

## ALL ABOARD THE 'DREAM BOAT'



Jockey Adam Kirby wins his second Group 1 in as many days at Royal Ascot with My Dream Boat in the Prince of Wales's S. | *Racing Post*

Beaten out of sight by **A Shin Hikari (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in last month's G1 Prix d'Ispahan at Chantilly, **My Dream Boat (Ire)** (Lord Shanakill) went postward as the unconsidered outsider of six for Wednesday's G1 Prince of Wales's S. at Royal Ascot, but turned previous form on its head with a game neck defeat of 'TDN Rising Star' **Found (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) to add lustre to jockey Adam Kirby's fantasy week. The bay was patiently ridden in fifth as A Shin Hikari set the tempo. Drifting wide as Found got the best of a four-way tussle towards the inner approaching the final eighth, he kept on resolutely under a power drive to claim a career high on the nod. **Western Hymn (GB)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) proved best of the remainder, finishing 3 1/2 lengths further adrift in third as 8-13 favourite faded late to finish last of six.

"He gave me a really good feel when he won [at Sandown] two starts ago where he settled and picked up good," explained Kirby. "Things didn't go right for him last time as he raced too freely and didn't finish off his race. He settled well today and finished off the race really well. He didn't want to get involved with Found and got a bit lonely out there on his own, but at least he held on."

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## 'LADY' IS THE QUEEN

Having earned 'TDN Rising Star' status when breaking apart a Keeneland maiden special weight and setting a new track record in April, **Lady Aurelia** (Scat Daddy) justified 2-1 favouritism by posting a scintillating performance in Wednesday's G2 Queen Mary S. at Royal Ascot. The bay lunged from the gate and was in instant control, stealing lengths on the field within one furlong. Holding sway on the bridle throughout, she had all her rivals on the stretch when shaken up approaching the final eighth and went through the gears in the closing stages to hit the wire a scarcely unbelievable seven lengths clear of **Al Johrah (GB)** (Bated Breath {GB}), with **Clem Fandango (Fr)** (Elzaam {Aus}) a further 2 1/2 lengths adrift in third. "It was breathtaking from on top and to win a sprint by seven lengths at Royal Ascot is, well, I've never seen anything like it," admitted a lost-for-words Frankie Dettori. [Cont. p4](#)

## IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

### OUTWORK TO WINSTAR UPON RETIREMENT

Grade I winner Outwork (Uncle Mo) will stand at WinStar Farm upon his retirement from racing. The Repole Stable homebred won the GI Wood Memorial S. at Aqueduct this spring. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)



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**G1 Prince Of Wales's S. Report Cont. from p1**

Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain

**PRINCE OF WALES'S S.-G1**, £750,000, ASC, 6-15, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:11.38, sf.

1--&**MY DREAM BOAT (IRE)**, 126, c, 4, by Lord Shanakill

1st Dam: Betty Burke (GB), by Choisir (Aus)

2nd Dam: Island Lover (Ire), by Turtle Island (Ire)

3rd Dam: Loveliest, by Tibaldo

(€4,000 Ylg '13 GOFFEB; €16,000 Ylg '13 GOFSP; £40,000 2yo '14 DONBRE). O-Paul & Clare Rooney; B-Patrick Monahan (IRE); T-Clive Cox; J-Adam Kirby. £425,325. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 14-6-3-0, \$803,926. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

**ANOTHER GR.1 WINNER BRED IN IRELAND**

2--**Found (Ire)**, 123, f, 4, [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)--Red Evie (Ire), by Intikhab.

'**TDN Rising Star**' O-Mr M. Tabor, D. Smith & Mrs John Magnier; B-Roncon, Wynatt & Chelston (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. £161,250.

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3--**Western Hymn (GB)**, 126, g, 5, [High Chaparral \(Ire\)](#)--Blue

Rhapsody (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire). (50,000gns Ylg '12 TAOCT). O-R J H Geffen and Rachel Hood; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB); T-John Gosden. £80,700.

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Margins: NK, 3HF, 3/4. Odds: 16.00, 4.00, 12.00.

Also Ran: The Grey Gatsby (Ire), Tryster (Ire), A Shin Hikari (Jpn).

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My Dream Boat was elevated from the handicap ranks to annex Chantilly's Listed Prix du Ranelagh last term and continued his win streak in the Nov. 1 Prix Perth and Apr. 22 G3 Gordon Richards S. on seasonal return before his latest reversal at Chantilly. Providing further insight, trainer Clive Cox, who was adding to his and Kirby's G1 King's Stand S. win with Profitable the day before, explained, "He looked special when he won the [G3] Gordon Richards [at Sandown], but when we took him to France he was tracked back in the field and things didn't go quite right. He got into a nice rhythm and I'm very proud of him. Adam's riding out of his skin at the minute and is on a high professionally and personally." Looking to future targets, the trainer added, "He's just won a Group 1 over a mile-and-a-quarter so I wouldn't want to change anything. I've entered him in the [July 2 G1] Coral-Eclipse at Sandown and he is definitely better with a bit of cut in the ground. He doesn't like it too quick and has come an awful long way in just over a year. He was rated 76 when he won his first race for us so he's done us proud. We will also look to come back to Ascot in October for Champions Day as he has showed his liking for the track."

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**G1 Prince Of Wales's S. Report Cont.**

"I always thought enough of him to be here today and he has not surprised me, but his upward curve has been phenomenal," continued Cox. "It's amazing and precisely why you do this job and it feels like a dream. It is wonderful for [owners] Paul and Clare Rooney as they are new to the Flat game, so it is great. We've had a few nice winners for them over the past year, starting out with this one. We've got a great bunch of horses and a great bunch of owners and I am just delighted."

Runner-up Found has now raced four times in Britain, and finished second in all four of those top-level starts. Reflecting on her latest performance, trainer Aidan O'Brien commented, "Once again, she ran very well and Ryan was very happy with her. She quickened well, but that's racing." John Gosden indicated the July 2 G1 Coral-Eclipse at Sandown, and a likely rematch with the winner, is on the agenda for third-placed Western Hymn.

Jockey Yutaka Take held an extended post-race court explaining factors in the undoing of the world's highest-rated Thoroughbred, so it was left to Hirotsugu Hirai, representing owners Eishindo Company Ltd, to reflect on A Shin Hikari's defeat. "We knew it was not going to be easy as it was his first time round a bend this sharp, which was a surprise to him. The turf was very soft, like a luxurious carpet, but it didn't suit him. After the race the horse was fine, but we are upset."



Clive Cox w/ My Dream Boat | *Racing Post*

My Dream Boat, who is a half to a yearling colt by Elnadim, is the first stakes winner out of winning sophomore Betty Burke (GB) (Choisir {Aus}), herself the daughter of an unraced half-sister to four black-type performers. They include MGSP Listed Athasi S. victress Dangerous Diva (Ire) (Royal Academy), herself the dam of two Turkish stakes performers, and G2 Nassau S. heroine Optimistic Lass (Mr. Prospector), who in turn is the dam of G1 Coronation S.-winning multiple highweight Golden Opinion (Slew o' Gold) and granddam of G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches third Rahiyah (Rahy). Optimistic Lass is also the third dam of G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and GI Garden City S. victress Samitar (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf and G1 1000 Guineas placegetter Alice Springs (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who lines up for the G1 Coronation S. on Friday.

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# LADY AURELIA (USA)

QUEEN MARY S. (G2)



Congratulations to Keeneland September Sale Graduate LADY AURELIA (USA) on her dominating win in the Queen Mary S. (G2) at Royal Ascot.

Owners: Stonestreet Stables LLC, George Bolton and Peter Leidel  
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**G2 Queen Mary S. Report Cont. from p1**

Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain

**QUEEN MARY S.-G2**, £110,000, ASC, 6-15, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:00.14, sf.

1--**#@LADY AURELIA**, 126, f, 2, by [Scat Daddy](#)

**1st Dam: D' Wildcat Speed (HotY & Ch. Imp. 3yo Filly-PR, GSW, \$530,755)**, by Forest Wildcat

**2nd Dam: Velvet Panther**, by Pentaquod

**3rd Dam: Blue Eyed Cat**, by Great Above

**'TDN Rising Star'** (\$350,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP). O-Stonestreet Stables/G Bolton/P Leidel; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward; J-Lanfranco Dettori. £62,381. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$118,045. \*1/2 to Titledown Five (Tiznow), SP-US, \$105,078. **Werk Nick Rating: D+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

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2--**Al Johrah (GB)**, 126, f, 2, [Bated Breath \(GB\)](#)--Bea Remembered (GB), by Doyen (Ire). O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Al Shaqab for Horse Racing (GB); T-Henri Francois Devin. £23,650.

3--**Clem Fandango (Fr)**, 126, f, 2, Elzaam (Aus)--Question, by Coronado's Quest. (€11,000 Ylg '15 ARAU2). O-Middleham Park Racing LXXV; B-John Raw (FR); T-Keith Dalglish. £11,836. Margins: 7, 2HF, HF. Odds: 2.00, 4.50, 16.00.

Also Ran: Kocollada (Ire), Simmie (Ire), Barroche (Ire), Stormy Clouds (Ire), Roly Poly, Madam Dancealot (Ire), Kachess (GB), Quench Dolly (GB), Reeh (Ire), Jule In The Crown (GB), Camargue (GB), Vona (Ire), Spiaggia (Ire), Katrine (Ire). [Click for the Racing Post result](#) or the [free Equine.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

## GOFFS ROYAL ASCOT WINNER

### MY DREAM BOAT

— GROUP 1 PRINCE OF WALES' STAKES —

Sold at the Goffs Sportsman's Sale 2013 by  
Knockatrina House Stud to Shanavill Stables for €16,000.

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"I knew we were doing very good splits and when I asked her with 1 1/2 furlongs to go she found another gear and I was completely shocked," Dettori said. "She is a lovely filly and [trainer] Wesley [Ward] is a master at what he does." Ward, who was registering a third Queen Mary success following previous scores by Jealous Again (Trippi) in 2009 and Acapulco (Scat Daddy) last year, has set the bar for his Stateside counterparts and extended his Royal Ascot tally to seven. The trainer confirmed Lady Aurelia will remain in Europe in the short term and revealed immediate targets, saying, "She's an amazing filly and she'll have a big future. I've got the [July 27 G3] Molecomb [S. at Goodwood] or the [Aug. 21 G1 Prix] Morny [at Deauville] in my mind, but I'll talk to the owners and see if they agree."

Harry Herbert, racing adviser to Al Shaqab Racing, was gobsmacked by the winning performance, commenting, "I can't believe what I've just seen, it was a remarkable performance. Al Johrah has run an absolute blinder, but has come across the best 2-year-old filly performance I've ever seen in my life. We're delighted with Al Johrah, who has seen off the rest, but we don't see performances like the winner's very often. [Jockey] Gregory Benoist said he couldn't believe what was happening in front. He knew he had the rest beat, but there was the filly from the other side of the pond. She'll get further and we'll see where the winner goes as we will avoid her at all costs." **Cont. p5**

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**G2 Queen Mary S. Cont.**

Scottish trainer Keith Dalgleish was understandably ecstatic at the display of third-placed Clem Fandango, and said, “She’s run her heart out and I’m delighted with her. She’s run straight and true, she handled the ground and the winner looked very special. She’s in the Super Sprint at Newbury off 112 pounds and, with that kind of money if she’s right at the time, we’ll probably go there, but I’ll speak to [owners] Middleham Park and see what they would like to do.”

The winner’s dam was Horse of the Year and champion imported 3-year-old filly in Puerto Rico before capturing the GII Rampart H. in the United States, while her second dam was twice made champion imported older mare in Puerto Rico. Lady Aurelia is a half to Listed Gazebo S. runner-up Titledown Five (Tiznow).

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Wesley Ward and his family seek cover from the rain as Lady Aurelia and Frankie Dettori are led into the winner's enclosure | *Racing Post*

**FROM THE PUBLISHER**

For hundreds of years, horsemen and women have faced their charges off against one another to see who is faster. At the heart of this endeavor is, of course, personal pride of ownership, and, for breeders, the pride of creation. But the foundation was built on sportsmanship and letting these courageous animals speak for themselves.

My connection to Tuesday's heroic act of sportsmanship at Ascot began 35 years ago when a mutual friend introduced me to Robert 'Bat' Masterson, a transplanted New Yorker and racehorse fan, at Aksarben racetrack in Omaha, Nebraska. Masterson had started a company with some other ex-IBMs,

GOFFS UK ROYAL ASCOT  
WINNER



MY DREAM BOAT

— GROUP 1 PRINCE OF WALES' STAKES —

Sold at the Goffs UK Breeze Up Sale 2014 by Meadowview Stables to Tom Malone and Donald McCain for £40,000.

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perfecting billing for a newish thing called credit cards. He and his wife Joan became instant friends, sharing my love of horseracing, baseball, theatre (his dad had been on Broadway), golf, and a general obsession to enjoy life. We became racehorse partners and achieved some success buying European runners, having been introduced to European racing through Matchmaker's Harry Herbert and their involvement in the Laurel Turf Festival and D.C. International. Those projects ended a long time ago, but Bat has continued to enjoy international racing, often attending Royal Ascot and the Arc. He has observed, enjoyed, and appreciated the very best of equine competition.

Last October, we found ourselves in a Paris restaurant after racing, and watched on an iPad as his filly Tepin destroyed a good field at Keeneland in a Grade I on soft ground. As the restaurant guests cheered her on with us, and she drew off, thoughts of Royal Ascot crossed his mind.

After winning the Breeders' Cup Mile in scintillating fashion, and continuing her streak in 2016, the Ascot dream got closer and closer. But could she travel, handle the ground, the straight mile, running in the wrong direction, up a hill, and produce her form not using Lasix and her nasal strip? Lots of questions. Would a bad performance change the world's perception of her value? Should she compete with so many unanswered questions? [Cont. p6](#)

**Letter from the Publisher Cont.**

I couldn't be more proud of my friend, who answered all the questions with, "how can we not give her the opportunity?" while knowing that many other champions had failed. He is a true sportsman in the best tradition of the word in our majestic sport. She answered the questions, was gallant in victory, and became the first international raider to win the Queen Anne. She made history. Hats off to Tepin.

—Barry Weisbord

P.S. It has been an extraordinary beginning to Ascot due to the success of American-breds, who have been much maligned by the international racing community in the past few years. We are getting a lot closer to being able to hold our heads up in public again, and Tepin's win here will be a game-changer. But let's not forget the Lewis-and-Clark-like efforts of Wesley Ward and his owners, over the last few years, including Wednesday's spectacular winner Lady Aurelia's Barbara Banke, George Bolton and Peter Leidel, the Coolmore team with Hootenanny and Acapulco, Undrafted with Wes Welker and Sol Kumin, and No Nay Never with Mrs. Paul Shanahan and Dave Reid's Ice Wine Stables, who blazed a recent trail to Europe that I believe will be followed for years to come.

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**Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain**

**DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE S.-G2**, £175,000, ASC, 6-15, 4yo/up, f, 8fT, 1:43.33, sf.

1--**USHERETTE (IRE)**, 129, f, 4, by [Shamardal](#)

**1st Dam: Monday Show (SP-Ger)**, by Maria's Mon

**2nd Dam: La Sylphide (Swi)**, by Barathea (Ire)

**3rd Dam: Vanishing Prairie**, by Alysheba

O-Godolphin SNC; B-Darley (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Mickael Barzalona. £99,242. Lifetime Record: 7-6-0-0, \$278,945. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#). **Werk Nick Rating: C+**.

**THINK THOROUGHBRED... THINK IRELAND**

2--**Furia Cruzada (Chi)**, 126, m, 5, Newfoundland--Nuestra Machi (Chi), by Hussonet. O-F Fantini; B-Haras Dadinco (CHI); T-John Gosden. £37,625.

3--**Always Smile (Ire)**, 126, f, 4, Cape Cross (Ire)--Eastern Joy (GB), by Dubai Destination. O-Godolphin; B-Darley (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor. £18,830.

Margins: 2 1/4, HD, 1. Odds: 2.25, 20.00, 4.50.

Also Ran: Miss Temple City, Jazzi Top (GB), Lucida (Ire), Black Cherry (GB), Excilly (GB), Maimara (Fr), Devonshire (Ire), Blond Me (Ire), Bint Dandy (Ire), Spangled (GB), Volunteer Point (Ire).

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Held in the highest esteem for a while by Andre Fabre, Godolphin's Usherette proved the master of Chantilly right once again as she turned Wednesday's competitive-looking G2 Duke of Cambridge S. into her own Royal Ascot procession.



**GOFFS ROYAL ASCOT WINNER**

**RIBCHESTER**  
— GROUP 3 JERSEY STAKES —

Sold at Goffs Orby Sale 2014 by the Irish National Stud to Highland Farm for €105,000, and at Goffs November Foal Sale 2013 by Kilmore Stud to Jamie Railton Bloodstock for €78,000.

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Kept away from this kind of testing ground so far, the homebred went into the G1 Prix Rothschild at Deauville in August off two conditions wins and it all proved too much for her when seventh but, after being packed up for the year and brought back with two more conditions wins on the Polytrack at Deauville Mar. 8 and at Chantilly Apr. 4, she was ready for the G2 Dahlia S. So impressive

in that nine-furlong Newmarket contest at the start of last month, she had been targeted at this ever since and stayed in even after the expected fast ground disappeared in the lead-up. Out fast and a touch keen in front of her group before being

reined back by Mickael Barzalona to sit in mid-division, the 9-4 favourite made smooth progress to take closer order when the slightest command was given passing the three-furlong pole. Shaken up to take control a furlong later, Usherette was quickly out of reach and able to coast to the line to register a bloodless 2 1/4-length success from Furia Cruzada, who held off another Godolphin filly in Always Smile for third by a short head. [Cont. p7](#)



**Sheikh Mohammed with Usherette.** | *Racing Post*

**G2 Duke of Cambridge S. Cont.**

“I think she is a top-class filly who deserves to win a Group 1 now,” her jockey said after steering his first Royal winner. “She traveled well and picked up nicely even though the ground didn’t suit as much today. I was worried I’d gone too early, but she’s a lovely filly with good character. She’ll be much better on good ground. She has all the points--stamina, speed and a good temperament. It’s always great to be at Ascot on a day like this winning for Godolphin.”

A clearly delighted Sheikh Mohammed added, “She handled the ground because she is so strong and she is a special filly. Look at her head, she looks like Shamardal.” Andre Fabre said, “I had a lot of confidence, but I was so worried about the ground. She showed strength for a female that I didn’t expect and she’s in the [G1] Falmouth [S. at Newmarket July 8] and Group 1 races in France if she recovers well.” He added, “She is a beautiful filly by Shamardal, who is my favourite sire. She was a rather backward filly, but as soon as she started to work she showed a lot. She only had one bad race in Deauville, where she got tied up in the race, otherwise she would have won there. She has something, that’s for sure. The American fillies are good, but it would be good to take them on in the Breeders’ Cup. I’d be quite confident she could beat Tepin, as she has a turn of foot which is quite exceptional.”

Godolphin’s chief executive and racing manager John Ferguson was also on hand to say, “Both jockeys [of the winner and Always Smile] reported they hated the ground, so that is the sign of very good fillies. Andre Fabre is a master of his profession who has made no secret of his regard for this filly, so it’s wonderful. He has a very clear view of how good his horses are and she can win a race like this on this ground, but ultimately she will be better on better ground. Always Smile really hated the ground, but she’s game and James [Doyle] said ‘she’ll take on the best on good ground.’”



**The Duke & Duchess of Cambridge present the trophy for the G2 Duke of Cambridge S. to Sheikh Mohammed Al Maktoum after Usherette (Shamardal)’s victory. His Godolphin operation won half of the six races on Wednesday’s card. | *Racing Post***

GOFFS ROYAL ASCOT  
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Sold at Goffs Orby Sale 2014 by Owenstown Stud  
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Trainer John Gosden said of the runner-up Furia Cruzada, “She’s been with us since last July and has taken a bit of time to come to herself--it can take nearly a year when they come from the southern hemisphere. She’s run a lovely race, but needed a little further and we knew that--it was a really solid race. The winner of today’s race is brilliant and we got closer to her today--she’s not easy to get close to.”

The first foal and first black-type winner for the stakes-placed Monday Show, Usherette is therefore a granddaughter of the G3 Prix Penelope scorer La Sylphide, who also produced the dual graded-stakes winner Expansion to a mating with Maria’s Mon. The next dam, Vanishing Prairie, is a half-sister to the G1SW champion and top producer Verveine (Lear Fan), in turn responsible for the G1 Grand Prix de Paris and G1 Prix Jean Prat-winning sire Vespone (Ire) (Llandaff) from the family of the fellow top-level scorers Maid’s Causeway (Ire) (Giant’s Causeway) and Vallee Enchantee (Ire) (Peintre Celebre). Monday Show also has a 3-year-old full-sister to the winner, the already-successful Show Day (Ire), and also a 2-year-old colt named Powderhouse (Ire) by Raven’s Pass as well as an unnamed yearling colt by Cape Cross (Ire).

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**Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain**

**JERSEY S.-G3**, £90,000, ASC, 6-15, 3yo, 7ft, 1:28.49, sf.

1--**RIBCHESTER (IRE)**, 132, c, 3, by [Iffraaj \(GB\)](#)

**1st Dam: Mujarah (Ire)**, by **Marju (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Tanaghum (GB)**, by **Darshaan (GB)**

**3rd Dam: Mehthaaf**, by **Nureyev**

(€78,000 Wlg '13 GOFNOV; €105,000 Ylg '14 GOFORB). O-Godolphin; B-A Thompson & M O'Brien (IRE); T-Richard Fahey; J-William Buick. £51,039. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Eng, 6-2-2-1, \$296,967. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

**THINK THOROUGHBRED... THINK IRELAND**

2--**Thikriyaat (Ire)**, 127, g, 3, Azamour (Ire)--Malaspina (Ire), by Whipper. (70,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Kildaragh Stud (IRE); T-Sir Michael Stoute. £19,350.

3--**Forge (GB)**, 127, c, 3, [Dubawi \(Ire\)](#)--Heat Haze (GB), by Green Desert. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute. £9,684.

Margins: 2 1/4, HD, HF. Odds: 7.00, 8.00, 12.00.

Also Ran: Ibn Malik (Ire), Remarkable (GB), Castle Harbour (GB), Haalick (Ire), Raucous (GB), Gifted Master (Ire), C Note (Ire), Light Music (GB), Ross Castle (Ire), Scrutineer (Ire), Bolting, Calder Prince (Ire), Steady Pace (GB), Herald The Dawn (Ire), Ocean Eleven (GB), Toliman (GB). Scratched: Dragon Mall, Kentuckyconnection. [Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Further boosting the form of the Apr. 30 G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket on a day when Godolphin registered a treble, Ribchester got the operation off the mark at the 2016 Royal meeting with a smooth success under a five-pound penalty picked up as a result of his win in Newbury's G2 Mill Reef S. in September. It was prior to that smooth performance in that six-furlong contest that Sheikh Mohammed had become involved, purchasing the bay from Mayson's owner David Armstrong on the back of a second in York's G2 Gimcrack S. also over that trip in August. Too keen when second on his return in the G3 Prix Djebel on heavy ground over this trip at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 7, he was demoted to fifth after causing interference there before outrunning his 33-1 odds without posing a threat to Galileo Gold (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}) when third in Newmarket's mile Classic. Always close to the pace predictably set by Gifted Master (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), the 7-1 shot was traveling clear-best of the dominant far-side group under William Buick inside the last three furlongs. Cajoled to the front as the pace died ahead of him with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, Ribchester drew away without being asked a serious question to score comfortably from the eye-catching Stoute closer Thikriyaat, who did much the best of the pack racing up the centre.

"That was very good--he ran really well in the Guineas and may have run a bit better there had things worked out a bit differently," his rider said. "[Trainer] Richard [Fahey] didn't want to rush him back after the Guineas and saved him for this and he's improved for it. He said today 'just get the job done' and I wanted to keep it simple. He's grown up now--I ran out of horses to follow, so I had to go when I did. He doesn't mind that soft ground and it takes a bit of getting--you definitely have to handle it--and I think that performance wouldn't be far off Group 1 class. This is what it's all about--Sheikh Mohammed is here and he deserves it." For Fahey, the result was a relief after a trying spring campaign with the winner. "It was a bit of a disaster going to France and he came back from the Guineas a bit light, so I wanted to give him a break and Sheikh Mohammed



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let me do whatever I wanted," he explained. "We thought about the St James's Palace S., but mentally the horse is a huge baby and still backward and he's going to make a lovely 4-year-old. It looked good after Galileo Gold won

yesterday and English Guineas form is always good, but I felt today we had a better horse than we did in the Guineas. Once he got in behind today and relaxed, I felt it would take a good one to beat him. He picks up so well. He could go either way in trip, as he has the speed for six and he'll get a mile so the [G1] Sussex [S. at Goodwood July 27] is in the back of my mind." Godolphin's chief executive and racing manager John Ferguson added, "This is a fantastic horse and all credit goes to Richard and his team, as William got off and said he had really improved since the Guineas. Sheikh Mohammed is one of the greatest enthusiasts, so it's a hugely important week for all of us."

Sir Michael Stoute, who trains the second and third, said, "Both ran very well. Thikriyaat will be better at a mile and Forge is a big, immature horse physically and still a bit of a baby mentally. I thought that was a really good run, as that is as far as he wants trip-wise."

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**G3 Jersey S. Report Cont.**

Ribchester emerges from the terrific family of Elle Seule (Exclusive Native), whose collection of relatives reads like the equine version of the members of the Royal enclosure at Ascot. The second dam is the listed-placed Tanaghum (GB) (Darshaan {GB}), a half-sister to the G2 Premio Lydia Tesio-winning highweight Najah (Ire) (Nashwan) and dam of the G3 Curragh Cup-winning stayer Tactic (GB) (Sadler's Wells) and the MGSP middle-distance runner Yaazy (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}). Another of her half-siblings, Zahoo (Ire) (Nayef), has produced the classy Ger Lyons trainee Convergence (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), who was also perhaps best at this specialist trip as he suggested when winning the G3 Ballycorus S. last year. The third dam is the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas heroine Mehthaaf (Nureyev), a half to Elnadim who hails from the immediate family of the accomplished runners and sires Timber Country, Bianconi, Fort Wood and Hamas (Ire) and of course Colorado Dancer (Ire) (Shareef Dancer), now forever enshrined in turf folklore as the dam of the great Dubai Millennium (GB) (Seeking the Gold). This dynasty also features the Wertheimers's MG1SW Occupandiste (Ire) (Kaldoun {Fr}), now even more important as a broodmare for that operation. Mujarah also has a 2-year-old colt by Arcano (Ire) named Golconda Prince (Ire) and a filly foal by Raven's Pass.

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**Wednesday, Royal Ascot, Britain**

**SANDRINGHAM H.-Listed**, £80,000, ASC, 6-15, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:44.27, sf.

- 1--**#PERSUASIVE (IRE)**, 121, f, 3, by **Dark Angel (Ire)**  
 1st Dam: **Choose Me (Ire) (SW & MGSP-Ire, \$388,395)**, by **Choisir (Aus)**  
 2nd Dam: **Hecuba (GB)**, by **Hector Protector**  
 3rd Dam: **Ajuga**, by **The Minstrel**  
 (€180,000 Ylg '14 GOFORB). O-Cheveley Park Stud; B-J F Tuthill (IRE); T-John Gosden; J-Lanfranco Dettori. £45,368. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$97,952.

**THINK THOROUGHBRED... THINK IRELAND**

- 2--**Diamond Fields (Ire)**, 123, f, 3, **Fastnet Rock (Aus)**--Question Times (GB), by Shamardal. (€55,000 Ylg '14 GOFORB). O-Mrs Mary Slack. £17,200.
  - 3--**Sharaakah (Ire)**, 119, f, 3, Roderic O'Connor (Ire)--Lanark Belle (GB), by Selkirk. (€22,000 Ylg '14 GOFORB). O-Mohammed Jaber. £8,608.
- Margins: 1 1/4, NO, 1 3/4. Odds: 2.75, 33.00, 25.00.  
 Also Ran: Radiantly (GB), Diploma (GB), Anamba (GB), Make Fast (GB), Light Up Our World (Ire), Gypsy Eyes (Ire), Great Page (Ire), Dolce Strega (Ire), Rebel Surge (Ire), Yeah Baby Yeah (Ire), Classe Vendome (Fr), Mise En Rose, Quality Time (Ire), Opal Tiara (Ire), Aljuljalah, Alamode (GB), Blue Bayou (GB), Pure Diamond (GB).  
 Scratched: Czabo (GB), Mix and Mingle (IRE), Planchart, Promised Money (Ire), Raaqy (Ire). [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Off the mark on debut over this trip at Kempton Nov. 4, Persuasive returned to score over the same distance at Goodwood May 20 before adding another handicap to her record on Chelmsford's Polytrack at the start of the month. Justifying strong support here, she closed out the second day of Royal Ascot as the first had gone with a win for the John Gosden stable. Settled behind the leaders on what appears to be a hugely favoured strip of ground towards the far side early, the



**Persuasive and Frankie Dettori**  
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grey swooped to the lead passing the quarter pole and stayed on strongly to win with authority. "She is a lovely filly and she didn't really like the ground too much," Frankie Dettori said. "Everything went to plan and she put it to bed at the furlong pole. She is improving

and we can try something bigger next time." John Gosden added, "It's been a plan, as she missed a lot of time in the winter and so I had to get a third run into her to be eligible to run," he explained. "I was hopeful and I did feel if I had a banker for the week, this was it. She is a sweet, lovely filly and she's done it well. This is Frankie's minimum weight and he is riding very well." Persuasive is the second winner out of MGSP dual stakes winner Choose Me (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}), herself out of a winning half-sister to four black-type performers including GSWs Prolix (GB) (Kris {GB}) and Bad Bertrich Again (Ire) (Dowsing). The winner's fourth dam is the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Champion S. heroine Cairn Rouge (Ire) (Pitcairn {Ire}) and she is kin to the 2-year-old filly Tisbutadream (Ire) (Dream Ahead) and a yearling filly by Iffraaj {GB}).

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## NEW ORDER FOR ASCOT SHOWPIECE

Before he began his current tenure at Ballydoyle and changed the modern face of racing as a result, Aidan O'Brien was transforming the careers of jumpers at Piltown, and it is that original affinity with the long-distance horses that has now made him one of the most notable names in the story of Royal Ascot's centrepiece, the G1 Gold Cup. Run on Thursday in honour of the Queen's 90th birthday, the race remains for many second to none as the apex of the week, and the place where history and legacy overtake commercial concerns. It is largely due to Coolmore and Ballydoyle's focus on it as a goal that it has regained some of the mystique of its former days. In just 10 years since he brought the magnificent Yeats (Ire) to record the first of his record-carving four victories, O'Brien has become the race's leading trainer with six wins in total, a staggering feat given the multiple attempts at it by some of the turf's greatest names. In the modern era, Francois Boutin was here on three winning occasions with Sagaro (GB) from 1975-77, Sir Henry Cecil achieved his own measure of glory for four consecutive years from 1979-1982 with the brilliant pair Le Moss (Ire) and Ardross (Ire), and the likes of Dick Hern, Barry Hills and Guy Harwood were also multiple winners.

There is a feeling that **Order of St George (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) only needs to turn up to extend O'Brien's sequence, such has been the authority with which he has won his last three starts by a cumulative margin of 23 lengths. Eleven of those separated him from the runner-up in the G1 Irish St Leger over 14 furlongs at The Curragh in September, and now that the rain has come to further aid his cause he cuts a formidable shape. Even his re-introduction in the June 3 G3 Saval Beg S. over 14 furlongs at Leopardstown gave no more cause for optimism among his opponents, as he was still able to dominate on ground that was a shade lively for him. His trainer does have a concern about his stamina on testing ground, however. "Order of St George handles a dig but going that far, you wouldn't want it too soft," he said. "He is a class horse and was just ready to run when he ran in Leopardstown and hopefully he will have progressed from then."

If stamina is an issue for Order of St George, then there are several who lack his class but who have plenty of staying power, such as Rich Ricci's G2 Lonsdale Cup winner and G1 Melbourne Cup runner-up **Max Dynamite (Fr)** (Great Journey {Jpn}). He was caught out by a slow pace when third on his return to **Pallasator (GB)** (Motivator {GB}) in the G3 Henry II S. over two miles at Sandown May 26, and if he can build on that he could be the main threat. Jockey Pat Smullen is hoping he can and said, "I'm really looking forward to him. Order of St George is going to be a



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warm favourite, but Max Dynamite is a very good horse. His run in York last year was very good and obviously his run in the Melbourne Cup was very good. If he brings that form, he'll be very competitive. The Sandown race was a very messy race and I don't think you saw him in a true light at all. A true-run race will be ideal for him and hopefully the run at Sandown will leave him spot-on for Thursday."

Max Dynamite holds **Mizzou (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) on the form of the Lonsdale Cup in August, but that Luca Cumani representative returned with a second consecutive success in this track's G3 Sagaro S. on similar ground over two miles Apr. 27 and remains lightly-raced and potentially progressive. He had

**Clever Cookie (GB)** (Primo Valentino {Ire}) and last year's G2 QIPCO British Champions Long Distance Cup **Flying Officer** (Dynaformer) behind in the Sagaro and should get a sounder pace than when under four-lengths seventh in this race 12 months ago. Clever Cookie has subsequently been successful in a substandard renewal of the G2 Yorkshire Cup over 14 furlongs at York May 13 and trainer Peter Niven was welcoming the rain on Wednesday. "He seems grand and we are ready to go, I think.

My old Ascot hoodoo has struck again with the [wide] draw, but other than that we're very happy with him," he said. "He'll handle the ground and it just brings staying into the equation, which suits us. He's getting a bit older, so it's probably taken him a bit longer to get going this year. It's a big day for him, but we think he'll be up for it."

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**Thursday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 4:20 p.m.**

**GOLD CUP IN HONOUR OF THE QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY-G1, £400,000, 4yo/up, 20fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	17	Clever Cookie (GB)	Primo Valntino (Ire)	McDonald	Niven	128
2	3	Curbyourenthusiasm (Ire)	Mastercraftsmn (Ire)	Sweeney	Simcock	128
3	6	Flying Officer	Dynaformer	Dettori	Gosden	128
4	2	Fun Mac (Ger)	Shirocco (Ger)	Doyle	Morrison	128
5	14	Griraz (Fr)	Nmbre Pmier (GB)	D O'Brien	Pipe	128
6	9	Max Dynamite (Fr)	Great Journey (Jpn)	Smullen	Mullins	128
7	18	Mille et Mille (GB)	Muhtathir (GB)	Thulliez	Lerner	128
8	1	Mizzou (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Atzeni	Cumani	128
9	7	Pallasator (GB)	Motivator (GB)	Murphy	Prescott	128
10	15	Scotland (Ger)	Monsun (Ger)	Crowley	Balding	128
11	12	Sheikhzayedroad (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Harley	Simcock	128
12	4	Suegioo (Fr)	Manduro (Ger)	Hanagan	Fahey	128
13	13	Burmese (GB)	Sir Percy (GB)	Buick	Tregoning	126
14	10	Order of St George (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien	126
15	11	The Twisler (GB)	Motivator (GB)	Spencer	J Ch-Hyam	126
16	8	Tiberian (Fr)	Tiberius Caesar (Fr)	Fouassier	Couetil	126
17	5	Wasir (Ger)	Rail Link (GB)	Rispoli	Wohler	126
18	16	Kicky Blue (Ger)	Dansili (GB)	Barzalona	Clout	125

## GRAND DESIGN

No match for Minding (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) but in command of all else in the G1 Epsom Oaks, Lael Stable's acquisition **Architecture (Ire)** (Zoffany {Ire}) is the latest to emerge from that Classic in a quick bid for ample compensation in Thursday's G2 Ribblesdale S. at Royal Ascot. Making a leap forward from her prior second in the May 7 Listed Lingfield Oaks Trial, she had upwards of eight lengths to spare over the rest of her rivals in the 12-furlong



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Classic and any further progression will see her emerge as one of Europe's leading middle-distance 3-year-old fillies. "I'm not sure she's ever going to run in a Group 1 when she is a stone clear on the ratings, but that's only relevant if she can reproduce her Epsom

form," trainer Hugo Palmer said. "Everything tells me she should go on the ground--it was on the soft side in the Oaks--but we are going in with our eyes open as it is a 13-day back-up since Epsom. We won't know until the chips are down, but she has not given me a moment's concern since the Oaks."

Having been dealt with by Minding, Architecture's luck may suffer another twist with that dual Classic heroine's stablemate **Even Song (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) in this line-up. Withdrawn from the Oaks at the last stage by Aidan O'Brien, Susan Magnier's well-regarded bay, who was an unlucky third in the Listed Pretty Polly S. over this trip at Newmarket May 1, has the feel of an improver and it is worth remembering that at this stage of her career she has achieved more than her half-sister Simple Verse (Ire) (Duke of Marmalade {Ire}).

Cheveley Park Stud's 'TDN Rising Star' **Queen's Trust (GB)** (Dansili {GB}) has more to offer than she has shown on her last two starts and was hampered when trying to produce her effort late on in the Listed Haras de Bouquetot Fillies' Trial S. at Newbury May 14. Fourth there behind Architecture's stablemate **We Are Ninety (Ire)** (Thewayyouare), she has stronger form claims at present than the intriguing fellow Stoute-trained **Shall We (Ire)** (Dansili {GB}). The Niarchos Family's daughter of the GI E.P. Taylor S. heroine Insight (Fr) (Sadler's Wells) scored by three lengths when making all in a 10-furlong maiden at Salisbury May 12 and there is no telling how far a blueblood in her particular yard can go. Back in a Sandown maiden over 10 furlongs Apr. 22, Shall We was second to Nigel and Carolyn Elwes's **Rocaverde (Ire)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) and she is an interesting contender lurking in the dark from the Ralph Beckett stable so adept with this type of filly.

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## Thursday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:40 p.m.

### RIBBLESDALE S.-G2, £200,000, 3yo, f, 12fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	4	Ajman Princess (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Atzeni	Varian
2	13	Architecture (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Dettori	Palmer
3	9	Beaully (GB)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Spencer	C Hills
4	14	Capricious Cantor (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	de Sousa	E Dunlop
5	3	Chicadoro (GB)	Paco Boy (Ire)	Berry	Beckett
6	1	Dessertoflife (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Fanning	Johnston
7	5	Even Song (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
8	2	Olala (Ger)	Tertullian	Hamelin	Figge
9	10	Queen's Trust (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Peslier	Stoute
10	8	Rocaverde (Ire)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Smullen	Beckett
11	12	Shall We (Ire)	Dansili (GB)	Durcan	Stoute
12	7	Sovereign Parade (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Havlin	Gosden
13	11	The Black Princess (Fr)	Iffraaj (GB)	Buick	Gosden
14	6	We Are Ninety (Ire)	Thewayyouare	Crowley	Palmer

All carry 126 pounds.

## GLOBAL APPEAL

Now that sprinting is a truly international affair, Royal Ascot's G2 Norfolk S. is one of the starting points for the category's future a-list celebrities, and in **Global Applause (GB)** (Mayson {GB}) it spotlights a valid contender for that status on Thursday. Impressive on debut at Newmarket May 1 and in the Listed National S. at Sandown 25 days later, Dr. Johnny Hon's bay lost out in between to Mehmas (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) when returning with a bad blood picture in Newbury's Olympic Glory Conditions S. over six furlongs May 14. Mehmas was behind him at Sandown as he



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rebounded from his reversal a few days beforehand and Tuesday's events in the G2 Coventry S. suggest that form is rock-solid. "When he won at Newmarket, he looked a very exciting horse and he's now back on track," commented trainer Ed

Dunlop, who is unaccustomed to handling precocious juveniles. "He's had three runs already--hopefully that will stand him in good stead for Ascot. After that, he will then have a bit of a holiday."

Whereas Global Applause already has proven black-type credentials, Godolphin's untested **Silver Line (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) has just a visually impressive debut performance to his name after scoring by 3 1/2 lengths over this trip at Nottingham May 22. Saeed bin Suroor is hoping he can acquit himself in this company. "He won really well first time out at Nottingham and since then we have had this as his target," he said. "He has been working nicely and he is ready to go. I just hope the ground isn't an issue, we won't know until he runs--Dark Angel's can handle the soft." **Cont. p12**

**Global Appeal Cont.**

Wesley Ward relies on the impressive May 27 Belmont maiden special weight winner **Red Lodge** (Midshipman), and after the fireworks of Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) on Wednesday, the fears surrounding the ground conditions for the American runners have been seriously assuaged. Like the Hannon stable's 2014 winner Baitha Alga (Ire) (Fast Company {Ire}), **Legendary Lunch (Ire)** (Dragon Pulse {Ire}) was the winner of the Listed Woodcote S. over six furlongs over Epsom's unique contours June 3 and the way he just lasted out there suggests this drop in trip will suit. "He came back impressively to win the Woodcote and looks like the drop back to five furlongs will be no problem for him," Hannon commented. "I could see him running another big race on a more suitable track."

Susan Magnier's **Peace Envoy (Fr)** (Power {GB}) emerged from two tussles with the smart King Electric (Ire) (Elzaam {Aus}) to capture the Listed Rochestown S. over six furlongs at Naas last time May 29, and Ballydoyle's 2-year-olds have run consistently well at the meeting so far.

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**Thursday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 2:30 p.m.**

**NORFOLK S.-G2, £100,000, 2yo, 5fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	3	Big Time Baby (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Kingscote	Dascombe
2	4	Global Applause (GB)	Mayson (GB)	Dettori	E Dunlop
3	9	Legendary Lunch (Ire)	Dragon Pulse (Ire)	Dobbs	Hannon
4	7	Nuclear Power (GB)	Equiano (Fr)	Queally	Tuite
5	6	Peace Envoy (Fr)	Power (GB)	Moore	A O'Brien
6	2	Plata O Plomo (GB)	Paco Boy (Ire)	McHugh	Coyle
7	1	Prince of Cool (GB)	Royal Applause (GB)	Eaves	Given
8	10	Prince of Lir (Ire)	Kodiak (GB)	Morris	Cowell
9	11	Silver Line (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Doyle	bin Suroor
10	8	The Last Lion (Ire)	Choisir (Aus)	Fanning	Johnston
11	5	Red Lodge	Midshipman	Velazquez	Ward

All carry 127 pounds bar Red Lodge, 124.

**THE DON**

Only established in its current guise in 2002 and now firmly entrenched as a feature part of Royal Ascot, the G3 Tercentenary S. has two subsequent Group 1 winners on its honour roll in Glass Harmonium (Ire) (Verglas {Ire}) and Cannock Chase (Lemon Drop Kid), and another who is surely only in-waiting in last year's scorer Time Test (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). It is no coincidence that the two top-level winners were trained by British racing's overlord Sir Michael Stoute, and he supplies the likely favourite here in Al Shaqab's **Abdon (GB)** (Cacique {Ire}). A son of the G1 Prix de l'Opera heroine Kinnaird (Ire) (Dr Devious {Ire}), he scored with a touch of style on his sole juvenile start at Newbury in August and was second to the re-opposing **Hawkbill** (Kitten's Joy) on his next outing in the Listed Newmarket S. over this trip Apr. 30.

With less to prove than his Chester maiden-winning stablemate **Mulk (GB)** (New Approach {Ire}), another son of a Group 1 winner in the Fillies Mile and Coronation S. winner Nannina (GB) (Medicean {GB}), he has strong claims with his pedigree suggesting improvement with time and experience.

Hawkbill's win at Newmarket was no fluke, as he had previously beaten the subsequent May 21 Listed Fairway S. winner **Steel of Madrid (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}) in a Kempton conditions event over a mile Sept. 8 and he is arguably the best of the three that sport the Godolphin silks. "Hawkbill was impressive in his first run back this season when winning the Newmarket S.," trainer Charlie Appleby said. "He handled the



Sir Michael Stoute saddles a pair in the Tercentenary | *Racing Post*

good-to-soft conditions then and has come out of the race well. He goes into the race in good order, although extreme ground conditions would be an unknown." Qatar Racing's **Blue de Vega (Ger)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}) is forced to carry a penalty as a result of his win in the G3 Killavullan S. over seven

furlongs at Leopardstown in October and brings Classic form to the mix, having been third behind Awtaad (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) and Galileo Gold (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}) in the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas at The Curragh May 21.

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**Thursday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:05 p.m.**

**TERCENTENARY S.-G3, £90,000, 3yo, 10fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	1	Blue de Vega (Ger)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Fallon	O'Callaghan
2	8	Abdon (GB)	Cacique (Ire)	Dettori	Stoute
3	2	Hawkbill 	Kitten's Joy	Buick	Appleby
4	7	Long Island Sound 	War Front	Moore	A O'Brien
5	5	Mulk (GB)	New Approach (Ire)	Hanagan	Stoute
6	4	Prize Money (GB)	Authorized (Ire)	Doyle	bin Suroor
7	9	Race Day (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Lane	bin Suroor
8	3	Royal Artillery	War Front	Atzeni	Gosden
9	6	Steel of Madrid (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Dobbs	Hannon

All carry 126 pounds bar Blue de Vega, 130.

**Thursday, Leopardstown, Ireland, post time: 7:55 p.m.**

**OLIVER BRADY MEMORIAL SHABRA BALLYCORUS S.-G3, €63,000, 3yo/up, 7fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	1	Gordon Lord Byrn (Ire)	Byron (GB)	Lordan	Hogan	138
2	4	Dick Whittington (Ire)	Rip Van Winkle (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien	135
3	6	Dont Bother Me (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Whelan	Moran	135
4	5	Kelinni (Ire)	Refuse to Bend (Ire)	Gray	K Ryan	135
5	2	Corail (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Hayes	Deegan	132
6	3	Al Mohalhal (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Manning	Bolger	126

**Friday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 4:20 p.m.**

**CORONATION S.-G1, £400,000, 3yo, f, 8fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	3	Alice Springs (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
2	7	Ashadihan (GB)	Kyllachy (GB)	Spencer	K Ryan
3	6	Besharah (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Atzeni	Haggas
4	10	Czabo (GB)	Sixties Icon (GB)	de Sousa	Channon
5	12	Fireglow (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Buick	Johnston
6	4	Jet Setting (Ire)	Fast Company (Ire)	Foley	Keatley
7	1	Marenko (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Levey	Hannon
8	13	Nathra (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Dettori	Gosden
9	9	Nemoralia 	More Than Ready	Peslier	Nosedá
10	8	Now Or Never (Ire)	Bushranger (Ire)	Fallon	O'Callaghan
11	5	Promising Run	Hard Spun	Doyle	bin Suroor
12	11	Qemah (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Benoist	Rouget
13	2	Tanaza (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Smullen	Weld

All carry 126 pounds.

**Friday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:40 p.m.**

**COMMONWEALTH CUP-G1, £400,000, 3yo, 6fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	1	Buratino (Ire)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Buick	Johnston
2	2	Cheikeljack (Fr)	Myboycharlie (Ire)	Cheminaud	Pantall
3	11	Donjuan Triumphant (Ire)	Dream Ahead	de Sousa	Fahey
4	9	Dream Dubai (GB)	Kyllachy (GB)	Kirby	Kirk
5	3	Kachy (GB)	Kyllachy (GB)	Kingscote	Dascombe
6	5	Log Out Island (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Doyle	Hannon
7	10	Money Maker (Spa)	American Post (GB)	Mendizabal	Chappet
8	6	Washington DC (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
9	7	Waterloo Bridge (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien
10	4	Illuminate (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Dobbs	Hannon
11	12	La Rioja (GB)	Hellvelyn (GB)	Murphy	Candy
12	8	Quiet Reflection (GB)	Showcasing (GB)	Costello	Burke

All carry 129 pounds bar Illuminate, La Rioja & Quiet Reflection, 126.

**Friday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 3:05 p.m.**

**KING EDWARD VII S.-G2, £200,000, 3yo, c/g, 12fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	4	Across the Stars (Ire)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Dettori	Stoute
2	2	Beacon Rock (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
3	3	Carntop (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Berry	Beckett
4	9	Choreographer (Ire)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Atzeni	Varian
5	6	Housesofparliament (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien
6	1	Humphrey Bogart (Ire)	Tagula (Ire)	Levey	Hannon
7	8	Linguistic (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Buick	Gosden
8	7	Lustrous Light (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Keane	Lyons
9	5	Muntahaa (Ire)	Dansili (GB)	Hanagan	Gosden

All carry 126 pounds.

**Friday, Royal Ascot, Britain, post time: 2:30 p.m.**

**ALBANY S.-G3, £80,000, 2yo, f, 6fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	4	Bletchley (GB)	Makfi (GB)	Murphy	Beckett
2	16	Brave Anna	War Front	Heffernan	A O'Brien
3	5	Cheval Blanche 	Stay Thirsty	McDonald	Bell
4	15	Create a Dream	Oasis Dream (GB)	Dettori	Ward

5	2	Cuff (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
6	10	Dainty Dandy (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Harley	Cole
7	8	Grizzel (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Dobbs	Hannon
8	3	High On Love (Ire)	Requinto (Ire)	Donohoe	Fellowes
9	7	Kilmah (GB)	Sepoy (Aus)	Kingscote	Johnston
10	6	Melesina (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Hanagan	Fahey
11	1	Oh Grace (Ire)	Lawman (Fr)	Manning	Bolger
12	9	Perfect Madge (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Smullen	K Ryan
13	14	Queen Kindly (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Spencer	Fahey
14	12	Romantic View (GB)	Shamardal	Buick	Appleby
15	13	Sea of Snow	Distorted Humor	Doyle	Johnston
16	11	Spin Doctor (GB)	Mayson (GB)	Hamilton	Fahey

All carry 126 pounds.

**AIR FORCE BLUE OUT OF COMMONWEALTH**

Last year's European 2-year-old champion **Air Force Blue** (War Front), who was over the weekend supplemented to Friday's G1 Commonwealth Cup at Royal Ascot, was removed from that six-furlong contest at Wednesday's declaration stage. Also withdrawn was last year's G2 Queen Mary S. winner **Acapulco** (Scat Daddy), who was also scratched from Tuesday's G1 King's Stand S. by trainer Wesley Ward on account of the soft going.

Air Force Blue's Aidan O'Brien-trained stablemate **Ballydoyle (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) was not among the 13 declarations for Friday's G1 Coronation S., but the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner and G1 1000 Guineas runner-up still holds an entry in Sunday's G1 Prix de Diane. Among the declarations for the Coronation were O'Brien's 1000 Guineas-third **Alice Springs (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and G1 Irish 1000 Guineas winner **Jet Setting (Ire)** (Fast Company {Ire}), who was bought by China Horse Club for £1.3 million at the Goffs London Sale on Monday.

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**GALILEO GOLD WELL AFTER ST JAMES'S WIN**

Trainer Hugo Palmer said **Galileo Gold (GB)** (Paco Boy {Ire}) looked like "a trillion dollars" the morning after his win in the G1 St James's Palace S. at Royal Ascot. The Al Shaqab colourbearer, who was adding to his G1 Qipco 2000 Guineas score when besting fellow Guineas winners The Gurkha (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and Awtaad (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) on Tuesday, is now on course for the G1 Sussex S. against elders at Goodwood July 27.

"It's been extraordinary in that every stride he's taken, he's improved physically," Palmer reflected. "He looks a trillion dollars and he's never been better. The horse would have to be right, of course, but he's won before at Goodwood and the Sussex, which was the plan before Ascot, is still the obvious target."

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From the desk of...

# BILL OPPENHEIM



## ASCOT TREBLES

Not even periodic persistent rain Tuesday and demonstrably soft ground for the first two days could impact the momentum and drama that is Royal Ascot. We hear a lot about the importance of emphasizing lifestyle as part of the attraction

of horse racing, and if dressing up like something out of *My Fair Lady* doesn't qualify as lifestyle, nothing does. But of course it's not just that, it's that there are big fields of the best horses in every category from Europe and beyond; that, you bet, everybody's trying; and that, all things considered, it's the most important festival week of horse racing on the planet.

Given the underfoot conditions, it's a little surprising that the only race that read like a real soft-ground upset was Wednesday's G1 Prince of Wales's S., won by the 20-1 shot My Dream Boat, a 4-year-old from the first crop of, and thus far the only black-type winner by, the now Pennsylvania-based (formerly Irish-based) son of Speightstown, Lord Shanakill. He is a confirmed soft-ground specialist--but he was about the only one who prevailed over 12 races on the first two days, which were more dominated by the form horses, some of whom may have been winning in spite of the conditions.

There were three notable trebles that I noted over the first two days: three wins for USA-breds, on soft ground and without drugs or nasal strips; a treble for Godolphin yesterday--plus a win by their future stallion Profitable (Invincible Spirit) in the

G1 King's Stand S. on Tuesday; and a treble over the first two days for the week's leading rider after the first two days--you remember him--Frankie Dettori.

USA-breds kicked off the meeting by winning the first two races on Tuesday. The monster that is Tepin (Bernstein) took her show on the road and prevailed, ultimately at good odds (she ended up co-third choice at 11/2) in the week's opening race, the G1 Queen Anne S. at one mile on the straight course (there are two mile courses, straight and round; four of the mile races on the first two days were on the straight course), by a half-length over Godolphin and Prince A.A. Faisal's thoroughly proven commodity--especially on soft ground--Belardo (Lope de



Tepin | *Racing Post*

Vega), who had won the G1 Dewhurst S. as a 2-year-old, and the G1 Lockinge S. last time out. Talk about a credit to connections, owner Bob Masterson and trainer Mark Casse, because, since we're talking about this as the best race meeting in the world, it's pretty good news that the top American horses like Tepin can come over here and replicate their American form under vastly different conditions. Tepin's compatriot, the 4-year-old filly Miss Temple City (Temple City)

herself ran fourth in the G2 Duke of Cambridge Wednesday, having run fourth in the G1 Coronation at this meeting last year. Now that Mark Casse has joined Wesley Ward on the Royal Ascot scoreboard, Graham Motion is knocking on the door; he's likely to be next, and well done to the Feld family and connections for trying twice with Miss Temple City, and at least they have the consolation that in her prep race for this, she beat the boys in the GI Maker's Mark Mile at Keeneland. **Cont. p15**

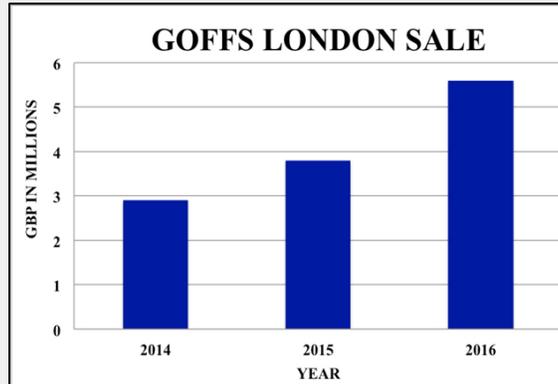
### RESULTS FROM ROYAL ASCOT: JUNE 14 & 15

Day	Time	Race	Cond	Age	Dist	Winner	A/s	Sire	Time
Tue	2:30	Queen Anne S.	G1	4yo+	1mS	Tepin	5m	Bernstein	143.98
	3:05	Coventry S.	G2	2yo	6f	Caravaggio	2c	Scat Daddy	116.36
	3:40	King's Stand S.	G1	3yo+	<u>5f</u>	Profitable (Ire)	4c	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	<u>102.69</u>
	4:20	St James's Palace S.	G1	3yo	1mR	Galileo Gold (GB)	3c	Paco Boy (Ire)	144.01
	5:00	Ascot S.	Hcp.	4yo+	2 1/2m	Jennies Jewel (Ire)	9m	Flemensfirth	434.70
	5:35	Windsor Castle S.	L	2yo	<u>5f</u>	Ardad (Ire)	2c	Kodiac (GB)	<u>102.56</u>
Wed	2:30	Jersey S.	G3	3yo	7f	Ribchester (Ire)	3c	Iffraaj (GB)	128.49
	3:05	Queen Mary S.	G2	2yo	<u>5f</u>	Lady Aurelia	2f	Scat Daddy	<u>100.14</u>
	3:40	Duke of Cambridge S.	G2	4yo+, f/m	1mS	Usherette (Ire)	4f	Shamardal	143.33
	4:20	Prince of Wales's S.	G1	4yo+	10f	My Dream Boat (Ire)	4c	Lord Shanakill	211.38
	5:00	Royal Hunt Cup	Hcp.	4yo+	1mS	Portage (Ire)	4c	Teofilo (Ire)	143.01
	5:35	Sandringham H.	L	3yo, f	1mS	Persuasive (Ire)	3f	Dark Angel (Ire)	144.27

1-mile straight course: *Italics*

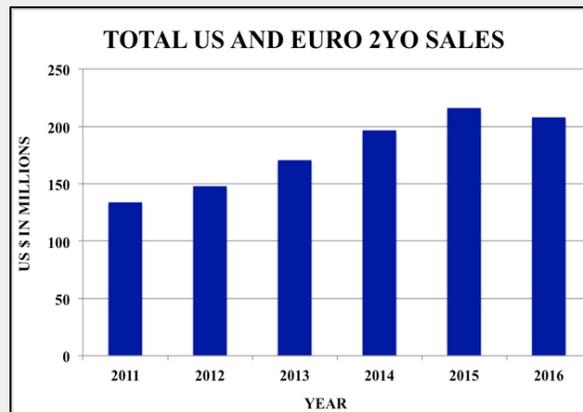
5-furlong straight course: Underlined

“Goffs’ eve-of-Ascot London sale continues to evolve. There’s no doubt the 'Horses of Racing Age' section of it is far stronger than the ‘2-year-olds in training’ section, which makes sense because, like Arqana’s Arc Sale, the object is to trade horses which are ready to run, and in fact in most cases entered, to run tomorrow. It looks likely that Goffs will feel comfortable finding another place and time for the 2-year-olds in training and make the sale completely for horses in training. Of course it also helps if the horses with Ascot entries are 10-1 shots rather than 40-1 shots.”



### GOFFS LONDON SALE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CAT</u>	<u>RING</u>	<u>SOLD</u>	<u>% W/D</u>	<u>% S/R</u>	<u>% S/C</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>AVE</u>
2016	50	41	28	18.0%	68.3%	56.0%	£5,593,000	£199,750
2015	56	42	23	25.0%	54.8%	41.1%	£3,784,500	£164,543
2014	38	31	26	18.4%	83.9%	68.4%	£2,910,000	£111,923



### TOTAL US AND EUROPEAN 2YO SALES AS OF JUNE 6, 2016

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CAT</u>	<u>RING</u>	<u>SOLD</u>	<u>% W/D</u>	<u>% S/R</u>	<u>% S/C</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>AVE</u>
2016	3,976	2,947	2,200	25.9%	74.7%	55.3%	\$ 208,142,743	\$ 94,610
2015	3,965	2,942	2,269	25.8%	77.1%	57.2%	\$ 215,777,886	\$ 95,098
2014	3,962	2,952	2,286	25.5%	77.4%	57.7%	\$ 196,397,642	\$ 85,913
2013	3,629	2,750	2,176	24.2%	79.1%	60.0%	\$ 170,401,585	\$ 78,310
2012	3,899	2,955	2,263	24.2%	76.6%	58.0%	\$ 147,956,952	\$ 65,381
2011	4,115	3,123	2,326	24.1%	74.5%	56.5%	\$ 133,898,210	\$ 57,566



The late Scat Daddy: sire of Caravaggio (G2 Coventry S. winner) and Lady Aurelia (G2 Queen Mary S. winner). | Coolmore

**Oppenheim: Ascot Trebles Cont.**

The other two American-bred winners were 2-year-olds by the late lamented Scat Daddy, the G2 Coventry S. winner Caravaggio on Tuesday for Aidan O’Brien and the Coolmore team; and the ultra-impressive Lady Aurelia, who is inbred 4x3 to Storm Cat (out of a Forest Wildcat mare), trained by Wesley Ward for a partnership headed by Stonestreet, in Wednesday’s five-furlong G2 Queen Mary S. for 2-year-old fillies. She won by seven lengths from Al Shaqab Racing’s Al Johrah, from the first crop of Bated Breath (Dansili), herself 2 1/2 lengths clear of the third-placed filly, Clem Fandango, from the first crop by Elzaam (Redoute’s Choice). Just to say seven lengths is impressive enough, but a time comparison with the five-furlong races on the first day confirms Lady Aurelia’s performance as way out of the ordinary.

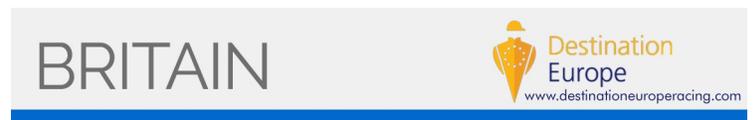
If you look at the accompanying table, you’ll note there were four races run over the straight mile on the first two days. Tepin, a 5-year-old mare by Bernstein, won the meet’s opening race, the G1 Queen Anne, in 1:43.98 on Tuesday. On Wednesday, there were three races over the straight mile: the G2 Duke of Cambridge, won by the 4-year-old filly Usherette (Shamardal) in 1:43.33; the Royal Hunt Cup, won by the 4-year-old colt Portage (Teofilo) in 1:43.01; and the Sandringham H. (Listed), for 3-year-old fillies, won by Cheveley Park’s Persuasive (Dark Angel), in 1:44.27. These are slow times, but they are consistent. I’m satisfied the degree of softness was similar both days, which is why the 5-furlong times are so relevant when assessing Lady Aurelia’s performance. On Tuesday, the 4-year-old colt Profitable (Invincible Spirit) won the G1 King’s Stand in 1:02.69; and the 2-year-old colt Ardad, by Kodiak and another impressive six-figure graduate of a 2016 European 2-year-old sale, in this case £170,000 from Goffs UK (ex Doncaster), ran five furlongs in the Windsor Castle S. (Listed) in 1:02.56.

Lady Aurelia ran five furlongs yesterday in 1:00.14--arguably 12 lengths or so faster than the G1 King’s Stand, won by a 4-year-old colt. The time confirms the impression this is one of the best performances by a 2-year-old in recent memory.

Usherette, trained by Andre Fabre, and Portage, trained by Mick Halford in Ireland, were the second and third legs of the Godolphin Wednesday triple, which was kicked off by Ribchester (Iffraaj) in the seven-furlong G3 Jersey S. to open Wednesday’s card. Oh, and of course, that leading rider for the first two days--Frankie Dettori, with three flying dismounts. You could almost say (groan), Frankie is truly in flying form.

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**Wednesday’s Results:**

**5th-ASC, £175,000, Hcp, 6-15, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:43.01, sf. PORTAGE (IRE) (c, 4, Teofilo {Ire}--Galley {GB}, by Zamindar),** who was successful in two of seven starts before garnering The Curragh’s June 4 Listed Silver S. in his belated seasonal return last time, broke well and raced in a prominent third through the early fractions of this Royal Hunt Cup. Shaken up with three furlongs remaining, the 10-1 chance remained thereabouts under a continued drive and kept on resolutely once gaining a



Portage and James Doyle win the Royal Hunt Cup | Racing Post

slender advantage inside the final furlong to hold the vain bid of Librisa Breeze (GB) (Mount Nelson {GB}) by 1 1/4 lengths. “He’s grown up and matured a lot, as he proved when winning at The Curragh, and we knew he would get the trip really well,” commented trainer

Michael Halford. “We knew he would handle the soft ground, James [Doyle] was very confident and rode him confidently. We planned coming here from the moment he ran [fifth] in the Cambridgeshire [H. at Newmarket in his penultimate start] last year. We had a very wet spring [in Ireland] and planned to run at The Curragh during Guineas weekend, but had a slight hold up. He’s a horse that is ready to step up and will go on better ground and over a longer trip. It’s very special to have a winner here today, especially for Sheikh Mohammed, who has been a wonderful supporter and shown great loyalty to us.” **Cont. p16**

**5th-ASC Cont.**

Portage is kin to Listed Premio Conte Felice Scheibler winner Cape Magic (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), a 2-year-old full-sister and a yearling by Epaulette (Aus). His dam Galley (GB) (Zamindar) is a daughter of the stakes-winning Dockage (Riverman), who also produced G3 July S. winner Wharf (Storm Bird) and Listed Prix de Lieurey scorer Mooring (GB) (Zafonic). Another of Galley's siblings is Docklands (Theatrical {Ire}), the dam of MG1SW G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe-winning sire Rail Link (GB) and MGSW Crossharbour (GB), Dockage's descendants also include G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud hero Linda's Lad (GB) (Sadler's Wells), while the next dam Golden Alibi (Empery) is a half to the mighty racemare and outstanding producer Dahlia (Vaguely Noble {Ire}). Sales history: 70,000gns Wlg '12 TATFOA. Lifetime Record: SW-Ire, 9-4-2-0, \$273,632. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Godolphin; B-Barbara Prendergast (IRE); T-Michael Halford.



**1st-CHD, £7,000, Cond, 6-15, 2yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:27.95, st. ISLAND VISION (IRE) (f, 2, Arcano {Ire}--Boo Boo Bear {Ire}, by Almutawakel {GB}),** fifth on debut over six furlongs at Redcar May 31, stalked the leading duo early. Grinding her way to the lead passing the furlong pole, the 40,000gns TATYEA yearling, who was a 5-1 shot, asserted to score by a neck from Pepita (Ire) (Sir Prancealot {Ire}). The dam, who hails from the extended family of the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S.-winning sire Air Express (Ire), has also bred the Listed Sweet Mimosa S. winner Letters of Note (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$6,391.

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O-Sheikh Juma Dalmook Al Maktoum; B-Black Crow Syndicate (IRE); T-David Simcock.

**2nd-RIP, £4,500, Cond, 6-15, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:01.44, gd. ROSEBRIDE (GB) (f, 2, Mayson {GB}--Wedding Party {GB} {SP-Eng}, by Groom Dancer),** who was second on debut to the subsequent Listed Windsor Castle S. sixth Pretty Vacant (GB) (Elzaam {Aus}) over five furlongs at Leicester May 30, broke well to race in a close-up third early. Sent to the front approaching the furlong pole, the 5-2 joint-favourite was pushed out to secure a 3/4-of-a-length success from Climax (GB) (Acclamation {GB}). Rosebride, who is a half-sister to the smart Party Doctor (GB) (Dr Fong), third in Royal Ascot's Listed Chesham S., becomes the fifth winner for her first-season sire (by Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Her dam is a half to the G2 May Hill S. winner Pollenator (Ire) (Motivator {GB}) from the extended family of the G1 Australian Derby winner Dance the Day Away (Aus) (Seattle Dancer) and has a yearling filly by Mayson (GB) and a filly foal by Garswood (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$5,798.

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O/B-Cheveley Park Stud (GB); T-Richard A. Fahey.

**2nd-HAM, £5,500, Mdn, 6-15, 2yo, 6f 6yT, 1:12.37, g/s. +LOVE DREAMS (IRE) (c, 2, Dream Ahead--Kimola {Ire} {Ch. 3-year-old Fill-Sca, MSW-Swe & MSP-Nor, \$146,166}, by King's Theatre {Ire}),** a 42,000gns TAOCT yearling, broke sharply from an outer gate and claimed the fence racing in a prominent second through halfway in this unveiling. Nudged along to seize control approaching the final furlong, the 9-2 chance required little encouragement in the closing stages to easily best What's the Story (GB) (Harbour Watch {Ire}) by an impressive two lengths. Out of Scandinavian champion distaffer Kimola (Ire) (King's Theatre {Ire}), the winner is full to a yearling filly, and half to G3 Leopardstown 2000 Guineas Trial third Whipless (Ire) (Whipper) and two further winners. His unraced granddam La Mortola (Ire) (Bold Lad {Ire}) is a half-sister to G1 Irish 1000 Guineas-winning champion and black-type producer Katies (Ire) (Nonoalco), whose descendants include G1SW Japanese champions Sleepless Night (Jpn) (Kurofune) and Admire Moon (Jpn) (End Sweep). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,022. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Crone Stud Farms Ltd; B-John O'Connor (IRE); T-M. Johnston.

**3rd-BEV, £14,000, Cond, 6-14, 3yo/up, 5fT, 1:00.08, gd. LINE OF REASON (IRE) (g, 6, Kheleyf--Miss Party Line, by Phone Trick)** Lifetime Record: SW-Ire & MSP-Eng, 40-8-4-2, \$261,224. O-Taylor's Bloodstock Ltd; B-Corduff Stud Ltd, J Corcoran & J Judd (IRE); T-Paul Midgley. \*€40,000 RNA 2yo '12 ARMA; 80,000gns 3yo '13 TATHIT. \*\*1/2 to Corsario (Fr) (Zafonic), SW-Fr.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Kodi Da Capo (Ire), f, 2, Kodiak (GB)--Red Trance (Ire),** by Soviet Star. HAM, 6-15, 5f 7yT, 1:00.14. B-Tally-Ho Stud (IRE). \*£26,000 Ylg '15 DNPRM.

## OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

**5.55 Leopardstown, €16,500, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT**  
Susan Magnier colourbearer **ISTAN (GB) (Excelebration {Ire}),** a son of the 2005 G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up Something Exciting (GB) (Halling), gets a third bite of the cherry for Aidan O'Brien and is the choice of Seamus Heffernan from three Ballydoyle representatives in this 14-strong field. Returning off a third to subsequent G2 Coventry S. fifth Van Der Decken (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}) at The Curragh last month, his rivals include stablemate **Courage Under Fire (War Front),** who is a hitherto unraced half-brother to GI Breeders Cup Juvenile Fillies and GI Starlet S.-winning millionaire Take Charge Brandi (Giant's Causeway), debuting in the Derrick Smith silks.

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# FRANCE



## Tuesday's Results:

**2nd-NTS, €30,000, Cond, 6-14, 3yo, 8ft, 1:40.98, sf.**  
**SOHO STARLIGHT (GB) (c, 3, Pivotal {GB}--Soho Star {GB}, by Smarty Jones)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, €23,000. O-Guy Heald; B-GB Partnership (GB); T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

## ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Langlauf, f, 3, Raven's Pass--Emirates Girl (SP-Fr & Ger), by Unbridled's Song. LCR, 6-14, 9ft, 1:58.70. B-Darley (KY).**

# WORLDWIDE NEWS

## HOKKAIDO SELECTION CATALOGUE ONLINE

The catalogue for the Hokkaido Selection Sale July 19 is online. There are 242 yearlings catalogued for the sale which last year returned an average of about \$107,552. The sale takes place at the Hokkaido Sales Complex, with an inspection day the day preceding the sale. [Click here](#) for the catalogue index.

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## CHAMPION SPRINTER ZAC SPIRIT RETIRED

by Alan Carasso

**Zac Spirit (Aus)** (Flying Spur {Aus}--Kidman {Aus}, by Quest For Fame {GB}), the champion sprinter in Singapore during the 2014 season and a candidate for similar honors this term, has been retired after chipping his off-fore knee for the second time in two years.

Bred in New South Wales by John Kelly's Newhaven Park Stud, Zac Spirit was A\$95,000 purchase out of the 2010 Magic Millions National Weanling Sale and was snapped up by trainer Cliff Brown on behalf of the Zac Stable for A\$140,000 at the Inglis Easter Yearling Sale the following April.

Winner of four of eight appearances during his first year at the races in 2013, he broke through with a trio of stakes scores the following campaign, including wins in the Kranji Sprint and Lion City Cup ahead of a third-place effort to top Hong Kong sprinter Lucky Nine (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G1 KrisFlyer International



Zac Spirit (left) | Singapore Turf Club

Sprint en route to his championship.

He successfully defended the Kranji Sprint and was second in the 2015 Lion City Cup, but suffered his first injury in the KrisFlyer last May and missed nearly a year. He returned in remarkable form in two runs this year, finishing second to Emperor Max (Aus) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) in the Kranji Sprint Apr. 3 before turning the tables in the Lion City Cup Apr.

24 ([video](#)). Zac Spirit was recently green-lighted for a trip to England for the G1 Darley July Cup July 9, but will now return to Newhaven Park to live out his days.

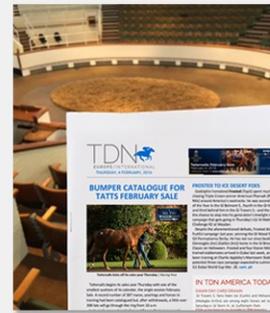
"He was lame, probably after a gallop, and X-rays confirmed he had chipped his knee again. He just had surgery on it," said Brown. "We could have pushed on like last time, but after discussing with Andy and Genni Wong, his owners, we decided to retire him instead. He's been a fantastic horse to us, and he owed us

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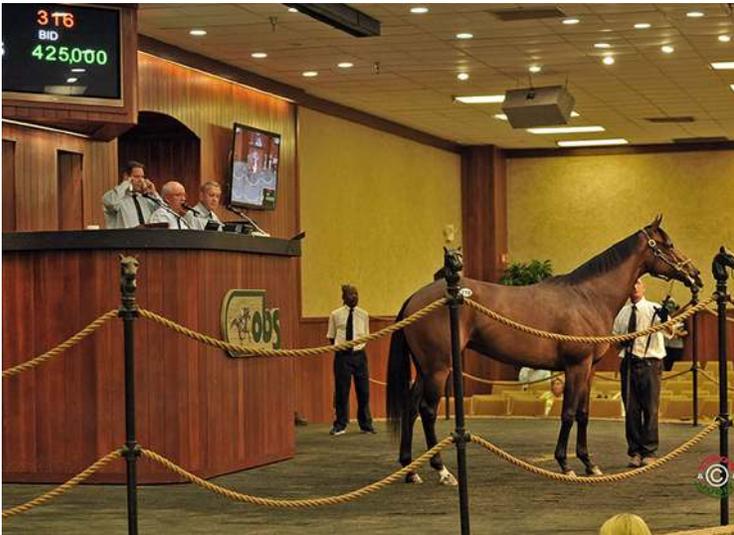
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# WAR FRONT FILLY LEADS OBS WEDNESDAY



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by Jessica Martini

OCALA, FL - Action ticked up during Wednesday's second session of the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training and Horses of Racing Age, with a filly by War Front bringing the auction's top price of \$425,000. Bloodstock agent Justin Casse did his bidding on [hip 316](#) by phone from the Royal Ascot meeting on behalf of an unnamed client. The filly was consigned by Woodford Thoroughbreds on behalf of her breeder, WinStar Farm. During Wednesday's session four horses topped Tuesday's high-price of \$180,000 and there were nine offerings for six figures. Through two sessions of the four-day sale, 292 horses have sold for \$8,490,700. While up from Tuesday's opening-day figure of \$25,084, the two-day average of \$29,078 is off 21.8% from last year's two-day figure of \$37,181. The two-day median is \$15,000, down 21.1% from a year ago. There were 123 horses reported not sold for a buy-back rate of 29.6%. "I think there was more action all the way through, it seemed like a better day," said OBS Director of Sales Tod Wojciechowski. "Even anecdotally there seemed to be more people around and there was a little more liveliness to it today." The second session in 2015 was topped by a \$575,000 colt, who was one of four to sell for over \$200,000. "We made up some ground today and we still have another two days of selling and some quality horses both days," Wojciechowski concluded. The OBS June sale continues through Friday with sessions beginning daily at 10:30 a.m. **Cont. p5**

# OUTWORK TO WINSTAR UPON RETIREMENT

Grade I winner **Outwork** (Uncle Mo--Nonna Mia, by Empire Maker) will stand at WinStar Farm upon his retirement from racing, it was announced Wednesday. The Repole Stable homebred became the first winner of many for his record-breaking leading freshman sire when he scored first out at Keeneland last April, and returned to annex a Tampa optional claimer in February. Second to stablemate and recent GI Belmont S. runner-up Destin (Giant's Causeway) in the Mar. 12 GII Tampa Bay Derby, he attended an extremely hot pace but held on to take Aqueduct's GI Wood Memorial S. in the mud Apr. 9. He was most recently seen competing in the GI Kentucky Derby May 7, and sports an overall record of 5-3-1-0 with earnings of \$701,800.

WinStar partnered with Woodford Thoroughbreds to acquire Outwork's breeding rights. **Cont. p9**

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## GREAT PRODUCT. LOUSY PRODUCT. SAME PRICE? *By Bill Finley*

The price of a new Honda Civic is about \$23,000. The price of making a bet at the racetrack is the takeout, the percentage extracted from the pool before winning bettors are paid. No matter the race, the size of the field, the class of the horses running, the takeout is about 17% for a win bet or 34 cents for every \$2 wager you make. Using that same logic, the price of a new BMW should also be about \$23,000. Absurd? Of Course.



**Should the 13-horse Belmont Stakes be priced the same as a race with five horses? | Horsephotos**

Racing doesn't seem to understand that it's not any different than any other business that sells something to the consumer. If you give the customer a good product and price it fairly they will buy it. If you try to sell them junk and overprice it they won't buy it.

Within the last few days we saw the sublime and the ridiculous when it came to what the racing industry sold to its customers. With the possible exception of the Breeders' Cup, there is no better day of racing, for the fan and for the bettor, than Belmont Day. This year, NYRA put together an exceptional card that included 13 races, 10 of them stakes. Seven of the races on the card had 10 or more horses. The GIII Jaipur S. had 13 horses and a 7-2 favorite. The GI Longines Just A Game S. also consisted of 13 horses with the favorite sitting up on the board at 7-2. Because of the popularity of Exaggerator (Curlin), the favorite in the GI Belmont S. was just 7-5, but the final leg of the Triple Crown was still another race that bettors had to love. It, too, had 13 horses and several longshots that looked perfectly logical on paper. Creator (Tapit), a Grade I winner, paid \$34.80.

If this were champagne and not a racing card, it would have been Moet & Chandon Bicentary Cuvee Dry Imperial 1943. If this were a meal at a restaurant and not a racing card, it would be have been the best steak Peter Luger has to offer.

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The very next race run at Belmont after Belmont Day was Sunday's first race, a \$32,000 claimer that drew five horses. If this were champagne, it would have come in a cardboard box. If this were a meal, it would be White Castle. Yet the price of the product, the takeout, was exactly the same.

At least at NYRA, the worst you get isn't nearly as bad at what some tracks offer. On Monday, I stumbled upon what might just have been the worst betting card in the history of the game.

Presque Isle Downs is not a racetrack. It is an excuse to have a casino and, honestly, should be allowed to pull the plug on what is a horrendous racing product that management no doubt wants nothing to do with. On Monday, 42 horses were entered on the entire eight-race card, for an average field size of 5.25 horses per race. The last two races on the card included four horses each, and there were no late scratches. When you're selling the equivalent of a 1977 rusted-out Chevy Vega with 345,000 miles on it that needs a new transmission, shouldn't it be priced accordingly?

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**Bill Finley cont.**

Not at Presque Isle. Their takeout rate is actually higher than NYRA's. It's 17% for win, place, show, 20% for exactas and 25% for tris and supers. With a takeout that high and with races that bad, no one, at least no one in their right mind, is going to bet those races. In the second of the two four-horse races, Presque Isle handled \$14,386 in the win, place and show pools and \$12,279 in the exacta.

People will gladly pay the prices NYRA charged to make a bet on Saturday's spectacular card. An all-sources total of \$99,419,023 was bet Saturday at Belmont. Comparing Belmont Stakes Day to a Monday card at Presque Isle Downs is preposterous, but we're going to do it anyway. Presque Isle handled \$567,249 Monday. The customers spoke loud and clear: they're not going to purchase a terrible racing product at the takeout prices Presque Isle charges.

As long as there are slot machines at racetracks, the Presque Isles of the world aren't going anywhere. But that doesn't mean racing can't come up with a better system when it comes to how it charges its customers. To have the same takeout rates on all races, no matter the size of the field or the quality of the race is nuts. No restaurant charges the same for hamburger as it does for steak.

I don't know exactly what the answer is, but this is something racing needs to figure out. Here are some suggestions:

- There's no reason why tracks that have slot machines, especially smaller tracks, should have high takeout rates. Most handle next to nothing and the amount that goes from the betting to purses is minuscule. In Pennsylvania, the home of Presque Isle Downs, 89.6% of the money for purses comes from slots. It wouldn't hurt Presque Isle, Parx or Penn National one bit to lower their takeout to 4 or 5% and the end result might be a dramatic revival of betting at those tracks. In one of the four-horse races at Presque Isle, the winner paid \$15.20. Had the takeout been 4% she would have paid \$19. That makes for a much more attractive betting proposition.

- Everyone knows that the more horses in a race the more people will bet. So why not have a sliding takeout scale to reflect the fact that a 14-horse race is a lot better product than a five-horse race? The bigger the field, the higher the takeout; the smaller the field the lower the takeout. If the takeout were 7 or 8% on a five-horse field, people would be much more inclined to bet on the race. Though I never want to see takeout raised on any race, upping the rake a point or two on races with big fields wouldn't be that hard to swallow.

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- Don't treat every racing day the same. Again, one would like to see racing lower all takeouts across the board, but that's not going to happen. But would anybody really mind if the takeout was raised a couple of points on Kentucky Oaks and Kentucky Derby Day if it was in turn lowered on the rest of the meet at Churchill, which often includes plenty of races that are unbettable?

- Most businesses tinker with prices, trying to find the optimal price point where they can maximize profits. Racing doesn't even try. How about lowering takeout as an experiment on what is the worst day of racing during the week and seeing what happens?

Racing is doing something no other industry would dream of doing, charging the same price for all its products, no matter how good or bad. That can't possibly be a smart way of doing business.

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## International Bid a Winner for Casse

Bloodstock agent Justin Casse, bidding by phone from Royal Ascot, secured a filly by War Front for \$425,000 during Wednesday's second session of the OBS June sale. Casse was in Ocala for much of last week's under-tack preview of the auction and he acknowledged the filly stood out on the track when she worked in [:10 flat](#).

"I was there all last week, until Friday morning, and I thought she had the most impressive breeze of the under-tack show,"

Casse said by phone from England, while declining to name his client. "She was impressive for the whole breeze and down the backside"

The bay filly, out of graded stakes placed Forty Moves (Gold Fever), is a half-sister to multiple stakes placed Joe Tess (Macho Uno) and from the family of Grade I winner Cat Moves (Tale of the Cat).

"She looks very much like her sire," Casse said. "She is



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very classy and I like her family--there is some activity there. She was our pick of the sale."

Casse admitted Tuesday's tepid opening session of the June sale had him reconsidering a potential price tag on the filly.

"Watching the results of the sale, I know it was tough yesterday, but I knew the prices were going to improve today because the quality of the horses improved," Casse explained. "Yesterday was probably the weakest group. I thought there was a chance that I could get her for that price, but earlier in the week I thought maybe she'd bring closer to \$600,000. As I was getting word of the lack of money at OBS, I thought there was a chance that we would get her for less than that, so I wasn't totally surprised. But she's a War Front who breezed in :10, so you don't know."

The filly, who RNA'd for \$110,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale, was consigned by Woodford Thoroughbreds on behalf of breeder WinStar Farm.

"She is very special, a rare offering really," said Woodford's Matt Lyons. "She was a filly that didn't get sold as a yearling. She came to us and we could tell early in the breaking she had some talent. She was originally scheduled to go to April, but she popped a little splint and we had to give her time. We did right by the horse and she did right by us."

Lyons knew his filly had attracted plenty of attention leading up to her sale Wednesday.



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“I wasn’t too worried [about the price]--all the right people were liking her. She had the support of all the people who were here and even people who weren’t here. And the final price was comfortably above the reserve--we put the reserve in reasonably, like we always try to do.”

WinStar purchased Forty Moves, in foal to Candy Ride (Arg), for \$310,000 out of the Ned Evans dispersal at the 2011 Keeneland November sale.



**OBS JUNE - WEDNESDAY’S TOP LOTS**

<b>Hip</b>	<b>Sex</b>	<b>Sire</b>	<b>Dam</b>	<b>Price (\$)</b>
<a href="#">316</a>	filly	<a href="#">War Front</a>	<a href="#">Forty Moves</a>	<b>425,000</b>
(\$110,000 RNA yrl ‘15 KEESEP) B-WinStar Farm (KY) Consigned by Woodford Thoroughbreds, agent Purchased by Justin Casse, agent				
<a href="#">484</a>	colt	<a href="#">Candy Ride (Arg)</a>	<a href="#">La Maestranza</a>	<b>370,000</b>
(\$185,000 yrl ‘15 KEESEP) B-Town & Country Farms (KY) Consigned by Bobby Dodd, Agent XIV Purchased by Nick J. Hines, agent				
<a href="#">476</a>	colt	<a href="#">Uncle Mo</a>	<a href="#">Lady Mocha</a>	<b>350,000</b>
(\$100,000 yrl ‘15 KEESEP) B-Betz/Kidder/Lamantia (KY) Consigned by Classic Bloodstock LLC, Agent I Purchased by Michel Everett				
<a href="#">310</a>	colt	<a href="#">Shackleford</a>	<a href="#">Flashy Future</a>	<b>260,000</b>
(\$71,000 RNA 2yo ‘16 OBSAPR; \$75,000 yrl ‘15 FTKJUL) <a href="#">ThoroStride Video</a> B-Ron Stolich (KY) Consigned by RiceHorse Stables, agent for Emerald Sales LLC Purchased by Charles J. Cella				
<a href="#">413</a>	colt	<a href="#">Quality Road</a>	<a href="#">Inish Glora</a>	<b>160,000</b>
(\$16,000 yrl ‘15 FTKOCT; \$120,000 RNA yrl ‘15 FTSAUG) B-Robert J. Costigan (KY) Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc. (Ciaran Dunne), agent Purchased by Alistair Roden Bloodstock, agent				

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• RNAs	56	48
• % RNAs	27.7%	23.3%
• High Price	\$425,000	\$575,000
• Gross	\$4,828,400	\$5,931,300
• Average	\$33,071 (-11.9%)	\$37,540
• Median	\$15,500 (-22.5%)	\$20,000

CUMULATIVE TOTALS	2016	2015
• Catalogued	600	572
• No. Offered	415	409
• No. Sold	292	309
• RNAs	123	100
• % RNAs	29.6%	24.4%
• High Price	\$425,000	\$680,000
• Gross	\$8,490,700	\$11,488,900
• Average	\$29,078 (-21.8%)	\$37,181
• Median	\$15,000 (-21.1%)	\$19,000

**Candy Ride Colt Saluted at OBS**

Bloodstock agent Nick Hines, known affectionately as ‘The Sarge,’ received a three-auctioneer salute from the stand after securing [hip 484](#), a colt by Candy Ride (Arg), for \$370,000 during Wednesday’s second session of the OBS June sale. Hines did his bidding on the phone while standing along a back wall of the sales pavilion.

While the TVG commentator declined to name his client, Hines did reveal, “It’s new money, fresh money, which is nice. And at this point it looks like he will go to California.”

The bay colt is out of La Maestranza (Storm Cat), a daughter of Grade I winner Cash Run (Seeking the Gold) and a sister to multiple group placed Great War Eagle. He worked a furlong in a co-bullet [:10 flat](#) during last week’s under-tack preview.

“We are very excited about this colt,” Hines continued. “Obviously, in this type of sale, the good ones stand out. He is extremely athletic. On the day this colt worked, the track was on the slower side. It was at least a length or two slower than average and he was so fluid and his gallop-out time was phenomenal. He checked all the boxes.”

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Reflecting on an apparent shortage of buyers this week in Ocala, Hines said, "There are various people that felt it was too much to come out for this sale--because it's hot, it's the end of the sales season--but as they say in the horse business, money never sleeps and nervous money never wins. We were prepared to go further."

Consigned by Bobby Dodd, the juvenile was purchased by Brad Grady's Grand Oaks for \$185,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

**Uncle Mo Colt to Dugan**

A son of Uncle Mo, [hip 476](#) will join the racing stable of Martha Dugan after bloodstock agent Michel Everett signed the ticket on Dugan's behalf at \$350,000.

"He's the best sire we've seen in 50 years and this colt is pretty special," Everett explained. "We are looking forward to putting him in training."

Clearly thrilled with the purchase, Dugan said, "We are going to win the Derby with him next year."

While no trainer has been picked out for the juvenile, who worked in [:10 4/5](#), Dugan currently has horses in training in California with Peter Eurton and Jesse Mendoza.

The juvenile is out of Lady Mocha (Tale of the Cat), a full-sister to Grade I stakes placed Resplendency, and was purchased by Chris Drakos for \$100,000 out of last year's Keeneland September sale. He was consigned by Danzel Brendemuehl's Classic Bloodstock.



Hip 476 | Tibor Szlavik photo

"I thought he might bring a little more, but this market has been a little soft,"

Brendemuehl admitted. "He's a Derby-type horse. He gets over the ground great and does everything right. He has a great mind and he's a very sound horse."

Brendemuehl added the colt has taken time to come to hand. "I actually broke him rather late," she said. "He was a big colt, which probably was to his advantage. He didn't go as fast as people probably wanted him to go, but he's huge and it was probably his third lifetime breeze and I wasn't going to ruin him. There is life after the 2-year-old sales."

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**OBS June cont.**

## Shackleford Colt to Cella

A colt from the first crop of GI Preakness S. winner Shackleford (Forestry) got Wednesday's session of the OBS June sale off to a quick start when selling for \$260,000 to the bid of trainer Lynn Whiting, acting on behalf of Charles Cella.

"He was a grand individual," Whiting said after signing the ticket on [hip 310](#). "He was kind of the pick of the litter in my mind."

Of the final price, Whiting admitted, "I thought we were going

to have to pay for him. A colt like that, you can't get off easy."

The youngster is out of Flashy Future (Bertrando) and is a half to stakes placed Fancy and Flashy (Zensational). He was consigned by RiceHorse Stables as



Hip 310 | Lucas Marquardt photo

agent for Mike Mulligan's Emerald Sales, which purchased him for \$75,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July sale.

It was the juvenile's second trip through the OBS sales ring. He RNA'd for \$71,000 after working in [:10 1/5](#) at OBS April. The colt worked in [:10 flat](#) during last week's preview.

"A May baby sometimes takes another month or two to mature," RiceHorse's Brandon Rice explained of the difference between the two sales. "Mike Mulligan picks out good horses and this was one that was a little later-maturing and you have to listen to your horse. We wanted to be in April, a stronger marketplace clearly, and he breezed wonderfully and did everything right. We were unfortunate to have a P1 in the left front ankle that stopped a lot of buyers from confidently buying him and we said no problem we'll clean him up as we've done before, swim him, manage him and make sure he is healthy and the next few times we pointed him down the lane to breeze, he didn't forget a thing. He retained his fitness, he got more mature mentally and physically and he just did his job."

Shackleford has already been represented by three winners from his first crop, including Arlington Park maiden winner and 'TDN Rising Star' Shackin Up. The stallion's early success increased the colt's appeal Wednesday, according to Rice.

"The sire was coming on fire," he said. "This was my only Shackleford this season and this horse alone makes me believe in the sire. He was just a good training, good minded horse. I'll buy another Shackleford in a heartbeat."



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The Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes (PATH) Act of 2015 includes an important depreciation provision and other investment incentives that can benefit racehorse owners.

- **Three-year depreciation for young racehorses** – this compares to the previous seven-year schedule for racehorses 24 months and younger. It has been the NTRA's top legislative priority since the provision's first inclusion in the 2008 Farm Bill and a subsequent renewal for 2014 after the Farm Bill expired. This schedule is retroactive to January 1, 2015 and continues through December 31, 2016.
- **50% bonus depreciation** – for qualified new property that is purchased and placed in service during 2015, 2016 and 2017. Bonus depreciation changes to 40% in 2018 and 30% in 2019. Yearlings, unraced two-year-olds and new farm equipment are examples of property that may be eligible.
- **\$500,000 expense allowance** – is now permanent for qualified new or used property. Broodmares and racehorses are examples of property that may be eligible. The \$500,000 expense allowance is reduced by one dollar for each dollar of eligible property purchased that exceeds \$2 million.

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For more information contact Joe Bacigalupo, director of government relations and membership development, (859) 422-2677 or visit [www.SupportHorseRacing.org](http://www.SupportHorseRacing.org).

Of the colt's final price, Rice added, "When you buy a horse for \$75,000 and you have a humble market, if you get \$100,000, \$125,000 or \$150,000, it's a success. That's found money--next to zero, it's fantastic."

Rice is looking forward to another couple of strong days of selling this week.

"He was our shining star, but we have some other horses up there that will be more than useful," he commented.

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### OBS JUNE WEDNESDAY

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
<b>484</b>	colt	<a href="#">Candy Ride (Arg)</a>	La Maestranza	<b>370,000</b>

B-Town & Country Farms (KY)  
Consigned by Bobby Dodd, Agent XIV  
Purchased by Nick J. Hines, agent

*See story, p6*

**OBS June cont.**

**476 colt [Uncle Mo](#) Lady Mocha 350,000**  
 B-Betz/Kidder/Lamantia (KY)  
 Consigned by Classic Bloodstock LLC, Agent I  
 Purchased by Michel Everett  
*See story, p7*

**310 colt [Shackleford](#) Flashy Future 260,000**  
 B-Ron Stolich (KY)  
 Consigned by RiceHorse Stables, agent for Emerald Sales LLC  
 Purchased by Charles J. Cella  
*See story, p8*

**Outwork to WinStar cont. from p1**

“We are thrilled to work with John [Sykes] and Matt [Lyons] of Woodford Thoroughbreds and Mike [Repole] on such an exciting young Grade I-winning son of superstar stallion Uncle Mo,” Elliott Walden, WinStar President and CEO, said in a release. “Uncle Mo trained here on the farm, and ever since Outwork was born at WinStar, he reminded us of his sire, from the time he was a young horse to when he was in training as a 2-year-old. We have two great farms behind him along with Mike Repole. The sky is the limit on Outwork’s stallion career.”

Sykes added, “We have enjoyed great success with Congrats at



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WinStar, and are excited to partner with them on Outwork. We look forward to supporting Outwork with our quality broodmare band.”

Outwork will continue to race for Repole for the

remainder of his career on the track. He is currently being freshened for a summer campaign, and could return in Belmont’s GIII Dwyer S. July 9.

“To win a Grade I and a Classic prep in only his fourth lifetime start showed the heart of his sire line,” said Pletcher. “He reminds me of Uncle Mo in so many ways, most notably by his looks, his class, and his ability.”

Repole and Pletcher campaigned both ‘**TDN Rising Star**’ and champion juvenile Uncle Mo, as well as Outwork’s dam Nonna Mia, who was Grade I-placed as a juvenile. Outwork is a half to MSP Nonna’s Boy (Distorted Humor), and his MSW and GSP second dam is responsible for MGSW Cairo Prince (Pioneerof the Nile).

“Elliott has loved this horse from day one, and I am excited to be bringing him back to WinStar upon his retirement,” offered Repole. “What strikes me the most about Outwork is that he’s an identical physical to his sire Uncle Mo, and Outwork has always shown that pure speed of Uncle Mo, both as a 2-year-old and as a 3-year-old.”

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**19 ELECTED AS BREEDERS’ CUP MEMBERS**

Officials at Breeders’ Cup Limited announced Wednesday that 19 horsemen and horsewomen have been elected to serve as Breeders’ Cup Members. Voting by Breeders’ Cup foal and stallion nominators concluded at 5 p.m. Monday, June 13. Results are expected to be ratified by current Breeders’ Cup Members as the organization’s annual meeting Wednesday, July 13.



**Breeders’ Cup Chairman**  
 Bill Farish | Horsephotos

In alphabetical order, those that received the highest number of votes to fill 19 member seats, each having four-year terms:

- Barbara Banke\*
  - Boyd Browning
  - Doug Cauthen\*
  - Carlos Heller
  - Andreas Jacobs\*
  - Sol Kumin
  - W. Bruce Lunsford\*
  - Clem Murphy\*
  - Maria Niarchos-Gouaze\*
  - David O’Farrell
  - Bill Oppenheim\*
  - J. David Richardson\*
  - Mike Rogers
  - Bernie Sams
  - Alex Solis II
  - Oliver Tait
  - W. Elliott Walden\*
  - Barry Weisbord\*
  - Aron Wellman
- \*Re-elected to their posts

Click [here](#) for complete election results.

**Cont. p10**

**Breeders' Cup Member Elections cont.**

“This class of new and returning Members represents some of the finest individuals in the Thoroughbred industry,” said Bill Farish, Breeders' Cup Chairman. “We look forward to utilizing their valuable knowledge and expertise in the growth and enhancement of the Breeders' Cup program.”

Breeders' Cup Members are elected every other year by Breeders' Cup foal and stallion nominators through a proportional voting system based on the level of nominations paid to the organization. There are a total of 39 elected Breeders' Cup Members.

The election of three Breeders' Cup Directors will open July 7 and will conclude at the July 13 Annual Meeting of Members. The Breeders' Cup Board of Directors, comprised of 13 elected individuals and the President, oversees the activities of the organization.

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**Majestic Harbor** (Rockport Harbor) and **Eagle** (Candy Ride {Arg}), first and second, respectively, in the GII Alysheba S. on Kentucky Oaks day May 6, look the greatest dangers should the heavy chalk stub his toe. The former, still going well at eight years of age, is four-for-nine beneath the Twin Spires, though he was no better than fourth to Noble Bird (Birdstone) 12 months ago. Eagle could be the one with the greater upside, as the two-back winner of Keeneland's GIII Ben Ali S. may have been against the track bias in the Alysheba, but ran on well to round out the exacta.

The Stephen Foster is the first of the season's Breeders' Cup “Win and You're In” qualifiers in the Classic division.

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**EFFINEX RETURNS TO SCENE OF FINEST HOUR**

Tri-Bone Stables' **Effinex** (Mineshaft) looms a prohibitive favorite for the GI Stephen Foster H., to be held under the lights Saturday evening over the same course and distance at which he validated 5-2 favoritism with a 3/4-length defeat of Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday) in the GI Clark H. Nov. 27.



Effinex | Adam Coglianesse

The New York-bred, the long-odds runner-up to Horse of the Year American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) in last year's GI Breeders' Cup Classic ahead of his

Clark score, exits a one-length victory in the GII Oaklawn H. Apr. 16. With Mike Smith booked to ride undefeated champion and 'TDN Rising Star' Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro) in the GII Summertime Oaks Saturday, trainer Jimmy Jerkens has reached out to Gary Stevens to pilot the 122-pound starting highweight. Effinex also carried the same impost in his Clark success.

**GI Stephen Foster H.**

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Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 9:39 p.m. EDT

STEPHEN FOSTER H.-GI, \$500,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	International Star	Fusaichi Pegasus	Geroux	Maker	116
2	Bradester	Lion Heart	Bravo	Kenneally	116
3	Effinex	Mineshaft	Stevens	Jerkens	122
4	Majestic Harbor	Rockport Harbor	Lanerie	McGee	118
5	El Kabeir	Scat Daddy	Santana Jr	Terranova	115
6	Are You Kidding Me	Run Away and Hide	Leparoux	Attfield	118
7	Eagle	Candy Ride (Arg)	Hernandez	Howard	117

**Owners:** 1-Kenneth L. and Sarah K. Ramsey, 2-Joseph W. Sutton, 3-Tri-Bone Stables (Ira and Bernice Cohen), 4-Gallant Stables (Ron Beegle), 5-Zayat Stables, LLC (Ahmed Zayat), 6-Michael Riordan, Ronald K. Kirk and John C. Bates, 7-W. S. Farish **Breeders:** 1-Katharine M. Voss & Robert T. Manfuso, 2-Doug Branham, 3-Dr. Russell S. Cohen, 4-Liberation Farm & Brandywine Farm, 5-Rustlewood Farm, Inc., 6-John Bates, Ron Kirk, Greg McDonald & Riordan, Shaw & Sones, 7-W. S. Farish

**GII Fleur de Lis H.**

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Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 8:30 p.m. EDT

FLEUR DE LIS H.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Untapable	Tapit	Geroux	Asmussen	120
2	Engaginglee	Fusaichi Pegasus	Albarado	Romans	116
3	Paid Up Subscriber	Candy Ride (Arg)	Santana Jr	Stall Jr	114
4	Ahh Chocolate	Candy Ride (Arg)	Hernandez	Howard	118
5	Big Book	Mr. Big	Lanerie	Yakteen	115
6	Brooklynsway	Giant Gizmo	Leparoux	Flint	117

**Owners:** 1-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC (Ron Winchell), 2-Paul A. Lichtefeld and Jack D. Stewart, 3-Klaravich Stables, Inc. (Seth Klarman) and William H. Lawrence, 4-Stoneway Farm (James L. Stone), 5-George

Krikorian, 6-Naveed Chowhan **Breeders:** 1-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, 2-Paul Lichtefeld & Jack Stewart, 3-Bruce Berenson & Laurie Berenson, 4-Stoneway Farm, 5-George Krikorian, 6-HJT Racing Stable

**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 9:05 p.m. EDT**

**WISE DAN S.-GII**, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Thatcher Street	Street Sense	Hernandez	Wilkes	121
2	The Pizza Man	English Channel	Geroux	Brueggemann	123
3	Granny's Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Stevens	Maker	121
4	Flatlined 🐎	Flatter	Mena	Dickey	121
5	Conquest Typhoon 🐎	Stormy Atlantic	Bravo	Casse	121
6	Potomac River	English Channel	Vargas	Lopez	121
7	R. Great Adventure	Limehouse	Rocco Jr	Williamson	121
8	Pleuven (Fr)	Turtle Bowl (Ire)	Hill	Sims	121
9	Za Approval	Ghostzapper	Leparoux	Casse	121
10	Kasaqui (Arg)	Lasting Approval	De La Cruz	Correas IV	121
11	Behesht (Fr)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Lanerier	Arnold II	121

**Owners:** 1-Randall L. Bloch, Phil Milner, John Seiler and Amtietam, LLC (Fred Merritt), 2-Midwest Thoroughbreds, Inc. (Richard and Karen Papiese), 3-Kenneth L. and Sarah K. Ramsey, 4-Brian Hytrek, Rodney Paden and Ryan Kuhn, 5-Conquest Stables, LLC (Ernie Semersky and Dory Newell), 6-Maribel Ruelas, 7-Nancy A. Vanier and Mike Schmitt, 8-Nelson McMakin, 9-Live Oak Plantation (Mrs. Charlotte C. Weber), 10-Wimborne Farm (Diane L. Perkins), 11-Calumet Farm (Brad Kelley) **Breeders:** 1-Randy Bloch, et al, 2-Midwest Thoroughbreds, 3-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 4-B & B Thoroughbreds Inc. & Marty Hughes, 5-Josham Farms Limited, 6-Mereworth Farm, 7-Nancy Vanier, Frank Allen & JenniferAllen, 8-Jean De Cheffontaines, 9-Live Oak Stud, 10-San Francisco de Pilar, 11-H. H. The Aga Khan's Studs SC

**Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 8:00 p.m. EDT**

**SUMMERTIME OAKS-GII**, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	That's a Lady 🐎	City Zip	Gonzalez	Sadler	120
2	Bellamentary	Bellamy Road	Garcia	D'Amato	120
3	Not Now Carolyn	Tapit	Desormeaux	Desormeaux	120
4	Songbird	Medaglia d'Oro	Smith	Hollendorfer	124
5	Coppa	Yesbyjimmy	Talamo	D'Amato	120
6	Kay Kay 🐎	Pleasantly Perfect	Quinonez	Cerin	120
7	Sutton's Smile 🐎	Paddy O'Prado	Prat	D'Amato	120

**Owners:** 1-Michael Talla, 2-Little Red Feather Racing or RM Racing, 3-Big Chief Racing, LLC, Don't Tell My Wife Stables, LLC, Et Al, 4-Fox Hill Farms, Inc., 5-Fanticola or Scardino, 6-Holly & David Wilson, 7-Turnley Farms Louisiana, LLC **Breeders:** 1-Robert B. Tillyer & Martin J. Keogh, 2-Charles T. Matses, 3-Southern Equine Stables, LLC, 4-John Antonelli, 5-Carlos Rafael, 6-K & G Stables, 7-Jerry Romans Jr.

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 3:04 p.m. EDT**

**POKER S.-GIII**, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Grand Arch 🐎	Arch	Saez	Cotterill	124
2	Force the Pass	Speightstown	Ortiz	Goldberg	124

3	Obviously (Ire)	Choisir (Aus)	Lezcano	D'Amato	116
4	Offering Plan	Spring At Last	Castellano	Brown	120
5	King Kreesa	King Cugat	Ortiz Jr	Donk	122
6	Takeover Target 🐎	Harlan's Holiday	Rosario	Brown	124

**Owners:** 1-Jim and Susan Hill, 2-Colts Neck Stables LLC, 3-Fanticola, Anthony and Scardino, Joseph, 4-Dubb, M., Nantucket Thoroughbred Partners, Bethlehem Stables LLC et al., 5-Kresa, Gerald and Kresa, Susan, 6-Klaravich Stables, Inc. and Lawrence, William H. **Breeders:** 1-Hunter Valley Farm & S. Hillen, 2-Colts Neck Stables, LLC., 3-Miss Deidre Cogan, 4-C. W. Swann & Cygnet Farm, 5-Horse Partners, 6-Dorothy A. Matz

**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 10:11 p.m. EDT**

**REGRET S.-GIII**, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Gone Away	Leroideosanimaux (Brz)	Geroux	Matz	118
2	Quiet Business	Quiet American	Rocco Jr	Arnold II	118
3	Crooked Stick	Blame	Graham	Clarkson	118
4	Family Meeting	Sky Mesa	Albarado	Proctor	118
5	Noble Beauty	Kitten's Joy	Leparoux	Brown	118
6	Try Your Luck 🐎	Lookin At Lucky	Stevens	Maker	118
7	La Piba 🐎	Lookin At Lucky	De La Cruz	Correas IV	118
8	Dothraki Queen 🐎	Pure Prize	Lanerier	McPeek	118
9	Fuhriously Kissed	Langfuhr	Johnson	Hartlage	118
10	Wessex	Unbridled's Song	Bridgmohan	Mott	118
11	Auntie Joy	Uncle Mo	Hernandez	Walsh	118

**Owners:** 1-Augustin Stable (George Strawbridge, Jr.), 2-Calumet Farm (Brad Kelley), 3-Fred M. Allor, 4-Glen Hill Farm (Leonard H. Lavin), 5-Great Point Stables, LLC (Steve Kumin), 6-Stefanie Carroll, 7-Forever Tango, La Surestada Stables, Inc. and Shalom TR, 8-Magdalena Racing (Sherri McPeek, et al.), 9-Anita Cauley Racing, LLC (Anita Cauley), 10-Juddmonte Farms, Inc. (Khalid Abdullah), 11-Sanford R. Robertson **Breeders:** 1-Dianne D. Cotter, 2-Calumet Farm, 3-Frederick Michael Allor, 4-Glen Hill Farm, 5-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 6-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 7-Robert Muir, Des Scott & Sam Klein, 8-Liberty Road Stables, 9-Anita Cauley, 10-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 11-Sanford R. Robertson

**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 7:57 p.m. EDT**

**MATT WINN S.-GIII**, \$100,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Yo Carm	Flatter	Albarado	Block	118
2	Gun Runner	Candy Ride (Arg)	Geroux	Asmussen	123
3	Virtual Machine 🐎	Drosselmeyer	Hernandez	Sharp	118
4	Cutcorner	Even the Score	Stevens	Van Berg	118
5	Gray Sky 🐎	Tapit	Graham	Lukas	118
6	Texas Chrome	Grasshopper	Santana	Caldwell	118
7	Unbridled Outlaw 🐎	Unbridled's Song	Lanerier	Romans	118

**Owners:** 1-Fortino, Inc. (Ed Fortino), 2-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, Three Chimneys Farm, LLC and Besilu Stables, 3-Serjeant Equine (Adrienne Hall), 4-Kay Stillman, 5-Robert C. Baker and William L. Mack, 6-Keene Thoroughbreds, LLC (Danny Keene), 7-Albaugh Family Stables, LLC (Jason Loustch) **Breeders:** 1-Fortino Inc., 2-Besilu Stables, LLC, 3-Farfellow Farms Ltd., 4-Millennium Farms, 5-Mike Abraham, 6-Craig D. Upham, 7-Betz/Blackburn/J. Betz/Ramsby/CNHHNK

## NEW YORK

### Wednesday's Results:

**6th-BEL, \$65,000, (S), Alw** (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 6-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:39.78, fm.

**FOURSTAR CROOK (f, 4, [Freud](#)--Avril a Portugal, by D'Accord)** offered belated rallies in the first three starts of her career in state-bred company and broke through with a convincing score going 1 1/16 miles over the inner turf against open company here Oct. 8. The bay made it two in a row with a much-the-best tally in an entry-level Empire-bred allowance at Aqueduct Nov. 18 and was subsequently sent to the sidelines for an extended rest. Sent postward as the slight 2-1 second choice for this return to action, the 4-year-old broke sharply and took back to track the pace from third along the rail behind a half-mile in :46.70. Fourstar Crook was shuffled back a bit as other foes mounted their bids to her outside soon after that juncture and angled out to the four path on the turn. Sent up to poke her head in front entering the lane, she edged past a persistent post-time favorite in Capriana (Street Boss) to prevail by 1 1/4 lengths. Sales History: \$55,000 Ylg '13 SARAUG; \$70,000 RNA 2yo '14 FTFMAR; \$110,000 2yo '14 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$133,050. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Michael Dubb, Bethlehem Stables LLC & Gary Aisquith;  
B-Kathleen M. Feron (NY); T-Chad C. Brown.



**3rd-BEL, \$60,000, (S), Msw**, 6-15, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:40.88, fm.

**CLOONTIA (c, 3, [Sidney's Candy](#)--Moyne Abbey, by Charismatic)** ran some respectable races in open company over the Gulfstream Park turf this winter, including a third-place run behind subsequent SW and MGSP Giant Run (Giant's Causeway) going 1 1/16 miles Jan. 2. Sent north to join the New York-bred ranks following a fourth-place finish as the favorite over a grassy mile in Hallandale Mar. 13, the chestnut checked in second behind next-out GIII Pennine Ridge S. third-place finisher Call Provision (Lemon Drop Kid) at Aqueduct Apr. 16. Cloontia put it all together last time, crossing the wire first in a one-mile test over this course May 22, but was disqualified and placed second behind Cloud Control (Freud) after drifting out in the stretch. Out to make amends as the even-money choice here, the homebred went straight to the front and set the pace in the clear through a controlled half-mile in :48.42. Yet to be asked for

run entering the stretch, he responded willingly under a steady hand ride and coasted home to a decisive five-length score. Dot Matrix (Freud) was second best. The winner is a half-brother to 2014 GI Wood Memorial S. hero Wicked Strong (Hard Spun), GISW, \$1,994,460. His dam, Moyne Abbey, produced a filly by Blame last year and a colt by War Front this season. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-1, \$65,725. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-William F. Lynn (NY); T-James A. Jerkens.

## EASTERN U.S.

### Wednesday's Results:

**7th-DEL, \$36,500, Alw**, 6-15, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5fT, :57.54, fm.

**VITTORIOSO (c, 3, [Scat Daddy](#)--Robbie's Gal {SW & MGSP, \$195,365}, by Straight Man)** graduated from the maiden ranks sprinting 5 1/2 furlongs over the sod at the Fair Grounds Mar. 3 and followed with a fourth-place effort traveling that same grassy distance at Keeneland Apr. 15. Hammered down to even-money favoritism here, the bay raced off the pace behind a quarter-mile in :22.29 and waited for running room on the turn. Vittorioso was threaded between rivals cornering for home, seized control with a furlong to run and held off a late bid from Moon River (Bluegrass Cat) to earn the victory by a neck. The winner, campaigned by the same connections as GISW I'm a Chatterbox (Munnings), is a half to Icon Ike (Yes It's True), MSW, \$300,976. Sales History: \$70,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$75,000 RNA 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$53,190. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-Fletcher & Carolyn Gray (KY); T-J. Larry Jones.

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## CENTRAL U.S.

### Wednesday's Results:

**5th-IND, \$32,000, Msw**, 6-15, 2yo, 5f (off turf), :58.11, my.

**+PURE GREY (f, 2, [Too Much Bling](#)--Folksy, by Midway Road)** was the lone filly in this scratch-reduced event originally scheduled for the turf, and proved much the best in her career debut. The gray posted three works at Lone Star Park in April and shipped to Keeneland to finalize her preparations for this unveiling, capped by a three-furlong breeze there June 11. Away in good order as the 1-2 chalk, she set a pressured pace through

a quarter-mile in :22.49 and shook loose from her pursuers on the turn. Well clear turning for home, Pure Grey crossed the wire 13 lengths ahead of Thunder Down Under (Lonhro {Aus}, who rallied to complete the exacta. The winner is a half to Supermason (Grasshopper), MSW, \$201,615. Sales History: \$20,000 2yo '16 TTAAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200.

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O-Clark O. Brewster & Steven M. Asmussen; B-W. S. Farish & E.J. Hudson, Jr. Irrevocable Trust (TX); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

## CALIFORNIA

### Avioli Named CEO of Thoroughbred Owners of California:

Greg Avioli, an industry veteran who at various times has served as CEO and President of Breeders' Cup Ltd. and CEO of The Stronach Group, has been hired to fill the position of CEO of the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC).

An attorney and legislative expert in addition to his industry experience, Avioli has served the TOC Board as a senior adviser for the past year on gaming legislation, advanced deposit wagering and strategic planning. Avioli, who will assume his new position effective July 1, 2016, was also chief operating officer of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association and president of HORSEPAC, the U.S. horse industry's federal political action committee.

"Given the many opportunities and challenges now facing the organization, we felt it was important to bring in additional executive experience on the management team," commented TOC Board Chairman Mike Pegram. "Greg has decades of experience at the highest levels of our industry and proven leadership in legislative and regulatory affairs."

Added Avioli, "I'm excited to work with Mike Pegram and the full TOC Board and staff to improve the overall racing experience for owners in California."

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## INSIGHTS

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### 1st-SA, \$56k, Msw (S), 2yo, f, 5f, 4:30 p.m. ET

**R SUNDAY SURPRISE** (Lucky Pulpit), a full-sister to 2014 Horse of the Year and all-time North American Thoroughbred earnings leader California Chrome, makes her debut in this Cal-bred maiden heat for trainer Doug O'Neill. Carrying the colors of Silver State Racing, Godwin and Melton et al, the chestnut has been drilling on a weekly interval over the local strip dating back to early May, culminating with a pair of three-furlong gate works June 6 and June 13. Bred by Perry Martin and Steve Coburn-- who famously campaigned California Chrome to wins in the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S.--R Sunday Surprise has been installed as the slight 5-2 morning line favorite as one of four first-timers signed on for this event. [TJCIS PPs.](#)

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**AIKENITE** (Yes It's True), Calumet Farm, \$7.5K, 14/0/0

2-PID, Msw 4 1/2f, Truly Brilliant, \$5K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 4-1

**ASTROLOGY** (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made Stallions, \$7.5K, 84/4/0

2-BEL, Msw 5 1/2f, Leah's Dream, 3-1

**BRILLIANT SPEED** (Dynaformer), Three Chimneys Farm, \$10K, 27/0/0

2-PID, Msw 4 1/2f, Mongolian Changa, \$9K FTK OCT yrl, 3-1

**CALIMONCO** (Storm Cat), Ballena Vista Farm, Pvt., 28/0/0

3-SA, Msw 5f, My California, 9-5

**COUNTRY DAY** (Speightstown), Crestwood Farm, \$5K, 24/0/0

3-CD, Msw 4 1/2f, +Day Drinker, 10-1

**CREATIVE CAUSE** (Giant's Causeway), Airdrie Stud, \$15K, 86/2/0

3-SA, Msw 5f, Lofty Cause, 10-1

**GARY D** (Successful Appeal), 6/0/0

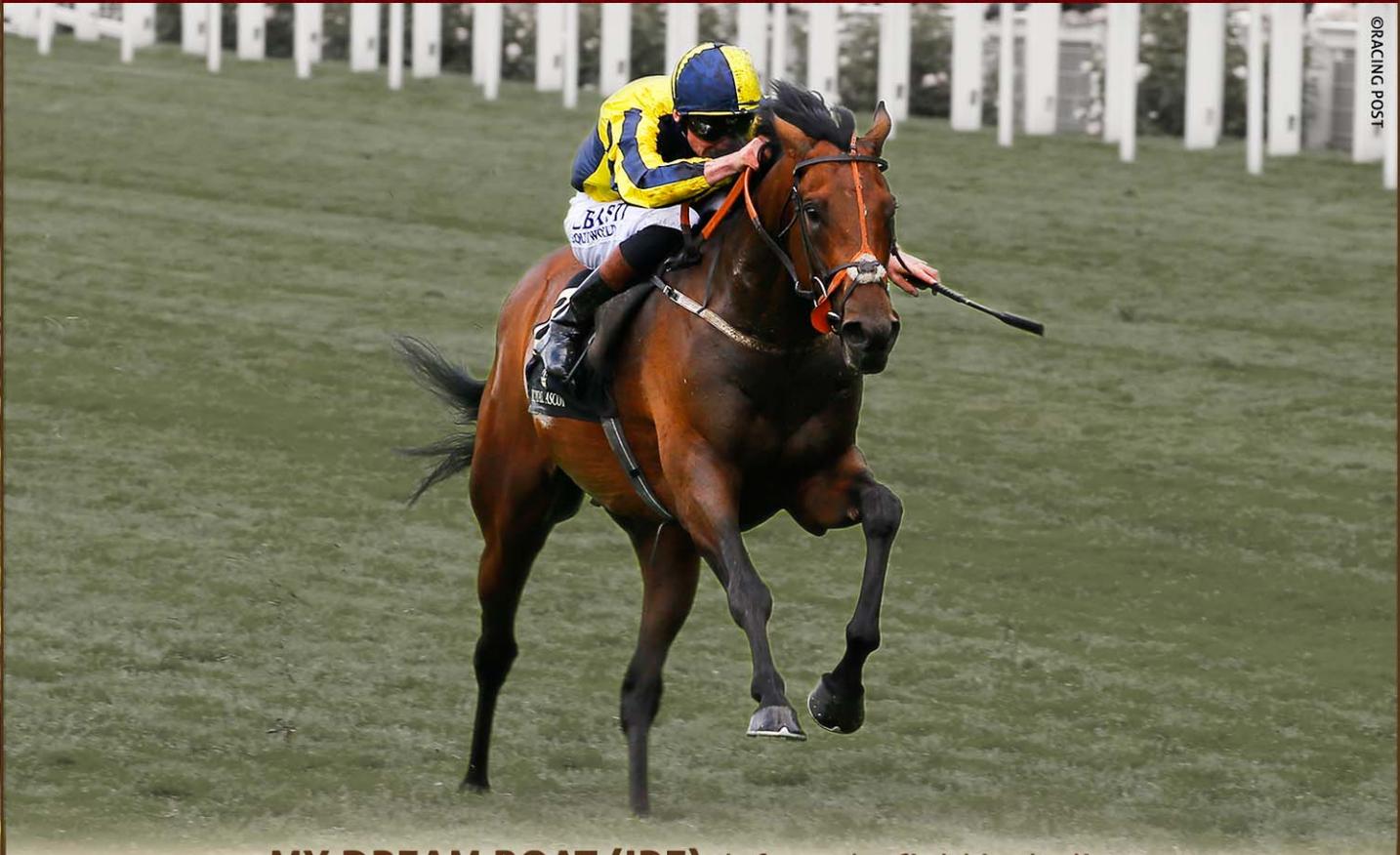
4-PID, Msw 4 1/2f, +Miss Waterbug, 8-1

**GEMOLOGIST** (Tiznow), WinStar Farm, \$15K, 117/0/0

3-CD, Msw 4 1/2f, +Whooo Here We Go, \$100K OBS MAR 2yo, 15-1

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**GET STORMY** (Stormy Atlantic), Crestwood Farm, \$5K, 70/0/0  
2-PID, Msw 4 1/2f, +Get Sassy, \$9K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

**JERSEY TOWN** (Speightstown), Darby Dan Farm, \$10K, 40/0/0  
4-PID, Msw 4 1/2f, Jay Wow, \$3K FTK OCT yrl, 9-2

**OVERDRIVEN** (Tale of the Cat), Ocala Stud Farm, \$3K, 59/0/0  
2-BEL, Msw 5 1/2f, Driven by Speed, 5-1

2-BEL, Msw 5 1/2f, +Jacqueline D, 10-1

**TAPIZAR** (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$15K, 100/3/0  
3-CD, Msw 4 1/2f, +Zartera, 8-1

### Second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, June 16

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, # foals of racing age/Winners/  
BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available) Please  
note: from Jan. 1-Apr. 30 all starters will be listed here. From June 1-Dec. 31, only  
offspring that are first-time starters or starting in a stakes race will be listed here.

**DUBLIN** (Afleet Alex), Keane Stud, \$7.5K, 131/13/0

2-BEL, Msw 5 1/2f, +Knockerra, \$15K SAR AUG yrl, 6-1

**GIROLAMO** (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$15K, 150/25/2

2-BEL, Msw 5 1/2f, +Christening, \$40K OBS APR 2yo, 20-1

2-BEL, Msw 5 1/2f, +Bellelarama, \$19K RNA OBS APR 2yo, 6-1

**HAYNESFIELD** (Speightstown), Airdrie Stud, \$10K, 138/25/2

3-CBY, Msw 4 1/2f, +Hey Hey, \$37K KEE NOV wnl, 6-1

**ICE BOX** (Pulpit), Millennium Farms, \$7.5K, 141/16/1

3-CBY, Msw 4 1/2f, +Bullseye Bobbie, \$1,000 E '16 KEE JAN, 10-1

**PADDY O'PRADO** (El Prado {Ire}), Spendthrift Farm, \$15K, 229/40/2

5-PIM, Msw 5fT, +Tattletale Grey, \$10K RNA OBS OPN 2yo, 5-2

**SLEW'S TIZNOW** (Tiznow), Rancho San Miguel, \$2.5K, 60/6/0

3-SA, Msw 5f, +Sausalito Sunset, \$45K BAR OCT yrl, 5-1

**WILBURN** (Bernardini), Spendthrift Farm, \$6.5K, 213/38/1

2-BEL, Msw 5 1/2f, +Wilburnmoney, \$70K SAR AUG yrl, 6-1

## BREEDERS' EDITION

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-BEL, \$85,000**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 6-15, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f,  
1:15.50, ft.

**CHIEF LION (g, 6, Wildcat Heir--Pretty Indian, by Indian Charlie)**  
Lifetime Record: SP, 27-7-3-5, \$315,361. O/T-David Jacobson;  
B-Harold J. Plumley (FL). \*\$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-BEL, \$62,000**, (S), 6-15, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:07.10,  
fm.

**ANIMAL APPEAL (f, 4, Leroidesanimaux {Brz}--Appealing Card,  
by Valid Appeal)** Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-3, \$109,340. O-Neal M.  
Allread; B-P. A. Everard (NY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart. \*\$14,000  
RNA 2yo '14 OBSOPN.

**8th-IND, \$36,000**, (S), 6-15, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.45,  
my.

**SUGAR DEVIL (f, 4, Devil His Due--Saint Ali, by Champali)**  
Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$56,560. O/B-Johnson's Thoroughbred  
Farm (IN); T-Philip A. Sims.

**3rd-IND, \$34,000**, 6-15, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :58.61,  
my.

**POW WOW PAL (g, 4, Indian Charlie--Funny Moon {GISW,  
\$530,900}, by Malibu Moon)** Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-2,  
\$92,761. O/B-My Meadowview LLC (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

**1st-PID, \$31,320**, 6-15, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y (AWT),  
1:42.00, ft.

**MYTHOS (h, 5, Milwaukee Brew--Classy Credentials, by Golden  
Missile)** Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-1, \$71,457. O-Stronach Stables;  
B-Adena Springs (ON); T-Jose Corrales.

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**7th-TDN, \$23,000**, 6-15, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 40y, 1:43.93,  
ft.

**KYLES MARIGOLD (f, 3, Pure Prize--Create a Legend, by  
Meadowlake)** Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-4, \$48,540. O/B-Susan  
King (KY); T-William D. Cowans.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Dr. Edgar, g, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Sennockian Storm, by Storm**  
Cat. BEL, 6-15, (C), 6fT, 1:09.13. B-Frederick M Allor & Michael  
T Barnett (KY).

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**Madame Barbarian, f, 3, Stroll--Sweet Ober Melissa, by Tale of  
the Cat.** BEL, 6-15, (C), 1mT, 1:35.22. B-Ol' Memorial Stables  
(KY). \*1/2 to Croninthebarbarian (Stroll), SW & GSP, \$208,037.  
**Pirate Radio, g, 3, Wilburn--First Installment, by Broken Vow.**  
TDN, 6-15, 5 1/2f, 1:08.08. B-Richard Forbush (KY). \*\$17,000  
RNA Ylg '14 OBSAUG.

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Langlauf, f, 3, **Raven's Pass.** See "France."