

A NEW GOLDEN ERA FOR RACING



Songbird | Horsephotos

by Bill Finley

What **Songbird** (Medaglia d'Oro) did in Saturday's GII Summertime Oaks at Santa Anita was spectacular. She remained unbeaten in eight career starts and so thoroughly dominated her competition that she was eased up by jockey Mike Smith at the three-sixteenth pole. She looked like the horse of the century, yet she may not even be the Horse of the Year. That's the way it is when the sport has been blessed with what may well be the deepest and most talented group of superstar horses ever assembled on the racetrack in one year.

Think about it: **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit), **Tepin** (Bernstein), **Beholder** (Henny Hughes), **Songbird**, **Frosted** (Tapit), **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo). There is a list of six horses and every one of them are at least "special," if not something more.

The seventies are generally regarded as the last "golden age" for horse racing. We had three Triple Crown winners in Secretariat, Seattle Slew and Affirmed, plus superstars like Spectacular Bid, Ruffian and Forego. John Henry wasn't John Henry until the eighties, but he did begin his career in 1977.

Yet, the careers of many of these horses never intersected. Probably the very best year of that decade was 1978, the only time when Spectacular Bid, Affirmed and Seattle Slew were all racing. Forego also ran that year, but only won once.

Perhaps time will prove that none of the modern stars stack up to horses like Seattle Slew and Affirmed. **Cont. p3**

NYQUIST THRIVES, MILTON FREEWATER EYES DEL MAR by Ben Massam

Once-beaten champion and GI Kentucky Derby hero **Nyquist** (Uncle Mo) continues to show signs of excellent health since arriving back to his Santa Anita base, trainer Doug O'Neill reported Monday afternoon. The bay spiked a fever following a third-place finish--his first career defeat--in the GI Preakness S. May 21 and made his belated return to Southern California June 5. The Reddam Racing colorbearer recently breezed four furlongs in :48.60 at Santa Anita June 17.

"He's been great," O'Neill said of Nyquist. "His stride is back, his health is back, his weight and coat looks great. He's doing really well. I'm looking forward to getting another work into him and then we'll kind of zero in on a specific plan."

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Breakfast of champions. Feed buckets belonging to some of the stars at Ballydoyle Racing Stable are stacked in the barn on Monday. | Patrick McCann/Racing Post

HOPPERTUNITY POSSIBLE FOR GOLD CUP 5

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LA CRESSONNIÈRE

A New Golden Era for Racing (cont. from p1)

Most will have limited careers compared to how often the horses from the seventies raced, none will ever carry real weight and Lasix is there to complicate the equation. Then again, these are some very, very good race horses.

Though she's only about halfway through her 3-year-old career, Songbird already belongs in the discussion with any filly when it comes to the greatest ever among her sex. Horses just don't do what she does, which is make her competition look foolish for bothering to show up every time she goes out there.

For a while after the 2014 GI Preakness, it looked like California Chrome was going to go down as just another good horse. Not anymore. He has been sensational in a year that has included a dominant victory in the G1 Dubai World Cup, and his career earnings are \$12.5 million and growing.

With Beholder having lost five times in her lifetime, some may not want to put her in the **Zenyatta** (Street Cry {Ire}) or **Rachel Alexandra** (Medaglia d'Oro) category as far as careers go, but,



Beholder | *Benoit*

this year, she has been every bit as dominant as those two great mares ever were. She hasn't lost in two years, has beaten males in the GI Pacific Classic and looks better than ever this year.

Tepin is still another mare putting together an historic career. Coming off a win over males in the 2015 GI Breeders' Cup Mile, she's 5-for-5 this year and her win at Ascot in the G1 Queen Anne S. was another performance for the ages.

Frosted is nowhere near as consistent as the quartet of California Chrome, Songbird, Tepin and Beholder--who are a combined 14-for-14 this year--but he very well could turn out to be the best of them all. His performance in the GI Metropolitan H. was quite simply one of the greatest efforts in the history of the sport. He won by 14 1/4 lengths and his Thoro-Graph number (-8 1/2) was the fastest ever awarded by that speed-figure service.

Nyquist's star has dimmed since he lost the Preakness, but let's not forget that many were ready to hand him the Triple Crown before a suicidal speed duel cost him the middle jewel of the series. He's back on the work tab and primed to have a sensational second half. **Cont. p4**

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All of this comes on the heels of the first Triple Crown winner in 37 years in **American Pharoah** (Pioneerof the Nile) and a near-miss the year before by California Chrome. Maybe it's the smaller foal crop, maybe it's that owners like B. Wayne Hughes,



Tepin | Horsephotos

who campaigns Beholder, are keeping their horses in training longer because there are so many huge purses out there, maybe it's just a coincidence, but it could be that this is not a one-year

phenomenon. It could be that we are embarking on a new era, one where great horses are more the norm.

We've already been treated to so much, but the best may be yet to come.

Tepin is the only one certain to go her own way as a return to the dirt seems highly unlikely. Her path to another win in the Breeders' Cup Mile seems fairly clear. As for the rest, it looks like they're going to have the chance to sort themselves out.

California Chrome and Beholder both seem to have their sights set on the Pacific Classic. The Nyquist camp has also mentioned that race, but it

would seem more likely that he will stick with 3-year-olds for now.

Songbird doesn't have any competition among 3-year-old fillies and will likely add another Grade I win or two on to her



California Chrome | Racing Post photo

record this summer at Saratoga. But owner Rick Porter has dared to run fillies against boys in the past and has mentioned that he might try it with Songbird one day, as well.

Does that mean a GI Breeders' Cup Classic with Songbird, California Chrome, Nyquist, Frosted and Beholder, not to mention horses like Exaggerator (Curlin) and Creator (Tapit)? The sport will never get that lucky, but a good number of those horses are likely to meet up in the Classic and, who knows, maybe once again in the Pegasus World Cup early next year.

It's a great time to be a horse racing fan.

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LANE'S END

Nyquist Thrives, Freewater Eyes Del Mar

(cont. from p1)

Champion 2-year-old colt of 2015, Nyquist returned to action with wins in the GII San Vicente S. Feb. 15 and the GI Xpressbet.com Florida Derby Apr. 2 prior to his triumph in the Kentucky Derby May 7. In the Preakness, he disputed a blistering pace in the slop and leveled off to be third behind Exaggerator (Curlin).



Milton Freewater | Benoit Photo

While O'Neill is waiting to make plans for the brightest star of his stable, he also has a promising juvenile prospect for the latter half of 2016 in **Milton Freewater** (Creative Cause). The gray rallied to victory in his 4 1/2-furlong debut in track-record time of :51.37 at Los Alamitos Apr. 22 and was subsequently purchased for \$250,000 by Dennis O'Neill on behalf of Sol Kumin's Head of Plains Partners and Danny Kramer at the Barretts May Sale.

O'Neill said that his initial impressions of Milton Freewater are positive. The colt drilled five furlongs in 1:02.20 Sunday at Santa Anita and is under strong consideration for Del Mar's 5 1/2-furlong Graduation S. for California-breds Aug. 3, with a possible interim appearance in Pleasanton's Everett Nevin S. July 3.

"He's a runner," the trainer observed. "He's a big, good-looking son of Creative Cause. He's doing well and I'm going to talk to Sol Kumin, but we're probably looking at a Cal-bred stakes with him really soon... There's one early at Del Mar, so we have to see if we want to go up [to Pleasanton] or keep him in our own backyard."

Milton Freewater hails from the extended family of 2009 GI Breeders' Cup Sprint hero Dancing in Silks (Black Minnaloushe), as well as graded stakes-winning 'TDN Rising Star' Super Majesty (Super Saver).



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Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday), last seen finishing third behind California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit) in the Mar. 26 G1 Dubai World Cup, may have earned a spot in the starting gate for Saturday's GI Gold Cup at Santa Anita with a six-furlong drill at Santa Anita over the weekend. The 5-year-old went the distance in 1:12.20 Saturday. Trainer Bob Baffert said Monday the bay "may run," in the 1 1/4-mile race.



Danzing Candy | Benoit

Also working for Baffert over the weekend, **Danzing Candy** (Twirling Candy) went six furlongs Sunday at Santa Anita in 1:13.00. Winner of the GII San Felipe S. in March for trainer Cliff Sise, Jr., the sophomore has not started since finishing 15th in the GI Kentucky Derby.

"Danzing Candy may be going in the Affirmed," Baffert revealed. The 1 1/16-mile GIII Affirmed S. will be run July 2 at Santa Anita.

Gold Cup hopeful **Imperative** (Bernardini), who worked six furlongs at Santa Anita in 1:13.80 Saturday, will add blinkers for the GI Breeders' Cup Classic 'Win and You're In' event.



Imperative | Horsephotos

"He's doing well," trainer Richard Baltas reported. "He's been working on the training track and it's really helped his feet. They're ice cold, and I'm going to put some blinkers back on him and see if that helps him. It seems like he's been too far out of touch in his last few races."

Imperative is coming off a fourth-place effort in the Apr. 23 GII Charles Town Classic, a race he won in 2014 while under the care of trainer George Papaprodromou.

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KEENELAND FALL STAKES WORTH \$5.275M

Keeneland's Fall Meet will offer 17 graded stakes races worth \$5.275 million, the track announced Monday. Opening weekend of the Fall Meet, touted as Fall Stars Weekend, will be highlighted by nine graded stakes worth a total of \$3.7 million. Grade I's scheduled for the weekend are the Oct. 7 \$400,000 GI Darley Alcibiades S., Oct. 8 \$1-million GI Shadwell Turf Mile, Oct. 8 \$500,000 GI Claiborne Breeders' Futurity, Oct. 8 \$400,000 GI First Lady S. and Oct. 9 \$500,000 GI Spinster S.

"The Fall Meet is the hallmark of quality, beginning with Fall Stars Weekend that features five of the season's six Grade I races," said Keeneland Racing Secretary Ben Huffman. "Many stars bound for the Breeders' Cup will compete here, prepping in a Breeders' Cup Challenge race or another of the Fall Meet's lucrative stakes, making Keeneland a key racing destination."

The meet's final Grade I event will be the Oct. 15 \$500,000 GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup Presented by Lane's End.

Two Fall stakes, the Stoll Keenon Ogden Phoenix and Buffalo Trace Franklin County, were upgraded for 2016 by the American Graded Stakes Committee of the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association. The Stoll Keenon Ogden Phoenix was upgraded from Grade III to Grade II and will be held Oct. 7. The previous two winners of the Stoll Keenon Ogden Phoenix--Work All Week (City Zip) in 2014 and Runhappy (Super Saver) in 2015--went on to win the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. The Buffalo Trace Franklin County, to be run Oct. 14, was upgraded from a listed stakes to a Grade III event.

Keeneland, which hosted last year's Breeders' Cup championships, will also offer eight stakes which are 'Win and You're In' events for this year's championships at Santa Anita.

"The Breeders' Cup sparked attention and showcased Keeneland to a global audience," Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason said. "The momentum generated by that championship event continues to positively impact our business, contributing to strong gains during our recent Spring Meet and attracting horsemen and visitors from all corners of the world."

Keeneland's Fall Meet runs from Oct. 7-29.

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CORRECTION: In Monday's edition of the *TDN*, we incorrectly listed [Hip 154](#) at the upcoming Fasig-Tipton July Selected Yearlings Sale as a half-sister instead of a full-sister to Be Mine, runner-up in the GII Honeymoon S. at Santa Anita. Darby Dan Farm is consigning [Hip 154](#), a filly by Twirling Candy--Boozin' Susan. We regret the error.

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EASTERN U.S.

Monday's Results:

6th-PRX, \$53,500, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-20, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.51, ft.

TEKTON (r, 4, [Bernardini](#)--Touch Love {GSW, \$153,060}, by Not For Love) parlayed a 10 3/4-length optional claiming win last May at Pimlico into a head second in the Gill Pegasus S. at Monmouth in June and closed out his 3-year-old season with a runner-up effort in the Curlin S. at Saratoga July 31. Fading to seventh after contesting a hot pace at Oaklawn Mar. 20, he was then a well-beaten sixth Apr. 10 at Aqueduct before rebounding a bit with a fourth-place finish at Pimlico May 20. Off as the 12-5 choice in this spot, the bay came away well from the inside stall and settled in fifth, a little over two lengths behind a :24.31 quarter. Angling out for the backstretch run, he began a three-wide advance at the half-mile pole and moved to within a length of the front midway on the far turn. He and Lawyer Dave (Lawyer Ron) hooked up at the top of the lane and battled hard, with Tekton beginning to edge in front passing the sixteenth pole, eventually gutting out a three-quarter length decision. The winner's dam captured the 2001 Gill Schuylerville S. before producing Starfish Bay (Elusive Quality), MSW, \$241,831. She has a 2-year-old full-sister to the winner named Sip Sip and dropped a Tapit colt this term. Sales History: \$190,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GSP, 11-3-2-0, \$136,042. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).** O-Shortleaf Stable, Inc.; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY); T-Anthony W. Dutrow.

6th-DEL, \$34,250, Msw, 6-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.69, ft.

SEA VIEW MILLIE (f, 3, [Proud Citizen](#)--Pocho's Dream Girl {MSW & GISP, \$336,794}, by Fortunate Prospect) was off slowly in her May 21 debut over the local slop, but produced a decent rally in the stretch to be second behind a promising winner from the Tom Proctor barn. Given a 3-2 chance to graduate here, the homebred was away well and sat fourth, just off a solid quarter in :22.26. Still content to stalk as the pace normalized through a :45.99 half, she emerged as a threat passing the furlong grounds and surged clear from there for a 2 3/4-length triumph. Candy Sioux (Indian Charlie) was second-best. The winner is a full-sister to Mark Valeski, MGSW, \$658,452, and a half to Albano (Istan), GSW & GISP, \$707,600. Her dam captured four stakes races, including the Obeah S. at this oval. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$27,200. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

O/B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-J. Larry Jones.

Sunday's Late Results:

SATIN AND LACE S., \$100,000, PID, 6-19, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.14, ft.

1--**#DISCO BARBIE, 115, m, 6, Pure Prize--Cimmaron Lady, by Grand Slam.** (\$15,000 Ylg '11 KEEJAN; \$80,000 Ylg '11 FTKJUL). O-Diane Manning; B-Iron County Farms Inc. (KY); T-Dale Capuano; J-Antonio A. Gallardo. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 23-7-7-4, \$441,536.

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2--**Cactus Kris, 123, m, 5, Cactus Ridge--Highest Ground, by Lemon Drop Kid.** (\$2,000 Wlg '11 KEENOV; \$30,000 Ylg '12 FTKOCT). O-Anne L. Walsh; B-James Paliafito & Tom Keegan (KY); T-Ryan D. Walsh. \$20,000.

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3--**Late Spring, 118, f, 4, Speightstown--April Frost, by Dynaformer.** O/B-G. Watts Humphrey & St. George Farm Racing, LLC (KY); T-Victoria H. Oliver. \$10,000.

Margins: NK, 2HF, HD. Odds: 2.60, 1.10, 10.60.

Also Ran: Granny's Drink, Tahnee, Once More for Love, Haines City, Thirteen Arrows. Scratched: Lindisfarne.

Disco Barbie had never been out of the exacta in seven starts over the Presque Isle oval heading into this Sunday feature, but had also taken two tough beats in her local stakes tries, finishing second by a half-length in the 2014 Gill Presque Isle Downs Masters and runner-up by a head in this race last year. Benched for over 11 months after that effort, she returned with a seventh-place effort behind '**TDN Rising Star**' Lady Shipman (Midshipman) in Pimlico's The Very One S. May 21 before dominating an allowance group over track and trip nine days later. Made the second favorite here, the chestnut broke a bit inwardly at the start and settled third-last as the leaders clicked off a :22.12 quarter split. Moving into striking position while fourth at the top of the lane, she dove toward the rail nearing the eighth pole and rallied to the lead before holding off the bid of favored Cactus Kris to earn her long-awaited first stakes victory. The winner's dam has a yearling colt by Hold Me Back and foaled a Goldcents filly this season. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

CENTRAL U.S.

Monday's Results:

4th-TDN, \$24,500, Alw, 6-20, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:43.83, ft.

PILOT HOUSE (g, 3, [Midshipman](#)--Clear Destiny {SW, \$193,667}, by Deputy Minister) started his career with an impressive 4 1/4-length romp at Monmouth before finishing last of seven behind MGSW Mohaymen (Tapit) in the Gill Nashua S. at Aqueduct Nov. 4. Fifth in a Gulfstream optional claimer

Dec. 18, he set the pace in the slop there Jan. 15 before fading to seventh behind 'TDN Rising Star' Zulu (Bernardini). Running fourth after a three-month break going six furlongs on the Indiana Grand main Apr. 23, he took to the turf with an 11-1 score in a 7 1/2-furlong optional claimer there June 3. Back on dirt here, the chestnut broke sharply at 37-10 and quickly made a clear lead, running loose through fractions of :23.80 and :48.66. Turning back a pair of challengers on the turn, he burst clear again in the stretch en route to a 4 3/4-length score. Odds-on favorite Mr. Tickle (Street Sense) was second. The victor's stakes winning dam is a half to Gemologist (Tiznow), GISW, \$794,855. She has a yearling filly by Morning Line and produced a Stay Thirsty filly this term. Sales History: \$40,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$160,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$60,050. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Maggi Moss; B-G. Watts Humphrey (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss.

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WESTERN U.S.

Sunday's Late Results:

- BUDWEISER S.**, \$50,000, EMD, 6-19, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:34.73, ft. 1--**O B HARBOR, 124, g, 4, Harbor the Gold--Flying Memo, by Memo (Chi)**. (\$18,500 Ylg '13 WASSEP). O-One Horse Will Do Corporation; B-Bret Christopherson (OR); T-Chris Stenslie; J-Jose Luis Zunino. \$27,500. Lifetime Record: 10-5-1-2, \$105,691.
- 2--**Betrbegone**, 120, g, 4, Parker's Storm Cat--Final Drummer, by Tough Knight. O/B-Howard E. Maggard (WA); T-David B. Martinez. \$10,000.
- 3--**Stryker Phd**, 122, g, 7, Bertrando--Striking Scholar, by Smart Strike. (\$45,000 Ylg '10 WASSEP). O-Jim & Mona Hour; B-Char Clark Thoroughbreds & Todd Havens (WA); T-Larry D. Ross. \$7,500.

Margins: HF, 1HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.10, 20.20, 1.50.
 Also Ran: Prime Engine, Dedicated to You, Absolutely Cool, Noosito, Kaabraaj, Thetrailerguy, Go Max, The Sandman.
 O B Harbor earned a stakes placing when third in the Seattle Slew H. in his sophomore finale July 12, but has turned a corner at four, scoring an optional claiming win sprinting here Apr. 10 before dominating the 6 1/2-furlong Governor's S. by 4 1/4 lengths May 22, earning a new Beyer Speed Figure top of 98. Prepping for this with two bullet five-furlong works--going :57 4/5 June 5 and :58 flat June 12--the dark bay was sent off as the narrow second choice in this bulky field. Away well, he pulled his way to duel with longshot Betrbegone through a :23.26 quarter-

mile and moved away from that one past a sharp half in :45.70. Prime Engine (Northern Afleet) put in a strong bid on the far turn, but O B Harbor gamely shook him off once switching leads in the stretch and dug in to hold off the re-rally of Betrbegone.

INDUSTRY INFO

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IN JAPAN:

Iron Heroine, f, 3, [Congrats](#)--Superior Storm (MSW & GISP, \$1,066,873), by Stormy Atlantic. Kawasaki, 6-15, Moonstone Flower Sho, 7f. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$38,095. O-Teruo Ono; B-Jack Dickerson; T-Hideyuki Mori. *\$320,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

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Le Grand Frisson, c, 3, **Smart Strike**--Leaning Tower, by Theatrical. Hakodate, 6-19, Hokuto Tokubetsu, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-1, \$412,667. O-Koji Maeda; B-Green Lantern Stables LLC; T-Kazuya Nakatake. *1/2 to Karelian (Bertrando), GISW, \$788,675; and Colgan's Chip (Cee's Tizzy), GSP, \$233,377. **\$150,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. ***"I thought he would be better setting the pace," said winning hoop Kosei Miura. "The horses in front were likely to hang on. He never loses his

spirit, even when he was chased closely.”

Savannah Road, c, 3, **Street Boss**--Trisha, by Forest Camp. Tokyo, 6-19, Plate Race, 8ft. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$156,190. O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Michael Sucher; T-Tetsuya Kimura. *\$40,000 Ylg OBSAUG; \$190,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. **“He sometimes starts slowly, but he broke sharply today,” said winning pilot Christophe Lemaire. “He had a powerful late kick and will compete well in a higher class.”

FURYOFTHENORSEMEM (g, 4, **Northern Afleet**--**Dynasty** {**SW & MGSP, \$210,112**}, by **Time for a Change**) Lifetime Record: 13-2-0-6, \$114,960. O-Hibiscus Stables; B-Wolverton Mountain Farm, LLC & Cameron & Beverly Wheeler (KY); T-Steve Klesaris. *\$75,000 Wlg '12 KEENOV; \$45,000 Ylg '13 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Harissa (Afleet Alex), GSW, \$468,966.

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5th-PRX, \$54,000, 6-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5ft, :57.47, fm. **BLACK JET** (h, 5, **Arch**--**Tell It** {**SP, \$162,283**}, by **Storm Cat**) Lifetime Record: 10-5-0-2, \$102,070. O-Robert Reidy; B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Mario Serey, Jr. *\$100,000 Ylg '12 KEESEP; \$185,000 RNA 2yo '13 FTFMAR; \$110,000 2yo '13 EASMA. **1/2 to Dream Nettie (Dixie Union), SW, \$146,350.

3rd-TDN, \$33,200, (S), 6-20, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:46.48, ft. **CRISPYONTHEOUTSIDE** (g, 3, **Northern Afleet**--**Lucy Diver**, by **Academy Award**) Lifetime Record: 7-3-3-0, \$67,070. O/B-Bruce K & Nancy A Hudson (OH); T-William D. Cowans.

6th-TDN, \$33,200, (S), 6-20, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:47.04, ft. **SUNNY DAZE** (f, 3, **Pure Prize**--**Sun Bolt**, by **Bright Launch**) Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-3, \$79,408. O-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Deborah Kopatz (OH); T-Robert M. Gorham.

6th-HST, C\$24,500, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$19,390), 6-19, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:18.09, sy. **LORD VANCOUVER** (g, 3, **Teide**--**Greenwich**, by **Forestry**) Lifetime Record: 13-3-0-3, \$32,958. O-Philip Hall; B-Phil Hall & Blair Law (BC); T-Philip Hall. *C\$12,000 Ylg '14 BRCSEP.

7th-HST, C\$24,500, (NW1\$6M)/Opt. Clm (\$34,902-\$38,780), 6-19, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.90, sy. **TWISTGRIPS** (g, 7, **Benchmark**--**Victor's Secret** {**SW, \$188,761**}, by **Vying Victor**) Lifetime Record: 24-6-5-3, \$136,359. O/B-Gordon Christoff (BC); T-John Snow.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Yes Mon, g, 2, **Yes It's True**--Donna D (SP), by Dixie Union. PID, 6-20, 4 1/2f (AWT), :52.87. B-Rusty Roberts (OK). *\$5,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT.
Go Bo Go, c, 3, **Corinthian**--My Paige's Jewel, by Forest Wildcat. PRX, 6-20, (C), 6f, 1:12.00. B-Michael Hui (KY).

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BACKTALK (Smarty Jones), Bridlewood Farm, \$3.5K, 41/2/0
 2-PID, Msw 5 1/2f, +Masterofthehouse, \$17K RNA OBS OPN 2yo, 12-1
INTERACTIF (Broken Vow), Red River Farms, Pvt., 54/9/0
 2-PID, Msw 5 1/2f, +Littleredboogieman, 10-1

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NIAGARA S., \$50,000, FL, 6-20, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.35, ft.
 1--**#FINGERPAINTER, 119, f, 3, Nobiz Like Shobiz--Twinkie Zone, by Wild Zone.** O/T-Timothy P. Murphy; B-Richard & Kay Zwirn (NY); J-Gabriel Suarez. \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-0, \$71,627.
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 Margins: HD, 3, 1 3/4. Odds: 18.10, 0.35, 2.85.

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: LA CRESSONNIERE



Le Havre | *La Cauviniere*

When a truly great stallion becomes so dominant that stud farms clamour to stand his sons, you would think that his broodmare daughters would find it that little bit harder to make a similar impact. Think again!

Despite having endless successful stallion sons, the two-time champion sire Mr. Prospector notched up a lengthy sequence of broodmare sire championships. The same has happened in Japan, where 13-time champion sire Sunday Silence is well on his way to recording his 10th consecutive broodmare sire title. And in Britain and Ireland, where Sadler's Wells became champion sire 14 times in a 15-year period, this superstar went on to achieve seven straight broodmare championships.

More recently we have seen Danehill, who dethroned Sadler's Wells as champion sire, add three broodmare sire titles to his three titles as champion sire, even though a sizeable number of his sons have been at the forefront of the Anglo-Irish industry.

All this suggests that it can only be a matter of time before the broodmare sire championship is taken by Galileo, who appears to be well on his way to his eighth sires' title in the last nine years.

Less than two months ago, in my column on Galileo Gold, I pointed out "there are now more than 20 Northern Hemisphere group winners out of Galileo mares and we can expect to see plenty more in the next few years, as success as a broodmare sire tends to increase at an exponential rate.

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SON OF PIERRO STARS AT INGLIS DAY TWO

The second and final day of weanlings at the Inglis Great Southern Sale on Monday saw a son of Pierro (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}) top proceedings when selling to the same purchasers of the opening day's top lot, Ascot Farm and Ampulla Lodge. The colt, offered by Erinvale Thoroughbreds as [lot 792](#) was knocked down for A\$210,000 and is a half-brother to two stakes winning fillies in Born To Rock (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and Prettyhappyaboutit (Aus) (Magnus {Aus}). Solid trade over the two days saw 314 weanlings sell with 13 lots bringing at least A\$100,000 compared to four lots last year. The average price of the 222 weanlings sold in the Platinum Session finished at A\$31,140, up 37% on last year's figure of A\$23,392.

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Bill Finley takes a look at the horses behind this new 'Golden Era' of racing, including California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit), Tepin (Bernstein), Beholder (Henny Hughes), Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro), Frosted (Tapit), and Nyquist (Uncle Mo). [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)



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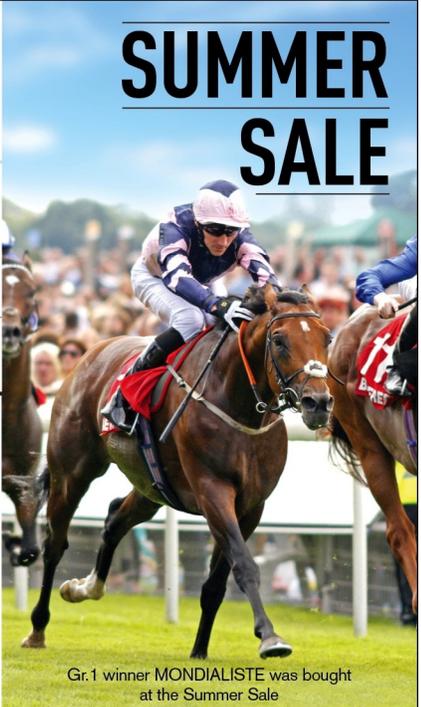
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*Chris Waller, trainer of Foxplay, skyracing.com.au
June 18, 2016*

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- Wesley Ward, trainer of Star Empire

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



La Cressonniere Cont. from p1

“Galileo’s daughters (the oldest of which are 13-year-olds) were credited by equine line with having 855 foals of racing age in 2014, with the figures rising to 1,248 foals in 2015 and now to 1,715 in 2016. Those figures represent a rise of 46% from 2014 to ’15 and 37% from 2015 to ’16. It also means that more than half of the total of 1,715 foals are youngsters aged two or three.”

Well, a fair amount has changed in the short time since that review. Last week saw stakes winners out of four Galileo mares, including Galileo Gold, who secured his status as Europe’s best 3-year-old colt over a mile with his success in the G1 St James’s Palace S. Then La Cressonniere, who had won the G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches 15 days after Galileo Gold’s G1 2000 Guineas triumph, added another Classic victory in Sunday’s G1 Prix de Diane Longines. In between, we saw the Queen’s Dartmouth narrowly defeat Galileo’s son Highland Reel in the G2 Hardwicke S. (which ranks as one of Britain’s most competitive mile-and-a-half contests despite its Group 2 status).

With Galileo’s progeny having an average winning distance of 11.3 furlongs, it is easy to think of Galileo simply as a very strong influence for stamina. This is backed up by the Classic victories of the likes of New Approach, Ruler of the World, Australia, Was, Minding, Sixties Icon, Soldier of Fortune, Cape Blanco, Treasure Beach and Great Heavens.

But Galileo is no one-dimensional force. He is also capable of siring Guineas winners, as he has proved with such as Frankel, Gleneagles, Minding, Roderic O’Connor, Magician, Misty For Me, Marvellous, Golden Lilac and The Gurkha. Consequently, it isn’t so surprising that the five Classic winners out of Galileo mares include three over a mile (Night of Thunder, Galileo Gold and La Cressonniere) and only one over a mile and a half, namely Fastnet Rock’s G1 Oaks-winning daughter Qualify.

Incidentally, when the Irish 2-year-old Intricately made a winning debut two days ago, she became Fastnet Rock’s 29th starter out of a Galileo mare and 23rd winner. No doubt she will soon be bidding to become this cross’s seventh black-type winner. Expect to see plenty more winners emerging from this burgeoning cross over the next year or two.



Le Havre | La Cauviniere

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In completing the Pouliches-Diane classic double La Cressonniere not only extended her unbeaten sequence to seven but also completed a remarkable double-double for her young sire Le Havre. The Haras de la Cauviniere resident had achieved the exact same double two years ago with Avenir

Certain, a filly from his first crop.

It is worth stressing that these dual Classic winners were sired when Le Havre’s fee stood at a very modest €5,000. His profile began to rise almost as soon as his first runners reached the track and they have done so well that Le Havre stood the 2016 season at €35,000, up from €20,000 last year.

That he was initially available for so little was more a reflection of the unfashionable nature of his immediate pedigree than any weakness as a racehorse. He had won four of his six starts, notably taking the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club in 2009, after finishing second in the G1 Poule d’Essai des Poulains.

Arguably less appealing was the fact that his sire Noverre had been sold in January 2008 to the Sohna Stud Farm in India. **Cont.p3**

Pedigree Insights Cont.

As often happens, Noverre's sale was followed by a considerable improvement in his progeny's results, including the emergence of four Group 1 winners. Three of those four Group 1 winners--Music Show, I'm A Dreamer and Enora--were fillies and fillies accounted for eight of his 10 group winners. This is possibly relevant in view of Le Havre's early results. Four of his six group winners are fillies, including both of his Group 1 winners, and so are seven of his nine listed winners, which makes it 11 fillies among his 15 black-type winners. I should add the caveat that these imbalances have a tendency to become less pronounced.

To get back to Noverre, although he had won the G1 Sussex S. at three he then failed to win at four (when he once tried to take a chunk out of a passing rival). His close relationship to the brilliant 2-year-old Arazi also raised a few doubts, as Arazi's record as a stallion was distinctly disappointing.

Then there was the fact that Le Havre's broodmare sire was Surako, a horse whose name probably means little to most breeders outside his native Germany. Although runner-up in the G1 Deutsches Derby, Surako numbered only one black-type winner among his 152 foals.

There were some pluses, too, concerning Le Havre's bloodlines. Le Havre's dam Marie Rheinberg is a half-sister to the high-class sprinter-miler Polar Falcon, who found lasting fame as the sire of Pivotal, an important British stallion.

Also, despite having Northern Dancer in the third generation, Le Havre has a pedigree which makes him eligible for the majority of European mares--an asset not to be underestimated in an industry where so many breeders are looking for something different.

La Cressonniere may be the product of a mating between a 5,000-euro stallion and a non-winning mare, but that doesn't mean her pedigree is in any way unfashionable.

Her dam Absolute Lady never managed to finish closer than fourth (when beaten a length at Clairefontaine) in six starts over middle distances in the French Provinces. However, Absolute Lady is a sister to the talented Paris Winds, who was group



Lil's Jessie (I) | *Racing Post*

placed over a mile and a quarter in Ireland before becoming a stakes winner over 1 1/16 miles in the U.S. Paris Winds was quite speedy for a daughter of Galileo, no doubt because her dam, the Kris mare Lil's Jessie,

won the G3 Nell Gwyn S. before running respectably in the 2001 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches.

La Cressonniere is by no means the first Classic winner to represent her distinguished female line, which traces back to Aloe, the foundation of much of the Royal Stud's success. For example, La Cressonniere's sixth dam is Hypericum. This granddaughter of Aloe won the 1946 1000 Guineas and later became the third dam of Aureole, the colt who went closest to fulfilling the Queen's ambition of winning the Derby.

Hypericum provided the Queen with an excellent producer in Highlight, La Cressonniere's fifth dam. Highlight in turn produced four daughters to Queen's Hussar, three of which have left a lasting legacy. The first, Highclere, could be compared to La Cressonniere, in that she too won a European Guineas race, followed by the Prix de Diane. Highclere has since found lasting fame by producing Height of Fashion, dam of the 2000 Guineas and Derby winner Nashwan, as well as Nayef and Unfuwain. Height of Fashion is also the second dam of the 1000 Guineas heroine Ghanaati, while Highclere also has the distinction of being the third dam of Deep Impact, sire of so many Classic winners in Japan.

Highlight's second Queen's Hussar filly was Light Duty and next came La Cressonniere's fourth dam, Light O'Battle. La Cressonniere's third dam, the Mill Reef mare Lobmille, was a sister-in-blood to Light Duty's daughter Rise and Fall, dam of the G1 Lockinge S. winner Fly To The Stars and second dam of G1 Coronation S. winner Fallen For You. Lobmille was also bred along similar lines to Highclere's Shirley Heights filly Highbrow, second dam of G1 Coronation Cup winner Ask, so you would be hard pressed to find a more productive female line.

LA CRESSONNIERE (FR), f, 2013

Le Havre (Ire)	Noverre	Rahy	Blushing Groom (Fr)
		Danseur Fabuleux	Glorious Song
	Marie Rheinberg (Ger)	Surako (Ger)	Northern Dancer
		Marie d'Argonne (Fr)	Fabuleux Jane
Absolute Lady (Ire) Unplaced, 6-0-0-0, 5FIs, 1G1SW	Galileo (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	Konigsstuhl (Ger)
		Urban Sea	Surata (Ger)
	Lil's Jessie (Ire) GSW-Eng, 12-4-0-1 11FIs, 5Wnrs, 1SW	Kris (GB)	Jefferson (GB)
		Lobmille (GB)	Mohair (Fr)
		Light O'Battle (GB)	Northern Dancer
			Fairy Bridge

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O'BRIEN TO UNLEASH WEEKEND BATTALION

Aidan O'Brien is aiming a quartet of high-class colts at the G1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby at The Curragh on Saturday. The Ballydoyle trainer is seeking his 12th victory in the race which is worth €1.5m this year. O'Brien's challengers, namely **US Army Ranger (Ire)**, **'TDN Rising Star' Idaho (Ire)**, **Port Douglas (Ire)** and **Shogun (Ire)**, incidentally all sons of Galileo (Ire), will be seeking revenge on their Epsom conqueror **Harzand (Ire)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}) with US Army Ranger and Idaho only beaten a length and a half and three lengths respectively by the winner at Epsom.

"The horses have come out of Epsom well," said the trainer, who saddled seven winners at Royal Ascot last week. "We are very happy with US Army Ranger. He was only a baby going into Epsom and we didn't know how he would take it so it was pitching him in big time and he was green and babyish but he has come forward and out of the race great, to be honest." O'Brien continued, "Idaho ran a real big race at Epsom and you would have to say he progressed lovely from Leopardstown and we are very happy with him since. Shogun and Port Douglas are in the Derby as well and both could probably go there also but we'll see closer to the weekend what else lines up."

One of his Epsom runners that will not take up his engagement on Saturday is **Deauville (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), with the trainer planning a drop down in trip for his next start. "Deauville will not run," said O'Brien. "It looked like he didn't stay at Epsom, so at this stage we are looking at bringing him back to 10 furlongs for the [G1] Eclipse [July 2]."

O'Brien's star filly **Minding (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) is also set for a reappearance at the weekend, but will stick to her own sex and take in the G1 Sea The Stars Pretty Polly S. at The Curragh on Sunday.

Confirmed the trainer of the four time Group 1 winner and dual Classic heroine, "We will probably run Minding in the Pretty Polly. I have been happy with her since the Oaks and providing everything goes well between now and the weekend, she will run."

O'Brien also issued an update on last year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf winner **Hit It A Bomb (War Front)**. The colt was unbeaten as a juvenile and has recovered from a setback that ruled him out of the early part of the season.

"He's coming along well and we're looking at running him in a race at the Oaks meeting at the Curragh next month," O'Brien concluded. "He's suited to a mile to 10 furlongs."

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VARIAN SWEET ON POSTPONED

Roger Varian is very much looking forward to seeing **Postponed (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) in action again, as he prepares him for a repeat win in the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. at Ascot July 23. The 5-year-old scraped home by a



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nose in the race last year from Eagle Top (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), but is arguably a better horse this year judged on his latest impressive G1 victories in the Dubai Sheema Classic at Meydan in March and more recently in the G1 Investec Coronation Cup at Epsom.

"He seems to be a horse in his prime and we're delighted to have him," said Varian. "The King George fits nicely timing-wise. It gives us a little break now and plenty of time to get him to the race, which is very much the plan."

Postponed won't be short of opponents given the prestige of the race and Aidan O'Brien already has the race in mind for **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). The full-brother to **'TDN Rising Star' Idaho (Ire)** made an encouraging European seasonal debut when narrowly beaten by The Queen's Dartmouth (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G2 Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot and is already a dual Grade 1 winner. "We could aim him at the King George," O'Brien commented. "He likes good ground and the race there should suit him."

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'CONNECTION' READY FOR NEWMARKET

Charlie Hills thinks he has found an ideal opportunity to get last year's Royal Ascot winner **Dutch Connection (GB)** (Dutch Art {GB}) back into the winner's enclosure. The Lambourn trainer intends to run the 4-year-old in Saturday's G3 Criterion S. at Newmarket. Last seen disappointing in the G1 Al Shaqab Lockinge S. at Newbury, the now Godolphin-owned colt was previously a close second to **Toormore (Ire)** (Arakan) in the G2 BET365 Mile at Sandown.

"Dutch Connection" is an intended runner in the Criterion S.," said Hills. "I've had the chance to freshen him up since his run in the Lockinge and he's giving me all the right signals that he's ready for another run. I felt that he had a very hard race in the Sandown Mile, which may explain why he ran quite flat in the Lockinge. He's lost his penalty for last year's Group 3 win, so the Criterion looks like a sensible stepping stone before he can hopefully go on to something better."

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BRITAIN

**Monday's Results:**

3rd-WOL, £6,100, Cond, 6-20, 2yo, 5f 216y (AWT), 1:14.48, st. JACQUARD (IRE) (c, 2, Pivotal {GB}--Camlet {GB}, by Green Desert), fourth last time in the York maiden won by the potentially smart Marie of Lyon (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}) over this trip June 11, broke well to gain the lead. Turning the screw at the top of the straight, the 10-11 favourite never looked in danger of relinquishing his advantage and had 2 1/4 lengths to spare over Mr Hobbs (GB) (Harbour Watch {Ire}) at the line. The winner is a half-brother to Cheviot (Rahy), SP-Ire, \$224,985, while the dam sported the colours of the late Gerald Leigh, emerging from his finest family, being a daughter of the G1 Prix de la Foret heroine Brocade (GB) (Habitat). She was responsible for Luca Cumani's Sadler's Wells-sired Irish Guineas-winning pair of Baratheia (Ire) and Gossamer (GB), with the latter going on to produce Godolphin's G1 Racing Post Trophy winner Ibn Khaldun (Dubai Destination). Another of Brocade's offspring is the GIII Countess Fager H. winner Free at Last (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}), who was also placed in the GI Santa Barbara H. and GI Matriarch S. before being responsible for Coretta (Ire) (Caerleon), another high-class performer Stateside with two wins in the GII La Prevoyante H. and silver medals in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf and GI Flower Bowl Invitational H. A plethora of black-type performers in this dynasty also include the sire Desert Style (Ire), who like Camlet (GB) was by Green Desert. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$8,154.

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

1st-WDS, £4,500, Mdn, 6-20, 2yo, 6fT, 1:15.92, sf. +SOUTH SEAS (IRE) (c, 2, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Let It Be Me, by Mizzen Mast), a €170,000 GOFNOV foal and 145,000gns TATOCT yearling, stalked the leader Winning Ways (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) throughout the early stages before taking over approaching the final quarter mile. Sent clear from there, the 7-4 favourite powered to the line for a commanding eight-length success. The first and only foal so far out of a half-sister to the Hong Kong Classic Cup hero and G1 Singapore Airlines International Cup runner-up Zaidan (Street Cry {Ire}), South Seas also boasts a connection to the four-times group winner Ramooz (Rambo Dancer) and My Hansel (Hansel), who was third in the G1 Fillies' Mile. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,180. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Qatar Racing Limited; B-Stonepark Farms (IRE); T-A. Balding.

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2nd-WDS, £4,500, Mdn, 6-20, 3yo/up, 8f 67yT, 1:50.13, sf. LOLWAH (GB) (f, 3, Pivotal {GB}--Palace Affair {GB}) {MSW-Eng, \$159,700}, by Pursuit of Love {GB}), a 220,000gns TATOCT yearling, was seventh on debut over a similar trip at Nottingham May 22 and enjoyed cover against the rail in mid-division initially. Short of room after being angled out for her run in mid-straight, the 2-1 favourite looked held by Major Assault (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) until the final strides, where she found a surge to prevail by a head. Palace Affair, who was a prolific winner at listed level over sprint distances, has produced a winner in that category in Queen's Grace (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}) and has a yearling filly and colt foal by Poet's Voice (GB) to come. Her dam Palace Street (Secreto) was perhaps slightly classier than her smart daughter, winning two listed contests and also finishing placed twice in pattern races including the G3 Cherry Hinton S., with her best progeny being the G1 July Cup hero Sakhee's Secret (GB). This is also the family of the sires Raise a Dancer and Key Issue. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,180. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Mr Abdullah Saeed Al Naboodah; B-Mr G. B. Balding & Cheveley Park Stud (GB); T-Sir Michael R. Stoute.

FRANCE

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Nofoemaypass (Fr), c, 2, Myboycharlie (Ire)--Sundancer (GB), by Hernando (Fr). LLD, 6-19, 6fT, 1:16.05. B-Zakaria Hakam (FR).

GERMANY

**Sunday's Results:**

2nd-HNO, €5,100, Cond, 6-19, 3yo, 8fT, 1:43.70, gd. SIGNORA QUEEN (FR), (f, 3, Exceed and Excel {Aus}--Queen's Rose {GB}, by Street Cry {Ire}), who was eased when last of 10 in testing ground tackling Dusseldorf's Apr. 30 Listed Henkel Stutenpreis after breaking through at Cologne on debut Sept. 27, raced in a handy fourth for most of this one. Creeping closer in the straight, the 13-5 second favourite was ridden to challenge approaching the final eighth and was easily on top in the closing stages, scoring by 1 1/2 lengths from Braveheart Bear (GB) (Kodiac {GB}). Signora Queen is the first foal bred from Queen's Rose (GB) (Street Cry {Ire}), an unraced daughter of G1 Cheveley Park S.-winning champion Queen's Logic (Ire) (Grand Lodge), herself the dam of MGSW & MG1SP Lady of the Desert (Rahy). [Cont. p6](#)

2nd HNO Cont.

The latter is the dam of last week's G3 Albany S. third Queen Kindly (GB) (Frankel {GB}), a winner who also races in the Jaber Abdullah silks. Queen's Logic is a half to MG1SW European Horse of the Year Dylan Thomas (Ire) (Danehill), whose finest hour came when landing the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, and to G1 1000 Guineas heroine Homecoming Queen (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), and the dual group-producing G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up Remember When (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €6,000.

O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (FR); T-A. Wohler.

2nd-COL, €8,750, Mdn, 6-19, 3yo, 9fT, 1:58.08, sf.

+NORTH FACE (GER) (c, 3, Monsun {Ger}--North America {Ger} {SW-Ger & Ity}, by Pivotal {GB}), who RNA'd at €75,000 as a BBAGS yearling, was well away to raced fifth along the fence after the initial strides of this debut. Making continued headway on the home turn to go second in early stretch, the 61-10 chance joined Pretty Woman (Ger) (Wiener Walzer {Ger}) approaching the final furlong and was ridden out to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from that rival. North Face was bred from Listed JRA Trophy and Listed Premio Archidamia winner North America (Ger) (Pivotal {GB}), whose leading performer to date is the winner's dual listed-winning and group-placed full-brother Not For Sale (Ger). North America's dam Mbunda (GB) (Mtoto {GB}) is a half to G2 Hessen-Pokal victrix Nuas (Ger) (Aspros {Ger}), whose G1 Oaks d'Italia-winning daughter Nagoya (Ger) (Goofalik) produced the Listed Festa-Rennen victrix Naomia (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). Naomia is in turn the granddam of this year's G2 Oaks d'Italia heroine Nepal (Ger) (Kallisto {Ger}). North America also has a yearling filly by Declaration of War named New York (Ger). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €5,000.

O-Stall Chevalier d'Or; B-Gestut Brummerhof (GER); T-M. Sauer.

1st-COL, €5,100, Mdn, 6-19, 2yo, 6fT, 1:14.94, sf.

FASHAD (GER) (c, 2, Kendargent {Fr}--Forever Midnight {Ire} {SP-Eng}, by Night Shift), a debut runner-up at Baden-Baden last time May 25, made a sharp exit and seized immediate control of this return. Coming under pressure when headed by Kick Off (Ger) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) passing the two pole, the 11-5 third choice rallied under whipless rousting and kept on gamely to deny that rival by 3/4 of a length. Fashad is the fifth winner for Listed Empress S. second Forever Midnight (Ire) (Night Shift), whose granddam Glory of Hera (GB) (Formidable) won the Listed St. Hugh's S. and is also the dam of G1 Gran Criterium hero Glory of Dancer (GB) (Shareef Dancer). Glory of Hera is a half to Electo (GB) (Julio Mariner {GB}), who boasts five black type-winners amongst her descendants headed by G2 Goodwood Cup victor Grey Shot (GB) (Sharrood) and G2 Oettingen-Rennen scorer Highland Knight (Ire) (Night Shift). Sales history: €36,000 Ylg '15 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €5,000.

O-Darius Racing; B-Holger Faust (GER); T-Henk Grewe.

4th-HNO, €5,100, Mdn, 6-19, 3yo, 12fT, 2:38.87, gd.

SANTANO (GER) (c, 3, Mastercraftsman {Ire}--Sea Road {Ger}, by Dashing Blade {GB}), runner-up over this trip at Bremen first time May 17, employed stalking tactics in second for most of this one. Sent to the front at the top of the straight, the 6-4 chalk extended his advantage under continued urging inside the final quarter mile to comfortably account for Actinon (Ire) (Getaway {Ger}) by four lengths. Santano is the third winner from as many foals bred out of Sea Road (Ger) (Dashing Blade {GB}), a winning daughter of the listed-placed Serenata (Ger) (Lomitas {GB}) and is thus a half-sister to MGSW and G2 German 2000 Guineas winner Santiago (Ger) (Highest Honor {Fr}) and G1 German Derby second Sordino (Ger) (Samum {Ger}). The next dam is G3 Hamburger Stutenpreis third Secret Energy (Alwuhush), who is also the granddam of the Listed Badener Ladies Sprint Cup victrix Semina (Ger) (Mamool {Ire}), with this being the family of MGISWs Key to the Mint (Graustark) and Fort Marcy (Amerigo {GB}). Sea Road also has a 2-year-old colt by Soldier Hollow (GB) named Suarez (Ger). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €4,200.

O/B-Gestut Hof Vesterberg (GER); T-Waldemar Hickst.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

She's Gina (Ger), f, 3, It's Gino (Ger)--Song of Night (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Tiger Hill (Ire). HNO, 6-19, 11fT, 2:21.62. B-Thilo Sebastian Seyb (GER).

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN JAPAN:

Miss Dubawi (GB), f, 3, Dubawi (Ire)--Coyote (GB) (SP-Eng), by Indian Ridge (Ire). Tokyo, 6-18, Novice Race, 7fT. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$93,333. O-Masamichi Hayashi; B-Sir Eric Parker; T-Makoto Saito. *1/2 to Eradicate (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), SW-Eng, GSP-Fr, \$362,418; and Oh Goodness Me (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Ire, \$202,824. **€500,000 Ylg '14 ARAAUG.

WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRE

IN JAPAN:

Musee Leviathan (Jpn), c, 3, Intense Focus--Scandal Sheet (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Tokyo, 6-19, Novice Race, 8f. Lifetime Record: 11-1-1-3, \$125,714. O-Hajime Sakamoto; B-Shuko Mizukami; T-Yoichi Kuroiwa. *€100,000 i/u '12 GONNOV; ¥31,000,000 Ylg '14 JRHAJUL.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

Son of Pierro Stars at Inglis Day Two Cont. from p1

“There is no doubt that this is the best collection of weanlings ever offered for sale in Victoria,” said Inglis Victorian Bloodstock Manager Simon Vivian. “We have been privileged to catalogue a



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fantastic draft of youngsters and this led to unprecedented interest from buyers. The old line of 'if you build it, they will come' was evident from inspections early in the week.” Vivian continued, “This Great Southern Weanling Sale was built on

quality individuals with good pedigrees being professionally presented by our vendors. The buyers came and were obviously pleased with the product on offer.”

The sale topper was one of three colts purchased over the two days by the Ampulla Lodge/Ascot Farm partnership and Ascot’s Bruce Harvey said, “He was the one [lot 792] I wanted. We’ve had success buying off John [Kenneally] in the past, turning a Flying Spur colt from A\$240,000 into A\$850,000, and both us and Ampulla are big fans of Pierro. We both bid on Pierro himself as a weanling, we’ve tried hard on his progeny at the weanling sales this year and I’m rapt to secure this colt. Last year we identified opportunities at the top end of the market and our aim has been to buy mature colts high on pedigree ratings, and this colt completely fitted the brief.”

Demand for weanlings by first-season sires continued into the second day with a colt by G1 Melbourne Cup winner Fiorente (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}) selling for A\$160,000 to Prima Park/Waterford Bloodstock. The colt, [lot 252](#), consigned by Stonehouse Thoroughbreds, is out of stakes performer Fiammarosa (Aus) (Danehill), herself the dam of a stakes performer in Parachute Man (Aus) (High Chaparral {Ire}). The final lot of the Platinum Session also created plenty of buzz in the sale ring, with Two Bays Farm-consigned [lot 794](#), a colt by Epaulette (Aus) (Commmands {Aus}), went for A\$140,000 to Paul Willetts.

The top price achieved for a filly was for [lot 288](#), a daughter of Hinchinbrook (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) offered by Shadwell Farm and purchased by Inglis, as agent for A\$125,000.

First season stallion Unencumbered (Aus) (Testa Rossa {Aus}) is also making a good impression, with one of his sons, [lot 159](#), selling for A\$87,500 to Wattle Grove Thoroughbreds. The stallion stands at Three Bridges Thoroughbreds, whose Toby Liston commented, “It’s always great when the market believes



International bloodstock agents Paul Moroney and Gary Mudgway in conversation at Inglis | Inglis

in your stallion, so it's fair to say that we went to bed last night very pleased with the response from all buyers from all corners of Australia. He is leaving correct, sound and tough looking horses, just like Unencumbered himself, so there are some exciting times ahead.”

Day Three of the sale starts at 10:00 a.m. local time on Tuesday, when a selection of Broodmares, Stallions and Stallion Shares are on offer.

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SESSION TOPPERS

INGLIS GREAT SOUTHERN WEANLING SALE-- SESSION TWO TOP LOTS

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (A\$)
792	c	Pierro (Aus)	Call Me Pretty	210,000
		<i>B-Mr P O'Brien, Shane McGrath, Nicola Chu (NSW)</i>		
		Consigned by Erinvale Thoroughbreds		
		Purchased by Ampulla Lodge/Ascot Lodge		
252	c	Fiorente (Ire)	Fiammarosa (Aus)	160,000
		<i>B-Grange Thoroughbreds (VIC)</i>		
		Consigned by Stonehouse Thoroughbreds		
		Purchased by Prima Park/Waterford Bloodstock		



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CUMULATIVE	2016	2015
• Catalogued	416	369
• No. Offered	371	339
• No. Sold	314	285
• RNAs	57	54
• % RNAs	15%	16%
• High Price	A\$210,000	A\$300,000
• Gross	A\$7,932,200	A\$5,363,200
• Average (% change)	A\$25,101 (+33%)	A\$18,818

- 794 c **Epaulette (Aus)** **Loading Zone (Aus)** **140,000**
B-Two Bays Farm (VIC)
 Consigned by Two Bays Farm
 Purchased by Paul Willetts Bloodstock Consultancy
- 288 f **Hinchinbrook (Aus)** **Isola (Aus)** **125,000**
B-Etak Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd (NSW)
 Consigned by Shadwell Farm
 Purchased by Inglis, As Agent

‘RUPEE’ TARGETS SPRING CAMPAIGN

Lankan Rupee (Aus) (Redoute’s Choice {Aus}), Australian Horse of the Year during the 2014-2015 season, as well as champion sprinter and older horse that same year, is on the recovery trail and trainer Mick Price is hopeful the five-time Group 1 winner could return in time for the G1 Darley Classic S. Nov. 5, *racenet.com* reported Monday. Last seen taking third in the G2 Schillaci S. at Caulfield in October of 2015, Lankan Rupee is recovering from hock surgery.

“We’re just giving him a month on green grass now because he’s been boxed and doing all that rehab,” Price told radio station RSN Monday. “I’m not sure if we can make the Schillaci [Oct. 6] into the Darley [Nov. 5], or whether he goes into the Darley first-up. But he’s got about three more weeks in the paddock and then we’ll start a longer slower, careful prep. If he gets one run or two runs [this spring] good. If not, he’ll be cherry ripe for the autumn, hopefully.”

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MELBOURNE CUP GOAL FOR COMMISSIONED

Commissioned (Ire) (Authorized {Ire}), a winner of Royal Ascot’s Queen Alexandra S., is targeting the 3200-metre G1 Melbourne Cup Nov. 1, according to connections. Purchased for €65,000 at the Tattersalls Ireland Sale out of Godolphin chief executive and racing manager John Ferguson’s Bloomfields



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dispersal by Nick Bradley in April, the Gordon Elliott trainee will not line up in Saturday’s Northumberland Plate at Newcastle.

“When I went to the sale, he was the horse I wanted to buy,” commented Bradley. “I

paid a bit more than I wanted to for him, but it’s been a few years since I’ve been as excited about a horse as I was about him. Saturday was obviously a great day and hopefully there’s a lot to look forward to.”

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Bradley continued, “We had him in the [Northumberland] Plate [June 25], but Gordon just wanted to give him 10 days on the easy list. The [G2] Goodwood Cup [July 28] is a possibility, or we could go to York for either the Ebor or the [G2] Lonsdale Cup [Aug. 19], but the Melbourne Cup is Plan A. He won’t be going back over hurdles. He doesn’t look like a hurdler to me.”

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LEADING SIRES IN JAPAN As of May 31, 2016

Rank	Stallion	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings (¥)
1	Deep Impact	98	135	3,406,302,000
2	King Kamehameha	127	178	2,270,932,000
3	Daiwa Major	105	139	1,285,254,500
4	Heart’s Cry	85	130	1,149,874,500
5	Stay Gold	100	142	1,129,257,500
6	Kurofune (USA)	108	161	909,434,000
7	Gold Allure	92	134	830,900,000
8	Manhattan Cafe	74	108	815,630,500
9	Zenno Rob Roy	85	115	812,701,000
10	Neo Universe	65	91	714,034,500