 80,000gns 2yo '12 TATAPR.



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