

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2016

LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER?



Rachel's Valentina | Coady

By Christie DeBernardis

Stonestreet Stables homebred **Rachel's Valentina** (Bernardini) looks to follow in her soon-to-be Hall of Fame dam Rachel Alexandra (Medaglia d'Oro)'s famous hoofprints with a victory in Friday's GI Kentucky Oaks. While Rachel Alexandra only had to contend with six rivals in her 20 1/4-length demolition of the 2009 Oaks, her daughter headlines a strong field of 14 as the 3-1 morning-line favorite due to the absence of would-be favorite and undefeated champion Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro). Tabbed a **'TDN Rising Star'** after an impressive debut win at Saratoga Aug. 2, the Todd Pletcher pupil captured that venue's GI Spinaway S. next out Sept. 5 and finished 5 3/4 lengths behind her Eclipse-winning rival when second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Oct. 31. Making her sophomore debut in Keeneland's GI Ashland S. Apr. 9, the bay put away speedy **'TDN Rising Star'** **Cathryn Sophia** (Street Boss) in the stretch only to be run down in the final strides by longshot **Weep No More** (Mineshaft) and finish a neck second. John Velazquez, who stayed in New York to ride Outwork (Uncle Mo) in the GI Wood Memorial S. on Ashland day, reunites with the filly here.

"John has ridden at a very high level consistently for a very long time," Pletcher said. "I have great respect for the decisions he makes. In a tactical race like the Oaks, it is good to have a rider like him on your side." **Cont. p5**

THURSDAY'S TRACKSIDE REPORT

by Steve Sherack

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - An extremely brisk and cloudy morning greeted the GI Kentucky Derby/Oaks horses after some overnight rain left the main track "good" with another packed house in attendance two days out from the 'Run for the Roses.'

With the main track being harrowed during the renovation break, it was business as usual during the special 15-minute training period reserved for the star 3-year-olds at 8:30 a.m. **Cont. p3**



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Danzing Candy gallops beneath the Twin Spires Thursday

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TDN DERBY EDITION

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The TDN staff provides detailed analysis of all 20 Derby contenders and the two also-eligibles, plus a feature from Steve Sherack on Big Chief Racing.

TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

<u>EDT</u>	<u>Race</u>
10:10a	Boodles Diamond Ormonde S.-G3, CHS
1:26p	La Troienne S.-GI, CD
2:08p	Eight Belles S.-GII, CD
3:02p	Twin Spires Turf Sprint S.-GIII, CD
4:02p	Alysheba S.-GII, CD
4:52p	Edgewood S.-GIII, CD
5:49p	Longines Kentucky Oaks-GI, CD
7:30p	American S.-GIII, SA
9:57p	Texas Mile S.-GIII, LS

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Thursday's Trackside Report cont. from p1

I decided to take in the action from a little bit of a different vantage point away from the masses Thursday, watching from about midway on the far turn.

The Derby favorite **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo) had another good morning, galloping smartly while under a snug hold as he rounded the bend. Owners Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reddam were on hand Thursday morning as well, with the former speaking to reporters back at the barn following the unbeaten champion's trip to the track.

Mike Repole's homebred **Outwork** (Uncle Mo), a narrow winner of the GI Wood Memorial S. at the Big A, bounded by with good energy once again as did **Brody's Cause** (Giant's Causeway), who also continues to catch the eye. Trainer Dale Romans was joined by Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer during training hours, according to the ace Churchill notes team.

The sun very briefly made an appearance through an ominous sky as the speedy **Danzing Candy** (Twirling Candy), fitted with a bright yellow/orange browband and black shadowroll, and **Oscar Nominated** (Kitten's Joy) went by, nicely lighting up the latter's chestnut coat. The Ramsey runner, who has done all of his training at Mike Maker's nearby Trackside base, bar his workout beneath the Twin Spires Apr. 29, will be making his first attempt on dirt in the Derby.



Paul Reddam | *Sherackatthetrack*

The G M B Racing duo of **Mo Tom** (Uncle Mo), sporting a dark nasal strip, and **Tom's Ready** (More Than Ready), both displayed some high head carriage during their respective gallops Thursday.

Shagaf (Bernardini) and **Suddenbreakingnews** (Mineshaft) have been two of the prettier movers to watch train all week as they continue to just glide over the surface during their morning preparations here.

Exaggerator (Curlin) jogged two miles going the wrong way with owner Matt Bryan of Big Chief Racing on hand to watch from Texas. More on him in tonight's special Derby edition.

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Thursday's Trackside Report cont.

As usual, the gray **Lani** (Tapit) was the final Derby runner to exit the track shortly after 9 a.m. while continuing to extend his well-documented daily activities well beyond the special training period.

So who looks good out there in the flesh? Without considering any past performances, here are five horses (trust me, this was not easy to narrow down), in alphabetical order, in my opinion, who have stood out a bit from the rest each morning from strictly a physical standpoint: **Creator** (Tapit), **Exaggerator**, **Mohaymen** (Tapit), **Outwork** and **Whitmore** (Pleasantly Perfect).

I'll save my handicapping thoughts for this weekend's Xpressbet.com Triple Crown Throwdown with my man Brian DiDonato.

It looks like much warmer and sunnier weather is about to arrive just in time for the next few days. Thanks for following along all week--good luck everybody!

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THURSDAY'S DERBY CHATTER...

"A lot is being made about me being from Louisville. But it wouldn't mean any more to me than anyone else in this game. Once you come into this game, walk through the gate at any racetrack and starting taking care of horses, you've got to be thinking about Kentucky Derby. It would mean as much to the Japanese who came over here to go back home and say, 'Konnichiwa, everybody,' and wave the trophy."

--Dale Romans, trainer of Brody's Cause (Giant's Causeway) and Derby also-eligible Cherry Wine (Paddy O'Prado).

"I'll have my thoughts on what I think should be our race strategy and my riders [Javier Castellano and John Velazquez] will have their ideas, too. They'll be riding [other] horses for me [Saturday] and walking back after races we can discuss what we're likely to do for the Derby. Waiting until then gives us the extra advantage of seeing how the track is playing that afternoon, which is another factor that has to be considered. We'll work up a plan; we'll get it figured out."

--Todd Pletcher, conditioner of Outwork (Uncle Mo) and Destin (Giant's Causeway).

"He cracks me up. He's all attitude. It's got to be his way. If we get the trip, they're going to know who we are after the race."

--Ron Moquett on Whitmore (Pleasantly Perfect).

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GI Kentucky Oaks Preview cont. from p1

Cash Is King's Cathryn Sophia demolished a field of Parx maidens by 12 3/4 lengths last October and was in a race of her own when cruising by 16 1/4 lengths in Laurel's Gin Talking S.



Cathryn Sophia | Coady

Dec. 5. Stepping up to graded company with aplomb when a decisive winner of Gulfstream's GII Forward Gal S., the bay romped by seven lengths in the one-mile GII Davona Dale S. Feb. 27 and suffered her first defeat last out when trying two turns for the first time in the Ashland. Originally pointed to the seven-furlong GIII Eight Belles S. on the undercard following that loss, trainer John Servis re-routed her to this tougher test after the defection of Songbird.

Ashbrook Farm's Weep No More has done little wrong in

her brief career for trainer Rusty Arnold. Eighth on debut sprinting in the slop here Nov. 28, she turned it around when

stretched to just over a mile next out with a late-running victory at Tampa Jan. 22 and followed suit with a score in that venue's Suncoast S. Feb. 13. Dismissed at 30-1 in the five-horse Ashland, the bay came from out of the clouds when uncorking a powerful stretch rally to deny Rachel's Valentina. That devastating closing kick could be hard to beat if she gets a similar pace set up here and this daughter of champion Mineshaft seems like the type who will relish the added distance.

"I hope they go quick up front [early] and we fall out the back door and follow them around," said Jack Bohannon, assistant to trainer Rusty Arnold. "I hope it unfolds the same as the Ashland."

Just one day before he legs Mario Gutierrez up on Reddam Racing's undefeated champion Nyquist (Uncle Mo) in the GI Kentucky Derby, Doug O'Neill will help the jockey aboard Reddam's **Land Over Sea** (Bellamy Road) in hopes of taking home the lilies. She has spent the majority of her career chasing Songbird around California, finishing a clear second to that rival in four of their six meetings, including the GII Las Virgenes S. Feb. 6 and the GIII Santa Ysabel S. Mar. 5. Sent to New Orleans to avoid the champion in her final Oaks prep, the chestnut earned a much-deserved first graded victory with a decisive 4 1/2-length defeat of **Dream Dance** (Afleet Alex) in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks Mar. 26. **Cont. p6**



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GI Kentucky Oaks Preview cont.

Alpha Delta Stables' **Lewis Bay** (Bernardini) is the only runner in this field with proven success at this nine-furlong distance, having captured Aqueduct's GII Demoiselle S. last November and that venue's GII Gazelle S. last time Apr. 9. Second to Cathryn Sophia in the Davona Dale in between, the Chad Brown trainee posted a solid victory over the re-opposing **Royal Obsession** (Tapit) and **Mo d'Amour** (Uncle Mo) in the Gazelle.

Dale Romans saddles a live longshot in undefeated **Go Maggie Go** (Ghostzapper). A decisive four-length graduate in her six-panel Gulfstream unveiling Mar. 13, the Mike Tarp homebred finished 2 1/4 lengths to the good of **Paola Queen** (Flatter) when trying two turns for the first time in a sloppy renewal of the GII Gulfstream Park Oaks Apr. 2.

"We didn't know she was going to be this good," Romans told the Churchill notes team. "Down in Florida this winter she really blossomed and came around to be a really nice filly."

In addition to Stonestreet's Royal Obsession, Steve Asmussen also saddles MGSW **Terra Promessa** (Curlin) for Barbara Banke's operation and Winchell Thoroughbreds' **Taxable** (Tapit), who finished one-two last time in Oaklawn's GIII Fantasy S. Apr. 9.

Friday, Churchill Downs, post time: 5:49 p.m. EDT

LONGINES KENTUCKY OAKS-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	ML
1	Terra Promessa	Curlin	10-1
O/B-Stonestreet Stables LLC (KY); T-Steve Asmussen; Ricardo Santana, Jr. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-1, \$440,600.			
2	Weep No More 🐾	Mineshaft	9-2
(\$90,000 yrl '14 KEESEP; \$120,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR)			
O/Ashbrook Farm; B-Hinkle Farms Inc. & Robert Kessinger (KY); T-George Arnold; J-Corey Lanerie. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$352,269.			
3	Lewis Bay 🐾	Bernardini	8-1
(\$170,000 RNA yrl '14 KEESEP)			
O/B-Alpha Delta Stables LLC (KY); T-Chad Brown; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr. Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0, \$459,600.			
4	Go Maggie Go	Ghostzapper	12-1
O/B-Mike Tarp (KY); T-Dale Romans; J-Luis Saez. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$175,900.			
5	Dream Dance	Afleet Alex	30-1
(\$50,000 yrl '14 FTKOCT)			
O-Stoneway Farm; B-George Waggoner Stables Inc.; T-Neil Howard; J-Brian Hernandez, Jr. Lifetime Record: 9-2-4-0, \$208,284.			
6	Mokat 🐾	Uncle Mo	20-1
(\$52,000 RNA yrl '14 KEESEP)			
O-JK Racing Stable; B-Dr. Charles S. Giles (KY); T-Richard Baltas; J-Flavien Prat. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-2, \$155,040. Cont. p7			

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- 7** **Mo d'Amour** 🐎 **Uncle Mo** 30-1
 (\$22,000 yrl '14 KEESEP; \$75,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR)
 O-King of Prussia Stable; B-Doug & Felicia Branham (KY); T-Todd Pletcher; J-Joel Rosario. Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-2, \$177,940.
- 8** **Royal Obsession** 🐎 **Tapit** 20-1
 (\$550,000 wnl '13 KEENOV; \$1,000,000 yrl '14 FTSAUG;
 \$1,150,000 HRA '15 KEENOV)
 O-Stonestreet Stables & Regis Racing; B-Marbat LLC (KY); T-Steve Asmussen; J-Florent Geroux. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$125,600.
- 9** **Paola Queen** 🐎 **Flatter** 30-1
 (\$180,000 yrl '14 KEESEP)
 O-Grupo 7C Racing Stable; B-CFP Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Gustavo Delgado; J-Emisael Jaramillo. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-1, \$87,490.
- 10** **Venus Valentine** 🐎 **Congrats** 30-1
 (\$140,000 RNA yrl '14 KEESEP)
 O/B-Rosemont Farm LLC (KY); T-Tom Amoss; J-Shaun Bridgmohan. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$153,185.
- 11** **Rachel's Valentina** **Bernardini** 7-2
 O/B-Stonestreet Stables LLC (KY); T-Todd Pletcher; J-John Velazquez. Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, \$719,800.
- 12** **Cathryn Sophia** **Street Boss** 9-2
 (\$30,000 yrl '14 EASSEP)
 O-Cash is King LLC; B-Robert T. Manfuso (MD); T-John Servis; J-Javier Castellano. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-1, \$385,520.
- 13** **Land Over Sea** 🐎 **Bellamy Road** 5-1
 (\$42,000 yrl '14 KEESEP; \$130,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR)
 O-Reddam Racing LLC; B-Jack Swain III (KY); T-Doug O'Neill; J-Mario Gutierrez. Lifetime Record: 8-2-4-1, \$472,000.
- 14** **Taxable** **Tapit** 20-1
 O/B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Steve Asmussen; J-Mike Smith. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$155,420.
- AE** **Dothraki Queen** 🐎 **Pure Prize** 30-1
 (\$35,000 yrl '14 KEESEP)
 O-Magdalena Racing (Sherri McPeek); Liberty Road Stables (KY); T-Kenneth McPeek; J-Gary Stevens. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-2, \$437,380.
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CURALINA RETURNS IN LA TROIENNE

By Christie DeBernardis

Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners' **Curalina** (Curlin)--a two-time Grade I winner at three last term--makes her seasonal bow in Friday's GI La Troienne S. on the Kentucky Oaks under card at Churchill Downs. Getting up just in time for a neck decision after a poor start in Belmont's GI Acorn S. June 6, the Todd Pletcher pupil crossed the wire a nose second to GISW I'm a Chatterbox (Munnings) in the GI Coaching Club American Oaks at Saratoga July 26, but was promoted to first after that rival was disqualified for interference in the stretch.



Curalina | Susie Raisher

Third next out behind Embellish the Lace (Super Saver) and I'm a Chatterbox in the Spa's GI Alabama S. Aug. 22, the chestnut was second behind MGISW Wedding Toast (Street Sense) when facing older horses for the first time in Belmont's GI Beldame Invitational S. Sept. 26 and was third when last seen in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff Oct. 30.

Harold Queen's **Sheer Drama** (Burning Roma) enters off a win in Keeneland's GI Madison S. Apr. 9 and gets the slight morning-line nod at 8-5 over her younger rival. Second in both this race and the local GII Fleur de Lis H. last year, the 6-year-old posted back-to-back victories in the GI Delaware H. July 18 and GI Personal Ensign H. Aug. 29. Finishing 4 3/4 lengths behind Curalina in fourth in their lone meeting in the Distaff, the chestnut stretches back out a bit here after besting Distaff winner Stopchargingmaria (Tale of the Cat) and GI Breeders' Cup F/M Sprint heroine Wavell Avenue (Harlington) by a neck last time in the seven-furlong Madison.

Angela Renee (Burning Roma) looks to make it two in a row for new trainer Chad Brown. Previously campaigned by Siena Farm and trainer Todd Pletcher, the full-sister to MGISW To Honor and Serve was picked up by Don Alberto Stable for a sale-topping \$3 million at last term's Fasig-Tipton November Sale and transferred to Brown. The bay finished second to subsequent GI Kentucky Oaks winner Lovely Maria (Majesticperfection) in last spring's GI Ashland S. and was sixth next out in the Oaks. Fifth when trying turf in Belmont's Wild Applause S. last June, she was a well-beaten seventh in the GI Test S. Aug. 8 and was subsequently shelved. Making her debut for the Brown barn in an Aqueduct optional claimer last time Mar. 17, the 4-year-old earned her first success since winning the 2014 GI Chandelier S.

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Curalina Returns in La Troienne cont.

Godolphin's **Penwith** (Bernardini) takes another crack at Grade I company after finishing a disappointing fourth in the GI Santa Margarita S. in Arcadia last time Mar. 19. The Kieran McLaughlin trainee returned from an 11-month layoff to win a Gulfstream optional claimer Jan. 21 and followed up with a victory in that venue's GII Royal Delta S. Feb. 13.

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LA TROIENNE S.-GI, \$300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Curalina	Curlin	Velazquez	Pletcher	9-5
2	Sheer Drama	Burning Roma	Bravo	Fawkes	8-5
3	Angela Renee	Bernardini	Castellano	Brown	6-1
4	Brooklynsway	Giant Gizmo	Albarado	Flint	15-1
5	Penwith	Bernardini	Saez	McLaughlin	7-2
6	Enganglee	Fusaichi Pegasus	Lanerier	Romans	20-1
7	Theogony	Curlin	Santana, Jr.	Casse	15-1

Owners: 1-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners (Aron Wellman), 2-Harold L. Queen, 3-Don Alberto Stable (Carlos Heller), 4-Naveed Chowhan, 5-Godolphin, LLC (Sheikh Mohammed Al Maktoum), 6-Paul A. Lichtefeld & Jack D. Stewart, 7-Conrad Farms (Manfred & Penny Conrad). **Breeders:** 1-CASA Farms I, LLC, 2-Harold L. Queen, 3-Siena Farms LLC, 4-HJT Racing Stable, 5-Darley, 6-Paul Lichtefeld & Jack Stewart, 7-A. Lakin and Sons, Inc.

'BIRD' TRIES TO GO ONE BETTER IN ALYSHEBA

by Alan Carasso

Just four starts after breaking his maiden, John Oxley's **Noble Bird** (Birdstone) was having only the ninth run of his career when making his graded-stakes debut in the 2015 renewal of the GII Alysheba S. on the GI Kentucky Oaks undercard. Twelve



Noble Bird | Coady photography

months on from that excruciating head defeat, the chestnut will look to improve on that effort against an evenly matched group Friday afternoon.

The chestnut did manage to take it to a new level in his next outing, besting the hard-knocking Lea (First

Samurai) and Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday) in the GI Stephen Foster H. the following month. Put away for the winter after finishing last of nine behind 'TDN Rising Star' Honor Code (A.P. Indy) in the GI Whitney H. Aug. 8, the Casse runner was a wide-trip sixth in an Oaklawn allowance comebacker Feb. 21, but dictated things from the front in the GIII Ben Ali S. at Keeneland Apr. 16 and was run over late by the re-opposing **Eagle** (Candy Ride {Arg}). Having displayed a rating gear in last

year's Alysheba and given that there looks to be plenty of speed signed on here, it would not surprise to see Julien Leparoux take a hold and come after it late.

A Will Farish homebred, Eagle had a productive winter in New Orleans, winning the Tenacious S. last December before rounding out the exacta in the Louisiana S. and finishing a head behind **Majestic Harbor** (Rockport Harbor) in that one's wire-to-wire success when giving away three pounds in the GIII Mineshaft H. Feb. 20. Fourth, but placed third in the GII New Orleans H. Mar. 26, he bounced back in no uncertain terms in the Ben Ali with a 1 1/4-length victory from Noble Bird.

If the pace is generous, as expected, look for 'TDN Rising Star' **Top Billing** (Curlin) to be flashing home. Placed just once in five starts last year at age four, he ran like a horse in need of the race when a one-paced fifth in a one-mile Gulfstream allowance Mar. 19. But trying eight panels over a two-turn configuration at Keeneland Apr. 15, the chestnut rallied wide on the turn and rattled home from second-last to score by a half-length. The added real estate and long Churchill stretch should aid his cause.

Cat Burglar (Unbridled's Song), a close relative of Derby runner-up Eight Belles, makes his third appearance beneath the Twin Spires, having run second in a Derby Day allowance last May and a distant fifth to Noble Bird in the Foster. Campaigned by Mor Spirit (Eskendereya)'s owner Michael Lund Petersen, the chestnut exits a two-length score in the Apr. 2 Santana Mile S. at Santa Anita.

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Friday, Churchill Downs, post time: 4:02 p.m. EDT

ALYSHEBA S.-GII, \$400,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Cat Burglar	Unbridled's Song	Stevens	Baffert	4-1
2	Natchez	Quality Road	Hill	Lukas	30-1
3	Departing	War Front	Albarado	Stall, Jr.	10-1
4	Eagle	Candy Ride (Arg)	Hernandez, Jr.	Howard	7-2
5	Noble Bird	Birdstone	Leparoux	Casse	4-1
6	Majestic Affair	Majesticperfection	Castellano	Brown	9-2
7	Top Billing	Curlin	Bravo	McGhy III	10-1
8	Face of Winner	Street Boss	Velazquez	Delgado	30-1
9	Majestic Harbor	Rockport Harbor	Lanerier	McGee	6-1
10	Midnight Storm	Pioneerof the Nile	Prat	D'Amato	15-1

Owners: 1-Michael Lund Petersen, 2-Calumet Farm (Brad Kelley), 3-Adele B. Dilschneider & Claiborne Farm (Seth W. Hancock), 4-W. S. Farish, 5-John C. Oxley, 6-Thomas Coleman, Doheny Racing Stable & Madaket Stables LLC, 7-W. S. Farish & E. J. Hudson, Jr., 8-P. D. Stable (Francisco Perez), 9-Gallant Stables (Ron Beegle), 10-Marjorie Post Dye, A Venneri Racing, Inc. & Little Red Feather Racing. **Breeders:** 1-Gulf Coast Farms, LLC, 2-WinStar Farm, LLC, 3-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 4-W. S. Farish, 5-Jack Swain, 6-Doug Oliver, 7-W. S. Farish & E. J. Hudson, Jr. Irrevocable Trust, 8-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 9-Liberation Farm & Brandywine Farm, 10-Alex Venneri & Marjorie Post Dye.

EIGHT BELLES WIN COULD BE CONSOLATION FOR 'CARINA' by Brian DiDonato

While the connections of **Carina Mia** (Malibu Moon) would have preferred to have her contest the GI Kentucky Oaks later in the day Friday had she made it into the field, the 'TDN Rising Star' will instead cut back to seven furlongs for the

GII Eight Belles S. Second to **Stageplay** (Curlin) after setting the pace in their respective debuts going 6 1/2 panels at Keeneland Oct. 10, she returned 19 days later to trounce rivals over that same track and trip by 9 3/4 lengths, good for a 97 Beyer Speed Figure. The \$410,000 KEESEP yearling found herself again matched up with Stageplay in



Carina Mia | Coady Photography

this venue's GII Golden Rod S. over a sloppy 1 1/16 miles Nov. 28, but this time proved clearly best, pulling clear of her chief rival by 4 1/2 lengths at the line. The Bill Mott trainee returned in a super-tough renewal of Keeneland's GI Central Bank Ashland S. Apr. 9, and showed the way early until settling for fourth behind Oaks entrants Weep No More (Mineshaft), Rachel's Valentina (Bernardini) and Cathryn Sophia (Street Boss).

Stageplay also shortens up after a pair of disappointing tries on the Oaks trail. A clear-cut winner of the one-turn-mile Rags to Riches S. here before the Golden Rod, the Steve Asmussen pupil bounced back to winning ways in the Silverbulletday S. at Fair Grounds Jan. 16. Fifth at 3-5 after a very wide trip over an inside-favoring strip in the Feb. 20 GII Rachel Alexandra S. back in New Orleans, she could do no better than a distant sixth in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks Mar. 26. Soon-to-be Hall of Famer Asmussen also sends out LNJ Foxwoods's **Nickname** (Scat Daddy). The dark bay annexed last October's GI Frizette S. in the Belmont slop before finishing fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies later that month. She has been second in all three of her tries this year--to **Marquee Miss** (Cowboy Cal) in Oaklawn's Dixie Belle S. Jan. 15; to stablemate and Oaks contender Terra Promessa (Curlin) in Oaklawn's GIII Honeybee S. Mar. 12; and in Keeneland's GIII Adena Springs Beaumont S. at a similar distance to this one Apr. 17.

Friday, Churchill Downs, post time: 2:08 p.m. EDT

EIGHT BELLES S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Marquee Miss	Cowboy Cal	Hill	Mason	12-1
2	Jade Princess	Tapit	Espinoza	Baffert	8-1
3	Summer Reading	Hard Spun	Saez	Jerkens	8-1
4	Put Da Blame On Me	Blame	Lanerier	Tomlinson	15-1
5	Carina Mia	Malibu Moon	Leparoux	Mott	8-5
6	Blip n' Th Bye	Tale of Ekati	Geroux	Stall, Jr.	12-1
7	Stageplay	Curlin	Santana, Jr.	Asmussen	4-1
8	Nickname	Scat Daddy	Castellano	Asmussen	3-1

Owners: 1-Rags Racing Stable, LLC (Joe Ragsdale), 2-Don Alberto Stable (Carlos Heller), 3-Joseph V. Shields, Jr., 4-Michael J. Bruder, 5-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (Zuleika B. Torrealba), 6-Beau Lane, 7-Mike G. Rutherford, 8-LNJ Foxwoods (Larry, Nanci & Jaime Roth). **Breeders:** 1-David Jacobs, 2-Summer Wind Farm, 3-Pollock Farms, 4-Two Hearts Farm LLC, 5-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 6-E. H. Beau Lane III, 7-Mike G. Rutherford, 8-Michael Hui.

EDGEWOOD GOES THROUGH 'GLIMPSE'

by Alan Carasso

One day before her Eclipse Award- and fellow Breeders' Cup-winning stablemate Tepin (Bernstein) goes in search of a sixth-straight victory in the GII Churchill Distaff Turf Mile, Canadian Horse of the Year and multiple Sovereign Award winner **Catch a Glimpse** (City Zip) will look to remain perfect in six tries on the turf in Friday's GIII Edgewood S. at Churchill Downs.

Possessed of a running style similar to that of her four-time

Grade I-winning stable companion, Catch a Glimpse ran the table once switched to the infield last term, winning the GII Natalma S. in wire-to-wire fashion before settling just off the pace to best recent G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas third Alice



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Springs (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) at odds of 6-1 in the GI Juvenile Fillies Turf. The chestnut easily accounted for theretofore unbeaten Lira (Giant's Causeway) in Gulfstream's GIII Herecomesthebride S. Feb. 27 and ran her undefeated streak to five in the GIII Appalachian S. at Keeneland Apr. 14, with **Ava's Kitten** (Kitten's Joy) and **Outsider Art** (Five Star Day) filling out the minors.

Harmonize (Scat Daddy) came with a barnstorming rally to annex the GIII Jessamine S. at Keeneland last October, an effort which sent her off the 9-2 second favorite on Breeders' Cup Friday. **Cont. p10**

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Nancy From Nairobi (GB) (Sixties Icon {GB}) scores her first graded success in the GII Royal Heroine S.

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Edgewood Goes Through Glimpse cont.

No better than seventh to Catch a Glimpse, Harmonize got home nicely to win the Mar. 26 Sanibel Island S. at Gulfstream Park in her sophomore debut. She'll get the shortest way around the Matt Winn turf course from stall one.

Enjoy Yourself (GB) (Sir Percy {GB}) closed with good energy to finish third behind Ava's Kitten in the Chelsey Flower S. in her North American debut at Belmont last Oct. 31. Impressive in landing a first-level Tampa allowance Feb. 17, she came with a three-wide run in the GIII Florida Oaks Mar. 12 and was outfinished for the win. She gets a major upgrade in the saddle, as Joel Rosario climbs aboard.

Adore (Big Brown) looms an interesting pedigree play as she transitions to the infield for the first time. A two-time winner going long on the dirt, the Winchell runner gave a very good account of herself when last seen in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks, leading into the final furlong before yielding to be third as a 4-1 gamble. She descends from the female family of Boundary--also her paternal grandsire--and Toussaud (El Gran Senor) on the bottom of her pedigree never offended any horseplayer looking for grass potential.

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Friday, Churchill Downs, post time: 4:52 p.m. EDT

EDGEWOOD S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Harmonize	Scat Daddy	Alvarado	Mott	4-1
2	Born to Be Winner	Einstein (Brz)	Saez	Brueggemann	50-1
3	Nodiac (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Prat	D'Amato	15-1
4	Auntie Joy	Uncle Mo	Hernandez, Jr.	Walsh	30-1
5	Ava's Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Castellano	Brown	7-2
6	Jeremy's Legacy (Ire)	Jeremy	Gutierrez	O'Neill	15-1
7	Outsider Art	Five Star Day	Van Dyke	Sheppard	8-1
8	Enjoy Yourself (GB)	Sir Percy (GB)	Rosario	Terranova, II	30-1
9	Believe in Bertie	Langfuhr	Bridgmohan	Cox	20-1
10	Catch a Glimpse	City Zip	Geroux	Casse	2-1
11	Sky My Sky	Bernardini	Leparoux	Casse	15-1
12	Adore	Big Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	Asmussen	15-1
13	Heavenly View	Congrats	Velazquez	Pletcher	15-1

Owners: 1-Larkin Armstrong, 2-Frank Mancari, 3-Little Red Feather Racing (William Koch) & Marsha Naify, 4-Sanford R. Robertson, 5-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey, 6-Bada Beng Racing LLC, Great Friends Stable, Head of Plains Partners LLC et al., 7-Martha J. & Delmar L. Pettigrew, 8-Sovereign Stable (Matthew Gatsas), 9-Richard & Bertram Klein, 10-Gary Barber, Michael James Ambler & Windways Farm (Jeff Begg), 11-John C. Oxley, 12-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC (Ron Winchell), 13-Siena Farm, LLC (Anthony Manganaro). **Breeders:** 1-Jack Swain III, 2-Adena Springs, 3-Ms G. Proctor, 4-Sanford R. Robertson, 5-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey, 6-Laurence & David Gleeson, 7-Martha & Del Pettigrew, 8-Mrs Janet M. Sexton, 9-Richard & Bertram Klein, 10-Branch Equine, LLC, 11-Summer Wind Farm, 12-Charles P. Merrick III, 13-Siena Farms LLC.

Friday, Lone Star Park, post time: 9:57 p.m. EDT

TEXAS MILE S.-GIII*, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Great Minds	Stroll	McMahon	Stall, Jr.	10-1
2	Aces High	Flower Alley	Martin, Jr.	Margolis	10-1
3	Carve	First Samurai	Diego	Asmussen	3-1
4	Blue Tone	Birdstone	Graham	Hess, Jr.	5-1
5	Shotgun Kowboy	Kodiak Kowboy	Loveberry	Trout	8-1
6	Gotham News	Awesome Again	Cabrera	D'Amato	12-1
7	Hip Four Sixtynine	Southern Image	Steinberg	Tubbs	8-1
8	Wolf Man Rocket	Mineshaft	Wade	Howard	15-1
9	Jessica's Star	Magna Graduate	Murrill	Stidham	5-2
10	Endurance	Indy Wind	Sorenson	Sepulveda	30-1

Owners: 1-Vince Wilfork, 2-Pocket Aces Racing LLC, 3-Michael Langford, 4-Schroeder Farms LLC, 5-C. R. Trout, 6-Alastair Thoroughbred Company LLC & Michael Valdes, 7-J-Lu Ltd. Co., 8-Frank Fletcher Racing Operations Inc., 9-Mark D. Breen, 10-Sepulveda Racine & Ropin Ranch. **Breeders:** 1-Claiborne Farm, 2-Eugene Melnyk, 3-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 4-Far View Stables, 5-C. R. Trout, 6-Joseph Allen, 7-Charles H. Deters, 8-Tony Holmes & Walter Zent, 9-Elisabeth H. Alexander, 10-Hardacre Farm LLC
*Result will appear in Sunday's newsletter.

Friday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 7:30 p.m. EDT

AMERICAN S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Si Sage (Fr)	Sageburg (Ire)	Gonzalez	Cassidy	12-1
2	Southern Freedom	Pure Prize	Garcia	Hollendorfer	8-1
3	Little Curlin	Curlin	Pedroza	Hollendorfer	8-1
4	Ohio (Brz)	Elusive Quality	Blanc	Lobo	3-1
5	Patentar (Fr)	Teofilo (Ire)	Quinonez	Callaghan	12-1
6	Cape Wolfe (GB)	Piccolo (GB)	Maldonado	D'Amato	3-1
7	Producer (GB)	Dutch Art (GB)	Baze	Drysdale	12-1
8	Twentytwentyvision	Pollard's Vision	Bejarano	Mandella	5-2
9	Home Run Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Talamo	Hofmans	12-1

Owners: 1-Red Baron's Barn LLC, Rancho Temescal & Vayaconsuerte, LLC, 2-Dang, Mark DeDomenico LLC or Todaro, Et Al, 3-Michael Lynch, 4-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC or Stud R D I, LLC., 5-Al Homaizi or Al Sagar, 6-Sterling Stables LLC, Ellis or Gorman Et Al, 7-Calumet Farm, 8-Ellen & Peter O. Johnson, Sr., 9-Tarabilla Farms, Inc. **Breeders:** 1-Ecurie D, 2-A R Enterprises, Hollendorfer, Todaro & Bluegrass Farm Partners, 3-Michael Lynch, 4-Fazenda Mondesir, 5-Peter Dane Player, 6-Fernham Farm Ltd, 7-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd, 8-Peter O. Johnson, 9-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey.

Sunday, Woodbine, post time: 4:53 p.m. EDT

HENDRIE S.-GIII, C\$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Academic	Henny Hughes	Da Silva	Baker	123
2	Cactus Kris	Cactus Ridge	Villa-Gomez	Walsh	120
3	Leigh Court	Grand Slam	Geroux	Stidham	118
4	Charming Delilah	Stephen Got Even	Wilson	Attard	116
5	Skylander Girl	Stroll	McAleney	Patykewich	118
6	Galina Point	Saffir	Husbands	Casse	121
7	Copper Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Campbell	Bell	116

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GIII Hendrie S. cont.

Owners: 1-Bear Stables Ltd., 2-Anne L. Walsh, 3-Speedway Stable LLC, 4-Stronach Stables, 5-Alexander P. Patykewich, 6-Gary Barber, 7-R.F. and J.E. Shaw. **Breeders:** 1-Spring Farm, 2-James Paliafito & Tom Keegan, 3-Eugene Melnyk, 4-Adena Springs, 5-Auchamore Stud, 6-Spring Farm, 7-Glen Isle Exploration Ltd.

Sunday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT

ADORATION S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1 Moyo Honey	Mizzen Mast	Van Dyke	Gallagher	120
2 All Star Bub 	Midshipman	Bejarano	Hollendorfer	120
3 She's Reddy	Mutakddim	Gonzalez	Harty	120
4 Backintheacademy	Put It Back	Pena	Souza	120
5 Sheer Pleasure	Birdonthewire	Garcia	D'Amato	120
6 Beholder 	Henny Hughes	Stevens	Mandella	124

Owners: 1-Harlington or Sones, 2-Gatto Racing, LLC, Campbell or Hollendorfer, 3-Burton Kinerk, 4-Freedom Stables, Inc., 5-Little Red Feather Racing or RM Racing, 6-Spendthrift Farm, LLC. **Breeders:** 1-Whisper Hill Farm LLC, 2-Sun Valley Farm, 3-Burton J. Kinerk, 4-Murray Stroud, 5-Madera Thoroughbreds LLC, 6-Clarkland Farm.

Saturday, Santa Anita

ROYAL HEROINE S.-GII, \$203,105, SA, 5-5, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.12, fm.

1--**#@NANCY FROM NAIROBI (GB), 120, m, 5, by Sixties Icon (GB)**

1st Dam: Madame Hoi (Ire), by Hawk Wing

2nd Dam: Lindesberg (GB), by Doyoun (Ire)

3rd Dam: Be Discreet (Ire), by Junius

O-Hronis Racing LLC; B-Norman Court Stud (GB); T-John Sadler; J-Abel Lezcano. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 22-5-6-0, \$271,456.

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2--**Faufiler (Ire), 120, m, 5, Galileo (Ire)**--Six Perfections (Fr), by Celtic Swing (GB). O-Flaxman Holdings, Ltd.; B-The Niarchos Family (IRE); T-H. Graham Motion. \$40,000.

3--**Fanticola, 122, m, 6, Silent Name (Jpn)**--Catalina Cat, by Tabasco Cat. (C\$21,000 Ylg '11 CANSEP). O-Anthony Fanticola & Josepha Scardino; B-Hedgestone Management & Frank Mermenstein (ON); T-Philip D'Amato. \$24,000.

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Also Ran: Havanna Belle (Ire), Her Emmynency, Sharla Rae, Elektrum (Ire), Keri Belle, La Berma (Ire), Fasnacloich, Living The Life (Ire), Prize Exhibit (GB), Glory, Smoove It. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#), the [TJCIS.com PPs](#) or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). **VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Nancy From Nairobi comes charging late to earn her first graded success in the Royal Heroine. A bit overlooked by the bettors despite a pair of recent victories over this course, she sat

in a ground-saving seventh as double-digit longshot Smoove It (Square Eddie) ticked off opening splits of :22.88 and :47.40 while hard pressed by La Berma (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}). Tipped out five-wide by Abel Lezcano in search of running room turning for home, the bay kicked it into high gear in the final furlong just as the late-charging Faufiler drew alongside her and managed to hold that rival at bay in the final strides to score.

"When I scratched her from the [GII] Santa Ana [S. Mar. 26], she didn't really miss much time," winning trainer John Sadler commented. "She just had of touch of colic a few days before the race, just enough, you know with a good horse, you don't want to take a chance. So, we scratched her and it was hard because it was a really tempting spot and I really wanted to be in there. The [GI] Gamely [S. May 30] will be next. My other mare, Elektrum (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}) ran well too, went through traffic and came flying to be fifth. So we should have two for the Gamely, although we might try to separate them."

Nancy From Nairobi spent the first two years of her career racing in England for her breeder Norman Court Stud and trainer Michael Channon. Runner-up in several tries in stakes company, she closed out her European campaign with a runner-up effort in the EBF Stallions Veuve Clicquot S. at Goodwood July 29 and a victory in Newmarket's EBF Stallions Handicap S. Aug. 7. Privately purchased by Hronis Racing and transferred to California-based conditioner John Sadler, the 5-year-old finished second in her debut for these connections in a course-and-distance optional claimer Dec. 30 and was seventh next out to the reopposing Havana Belle (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) in this venue's 1 1/2-mile Astra S. Jan. 17. Returning to the winner's circle when cut back to nine furlongs next out here Feb. 5, she followed suit with another course-and-distance success last time Mar. 4.

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NEW 'TRIBE' ON THE DERBY SCENE



Big Chief Racing: Matt Bryan (top right, sunglasses) & family

by Steve Sherack

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - After signing the ticket on a son of Curlin for \$110,000 on day six of the 2014 Keeneland September Yearling sale ([catalogue page](#)), trainer Keith Desormeaux could hardly contain his enthusiasm when dialing up owner Matt Bryan of Big Chief Racing.

"He called me and said, 'This is the one,'" Bryan revealed. The 46-year-old continued with a laugh, "He was hyperventilating at the time and left this really long message. I'd give anything to hear it again today."

Subsequently named **Exaggerator**, "the one" heads to the GI Kentucky Derby as a major player off a jaw-dropping score in the GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 9 ([video](#)), good for a co-division leading 103 Beyer Speed Figure. In addition to that runaway tally in the slop, he was previously a strong second behind the unbeaten champion Nyquist (Uncle Mo) in the GII San Vicente S. Feb. 15 and a close third after making an aggressive middle move in the GII San Felipe S. Mar. 12. **Cont. p2**



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- Cathryn Sophia
- Royal Obsession
- Dream Dance



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The dark bay also boasts a solid foundation at two, including a win in the GIII Delta Downs Jackpot S., a runner-up finish in the GI Claiborne Breeders' Futurity and a respectable fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

Produced by a stakes-placed half-sister to Canadian champion Embur's Song (Unbridled's Song), Exaggerator, bred in Kentucky by Joseph B. Murphy, will head to stud at WinStar Farm upon the conclusion of his racing career.

"Just to have this quality of a horse is really exciting and I give all the credit to Keith Desormeaux," Bryan, a married father of two, commented. "It's a dream come true. Owners, trainers and jockeys--this is what we all strive for. This is a storybook tale."

Bryan, the chief executive officer of M.G. Bryan Equipment Co., a Grand Prairie, Texas-based engine and generator distribution company founded by his father 30 years ago, campaigns Exaggerator in partnership with Ronnie Ortowski of Rocker O Ranch LLC, Desormeaux and Sol Kumin's Head of Plains Partners.

"For my family to be a part of it with Keith and [jockey] Kent Desormeaux and Ronnie Ortowski and his family is just phenomenal," Bryan said. "Are we excited? We're so excited that we're pinching ourselves. Ronnie and I talk about it every night. And he's only been involved [in horse ownership] for 18 months. He's been a good friend of mine for a long time... Sol's guys just bought in recently [after the San Vicente]."

He continued, "Everybody's excited. My wife and two daughters are trying to figure out which hats and dresses to wear. The family enjoys it and it's something we as a family have enjoyed doing together. It's been a lot of fun."



Exaggerator | Sherackatthetrack

If it feels like Bryan and Desormeaux have been down this path before, well, they have. Sort of. The very first horse that the trainer purchased on behalf of Bryan's operation at public auction was the 2013 GII Risen Star S. upsetter I've Struck a Nerve (Yankee Gentleman). The \$82,000 OBSAPR acquisition never made it to Louisville, however, and was subsequently retired following that 135-1 shocker with a career-ending ankle injury.

Big Chief Racing also campaigns last term's sidelined Breeders' Cup Juvenile runner-up Swipe (Birdstone) (\$5,000 KEESEP); and recent impressive GIII Providencia S. heroine Decked Out (Street



Exaggerator | Benoit

Boss) (\$75,000 KEESEP), who contests Saturday's GIII Senorita S. at Santa Anita. Other standouts to carry Bryan's green-and-white silks include: GIII San Juan Capistrano S. winner Crucero (Admiral's Cruise) (\$40,000 claim); Cinderella S. heroine

and GII Sorrento S. runner-up La Grange (Curlin) (\$17,000 KEESEP); Pike Place Dancer S. victress Miss Machiavelli (Artie Schiller) (\$20,000 KEESEP); and Landaluce S. winner and GI Chandelier S. third Right There (Eskendereya) (\$55,000 KEESEP).

"Keith has an incredible eye for a horse and we've been really blessed with some great ones," Bryan said. "We're making this a business. I call Keith the Warren Buffett of horseracing. He's a value investor. We don't have an unlimited budget like some of these guys that we're competing against. Our strategy is to buy 10-12 yearlings at the Keeneland September Sale and we might also buy a few at the OBS 2-year-old sales, too. I don't want to have a gigantic stable of 50 or 60 horses. I don't know the right number yet, we're still working through that. Our goal is to race higher quality, whether it's claimers, allowance, stakes or graded stakes horses."

A fan of the sport since a youngster--he describes watching Seattle Slew's Triple Crown run on a small television at the age of eight as "the coolest thing"--Bryan was left with a lasting impression after experiencing his first horse race in person on a family vacation two years later.

"My parents were really good about taking us traveling to different places," Bryan explained. "They took us to San Diego one summer and over the weekend, we went to a racetrack in Tijuana. My parents let us walk down to the rail and we watched them break and come back around. Just to be able to feel the thunder of those horses was just so thrilling." **Cont. p3**



Big Chief Racing cont.

He continued, “I had a great uncle that had a Thoroughbred farm in Texas. I would watch the horses train—he’d race at Ruidoso—but I never went to the races again besides the one I saw in Tijuana until attending college at the University of Oklahoma. Remington Park had just opened and I started to



Matt Bryan with the Desormeaux brothers

learn how to read the *Racing Form* and just loved it. Then Lone Star Park opened and that was exciting and we’d go out there with friends, too.” Bryan first delved into horse ownership through the Texas-based partnership group Don’t Tell My Wife Stables. After meeting Desormeaux at a 2-year-old sale in Texas through the group’s co-managing partner Kirk Godby, Bryan was quickly on his way. All he needed? A name for his fledgling stable.

“Keith would always call me chief,” he explained. “Hello chief. How you doing chief? How’s it going chief?” He’d ‘chief’ me all the time! I’m a pretty good-sized guy--6’ 4” and 230 pounds. I didn’t really want to run under Matthew Bryan, so I came up with Big Chief Racing.”

Represented by a pair of runners in the top four during last year’s Breeders’ Cup Juvenile as well as the morning-line second choice in the Run for the Roses, the ‘Big Chief’ is certainly off to a pretty promising start.

“To have this kind of success in this quick of time is just truly amazing,” Bryan concluded.

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#1 TROJAN NATION - 50-1
(Street Cry {Ire}--Storm Song, by Summer Squall})
O-Julie Gilbert & Aaron Sones; B-Dr. Aaron Sones (KY); T-Patrick Gallagher; J-Aaron T. Gryder. DI: 3.44.
Lifetime Record: 6-0-1-3, \$213,290

PROS: Despite his maiden status, Trojan Nation has run with credit behind horses of the quality of future GII Rebel S. hero Cupid (Tapit), when third to that Bob Baffert representative at Santa Anita Feb. 7... His determined closing effort in the GI Wood Memorial S.--his first over a surface not rated fast--was full of merit and answered the off-track question, especially as he showed his dogfighting capabilities all the way to the line with the victorious Outwork (Uncle Mo)... **CONS:** Racing experience counts, and, granted that the



Trojan Nation (r) | Chelsea Durand

GI Kentucky Derby will be Trojan Nation’s seventh start, he has yet to show he knows how to win...The confirmed closer would be the fourth horse to break his maiden in the Derby and the first since Brokers Tip (1933)... It remains to be seen if he can duplicate his Wood effort over a fast track... Trojan Nation also drew the much-maligned gate one at the Derby post position draw... **PEDIGREE:** By G1 Dubai World Cup winner Street Cry, a sire known for 10-furlong champions like Street Sense, who won the GI Kentucky Derby and Zenyatta and Winx (Aus) among others, Trojan Nation should have no problem with the distance--he was produced by champion juvenile filly and MGISW Storm Song (Summer Squall), who completed the trifecta in the 1997 GI Kentucky Oaks. His Gone West half-sister has already foaled G1 Irish St. Leger hero Order of St George (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})...

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Trojan Nation cont.

VERDICT: Trojan Nation should stay better than most of the field and with his running style, the draw, while unwelcome, isn't as big of a disadvantage as it first appears. This colt has a lot of hurdles to overcome, but stranger things have happened in Louisville on Derby Day.

Trojan Nation's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/09/16	GI Wood Memorial S.	2nd
3/06/16	SA Msw	3rd
2/07/16	SA Msw	3rd



#2 SUDDENBREAKINGNEWS - 20-1
 (g, [Mineshaft](#)-Uchitel, by Afleet Alex)
 (\$72,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
 O-Samuel F. Henderson;
 B-Branch Equine LLC (Ky); T-Donnie
 Von Hemel; J-Luis Quinonez. DI: 4.20.
 Lifetime Record: 8-3-4-0, \$670,032

PROS: Has demonstrated consistency since day one, only missing the exacta once from eight appearances--a troubled fifth-place finish in the Gil Rebel S. Mar. 19... Long-striding colt finishes with a powerful late kick, a running style that often excels in races with contested early paces... Has taken a quantifiable step forward from his 2-year-old season to date, culminating in a career top Beyer Speed Figure (94) and Thoro-Graph number (1 1/4) in the GI Arkansas Derby last out... Broke his maiden forcing a slower pace and has encountered far faster early tempos in every subsequent start, suggesting that he may be marginally more adaptable to a wide variety of pace scenarios when compared to other deep closers... **Cont. p5**



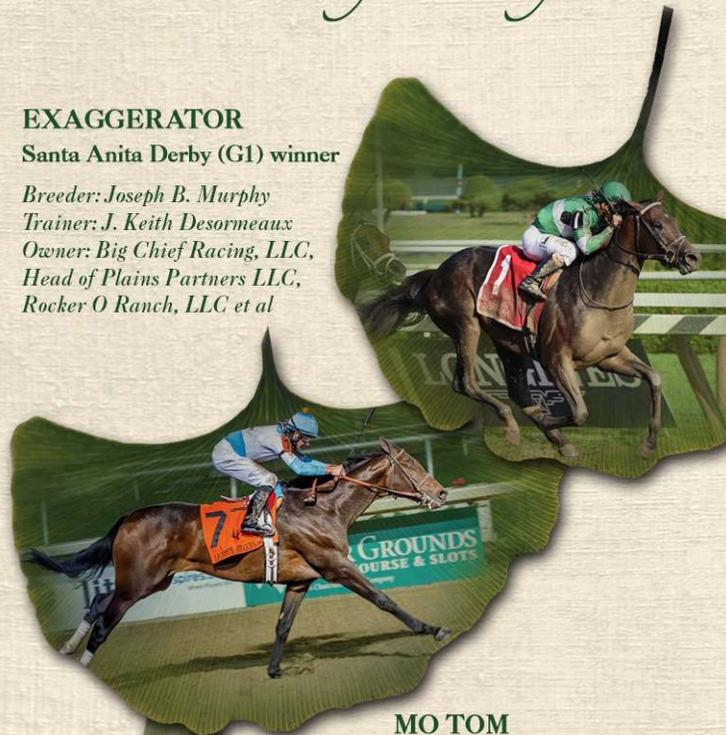
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MO TOM

LeComte Stakes (G3) winner

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 & Silver Fern Farm
 Trainer: Thomas M. Amoss
 Owner: G M B Racing



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CONS: Finished over a length behind Creator (Tapit) in both the Rebel and Arkansas Derby... Has given up first run to the aforementioned gray rival in both races and must find a way to stay engaged in the middle part of the race... Will be ridden by Midwestern mainstay Luis Quinonez, who concedes valuable experience to others while riding in his first Kentucky Derby...
PEDIGREE: Sired by GI Jockey Club Gold Cup winner Mineshaft out of a dam sired by GI Preakness S. and GI Belmont S. hero Afleet Alex, he has significant stamina influences on both sides of his pedigree... His second dam, GSW & MGISP Party Cited (Alleged), won at 10 furlongs and produced MGISW Composure (Touch Gold)... Party Cited's sire, Alleged, won the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe twice... **VERDICT:** In a race where 19 of the 20 competitors are navigating 10 furlongs for the first time in their careers, the late-running bay's performances on the track, as well as his bloodlines, indicate the Classic distance should pose no problem... Looms as a live longshot if he can work out a clean trip.

Suddenbreakingnews's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/16/16	GI Arkansas Derby	2nd
3/19/16	GII Rebel S.	5th
2/15/16	GIII Southwest S.	1st

KENTUCKY DERBY WINNING BEYER SPEED FIGURES			
Horse	Beyer	Time	Yr
American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile)	105	2:03.02	'15
California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit)	97	2:03.66	'14
Orb (Malibu Moon)	104	2:02.89	'13
I'll Have Another (Flower Alley)	101	2:01.83	'12
Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux)	103	2:02.04	'11
Super Saver (Maria's Mon)	104	2:04.45	'10
Mine That Bird (Birdstone)	105	2:02.66	'09
Big Brown (Boundary)	109	2:01.82	'08
Street Sense (Street Cry)	110	2:02.17	'07
Barbaro (Dynaformer)	111	2:01.36	'06
Giacomo (Holy Bull)	100	2:02.75	'05
Smarty Jones (Elusive Quality)	107	2:04.06	'04
Funny Cide (Distorted Humor)	109	2:01.19	'03
War Emblem (Our Emblem)	114	2:01.13	'02
Monarchos (Maria's Mon)	116	1:59.97	'01
Fusaichi Pegasus (Mr. Prospector)	108	2:01.12	'00
Charismatic (Summer Squall)	108	2:03.29	'99
Real Quiet (Quiet American)	107	2:02.38	'98
Silver Charm (Silver Buck)	115	2:02.44	'97
Grindstone (Unbridled)	112	2:01.06	'96
Thunder Gulch (Gulch)	108	2:01.27	'95



#3 CREATOR - 10-1
 (Tapit--Morena {Per},
 by Privately Held)
 (\$440,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
 O-WinStar Farm; B-Mt. Brilliant
 Broodmares I LLC (KY); T-Steve
 Asmussen; J-Ricardo Santana Jr.
 DI: 4.10. Lifetime Record:
 8-2-4-1, \$768,320

PROS: Creator enters his biggest test yet off a career-best effort, having taken a huge step forward when winning the GI Arkansas Derby--which American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) won last year prior to his Derby victory--last time out over more accomplished rivals... He made a very respectable stakes debut one start prior when

uncorking a five-wide rally to finish third behind Cupid (Tapit) in the GII Rebel S... Though soon-to-be Hall of Famer Steve Asmussen has not won a Derby, he has trained two runner-ups and knows how to train a Classic winner...

CONS: The gray may have run eight times, but five of those were against maidens, making him much less experienced in stakes company than many of his competitors... His late

running style requires a hot pace that is not guaranteed in this field... **PEDIGREE:** Creator's GI Wood Memorial-winning sire Tapit may be North America's leading stallion, but he has never produced a Derby winner and only has one Classic-winning son in Tonalist...His dam on the other hand was a three-time champion in her native Peru and won at distances from 10 to 12 furlongs... **VERDICT:** Creator may be improving at just the right time and if the pace plays to his favor, he is very likely to be making a strong run for it late. However, the question is can he outfinish the likes of fellow deep closers Brody's Cause and My Man Sam (Trappe Shot)?



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Creator's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/16/16	GI Arkansas Derby	1st
3/19/16	GII Rebel S.	3rd
2/27/16	OP Msw	1st



#4 MO TOM - 20-1
 (Uncle Mo--Caroni, by Rubiano)
 (\$150,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
 O-G M B Racing LLC; B-Hargus &
 Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm (KY);
 T-Thomas Amoss; J-Corey Lanerie.
 DI: 1.55. Lifetime Record:
 7-3-0-3, \$291,526

PROS: One of five in the Derby field to show a win over the local strip, having defeated fellow G M B runner **Tom's Ready** (More Than Ready) in the Street Sense S. last November... Has fired, without fail, in each of his starts. Win or lose, he is always finishing, always galloping out full of energy and most times well past his rivals... Switches off in the run and that should assist



Mo Tom | Hodges Photography

him in staying the Derby distance... Having run well in New Orleans over the winter, he should appreciate the Churchill stretch, similar in length to the Fair Grounds...

CONS: Has gained a reputation as a horse that finds trouble, or

conversely, a horse that trouble seems to find... Given his ill-fated decision to try to make a run up the fence when fourth to **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) in the GII Louisiana Derby last time, it can be argued that Corey Lanerie is a liability... His sire, brilliant though he was, seemed most adept at distances up to a mile, while his dam sire was a champion sprinter... Has failed to register a Beyer Speed Figure north of 88 and will need to find several lengths to be a factor... **PEDIGREE:** Mo Tom is a half-brother to SW & MGISP Beautician (Dehere) who, like her sibling, was by a champion juvenile, but was arguably best at one turn... The major name under his second dam is Kashatreya, an accomplished New York-bred sprinter, while further down his page was the talented turf mare Lady At Peace (Lord At War {Arg})... **VERDICT:** The vast majority are going to be willing to oppose, given the fact that Mo Tom hasn't run particularly fast, notwithstanding the trouble he's encountered in his last two runs... On the plus side, his trackwork has been consistently strong and he has trained with renewed vigor since returning to Churchill a few weeks ago... IF he can stay out of harm's way, he looms a very intriguing longshot play.

Mo Tom's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
3/26/16	GII Louisiana Derby	4th
2/20/16	GII Risen Star S.	3rd
1/16/16	GIII LeComte S.	1st
11/28/15	GII Kentucky Jockey Club S.	3rd

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#5 GUN RUNNER - 10-1
 (Candy Ride {Arg})--Quiet Giant,
 by Giant's Causeway)
 O-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC &
 Three Chimneys Farm LLC & Besilu
 Stable; B-Besilu Stables LLC (Ky);
 T-Steven M Asmussen; J-Florent
 Geroux. DI: 1.25. Lifetime Record:
 5-4-0-0, \$906,920

PROS: Done little wrong in five career starts, with his only defeat coming in a creditable fourth-place effort over a sloppy Churchill strip in the Nov. 28 GII Kentucky Jockey Club S... His inherent tactical speed increases the likelihood of him working out an ideal stalking trip, regardless of the pace scenario, as evidenced by his wins in the GII Risen Star S. and GII Louisiana Derby...

Already owns a win over the local surface, and with ample time between his final prep and Derby day, he has had plenty of time to get acquainted with the ins and outs of the historical oval...



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Gun Runner cont.

CONS: Defeated questionable competition at the Fair Grounds, as chief rivals Airoforce (Colonel John) and Greenpointcrusader (Bernardini) both failed to fire in the Risen Star and Louisiana Derby, respectively, while Mo Tom (Uncle Mo) encountered traffic trouble that hampered him from making his typical sustained run... Although his flawless trips in New Orleans were undoubtedly made possible by his handy running style, it is more likely that he will encounter additional adversity in the 20-horse Derby field... **PEDIGREE:** Candy Ride's progeny have had no trouble navigating Classic distances, as he is notably the sire of GI Santa Anita H. winners Shared Belief and Misremembered... Out of GII Molly Pitcher S. winner Quiet Giant--a half-sister to Horse of the Year, champion older horse and GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Saint Liam (Saint Ballado)--Gun Runner draws plenty of stamina from the bottom side of his pedigree as well... Given the history of his extended family, 10 furlongs should be well within his purview... **VERDICT:** The chestnut is difficult to knock based on a surface-level assessment of his achievements, but he will almost certainly face more adversity than he's ever seen before on the heels of two relatively stress-free trips... Will need to take his game to another level to wear the roses.

but the Derby tempo is something of a question mark... Given his closing style, may require some racing luck... Though a son of Tapit, his sire was clearly more brilliant when asked to negotiate only one turn... **PEDIGREE:** Trappe Shot was desperately unlucky to lose the GI A.G. Vanderbilt H., but showed enough brilliance as a 3-year-old to win Monmouth's Long Branch S. and finish runner-up in the GI Haskell Invitational S. going long... My Man Sam's dam is a half-sister to Hudson Steele (Johannesburg), who stayed nine furlongs well enough to win the GII Dixie S. on the turf... **VERDICT:** Seems a horse that is going in the right direction and looks the sort that can outrun his odds... If the pace is on, he'll be finishing strongly... While this could be a case of "too much, too soon," he looks a colt with considerable promise... He's an unlikely winner, but would not surprise if he crashed the top five.

My Man Sam's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/9/16	GI Toyota Blue Grass S.	2nd
3/6/16	Aqu Alw	2nd
1/31/16	Aqu Msw	1st

Gun Runner's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
3/26/16	GII Twinpires.com Louisiana Derby	1st
2/20/16	GII Veterans Ford Risen Star S.	1st
11/28/15	GII Kentucky Jockey Club S.	4th



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#6 MY MAN SAM - 20-1
(Trappe Shot--Lauren Byrd, by Arch)
 O-Sheep Pond Partners, Newport Stables LLC & Jay W Bligh; B-Jay W Bligh (KY); T-Chad Brown; J-Irad Ortiz Jr. DI: 3.00. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$251,200

PROS: Excepting his six-furlong debut last December in which he effectively lost all chance when he took a bump at the break, his three starts going long have been outstanding... His two-turn boy was nothing short of spectacular, as he sustained a giant run for the best part of three-quarters of a mile, reeled in a loose leader and scampered home to score by eight lengths to become a richly deserved 'TDN Rising Star'... He finished with a steady gain behind Matt King Coal (Cool Coal Man) in a Mar. 6 allowance and, saddled with the 14 hole for the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. Apr. 9, closed off best of all to book his ticket to Louisville... **CONS:** Will be having just the fifth start of his career in the Derby, an obvious negative... Wants to do his running from the back of the pack and a strong pace would aid his cause,





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#7 OSCAR NOMINATED - 50-1
 ([Kitten's Joy](#)—Devine Actress,
 by Theatrical {Ire})
 O-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey;
 B-Mrs Jerry Amerman (KY);
 T-Michael Maker; J-Julien Leparoux
 DI: 2.53. Lifetime Record:
 7-3-2-0, \$371,860

PROS: Oscar Nominated is a colt on the improve, coming in off a career-best performance in his 23-1 upset of the Gill Spiral S... Has clearly responded to this barn--he's a head and a neck shy of being 4-for-4 since he was claimed for \$75,000 from Bill Mott in October... Has a late-running style that suggests he won't be hurt by an additional furlong... Was supplemented to this race for \$200,000... Showed grit in rallying between horses to win the Spiral... **CONS:** Has never run over a dirt track and is bred both sides for turf/synthetic... He hasn't run a race fast enough to suggest he can win a race of this quality... Spiral field did not contain any top 3-year-olds... **PEDIGREE:** Oscar Nominated's sire is champion grass horse Kitten's Joy, who has become a top



Oscar Nominated
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stallion, but mainly of turf and synthetic runners... Oscar Nominated's dam won the Santa Lucia H. going 1 1/16 miles on the Santa Anita dirt, took three of six starts and earned \$107,300... His dam sire, Theatrical, was champion older horse in Ireland and

champion grass male in the United States and has been a foundational turf influence as a sire... **VERDICT:** It would be a great story to see the Ramseys, perennial leading owners in Kentucky, take home the roses, but Oscar Nominated appears to be too slow to get it done. More importantly, the Derby will be his first try on dirt and his pedigree mainly suggests he will regress over it, rather than improve.

Oscar Nominated's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/2/16	Gill Spiral S.	1st
2/27/16	Black Gold S.	1st
1/31/16	Keith Gee Memorial S.	2nd



#8 LANI - 30-1
 ([Tapit](#)--Heavenly Romance (Jpn),
 by Sunday Silence)
 O-Koji Maeda; B-North Hills Co Ltd
 (Ky); T-Mikio Matsunaga; J-Yutaka
 Take. DI: 1.92. Lifetime Record:
 6-3-1-0, \$1,366,618.

PROS: Nearly fell to his nose at the start of Meydan's G2 UAE Derby, and made a very wide, premature move to challenge mid-race. The quirky gray seemed to idle in midstretch, but found more late to defeat favored filly and 'TDN Rising Star' Polar River (Congrats)... He is the lone runner in the field to have raced at close to this distance (when fourth on turf first out in Japan), and his win in

Dubai at about 1 3/16 miles represents the second-longest race any of these sophomores have attempted...

Japanese horses have continued to succeed on the international stage in recent years... **CONS:** The general consensus is that the UAE Derby field was very weak... UAE Derby runners have not fared well in the Kentucky Derby, but the race was held over a synthetic track from 2010 to 2014... Lani has appeared very immature in his morning work at Churchill, and as rider Yutaka Take put it last week, "His temperament is that he is not willing to run always..." **PEDIGREE:** Sire Tapit needs no introduction. Lani's dam Heavenly Romance upset the 2005 Tenno Sho Autumn at 78-1 over 10 grassy furlongs. MGSW half-brother Awardee (Jungle Pocket {Jpn}) scored at up to 1 3/8 miles in Japan, and half-brother Amour Briller (Smart Strike) is a stakes winner at up to 12 panels.... **VERDICT:** Lani clearly has some talent, but seems to be his own worst enemy. His quirks don't inspire confidence in a field of 20 and a packed house at Churchill Downs.



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Lani's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
3/26/16	G2 UAE Derby	1st



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#9 DESTIN - 15-1
 ([Giant's Causeway](#)--Dream of Summer, by Siberian Summer)
 (\$400,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
 O-Twin Creeks Racing Stables LLC;
 B-James C Weigel & Taylor Made Stallions Inc (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher
 DI: 1.43. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0,
 \$390,700

PROS: Destin comes into the Derby off a very impressive victory in the GII Tampa Bay Derby, winning despite going four wide around both turns and beating stablemate and subsequent GI Wood Memorial S. winner Outwork (Uncle Mo)... Holds a speed figure edge--owns one of only three triple-digit Beyers in Derby preps and has the lone negative Thoro-Graph figure of any Derby contender...



Destin | Horsephotos

Is tactically versatile, which can help him adjust based on pace scenario in the Derby... Relatively lightly raced, so could have more improvement in him... Goes out for a top barn, albeit one that has had limited Derby success... **CONS:**

Would have to win off of an unprecedented eight-week layoff, having not raced since Mar. 12, so he gives up conditioning to every rival... Showed some greenness in winning GIII Sam F. Davis, may not be far enough along mentally to deal with this environment or field size... Ran far better in his last race than he ever had before, possibility of regression looms... **PEDIGREE:** Is by European Horse of the Year, champion sire and substantial distance influence Giant's Causeway... Dam won the GI Apple Blossom H. and four other graded stakes going a route of ground... Full-brother Creative Cause took the GI Norfolk S., was second in the GI Santa Anita Derby, finished third in the GI Preakness S. and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile and was a wide-trip fifth in the 2012 Derby... Bred on both sides to get 10 furlongs... **VERDICT:** Destin has the speed and the pedigree to win without a doubt, but the seven-week layoff and his temperament are legitimate concerns... One of the biggest wild cards in the race, but has to be respected as a top contender.

Destin's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
3/12/16	GII Tampa Bay Derby	1st
2/13/16	GIII Sam F. Davis S.	1st
1/16/16	GIII LeComte S.	4th

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#10 WHITMORE - 20-1
 (g, [Pleasantly Perfect](#)--Melody's Spirit, by Scat Daddy)
 O-Robert V LaPenta, Harry T Rosenblum & Southern Springs Stables;
 B-John Liviakis (KY); T-Ron Moquett;
 J-Victor Espinoza. DI: 2.38
 Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$475,000

PROS: Whitmore's consistency is his trademark... Only off the board once in six starts--four of them at the graded level--the Kentucky-bred allowance winner always brings his best effort, including a runner-up performance in the GII Rebel S. Mar. 19



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and a solid third in the GI Arkansas Derby last time Apr. 16... He also has a vital win over the strip, taking his maiden by 7 1/4 lengths Nov. 6... **CONS:** Whitmore has frequently been forced into wide field-circling journeys that leave him vulnerable late...

Compounding that flaw, the chestnut also seems to lack that killer instinct required to win races at the elite level... **Cont. p10**



Whitmore cont.

Although he captured an Oaklawn Park allowance coming up the fence, those types of runs don't usually pan out in a jam-packed 20-horse field, where traffic problems are a given instead of the exception to the rule... He also hasn't won beyond six furlongs and the 10-furlong distance may be a bridge too far... **PEDIGREE:** Whitmore's sire Pleasantly Perfect (Pleasant Colony) thrived on the GI Kentucky Derby distance of 1 1/4 miles, landing the 2003 G1 Dubai World Cup, GI Breeders' Cup Classic, and the GI Pacific Classic S., but was slow to mature... Out of an unraced Scat Daddy mare, Whitmore's second dam Capture the Cat (Tale of the Cat)'s lone victory was going six panels over the all-weather. Third dam Ten Flags, by Triple Crown hero Seattle Slew, won at 1 1/16 miles and was beaten 30 lengths into fourth in the 2001 1 1/2-mile GI Coaching Club American Oaks... **VERDICT:** Whitmore will probably make his patented closing bid Saturday, but he will only be running for place honors at best.

Whitmore's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/16/16	GI Arkansas Derby	3rd
3/19/16	GII Rebel S.	2nd
2/15/16	GIII Southwest S.	2nd
1/16/16	OP Alw	1st



#11 EXAGGERATOR - 8-1
(Curlin--Dawn Raid, by Vindication)
 (\$110,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
 O-Big Chief Racing LLC, Head of Plains Partners LLC, Rocker O Ranch LLC, et al; B-Joseph B. Murphy (KY); T-Keith Desormeaux; J-Kent Desormeaux. DI: 3.40. Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-1, \$1,671,120

PROS: Exaggerator put in what was arguably the most impressive win in the final round of Derby preps when romping by 6 1/4 lengths in the GI Santa Anita Derby, a race which has produced two of the last four Kentucky Derby winners... The bay



Exaggerator | Benoit photo

has been very consistent throughout his nine race career, hitting the board in seven of those outings... He has also proven to be versatile, closing from far back to win the Santa Anita Derby; going wire-to-wire in the GIII Delta Downs Jackpot;

and sitting close to a hot pace when a respectable second to champion **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo) in the GII San Vicente S...

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Exaggerator cont.

His veteran pilot knows his way around the Churchill oval, having won the Derby three times... **CONS:** The colt's best performances seem to come in the slop--i.e. the Santa Anita Derby, Delta Downs Jackpot and a solid second to **Brody's Cause** (Giant's Causeway) in the GI Breeders' Futurity--and the current forecast for Derby day is 80 and sunny... He has also been beaten by most of the heavy hitters here in likely favorite Nyquist, who has conquered Exaggerator on three occasions, MGISW Brody's Cause and GII San Felipe S. hero Danzing Candy (Twirling Candy)... **PEDIGREE:** Exaggerator is a son of two-time Horse of the Year and Classic winner Curlin, who in turn has produced two other Classic winners in GI Belmont S. victor Palace Malice and GI Travers S. winner Keen Ice... His dam's two wins came sprinting, but she is a daughter of undefeated champion Vindication (by Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew) and a half-sister to MGSW Embur's Song--though that runner's wins were over the Woodbine synthetic at 1 1/16 miles or less... **VERDICT:** Exaggerator must prove his big win last time was not pace- or surface-aided. However, he has proven shipping is no issue and with his consistency, there is no reason to think the bay won't have a say in the outcome.



#12 TOM'S READY - 30-1
 ([More Than Ready](#)--Goodbye Stranger, by Broad Brush)
 (\$145,000 Ylg '14 FTNAUG;
 RNA \$145,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV)
 O-G M B Racing; B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-Dallas Stewart; J-Brian Hernandez, Jr. DI: 3.00. Lifetime Record: 9-1-4-0, \$302,220

PROS: Conditioned by Dallas Stewart, who has orchestrated a number of shocking runner-up finishes in each of the past three Triple Crown seasons with Golden Soul (Perfect Soul {Ire}) at odds of 34-1 in the 2013 Derby, Commanding Curve (Master



Tom's Ready | Coady

Command) at odds of 37-1 in the 2014 Derby, and Tale of Verve (Tale of Ekati) at odds of 28-1 in the 2015 Preakness... Has room to improve after a series of wide, mid-pack trips in his last three races at Fair Grounds... **CONS:** All three of Stewart's

previously mentioned runners regressed significantly in their ensuing starts, and Tom's Ready may have already delivered his "upset" race when second in the GI Louisiana Derby at odds of 30-1... Finished well behind **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) in both the GII Risen Star S. and Louisiana Derby, and has been bested by commonly owned **Mo Tom** (Uncle Mo) in four of five head-to-head meetings... His lifetime best Beyer Speed Figure of 85 remains well behind the top marks achieved by others in the starting gate... **PEDIGREE:** Sire More Than Ready's progeny in the Northern Hemisphere have an average maximum winning distance of 7.4 furlongs, and his top performers have generally been best at distances close to a mile... Dam sire Broad Brush finished third in both the 1986 Kentucky Derby and Preakness, and went on to win three Grade I events at 10 furlongs... Tom's Ready's dam is a half to stakes winners Lemonlime (Lemon Drop Kid) and Miss Moses (Gulch), who were both at their best at middle distances... **VERDICT:** Don't be surprised if he outruns his odds, but even the task of procuring a minor award seems like an uphill battle for this colt.

Date	Race	Finish
4/9/16	GI Santa Anita Derby	1st
2/15/16	GII San Vicente S.	2nd
11/21/15	GIII Delta Downs Jackpot	1st



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Date	Race	Finish
3/26/16	GII Twinpires Louisiana Derby	2nd
1/16/16	GIII LeComte S.	2nd





#13 NYQUIST - 3-1
 (Uncle Mo--Seeking Gabrielle,
 by Forestry)
 (\$180,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV;
 \$230,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP;
 \$400,000 2yo '15 FTFMAR)
 O-Reddam Racing LLC; B-Summerhill
 Farm (KY); T-Doug O'Neill; J-Mario
 Gutierrez. DI: 7.00. Lifetime Record:
 7-7-0-0, \$3,322,600

PROS: Nyquist has done nothing wrong in seven trips to the post and, after a spring which at one point flirted with the potential



Nyquist | Horsephotos

of three undefeated colts in the Derby, last year's juvenile champ is the only unbeaten runner in the field... He showed versatility and determination when coming off the pace after a troubled trip in the Breeders' Cup...

Same connections took home the roses in 2012 with I'll

Have Another (Flower Alley)... **CONS:** With Mohaymen (Tapit)'s lackluster effort, the quality of the Florida Derby field is questionable. ... Detractors continue to question Nyquist's ability to get the Derby's added furlong and his seemingly atypical training schedule leading up to the race adds to the doubts... Only one horse, Street Sense, has completed the Breeders' Cup Juvenile/Kentucky Derby double... **PEDIGREE:** Nyquist's sire and fellow undefeated juvenile champion Uncle Mo missed out on a Derby start in 2011, but his sire Indian Charlie was third in the race in 1998 and his broodmare sire Arch won the 1 1/4-mile GI Super Derby and sired GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Blame... Nyquist's dam Seeking Gabrielle is a sprint winner by Grade I-winning sprinter Forestry... **VERDICT:** Clearly the one to beat, but definitely has some questions to answer.

Nyquist's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/2/16	GI Florida Derby	1st
2/15/16	GII San Vicente S.	1st
10/31/15	GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile	1st
9/27/15	GI FrontRunner S.	1st

DERBY STATS

Fastest Time: 1:59.40 (Secretariat)
Largest Winning Margin: 8 lengths (Assault/Whirlaway)
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#14 MOHAYMEN - 10-1
 (Tapit--Justwhistledixie, by Dixie Union)
 (\$2,200,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
 O-Shadwell Stable; B-Clearsky
 Farm (KY); T-Kieran McLaughlin;
 J-Junior Alvarado. DI: 3.00.
 Lifetime Record: 6-5-0-0, \$852,850.

PROS: Mohaymen made easy work of his first five races, including the GII Nashua S., the nine-furlong GII Remsen S., the GII Lambholm South Holy Bull S. and the GII Xpressbet.com Fountain of Youth S... His adaptable running style gives him the ability to adjust to any pace scenario he might face in the Derby... The gray has two very sharp works over the track with a best-of-27 half-mile in :46.80 Apr. 20 followed by a :47.40 half-mile Apr. 29... **CONS:** The 2014 Keeneland September co-topper not only lost as the favorite to unbeaten champion Nyquist (Uncle Mo) in the GI Xpressbet.com Florida Derby, but finished fourth behind maiden winner **Majesto** (Tiznow) and Fellowship (Awesome of Course), who he had easily beaten in both the Holy Bull and Fountain of Youth... The fields he has beaten in his previous graded successes have proven to be suspect, as none of the runners who finished anywhere near him is going on to Louisville... In fact, those considered the best of his beaten rivals --Zulu (Bernardini), Greenpointcrusader (Bernardini) and Flexibility (Bluegrass Cat)--all flopped in their next starts...



Mohaymen cont.

PEDIGREE: Mohaymen's sire Tapit never won beyond nine furlongs and his only son to have completed the task thus far is Tonalist...The colt's dual Grade II-winning dam is also a winner at nine furlongs, having captured the 2009 GII Bonnie Miss S...He is



Mohaymen | Lauren King

a half-brother to talented GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner New Year's Day (Street Cry {Ire}), who was injured shortly after that race and retired before he had a chance to show how far he could run... **VERDICT:** If Mohaymen has returned to his previous form as both his trainer and workouts suggest, he will definitely be

a force to be reckoned with on Derby day, but whether he can turn the tables on Nyquist is still uncertain.



#15 **OUTWORK** - 15-1
 (Uncle Mo--Nonna Mia,
 by Empire Maker)
 O/B-Repole Stable (KY); T-Todd Pletcher; J-John Velazquez. DI: 11.00
 Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$701,800.

PROS: Has done nothing wrong in four career starts, breaking his maiden emphatically at Keeneland last April before adding a Tampa optional claimer off the bench Feb. 13. His lone defeat came when runner-up in the Mar. 12 GII Tampa Bay Derby to stablemate **Destin** (Giant's Causeway), but he returned to winning ways in the GI Wood Memorial... In a Derby with a decided lack of early speed, he figures to find himself in an advantageous spot early--he pressed an extremely fast pace in the Wood... **CONS:** Outwork won the historic Wood--contested over a sloppy surface--in the slowest time ever recorded (1:52.92), and was life-or-death to hold off maiden Trojan Nation (Street Cry {Ire}) in the process... The Wood has not been the most productive Derby prep in recent years... **Cont. p14**



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Mohaymen's Video Highlights

Date	Race	Finish
2/27/16	GII Fountain of Youth S.	1st
1/3/16	GII Holy Bull S.	1st
11/28/15	GII Remsen S.	1st

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PEDIGREE: Outwork is one of a number in here who hail from the first crop of sire sensation Uncle Mo. The champion juvenile of 2010 never won beyond 1 1/16 miles, and his only off-the-board finish came when attempting this distance in the 2011 GI Breeders' Cup Classic... Dam Nonna Mia, by solid stamina influence Empire Maker, was Grade I-placed at a mile--the farthest she was asked to go. Nonna Mia's dam Holy Bubbette (Holy Bull) was a SW and GSP sprinting, and produced multiple Grade II-winning router Cairo Prince (Pioneerof the Nile).

VERDICT: Outwork still has some questions to answer, but he figures to sit a nice trip and fits with the main contenders on speed figures.

Outwork's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/9/16	GI Wood Memorial S.	1st
2/13/16	TAM Alw/OC	1st
4/23/15	KEE Msw	1st



#16 SHAGAF - 20-1
 (Bernardini--Muhaawara, by Unbridled's Song)
 O-Shadwell Stable; B-Shadwell Farm (KY); T-Chad Brown
 DI: 3.80. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$328,800

PROS: Shagaf is a lightly raced, well-bred colt who won the first three races of his career, including the Gill Gotham S., when he overcame a speed-biased track to get up... Goes out for one of the top two barns in the country... The homebred has the kind of midpack running style that can help work out a good trip in the Derby... May not have liked the slop when beaten as the



Shagaf | Leslie Martin

favorite in the GI Wood Memorial S... **CONS:** Shagaf has been well-regarded since his debut, but still hasn't run a race fast enough to stamp him as a top contender... Had no excuse pace-wise in the Wood, as he sat a perfect, ground-saving trip from off a torrid speed duel and still could manage only fifth... **PEDIGREE:** Shagaf's sire, Bernardini, was a MGISW who had no problem handling 10 furlongs during dominant victories in the GI Travers S. and GI Jockey Club Gold Cup, or when second in the GI Breeders Cup Classic. as a 3-year-old.

He also won the GI Preakness S. after skipping the Derby and has turned into a top sire, particularly with dirt routers... Shagaf's dam, Muhaawara, won the one-mile Sky Beauty S. at Aqueduct en route to \$131,297 in earnings... Second dam Habibti won a pair of Grade I's going long as a 2-year-old, ran second in two more top-level events at three before finishing third in the GI Kentucky Oaks... She produced long-winded GIII Breeders' Cup Marathon S. hero Eldaafer, by Bernardini's sire A.P. Indy... **VERDICT:** 'TDN Rising Star' Shagaf has yet to truly live up to his hype and his Wood Memorial was a disappointing effort. He needs to run a lot faster than he ever has to be a realistic win candidate. On the plus side, he does have a pedigree that suggests he'll relish 10 furlongs.

Shagaf's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/9/16	GI Wood Memorial	5th
3/5/16	GIII Gotham S.	1st



#17 MOR SPIRIT - 12-1
 (r, Eskendereya--I'm a Dixie Girl, by Dixie Union)
 (\$85,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT; \$650,000 2yo '15 FTFMAR)
 O-Michael Lund Petersen; B-Elkstone Group LLC (PA); T-Bob Baffert; J-Gary Stevens. DI: 1.57; Lifetime Record: 7-3-4-0, \$658,400

PROS: Has never finished outside of the exacta in any of his seven career appearances... Looks to have plenty of foundation and is one of four members of this year's field to have posted three wins around two turns... Gave a very good account of himself after shipping in to Churchill for last year's GII Kentucky Jockey Club S., where he attended the pace and stayed on gamely to deep stretch before settling for second in just his third career start... Gets the services of Gary Stevens, who won three of the 10 runnings of the Derby between 1989 and 1997... Trainer Bob Baffert also knows his way to the Churchill infield, having hoisted the Derby trophy on four occasions, including with Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) in 2015... **CONS:** Came through at long odds-on in the GI Los Alamitos Futurity and again in the GIII Robert B. Lewis S., but burned money when runner-up in the GII San Felipe S. and GI Santa Anita Derby in his two most recent appearances... **Cont. p15**



Mor Spirit | Benoit photo



Mor Spirit cont.

While it appears he'll run all day, he doesn't have any real turn of foot and his grinding style could work against him beneath the Twin Spires... Could be overbet off his connections...

PEDIGREE: Though his dam was a black-type winner and Grade III-placed at two, there appears to be enough stamina in Mor Spirit's female family. His granddam, the MSW I'm Out First (Allen's Prospect) is a half-sister to Zenith (Roy), the dam of Grade I winner Great Hunter (Aptitude)... Ten furlongs definitely seems within his scope... **VERDICT:** Mor Spirit is far from impossible, though the quality of his two graded wins going long begs some questions... Excuses can be made for his two recent defeats when **Danzing Candy** (Twirling Candy) was loose on the lead in the San Felipe and when the underfoot conditions didn't suit in the Santa Anita Derby... But his modest finishing kick combined with a potentially unappealing price leaves us 'mor' than hesitant to back him on top.

Mor Spirit's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/9/16	GI Santa Anita Derby	2nd
3/12/16	GI San Felipe S.	2nd
2/6/16	GIII Robert B. Lewis S.	1st
12/19/15	GI Los Alamitos Futurity	1st

CONS: Connections thought highly enough of Majesto to enter him directly into the Florida Derby on the back of his maiden win, but he would be the first maiden winner to take the GI Kentucky Derby since Giacomo in 2005... He lacks a vital race at Churchill and horses usually show either a marked affinity or distaste for that surface... One of many vying to come with a late run... **PEDIGREE:** Majesto is by the only dual winner of the GI Breeders' Cup Classic in Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy), who has already sired a Classic winner in GI Belmont S. hero Da'Tara...His get have shown plenty of aptitude toward two-turn dirt routes, so that factor must be considered a plus... Out of the unraced Unacloud (Unaccounted For), Majesto is a half-brother to GISWs Overanalyze (Dixie Union) and Meadow Breeze (Meadowlake)... **VERDICT:** Majesto has the prerequisite pedigree to get the trip and seems to be moving in the right direction to blow up the tote come Derby Day, but the leading contenders need to stub their collective hooves to allow him that opportunity.

Majesto's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/2/16	GI Florida Derby	2nd
2/27/16	GP Msw	1st



#18 MAJESTO - 30-1
(r, [Tiznow](#)-Unacloud,
by Unaccounted For}
(\$300,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
O-Grupo 7C Racing Stable;
B-Diamond A Racing Corp. (KY);
T-Gustavo Delgado; J-Emisael
Jaramillo. DI: 2.33.
Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-2, \$239,500

PROS: Majesto stepped up in a big way to take second in the GI Xpressbet.com Florida Derby Apr. 2 off just a 1 1/16-mile maiden victory... In the first three home bar once, including behind future MGSW **Destin** (Creative Cause), who joins him in



Majesto | Leslie Martin

the gate Derby Day, the Tiznow ridgling is a big, long-striding sort who should appreciate the added real estate of the 10-furlong GI Kentucky Derby... The Grupo 7C Racing Stable colorbearer also has a solid foundation, as his last five starts have

each come at 1 1/16 miles or longer... Preferring to make his run from off the pace, Majesto could benefit, if the fractions are hot early...

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Year	Winner	Last Prep
2015	American Pharoah	1st, Arkansas Derby
2014	California Chrome	1st, Santa Anita Derby
2013	Orb	1st, Florida Derby
2012	I'll Have Another	1st, Santa Anita Derby
2011	Animal Kingdom	1st, Vinery Spiral S.
2010	Super Saver	2nd, Arkansas Derby
2009	Mine That Bird	4th, Sunland Derby
2008	Big Brown	1st, Florida Derby
2007	Street Sense	2nd, Blue Grass
2006	Barbaro	1st, Florida Derby
2005	Giacomo	4th, Santa Anita Derby
2004	Smarty Jones	1st, Arkansas Derby
2003	Funny Cide	2nd, Wood Memorial
2002	War Emblem	1st, Illinois Derby
2001	Monarchos	2nd, Wood Memorial
2000	Fusaichi Pegasus	1st, Wood Memorial
1999	Charismatic	1st, Coolmore Lexington
1998	Real Quiet	2nd, Santa Anita Derby
1997	Silver Charm	2nd, Santa Anita Derby



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#19 BRODY'S CAUSE - 12-1
 (Giant's Causeway-Sweet Breanna, by Sahm)
 (\$350,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP)
 O-Albaugh Family Stable; B-Gabriel Duignan, William Arvin Jr & Petaluma B'stock (Ky); T-Dale Romans; J-Luis Saez. DI: 1.38. Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, \$1,123,138

PROS: Owns a win over the track, having broken his maiden here second out last September... Was very visually impressive when upsetting the GI Claiborne Breeders' Futurity at Keeneland in October over popular Derby pick **Exaggerator** (Curlin), and again showed off a nice turn of foot to return to winning ways in the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. last time... Trainer Dale Romans has had plenty of success in graded stakes under the Twin Spires, and boasts recent GI Preakness S. and GI Travers S. wins, as well as on-the-board finishes in both the Derby and GI Belmont S...

CONS: Brody's Cause has been the beneficiary of very quick paces in his two Grade I victories, and is one of many off-the-pace types signed on here in a race that doesn't appear to feature an abundance of early speedsters... Perhaps he needed the race or didn't take to the Tampa main track, but his complete non-effort in the GII Tampa Bay Derby remains a mystery... Has yet to earn higher than a 91 Beyer Speed Figure--it'll take a significantly higher number to win Saturday...

PEDIGREE: Progeny of top all-around sire Giant's Causeway

generally have no trouble with Classic distances... Second dam Sweet Roberta, by strong stamina influence Roberto, was a Grade II winner who finished second in the 1989 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies... **VERDICT:** He's a solid and accomplished runner, but probably needs to get faster.

Brody Cause's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/9/16	GI Toyota Blue Grass S.	1st
10/3/15	GI Claiborne Breeders' Futurity	1st
9/11/15	CD Msw	1st



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1990	Unbridled	3rd
1991	Strike the Gold	1st
1993	Sea Hero	4th
1995	Thunder Gulch	4th
2007	Street Sense	2nd

*DQ'd from first.



#20 DANZING CANDY - 15-1
(Twirling Candy—Talkin and Singing, by Songandaprayer)
O-Halo Farms, Jim & Dianne Bashor; B-Halo Farms (KY); T-Clifford Sise Jr; J-Mike Smith. DI: 3.80.
Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$358,650

PROS: In a Derby field replete with late runners, front-running ‘TDN Rising Star’ Danzing Candy could face limited competition early... Easily handled likely second choice **Exaggerator** (Curlin) and Mor Spirit (Eskendereya) in the GII San Felipe S... **CONS:** Went too fast to last in the Santa Anita Derby, but still offered no resistance when wilting down the lane in a uninspiring prep



Danzing Candy | Benoit

race.... A late arrival in Louisville, Danzing Candy will be without a work over the Churchill strip in his first start outside California...

PEDIGREE: Danzing Candy is from the first crop of Grade I winner Twirling Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}), who won the 2010 GI Malibu S.

in record-setting time and was second by just a head in the following year’s 1 1/4-mile GI Pacific Classic. His dam, a half-sister to GI Breeders’ Cup Turf winner Better Talk Now, failed to win in nine trips to the post. She is by the speedy Songandaprayer (Unbridled’s Song), who set the pace in the 2001 Derby before fading to 13th... **VERDICT:** Talented colt should be on front early, but not sure he’ll have enough in the tank to hold off the closers.

Danzing Candy’s Video Highlights

Date	Race	Finish
3/12/16	GII San Felipe S.	1st
02/04/16	SA Alw/OC	1st
12/26/15	SA Msw	1st



#21 LAOBAN - 50-1
(Uncle Mo—Chattertown, by Speightstown)
(\$40,000 Wlg ‘13 KEENOV;
\$260,000 Ylg ‘14 KEESEP)
O-McCormick Racing LLC & Southern Equine Stable LLC; B-Respite Farm (KY); T-Eric Guillot; J-Cornelio Velasquez. DI: 3.00.
Lifetime Record: 5-0-2-1, \$151,250.

PROS: Laoban’s gate speed should get him out of trouble early should he draw into this 20-horse affair...Though he has not raced at Churchill before, he is well traveled, having seen a different venue in each of his five trips to the post...

CONS: Despite a pair of Grade III placings, the most glaring knock against the dark bay is he is still a maiden... Nine furlongs proved to be an issue for the colt last time when fourth in the Blue Grass behind Brody’s Cause (Giant’s Causeway), so 10 furlongs is a pretty big



Laoban | Coady photography

ask... **PEDIGREE:** His dam, a daughter of champion sprinter Speightstown, only has two wins to her credit, both going short... **VERDICT:** Should he draw into the race, Laoban should be calling the shots early along with **Danzing Candy** (Twirling Candy), but will likely call it a day somewhere between the eighth and ninth furlong.

Laoban’s Video Highlights

Date	Race	Finish
3/5/16	GIII Gotham S.	2nd
1/9/16	GIII Sham S.	3rd



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#22 CHERRY WINE - 30-1
 (Paddy O'Prado--C.S. Royce, by Unbridled's Song)
 O-William Pacella & Frank Jones, Jr.; B-Pacella Racing, Frank Jones, Jr. & Frank Shoop (KY); T-Dale Romans; J-Robby Albarado. DI: 3.80.
 Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-2, \$218,878.

PROS: Cherry Wine already has a dominant win over this strip, romping by 9 1/4 lengths when breaking his maiden in the slop last November, and has been very consistent since... Tabbed a 'TDN Rising Star' after an impressive allowance win at Gulfstream in January, he overcame traffic trouble when a late-running fourth in the GII Rebel S. and was a solid third last time in the GI Toyota Blue Grass S... Distance seems to be no issue for this sophomore and he should relish 10 furlongs... His conditioner, who trained GI Preakness S. winner Shackleford (Forestry) and two Derby third-place finishers--one of which is



Cherry Wine
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this colt's sire, has shown the upmost confidence in Cherry Wine all year and will enter him in the GI Preakness S. should he not get in here...

CONS: The homebred's closing style is dependent on a hot pace up front, which is not certain, though looks a bit more likely should **Laoban** (Uncle Mo) draw in...He has already been outrun by some of the other closers signed on here, including stablemate **Brody's Cause** (Giant's Causeway), **My Man Sam** (Trappe Shot) and **Creator** (Tapit)... **PEDIGREE:** Cherry Wine's sire Paddy O'Prado, who completed the trifecta in the 2010 Derby, won at 10 furlongs, though that was on the grass in the GI Secretariat S., and also captured the grassy 1 3/16-mile GII Virginia Derby... His dam, who was also trained by Romans, won twice on the grass at 1 1/16 miles, but her sire Unbridled's Song was a strong dirt runner, having won the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, GI Florida Derby and GI Wood Memorial S., the latter two being at nine furlongs... **VERDICT:** Cherry Wine will have to step up his game a bit to turn the tables on runners like Brody's Cause and Creator. However, he is right there every time and if the pace plays to his liking, there is no reason to think he won't be charging home strongly in the final furlong.

Cherry Wine's Video Highlights		
Date	Race	Finish
4/9/16	GI Blue Grass S.	3rd
3/19/16	GII Rebel S.	4th
1/9/16	GP Alw	1st

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New York

Thursday's Results:

8th-BEL, \$80,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 5-5, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:38.33, gd.

BROWSE (f, 3, [Medaglia d'Oro--Daydreaming {MGSW & MGISP, \\$696,680}](#), by [A.P. Indy](#)) blew away a field of maidens by 6 1/4 lengths on debut Dec. 6, an effort that earned her 'TDN Rising Star' status. Off for almost four months, she returned at 3-5 to finish second Apr. 1 at Gulfstream against subsequent stakes winner April Gaze (High Cotton). Sent postward at 3-5 again here, the bay homebred was away a half beat slowly, but quickly moved up to stalk outside in third past a :23.44 quarter. Given her cue at the half-mile pole, she took over the lead turning into the stretch before being met with a two-pronged challenge from Wembley (Bernardini) to her outside and My Girl Corey (Warrior's Reward) near the rail. Responding gamely, she dug in to hold off the bid of the former and prevail by a nose. The winner's dam took the GII Top Flight H., was second in the GI Gazelle H. and third in the GI Spinaway S. She produced Imagining (Giant's Causeway), GISW, \$1,177,394 and Reflecting (Elusive Quality), MSP, \$296,123. Most recently, she foaled a War Front yearling filly named Cover Model. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$92,360. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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1st-BEL, \$100,000, Msw, 5-5, 2yo, 5f, :58.74, my.

+TALE OF TWO c, 2, [Tale of the Cat](#)



1st Dam: Classofsixtythree (MGISP, \$195,774), by Include

2nd Dam: Rambling Rose, by Blush Rambler

3rd Dam: Whip Cream, by Vigors

Tale of Two took all of the play at 3-5, but didn't have much early speed despite showing a :59 five-furlong work from the gate at Keeneland that appeared to be in company with this barn's 2-year-old Classic Empire, who also made a big close to win his debut Wednesday at Churchill. Facing a double-digit deficit at the three-eighths marker, the bay colt still appeared to be spinning his wheels at the top of the stretch, but found his best stride nearing the furlong pole and absolutely

flew down the center of the track to reel in the longtime leader Fuhrlong (Langfuhr) and win going away by 2 1/2 lengths. The winner's dam ran third in the 2010 GI Ruffian H. Sales History: \$100,000 RNA Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$175,000 Ylg '15 FTNAUG; \$110,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$50,000.

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O-Gary Barber and St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola); B-Lee Pokoik (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.

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4th-BEL, \$75,000, Msw, 5-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:04.59, gd.

GALILEO'S SONG (IRE) (f, 3, [Galileo {Ire}](#)--Song to Remember, by Storm Cat) was bet down to 3-2 for her Apr. 2 debut on the Gulfstream lawn, but could manage only fourth. Off at a nickel above even-money here, the bay traveled a ground-saving fourth on the first turn, inched closer to the leader after a half in :51.01 and continued to skim the rail around the far bend. Tipped out into the stretch, the \$475,000 Keeneland November weanling buy blew past the pacesetter around the eighth pole and pulled clear to score by 1 3/4 lengths. Her barnmate Texting (Candy Ride {Arg}) got up late to complete the exacta. The winner is a half to Magnificent Song (Unbridled's Song), GISW, \$445,732, Great Barrier Reef (Mr. Greeley), GSP-Ire & GSP-Eng, and Park Avenue (Ire) (Mr. Greeley), GSP-Ire. Her dam has a yearling filly by Camelot (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$47,000.

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O-Dell Ridge Farm LLC; B-Smythson (IRE); T-Chad C. Brown.

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Eastern U.S.

Live Racing Returns to Suffolk Downs This Summer:

Live Thoroughbred racing will return to Suffolk Downs this summer with three two-day racing festivals, the track announced Thursday. The first weekend of live racing will be held July 9-10 and will continue Aug. 6-7 and Sept. 3-4. The track has committed in an agreement with the

Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA) to continuing live racing in 2017 with an option to also race in 2018.

"We are very appreciative of the support we received from local horseman and the local horse racing fans," said Chip Tuttle, the Chief Operating Officer at Suffolk Downs. "We are looking forward to building on that momentum this year and we are happy we are able to help preserve racing here while we continue to explore our options for developing the property."

Last year, the track held three single live racing and food truck festival days which were met with large crowds of over 10,000 in attendance each day. This year, the festival days will again include food trucks and family fun activities.

In 2015, Suffolk Downs reduced takeout to 15% across the board on all wagers and the track plans to ask the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to approve a similar reduction in takeout for 2016.

This Saturday, Suffolk Downs will be simulcasting the 142nd running of the GI Kentucky Derby. Gates will open at 9:45 a.m. and advance wagering will be available on Kentucky Oaks Day, Friday, May 6.

Kentucky

Thursday's Results:

KENTUCKY JUVENILE S., \$100,000, CD, 5-5, 2yo, 5f, :58.63, ft. 1--**SILVERTONI, 117, f, 2, by Tapit**

1st Dam: Somasach (GSP-Ire & SP-US), by Johannesburg

2nd Dam: Easy Now, by Danzig

3rd Dam: Relaxing, by Buckpasser

(\$230,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP). O-Silverton Hill LLC; B-Clearsky Farms (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward; J-Jose Valdivia, Jr. \$60,760. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$91,580.

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2--**Hey Mike**, 120, c, 2, Cape Blanco (Ire)--Nina Fever, by Borrego. (\$60,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP). O/B-Michael M. Hui (KY); T-Michael J. Maker. \$19,600.

3--**Thirstforlife**, 118, c, 2, [Stay Thirsty](#)--Promenade Girl, by Carson City. (\$240,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV). O-Gary Barber & St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola); B-Camas Park Stud (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. \$9,800.

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Also Ran: Con Te Partiro, Cold Hearted Pearl, Bluegrass Gem, Cold Snack Thirty. Scratched: Lady Aurelia, Rapa Iti.

Silvertoni was a clear-cut winner of her Keeneland debut Apr. 14 when made the 7-10 choice and was one of three Wesley Ward runners--all fillies--entered in this before 'TDN Rising Star' Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) was scratched. Breaking on top, the gray made a clear lead in the opening furlong and took the field through a quarter in



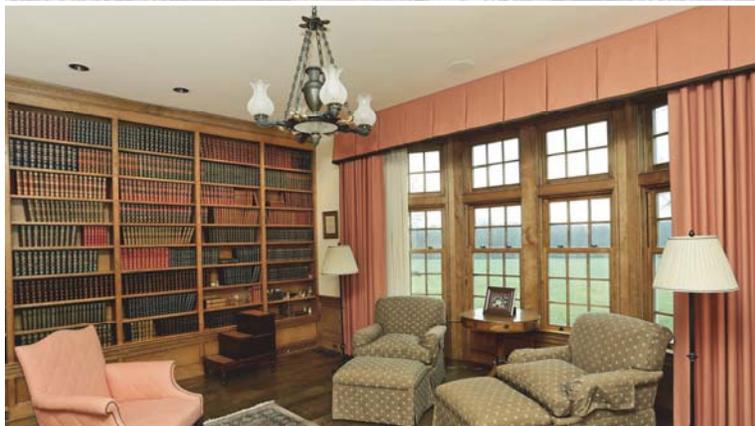
Silvertoni (inside) holds off Hey Mike (center) and Thirstforlife | Coady Photo

:22.51. Her stablemate and 'Rising Star' Con Te Partito (Scat Daddy) inched closer on the latter half of the turn and well-backed Hey Mike made it three in a line at the top of the lane. Silvertoni was briefly headed by Hey Mike in midstretch, but responded gamely in the final furlong under Jose Valdivia, Jr. to shake that foe off and pull away to win by two lengths. Thirstforlife, bet to 5-2 as the lone firster in the group and representing the same connections as Belmont 'Rising Star'-earning Tale of Two (Tale of the Cat), completely missed the break from his rail draw, but came flying in the stretch to just miss grabbing second from Hey Mike.

"She's a nice filly and is bred to be nice and we are real excited," said Ward, who confirmed suspicions that Silvertoni would be Royal Ascot-bound. "She's very talented. I think that she's going to only get better as she goes further. Going into the race, [Con Te Partiro] would probably be a little quicker going out of the gate, but she broke a step slow so this filly kind of took advantage of that, and [Con Te Partiro] came outside of her, but the other filly just has a big strong lengthy stride and it's just tough to get by her because she just keeps running."

The winner's dam was second in the six-furlong 2011 G3 Balanchine S. at The Curragh, and was third sprinting on the Penn National turf in the Jenny Wade S. as a sophomore for trainer Leigh Delacour. Hailing from an extremely deep Phipps Stables family that includes Grade I winners Easy Goer, Easy Now, Relaxing and Cadillacing, she produced a Tiznow colt last term. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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11th-CD, \$52,110, Alw, 5-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5fT, :58.69, fm.
FRONT POCKET MONEY (g, 3, [Uncle Mo](#)--Turbulent Times, by Fusaichi Pegasus) finished fourth on debut after dueling through a hot pace Mar. 26 at Oaklawn, then rallied well after losing position on the turn to score by a neck there Apr. 15. Switching to turf for this first try against winners, the bay broke cleanly and stalked the pace from third as longshot Mr Business (Hold Me Back) showed the way through a tepid :23.05 quarter. Well held on the turn, Front Pocket Money ranged up alongside the pacesetter at the furlong pole and gradually edged away to earn a 3/4-length decision. Sales History: \$67,000 Ylg '14 OBSWIN; \$70,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$80,550. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-J. Kirk and Judy Robison; B-Christina Kelly (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

4th-CD, \$43,116, Msw, 5-5, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :51.92, ft.
+HARLANDS THUNDER (f, 2, Harlan's Holiday--Stormandaprayer {SP, \$169,484}, by Songandaprayer) had been legging up at Payson Park for Bill Mott before shipping north to Louisville and getting two local three-furlong breezes under her belt for this debut. Away well, she stalked leader Divine Humor (Divine Park) from second through a quarter-mile in :23.05 and moved closer to challenge that one at the top of the lane. The dark bay appeared as though she would be rebuffed at the eighth pole, but stayed on nicely to get up in the final sixteenth and edge away for a one-length tally. Pretty City Dancer (Tapit) ran well to be third after stumbling at the start and racing greenly in the lane. The winner's second dam, Stormy Pick (Storm Creek), won the 2000 GI Spinaway S. en route to \$441,900 in earnings. Sales History: \$145,000 RNA 2yo '16 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$26,400. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Lewis G. Lakin; B-Lakland Farm (KY); T-William I. Mott.

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9th-CD, \$50,000, Msw, 5-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45.28, ft.
DEBBY D'ORO (f, 3, [Giant's Causeway](#)--Dashing Debby {SW}, by Medaglia d'Oro) finished a good, closing third in her Mar. 12 debut at Tampa when dismissed at 37-1, then moved forward in the figure department despite a slow break when finishing fourth at 25-1 behind 'TDN Rising Star' Kareena (Medaglia d'Oro) Apr. 16 at Keeneland. Stretching out to two turns at 2-1 here, the dark bay started smoothly and made the lead on the first turn. Clicking off splits of :23.82 and :47.94 under light

pressure, she spurted away while well in hand at the top of the lane and remained clear in the stretch, coming home a three-length victress. Walkabout (Stroll), a half-sister to MGISW Ford Larned (E Dubai), was second. Sales History: \$47,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$57,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$35,500. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Bernard G. Schaeffer; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-William R. Connelly.

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California

7th-SA, \$59,035, (S), Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 5-5, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.32, ft.

ROCKET FUEL (g, 4, Cyclotron--Crystal Chandelier, by Houston) finished a strong second in his Arcadia debut Mar. 13 and followed that up with a good-looking maiden score Apr. 3 over track and trip, coming home in under 12 seconds for his last furlong. Away as the 13-10 chalk here, the bay bounced out of the gate well and ran a close-up second in between horses through a quarter in :21.78. Given more rein passing the three-furlong pole, he drew alongside pacesetting runner-up Signature Cat (Discreet Cat) spinning for home past a :44.64 half-mile. Those two dueled briefly, but Rocket Fuel asserted his superiority just inside the three-sixteenths marker and kicked away to a 2 1/4-length score. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$79,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O/B-Bruce Headley, Andrew & Irwin Molasky (CA); T-Bruce Headley.

6th-SA, \$57,380, Msw, 5-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.69, ft. DISTINGUISHABLE (f, 3, [Distorted Humor](#)--Officiate, by Deputy Minister) showed brief speed but did little running thereafter when finishing sixth in her local Mar. 27 debut. Taking a lot of early money before drifting up to 8-1 by post in this spot, the chestnut filly was hustled at the start to stalk a close second through a :22.07 quarter-mile. Drawing on even terms with the pacesetter nearing the turn for home, the \$250,000 Keeneland September yearling buy easily discarded that one and kicked away in the lane, holding clear for a 2 1/2-length triumph. The winner is a half to Mo Cuisle (Saint Ballado), GSW, \$217,475. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$33,945. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Mark DeDomenico LLC, Tailwind Racing, Inc. and George Todaro; B-Aaron Jones & Marie Jones (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

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1st-SA, \$56,345, (S), Msw, 5-5, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52.81, ft. +LEMONAIDEEN (f, 2, [Square Eddie](#)--[Meetmeinthewoods](#) {MSP, \$187,446}, by General Meeting), let go at 6-1 for a barn that has sent out a few longshot debut winners in recent years, broke like a shot to quickly take command, and continued to hold safe Californiasummer (Council Member) to score by 1 1/2 lengths. The winner, out of a half-sister to Canadian champion grass mare and MGSW Solid Appeal (Successful Appeal), has a full-sister born this year. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,600. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Michael W. McGrath; B-Reddam Racing, LLC (CA); T-Edward R. Freeman.

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- CAL NATION** (Distorted Humor), Country Life Farm, \$3.5K, 24/0/0
1-LRL, Msw 4 1/2f, +Faze the Nation, 9-2
- EMPIRE WAY** (Empire Maker), Lovacres Ranch, \$5K, 21/1/0
1-SA, Msw 4 1/2f, +Bic Mitchum, \$25K BAR OCT yrl, 5-1
1-SA, Msw 4 1/2f, Downside Up, 5-2
- REVOLVING** (A.P. Indy), Stonehedge Farm South, Pvt., 14/0/0
3-GP, Msw 4 1/2f, +Maggie Laine, 6-1

Second-crop starters to watch: Friday, May 6

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- ARCHARCHARCH** (Arch), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 251/35/2
1-LS, Msw 4 1/2f, +Sure Thing Sheila, \$3K KEE SEP yrl, 9-5
- CAPE BLANCO (IRE)** (Galileo {Ire}), JBBA Shizunai Stallion Station, \$17.5K, 259/21/1
9-TAM, Msw 5fT, +Most Likely, 8-1
- CUSTOM FOR CARLOS** (More Than Ready), Clear Creek Stud, \$3K, 88/14/1
8-EVD, \$75K Equine Sales Oaks, 1 1/16m, Pulchritude, \$1,000 EQL 2YO 2yo, 10-1
- DROSSELMAYER** (Distorted Humor), WinStar Farm, \$17.5K, 176/20/0
9-TAM, Msw 5fT, +Im Not Playing, \$7K EAS MAY 2yo, 12-1
- FACTUM** (Storm Cat), Stonehedge Farm South, Pvt., 42/3/0
3-GP, Msw 4 1/2f, +Driving Mrs B, 4-1
- TWIRLING CANDY** (Candy Ride {Arg}), Lane's End Farm, \$15K, 146/35/4
5-CT, Msw 4 1/2f, +Adorable Twirl, 8-1
- UNCLE MO** (Indian Charlie), Ashford Stud, \$35K, 261/53/13
11-CD, \$1M GI Longines Kentucky Oaks, 1 1/8m, Mokat, \$52K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
10-CD, \$150K GIII Edgewood S., 1 1/16mT, Auntie Joy, 30-1
11-CD, \$1M GI Longines Kentucky Oaks, 1 1/8m, Mo d'Amour, \$75K OBS MAR 2yo, 30-1

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7th-BEL, \$80,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 5-5, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22.12, gd.

JUBA (h, 5, [Tapit](#)--Adoradancer {SP}, by Danzig Connection)

Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-3, \$174,030. O-Centennial Farms; B-Manganaro LLC (KY); T-James A. Jerkens. *\$250,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP. **1/2 to Saint Anddan (A.P. Indy), GSW, \$423,170.

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2nd-SA, \$64,290, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 5-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:50.56, fm.

EVO CAMPO (IRE) (f, 4, [Approve {Ire}](#)--Billie Bailey, by Mister Baileys {GB})

Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-2, \$124,281. O-Ronald Day and Mary DiPietro; B-Richard O'Hara (IRE); T-Patrick Gallagher. *€5,000 Ylg '13 GO13.

6th-BEL, \$62,000, (S), 5-5, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.29, gd.

BROTHER O'CONNELL (c, 4, [Giant's Causeway](#)--Shared Dreams {GB} {SW-US & SP-Eng, \$141,698}, by Seeking the Gold)

Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-1, \$100,478. O-Donegal Racing; B-Sarah J. Leigh (NY); T-Thomas Morley. *\$125,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP.

3rd-GP, \$39,200, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 5-5, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.31, ft.

MORE APPLAUSE (g, 4, [More Than Ready](#)--Cassidy {GSW, \$440,774}, by Jolie's Halo)

Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-3, \$89,820. O/B-Peter J Mirabelli (KY); T-Manuel A. Estevez. *1/2 to Cassidy's Pride (Medaglia d'Oro), SW, \$140,716.

5th-PEN, \$31,400, (NW3X)/Opt. Clm (\$32,000), 5-5, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08.92, gd.

CHIEF LION (g, 6, [Wildcat Heir](#)--Pretty Indian, by Indian Charlie)

Lifetime Record: SP, 26-6-3-5, \$264,361. O-David Jacobson; B-Harold J. Plumley (FL); T-David Jacobson. *\$35,000 Ylg '11 OBSWIN; \$15,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP; \$75,000 RNA 2yo '12 BARMAR. **full to Ramona's Wildcat, SW, \$163,860.

7th-EVD, \$28,450, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 5-4, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (off turf), :58.25, ft.

LOOK INTO MY EYES (f, 4, [City Zip](#)--Burnished Miss, by Wild Again)

Lifetime Record: 9-5-2-1, \$124,560. O-Kathleen Amaya and Raffaele Centofanti; B-Robert McDowell & Beth Deal (LA); T-Efren Loza, Jr. *\$42,000 RNA Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$35,000 Ylg '13 OBSWIN; \$35,000 RNA 2yo '14 OBSOPN.

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7th-BTP, \$21,300, (S), 5-5, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.76, ft.

PIERCE THE SKY (g, 4, [Part the Waters](#)--Lake Star Lady, by Montbrook)

Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, \$30,026. O/T-Kris Nemann; B-Kris Nemann & Fred Nemann (OH).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Custom Built, f, 3, [Custom for Carlos](#)--Truly Original, by Yes It's True.

GP, 5-5, (C), 6f, 1:11.37. B-Wendell A. Templet (LA). *\$7,500 Ylg '14 BSCYRL; \$40,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

Francesca Di Fiori, f, 3, [Proud Citizen](#)--Tzigane, by Belong to Me.

CD, 5-5, (C), 6f, 1:11.72. B-Luis Bravo (KY).

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US ARMY RANGER FIGHTS TO VASE WIN



US Army Ranger (right) nips stablemate Port Douglas in the Chester Vase | Racing Post

Made hot favourite for the Derby after his debut win in deep ground over 10 furlongs at The Curragh Apr. 3, **US Army Ranger (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) did little to light the touchpaper when only workmanlike in following up in Thursday's G3 MBNA Chester Vase. Sent off the 4-11 market leader for the mile-and-a-half trial with all the post-Minding 1000 Guineas attention focused on him, the bay was settled in second by Ryan Moore behind his G2 Beresford S.-winning stablemate **Port Douglas (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). Sent up the inner of his "friend" as the rail cut-away came with over a furlong remaining, the blaze-faced bay looked as if he would go away and stamp some authority on the contest with the long-time leader tending to lug in to his left. Digging deep for the whip, US Army Ranger galloped out strongly to hold on with Port Douglas--who carried a four-pound penalty--rallying under hand riding, and prevailed by a short head as they came seven lengths clear of **Ormito (Ger)** (Mamool {Ire}) in third. In doing so, he provided Aidan O'Brien with a record seventh renewal, all in the last 10 years. "He's still very babyish, but traveled really nicely and I just wanted to teach him," Moore said. "When he got to the front he had a bit of a look and as the other horse came back he was just going to do enough. He'll improve plenty--I was probably a bit too kind to him when he first went there and he's probably switched off for me." **cont. p2**

NATIONAL YEARLING CATALOGUE ONLINE

By Kelsey Riley

The catalogue for the Magic Millions National Yearling Sale to be held June 7 and 8 is [noe online](#). The National Yearling Sale is the penultimate book of the Magic Millions National Sale Series, which comprises the National Weanling Sale May 29 and 30; the National Broodmare Sale June 1 to 5; the yearling sale June 7 and 8; and the National Racehorse Sale June 9.

Magic Millions Managing Director Vin Cox was in Kentucky this week to visit with American clients and promote the sale, and he said, "there's more of a focus from American buyers on our industry these days, and it's great to get up and see everyone and hopefully get some of them to come down to our National sale." He added, "I've seen a few farms and had a look at a couple stallions. It's been good; it's a good time of year to get here and catch up with everyone."

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Chester Vase report cont. from p1

Thursday, Chester, Britain

MBNA CHESTER VASE-G3, £75,000, CHE, 5-5, 3yo, c/g, 12f 66yT, 2:41.07, gd.

1--#**US ARMY RANGER (IRE)**, 126, c, 3, by [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: Moonstone (GB) (G1SW-Ire & G1SP-Eng, \$613,532), by Dalakhani (Ire)

2nd Dam: Solo de Lune (Ire), by Law Society

3rd Dam: Truly Special (Ire), by Caerleon

O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Orpendale, Chelston & Wynatt (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore, £42,533. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$72,163. *1/2 to Words (Ire) (Dansili {GB}), GSW-Ire; Nevis (Ire) (Dansili {GB}), SW-Aus & Eng, \$200,814; and Stubbs (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), SW-Ire, SP-Eng & Nor, \$110,592. **Werk Nick Rating: A+**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Port Douglas (Ire)**, 130, c, 3, [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)--Walzerkoenigin, by Kingmambo. O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Susan Magnier; B-Walzerkoenigin Syndicate (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. £16,125.

3--**Ormito (Ger)**, 126, c, 3, Mamool (Ire)--Ormita (Ger), by Acatenango (Ger). (€24,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS). O-R Morecombe & Mrs L E Ramsden; B-Horst-Dieter Beyer (GER); T-Andrew Balding. £8,070.

Margins: HD, 7, 2. Odds: 0.35, 5.50, 20.00.

Also Ran: Biodynamic (Ire), High Grounds (Ire), Dwight D (GB).

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Moore added, "He didn't know how to fight, so he'll learn a lot from that. Aidan's other horse isn't a bad horse--he's a Group 2 winner who is very fit and hardened. My horse moved

beautifully and I have no issues about him handling any track. I liked the way he moved through the race--I rode in the race when Treasure Beach just beat Nathaniel and people knocked that form, so you have to be very careful as it's early days for these 3-year-olds."

Aidan O'Brien added, "It wasn't a very strong pace early and Seamus's horse [Port Douglas] wasn't doing much in front, so it was only when they got together that the race really started. In an ideal world, he'd have preferred an end-to-end even gallop but it's a race he'll probably come out of very well because they only raced hard for the second half of the race. Port Douglas is a good solid Group 2 horse and we've another 10 days to go through with all the Derby trials."

US Army Ranger is a son of the G1 Darley Irish Oaks winner Moonstone--herself a half-sister to G1 Prix Saint-Alary winner Cerulean Sky (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), making him a half-brother to three stakes winners. Moonstone has a 2-year-old unnamed colt by Fastnet Rock (Aus) and a yearling colt by Frankel (GB).

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Thursday, Chester, Britain

BETWAY HUXLEY S.-G3, £75,000, CHE, 5-5, 4yo/up, 10f 75yT, 2:11.65, gd.

1--**CANNOCK CHASE, 133, h, 5, by Lemon Drop Kid**

1st Dam: Lynnwood Chase, by Horse Chestnut (SAf)

2nd Dam: Lady Ilsley, by Trepolino

3rd Dam: Sue Warner, by Forli (Arg)

(310,000gns Ylg '12 TAOCT). O-Saeed Suhail; B-Hascombe Stud (KY); T-Sir Michael Stoute; J-Ryan Moore. £42,533. Lifetime Record: GISW-Can, 12-6-3-1, \$714,843. *Full to Pisco Sour, GSW-Eng & Fr, \$407,780. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

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BETWAY HUXLEY S.-G3 cont.

2--**Western Hymn (GB)**, 126, g, 5, [High Chaparral \(Ire\)](#)--Blue Rhapsody (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire). (50,000gns Ylg '12 TAOCT). O-RJH Geffen & Rachel Hood; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB); T-John Gosden. £16,125.

3--**Master Carpenter (Ire)**, 126, h, 5, [Mastercraftsman \(Ire\)](#)--Fringe (GB), by In the Wings (GB). (£30,000 Ylg '12 DNPRM). O-The Links Partnership; B-Naiff Sa & Newtown Stud (IRE); T-Rod Millman. £8,070.

Margins: 1, HD, 2. Odds: 2.75, 1.50, 14.00.

Also Ran: Gabriel (Ire), Battalion (Ire), Top Notch Tonto (Ire), Fire Fighting (Ire).

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When Cannock Chase came to this race 12 months ago, he looked a potential Sir Michael Stoute improver despite already having Royal Ascot's G3 Tercentenary S. under his belt from the previous season, but he failed to live up to expectations when only second to the outsider Maverick Wave (Elusive Quality). It is a measure of

how his trainer viewed his overall ability level that he was still chanced in the G1 Prince of Wales's S. at the Royal meeting, but he was unable to enjoy a clear passage



Cannock Chase & Ryan Moore | *Racing Post*

and finished an inconclusive seventh prior to finishing runner-up to the subsequent G1 Champion S. fourth Racing History (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) in Windsor's G3 Winter Hill S. staying at 10 furlongs in August. Upped to a mile and a half for a confidence-boosting win in Newmarket's Listed Godolphin S. the following month, the bay built on that experience to garner his first top-level success in the G1 Canadian International before flopping when 11th in the G1 Hong Kong Vase in December. Harshly saddled with an extra seven pounds here for his Woodbine exploits, Cannock Chase was settled in fourth on the outer as Ryan Moore opted to keep it simple on a horse who stays further. When committed, he took control a furlong out as Western Hymn and Master Carpenter closed. "It was a massive run giving that amount of weight away and he'll improve for the run as well," said Moore of the winner, a sixth in this race for trainer Sir Michael Stoute. "He definitely feels like he has improved and he traveled beautifully, and always felt like he was in control. He's a talented and straightforward horse and he's in a better place this year, although last year's race was on bad ground." [cont. p4](#)

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Huxley S. cont.

Bruce Raymond, racing manager to owner Saeed Suhail, added, "He's had minor problems all the time which kept him off the track for a bit. When he came back from Hong Kong it took Michael a long time to get him right, but he'd been working exceptionally well and it was a good performance to give seven pounds to Western Hymn. He's the type Sir Michael excels with and I think he'll be better at a mile and a half. We hope he can land a Group 1 here this year, whether he can I don't know, he could win another abroad. He used to want fast ground, but as he's got older he just prefers a bit of juice so the ground today was perfect."

Western Hymn's co-owner Robin Geffen commented, "It's a short straight here and he needed a bit more time to wind up. I think we'll go back to Sandown for the [G3] Brigadier Gerard [S. May 26], where he'll run without a penalty. We nearly lost him when he had very serious colic a week after the Eclipse, where he ran a really good race against two Derby winners. It's taken time to get him fit this year. He's absolutely genuine and he's a real trier."

Cannock Chase is a full-brother to the G2 Prix Eugene Adam scorer Pisco Sour. His dam, Lynnwood Chase, has been mated exclusively to Lemon Drop Kid since producing Cannock Chase. She has an unraced 3-year-old colt by the sire named Los Olivos; and an as-yet unraced 2-year-old filly by him named Bizzarria (GB).

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HATS OFF?

With five winners in Chester's G3 Boodles Diamond Ormonde S., Sir Michael Stoute has the opportunity to set the outright record on Friday with a royal runner as The Queen's **Dartmouth (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) starts as a warm favourite. Coming of age



The Queen's Dartmouth | *Racing Post*

when winning the G3 John Porter S.-- which was switched from Newbury's waterlogged turf to Chelmsford's Polytrack and staged over an extended 13 furlongs from its customary mile-and-a-half trip--on his seasonal debut Apr. 16, the Darley-bred, who was previously third in Kempton's Listed Floodlit S. over 12 furlongs in November, meets nothing of major import in a weak renewal of this race.

"He is looking a big improver this year and has developed into quite an important 4-year-old," The Queen's racing manager, John Warren, said. "Like all these horses we are still on a learning curve of their ability, and it is another step forward into finding out how far he can go."

Irish representation is made up of Michael Tabor's **Father Christmas (Ire)** (Bernardini), who has not been seen since finishing third in the G2 King Edward VII S. over a mile and a half at Royal Ascot last June, but who must be respected from Ballydoyle, and the dual-purpose performer **Wicklow Brave (GB)** (Beat Hollow {GB}). He was third in the G1 Irish St Leger over 14 furlongs at The Curragh in September and in Ascot's two-mile G2 QIPCO British Champions Long Distance Cup before switching back to hurdles, and comes here on the back of a lay-off having been third again in the Fighting Fifth Hurdle at Newcastle in November.

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BOODLES DIAMOND ORMONDE S.-G3, £75,000, 4yo/up, 13f 89yT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	Father Christmas (Ire)	Bernardini	Heffernan	A O'Brien
2	Dartmouth (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Moore	Stoute
3	Oriental Fox (Ger)	Lomitas (GB)	Norton	Johnston
4	Blue Rambler (GB)	Monsun (Ger)	Holland	I Williams
5	Elidor (GB)	Cape Cross (Ire)	de Sousa	Channon
6	Cymro (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Kingscote	Dascombe
7	Wicklow Brave (GB)	Beat Hollow (GB)	Buick	Mullins

All carry 126 pounds bar Dartmouth, 129.

GENE TEST RULES 'GOLD' OUT OF DERBY

Al Shaqab Racing's G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas winner **Galileo Gold (GB)** (Paco Boy {Ire}) has been ruled out of a tilt at the G1 Investec Derby on June 4 following a test by Irish genetics company Equinome, which shows him to be a 'CC' type, or sprinter/miler.

Announcing the news in his *Betfair* blog, trainer Hugo Palmer said, "This means that there is a less than 1% chance of his optimum trip being one mile four furlongs and, therefore, having consulted with Harry Herbert and Sheikh Joaan, I can reveal that the horse will not be running in the Derby."



Galileo Gold & Hugo Palmer | *Racing Post*

Galileo Gold cont.

Despite Galileo Gold being a son of a Group 1-winning miler and closely related to last year's G1 King's Stand S. and G1 Prix de l'Abbaye winner Goldream (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Palmer had on Saturday pointed to the stamina further back in his Classic winner's pedigree which might tempt him to let the colt take his chance at Epsom.

In the immediate aftermath of the Guineas, he said, "His dam's by Galileo and his fourth dam is Floripedes (Fr), who is the dam of Montjeu. Between them, Galileo and Montjeu have been responsible for plenty of Derby winners."

However, Galileo Gold will now be kept to mile races, with the trainer adding in his recent blog, "Our priority is now to cement his position as a superstar miler and, all being well, we will now run in the [G1] Irish 2000 Guineas, and hopefully then on to the [G1] St James' Palace S. at Royal Ascot."

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LIFE'S A BREEZE FOR DONOHOE

By Daithí Harvey

Last year, Goresbridge celebrated the tenth edition of its ever-expanding breeze-up sale in style. The family company, headed by Martin Donohoe, posted a record turnover of €4.6 million, up by just over a million on the previous year. It was a long day of selling in 2015 with 236 lots catalogued, and Donohoe can again lay claim to being the largest breeze-up sale in Europe, having crammed another 20 lots into this year's book, which will sell at Goresbridge May 20 with the breeze-show at Gowran Park the preceding day.

It was far from a case of Donohoe having to go chasing potential entries, however. As he puts it himself, "I could have added another hundred horses, such was the demand for places." Donohoe said he is happy with the current format, and has no plans to add an extra day of selling.

"Obviously with a breeze-up you have an extra day anyway, with the horses galloping the day before, so adding another day of selling would be a big logistical challenge. Our sales complex is fairly maxed out as it is with the number of horses we have on offer, and I don't think it could comfortably accommodate any more horses during that space of time."

Donohoe is usually not shy of such challenges. He took it upon himself to launch a breeze-up sale in Ireland when it had already been tried and tested by others without huge success.

"I just couldn't understand why all these Irish vendors had no option but to sell their horses in Britain or even France," he explained. "I thought there had to be a space in the Irish market for such a sale, and having received positive feedback from

some of the major Irish vendors, I decided to go for it. We sold a Group 3 winner in our first sale and it has been progress ever since."

Donohoe is quick to point out that it hasn't been easy, and there were various times along the way when he questioned whether it was worth it financially and emotionally.

"The first few years were very difficult and between low value horses and the occasional bad debt, it was hard to make it work," he noted. "People began to say it wouldn't take off, but the more I heard that the more determined I was to prove them wrong. The success we've enjoyed over the last two years has exceeded my expectations, and I think it has laid the foundations for a really solid future."

Donohoe is always keen to offer innovation at his sales, and a new feature this year will be an attempt to woo potential Singaporean purchasers without them having to leave their own turf. Live footage of the horses breezing at Gowran Park May 19, and the sale itself at Goresbridge May 20, will be streamed to the



Martin Donohoe | Goresbridge

owners' lounge at Kranji Racecourse. The date of the auction coincides with a race night in Singapore, which will help guarantee numbers at the venue. Members will have a facility to bid to a Goresbridge representative on site, who will then relay the bids to the auctioneer in Goresbridge. Irish Thoroughbred Marketing has been instrumental in arranging this initiative, and the organisation's Jeremy Greene commented, "For various reasons, Irish horses have long been a marginal commodity in Singapore racing as opposed to, say, Hong Kong. Anomalously, however, those Irish-bred horses that make it to Kranji invariably turn out winners, and the Goresbridge Sale has had a particularly good strike-rate of winners to runners, in excess of 90%. If Singaporean connections can't come to the sale, technology means we can bring it to them, and interest in the auction at this early stage is pretty solid."

Goresbridge also prides itself on providing footage on their website of every lot walking in-hand prior to the sale. This footage will go live at the weekend, and it is seen as an excellent tool for pre-sale viewing, particularly useful for agents. [cont. p6](#)

Donohoe cont.

Federico Barberini has enjoyed top-level success from the sale, having purchased subsequent G1 Coolmore Stud Matron S. winner Fiesolana (Ire) (Aussie Rules) for €35,000, and said, "I find the pre-sale videos really great. With so many sales in the calendar these days, anything that can help us get some of the



Goresbridge graduate Bear Cheek | Racing Post

work done before getting to the sale is a great bonus. It also enables the potential buyer to begin forming an opinion about a horse."

Donohoe will welcome buyers to Goresbridge from an array of different countries in 10 days'

time, but one region he is very keen to see more participation from is America. To that end, he has enlisted the services of both Jane Buchanan and Niall Dalton to help spread the word in the U.S. and to increase awareness among horsemen as to what is available in Ireland. Both have a wide network at their fingertips; Buchanan has worked for Graham Motion for a number of years in addition to operating as a bloodstock agent, while California-based Dalton has sourced some top-class horses in Ireland over the years, such as multiple Grade I winner Laughing (Ire) (Dansili) and Amira's Prince (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}).

"I've thought for a number of years that we should have more American trainers, agents and owners coming to the sale," said Donohoe. "We don't expect them to come looking for dirt horses, but there is a demand for turf horses in America and where better to come and buy them. There is a strong U.S. market for European form horses, so surely there is a niche there for horses that are just one step away from showing form."

Bloodstock aside, Ireland also has a lot to offer by way of leisure pursuits, and Donohoe makes a strong case as to why potential purchasers would not only have a productive time, but also a pleasurable time. "We've got some wonderful golf courses, fishing locations and world-class hotels and restaurants, so it could make for an all-round memorable trip. ITM is brilliant at helping to organise any part of an overseas buyer's trip, so visitors can also count on a concierge-like service from them."

A sale is really only as good as the horses it produces, and Donohoe is mindful of the need to keep improving the quality on offer each year. Last year's stock has lived up to some of the lofty prices invested by purchasers. Qatar Racing got a quick return on the €125,000 spent by David Redvers on the Kodiak (GB) filly Bear Cheek (Ire). A Group 3 win at The Curragh in

August saw her value almost double to 200,000gns when she was bought by BT Bloodstock at Tattersalls in December. Curragh trainer Michael O'Callaghan has a Classic prospect on his hands after he picked up Blue De Vega (Ger) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) for €75,000. Both horses came from the Tally-Ho Stud draft, which accounted for three of the top 10 lots. "I suppose I probably say the same thing every year, but I think on paper this looks as strong, or if not stronger, than any catalogue we've put together. I also know for a fact that they'll be up to scratch physically as well, as my brother Michael puts a lot of effort into the selection process," assures Donohoe.

Tally-Ho returns with 27 lots catalogued, comprising a mixture of pinhooks and homebreds, including a half-sister to Bear Cheek by their first-season stallion Sir Prancealot (Ire), offered as [lot 110](#). One of Ireland's top stallions, Invincible Spirit (Ire), has two catalogued, [lots 38](#) and [159](#) from Oghill House and Kilminfoyle House Stud, respectively. Certainly one of the more interesting horses on pedigree is [lot 27](#), a Casamento (Ire) colt out of North East Bay (Prospect Bay), which makes him a half-brother to G1 Dubai World Cup winner Prince Bishop (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}). Fans of War Front (Danzig) will no doubt be interested in Grove Stud's filly by his son The Factor. [Lot 89](#) is a half-sister to stakes winner Giovanni Boldini (War Front) who also finished second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf.



Group 1-winning Goresbridge graduate Fiesolana | Racing Post

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BETDAQ DEE S.-Listed, £75,000, 3yo, c/g, 10f 75yT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	Housesofparliament (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien
2	Ban Shoof (GB)	Shirocco (Ger)	Brown	Mohammed
3	Linguistic (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Buick	Gosden
4	Viren's Army (Ire)	Twirling Candy	de Sousa	Hannon
5	Platitude (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Donohoe	Stoute
6	Kingston Kurrajong (GB)	Authorized (Ire)	Probert	Balding
7	High Grounds (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Holland	C Hills
8	Cook Islands (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Moore	A O'Brien

Dee S. cont.

The next in line of the Derby trials features the expected Ballydoyle representation in the form of **Cook Islands**, who was a well-beaten fourth in the G3 Ballysax S. over this trip at Leopardstown Apr. 10, and the Apr. 22 Dundalk maiden winner **Housesofparliament**. A win for either would provide Aidan O'Brien with a sixth renewal, but Godolphin's Apr. 14 £200,000 Tattersalls Millions 3-y-o Trophy winner **Linguistic** stands in the way. He had Ballydoyle's Listed Lingfield Derby Trial contender Landofhopeandglory (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}) back in fourth in that 10-furlong Newmarket sales race, but the third-placed Biodynamic (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) let the form down when nine lengths fourth in Thursday's G3 Chester Vase.

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Thursday's Result:

5th-CHE, £14,000, Mdn, 5-5, 2yo, 5f 16yT, 1:02.73, gd.
+MEHMAS (IRE) (c, 2, Acclamation {GB}--Lucina {GB}, by Machiavellian), sent off at 5-1, was forced to race towards the rear throughout the early stages from his wide draw and crept into contention before swinging out into the clear with a furlong remaining. Cutting down the long-time leader Madam Dancealot (Ire) (Sir Prancealot {Ire}) 50 yards from the line, the 62,000gns TATOCT yearling and 170,000gns TATBRE 2-year-old had 3/4 of a length to spare there with Frankie Dettori sitting up. Out of a half-sister to the GSW & MG1SP Blue Monday (GB) (Darshaan {GB}) and the useful Rugged Cross (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), the dam also hails from the family of the dual G1 Coronation Cup hero Warrsan (Ire) (Caerleon) and the classy trio of Luso (GB) (Salse), Needle Gun (Ire) (Sure Blade) and Cloud Castle (GB) (In the Wings {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$12,633. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
 O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Richard Hannon.

CONDITIONS RESULT:

6th-CHD, £20,000, 5-4, 4yo/up, 14f (AWT), 3:04.63, st
AMOUR DE NUIT (IRE) (g, 4, Azamour {Ire}--Umthoulah {Ire}, by Unfuwain) Lifetime Record: 13-5-3-0, \$65,205. O-L. A. Larratt - Osborne House; B-Wardley Bloodstock (IRE); T-Sir Mark Prescott Bt. *16,000gns Ylg '13 TAOCT.

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Thursday's Results:

3rd-CLN, €15,000, Cond, 5-5, 3yo, 10fT, 2:04.82, g/f.
SIMANNKA (IRE) (f, 3, Mastercraftsman {Ire}--Simkana {Ire}, by Kalanisi {Ire}), off the mark on her last start over seven furlongs at Galway in September, was fitted with a first-time visor and

raced in third initially. Working her way to the front with a furlong remaining, the 4-6 favourite clung on determinedly to deny Tonkinese (GB) (Authorized {Ire}) by a short head. The dam, who is a half to the brilliant Sinndar (Ire) (Grand Lodge), also has a 2-year-old filly by Azamour (Ire) and a yearling colt by Dream Ahead. Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$31,045. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
 O-H.H. Aga Khan; B-His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs S.C. (IRE); T-Dermot Weld.

2nd-CLN, €13,500, Mdn, 5-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT, 2:04.82, g/f.
INVINCIBLE LIA (IRE) (f, 3, Invincible Spirit {Ire}--Lia {Ire} {MSP-Fr}, by Desert King {Ire}), fourth over a mile at Dundalk last time Apr. 18, was sent off the 10-3 second favourite and chased the leading duo throughout the early stages. Staying on past Creme De La (English Channel) passing the two-furlong pole, the €110,000 GOFNOV foal asserted to score by 2 1/4 lengths. Also the dam of Lake Palace (GB) (Nayef), SW-Fr, \$135,885, and a 2-year-old filly Hebah (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Teofilo (Ire), Lia is from the dynasty of the French Classic winners Latice (Ire) (Inchior {GB}) and Lawman (Fr) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$10,046. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
 O-Irish National Stud Breeding & Racing Club; B-Azienda Agricola Loreto Luciani & Irish National Stud (IRE); T-Willie McCreery.

OBSERVATIONS
 on today's European racing scene

1.45 Chantilly, Debutantes, €25,000, 3yo, c/g, 10fT
PROCONSUL (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) is easily the day's most interesting runner as a full-brother to Frankel (GB) and Noble Mission (GB), and half to Bullet Train (GB) (Sadler's Wells) and Joyeuse (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}). Andre Fabre has been entrusted with the February-foaled chestnut, who tackles 11 rivals on his racecourse introduction including the Niarchos Family's **Beyond Apollo (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire})**, a Pascal Bary-trained full-brother to the SW & MGSP TDN Rising Star Night of Light (Ire).



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Andre Fabre indicated he is not expecting debut fireworks from Proconsul, saying, "He is a very laid-back individual. There is no doubt that he will come on for the run; it will do him some good. He never actually had any problems last year. He came late into training and has just taken time. Some horses do, some horses pick it up quickly, but he has certainly taken time. He is very different from his brother."

2.45 Chantilly, Debutantes, €25,000, 3yo, f, 10fT

ADJECTIVE (GB) (Dansili {GB}) is another regally bred individual to represent Khalid Abdullah and Andre Fabre on this card, being a full-sister to the four-times Grade I winner Proviso (GB) and a half to the 2010 G1 Prince of Wales's S. winner Byword (GB) (Peintre Celebre). Also in the Juddmonte silks is the Pascal Bary-trained **Militate (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB})**, a full-sister to the G1 July Cup runner-up Main Aim (GB) and half to two pattern-race performers in Weightless (GB) (In the Wings {GB}) and Home Affairs (GB) (Dansili {GB}), while Fabre also saddles **Golden Gazelle (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})**, a daughter of the G1 Prix du Moulin heroine Grey Lilas (Ire) (Danehill) and therefore a full-sister to the 2011 G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and G1 Prix de Diane winner Golden Lilac (Ire), who her trainer proclaimed as the best of her sex he had handled. If that is not enough, there is also His Highness The Aga Khan's **Dariyba (Fr) (Monsun {Ger})**, an Alain de Royer-Dupre-trained daughter of the G1 Prix de Diane and G1 Prix Vermeille scorer Daryaba (Ire) (Night Shift), who has produced the 2009 G1 Hong Kong Vase winner Daryakana (Fr) (Selkirk).

6.00 Ascot, Mdn, £8,000, 2yo, f, 5fT

HER TERMS (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) is an unraced daughter of the 2011 G2 Queen Mary S. and G2 Lowther S. winner Best Terms (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who cost 330,000gns at Tattersalls and is trained by William Haggas for Apple Tree Stud. Among her rivals is a Godolphin newcomer in **Romantic View (GB) (Shamardal)**, a Charlie Appleby trainee whose dam is a full-sister to Manduro (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}).

6.10 Nottingham, £4,500, 3yo, f, 10f 75yT

SNOW MOON (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) returns for Lady Bamford and John Gosden after a promising debut when third over this course and distance in October. Out of the English and Irish Oaks heroine Sariska (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), she encounters Godolphin's **Pietrafiore (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire})**, a Charlie Appleby-trained ull-sister to the 2012 Dubai World Cup hero Monterosso (GB).

6.30 Ascot, Mdn, £8,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT

STRAW HAT (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}) debuts for the Old Harrovian Racing Club and the William Haggas stable and is a full-sister to the high-class Telescope (Ire), who captured the G2 Great Voltigeur S. and G2 Hardwicke S. and was runner-up in the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. Greeting her is Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum's well-regarded **Ajman Princess (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire})**, a Roger Varian-trained relative of the smart Afsare (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) who was second on debut in a decent Sandown maiden last month.

FILLIES' SERIES BEGINS AT ASCOT

Ascot stages the first of a valuable new series of race for fillies tomorrow and has attracted nine runners for the £45,000 EBF Breeders' Series Fillies' Handicap to be run over the straight mile.

The 20-race series culminates at Newmarket on Saturday, October 1, with each of the four finals at a variety of distances, for fillies and mares which have won or placed in a qualifier, being worth £50,000 to the winner. In total, the series offers prize-money of £625,000.

Trainers have welcomed the new initiative, with William Haggas, who runs dual winner **Tutu Nguru (Blame)** at Ascot tomorrow, commenting, "The initiative that has put this new EBF Fillies' Series together has been nothing short of terrific and it must be supported at all costs.

"Tutu Nguru will enjoy this return to turf after racing on the all-weather and, although I've done very little with her since her last run, she's been doing very well in the meantime."

He added, "I am not convinced that she really stays a mile--she may end up being better over seven furlongs. But Saturday's race is perfect preparation for the Sandringham Handicap at the Royal Meeting if she does."

In addition to greatly enhanced prize-money, a TBA-sponsored stallion nomination voucher of up to £25,000 is available to the owner of each final winner as long as the owner is also a TBA member.

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APPOINTMENTS

James O'Donnell: Assistant Stud Director, Shadwell UK

- O'Donnell will be responsible for coordinating the day-to-day management of Shadwell's five UK stud farms and will assist Stud Director Richard Lancaster in the overall management of Shadwell UK.
- O'Donnell was nominations manager at Juddmonte Farm for four years and has also worked for Highclere and the Royal Studs in the UK and Arrowfield and Swettenham Studs in Australia.
- "I am both honoured and excited to be joining Shadwell," said O'Donnell. "With their current horses in training in such good form, competing and winning at the highest level, there will no doubt be more recruits in the near future. In my current role I have been fortunate enough to get to know some of Shadwell's top-flight mares and it will be a privilege to be able to have direct involvement with their outstanding bloodstock."

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GODOLPHIN TO OFFER 39 AT GOFFS UK

Godolphin will offer 39 flat and National Hunt horses-in-training at Goffs UK's Spring HIT sale May 18 and 19. The draft features six horses with a flat racing of 90+; well-bred unraced stock by the likes of Dubawi (Ire), Exceed and Excel (Aus), Shamardal and Street Cry (Ire); and hurdle and bumper winners.

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Thursday's Results:

COUPE DES TROIS ANS-Listed, €55,000, LYN, 5-5, 3yo, 12fT, 2:32.67, g/s.

1--**#TRES ROCK GLORY (IRE)**, 125, f, 3, by **Fastnet Rock (Aus)**

1st Dam: Tres Ravi (Ger) (GSP-Fr & Ger), by Monsun (Ger)

2nd Dam: Tres Magnifique (GB), by Gay Fandango

3rd Dam: Toscadora (Ger), by Orsini II (Ger)

O-Chevotel Racing; B-Chevotel de la Hauquerie (IRE); T-Freddy Head; J-Aurelien Lemaitre. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €40,000. *1/2 to Tres Rock Danon (Fr) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 14f+, MGSW-Ger & G1SP-Fr, \$383,058; Tres Blue (Ire) (Anabaa Blue {GB}), MGSW-Fr & G1SP-Ger, \$416,246; and Tres Rapide (Ire) (Anabaa Blue {GB}), MGSP-Fr & GSP-Ger, \$218,588.

2--**Doha Dream (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, **Shamardal**--Crystal Reef (GB), by King's Best. O-Al Shaqab Racing. €11,000.

3--**Al Haram (Fr)**, c, 3, Sea the Stars (Ire)--En Public (Fr), by Rainbow Quest. (€400,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG). O-Al Shaqab Racing. €8,250.

Margins: HF, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 10.80, 0.90, 2.70.

Also Ran: Chanducoq (Fr), A Raving Beauty (Ger), Luca (Fr).

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Untested last year, Tres Rock Glory bettered a Mar. 11 debut eighth going 11 furlongs at Fontainebleau by graduating over this trip at Compiègne last time Mar. 29, and took another step forward in this black-type bow. Racing last of the six runners from the outset, she was stoked up to close at the top of the straight and asserted under mainly whipless rousing inside the final 300 metres to claim a career high in ultimately snug fashion. Tres Rock Glory is a half-sister to G1 Prix du Cadran runner-up Tres Rock Danon (Fr) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), G1 Deutsches Derby runner-up Tres Blue (Ire) (Anabaa Blue {GB}), and G2 Prix de Royallieu runner-up Tres Rapide (Ire) (Anabaa Blue {GB}). She is also kin to the 2-year-old colt Tres Rush (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) and the yearling filly Tres Queen (GB) (Teofilo {Ire}).

2nd-TRB, €18,000, Cond, 5-5, 3yo, 6fT, 1:09.90, gd.

COURSON (FR) (g, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--Snow Valley {Fr}, by Choisir {Aus}) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, €28,050. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand & Mme Elisabeth Vidal; B-Erich Schmid (FR); T-Christophe Ferland. *€75,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+**Bocca de la Verita (Fr)**, f, 2, **Literato (Fr)**--BorghelArab (Ire), by Dubai Destination. TRB, 5-5, 5 1/2fT, 1:06. B-Ecurie La Vallee Martigny (FR).

Again Charlie (Fr), c, 3, **Medecis (GB)**--Tiptonia, by Kendor (Fr). TRB, 5-5, 10 1/2fT, 2:12.60. B-Haras du Logis Saint Germain (FR). *€22,000 Ylg '14 AROCT.

Bronze Swan (Ire), c, 3, **Turtle Bowl (Ire)**--Rosey de Megeve (GB) (MSP-Fr & SP-US, \$161,088), by Efisio (GB). LYN, 5-5, 8fT, 1:40.95. B-Berend van Dalfsen (IRE). *€25,000 RNA Ylg '14 AROCT.



Thursday's Results:

GROSSER PREIS DER SPARKASSE DORTMUND - JUBILAUMS-SPRINT-CUP-Listed, €25,000, DOR, 5-5, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:12.95, gd.

1--**SHINING EMERALD (GB)**, 126, g, 5, **Clodovil (Ire)**--Janayen, by Zafonic. O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Andreas Wohler; J-Eduardo Pedroza. €14,000. Lifetime Record: Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 5-7f, MGSW-Ger, SW & GSP-Ire, 17-7-3-3, €155,765.

2--**Mc Queen (Fr)**, 126, c, 4, Silver Frost (Ire)--Misdirect (GB), by Darshaan (GB). (€4,000 Wlg '12 ARQDEC; €16,000 Yrl '13 AROCT). O-Stall Mandarin. €6,500.

3--**Fly First (GB)**, 126, g, 7, Big Shuffle--Felicity (Ger), by Inchinor (GB). (€30,000 RNA Ylg '10 BBAGO). O-Gestut Haus Ittlingen. €3,000.

Margins: 2 1/4, 1, HD. Odds: 0.80, 7.20, 7.80.

1st-DOR, €5,100, Mdn, 5-5, 3yo, 10fT, 2:12.02, gd.

SAN SALVADOR (GER) (c, 3, Lord of England {Ger}--Saratina {Ire}, by Monsun {Ger}), was one spot behind subsequent G3 Preis des Winterfavoriten and G3 Bavarian Classic scorer Isfahan (Ger) (Lord of England {Ger}) when fifth going one mile at this track in his only prior start Sept. 20, and justified odds-on favouritism in this sophomore return. Lobbing along in third for the most part, the 9-10 chalk made smooth headway to launch his bid soon after turning for home and was ridden clear inside the final quarter mile to comfortably best Lysanda (Ger) (Lando {Ger}) by 3 3/4 lengths. The €85,000 BBAGS yearling is kin to G1 Grosser Preis von Berlin victor Sirius (Ger) (Dashing Blade {GB}), G1SW-Ger, \$277,745; G3 Deutsches St Leger runner-up Saratino (Ger) (Lord of England {Ger}); and the 2-year-old filly Sunset Avenue (Ger) (Lord of England {Ger}). [cont. p10](#)

1st-DOR cont.

Their dam, Saratina (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}), is full to the stakes-winning Sommernacht (Ger), who produced three stakes winners headed by the G2 Prix du Muguet-winning sire Sommerabend (GB) (Shamardal). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €3,000. O-Gestut Winterhauch; B-Gestut Etzean (GER); T-Andreas Lowe.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Milena (Ger), f, 3, **Soldier Hollow (GB)**--Milana (Ger), by Highest Honor (Fr). DOR, 5-5, 8ft, 1:41.16. B-Dr Jennifer Eubel (GER).



National Yearling Catalogue Online cont. from p1

The 459 lots catalogued for the yearling sale include close relations to Group 1 winners like Good Project (Aus) (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}), Harry's Son (Aus) (Haradasun {Aus}), Mentality (Aus) (Flying Spur {Aus}), Monaco Consul (NZ) (High Chaparral {Ire}), Response (Aus) (Charge Forward {Aus}) and Shamus Award (Aus) (Snitzel {Aus}).

Group-winning mares with progeny catalogued include Barinka (NZ) (Shinko King {Ire}), Cavalry Rose (Aus) (Charge Forward {Aus}), Champagne Harmony (Aus) (Choisir {Aus}), Eskimo Queen (NZ) (Shinko King {Ire}), Karuta Queen (Aus) (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}), Pear Tart (Aus) (Dehere), Vietnam (Aus) (Admiralty) and Wowie (Aus) (Choisir {Aus}).

The majority of the yearlings catalogued are eligible for nomination to the Magic Millions Race Series, and represent the last opportunity of the year to buy a horse to race on the A\$10-million Gold Coast raceday each January.

This year's broodmare catalogue has an added American flair, with Newgate Farm offering the young, well-related mare Morning Fix (El Corredor) ([lot 721](#)) in foal Southern Hemisphere-time to Tapit. The three-time winner and Grade III-placed Morning Fix is out of a half-sister to GI Kentucky Oaks winner Summerly (Summer Squall), and is carrying her first foal.

"She's Grade III-placed and in foal to Tapit, so it's quite exciting," Cox noted. "It's going to be a good opportunity for somebody in the Southern Hemisphere to have a foal by Tapit."

Morning Fix is far from the only mare with international appeal catalogued. In addition to young Group 1 winners including Bounding (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}) ([611](#)) and Peggy Jean (Aus) (Myboycharlie {Ire}) ([lot 756](#)) and a handful of offerings from coveted Teeley families, the National Broodmare Sale will offer a mare in foal to the Japanese champion sprinter Lord Kanaloa (Jpn). Vamoose (Jpn) (Admire Moon {Jpn}) ([lot 909](#)) will be offered by Swettenham Stud.

"It's really jumped up," Cox said of the profile of the National Sale. "It's really the breeding stock sale of the Southern Hemisphere. We sell most of the high-profile horses and have a very strong, deep catalogue. If you're looking to invest in the Southern Hemisphere, it's the best opportunity."

Cox admitted optimism was still running high after a vibrant yearling sale season Down Under.

"It'll be driven by the breeders, and the breeders have had a good year and a good harvest," he said. "The yearling sales across the board have been very, very strong, which has been mainly driven by our domestic market and the syndicators, and trainers being able to sell their horses. The lower Australian dollar has brought in the Asian market and increased participation from markets like America and Europe."

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OLIVER SUSPENDED FOR BREATH TEST

Australian champion jockey Damien Oliver has been suspended for almost a month after failing a breathalyser test at Warrnambool Saturday, according to *Racing and Sports*. Oliver returned readings of 0.038 and 0.035. The limit is 0.020. Oliver said he had gone out for a few drinks before getting home at midnight the night before and had skipped his morning routine of going to the sauna.

"I'm very disappointed and embarrassed," Oliver told stewards. "I've never had any problems with this rule before in 20 to 30 years of riding."

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Thursday's Result:

KASHIWA KINEN-Listed, ¥102,000,000, Funabashi, 5-5, 4yo/up, 1600m, 1:39.20, ylg.

1--**COPANO RICKY (JPN)**, 126, h, 6, by **Gold Allure (Jpn)**

1st Dam: Copano Nikita (Jpn), by **Timber Country**

2nd Dam: Nihon Pillow Rose (Jpn), by **Tony Bin (Ire)**

3rd Dam: Wedding Bouquet (Jpn), by **Real Shadai**

O-Sachiaki Kobayashi; B-Yanagawa Farm; T-Akira Murayama; J-Yutaka Take. ¥60,000,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. Dirt Horse & MG1SW-Jpn, 22-11-2-2.

2--**Sorte (Jpn)**, 126, h, 6, by Time Paradox (Jpn)--Hinod Monte Rosa (Jpn), by Maruzensky (Jpn). O-Frontier Kiri Inc; B-Shigemasa Shimomura. ¥21,000,000.

3--**Best Warrior**, 126, h, 6, by Majestic Warrior--Flirtatious Miss, by Mr.Greeley. (\$47,000 wnl '10 KEENOV; \$34,000 RNA yrl '11 FTKJUL; \$400,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR) O-Yukio Baba; B-Buck Pond Farm Inc. ¥12,000,000

Margins: 3, 1HF, NK. Odds: 5.30, 29.00, 6.00.