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## JEMAYEL UPSETS THE SAINT-ALARY



Jemayel holds off Camprock in the Prix Saint-Alary | Scoop Dyga

**Jemayel (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}), who ran seventh in last month's Listed Prix Finlande on seasonal return at Chantilly, upset the odds to prevail in Monday's G1 Pour Moi Coolmore Prix Saint-Alary, re-routed from its usual Longchamp slot, at Deauville. Well away from the inside gate to race under a tight grip in fifth sporting cheekpieces here, the 23-2 chance made a beeline for the inside strip passing the quarter-mile marker and was driven out once making her bid at the eighth pole to hold the late thrust of 7-5 favourite and hitherto unbeaten G3 Prix Penelope victress **Camprock (Fr)** (Myboycharlie {Ire}) by a head. Last term's G1 Fillies' Mile placegetter **Hawkmoor (Ire)** (Azamour {Ire}), from Hugo Palmer's in-form Newmarket stable, ran on to finish 1 1/2 lengths adrift in third. "We were a little disappointed with her first run of the season, which is why we fitted her with cheekpieces and she responded well," explained trainer Jean-Claude Rouget. "I saw the other filly [Camprock] come to win the race one furlong from home, but [jockey] Gregory [Benoist] said Jemayel found more with every stride to win it."

Jemayel opened up with a third going 7 1/2 furlongs here Aug. 2, finishing behind subsequent G3 Prix d'Aumale placegetter Gherdaiya (GB) (Shamardal) and Alakhana (Fr) (Dalakhani {Ire}), who had bagged an earlier contest on this card (See "France").

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## REDOUTE'S REACHES GROUP 1 MILESTONE

By John Berry

The early results of this term's bunch of European first-season sires are providing the usual interest. Several young sires have already made smart starts, while the most celebrated of the freshmen, Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), currently has statistics of one winner from one runner, courtesy of the victory at Newbury which ensured that Cunco (Ire) has the distinction of being Frankel's first foal, Frankel's first runner and Frankel's first winner. Another extremely distinguished horse among Europe's current freshmen is a stallion who is a proven sire and first-season sire simultaneously: **Redoute's Choice (Aus)** (Danehill) has been champion sire of Australia three times and notched his 30th Group 1 winner on Saturday, but he is a new-comer as far as European breeding is concerned. [Cont. p5](#)

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### SCHOOL'S IN SESSION FOR DERBY 1-2

**Nyquist** (Uncle Mo) and **Exaggerator** (Curlin), first and second in the GI Kentucky Derby, Both schooled in Pimlico's paddock ahead of Saturday's GI Preakness S. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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## Prix Saint-Alary result cont. from p1

Monday, Deauville, France

**POUR MOI COOLMORE PRIX SAINT-ALARY-G1**, €250,000, DVL, 5-16, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:07.93, gd.

1--**#@JEMAYEL (IRE)**, 126, f, 3, by Lope de Vega (Ire)

**1st Dam: Nawal (Fr) (GSP-Fr)**, by Homme de Loi (Ire)

**2nd Dam: Lute String (Fr)**, by No Lute (Fr)

**3rd Dam: Tarlace (Ire)**, by Targowice

(€100,000 Ylg '14 AROCT). O-AI Shaqab Racing; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (IRE); T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Gregory Benoist. €142,850. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, €180,950. \*1/2 to Mast Track (Mizzen Mast), GISW-US, \$928,835; Redbrook (Ire) (Raven's Pass), SW-Fr, \$101,071; and Sagitta Ra (Run Softly), GSP-US, \$165,531. **Werk Nick Rating: B+**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Camprock (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, Myboycharlie (Ire)--Camporese (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. (€30,000 Ylg '14 AROCT). O-Ecurie du Grand Chene, Gerard Augustin-Normand & Anne Seagroatt; B-Mlle M Sundstrom (FR); T-Pia Brandt. €57,150.

3--**Hawksmoor (Ire)**, 126, f, 3, Azamour (Ire)--Bridal Dance (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). (€80,000 Ylg '14 TISEP). O-Chris Humber; B-Tenuta Genzianella (IRE); T-Hugo Palmer. €28,575. Margins: HD, 1HF, HD. Odds: 11.50, 1.40, 3.40.

Also Ran: Left Hand (GB), Magnanime (GB), Rosvana (Fr), Meri Devie (Fr), Restiana (Fr), Tierra Del Fuego (Fr).

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Jemayel graduated going one mile at Longchamp next up Sept. 9, then ran second in the Oct. 21 G3 Prix des Reservoirs back here and was a close seventh in the Apr. 24 Listed Prix Finlande at Chantilly in her only other start last time. Looking forward to holding a strong hand in the G1 Prix de Diane back at Chantilly, trainer Jean-Claude Rouget revealed, "The programme says we now go to Chantilly for the [June 19] Prix de Diane and that's where she will go along with [unbeaten G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches victress] La Cressonniere."

Pia Brandt reflected on Camprock's first defeat and indicated a Classic re-match is very much on the cards for the runner-up, adding, "My filly came to win it on the outside and I don't think she saw the [eventual] winner on the inside until it was too late. She was gaining again at the finish so we shall try to seek revenge in the Prix de Diane."

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## ARQANA

**JEMAYEL**  
f.2013 Lope de Vega x Nawal

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**G1 Prix Saint-Alary Cont.**

Jemayel, a fourth stakes performer for her group-placed dam Nawal (Fr) (Homme de Loi {Ire}), is a half-sister to GI Hollywood Gold Cup S. victor Mast Track (Mizzen Mast), whose full-sister Always Auditioning produced the GI Beaumont S. victrix Ready To Act (More Than Ready). Nawal's (Fr) second dam Tarlace (Ire) (Targowice) also produced the G3 Prix de Cabourg winner Kenbu (Fr) (Kenmare {Fr}), and is a half to the stakes-winning Sunset Temple (Ire) (Golden Horus {GB}). Nawal's (Fr) youngest progeny are a 2-year-old Dream Ahead filly named Lipstick Rose (Ire), and a yearling colt by Raven's Pass.

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**Monday, Deauville, France**

**PRIX DE SAINT-GEORGES-G3**, €80,000, DVL, 5-16, 3yo/up, 5FT, :57.70, gd.

1--**@FINSBURY SQUARE (IRE), 126, c, 3, by Siyouni (Fr)**

**1st Dam: Diamond Square (Fr), by Dyhim Diamond (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: All Square (Fr), by Holst**

**3rd Dam: Back to One (Ire), by Doulab**

O/B-Berend van Dalfsen (IRE); T-Fabrice Chappet; J-Christophe Soumillon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 20-4-9-2, €216,500.

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

2--**Son Cesio (Fr)**, 132, h, 5, Zafeen (Fr)--Slitana (Fr), by Dansili (GB). O/B-Yves Borotra (FR); T-Henri-Alex Pantall. €16,000.

3--**Ride Like the Wind (Ire)**, 128, c, 4, Lope de Vega (Ire)--Biswa, by Kafwain. (€180,000 Ylg '13 ARAUG; €570,000 RNA 3yo '15 ARQARC). O-Olivier Thomas; B-SF Bloodstock (IRE); T-Freddy Head. €12,000.

Margins: HD, 1HF, NO. Odds: 4.90, 15.70, 10.70.

Also Ran: Mirza (GB), Signs of Blessing (Ire), Sir Maximilian (Ire), Monsieur Joe (Ire), Gengis (Fr), Spirit Quartz (Ire), Pupa di Saronno (Fr).

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In the money in 18 of 19 prior starts, Finsbury Square finished runner-up in last year's G3 Prix Sigy and G3 Prix Texanita, and occupied the same berth in this term's Mar. 31 Listed Prix Cor de Chasse at Fontainebleau and Apr. 26 Listed Prix Servanne at Maisons-Laffitte last time. The homebred bay was reacquainted




Finsbury Square | Scoop Dyga

with headgear for this third start of the year and maintained a straight line upon exiting the outside gate, tracking the pace in a group of three racing apart from the main body of the field. Cruising into contention on

the bridle from halfway, he was shaken up passing the eighth pole and driven out in the latter stages to gain a narrow verdict and a career high. "Finsbury Square has been knocking at the door for a long time in group races and deserved this win," said trainer Fabrice Chappet. "He has been fitted with blinkers in the past, but not yet this season, and I think they helped make a difference today. He loves the sprint track at Chantilly so he will go there next for the [June 5 G2] Prix du Gros-Chene, where he was a close fourth as a 3-year-old last year. Later in the season, we will try to target the [Oct. 2 G1] Prix de l'Abbaye, which is also at Chantilly this year."

Finsbury Square is the first winner and stakes scorer for Diamond Square (Fr) (Homme de Loi {Ire}), who is a half to the Listed Prix Isonomy victor King Solomon (Fr) (Simon du Desert {Fr}). The next dam, Back To One (Ire) (Doulab), is a half to three stakes performers including the dual stakes winner Nord's Lucy (Ire) (Nordico), whose own progeny is headed by the G2 Premio Emilio Turati victor Nordhal (GB) (Halling). Diamond Square (Fr) also has an as yet unraced Iffraaj (GB) filly named Diamond Lace (Fr), a 2-year-old colt by Naaqoos (GB) and a yearling filly by Excelebration (Ire).




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**Monday, Cologne, France**

**31ST MEHL-MULHENS-RENNEN - GERMAN 2000 GUINEAS-G2,**  
€153,000, COL, 5-16, 3yo, c/f, 8fT, 1:34.33, gd.

1--#@**KNIFE EDGE (IRE), 128, c, 3, by Zoffany (Ire)**

**1st Dam: Attalea (Ire), by Monsun (Ger)**

**2nd Dam: Anthyllis (Ger), by Lycius**

**3rd Dam: Aiyana (Ger), by Last Tycoon (Ire)**

(18,000gns RNA Wlg '13 TATFOA; €43,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS).

O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Attalea Partnership (IRE); T-Marco Botti; J-Ryan Moore. €100,000.

Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, €123,941. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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2--**Degas (Ger), 128, c, 3, Exceed and Excel (Aus)**--Diatribie (GB),  
by Tertullian. (€100,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS). O/B-Gestut Rottgen  
(GER); T-Markus Klug. €30,000.

3--**Noor Al Hawa (Fr), 128, c, 3, Makfi (GB)**--Majestic Roi, by  
Street Cry (Ire). O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd  
(FR); T-Andreas Wohler. €13,000.

Margins: NO, 2 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 1.60, 6.40, 5.10.

Also Ran: Millowitsch (Ger), Parvaneh (Ire), Baroncello (Ger),  
Molly King (Ger), Omar Bradley, Royal Shaheen (Fr), Veneto  
(Ger).

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French or German Guineas, it all comes alike when you have the innate riding skill of Ryan Moore and, 24 hours after his stirring success on The Gurkha (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains at Deauville, he was delivering a masterclass from the front on Knife Edge here. Impressing on his winning debut over seven furlongs at Ascot in September, the chestnut was only fourth in Newmarket's Houghton Conditions S. at that trip in October before returning to be third in the mile conditions race that used to be the Easter S. and carry listed status in its time as a Guineas trial at Kempton Apr. 2. Building on that effort to run the proven pattern-race performer Tasleet (GB) (Showcasing {GB}) to a short head when second in the G3 Greenham S. switched from Newbury onto Chelmsford's Polytrack a fortnight later, he arrived here as the lone British

threat and duly carried off the prize under a typically tactically astute steering job from Coolmore's jockey. Lobbing along on the front end with his rivals content to allow him his own way, Knife Edge was cajoled as Noor Al Hawa loomed alongside towards the far rail in the straight and, after seeing off that rival, found the line just in time as last year's G3 Preis des Winterfavoriten runner-up Degas ate into his margin with every stride.

"It was quite a tight finish, but obviously Ryan gave him a great ride," trainer Marco Botti said. "There wasn't much pace and he probably just idled a little bit in front and once the runner-up came to him, he found a little bit more and kept on. He's entered in the [G1] St James's Palace S. [at Royal Ascot June 14]. We need to speak to the team and see what they want to do next. This was one of the main targets. After he ran in the Greenham at Chelmsford, we said we would aim him at the German Guineas and we've got it done."

Knife Edge's dam is a full-sister to the German listed-winning Andorn (Ger), with their dam, Anthyllis, being a half to the G1 Deutsches Derby hero and prolific young sire Adlerflug (Ger) (In the Wings {GB}) and the G2 Oppenheim Union-Rennen winner Arrigo (Ger) (Shirocco {Ger}). The fourth dam is the G2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) runner-up Alya (Ger), a sibling of the outstanding Allegretta (GB), who made her claim to fame as dam of the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe heroine Urban Sea (Miswaki), who is course the dam of the champions and leading sires Galileo (Ire) and Sea the Stars (Ire). Attalea also has an as-yet unnamed 2-year-old filly by Peintre Celebre.

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## op/ed by John Berry



### Redoute's Reaches Group 1 Milestone Cont. from p1

The offspring resultant from Redoute's Choice's first European season (at Haras de Bonneval in 2013) will be making their debuts in the coming months.

Redoute's Choice's first Northern crop represent intriguing prospects, as implied by the fact that his only representative in this weekend's Arqana Breeze-Up sale at Deauville fetched €775,000, the daughter of Sunday Nectar (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) being bought by Stephen Hillen Bloodstock to join the English stable of Kevin Ryan.

Redoute's Choice has found the perfect way of keeping his name in lights as we await the debuts of his first

French-conceived youngsters. Many stallions find their rates of success slowing down as their third decade looms. Not so with Redoute's Choice, who will turn 20 on Aug. 1 and whose stock are currently doing him proud. At the start of March, his lifetime tally of individual Group 1 winners stood at 27. Now it stands at 30, courtesy of the successes of the ill-fated Peeping (Aus) in the Coolmore Classic at Rosehill, Abbey Marie (Aus) in the Australasian Oaks at Morphettville and, most recently, Howard Be Thy Name (Aus) in the South Australian Derby at the same venue on Saturday.

For Redoute's Choice, a stint at stud in the Northern Hemisphere seems only natural. While he has been the pre-eminent Australian-bred stallion of the current century, his background is one which is as synonymous with Newmarket and Belmont as it is with Randwick and Flemington. His family has only been in Australia for two generations, the importation of his U.S.-bred granddam Dancing Show (Nijinsky) to the antipodes in 1988 ranking in retrospect as one of most notable arrivals in Australasian bloodstock history. Thanks to Dancing Show, this family has become a notable part of the bloodstock scene Down Under, just as it already was on both sides of the Atlantic, her granddam Best In Show (Traffic Judge) having been voted Kentucky Broodmare of the Year in 1982. By the late '80s, Best In Show was already ancestress of the likes of El Gran Senor



Redoute's Choice | Bronwen Healy

(Northern Dancer), Try My Best (Northern Dancer) and Malinowski (Sir Ivor). Her subsequent descendants to have achieved celebrity status in the Northern Hemisphere include Rags To Riches (A. P. Indy), Spinning World (Nureyev), Xaar (GB) (Zafonic), Peeping Fawn (Danehill) and Jazil (Seeking The Gold). Furthermore, the Hong Kong champion Designs On Rome (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) descends from Best In Show's half-sister Stolen Date (Sadair).

Dancing Show was imported into Australia via New Zealand. She had been covered to Southern Hemisphere time in 1987 by Miswaki at Walmac International Farm in Kentucky, and the resultant colt was born in New Zealand in 1988. She subsequently moved on to Australia, imported by Norman Carlyon of Muranna Stud in Victoria. At what turned out to be the twilight of the era of the dominance of Star Kingdom (Ire) (Stardust {GB})--ie. just before Danehill began to have runners--Carlyon sent her to a couple of very good stallions from the Star

Kingdom line. In 1990 she visited the 1988 G1 Golden Slipper winner Star Watch (Aus) (Bletchingly {Aus}), and in 1991 she visited the 1990 Golden Slipper winner Canny Lad (Aus) (Bletchingly {Aus}).

Dancing Show's Miswaki colt turned out to be Umatilla (NZ), who won at Group 1 level as a 2-year-old in the 1990/'91 season, taking the Karrakata Plate in Perth at a time when it still was a race of national significance, worthy of Group 1 status. Her Star Watch colt

became her second Group 1-winning juvenile: named Hurricane Sky (Aus), he landed the Blue Diamond S. in 1994. Her Canny Lad filly Shantha's Choice (Aus), a three-parts sister to Hurricane Sky, was less successful, winning one minor race over 1200 metres, but she now stands as a very high-achiever. By the time Shantha's Choice had retired to stud, the era of Danehill had begun. Shantha's Choice duly did what many well-credentialed Star Kingdom-line mares did during the '90s and the early years of this century: she visited Danehill, the consequence of which was that Redoute's Choice was born in 1996. He went on to be a top-class racehorse, winning the Blue Diamond at two and the Caulfield Guineas at three. Even greater achievements followed once he had retired to Arrowfield, and Dancing Show's legend continued to grow with Shantha's Choice's subsequent children including Platinum Scissors (Aus) (Danehill) and Manhattan Rain (Aus) (Encosta De Lago {Aus}). **Cont. p6**

### Redoute's Reaches Group 1 Milestone Cont.

Dancing Show's next daughter after Shantha's Choice, Show Dancing (NZ) (Don't Say Halo), also went on to be a top broodmare, most notably producing G1 Australian Guineas winner Al Maher (Aus) (Danehill).

Redoute's Choice has been Australia's champion sire three times, and has finished in the top five on the general sires table in 10 of the past 11 years. He needs no introduction Down



**Redoute's Choice's first-season sire son, Elzaam, has already sired three winners | *Racing Post***

Under, and such is the freedom of information in the internet era, he needs no introduction anywhere else, either. He is adept at siring both high-class juveniles and Classic horses, while eight of his Aus-bred sons have sired at least one Group 1 winner. That number seems sure to rise, and

one of the young sires who could swell that tally is Elzaam (Aus), who was conceived at Arrowfield to Northern Hemisphere time in February 2007 and who raced with distinction in England, landing the Carnarvon S. at Newbury in 2011 by six lengths after failing by only a nose in the previous year's G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot. Elzaam retired to Ballyhane Stud in Ireland in 2013. His first juveniles currently include three winners, headed by King Electric (Ire), who scored at The Curragh two weeks ago.

In the two years in which he stood as a reverse-shuttler at Haras de Bonneville, Redoute's Choice was easily the most expensive stallion in France. He thus received some very good mares, and consequently it looks certain that some very good racehorses will eventuate. Over and above the aforementioned filly out of Sunday Nectar, those for whom particularly high expectations might be held include two who sold very well as yearlings in 2015: a half-sister to last year's G1 1000 Guineas heroine Legatissimo (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and a half-brother to G2 Prix du Conseil de Paris winner Vadamar (Dalakhani {Ire}). The former was bought by MV Magnier in Tattersalls Book 1 for 725,000gns and is now named Smoulder (GB); while the latter fetched €950,000 at Arqana in August to the bid of John Ferguson and is now named Valcartier (Ire). Redoute's Choice's other European 2-year-olds include the Aga Khan's homebred Zarmitan (Fr), a son of the brilliant Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar), who has joined Alain de Royer-Dupre's stable and who holds an entry for next year's Derby. Redoute's Choice's current total of 30 individual Group 1 winners is remarkably good, but what is even better is that it is almost certain to continue to rise for years to come, courtesy of good horses in both hemispheres.

## EUROPEAN-BRED SUCCESS

with Darren Fox

In this series, the *TDN* catches up with European expatriats working in the Thoroughbred industry around the world. Today's installment features Darren Fox of Darley America.

**Hometown?** *Frenchpark, Co. Roscommon (Up the Ros!) In the west of Ireland.*

**How did you end up where you are now?** *Growing up on a cattle farm, horses were always a fascination and breeding a few mares was a welcome hobby in addition to the normal routine. Early friendships with the Cullen family in the same village (the eldest being Joey Cullen of Goffs) nurtured the interest even further and I followed his career path to Equine Science at the University of Limerick.*

*Early hands on jobs away from home involved breeding and yearling prep seasons at Ballyhane Stud with Joe Foley and Rathbarry Stud with Liam Cashman. They gave me a great foundation and I have fond memories and am proud to have worked at each operation. It was Pat Connell who managed Rathbarry at the time who organized for me to go and work for Jim FitzGerald's KnockGriffin Farm in Kentucky in 2000 for an eight-month work placement during college. Jim gave me a lot of responsibility and the learning curve was steep. I am forever grateful for the opportunity and friendship since.*



**Darren Fox | Darley**

*Early jobs out of college were with GE Capital and Tote Ireland until I was lucky enough to be selected for Darley Flying Start. I will be forever indebted to H. H. Sheikh Mohammed for that opportunity which unequivocally led me to where I am today. That ultimately led to a position on the Darley U.S. Nominations team at Jonabell for a fantastic four years. From there I spent two great years at WinStar where I learned an enormous amount in a short space of time and can't thank Kenny Troutt and Elliott Walden enough for giving me the opportunity. Last year saw me move back to where I started at Jonabell with lots to look forward to this fall.*

**What have you found to be the major difference between racing/breeding in America and your home country?** *I think there is more of a progression distance wise in Ireland/Europe with a Classic horse from two to three years whereas a horse in the U.S. could tackle a distance close to its upper limits as a 2-year-old. **Cont. p7***

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**European-Bred Success Cont.**

*It highlights how tough the American dirt horse is. On the breeding side I think a top performing colt with an obscure pedigree is more accepted as a stallion in the U.S. versus Ireland/Europe.*

**Name one home comfort that you miss?** *Homemade Shepherd's pie.*

**Favourite sport or hobby outside of racing?** *Playing football (soccer) in a league with a bunch of local lads over here.*

**What would you say is your proudest accomplishment?** *Convincing my wife to say yes and becoming a dad.*

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**SO MI DAR OUT OF INVESTEC OAKS**

**So Mi Dar (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), among the favourites for the G1 Investec Oaks after winning York's G3 Musidora S. by four lengths May 11, has been ruled out of that June 3 Epsom contest after pulling out lame on Monday.

"It was one of those mornings you get," said trainer John Gosden. "She came out of the race great, but this morning she was lame on her left hind. I told [owners] Andrew and Madeleine [Lloyd-Webber] and got the vet in, and she is not right. We would call it a one to two out of five to grade it. She may well come right in 10 days, but you cannot go to any major race thinking you can walk for 10 days and suddenly be ready."

Gosden said So Mi Dar, a daughter of the four-time Group 1 winner Dar Re Mi (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), would "possibly" re-route to the G1 Darley Irish Oaks July 16.

"The horse comes first and luckily I'm training for proper owner-breeders who understand the game," he added. "It's a real disappointment. She's a gorgeous filly, she won in great style and we were all looking forward to the Oaks. But it's not a little bruise in the foot--it's a little higher up and it's just going to take a little time to come right."



**So Mi Dar with Madeleine Lloyd-Webber and Frankie Dettori** | *Racing Post*

**Cont. p8**



# The Legend,

## REDOUTE'S CHOICE

AUSTRALIA'S BEST SIRE SON OF DANEHILL

	RUNNERS	STAKES WINNERS	STAKES WINNERS/RUNNER	GRI WINNER	G1 WINNERS/RUNNER
REDOUTE'S CHOICE	1105	132	11.9%	30	2.7%
EXCEED AND EXCEL	723	70	9.7%	7	1.0%
FASTNET ROCK	903	78	9.7%	20	2.2%
FLYING SPUR	1368	94	6.9%	12	0.9%

\*Southern Hemisphere, lifetime  
Source: Arion, as at 16<sup>th</sup> May



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**So Mi Dar Out of Investec Oaks Cont.**

So Mi Dar is unbeaten in three starts. She broke her maiden at Windsor in October and took Epsom's Investec Derby Trial Apr. 20 prior to her Musidora score.

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**CHARMING THOUGHT ON COMEBACK TRAIL**

Godolphin's **Charming Thought (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}), winner of the G1 Middle Park S. in 2014, is working towards a comeback and holds an entry in the G1 Darley July Cup at Newmarket July 9. The 4-year-old, who won three of his four outings as a juvenile, has not been seen since winning the Middle Park, having missed all of last season due to injury.



Charming Thought | *Racing Post*

"Charming Thought is back cantering away. He has done well, physically, and he looks like a sprinter," said trainer Charlie Appleby. "We have not put a target out there yet, but we have made an entry in the July Cup for him. Ideally, we need to get a run in before then if he runs in that."

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**ROYAL RETURN FOR STORMY ANTARCTIC**

**Stormy Antarctic (GB)** (Stormy Atlantic), winner of the G3 Craven S. in April before disappointing when 11th in the G1 Qipco 2000 Guineas, is recuperating from a pulled muscle in his shoulder, with trainer Ed Walker eyeing the G1 St James's Palace S. at Royal Ascot for his return.



Stormy Antarctic | *Racing Post*

"Stormy is building back up," Walker confirmed. "He pulled a muscle in his shoulder and in the end it was a relief that was all it was, because a few days after the race he was in a bit of a mess and we were quite worried. He's got a clean bill of health now and we're aiming to get him back for the St James's Palace S. If that comes too soon, then we'll go for the [G1] Prix Jean Prat [July 10]."

Stormy Antarctic will be searching for his first Group 1 win. He finished second in last year's G1 Criterium International.

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BRITAIN

**Monday's Results:****3rd-WDS, £16,000, Cond, 5-16, 2yo, 5f 10yT, 1:00.55, gd.**

**SEA OF SNOW (f, 2, [Distorted Humor](#)--[Snow Ballerina {GB}](#)), by [Sadler's Wells](#)),** who had scored over this course and distance on debut a week previously, showed early dash to race in a close-up second as the 1-5 favourite [Legendary Lunch \(Ire\)](#) ([Dragon Pulse {Ire}](#)) raced keenly in front. Harrying him as the heat was turned on inside the last two furlongs, the 5-1 second favourite gained the edge with a furlong remaining and stayed on to score by a half length despite drifting left. "She was going away to win her race real easy and then just pricked her ears in front and shut down," jockey Franny Norton commented. "She is only small, but she is tough and hard like me and shouldn't be underestimated." The dam, who also has a yearling filly by [Street Cry \(Ire\)](#), is a half-sister to the brilliant unbeaten [Derby](#), [King George](#) and [Arc hero Lammtarra](#), being out of the promoted 1989 G1 [Epsom Oaks](#) winner [Snow Bride \(Blushing Groom {Fr}\)](#). Another of her progeny [Abhisheka \(Ire\)](#) ([Sadler's Wells](#)) has produced the G1 [Prix Jean Prat](#) winner [Aesop's Fables](#), also by [Distorted Humor](#), while [Snow Ballerina's](#) third dam is the champion [Awaasif](#). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$20,561.

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O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Darley (KY); T-Mark Johnston.

**1st-LEI, £7,000, Cond, 5-16, 2yo, 5fT, 1:01.27, gd.**

**REIGN ON (GB) (c, 2, [Equiano {Fr}](#)--[Queens Jubilee {GB}](#)), by [Cayman Kai {Ire}](#)),** who was slow to get the message when fourth on debut over this trip at [Lingfield](#) nine days earlier, was better placed initially this time. Earning the reward for his efforts inside the lat 100 yards, the £32,000 DNPRM yearling scored by a neck from [Broadhaven Honey \(Ire\)](#) ([Harbour Watch {Ire}](#)) as the 3-1 second favourite. The dam, who is a half to the listed-winning [Dubai Dynamo \(GB\)](#) ([Kyllachy {GB}](#)) from a fast family, also has a filly foal by [Lethal Force \(Ire\)](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$6,961. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-What Asham Partnership; B-J. A. and M. A. Knox (GB); T-Ralph Beckett.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Vancouver (Medaglia d'Oro) was tabbed as a "TDN Rising Star"

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**First Winner for Freshman Sire****2nd-WDS, £6,600, Cond, 5-16, 2yo, f, 5f 10yT, 1:00.26, gd.**

**JULE IN THE CROWN (GB) (f, 2, [Harbour Watch {Ire}](#)--[Jules {Ire}](#)), by [Danehill](#)),** sixth on debut over this trip at [Ascot](#) 10 days previously, was soon in front racing enthusiastically. Asserting in the last furlong, the 4-5 favourite was pushed out to score by two lengths from [Barroche \(Ire\)](#) ([Kodiac {GB}](#)). "She's a nice filly who has learnt a lot since [Ascot](#) and eventually she'll go over six," jockey [Silvestre de Sousa](#) commented. "She gives a nice feel, but mentally she's not there yet." [Jule In the Crown](#), who shares her MGSW champion second dam [Before Dawn](#) with the top Japanese and Australian runners [Big Gold \(Jpn\)](#) ([Brian's Time](#)) and [Prowl \(Aus\)](#) ([Marauding {NZ}](#)) respectively, becomes the first winner for her first-season sire (by [Acclamation {GB}](#)) who stands at [Tweenhills Farm](#) and Stud for £7,500. Sales history: £16,000 RNA Ylg '15 DNPRM. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$6,134. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Mervyn Stewkesbury (GB); T-Mick Channon.

**1st-RED, £4,500, Cond, 5-16, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.15, g/f.**

**RUSUMAAT (IRE) (c, 2, [Arcano {Ire}](#)--[Queen Wasp {Ire}](#)), by [Shamardal](#)),** runner-up over five furlongs at [Doncaster](#) Apr. 30, showed how much he had gained from that experience by surging into an instant decisive advantage. Stretching his margin throughout the final furlong, the 6-5 favourite powered to a seven-length dismissal of [Tawny Port \(GB\)](#) ([Arcano {Ire}](#)). The dam, who is a half to the MGSW and G1SP [Naheef \(Ire\)](#) ([Marju {Ire}](#)) from the family of the G2 [Prince of Wales's S. winner Faithful Son \(Zilzal\)](#) and G3 [Coventry S. scorer Always Fair \(Danzig\)](#), has a yearling colt by [Kodiac \(GB\)](#). Sales history: €5,000 RNA Wlg '14 GOFNOV; £45,000 Ylg '15 DNPRM. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$5,870. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-JC Bloodstock (IRE); T-Mark Johnston.

**2nd-BRG, £4,500, Cond, 5-16, 2yo, 5f 213yT, 1:11.16, g/f.**

**MISTER SUNSHINE (IRE) (c, 2, [Fast Company {Ire}](#)--[Second Omen {GB}](#)), by [Rainbow Quest](#)),** who was second on his racecourse bow over five furlongs at [Bath](#) a fortnight previously, was backed into 8-13 favouritism and sprinted into an early advantage. Despite hanging as he had on debut once into the straight, the €17,500 GOFNOV foal and £8,000 DNSIL yearling was always far too strong for his rivals and needed only pushing out to win by six lengths from [Kody Ridge \(Ire\)](#) ([Kodiac {GB}](#)). A half-brother to [Soothsay \(Ire\)](#) ([Mujadil](#)), SW & GISP-US, \$141,438, the winner descends from the GII [Orchid H. winner Crockadore](#), who in turn is a half to the highweight [Flowing](#). He also has a yearling half-sister by [Big Bad Bob \(Ire\)](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$5,589. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Mr Tony Perkins; B-Miss Monica McNicholl (IRE); T-Clive Cox.

**British Report Cont.**

**3rd-RED, £4,500, Mdn**, 5-16, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:24.12, g/f. **+OWASEYF (f, 3, [Medaglia d'Oro](#)--Nasmatt {GB} {SP-Fr}, by Danehill)**, sent off at 4-1, was held up early behind the leading group before making smooth progress to take control passing the two-furlong pole. Pushed out to assert from there, the homebred held a comfortable 2 1/2-length margin over Brockholes (GB) (Equiano {Fr}) at the line. The winner, who hails from the family of the champion Bint Allayl (GB) (Green Desert) and successful sire Kheleyf, is a half-sister to Emmrooz (GB) (Red Ransom), SW-UAE, \$234,085, a 2-year-old colt by Lonhro (Aus) named Migyaas, a yearling filly also by that sire and a colt foal by Elusive Quality. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,182. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Darley (KY); T-R. Varian.

**4th-LEI, £4,500, Mdn**, 5-16, 3yo, 6fT, 1:11.74, gd. **MUSDAM (c, 3, [Exchange Rate](#)--Valid Lilly {MSW-US, \$245,406}, by Valid Expectations)**, a \$60,000 KESEP yearling and 230,000gns TATHIT 2yo, was caught close home when a green second in a seven-furlong maiden at Catterick 13 days prior to this drop in trip. Showing speed to stalk the pace in a share of second throughout the early stages, the 6-1 shot was committed with a furlong to race and showed a professional attitude in the finish this time to win by a half length from Silent Attack (GB) (Dream Ahead). The smart dam, who is a daughter of the equally talented Live Wire Lil (Geiger Counter), also has a 2-year-old colt by Gentleman James named Valid Blue and a foal full-brother to this winner. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$6,290. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Saeed Suhail; B-Timothy S. O'Toole (KY); T-Sir Michael Stoute.

**4th-WDS, £4,500, Mdn**, 5-16, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f 67yT, 1:46.64, gd. **+YOU'RE ALWAYS RIGHT (IRE) (f, 3, [Pour Moi {Ire}](#)--Zaraba {Ire}, by Sakhee)**, sent off at 12-1, was perfectly placed early behind the leaders against the rail. Switched out to reel in Dame Judi (Ire) (Shamardal) passing the furlong pole, the €9,000 GOFSP yearling and 45,000gns TATHIT 2yo stayed on to win by 1 1/2 lengths. Little was expected of the 14-1 shot Snow Pixie (Flower Alley), the half-sister to Snow Fairy (Ire) (Intikhab), and she managed to beat only one rival home in 11th. "I think she will get further and she could so no more than win like that," trainer Clive Cox commented. "A mile and a quarter will bring further progress." Zaraba, who also has a 2-year-old colt by Dark Angel (Ire) and a yearling filly by Lawman (Fr), is a half-sister to the heighweight Set to Music (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) from an Aga Khan family featuring the G1 Irish St Leger third Zafadola (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}) and smart fillies Emily Bronte (GB) (Machiavellian) and Zelanda (Ire) (Night Shift). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,182. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Paul & Clare Rooney; B-Fontstown Stud (IRE); T-Clive Cox.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Feed the Goater (Fr)**, c, 3, [Fastnet Rock \(Aus\)](#)--Lumiere Astrale (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Trempolino. BRG, 5-16, 6f 209yT, 1:22.31. B-S.A. Haras du Mezeray (FR). \*€80,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG.  
**Connemera Queen (GB)**, f, 3, **Major Cadeaux (GB)**--Cashleen, by Lemon Drop Kid. RED, 5-16, 7fT, 1:24.04. B-T. G. Holdcroft (GB). \*11,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT; £2,100 2yo '15 BRUJUL.

**Tickets on Sale for Open Weekend:**

Tickets are on sale for the second Newmarket Open Weekend, which has been expanded to two days, Sept. 17 and 18. Tickets range from £14.40 to £30. Last year's event raised £50,000 for three local charities, and this year's beneficiaries will be the Racing Welfare Housing Project and the Newmarket Day Centre.

Saturday's events will include public access to Warren Hill gallops; a first look at the National Heritage Centre for Horseracing and Sporting Art; a tour and talk at Tattersalls; guided tours of the Jockey Club rooms; and racing at the Rowley Mile. On Sunday, participants can visit trainers' yards, the Newmarket Equine Hospital and the British Racing School, followed again by racing at the Rowley Mile. Events at the races will include a food and drink festival, a racing personality show jumping competition and commentary from seven local trainers.

"It is already set to be another fantastic weekend, especially during such a special year for the town as we celebrate 350 years of the Home of Horseracing," said Sara Cumani, Chairman of Newmarket Open Weekend. "With the event all in aid of two extremely good causes, I would urge visitors to make a weekend of it to ensure you can visit all the attractions open over the two days. On behalf of the committee, I would very much like to thank all stakeholders involved for their continued support and we look forward to another fabulous Newmarket Open Weekend."

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## OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

**4.20 Nottingham, Hcp, £10,000, 3yo, f, 10f 50yT**

**FADILLAH (GB) (Monsun {Ger})** puts TDN Rising Star status on the line, with trainer William Haggas treading steadily with Saleh Al Homaizi and Imad Al Sagar's €1.2-million ARQAUG half-sister to the G1SW and GI Canadian International third Seismos (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}) from the family of Samum (Ger) et al. This is no soft touch, however, as this smart little race also features Godolphin's **Bombilate (Kitten's Joy)**, a Charlie Appleby trainee whose dam is a half to Untapable (Tapit) and Paddy O'Prado (El Prado {Ire}). [Cont. p11](#)

**Observations Cont.****4.50 Nottingham, Mdn, £6,000, 3yo, 8f 75yT**

**MOKHALAD (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})** is a 500,000gns TATOCT half-brother to the 2009 G1 Haydock Sprint Cup and 2010 G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest hero Regal Parade (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) and the black-type performers Hot Prospect (GB) (Motivator {GB}) and Entifaadha (GB) (Dansili {GB}) who starts out for Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum and Sir Michael Stoute. Also debuting is Godolphin's **Blair House (Ire)** (Pivotal {GB}), a Charlie Appleby-trained colt whose dam is a full-sister to Poet's Voice (GB).

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IRELAND

**BMW New Galway Sponsor:**

Colm Quinn BMW Athlone and Galway will be a new title sponsor for the Tuesday card at Galway's racing festival, which is staged July 25 through 31. The new partnership deal, which runs for three years, has prize money valued at nearly €500,000 in total, and encompasses three races, including the feature Colm Quinn BMW Mile Handicap.

"We are delighted to welcome Colm Quinn BMW as the title sponsor of Tuesday evening of the Summer Festival on July 26," said Galway Racecourse General Manager Michael Moloney. "Colm Quinn BMW has been sponsoring in Galway for the past number of years and their decision to become title sponsor on Tuesday evening is certainly exciting news. We look forward to continuing to build our relationship with Colm Quinn BMW and working with the company into the future."

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FRANCE

**Monday's Results:****3rd-DVL, €34,000, Cond, 5-16, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:06.47, gd.**

**ALAKHANA (FR) (f, 3, Dalakhani {Ire}--Dubai {Ire} {SP-Ger}, by Galileo {Ire})**, who hit the board behind subsequent Listed Coupe des Trois Ans third Al Haram (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) at Saint-Cloud last time Mar. 28, was well away from the outside box and raced in fourth after the initial exchanges here. Pushed along in early stretch, the 43-10 second favourite challenged under a drive approaching the eighth pole and kept on strongly to oust Armande (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) by a half-length nearing the line. She is the second winner for dam Dubai (Ire)

(Galileo {Ire}), a winning stakes-placed daughter of the smart Dapprima (Ger) (Shareef Dancer), herself a listed winner and Classic-placed in her native Germany. Dapprima is the dam of three stakes winners, most notably the G3 Dr Busch-Memorial victor Davidoff (Ger) (Montjeu {Ire}), and is a full-sister to Dea (Ger), who produced the black-type scorers Dominante (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and Deauville (Ger) (Dashing Blade {GB}), with this being the dam line of G1 German Oaks heroine Diu (Ger) (Utrillo {Ger}). Alakhana is kin to the 2-year-old filly Donavita (Kendargent {Fr}), and the yearling filly Dariya (Include). Her dam visited Distorted Humor last year. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, €41,400. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (FR); T-Freddy Head.

**First Winner for Freshman Sire****1st-DVL, €25,000, Mdn, 5-16, 2yo, 5fT, 1:00.84, gd.**

**+RAJELINE (FR) (f, 2, Rajsaman {Fr}--Tengeline {Fr}, by Cardoun {Fr})**, a €20,000 OSLATE yearling, broke in the second rank and stalked the pace racing a shade keenly through the early stages of this unveiling. Pushed along just inside the two pole, the 77-5




**Rajeline, the first winner  
for Rajsaman | Scoop Dyga**

chance was angled wide to deliver her challenge approaching the final furlong and ran on strongly under whipless rousting to prevail by a short neck from So Hoity Toity (GB) (Harbour Watch {Ire}). Rajeline becomes the first winner for her La Cauviniere-based

freshman sire (by Linamix {Fr}), and the second for dam Tengeline (Fr) (Cardoun {Fr}), a winning half to dual stakes winner Gris Tendre (Fr) (Slickly {Fr}). Slickly is also the sire of Tengeline's as-yet unnamed yearling filly. The winner's third dam, Une Pensee (Fr) (Kenmare {Fr}), is also the granddam of leading stayer Meandre (Fr) (Slickly {Fr}), whose four top-level victories include the G1 Grand Prix de Paris and G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Jean-Claude Rouget; B-Eric Lemaitre (FR); T-Markus & Stephanie Nigge.

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**7th-MRV, €19,000, Cond, 5-16, 3yo, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:29.78, stn.**  
**JACKFISH (FR) (c, 3, Exceed and Excel {Aus}--Torentosa {Fr} {SP-Fr}, by Oasis Dream {GB})** Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, €31,250. O-Teo Ah Khing; B-Marquise de Moratalla (FR); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. \*310,000gns 2yo '15 TATBRE; 75,000gns 2yo '15 TA15.

**French Report Cont.****ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Masina City (Fr)**, f, 2, **Soul City (Ire)**--Toamasina (Fr) (SP-Ger), by Marju (Ire). SPC, 5-16, 5 1/2fT, 1:09.38. B-Mme Nathalie Mahe, Roger-Yves Simon, Nicolas Simon & Pascal Mahe (FR). \*€14,000 Ylg '15 OSLATE.

**First Winner for Freshman Sire**

**Edana (Fr)**, f, 2, **Tai Chi (Ger)**--Elli (GB), by Polar Falcon. WIS, 5-16, 5fT, 1:03.62. B-Getut Ohlerweiherhof (FR). \*First winner for freshman sire (by High Chaparral {Ire}).

**Alward (Ire)**, g, 3, **Aqlaam (GB)**--Sharedah (Ire), by Pivotal (GB). MRV, 5-16, 10f (AWT), 2:10.44. B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd (IRE).

**Silvery Sea (Fr)**, f, 3, **Mr. Sidney**--Silvery Bay (Fr), by Numerous. SPC, 5-16, 10 1/2fT, 2:20.68. B-Haras du Quesnay (FR). \*€22,000 RNA 2yo '15 OSAAPR.

**Une de la Joliette (Fr)**, f, 3, **Slickly (Fr)**--Senteur Cafe, by Zavata. MRV, 5-16, 10f (AWT), 2:12.54. B-Antoine Capozzi & Henry Blanc (FR).

**Temperino (Fr)**, c, 3, **Slickly (Fr)**--Tekoa (Ger) (SP-Fr & Ger), by Zieten. WIS, 5-16, 12fT, 2:40.17. B-Haras du Logis, Julian Ince & Helmut Volz (FR). \*€17,000 RNA Ylg '14 BBAGO.

**+Mountain Spring (GB)**, f, 3, **Teofilo (Ire)**--Reunite (Ire) (SW & GSP-Eng), by Kingmambo. SPC, 5-16, 11 1/2fT, 2:37.84. B-Darley (GB).

**GERMANY****Monday's Results:**

**GROSSER PREIS DER HANNOVERSCHEN VOLKSBANK - DERBY TRIAL-LISTED**, €25,000, HNO, 5-16, 3yo, 11fT, time: n/a, gd.

1--**BOSCACCIO (GER)**, 128, c, 3, by Mount Nelson (GB)

1st Dam: Bianca de Medici (GB), by Medicean (GB)

2nd Dam: Tremiere (Fr), by Anbaa

3rd Dam: Trevillari, by Riverman

O-Rainer Hupe & Friends; B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GER); T-Christian Sprengel; J-Dennis Schiergen. €14,000. Lifetime record: 3-3-0-0, €20,000.

2--**Moonshiner (Ger)**, 128, c, 3, Adlerflug (Ger)--Montezuma (Ger), by Monsun (Ger). O-Stall Ullmann. €6,500.

3--**Dschingis Secret (Ger)**, 128, c, 3, Soldier Hollow (GB)--Divya (Ger), by Platini (Ger). (€200,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS). O-Horst Pudwill. €3,000.

Margins: 3, HF, 4. Odds: 0.70, 10.40, 4.40.

Also Ran: Bora Rock (Ire), Tassilo (Fr), Light of Air (Fr), Antares (Ger). Scratched: Saloonmedicus (Ger).

Boscaccio had Monday's G2 Mehl-Mulhens-Rennen third Noor Al Hawa (Fr) (Makfi {GB}) back in that position on his winning debut over a mile here in August prior to doubling his tally at Hoppegarten Mar. 27 and maintained his unbeaten sequence in convincing style to put down his marker for the G1 Deutsches Derby at Hamburg July 10. Allowed to tank his way to the front after the first two furlongs, the bay was brought stand's side in the home straight and was always in command with his jockey easing up cloe home. The dam, who also has a 2-year-old colt by the ill-fated Campanologist and a yearling filly by Motivator (GB), hails from the family of the latter sire's most famous progeny Treve (Fr). This is also the family of the champion Triptych and the G1 Haydock Sprint Cup hero Tamarisk (Ire) (Green Desert).

**9th-COL**, €8,750, Mdn, 5-16, 3yo, 11fT, 2:19.26, gd.

**KASALLA (GER) (f, 3, Soldier Hollow {GB}--Kastila {Ger}, by Sternkonig {Ire})**, an Oct. 25 debut fourth going one mile at Hannover who broke through upped to 10 1/2 furlongs at Dusseldorf last time Apr. 10, was steadied in fourth after passing the judge first time and moved into third on the home turn here. Making smooth headway in the straight to challenge on the bridle inside the two pole, the even-money favourite surged clear, despite rolling around in front, once shaken up approaching the final furlong to easily account for Russian Flamenco (Ger) (Tertullian) by 3 1/4 lengths. The winner is a full-sister to G1 Al Maktoum Challenge-Round 3 third Kassiano (Ger), G1SP-UAE, \$424,610, and a half-sister to the 2-year-old colt Kastano (Ger) (Nathaniel {Ire}) and the yearling colt Kalixo (Ger) (Reliable Man {GB}). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €10,300. O/B-Gestut Rottgen (GER); T-Markus Klug.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Florida (Ger)**, f, 3, **Lord of England (Ger)**--Fait Accompli (Ger), by Bering (GB). HNO, 5-16, 8fT, 1:44.80. B-Gestut Hofgut Mappen (GER). \*€9,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS.

**Landin (Ger)**, c, 3, **Sir Percy (GB)**--Lupita (GB), by Niniski. MUN, 5-16, 11fT, time: n/a. B-Gestut Ebbesloh (GER). \*1/2 to Lasira (Ger) (Vettori {Ire}), SW & GSP-Ger; and Lovely Tiger (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}), SW-Ger.

**Wai Key Star (Ger)**, c, 3, **Soldier Hollow (GB)**--Wakyatara (Ger), by Danehill. HNO, 5-16, 10fT, 2:10.93. B-Gestut Park Wiedingen (GER).

**Rosenhill (Ire)**, c, 3, **Tiger Hill (Ire)**--Rosengeste (Ire) (MSW-Ger), by Be My Guest. MUN, 5-16, 8fT, 1:42.75. B-Gestut Wittekindshof (GER). \*€4,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS. \*\*1/2 to Rosenreihe (Ire) (Catcher in the Rye {Ire}), G1SW-Ger & SW-Fr, \$434,414.

# WORLDWIDE NEWS

## ZAC SPIRIT CONFIRMED FOR JULY CUP

by Alan Carasso

**Zac Spirit (Aus)** (Flying Spur {Aus}), who cemented his position as the top sprinter in Singapore by winning the Lion City Cup for the second time in three years Apr. 24 ([video](#)), will be programmed for a start in the G1 Darley July Cup at Newmarket. Owner Andy Wong returned from an overseas trip last week and gave his stamp of approval Friday.

"I'm glad to say Andy is happy to go," commented trainer Cliff Brown. "I entered Zac first, but all this while I never really had a chance to talk to him, and we didn't know if we were going or not. But Andy came



**Zac Spirit winning the Lion City**  
Singapore Turf Club photo

back to Singapore this week and we had a good chat about the trip and he's very excited with the idea. Like me, he agrees there are no races for him here. We could have looked at Ascot,

either the [G1] King's Stand (1000m) or the G1 Diamond Jubilee S. (1200m), but I think Newmarket will suit him better. I know it won't be cheap, but we're definitely going and he'll make the field."

Brown said that Zac Spirit, the champion sprinter of 2014, has come out of his Lion City success in good order and could have one run at home before heading to England. In the Lion City Cup, Zac Spirit beat Emperor Max (Aus) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), who was a respectable seventh to Muhaarar (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) in last year's G1 QIPCO British Champions Sprint.

"I may or may not give him one run in a Kranji Stakes A race over 1200 metres on June 5," he said. "He had a quiet 10 days after the Lion City Cup, but he is back in training now. He will probably have his first gallop in two weeks' time, it's all good."

Brown added that there is a chance Zac Spirit could remain in Europe for an extra month, with a race like the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest at Deauville a possible option.

While a British invasion is on for Zac Spirit, trainer Michael Clements has announced that **Kiwi Karma (NZ)** (Fast 'n' Famous {Aus}) will not travel to Royal Ascot, where she was nominated for the G1 King's Stand S. June 16.

## ASIA

### Sunday's Results:

**SINGAPORE GUINEAS**, S\$500,000 (£253,879/€322,089/A\$500,394/US\$365,085), Kranji, 5-15, 3yo, 1600mT, 1:34.40, yl.

1--**DEBT COLLECTOR (NZ)**, 126, g, 3, by **Thorn Park (Aus)**

**1st Dam: Prompt Payment (Ire) (MSP-Eng), by In the Wings (GB)**

**2nd Dam: Lady Lucre (Ire), by Last Tycoon (Ire)**

**3rd Dam: Queen Helen (Ire), by Troy (GB)**

(NZ\$30,000 Ylg '14 NZBSEL; NZ\$130,000 2yo '14 NZBRTR).

O-Barree Stable; B-Windsor Park Stud Ltd; T-Cliff Brown;

J-Michael Rodd; S\$297,500. Lifetime Record: 7-4-0-0,

S\$529,988.

2--**Infantry (NZ)**, 126, g, 3, Tavistock (NZ)--The Nightingale (NZ), by Stravinsky. (NZ\$7,000 Wlg '13 NZBMIX). O-Kajorn Petch Racing No 2 Stable. S\$106,250.

3--**Magnum (NZ)**, 126, g, 3, Per Incanto--Sound Lover (NZ), by Stylish Century (Aus). (NZ\$100,000 Ylg '14 NZBPPE). O-Waterford Stable. S\$53,750.

Margins: 2, HF, 4. Odds: 2.20, 18.60, 2.80.

Also Ran: Fitzroy (NZ), Nova Strike (NZ), Magstock (NZ), Mr Scorsese (NZ), Cyborg (Arg), Marine Treasure (Aus), Special Force (NZ), Rafaello (Aus), Peer Gynt (NZ), Little Big Man (NZ), Conflight (Aus).

Things looked as bleak as the late Sunday afternoon weather for Debt Collector as the field for the Singapore Guineas hit the top of the stretch of the long course. But, despite tricky underfoot conditions, the bay produced an incredible turn of speed in the final furlong and a half to stamp himself as the jurisdiction's leading sophomore.

A maiden winner over the Polytrack last November, Debt Collector earned his first turf victory in a Class 4 over 1400m Apr. 3, then produced a scintillating late burst to take out the Singapore 3YO Classic (1400m) by a widening 1 1/2 lengths Apr. 24 at odds of 18-1.

There was no such value about Debt Collector as he started the 11-5 favorite and immediately took himself out of the race as they went a solid gallop up front. Lucky to avoid traffic leaving the back when Fitzroy (NZ) (Swiss Ace {Aus}) was checked hard and plummeted through the field, Debt Collector raced inside on the turn, but had the better part of eight lengths to make up as chief market rival Magnum put it up to pacesetting Infantry. But Michael Rodd was able to get Debt Collector into the clear at the 400m and so fast was the gelding's acceleration inside the final eighth of a mile that Rodd had to do everything in his power not to run over his rivals. He covered his final quarter-mile in a phenomenal :22.18 according to the Trakus chart to score handsomely in the finish. [Cont. p14](#)



Debt Collector | Singapore Turf Club

**Singapore Guineas Cont.**

“I liked where he was in the race, but when they turned for home, I’d be happy if he had run third or fourth,” admitted winning trainer Cliff Brown. “His last 400m was just incredible. He’s a horse that doesn’t excite me in trackwork but I’m really excited now. He will go for a much deserved break now. Hopefully he will be my Derby horse next year.”

Added Rodd, “Hurn of foot was just out of this world. He finished so hard that he ran on top of them. He won with authority in the end. I still think Clifty needs to put a pair of shades on him. He needs blinkers.”

The winner’s dam, a four-time winner and multiple stakes-placed in England while under the care of James Fanshawe, was purchased by Windsor Park Stud for 57,000gns at the 2003 Tattersalls December sale. She produced fillies by Thewayyouare in 2013 and 2014 and a filly by Shamexpress (NZ) in 2015. She was not covered during the most recent breeding season. **Click for the [Singapore Turf Club chart](#). [VIDEO](#).**

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## SCHOOL'S IN SESSION FOR DERBY 1-2



**Exaggerator surveys the Pimlico paddock** | Maryland Jockey Club

Reddam Racing's **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo) and Big Chief Racing, Head of Plains Partners and Rocker O Ranch et. al's **Exaggerator** (Curlin), first and second in the GI Kentucky Derby, both schooled in Pimlico's paddock Monday morning in preparation for a tilt in Saturday's GI Preakness S. Exaggerator's session came one day after arriving to Baltimore by van from Churchill Downs, while Nyquist visited the paddock in between a pair of one-mile jogs around the racetrack under exercise rider Jonny Garcia [\[video\]](#).

"He was great," trainer Doug O'Neill said of Nyquist [\[video\]](#). "He was just a true professional. He walked through the paddock and acted like he'd been there before. He went from the paddock to the gate and got to meet Bruce Wagner and his boys, Kevin [Dzbynski] and Chris [Campitelli], and they were unbelievable with him the way they acted around him and the way he acted around them. They got along great. He schooled super in there. We're just really happy. It was a really good morning."

On the heels of his May 7 Derby win in front of a massive crowd, O'Neill said that his undefeated charge has proven time and again that he has the ideal temperament to display both competitiveness on the track and composure off the track.

**Cont. p3**

## AT WOODBINE, HOPING WRONG WAY IS THE RIGHT WAY *by Bill Finley*

Woodbine's grand experiment with holding clockwise races on its turf course took a major step forward Monday as seven horses competed in a five-furlong "trial" race with a right-hand turn. With the horses going at a pace more fitting for a morning workout, Emma-Jayne Wilson won the non-betting event with Internal Bourbon (Not Bourbon). There was no purse for the race.

"There were no major problems, and that was one of the key things," Wilson said. "That's the biggest thing. We wanted to make sure that everything would go smoothly. This was as close to a race scenario as possible and everyone handled it well. There is still a learning curve to it. The horses that have never done it will take a second to say, 'Ok, now I get it, I've got to take a right turn.'" **Cont. p4**

## IN TDN EUROPE TODAY

### JEMAYEL UPSETS THE SAINT-ALARY

Al Shaqab's **Jemayel (Ire)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}) booked her ticket to the G1 Prix de Diane with a win in Monday's G1 Prix Saint-Alary. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Europe.](#)

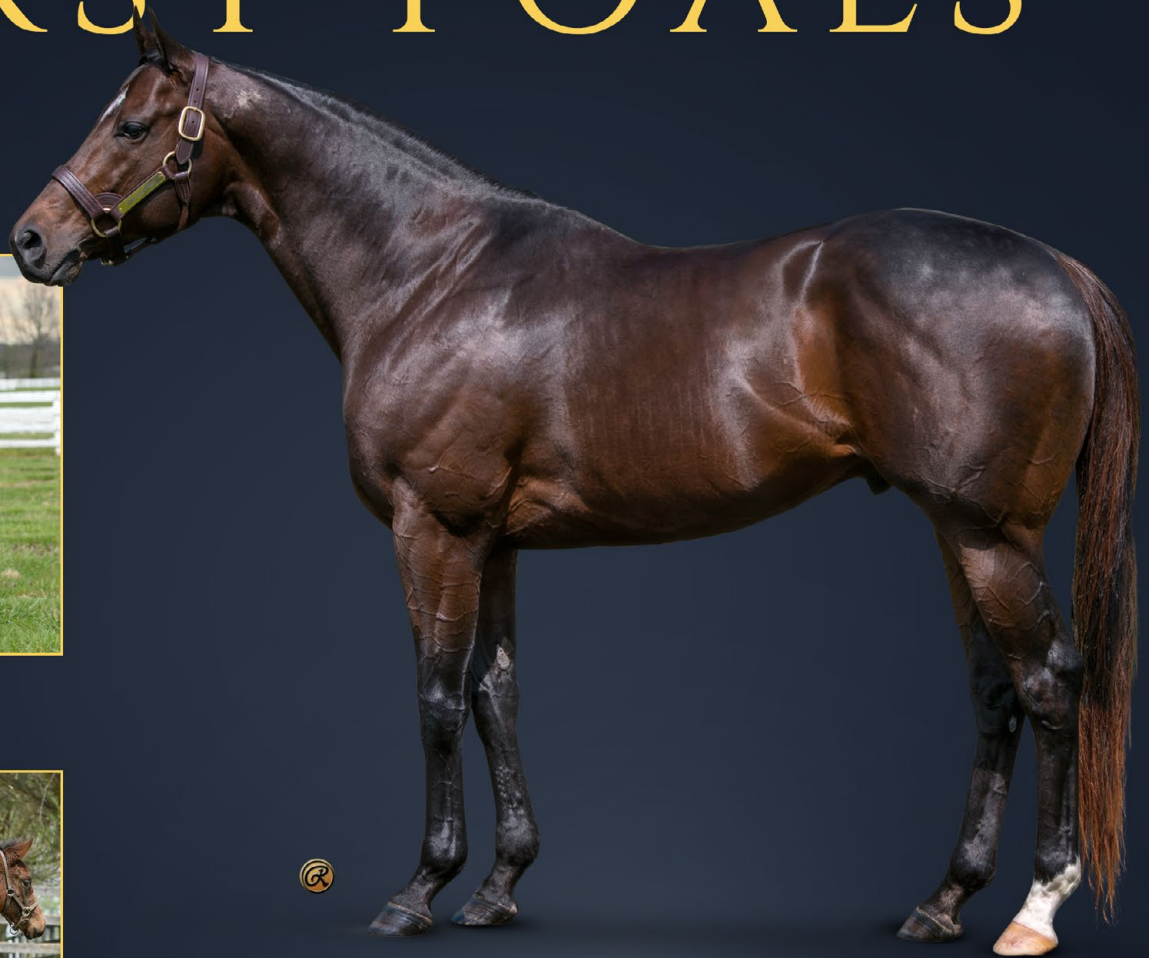
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**School's in Session for Derby 1-2 (cont. from p1)**

"We've been blessed with a lot of good horses, but he's by far the best horse we've ever had," O'Neill added. "He's got a lot of energy and you see it in the afternoon when he competes. But he conserves his energy in the paddock and around the barn area around here. He sleeps a lot in his stall. He's got the perfect combination for a top race horse."

Nyquist is scheduled to continue his regimen of jogging and galloping on alternating days leading up to the Preakness. He will gallop Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Exaggerator had a light day of exercise in the aftermath of his travel day, walking the shedrow Monday morning. After the conclusion of training hours, the GI Santa Anita Derby winner was led over to the paddock to school with Julie Clark, assistant to trainer Keith Desormeaux [\[video\]](#).

"He likes to get out early and then have a nap," Clark said. "We'll probably [paddock school] another couple of times. He's a little bit of a handful over and coming home, so the more we practice the better we all are."

Clark joked that Exaggerator's energy levels are noticeably higher than one might expect following his rallying runner-up finish in the Kentucky Derby.

"I wouldn't mind if he were a little more tired, just for one day," Clark quipped. "Even after shipping here, he's regained [any lost weight]. And he eats everything in sight, I swear. He's just a vacuum."

Back at Churchill Downs, Derby third-place finisher **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) breezed an easy half-mile in :51.40



**Nyquist** | Maryland Jockey Club

[38/42] Monday morning. The chestnut is still under consideration for the Preakness, according to trainer Steve Asmussen, who added that he would consult with Winchell Thoroughbreds and Three Chimneys Farm before making a decision.

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“I thought he worked beautifully, he moved well,” Asmussen said of the GII Louisiana Derby winner. “I am very happy with him physically. He has a good attitude and a good appetite and I hope it continues that way.”

In other Preakness news, Trainer Brad Cox said Monday that **Dazzling Gem** (Misremembered), previously under consideration for the main event, would likely opt to run in the listed Sir Barton S. for 3-year-olds going 1 1/16 miles on the Saturday undercard.

“[The Sir Barton] is where we’re leaning,” the Kentucky-based Cox said. “Nyquist isn’t in there. That has a lot to do with it.”

Other possible entrants for the Preakness as of Monday are: **Abiding Star** (Uncle Mo), **Awesome Speed** (Awesome Again), **‘TDN Rising Star’ Cherry Wine** (Paddy O’Prado), **Collected** (City Zip), **Fellowship** (Awesome of Course), **Lani** (Tapit), **Laoban** (Uncle Mo), **‘TDN Rising Star’ Stradivari** (Medaglia d’Oro), and **Uncle Lino** (Uncle Mo).

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**Woodbine Hoping Wrong Way is Right (cont. from p1)**



Click for video of Monday’s clockwise trial race at Woodbine  
 Courtesy of Woodbine Entertainment

Woodbine management will run as many as 40 clockwise turf races during the 2016 meet. The intent is to spice up the racing programs and to use a part of the turf course (the clubhouse turn) that is rarely run over since most normal races over Woodbine’s expansive grass course are run around one turn.

The first clockwise pari-mutuel race is scheduled for June 10. Monday’s trial race was the only one that will be held. Woodbine management’s attempts to duplicate racing conditions including having announcer Robert Geller call the race.

Wilson has ridden in Hong Kong and in Europe, so she had prior experience with clockwise races.

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“I wouldn’t classify it as strange for me,” she said. “I probably have a little more experience going clockwise than the horse I was on, as well as some of the other jockeys in the race. I don’t believe any of the horses in the field have gone the wrong way. They may have trained the wrong way; we’ve done some clockwise training sessions in the mornings. In post-race discussions with some of the other jocks, they said their horses weren’t ready for the turn as much as they would have been for a left-handed turn. It took them a second to get balanced and have them prepared for the turn, but everything seemed to go well.”



Monday’s trial race | Woodbine Entertainment

That Internal Bourbon won the “race” was not a surprise. Trained by Roger Attfield, she’s a top allowance horse who finished second last year in the La Prevoyante S.

Emile Ramsammy, who finished third on Zazinga (Head Chopper), said riders will have to adjust their style for the right-handed races.

“It did take me awhile to get adjusted to going the other way

as a rider. Because we ride ‘acey-deucey’, going the other way, the jockeys will all have to ride ‘acey-deucey’ the wrong way just to keep their comfort,” noted Ramsammy of the practice of riding with the inside stirrup a little bit longer. “I know from personal experience it will take some adjustment.”

Though right-handed races are common throughout many other parts of the world, it remains to be seen how North American horseplayers will react to a new wrinkle when it comes to their handicapping.

“I think people will sit back and watch the first couple as the betting public isn’t going to be

certain how it’s going to play,” Wilson said. “I think the inside will have an advantage. There will be a learning curve. But I am excited. Woodbine is doing everything to ensure that these races will be safe and it gives us the opportunity to use this very large turf course to the fullest.”

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Go Maggie Go was installed as the 5-2 second choice on the morning line and will be running off just two weeks rest following her strong showing in the Oaks, when she was beaten just three lengths despite a troubled trip.

"I think if you go back and watch the race," Romans said, "you can make a case for her being second. She broke away bad and had a little traffic down the lane."

The Oaks was the first defeat in three starts for the Mike Tarp homebred, who stepped up off a maiden win Mar. 13 at Gulfstream to win the sloppy GII Gulfstream Park Oaks Apr. 2. The short turnaround for this start is of no concern to Romans.

"She's doing great," Romans said. "She's just a really good filly. She's like a colt, so I don't think the two weeks will hurt her. I've done it quite a bit, wheel horses back. We used to do it all the time. I don't know how we got away from it. It became a numbers situation--the numbers said you have to wait. Truth of the matter is, run 'em."

Kyle Nagel's Ma Can Do It has yet to win a race, but finished third at 23-1 in the GI Alcibiades S. last October at Keeneland and was fifth behind champion and **'TDN Rising Star'** Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro) in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. She most recently ran second in a Lexington maiden affair Apr. 23.

"I thought she was one of the most talented horses I had before," Romans said. "I just figured she's doing good, why wait for her to have a big race and hope she has it in there. If Maggie stubs her toe, Ma will be right there."

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## TROMBETTA STABLEMATES IN GOOD FORM

by Heather Anderson

Trainer Michael Trombetta's pair of **A P Majetstic** (Majestic Warrior) and **In the Navy Now** (Midshipman) are coming into Friday's GII Black-Eyed Susan S. at Pimlico in good form. The duo filled the top two spots in Laurel's 1 1/16-mile Weber City Miss S. Apr. 9 [\[video\]](#), with In the Navy Now passing the post a length in front, only to be disqualified and placed behind her stablemate due to a herding incident in the stretch. The Weber City win gave A P Majetstic an automatic entry into the 1 1/8-mile Black-Eyed Susan. Both Trombetta trainees received positive updates Monday in advance of their first try in graded company.



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“They’re both doing well and they both trained good since they ran last time,” an upbeat Trombetta told the *TDN*. “I’m looking for them to be absolutely at their best to even try at this, and so far they seem to be very well.”

Triple Threat LLC’s homebred A P Majestic worked three furlongs at Laurel Park in :37 flat (2/13) Monday morning. In seven starts, the bay has yet to cross the wire first, but has been on the winning side of a trio of disqualifications. The stewards awarded her the victory against fellow PA-breds at Penn National after crossing the wire second Sept. 23, and in her very next effort she was promoted from third to second going a mile there Oct. 29.



A P Majestic (l) & In the Navy Now (r) Jim McCue/Laurel Park

Bouncing back with a second and a third in two Laurel optional claimers, Nov. 27 and Jan. 3, respectively, the daughter of Annette’s Jet (Golden Missile) was sixth to Busher S. heroine and GII Gazelle S. third Mo d’Amour

(Uncle Mo) Feb. 6. Only fourth in a Parx allowance Mar. 5, A P Majestic earned a career-high Beyer of 72 in her runner-up effort to In the Navy Now (76 Beyer) Apr. 9.

In the Navy Now, a Laurel stalwart since a fourth-place run in her career bow Oct. 23, got off the mark four starts later going a mile there Jan. 30. Third in the Caesar’s Wish S. Mar. 12 prior to her Weber City Miss second, the R. Larry Johnson and R. D. M. Racing Stable silksbearer breezed a half-mile in :49 flat (4/20) over the Fair Hill dirt May 14.

“Their works have been good,” continued Trombetta. “They like to train and they are very easy [to deal with].”

When asked if either filly, who will be trying the nine-furlong distance for the first time--had an edge over the other, Trombetta responded, “Well, they found themselves at the end last time, so you know they were kind of evenly matched. Now, this is a little bit of a different distance, but we’ll see how it goes.”

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## PLETCHER MULLS OPTIONS FOR STANFORD

Stonestreet Stables, Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith’s **Stanford** (Malibu Moon) was entered for Friday’s GIII Pimlico Special, but no decision has been made about whether the winner of the Apr. 23 GII Charles Town Classic will participate, trainer Todd Pletcher said Monday. The bay, who finished second in both the Feb. 6 GIII Fred Hooper S. and Mar. 5 GII Gulfstream Park H. to begin his season, drew post two in a field of eight entrants for the \$300,000 event.



Stanford | A. Coglianesse

“Since it was a five-day entry we felt like we were best suited to enter because the horse is doing very well--buying time to make that decision,” Pletcher said. “One of the things we consider is that he’s run well back in three weeks before. He was second to Materiality [last year] in the Islamorada and ran very well back in the [GII] Louisiana Derby three weeks later. That’s one of the discussions we’ll have this week.”

Stanford was on the cusp of notching his first graded-stakes win for much of his career prior to last month, having run second, beaten a neck by International Star (Fusaichi Pegasus), in the 2015 Louisiana Derby. The colt chased stablemates Tommy Macho (Macho Uno) and Blofeld (Quality Road) home in his stakes tries at Gulfstream prior to breaking through with a two-length score in the lucrative Charles Town Classic.

“He’s knocked on the door several times but that was his first [graded stakes win],” the trainer continued. “Needless to say, it was exciting to win a \$1.25-million race. He’s a very good-looking son of Malibu Moon. He’s been a consistent performer. He’s run well at multiple distances. I think he’s earned a place in a stallion barn somewhere, but obviously we’d like to pick it up another step.”

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The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance and StarLadies Racing have partnered to present Best Turned Out Horse awards as part of the Hooves & Heels fashion event on GII Black-Eyed Susan Day Friday at Pimlico. StarLadies Racing, an all-female racing partnership that exclusively buys and races fillies, will sponsor a \$100 cash prize and gift bag to be given to the winning groom for each race on the card.

“We are honored to partner with the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance and to continue to support the great work they do for our equine athletes beyond their racing careers,” said StarLadies founding partner Laurie Wolf. “It is also important to us to take the time to appreciate and acknowledge the hard work that the grooms put in every day. We are all looking forward to another wonderful Black-Eyed Susan Day.”

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### WILLIAM BACKER PASSES AWAY

Jockey Club member and Thoroughbred owner/breeder William M. “Bill” Backer, 89, passed away Friday, May 13, at Fauquier Hospital in Warrenton, Virginia, *Fauquier Now* reported Monday.

Backer was elected as a Member of the Jockey Club in 2004 after a successful career as a leading advertising executive and



Backer in the Saratoga winner's circle in 2012 | *Mike Kane*

co-founder of the Backer and Spielvogel agency. An inductee to the Advertising Hall of Fame, he is best known as the creator of Coca-Cola’s “I Want to Buy the World a Coke” campaign [click [here](#) to read a May 2015 *TDN* feature on Backer]. Passionate about horse racing, Backer also served on

the Board of Directors of Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation. As owner of Smitten Farm near The Plains, Virginia, he bred and owned a number of stakes performers, including 2009 GIII Virginia Oaks heroine Blind Date (Not for Love) and seven-time stakes winner Applause (Shecky Greene).

A graduate of Yale, Backer also spent two years in the United States Navy.

Backer is survived by his wife, Ann. Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

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The under-tack preview of next week’s Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale begins Tuesday morning at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium. The preview has been extended to three days this year, with sessions through Thursday beginning daily at 8:00 a.m. With 598 juveniles catalogued, the two-session sale will take place next Monday and Tuesday beginning at 10:00 a.m.

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## SEARCH HALTED, FBI INVESTIGATING

### MISSING-AT-SEA CASE *by T.D. Thornton*

The United States Coast Guard has called off Gulf of Mexico search-and-rescue efforts for Samantha Broberg, the wife of the nation's winningest Thoroughbred trainer, Karl Broberg.

Samantha, 33, was reported missing at sea from a Texas-to-Mexico cruise ship Friday afternoon. A subsequent check of the surveillance video revealed a woman falling overboard from the 10th deck of the Carnival Cruise Line's *Liberty*, after having climbed atop the top rung of the safety railing to sit with her back to the water around 2:00 a.m.

The intense search-and-rescue attempts that ensued were hampered by a 15-hour lag between when the woman on the video was recorded toppling over the railing and when the Coast Guard was first alerted.

Karl, 45, was not on the ship with his wife. The excursion was a four-day cruise to Cozumel for Samantha and several friends.

The cruise ship left Galveston Thursday. Samantha's companions did not realize she was unaccounted for until about noon Friday. When she was first reported missing, the ship's crew concentrated on a room-by-room search of the vessel.

Once a review of video footage determined they were instead dealing with a person falling off the ship, the crew was able to calculate the exact position of where the liner was when Samantha is believed to have gone over, and the Coast Guard responded with a "saturated" air search about 200 miles off the coast of Galveston.

Initially, there were shreds of hope that Samantha might be found alive. Assuming she survived the 10-story fall, the waters in that area are considered warm enough that hypothermia would not have immediately set in.

But after nearly 48 hours and an exhaustive criss-cross search of 4,300 square miles of ocean, the search was halted when darkness descended Sunday night.

KHOU-TV in Houston covered the *Liberty's* docking back in Galveston at 7:00 a.m. Monday, and yellow crime scene tape could be seen restricting access to the tenth deck. The station said the Federal Bureau of Investigation would be taking up an inquiry, which was reported as "standard procedure" when a U.S. citizen goes missing at sea.

A Carnival spokesperson told KHOU that several people who may have had contact with Samantha had been interviewed, but that "no foul play" is suspected.

"This is a tremendously sad event. I do want to mention that sitting on a cruise ship railing is akin to sitting on the balcony railing of a high-rise hotel. It is risky and dangerous and against our rules," the Carnival spokesperson told *People* magazine.

The website *CruiseLawNews*, which is published by maritime attorney Jim Walker, was critical of Carnival for not having a

"man overboard" system installed, which would have immediately alerted the crew if motion sensors detected someone or something falling over the side of the ship.

Samantha, of Arlington, is being remembered as a stay-at-home mother of four children.

Karl is currently the leading U.S. trainer in terms of wins this year (129). At this time of year, his stable competes at Prairie Meadows, Evangeline Downs, Louisiana Downs, and Lone Star Park.

The Broberg family released a statement over the weekend expressing sorrow and requesting privacy.

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## EASTERN U.S.

### Stronach Group Enters Agreement to Acquire Rosecroft:

The Stronach Group has entered an agreement with Penn National Gaming Inc. to purchase Rosecroft Raceway, it was announced Monday. Completion of the purchase is dependent on approval of the Maryland Racing Commission and closing conditions, which are expected to be met by the end of June or early July.

Rosecroft is a Standardbred racing oval located in Fort Washington, Maryland. The Stronach Group currently operates both Thoroughbred tracks in the state, Laurel and Pimlico.

### Latin American Racing Channel to Sponsor Sir Barton:

The Latin American Racing Channel will serve as sponsor for the Sir Barton S., to be held on the undercard of the GI Preakness S., the Maryland Jockey Club announced Monday. A portion of the channel's sponsorship will include a check presentation to the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance in the amount of \$30,000.

"We're happy to see LARC support Preakness Week at Pimlico, as well as the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance," said Maryland Jockey Club President Sal Sinatra. "We're excited about this coming week and building on so many of our partnerships."

## CENTRAL U.S.

### Monday's Results:

**7th-TDN, \$29,000, (S), Msw, 5-16, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.44, ft.**

**MO DONT NO (g, 3, [Uncle Mo](#)--Lilah {GSW, \$510,248}, by**

**Defreze)** showed a bit of speed in his local state-bred debut last July, but backed up quickly thereafter to finish a well-beaten

sixth. Off for nearly 10 months, he returned to run second over a sealed track at Belterra May 1. Removing blinkers in this spot, the dark bay colt broke a step slowly at 7-10, but soon rushed through inside to forge a narrow lead past a sharp :22.46 quarter-mile. Shrugging off a mild challenge on the turn, he spurted away at the top of the lane and kicked clear in the stretch to romp by 7 1/4 lengths. The winner is a half to Big Blue Nation (Bluegrass Cat), GISP, \$213,999. His dam captured Gulfstream's GIII Hurricane Bertie H. as an 8-year-old in 2005. Sales History: \$50,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$20,955. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Looch Racing Stables, Inc.; B-Beechwood Racing Stable (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich.

## CALIFORNIA

### Sunday's Late Results:

**9th-SA, \$61,085, Msw, 5-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.53, fm. LA BOHEME (GER) (f, 4, [Montjeu {Ire}](#)--La Reine Noir {Ger}, by [Rainbow Quest](#))** finished a neck second going 10 panels in her debut Sandown Park last April, but faded to fourth at 9-10 at Salisbury May 14 and ran third as the 9-4 chalk June 11 at Newbury. Making her stateside debut here Jan. 14, she broke tardily before running on well late to be second, but then disappointed when third at 3-10 over course and distance Mar. 18. Off as the 11-5 choice here, the bay stalked the pace from a ground-saving fourth, about three lengths off splits of :22.86 and :47.19. Dropping back one position heading into the far turn, she swung out into the five path at the top of the lane and closed resolutely to score by 1 1/4 lengths over Lynne's Legacy (Unusual Heat), who was boxed in at the rail in midstretch. Sales History: €260,000 Ylg '13 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-2, \$56,068. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O-Jon S. Kelly & Frederick J. Seitz; B-Graf u.Grafin v.Stauffenberg (GER); T-Richard E. Mandella.

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### IN BRITAIN:

**+Sea of Snow, f, 2, [Distorted Humor](#). See "Britain."**  
**Musdam, c, 3, [Exchange Rate](#). See "Britain."**

**+Owaseyf, f, 3, [Medaglia d'Oro](#). See "Britain."**

### IN JAPAN:

**Deep Opus, c, 3, [Exchange Rate](#)--Lemonlime (MSW, \$125,824),** by Lemon Drop Kid. Kyoto, 5-15, Novice Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$62,385. O-Toshio Fukami; B-Richard Shultz; T-Kenichi Fujioka. \*\$90,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$200,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. \*\*\*"I had high expectations with him because he worked very well," said pilot Yusuke Fujioka. "I actually was concerned for him trying the dirt in his first race up from the vacation, but he has terrific speed and lots left in his tank."

### WAR HORSE PLACE SALES GRADUATE

**Lario, c, 3, [Ice Box](#)--Lake Como, by Salt Lake. Tokyo, 5-14, Novice Race, 6.5f. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$77,982. O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Roger S. Braugh Jr.; T-Yasuhito Tamura. \*\$140,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$270,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR. \*\*1/2 to Aliana (Majestic Warrior), MSP, \$209,304. \*\*\*"When he set the pace last time, he lost concentration, so I settled him behind the lead," said Yuichi Shibayama. "He kept his concentration when the other horse was closing from behind."**

### Baccari Bloodstock Sales Graduate

**Purely Solid, f, 4, [Bluegrass Cat](#)--South Humor, by Distorted Humor. Niigata, 5-15, Hiryo Tokubetsu, 5fT. Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-0, \$132,036. O-Hisashi Namba; B-Winchester Farm; T-Yoshiyasu Takahashi.**

**Salty Comment, c, 4, [Smart Strike](#)--Salty Response (SW, \$132,515), by Cozzene. Tokyo, 5-15, BS Eleven Sho, 8f. Lifetime Record: 13-4-3-1, \$549,541. O-Yasushi Kubota; B-Craig B. Singer; T-Kazuo Fujisawa. \*\$155,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP; \$210,000 2yo '14 OBSMAR. \*\*\*"I watched his last replay and I felt he was a very strong horse," said winning rider Keita Tosaki. "He traveled nicely and showed a strong charge. He will be able to compete in higher classes."**

**A Shin Paraiso, c, 4, [Zensational](#)--Champagne Royale (SP), by French Deputy. Niigata, 5-15, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-2, \$181,560. O-Eishindo Inc.; B-Liberation Farm & Brandywine Farm; T-Kenichi Fujioka. \*\$32,000 Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$100,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Majestic Harbor (Rockport Harbor), GISW, \$1,246,814; and Danza (Street Boss), GISW, \$866,428. \*\*\*"I maintained our favorable position through the race," said Akihide Tsumura. "He showed a difficult temperament sometimes during the race, so I hope he can improve."**

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### IN JAPAN:

**Lethal Strike**, c, 4, **Smart Strike**--Lethal Heat (MGSW & MGISP, \$655,988), by Unusual Heat. Kyoto, 5-15, Plate Race, 8ft. Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-1, \$166,881. O-G1 Racing; B-Shiraoi Farm; T-Sei Ishizaka.

**WATCH MY DUST** (c, 3, **Majestic Warrior**--**Maid Service**, by **Arch**) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-1, \$70,604. O-Red Baron's Barn LLC; B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-Philip T. Aristone. \*\$65,000 RNA Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$105,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.



**5th-PRX, \$42,200**, (S), 5-16, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.68, ft. **EDISTO BAY** (c, 4, **Bullsbay**--**Immune to Gloom** {MSP, \$165,968}, by **Citidancer**) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-1, \$118,748. O-Bran Jam Stable and David W. Clark; B-Sycamore Hall Farm LLC (PA); T-Louis C. Linder, Jr. \*\$35,000 Ylg '13 EASSEP; \$72,000 3yo '15 OBSWIN.

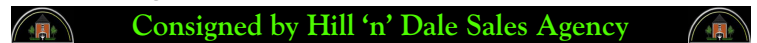
**3rd-WRD, \$26,400**, (S), 5-16, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.75, sy.

**FRIEDA ZAMBA** (f, 4, **Surf Cat**--**Serene Serena**, by **Beau Genius**) Lifetime Record: 14-3-1-3, \$76,340. O-Pat Swan & Robert E. Lewis; B-J. Garvan Kelly (OK); T-Patrick E. Swan. \*\$2,500 Wlg '12 HERDEC.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Win in the Willow**, f, 3, **Kennedy**--**Shezafasionista**, by Fashion Find. WRD, 5-16, 1m, 1:40.81. B-Terry J Westemeir (OK).

**Wilsperfectsuccess**, g, 4, **Pleasantly Perfect**--**Striking Success**, by **Smart Strike**. TDN, 5-16, 1m 70y, 1:46.19. B-Mark Secrest (KY). \*\$5,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP.



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**SILVER MOUNTAIN** (Victory Gallop), Nicks Farm, \$2K, 25/3/0 4-IND, Msw 6f, +Mystic Tiger, 15-1

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### STAKES RESULTS:

**RPDC CLASSIC DISTAFF S.**, \$55,000, WRD, 5-16, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:41.80, sy.

1--**BELLA PAELLA**, 118, f, 4, **Bellamy Road**--**Smooth Brandy**, by **Awesome Again**. (\$20,000 RNA Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$7,500 Ylg '13 TEXAUG). O-Stonewall Dominion LLC; B-Center Hills Farm & Fred & Susan Davis (OK); T-Veronica Griggs; J-Iram Vargas Diego. \$32,404. Lifetime Record: 13-5-3-1, \$121,099.

2--**Vivid**, 118, f, 4, **Save Big Money**--**Vivid Impression**, by **Risen Star**. O/B-Center Hills Farm (OK); T-Scott E. Young. \$11,468.

3--**Copper Flash**, 116, m, 5, **Save Big Money**--**Eternal Optimism**, by **Brunswick**. O-Greg Frye; B-Dwain Keel (OK); T-Roger F. Engel. \$6,483.

Margins: 3, 2HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.90, 5.50, 0.70.

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-PRX, \$42,600**, (S), 5-16, (C), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.39, ft.

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