

YEARLING SALES SEASON: EARLY RETURNS



Yearlings on the Fasig-Tipton grounds last week | Fasig-Tipton photo

by Bill Oppenheim

In 2015, the three Fasig-Tipton sales which kick off the North American yearling sale market had a total of 825 yearlings catalogued, of which 532 (64.4%) were listed as sales, totaling \$81,636,000 (see the Weekly Sales Ticker), and averaging \$153,451. The three sales comprised a little over 10% of the number catalogued (7,907) and sold (5,094), and about 20% of 2015 North American yearling revenues of \$412,337,600.

We're only just underway with the 2016 yearling sales, but these first three Fasig-Tipton yearling sales are clearly an important first section of the North American yearling market.

In comparison with 2015, the three sales are down by single digits in three important categories: the number sold was down 3%, from 532 to 516; the gross was down 8%, from \$81,636,000 to \$74,999,000 (couldn't somebody have bid another \$1,000?); and the average was down 5%, from \$153,451 over the three sales, to \$145,346. As the number catalogued was up by 9%, from 825 to 905, the clearance rate from the catalogues dropped by 7.4%, from 64.4% in 2015 to 57.0% in 2016. That's not a figure you like to see, though the specifics are that 80 more horses were catalogued among the three sales, and 16 fewer horses were sold.

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BEHOLDER PUTS IN FINAL PAC CLASSIC WORK

Three-time champion **Beholder** (Henny Hughes) put in her final breeze ahead of her attempt to defend her title in this Saturday's GI Pacific Classic Tuesday morning at Del Mar. The meet's centerpiece is a "Win and You're In" event for the GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Santa Anita Nov. 5.

With regular exercise rider Janeen Painter in the irons, the Spendthrift Farm runner was among the first to hit the track at 6:30 following the first renovation break on a very foggy morning. Jogging with a pony, she broke off at the half-mile pole and the clockers, who had a hard time seeing through the fog, gave her a final time of :47 flat (2/22) for four furlongs.

"We just couldn't get any splits because of the fog," said clocker Toby Turrell. "But we think our time was pretty close. We [there were four clockers working Tuesday morning] all agreed that it rated a 'B' for breezing. She was well within herself." **Cont. p5**

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Read all about it. The Todd Pletcher barn (left) and Leah Gyarmati (right) catch up on all the latest news in the TDN between sets on a busy morning. Look for the Keeneland golf cart delivering the TDN every day of the Saratoga meet. | Alexa Reisfield

BUZZER CASE LANGUISHES IN TX COURT SYSTEM RR1

It's taken the State of Texas 19 months to attempt to convict jockey Roman Chapa--suspended for allegedly using an electrical shocking device on a horse--on dual felony charges, and the case was extended another two months after a rescheduling of dates Tuesday.

TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

EDT	Race	Click for	TV
9:30a	Tattersalls Acomb S.-G3, YOR	-----	----
10:05a	Betway Great Voltigeur S.-G2, YOR	-----	----
10:40a	Juddmonte International S.-G1, YOR	-----	----
8:10p	Rancho Bernardo H.-GIII, DMR	TJCIS PPs	TVG



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Early Returns (cont. from p1)

The decline in comparison to last year's sales is somewhat mitigated by the fact that last year's three-sale Fasig market had seen big jumps in two important categories in 2015: last year, the

number sold in the three sales was up by 17% from 2014, as 532 yearlings sold last year, 80 more than the 452 sold in 2014; and the \$81,636,000 gross last year was 30% higher--over \$19-million--than the \$62,546,000 gross in 2014.

The 2015 average was also up by 10%, from \$138,376 to \$153,471. Even after the single-digit declines this year, in comparison to 2014 the three sales had 21% more horses

catalogued and 14% more yearlings sold; the gross was up 20%, from \$62.5-million to just under \$75-million; and the average was up 5% compared to 2014, from \$138,376 to \$145,346. So



Fasig-Tipton photo

it's not as though the North American market is collapsing, though, as we said after Fasig July, it's tough sledding.

As noted last week after the main Saratoga sale, three North American sires have averaged over \$500,000 so far. Gainesway's **Tapit** leads the way with a \$687,500 average from 10 sold ([click here](#)); Darley's **Medaglia d'Oro** has had six sell, for an average of \$609,166; and Claiborne's **War Front** has just had two sell, but they've averaged \$555,000. Tapit has 45 yearlings catalogued

for Keeneland September Book 1; Medaglia d'Oro has 40 and War Front 31, so among the three, they've had a total of 18 sell so far, with another 116 catalogued among the three of them for Keeneland Book 1. Adena Springs's **Ghostzapper** (\$395,000) comes next, followed by WinStar's **Speightstown** (\$312,857) Darley's **Bernardini** (\$295,000), and Coolmore Ashford's **Giant's Causeway** (\$267,500). Rounding out the top 10 by North American yearling average so far are three sires who started out

for a lot lower stud fees than they stand for (or would have stood for) now: Coolmore Ashford's **Scat Daddy** stood for

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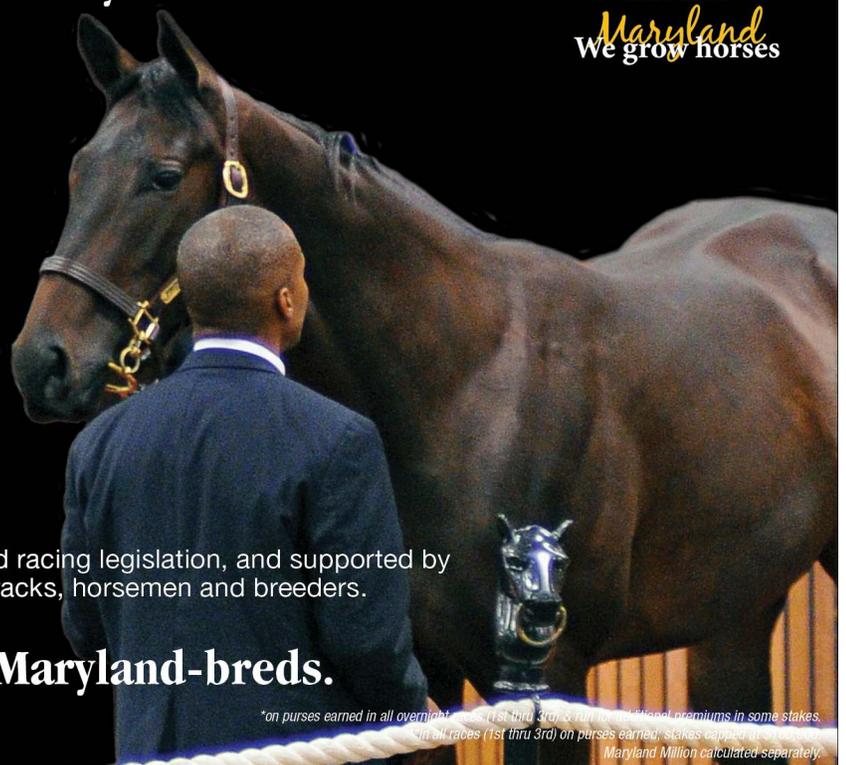
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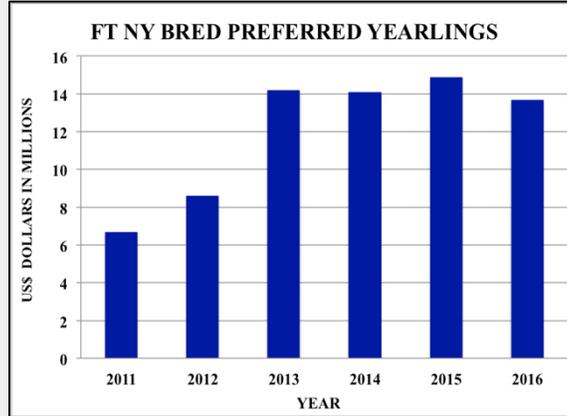


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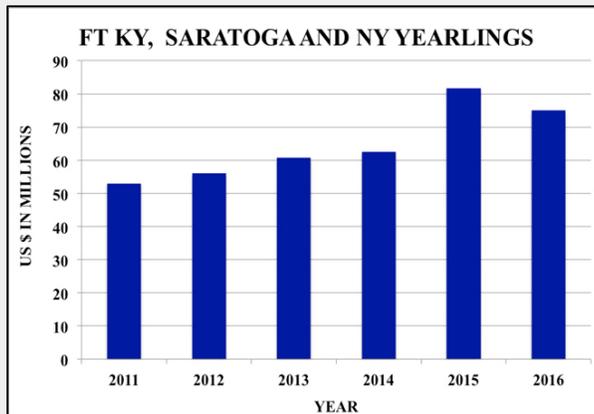
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“The theme has been consistent through the first three major North American yearling sales of the season, all staged by Fasig-Tipton: single-digit declines from 2015, though still constituting double-digit increases, in two of the three key metrics, compared to the same three sales in 2014 (see column). The clearance rate from the catalogue dipped 6% at the New York-bred sale; the gross was off by 8%, the average off by 6%. The 3-sale total: clearance rate down 7.5% from 2015 (down 3.7% from 2014); gross down 8% (but still up 20% from 2014); average down 5% (but up 5% from 2014).”



FASIG-TIPTON NY-BRED PREFERRED

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% W/D	% S/R	% S/C	GROSS	AVE
2016	306	263	177	14.1%	67.3%	57.8%	\$ 13,672,500	\$ 77,246
2015	284	252	182	11.3%	72.2%	64.1%	\$ 14,879,500	\$ 81,755
2014	315	272	176	13.7%	64.7%	55.9%	\$ 14,099,000	\$ 80,108
2013	298	263	196	11.7%	74.5%	74.5%	\$ 14,206,000	\$ 72,480
2012	259	223	138	13.9%	61.9%	53.3%	\$ 8,632,000	\$ 62,551
2011	214	183	124	14.5%	67.8%	57.9%	\$ 6,725,500	\$ 54,238



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YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% W/D	% S/R	% S/C	GROSS	AVE
2016	905	759	516	16.1%	68.0%	57.0%	\$ 74,999,000	\$ 145,347
2015	825	711	532	13.8%	74.8%	64.5%	\$ 81,639,500	\$ 153,458
2014	745	653	452	12.3%	69.2%	60.7%	\$ 62,636,000	\$ 138,575
2013	708	622	467	12.1%	75.1%	66.0%	\$ 60,711,000	\$ 130,002
2012	786	668	434	15.0%	65.0%	55.2%	\$ 55,996,000	\$ 129,023
2011	677	576	418	14.9%	72.6%	61.7%	\$ 52,966,500	\$ 126,714

\$30,000 in 2014 and has averaged \$267,001 so far (12 sold), while the same farm's **Uncle Mo** has already had 22 yearlings sell for an average of \$254,909, off a \$27,500 stud fee. WinStar's **Pioneer of the Nile** stood for \$20,000 in 2014; his eight yearlings sold so far have averaged \$242,875. These 10 sires have had 70 yearlings sell so far; in Keeneland Book 1 alone they have another 271 catalogued--an average of 27 each.

Among sires whose first yearlings are selling this year (F2015 sires, first foals 2015), five have so far notched up averages over



Orb | *Brittlan Wall*

\$140,000: Claiborne's 2013 GI Kentucky Derby winner **Orb** (Malibu Moon) has had eight yearlings average \$183,125 ([click here](#)), and has 11 more

catalogued in Book 1. Calumet's 2013 GI Preakness winner

Oxbow (Awesome Again) has been impressing the judges so

far, and has also had eight sell, for an average of \$163,125.

Coolmore Ashford's champion 2012 2-year-old **Shanghai Bobby** (Harlan's Holiday) has had 13 average \$159,076, while Darley's GI Kentucky Derby and G1 Dubai World Cup winner **Animal Kingdom** (Leroidesanimaux) has had four average \$156,250.

WinStar's **Paynter**, the 2012 GI Haskell winner, is a true three-quarter brother to Oxbow, the two being by Awesome Again out of full sisters (who are also full sisters to Tiznow). Paynter has had eight yearlings average \$147,500 so far. The top first-year prospects are not so prominent in Keeneland Book 1: besides Orb's 11, Animal Kingdom has nine catalogued, and Shanghai Bobby four, but the aforementioned three-quarter brothers will not be making their Keeneland appearances until Book 2.

ARQANA AUGUST: Tuesday will be in the books by the time you read this, and the v.2 sale is today, but the two big days (evenings) were Sunday-Monday. With one more catalogued than last year (189-188), they had 10% more sell (140-127), which lifted the clearance rate from the catalogue to 74.0% from 67.5% last year. So that's a positive. Otherwise, though, the results read a lot like those for the three Fasig sales: Arqana Sunday-Monday was down 5% in gross and 14% in average; Fasig's three sales were down 8% in



Arqana Sales Grounds | *Zuzanna Lupa*

gross and 5% in average. The cast of buyers was mostly different, but the results were pretty similar. Coolmore's World Number One, **Galileo**, had the €1.4-million sale-topper and has

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now edged in front of Tapit with four yearlings having averaged \$721,902. Juddmonte's **Frankel** has had 10 sell, for an average of \$474,194, followed by the Irish National Stud's **Invincible Spirit** (8, \$375,355); Juddmonte's **Dansili** (3, \$373,078); and La Cauviniere's **Le Havre** (2, \$368,379), considering only sires with two or more sold. As you know, we routinely convert sales figures to US\$ dollars, and one thing we'll have to be thinking about this year is the 20% fall in sterling from this time a year ago. This is great for people buying in sterling (starting next week in Doncaster, a/k/a Goffs UK) or guineas, but is something we'll have to keep in mind as the sale season progresses, since sires which average the same as last year in sterling/guineas will be averaging 20% less in dollars.

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Beholder Puts in Final Pac Classic Work

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Trainer Richard Mandella, who watched the work from the Del Mar grandstand, said he caught Beholder in :12 from the eighth pole to the wire and had her galloping out to the seven-eighths pole in :25 1/5. The Hall of Famer disagreed with the clocker's time.

"I don't think she did any :47 this morning," Mandella said. "Maybe :48 or even :49. But they're going to put what they want to put. It's fine with me."

As for his thoughts on the work, Mandella remarked, "We didn't want to do anything special with her this morning. We just wanted to stretch her legs a little bit. She's done well with easy works in front of her races in the past. I told Janeen she could break her off from the half, the three [furlong pole] or the

quarter [mile pole] and work her a half from wherever. I just didn't want another horse buzzing her and stirring her up. I said just find a quiet spot and go. It worked out perfect."

Painter, who has worked for Mandella since 1998, was very impressed with the Beholder's work, saying, "Oh boy. Oh man," when Mandella asked for her thoughts.

Beholder put in what is arguably the most impressive performance of her career when defeating males in last year's Pacific Classic, but will face a tougher assignment this time around with the likes of 2014 Horse of the Year California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit) and MGISW "TDN Rising Star" Dortmund (Big Brown) signed on. An impressive winner of the GIII Adoration S. and GI Vanity Mile earlier this term, the two-time Breeders' Cup winner was last seen finishing second to fellow Eclipse Winner Stellar Wind (Curlin) in the GI Clement L. Hirsch S. July 30.



Beholder | Zoe Metz

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Wednesday, Del Mar, post time: 8:03 p.m. EDT

RANCHO BERNARDO H.-GIII, \$100,000, f/m, 3yo/up, 6f

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Lost Bus	Bring the Heat	Perez	Sherlock	8-1
2 Tara's Tango	Unbridled's Song	Garcia	Hollendorfer	3-1
3 Sensitively 🐾	Street Sense	Baze	D'Amato	2-1
4 Enchanting Lady 🐾	Tale of the Cat	Bejarano	Baffert	7-2
5 Pretty N Cool 🐾	Scat Daddy	Smith	Baffert	5-2
6 Coniah	Harlington	Van Dyke	Morey	15-1

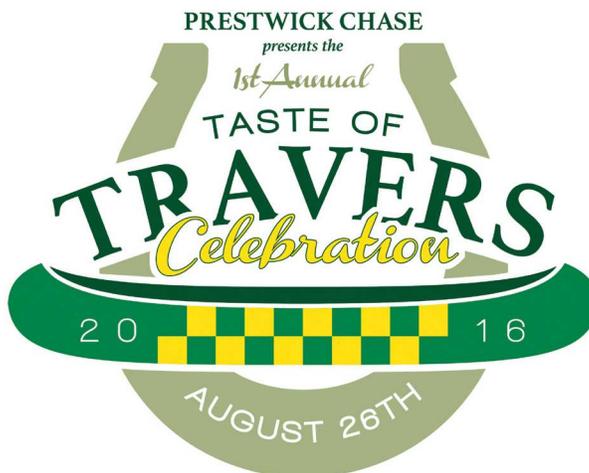
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Saturday, Northlands Park, post time: 9:45 p.m. EDT

CANADIAN DERBY-GIII, C\$150,000, 3yo, 1 3/8m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1 Hold the Giant 🐾	Hold Me Back	Olguin	Rycroft	122
2 Sorryaboutnothing	Repent	Lopez	Taylor	122
3 B C Charlie	Rosberg	White Shield	MacPherson	122
4 Law Master 🐾	Ready's Image	Balgobin	Saunders	122
5 Access This	City Zip	Hamel	Russell	122
6 Ruck	Lookin At Lucky	Moreno	Baker	122
7 The Accuser 🐾	Flower Alley	Bynoe	Chabot	122
8 Ready Intaglio 🐾	Indygo Shiner	Muir	Meygaard	122
9 Lord Vancouver	Teide	Araujo	Hall	122
10 Northernlocomotive	Alphabet Soup	Martin	Petrowski	122
11 Solve 🐾	Flatter	Nelson	Diodoro	122
12 Inside Straight 🐾	Super Saver	Walcott	Diodoro	122
13 Perfect Gent	Perfect Soul (Ire)	Martin	Robertson	122
14 Warden of the West 🐾	Street Sense	Hamel	Russell	122

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BUZZER CASE LANGUISHES IN TEXAS COURT SYSTEM by T.D. Thornton

It took jockey Roman Chapa only a fraction of a second to be captured in a finish-line photograph that allegedly showed him palming an illegal electrical horse shocking device while winning a stakes race at Sam Houston Race Park (SHRP) Jan. 17, 2015.

But it's taken the State of Texas 19 months to attempt to convict the 45-year-old suspended rider on dual felony charges of "unlawful influence on racing" and making "false statements" to a peace officer who conducted the investigation into the case.

During that time frame, according to records posted online by the Harris County District Court, various pre-trial proceedings have been reset on at least six occasions at the request of the defense.

That time frame was just extended two months longer Aug. 16. Chapa's "false statements" jury trial was on the 176th Criminal Court docket to commence Tuesday morning, but was determined to have been listed only due to a clerical error. It will be rescheduled for October in conjunction with the "unlawful influence on racing" charges, court clerk Mindy Ochsner told TDN.

Donald Ervin, who is at least the third different defense attorney retained by Chapa since he was charged, did not respond to a Tuesday voicemail requesting comment prior to deadline for this story.

According to probable cause paperwork filed by Texas Department of Safety peace officer Jeffrey Green, Chapa essentially implicated himself by contacting the track photographer the day after his stakes win, demanding the removal of what appeared to be a fairly standard inside-rail photograph from the SHRP website because it was a "bad" picture.

The track photographer initially told Chapa he had no idea what the jockey was talking about. But upon closer inspection, an enlarged portion of that photograph revealed what appears to be a tan, palm-sized device with protruding prongs in Chapa's partially closed left hand where the underside of his fist meets the reins.

On Jan. 19, 2015, Green interviewed Chapa after being contacted by the SHRP security department. "I showed the defendant the photograph of the defendant holding the machine in the defendant's left hand...The defendant immediately stated that the photograph had been photo-shopped and someone was trying to frame him," Green wrote.

The "false statements" charge stemmed from Green's allegation that Chapa had lied to him when he denied contacting the photographer about deleting the image, a copy of which Green also found on Chapa's mobile phone.

Although free from jail on a \$10,000 bond while awaiting trial, Chapa remains suspended by the Texas Racing Commission (TRC), which ruled against him for carrying the shocking device within eight weeks of the infraction.

Robert Elrod, the TRC public information officer, confirmed in a Monday email that Chapa has lost his riding license through Jan. 18, 2020, and has not paid any portion of the \$100,000 fine the TRC levied against him--believed to be one of the largest monetary sanctions against a jockey in United States racing history.

Previously, Chapa was suspended in both Texas (1993) and New Mexico (2007) for attempting to frighten a racehorse into running faster with an illicit object.

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BOLTON LANDING S., \$100,000, 2yo, f, 5 1/2fT

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1	Big City Dreamin	Iqbaal	Ortiz, Jr	Brown	2-1
2	Con Te Partiro	Scat Daddy	Velazquez	Ward	8-1
3	Made Me Shiver*	Maclean's Music	No Rider	Asmussen	9-5
4	Inspired Flight	Oriente	Lynch	Schoenthal	20-1
5	Truthful	Bodemeister	Geroux	Asmussen	8-1
6	Jazz Lady	Mizzen Mast	Saez	Calhoun	12-1
7	Lull	War Front	Franco	Clement	5-2
8	Heartspoke	Arch	Baird	Rivelli	6-1
9	China Grove	City Zip	Ortiz	Colebrook	6-1
10	Kissin Cassie	High Cotton	Davis	Barker	30-1

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3rd-SAR, \$73K, Msw (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 2:06 p.m. EDT

Fresh off an exceptional Saturday at Arlington, trainer Chad Brown fields Klaravich Stables Inc. and William H. Lawrence's **CASHCONSIDERATIONS (Super Saver)** in this unveiling. A half-sister to GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. hero Sean Avery (Cherokee Run), the \$230,000 KESEP yearling's SP half-sister has already produced MGSW & GISP Pretty N Cool (Scat Daddy). **TJCS PPs**

Insights Cont.

3rd-DMR, \$68K, Alw/OC (\$62K), 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, 6:09 p.m. EDT

TOURNY (Fr) (Country Reel) makes her U.S. debut in the colors of Hronis Racing LLC for trainer John Sadler. A former Pascal Bary trainee, the turf speedster captured the 2015 G3 Prix de Cabourg-Jockey Club de Turquie at Deauville last August one start prior to a third-place finish in the G1 Darley Prix Morny at the end of that month. She made her final start for owners G. Augustin-Normand and Ms. E. Vidal with a second in the G3 Prix Eclipse at Chantilly Sept. 21 and has been working steadily over the local turf course, including a three-panel move in :36 2/5 (1/2) Aug. 14. Tourny, a full to French SW Make It Reel (Fr), receives first-time Lasix. [TJCIS PPs](#) --Heather Anderson

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EASTERN U.S.

CANTER-PA Offers Free Listing Service to Presque Isle:

CANTER-Pennsylvania (CPA) is now offering its nationally-recognized racehorse identification service to horsemen at Presque Isle Downs effective immediately, it was announced Tuesday. Volunteers are visiting Presque Isle Downs to offer free sales listings that include a photo, a description and contact information to trainers and owners looking to move their ex-racehorses onto second careers.

"Offering our listing service to Presque Isle Downs is a natural extension of our commitment to support the Pennsylvania horse racing community," said Sue Smith, executive director, CANTER Pennsylvania. "It is our goal to create awareness of the athletic ability and versatility of these fabulous horses. With training they can easily move into a variety of second careers."

In addition, the horse buying public will be invited to the Presque Isle Downs 'End of Meet Showcase' Oct. 1, 2016. During this event, prospective buyers will be able to view all available horses prior to the conclusion of the race meet.

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CENTRAL U.S.

Tuesday's Results:

1st-IND, \$43,520, Alw, 8-16, (NW2L), 2yo, 6f, 1:11.27, sy.
DISCREET PROSPECT (g, 2, Discreetly Mine--Nightly Ritual {SW, \$164,805}, by Crown Ambassador), a narrow debut winner in stalking fashion over a furlong shorter here July 2, arrowed directly to an uncontested lead and splashed through splits of :22.49 and :46.16. Tackled by foes to either side as the field turned into the lane, the 9-2 second choice found more and skipped home to win by 3 1/2 lengths over the rallying Sobrino (Successful Appeal). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$48,960. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**

O/B-Fred D. & Neil McCrary Neil (IN); T-Joseph D. Davis.

7th-IND, \$39,680, Msw, 8-16, 2yo, f, 5f (off turf), :58.85, sy.
+RUNAWAY ROSIE (f, 2, [Run Away and Hide](#)--Apleasantnight, by Pleasant Tap), one of the least fancied entrants at 17-1 in this off-the-turfer, seized command from the bell, set an uncontested pace through splits of :22.05 and :45.88 and never looked back, winning by 2 1/2 lengths over Blaze Star (Archarcharch). The winner is a half to Mary N' Eileen (Indy King), MSW, \$228,979. Apleasantnight was covered by Girolamo this term. Sales history: \$10,000 RNA Ylg '15 FTKJUL. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$26,880. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**
O-Marion F. Gorham; B-Joe & Jim Dodgen (IN); T-Robert M. Gorham.

4th-IND, \$34,000, (S), Msw, 8-16, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:12.49, sy.
+OH SO THIRSTY (f, 2, [Stay Thirsty](#)--Lacie Girl {MSW & GSP, \$314,390}, by Editor's Note), sent off at 7-1 in this career bow, was part of the early pace discussion and eventually settled in a three wide perch just behind the dueling leaders. Making her bid for the lead after a half-mile in :46.08, she fanned four deep for the stretch drive. A furlong out, Oh So Thirsty proved gamest in a three-way battle for command, before edging clear to win by a neck. It was tight for second, with Fran's Ransom (Regal Ransom) completing the exacta by a head over Bossbossboss (Street Boss). Oh So Thirsty becomes the seventh winner for her freshman sire (by Bernardini). The winner is a half to Lacie Slew (Mineshaft), SW, \$259,642; and Prettypriceygirl (Scat Daddy), SW, \$231,030. Lacie Girl, who placed second in the GIII Rancho Bernardo H. during her racing days, foaled a colt by Horse Greeley in 2015. Sales history: \$40,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**
O-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Robert Gorham & Mast Thoroughbreds LLC (IN); T-Robert M. Gorham.

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5th-IND, \$32,000, Msw, 8-16, 3, 4, /5yo, f/m, 6f, 1:10.18, sy.
+BELLA BAILAR (f, 3, [Macho Uno--Dancing Band {GSP, \\$174,615}](#), by Dixieland Band) has been working steadily at Churchill Downs and Keeneland since early May and posted a five-panel drill in 1:01 3/5 (11/28) at the former venue Aug. 8 in preparation for this maiden voyage. Bet down to 3-2, the \$25,000 KEESEP yearling settled in a clear cut second for the backstretch run and took dead aim on the frontrunner as noses pointed toward home. In charge after a half in :44.91, Bella Bailar extended her advantage to win by three lengths. Majestic Island (Majestic Warrior) showed some late interest to be second from out of the clouds. Dancing Band, third in Saratoga's GII Lake Placid S. and a daughter of GIII Bashford Manor S. heroine Miss Ra He Ra (Rahy), has a yearling colt by Broken Vow named Rebel Vow. She was bred back to Orb this spring. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)

O-Double Dip Stables; B-Marianne Stribling (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

 Hip 2812: 1/2-bro by Broken Vow selling at KEESEP with Warrendale

Delta Downs Announces 2016-2017 Stakes Schedule:

Delta Downs's 2016-2017 Thoroughbred stakes schedule will again be highlighted by the \$1 million GIII Delta Downs Jackpot S. Nov. 19--one of 32 stakes events to be held during its 84-day racing season that runs from Oct. 19, 2016 through Mar. 11, 2017. The schedule will offer \$4.6 million in total purse money.

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Mr. Lipton, h, 5, [Medaglia d'Oro--Saywaan](#), by Fusaichi Pegasus. Monterrico, 8-12, Hcp., 1000m, :57.54. B-Shadwell Farm LLC (KY). *\$27,000 Ylg '12 FTKOCT. [VIDEO](#)

IN SOUTH KOREA:

+Shark Manse, c, 2, [Creative Cause](#)--Sharp Needle (GB) (SW, \$118,308), by Mark of Esteem (Ire). Seoul, 8-13, Hcp. (\$55k) 1000m. B-Mike G Rutherford (KY). *\$37,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. *Sixth winner for freshman sire (by Giant's Causeway).

LEGACY GRADUATE

+Ingwangno, f, 2, [Kantharos](#)--Shining Moment (MSW, \$121,880), by Yes It's True. Seoul, 8-14, Hcp. (\$55k), 1200m. B-Ocala Stud (FL). *\$30,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR.

ROOKIES**First-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, August 17**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2013 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

ASTROLOGY (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made Stallions, \$7.5K, 84/5/1

5-IND, Msw 5fT, Sainly Ballad, \$15K RNA OBS APR 2yo, 20-1

BODEMEISTER (Empire Maker), WinStar Farm, \$30K, 131/2/1

9-SAR, \$100K Bolton Landing S., 5 1/2fT, Truthful, 8-1

CALIBRACHOA (Southern Image), Red River Farms, \$2K, 15/0/0

4-LAD, Msw 7 1/2fT, No Plans, 10-1

CROSSBOW (Bernardini), Valor Farm, \$1.5K, 14/0/0

6-RP, Msw 5f, +Crossbow Star, \$34K EAS MAY 2yo, 20-1

DOMINUS (Smart Strike), Spendthrift Farm, \$6.5K, 50/3/0

6-RP, Msw 5f, Cuando Again, \$11K HER OCT yrl, 4-1

HANSEN (Tapit), Ashford Stud, \$12.5K, 102/6/1

5-IND, Msw 5fT, +Hansen's Girl, \$17K RNA OBS OPN 2yo, 5-1

INDIAN FIREWATER (Indian Charlie), Doubletree Farm, \$3K, 25/2/0

1-ALB, Msw 5 1/2f, Indian H Who, 7-2

MACLEAN'S MUSIC (Distorted Humor), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$6.5K, 79/6/0

9-SAR, \$100K Bolton Landing S., 5 1/2fT, Made Me Shiver, \$150K

FTK NOV wnl, 9-5

REDDING COLLIERY (Mineshaft), Red River Farms, \$2K, 34/1/0

4-LAD, Msw 7 1/2fT, Drewmisterio, \$10K BSC YRL yrl, 6-1

SHACKLEFORD (Forestry), Darby Dan Farm, \$20K, 119/6/0

5-TDN, Msw 5 1/2f, +Shack's Harem, 10-1

Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, August 17

*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.

DROSSELMAYER (Distorted Humor), WinStar Farm, \$17.5K, 176/37/1

5-IND, Msw 5fT, +Mother Ginger, \$10K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1

EUROEARS (Langfuhr), JEH Stallion Station-Oklahoma Division, \$3K, 60/11/0

2-RP, Msw 6f, +Showtime Sis, \$11K OKC YRL yrl, 2-1

2-RP, Msw 6f, +Euro K Shotgun, 5-2

GIROLAMO (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$15K, 151/31/3

3-SAR, Msw 6f, +Palladian Bridge, \$8K KEE SEP yrl, 9-2

IQBAAL (Medaglia d'Oro), Ward Ranch, Pvt, 17/6/0

9-SAR, \$100K Bolton Landing S., 5 1/2fT, Big City Dreamin, \$285K

GOF LON 2yo, 2-1

KENNEDY (A.P. Indy), Rockin' Z Ranch, \$3K, 32/4/0

6-RP, Msw 5f, +Baby K, \$2K OKC YRL yrl, 12-1

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

3rd-PID, \$34,440, 8-15, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.92, ft.

CANDID CATHY (m, 6, Rimrod--Last Valentine, by Devil His Due) Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-1, \$84,503. O/T-Jonathan E. Sheppard; B-Derry Meeting Farm & Ashwell Stables (PA). *1/2 to Last Heartbreaker (Sunday Break {Jpn}).

4th-PID, \$28,120, (S), 8-16, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.53, ft.

JEN'S SONG (g, 3, Show Tune--Miss Islander, by Gulch) Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$52,990. O-You See Vee Gee Stable; B-Robert G Rutherford (PA); T-Dale Capuano.

4th-PID, \$27,920, 8-15, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.04, ft.

TACOMA PARK (g, 5, Sky Mesa--Wife Support, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 25-5-3-4, \$82,816. O-Alarcon A Portillo; B-Hickstead Farm (FL); T-Regulo G. Rodriguez. *\$58,000 2yo '13 OBSAPR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Slickly Done, g, 3, **Colonial Colony**--Very Best Trick, by Eckelson. IND, 8-16, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:45.63. B-Arven P. Holden & Jay J. Holden (IN).

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
8/17	GIII Rancho Bernardo H.	DMR
8/19	GII Adirondack S.	SAR
8/20	GI Pacific Classic	DMR
	GI Del Mar Oaks	DMR
	GI Alabama S.	SAR
	GI Fourstardave S.	SAR
	GII Play the King S.	WO
	GII Del Mar H.	DMR
	GIII Monmouth Oaks	MTH
8/21	GIII Canadian Derby	NP
	GII Lake Placid S.	SAR
	GII Sky Classic S.	WO
	GII Del Mar Mile	DMR
	GIII Cliff Hanger S.	MTH
8/27	GI Travers S.	SAR
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Nicolas de Watrigant, buyer of the session's top-priced lot,
a filly by Acclamation | Scoop Dyga

By Emma Berry and Chris McGrath

The sireline may have changed, but the name of Ecurie des Monceaux remained at the head of proceedings on the final day of the August Sale as a well-related filly by Acclamation (GB) ([lot 336](#)) who traces back to Miesque (Nureyev) gained top honours when sold for €320,000.

Nicolas de Watrigant of Mandore International, acting on behalf of an undisclosed Chinese client of Jean-Claude Rouget, signed the ticket for the bay filly who is the first foal of the unraced Wadjet (Ire) (Shamardal), a half-sister to listed winner Wild Wind (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) whose ancestors include a plethora of high-level winners, not least Kingmambo, Karakontie (Jpn), Rumpelstiltskin (Ire) and Tapestry (Ire).

"She's a beautiful filly from the superb family of Miesque and she looks like a racehorse," offered the agent, who a little earlier had given €140,000 for a daughter of Motivator (GB) on behalf of the same owner. [Lot 315](#) is out of an Anabaa half-sister to the dual Group 2 winner Silver Pond (Fr) (Act One {GB}) and was bred by Haras du Quesnay.

As the sun set on another successful August Sale held during a roasting few days in Deauville, Arqana President Eric Hoyeau reflected on the consolidation of last year's stellar returns, which were always going to be hard to match--especially given the 2015 top price of €2.6-million compared to €1.4-million for Monday night's Galileo (Ire) filly.

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POSTPONED BACK ON SCHEDULE

Denied a bid for a repeat success in last month's G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S., Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum's **Postponed (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) faces an altogether different question on Wednesday as he tackles the G1 Juddmonte International at York. Without a win over this 10-furlong trip and dropping back from a mile-and-a-half for the first time since last May's G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup in which he was third, the impressive Mar. 26 G1 Dubai Sheema Classic and June 4 G1 Coronation Cup hero has to show the versatility here that marks out all champions. "This year he has traveled very strongly in his races and, most importantly, Andrea [Atzeni], who gets a number one feel of the horse, thinks he will handle himself down in trip very comfortably," trainer Roger Varian said of the 5-year-old, who suffered a respiratory infection prior to the Ascot feature. [Cont. p2](#)

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“He’s been training well over the last few weeks, looks great and seems right back to himself. Postponed is a big 5-year-old with a good constitution and he looks to have recovered quicker than some. He’s in his prime and one of the best around.”

While Postponed has yet to demonstrate the kind of speed required for this race, Godolphin’s **Hawkbill** (Kitten’s Joy) is highly effective at the trip, as he proved when beating the subsequent G1 Sussex S. winner The Gurkha (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. at Sandown last time July 2. He bids to emulate Giant’s Causeway and Sea the Stars (Ire) in completing the Eclipse-International double as a 3-year-old, and John Ferguson believes he has the right material to do so. “The great thing about it is it’s a mile-and-a-quarter, which we know he loves,” he said. “He’s very flexible as far as ground conditions are



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concerned. And although he is taking on some of the best mile-and-a-quarter horses in Europe, we believe he deserves to be there. Charlie [Appleby] is very happy with him. He is a horse that’s maturing mentally all the time. They’ve done a great job with him and I think he will run well.”

Aidan O’Brien currently shares the record of five successes with Sir Michael Stoute and he is represented by the King George first and fourth **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Sir Isaac Newton (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}). The former beat the re-opposing **Wings of Desire (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) by 1 1/4 lengths when making all in the July 23 Ascot showpiece, as he had in last year’s G1 Secretariat S., and this track is perfect for those tactics.

“Highland Reel is in good form and we’ve been very happy with him since Ascot,” the Ballydoyle trainer commented. “Sir Isaac Newton is a horse that we think is still progressing. He had a lovely run in the King George and we’ve been happy with him since.”

Stoute has two lively outsiders engaged in Ballymacoll’s **Arab Spring (Ire)** (Monsun {Ger}), who was third on his belated seasonal bow in the G3 Rose of Lancaster S. at Haydock 11 days ago, and Khalid Abdullah’s **Exosphere (GB)** (Beat Hollow {GB}), who was also in that position in the G2 Princess of Wales’s S. at Newmarket July 7.

“We are putting [Exosphere] back to a mile- and-a-quarter and hopefully it will suit him,” the trainer said. “It’s a tough race, but we are going to throw our hat in the ring.”

Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum’s **Mutakayyef (GB)** (Sea the Stars {Ire}) is back up in trip after winning a decent renewal of the G2 Summer Mile at Ascot July 9, and racing manager Angus Gold is happy that he can transfer his renewed vigour over this longer



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distance. “I think this is a learning curve as much for us as it is for everyone else,” he explained. “I’m pretty confident the trip won’t be a problem. He looked like staying the mile-and-a-quarter last year and that was before he was gelded and he started finding his form. William was quite keen to supplement him for the Sussex at Goodwood and stay at a mile, but Sheikh Hamdan had Awtaad in that and he decided we’d wait and go for the Juddmonte. He’s a horse that’s improved a lot this year, both physically and mentally, and York will tell us a lot more. I’m looking forward to seeing him run, as he’s now performing like the decent horse William always thought he was.”

The Grey Gatsby (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) was second in this in 2014 and third last year, having won the G2 Dante S. over the same course and distance, and at last has his favoured fast ground.

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Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 3.40 p.m.

JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL S.-G1, £963,750, 3yo/up, 10f 88yT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	9	Almodovar (Ire)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Baker	Lanigan
2	1	Arab Spring (Ire)	Monsun (Ger)	Spencer	Stoute
3	5	Dariyan (Fr)	Shamardal	Soumillon	Royer-Dupre
4	2	Exosphere (GB)	Beat Hollow (GB)	Smullen	Stoute
5	3	Highland Reel (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien
6	11	King Bolete (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Mitchell	Varian
7	8	Mutakayyef (GB)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Hanagan	Haggas
8	7	My Dream Boat (Ire)	Lord Shanakill	Scr	Scr
9	6	Postponed (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Atzeni	Varian
10	4	Sir Isaac Newton (GB)	Galileo (Ire)	O'Donoghue	A O'Brien
11	10	The Grey Gatsby (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Tudhope	K Ryan
12	13	Hawkbill	Kitten's Joy	Buick	Appleby
13	12	Wings of Desire (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Dettori	Gosden

All carry 132 pounds bar Hawkbill & Wings of Desire, 124.

Black-Type Previews cont.

EYES ON IDAHO

With the St Leger looming on the horizon, Michael Tabor’s ‘TDN Rising Star’ Idaho (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) takes to York on Wednesday to cement his claims for the oldest Classic in the G2 Betway Great Voltigeur S. Third in the G1 Epsom Derby June 4 and runner-up in the Irish equivalent at The Curragh three weeks later, he sets the standard on both pieces of form but



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particularly on the latter, where he was just a half-length behind Harzand (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}). “He’s in good form. He’s had a good break since the Irish Derby and is just ready to start again,”

Aidan O’Brien said. “He should improve plenty for the run.”

Also from Ballydoyle is the July 7 G3 Bahrain Trophy winner Housesofparliament (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and the July 27 G3 Gordon S. runner-up The Major General (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). “He’s a very solid horse and is in good shape,” O’Brien said of the former. “He had a good run in Newmarket. He stays well and handles good ground.” Of The Major General, the trainer added, “He’s in good form. He had a very good run in Goodwood and we think he is a horse that is still progressing.”

Forced to shoulder a three-pound penalty for his success in the G2 King Edward VII S. at Royal Ascot June 17, Saeed Suhail’s Across the Stars (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) is up against it on these terms but is a colt on the upgrade under the tutelage of seven-times Voltigeur winning trainer Sir Michael Stoute. “He is in good form. I hate running him with that penalty, but it’s a race for him at this stage because I wanted to give him a good break after the King Edward,” he said, while the owner’s racing manager Bruce Raymond added, “It was a bit of a relief to see him win at Ascot after everything went wrong in the Derby. It would be wrong to say that Michael was confident, but he thought he would go very close. He was certainly more confident than I was, though. He’s working better than ever and has done well physically. You’d think he should be first or second on form. He’s in the St Leger, but we’ll see what happens here first.”

Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 3.05 p.m.

BETWAY GREAT VOLTIGEUR S.-G2, £160,000, 3yo, 12ft

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	5	Across The Stars (Ire)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Dettori	Stoute
2	3	Harrison (GB)	Sixties Icon (GB)	Atzeni	Channon
3	6	Housesofparliament (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Spencer	A O’Brien
4	2	Idaho (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Heffernan	A O’Brien
5	1	Imperial Aviator (GB)	Paco Boy (Ire)	Murphy	Charlton
6	4	The Major General (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	O’Donoghue	A O’Brien

All carry 126 pounds bar Across the Stars, 129.

ONE OF THOSE DAYS

Snapped up by Godolphin after his impressive debut success at Sandown July 20, ‘TDN Rising Star’ Best of Days (GB) (Azamour {Ire}) bids to follow in the steps of the likes of Royal Palace (GB), King’s Best and Rule of Law, who captured York’s G3 Tattersalls Acomb S. en route to Classic glory. Without being asked a serious question, the bay brushed aside his opponents for a six-length success over this seven-furlong trip, and trainer Hugo Palmer is hoping he can cope with this first major test. “He’s a gorgeous horse, but as is often the case with the Acomb, we’re jumping straight up from a maiden to a Group 3,” he said. “He’s a horse we like and I hope he’ll be up to the challenge, but we’ll find out on Wednesday.”

Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum is represented by Bear Valley (Ire) (Manduro {Ger}), who beat his useful stablemate Montataire (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) by four lengths in a competitive nursery at Glorious Goodwood over this trip July 28 and adds weight to the Maktoum representation. John Ferguson said of the pair, “Best of Days is just starting his career. He won well at Sandown and is a very good-looking horse and we believe is one with a future. Bear Valley has got bags of experience. He went and won his nursery well at Goodwood. He went up 13 pounds for that, so he is a horse that deserves to take his chance. We’re excited about them both and hopefully they’ll run well.”



Hugo Palmer saddles Best of Days in the Acomb | Racing Post

Ten days after finishing runner-up to Caravaggio (Scat Daddy) in the G1 Phoenix S. at The Curragh, the Ballydoyle maiden Courage Under Fire (War Front) steps up in trip as he bids to uphold that form, while the China Horse Club’s Lockheed (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) is another who scored at Glorious Goodwood. He may not have been impressive when winning a maiden over this course and distance July 30, but he is held in high regard by William Haggas and commands respect.

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Black-Type Previews cont.

Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 4.55 p.m.

TATTERSALLS ACOMB S.-G3, £85,000, 2yo, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	8	Bear Valley (Ire)	Manduro (Ger)	Norton	Johnston
2	1	Best of Days (GB)	Azamour (Ire)	Buick	Palmer
3	7	Courage Under Fire	War Front	Heffernan	A O'Brien
4	5	Galactic Prince (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Probert	Balding
5	2	Lockheed (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Dettori	Haggas
6	4	Majeste (GB)	Acclamation (GB)	Scr	Scr
7	6	Syphax	Arch	Spencer	K Ryan
8	3	Tommy Taylor	Mizzen Mast	Eaves	K Ryan

All carry 127 pounds.

Thursday, York, Britain, post time: 3.40 p.m.

DARLEY YORKSHIRE OAKS-G1, £365,750, 3yo/up, f/m, 12fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Endless Time (Ire)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Buick	Appleby	133
2	1	Found (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien	133
3	4	Furia Cruzada (Chi)	Newfoundland	Dettori	Gosden	133
4	6	Koora (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Spencer	Cumani	133
5	8	Loving Things (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Lane	Cumani	133
6	3	Even Song (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Smullen	A O'Brien	123
7	11	Fireglow (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Doyle	Johnston	123
8	9	Harlequeen (GB)	Canford Cliffs (Ire)	de Sousa	Channon	123
9	7	Pretty Perfect (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Hanagan	A O'Brien	123
10	2	Queen's Trust (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Atzeni	Stoute	123
11	10	Seventh Heaven (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	O'Donoghue	A O'Brien	123
12	12	Turret Rocks (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Manning	Bolger	123

Thursday, York, Britain, post time: 2.30 p.m.

SKY BET LOWTHER S.-G2, £200,000, 2yo, f, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	5	Roly Poly	War Front	Heffernan	A O'Brien
2	1	Clem Fandango (Fr)	Elzaam (Aus)	Makin	Dalgleish
3	7	Fair Eva (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Smullen	Charlton
4	6	Fashion Queen (GB)	Aqlaam (GB)	Tudhope	O'Meara
5	3	Kilmah (GB)	Sepoy (Aus)	Fanning	Johnston
6	2	Magical Fire (Ire)	Dragon Pulse (Ire)	O'Donoghue	O'Callaghan
7	8	Nations Alexander (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Dobbs	Hannon
8	4	Queen Kindly (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Spencer	Fahey

All carry 126 pounds bar Roly Poly, 129.

Acclamation Filly Tops Final August Session cont. from p1

Turnover for the sale as a whole fell only a little short, at €40,148,000, a reduction of just 6%.

He said, "Since the sale returned to its three-day format, this is the second-best aggregate, and the two indicators of the sale's progress are the good clearance rate and the median of €110,000, which is the first time it has been a six-figure sum."

Hoyeau continued, "Most importantly, the three days displayed great depth to the market. Eleven different buyers spent more than €1-million, and from a French perspective there were plenty of French buyers in this bracket. There were also some new buyers, from Japan, America, Qatar and Australia, so there are plenty of reasons to be pleased despite slight declines. The figures show that last year was not a one-off and that French production is definitely on the way up."

The average shrank by 7.6% to €150,879 but, following a steady flow of six-figure transactions throughout the final day,



Session-topping Acclamation filly | Arqana

the median rose to €105,000 from €95,000. These figures were achieved through the sale of 265 horses from the 339 offered--a clearance rate of 78% for the three sessions, a figure that was fractionally up from last year.

The third session--or Part 2 of the August Sale as it is known--added €10,122,000 to the aggregate, down 4% from 2015, while the average was marginally up at €80,976. The last-day median dropped to €60,000 from €70,000 and the clearance rate, from 125 of the 167 yearlings sold, was 75%.

SESSION TOPPERS

ARQANA AUGUST YEARLING SALE - TUESDAY

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (€)
<u>336</u>	f	Acclamation (GB)	Wadjet (Ire)	320,000
<i>B-Ecurie Des Monceaux</i>				
Consigned by Ecurie des Monceaux				
Purchased by Mandore International Agency				
<u>255</u>	f	Intello (Ger)	Mary's Precedent (Fr)	300,000
<i>B-Haras du Cadran & SCEA des Bissons</i>				
Consigned by Haras du Cadran				
Purchased by Wertheimer et Frere				



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Arqana Day Three Toppers cont.

358	c	<u>Bated Breath (GB)</u>	Bonnie Doon (Ire)	260,000
		<i>(€45,000 wnl '15 ARDEC)</i>		
		<i>B-Plersch Breeding</i>		
		Consigned by Camas Park & Glenvale Studs		
		Purchased by Hong Kong Jockey Club		
293	c	<u>Intello (Ger)</u>	Rock My Soul (Ire)	215,000
		<i>B-Ecurie Peregrine</i>		
		Consigned by Haras du Mezeray		
		Purchased by Stroud Coleman Bloodstock		
332	c	<u>Teofilo (Ire)</u>	Vauville (Ire)	200,000
		<i>B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm</i>		
		Consigned by Haras de la Louviere		
		Purchased by Sylvain Vidal		
348	c	<u>Camelot (GB)</u>	Amourette (Fr)	200,000
		<i>B-Michel Henochsberg & Mme Dominique Hazan Ades</i>		
		Consigned by Haras des Capucines		
		Purchased by Charles Gordon-Watson		

winner Mary's Precedent (Fr) (Storming Home {GB}), became the second yearling at the sale to be bought by Alain and Gerard Wertheimer, who bred and raced the G1 Prix du Jockey Club winner Intello.

"She is a very good-looking filly who we liked a lot. She was one of our two favourite Intellos," enthused the Wertheimers' racing manager Pierre-Yves Bureau. "She is out of a young mare and from a breeder who you could say is in form. We are very happy to buy her and of course it is very good news that Intello has had such good results."

This season Talvard has had the pleasure of watching Qemah (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), whom he bred

at his Normandy farm, stride to victory for Al Shaqab Racing in the G1 Coronation S. followed by the G1 Prix Rothschild, and hopes will be high that another Cadran graduate, The Grey Gatsby (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), can return to winning form in Wednesday's G1 Juddmonte International.



Pierre-Yves Bureau (centre) and the Wertheimer brothers | Scoop Dyga

Another Son Rises...

Following his sire Galileo (Ire) and paternal half-brother Frankel (GB) in playing a major part in the August Sale, Intello appears to have been given the thumbs-up by buyers, and he was responsible for another six-figure youngster when [lot 293](#) brought the hammer down at €215,000.

Sold on behalf of Haras de Saint-Laurent by Haras de Mezeray, the February-born colt is the second foal of multiple listed winner Rock My Soul (Ire) (Clodovil {Ire}) and hails from a strong German family which includes the Group 1 winners Turfkonig (Ger) and Turfdonna (Ger).

"He's been bought for a client of Anthony [Stroud] and will almost certainly be trained in England," explained agent Matt Coleman of Stroud Coleman Bloodstock. "We thought he was the best horse here today and the best of the Intellos. He had a great physique with real substance. He's out of a good racemare and it's that good Galileo-Danehill cross. Hopefully he'll make up into a nice middle-distance Classic horse in time."

The Mezeray draft was to the fore earlier in the day when Michel Zerolo went to €160,000 to secure [lot 247](#), a filly by Lawman (Fr), for €160,000 on behalf of an unnamed client.



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ARQANA AUGUST YEARLING SALE

SESSION TOTALS	2016	2015
• Catalogued	185	185
• No. Offered	167	167
• No. Sold	125	130
• RNAs	42	37
• % RNAs	25.1%	22.2%
• High Price	€320,000	€
• Gross	€10,122,000	€10,559,000
• Average (% change)	€80,976 (-0.3%)	€81,223
• Median (% change)	€60,000 (-14.3%)	€70,000

CUMULATIVE	2016	2015
• Catalogued	375	374
• No. Offered	339	333
• No. Sold	265	257
• RNAs	74	76
• % RNAs	21.8%	22.8%
• No. \$500K+	12	14
• High Price	€1,400,000	€2,600,000
• Gross	€39,983,000	€41,966,000
• Average (% change)	€150,879 (-7.6%)	€163,292
• Median (% change)	€105,000 (+10.5%)	€95,000

More Delight For Cadran...

A banner year for Pierre Talvard of Haras du Cadran was further enhanced on Tuesday by the sale of a first-crop daughter of Intello (Ger) for €300,000. [Lot 255](#), out of the French listed

Arqana Day Three cont.

There's nothing like a timely update before a major sale, and the repercussions of the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest victory on Aug. 7 for Signs Of Blessing (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) continue to be appreciated by Haras de Mezeray, which offered this filly out of the top sprinter's treble-winning half-sister Lucrece (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), as well as receiving €300,000 on Monday for Signs Of Blessing's full-sister, who was bought by Prince Faisal.

Another Top Pinhook For Camas Park, Glenvale...

Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) is not the only young stallion at Banstead Manor to be making a positive impression with his first runners, and Bated Breath (GB) (Dansili {GB}) received a vivid endorsement when Mark Richards had to go to €260,000 to buy [lot 358](#) on behalf of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

The colt's grandam is a half-sister to Korveya (Riverman), blue hen mother of Classic winners Hector Protector (Woodman), Bosra Sham (Woodman) and Shanghai (Procida), and



Mark Richards | Zuzanna Lupa

represented another knock-out pinhook for the same team that had the previous evening turned around a Siyouni filly, picked up here for €60,000 last December, for €380,000. It was Mags O'Toole who

likewise signed for this colt at the same sale, for €45,000; and it was again Camas Park and Glenvale Studs that consigned the colt in partnership.

"This colt seems to have the most wonderful temperament, I never saw him put a foot out of place, and I love the way he's put together," Richards said. "I'd see him as an ideal type for Hong Kong, and I hope this is the first of many we pick up by Bated Breath: I think Dansili is a great sire of sires already."

Bated Breath's first crop is headed by Al Johrah (GB), winner of her first two starts before chasing home the freakish Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) at Royal Ascot and again runner-up in the G2 Prix Robert Papin.

The Dream Begins For Lerner...

The father-and-son training team of Carlos and Yann Lerner secured a pair of well-related fillies for €180,000 each when buying [lot 218](#) from Haras des Capucines and HSV Agency and [lot 271](#) from the Haras de Grandcamp draft.

The former, a daughter of Siyouni (Fr) out of a sister to the G3 Prix Daphnis winner Bernebeau (Fr) (Green Tune), was bought in the same ring for €75,000 by HSV Agency last December.

"I loved her when I saw her at Capucines and she's done well since then," said Yann Lerner. "She's the kind of filly who gives you the right to dream."

He was equally effusive in his praise of the Le Havre filly Pleyben Joa (Fr) bought later in the session on behalf of Martine Stadelmann and Lucien Urano.

"She's outstanding physically and I sincerely felt she was the best filly on the day. She walks really well and of course she has



Yann Lerner | Scoop Dyga

a lovely pedigree," he commented.

The filly is the first foal of Pariolina (Fr) (Muhtathir {Fr}), a half-sister to recent GII Wise Dan S. winner Pleuven (Fr) (Turtle Bowl {Ire}).

Carlos Lerner was back in action later on as part of a new partnership with Gerard Augustin-Normand. Bidding through Sylvain Vidal, the pair gave €200,000 for Haras de la Louviere's son of Teofilo (Ire) out of Vauville (Ire), an Invincible Spirit half-sister to the G1 Irish St Leger winner Voleuse De Coeurs (Ire), who is also by Teofilo.

"This is a new association," said Vidal of the new owners of [lot 332](#). "A client of Carlos Lerner's will own 50% of this colt. He's a really good-looking horse with such a lovely pedigree."

Stall Salzburg Strikes Through Hofer...

A colt from a family stamped through with bold black-type and by one of France's best stallions was enough to convince German trainer Manfred Hofer to push on to €175,000 for [lot 290](#), bought on behalf of Stall Salzburg.

Sitting with his brother and fellow trainer Mario, Hofer said of the son of Kendargent from Haras d'Etream, "He looks like he'll be a 2-year-old. We have a fantastic Kendargent who is one of our best 2-year-olds. Kendargent is a great sire and this is a top pedigree."

It's hard to argue with that assessment. The half-brother to the G2 Badener Meile winner Royal Solitaire (Ire) (Shamardal) has stakes winners as his first three dams, his great grandam being the Sweet Solera S. winner Lucayan Princess (GB) (High Line {GB}), later the dam of Group 1 winners Luso (GB) (Salse) and Warrsan (Ire) (Caerleon), as well as G1 Prix Vermeille runner-up Cloud Castle (GB) (In The Wings {Ire}).

Intello's good start at the sales was only the icing on the cake for Hofer, who also bid €130,000 for another yearling for Stall Salzburg in [lot 269](#), the first foal of an unraced half-sister to G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud winner Paita (Intikhab) from Ecurie des Monceaux.

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"I bought Paita at the breeze-up sales in Newmarket and I adore the family," he explained. "I also bought Potemkin (Ger) (New Approach {Ire}) [out of another half-sister] and the other day he was third in a Group 1 in Munich. I thought this filly quite fine, and very good in her head and ears."

His new acquisition had been preceded into the ring by another from the Monceaux consignment, [lot 268](#), a Kendargent (Fr) filly purchased for €120,000 by Ghislain Bozo's Meridian International on behalf of a new client. Scheduled to stay in France, she might have been a still hotter property if only her unraced dam's half-brother Shalaa (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), the top juvenile in Britain last year, had not suffered a pelvic fracture in the spring.

Angelic Addition For Dasmal And Devin...

Khalifa Dasmal, whose silks were made famous by Shaamit (Ire) (Mtoto GB) and Dream Ahead (Diktat {GB}), heads up the Dubai partnership that paid €145,000 for [lot 261](#), a Dark Angel (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) filly out of a half-sister to four black-type winners. Dasmal is an old family friend of Mansoor Abulhoul, who signed for the Haras de la Louviere graduate.

"She's a very tidy-looking, short-coupled filly by a very popular sire," Abulhoul said. "She does have a good pedigree but primarily we were looking for a racehorse. We bought a filly here last year and, though she hasn't run yet, she is very promising and this one will also go to Henri-Francois Devin."

The filly was the third Dark Angel yearling to sell well for Lady O'Reilly's Haras de la Louviere this week, following the €600,000 given for [lot 49](#), the filly out of a half-sister to Lawman (Fr), while [lot 120](#), a colt out of Group 3 winner Sorciere (Ire) (Orpen), fetched €150,000.

Le Havre Colts For Both Sides Of Channel...

A second success from two starts at Newbury last Saturday for Escobar (Ire) (Famous Name {GB}) plainly did no harm to Hugo Palmer's eligibility to train [lot 202](#), a colt by Le Havre (Ire) (Noverre) and now in the same ownership as Escobar after being knocked down for €140,000 to Westward Bloodstock Ltd. Deauville regular Fiona Carmichael hopes that the first foal of Eleona (Ger) (Areion {Ger}) can follow in the hoofprints of Toronado (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), purchased in the same ring five years ago for just €55,000.

"I just thought this horse such a lovely mover, and his temperament seemed nice as well," Carmichael said. "We hope he'll go to Malcolm Bastard now before joining Hugo. The colt we bought here on Sunday [[lot 84](#), by Intello (Ger) (Galileo {Ire})] will be trained by Nicolas Clement."

Another son of Le Havre to be heading across the Channel is [lot 232](#), bought for €110,000 on behalf of Middleham Park Racing by Peter Doyle. As he signed the docket, the agent was drawing comparisons between his past successes and this colt with syndicate manager Tim Palin.

"The one he reminds me of is Toormore (Ire) (Arakan)," said Palin. "A lovely big horse who'll make a 3-year-old."

"To me, he's more like The Juliet Rose (Fr) (Monsun {Ger})," Doyle said. "Anyway he's a gorgeous horse, the image of his father, and he'll be going to Richard Hannon."



Peter Doyle (right) with trainer Richard Hannon | *Racing Post*

Doyle also showed strong interest in another son of the Haras de la Cauviniere stallion-- [lot 236](#), likewise consigned by La Motteraye--but a €120,000 docket was ultimately signed by the stud's owner Sylvain Vidal. But

while this colt was an in-house production, Vidal was acting on behalf of patrons of Jean-Claude Rouget.

"He's very like his father, a very good walker with lovely balance," Vidal said. "And the dam's filly by Dream Ahead has been second in a listed race since the catalogue came out."

Collet And Casse In The Fray...

Robert Collet, whose judgement can be as candid as it is seasoned, had an apt riposte when asked if he had a client in mind for [lot 201](#), a colt by Kendargent (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}). "No," he said, in mock surprise. "I only tend to sell horses in the evening." Not that too much recourse to the wine list should be necessary to make €140,000 for a colt from the family of Johannesburg, Minardi and Tale Of The Cat look fair value.

The same sum was paid by Justin Casse for [lot 221](#), a colt by Zoffany (Ire) (Dansili {GB}) consigned by Coulonces. Having struck for a son of Frankel in each of the first two sessions, here he went for a son of the only horse to get within a length of the unbeaten champion after his debut.

Casse was bidding adjacent to Paul Shanahan of Coolmore, which allowed due inferences to be drawn when he said: "He was bought for a partnership that was kind of put together at the last minute, including some existing clients, but I can say he'll be staying in Europe. I thought him one of the nicest colts in the sale, and obviously the sire's body of work so far is tremendous."

A Dabirsim To Breeze...

A rookie stallion to receive a striking vote of confidence was Dabirsim (Fr) (Hat Trick {Jpn}), the dual Group 1-winning juvenile whose commercial appeal was vividly measured by the readiness of Roger Marley to sign a €125,000 docket for [lot 273](#) in a pin-hooking venture.

The breeze-up consignor clearly has the highest expectations of the colt, first foal of a daughter of Group 1 winner Nadia (GB) (Nashwan), consigned by Haras de Grandcamp.

“It’s a little bit more than we hoped to pay but he’s a lovely individual,” he said. “Of course none of us can know about the sire yet but he was a very good 2-year-old and a gorgeous horse, so let’s hope he might put that bit of speed into his offspring.”



Jean-Claude Rouget | Zuzanna Lupa

Consistent interest over the course of the sale in another freshman, Camelot (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), was sustained by the dominant trainer of the French summer when Jean-Claude Rouget signed for [lot 289](#), a filly from the family of Rail Link (GB) (Dansili {GB}) consigned by Antoine Lepeudry’s Elevage de Tourgeville, at €160,000.

It may well prove significant that he was in the company of various members of the Coolmore team at the time, but their presumed interest in this colt was not the only spur for Rouget.

“I’ve bought six or seven of them over the past couple of days,” he said, gesturing at a list of lots--dominated by Camelot--in the back of his catalogue. “I do like the horse, and the idea is to make him a top stallion. But of course it is the same for him as for any new sire: it’s like cards, there’s always a risk, and you don’t know what kind of hand you have until you play them.”

Rouget’s parade of Camelots was extended by [lot 348](#), a colt consigned by Haras des Capucines secured for €200,000 by Charlie Gordon-Watson on behalf of new clients for the trainer.

“We do like Camelot and this is a real quality horse with a nice look of Montjeu to him,” the agent said. “He’s a great mover and is going to improve physically, as well.”

Value Sires Land Blows...

Arakan has punched well above a €3,500 fee, notably with Group 1 winners Toormore (Ire) and Dick Turpin (Ire), and the Ballyhane stallion showed that he can also land a commercial blow when Nicolas Clement gave €150,000 for [lot 330](#), his son out of a half-sister to Bachelor Duke (Miswaki), consigned by Haras de Saint Isidro.

“He’s a lovely horse from a very good farm,” Clement said. “And I trained his half-brother Talco (Fr) (Pivotal {GB}), who we sold for a good price to America, where he did very well. This colt will run for the same owners.”

Similar comments apply to Norton Grove Stud’s Monsieur Bond (Ire), whose £4,000 fee looks terrific value when set against the €145,000 paid by Richard Brown of Blandford Bloodstock for his daughter ([lot 196](#)) from Hubert Honore’s Haras d’Ommeel draft.

The filly is a half-sister to G3 Prix Eclipse winner Souvenir Delondres (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) and to five-time winner and listed-placed I’m So Glad (GB) (Clodovil {Ire}), bred by Chris Wright’s Stratford Place Stud.



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ARQANA AUGUST YEARLING SALE - TUESDAY

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (€)
349	f	Kodiac (GB)	Ancestral Way (GB)	120,000

Another slam dunk for agent Guy Petit, this filly was bought for just €52,000 eight months ago at Arqana’s December sale. She caught the eye of Laurent Benoit’s Broadhurst Agency on Tuesday, and thus turned a smart profit.

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TDN Q & A

WITH ALIETTE FORIEN

In less than two weeks, Au Dela Des Pistes, the French effort to provide a link between the racing world and other equestrian



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disciplines to provide second careers for racehorses, will have its first major promotional day.

Saturday, Aug. 27

at Deauville will

feature La

Reconversion des

Chevaux de Courses

(the conversion of the racehorse day),

showcasing former racehorses who have succeeded in second careers.

Rehoming racehorses is an issue for every racing jurisdiction in the world, and the President of Au Dela Des Pistes, Aliette Forien, took some time out at the Arqana sale to sit down with Sue Finley to talk about the specific focus of Au Dela Des Pistes in France.

TDN: *What should we expect to see Aug. 27 at Deauville?*

AF: Aug. 27 is a big day of racing and it will be a great opportunity to promote what we have been doing. The G1 Prix du Cadran winner Kasbah Bliss will be there; he was a champion on the track, and he has just started his dressage career and won his first two competitions in dressage. We will show some polo horses, have a small polo presentation, we will show eventing horses, and explain that Thoroughbreds can do everything.

TDN: *There are a lot of organizations that attack different aspects of the retirement puzzle. What is the specific goal of Au Dela Des Pistes?*

AF: The goal of Au Dela Des Pistes is not really to provide a lifetime home for horses. It's to give them a new life and a good life in a different sport. We are a new association, sponsored by the Aga Khan, Godolphin, Arqana and now a few days ago, Al Shaqab said they would support us, so a big thanks to them.

We want to be the bridge between racing and other sports. Polo, riding for pleasure, show jumping, horse ball.

People in the back of their mind think Thoroughbreds are only suitable to go fast on the track and that they can be a little crazy. We want to explain that Thoroughbreds can do everything if they are well educated.

TDN: *How will you go about that?*

AF: Ultimately, we will try to organize some competitions, but first, we need to make a listing of all of the schools who can help us to develop horses to be ready for a second career. I was a show jumper. I love horse racing and show jumping and when they asked me to be the president, I said that I could help to be the link between racing and show jumping.

We will work with all the associations which could use horses in a second career, so that racehorses can find the structure to evolve afterward. There are other organizations to help horses who are injured, or who need permanent retirement, but for us, we want to offer a second active life for horses.

TDN: *What would be a perfect scenario? A trainer realizes a horse is at the end of his racing career, and calls you?*

AF: Exactly. Some owners are organized and they have their horse at the farm or they have friends who will take the horse, but some are lost. They have a horse, he's finished racing, and they don't know what to do. We need to help those people to place their horse in a good situation.

TDN: *What percentage of retiring racehorses are able to go on to second careers?*

AF: I believe there are more than 50% of horses who can continue. Sometimes it takes a little bit of time. We are going to present some polo horses on the 27th. I spoke with a man who is involved in that sport and he buys Thoroughbreds and he educates them to be polo horses. We saw horses he bought only last October and already they are incredible at polo. So it doesn't take too long.

TDN: *What has the response been so far?*

AF: People are already telling us that what we are doing is wonderful, and we already have riding clubs who are interested in working with us and I think the organization will help everyone to regroup a little bit and to say, we want these horses. The demand is there. We just need the link to those people. And I think in six months, we will have made some real progress.

BRITAIN

**Tuesday's Results:**

4th-RIP, £10,000, Cond, 8-16, 2yo, 8fT, 1:40.23, gd.

PERMIAN (IRE) (c, 2, [Teofilo {Ire}](#)--Tessa Reef {Ire} {MSW-Fr}, by Mark of Esteem {Ire}), a nursery handicap winner going an extended mile at Windsor last time Aug. 8, was sent straight to the front in this three-runner affair. Holding sway throughout, the 4-9 chalk was stirred into action when threatened soon after passing the quarter-mile marker and was easily on top under whipless cajoling in the dying embers to prevail by a snug 3/4-of-a-length from Western Duke (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}). Out of Listed Prix La Sorellina and Listed Prix Occitanie victress Tessa Reef (Ire) (Mark of Esteem {Ire}), the homebred bay is a half-brother to MSP Samana Cay (Authorized {Ire}) and this term's Listed Wolferton H. runner-up Second Wave (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}). His second dam Massaraat (Nureyev) is a stakes-winning full-sister to the incomparable Miesque, whose storied descendants include, among others, East of the Moon (Private Account), Kingmambo (Mr. Prospector) and Six Perfections (Fr) (Celtic Swing {GB}). Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$20,590. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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

3rd-RIP, £6,500, Hcp, 8-16, 2yo, 8fT, 1:39.92, gd.

MATHS PRIZE (GB) (c, 2, [Royal Applause {GB}](#)--[Hypoteneuse {Ire}](#), by [Sadler's Wells](#)), who graduated going an extended seven panels at Ffos Las last time July 19, was settled behind his two rivals stepped up to a mile for most of this nursery handicap debut. Easing into second hard on the steel with three furlongs remaining, the 4-6 pick joined Proud Archi (Ire) (Archipenko) at the two pole, but required ever-increasing encouragement in the closing stages to deny that tenacious pacesetter by a head in a bobbing finish. Maths Prize is out of a winning full-sister to MGSP dual stakes winner Golden Stream (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up Flight of Fancy (GB) (Sadler's Wells), the trio being daughters of MGSW G2 Ribblesdale S. victress Phantom Gold (GB) (Machiavellian). He is kin to the yearling colt Sextant (GB) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) and a filly foal by Paco Boy (Ire). Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$12,472. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-The Queen (GB); T-Roger Charlton.

4th-KEM, £6,100, Hcp, 8-16, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:27.23, stn.

FLY AT DAWN (c, 2, [Discreet Cat](#)--[Emirates Girl {SP-Fr & Ger}](#), by [Unbridled's Song](#)), the comfortable one-length winner of a six-furlong Newmarket maiden last time July 22, soon stalked

the lead--sporting a hood once more--upped in trip in this handicap bow. Gradually asserting in the straight, the crowd's 3-10 choice quickened into a decisive lead approaching the final eighth and surged further clear under mild urging in the closing stages to register a comfortable three-length score from Northtown (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}). He is out of a dual stakes-placed half-sister to two black-type performers produced by G3 Princess Margaret S. second Journalist (Ire) (Night Shift), from the family of G1 1000 Guineas victress Las Meninas (Ire) (Glenstal). The homebred chestnut's dam Emirates Girl visited Amira's Prince (Ire) this year. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$10,286.

[Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Godolphin; B-Darley (KY); T-Charlie Appleby.



3rd-KEM, £5,000, Mdn, 8-16, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:40.85, stn.

RED ENSIGN (IRE) (c, 2, [Dark Angel {Ire}](#)--[Rayon Rouge {Ire}](#), by [Manduro {Ger}](#)), who hit the board at Newbury in his only prior start July 15, gradually improved from an early third to assume control after a quarter-mile of this return. Shaken up to poach a clear lead inside the two pole, the 2-5 lock stayed on powerfully under continued whipless rousting to hit the line 3 1/4 lengths in advance of Al Hamdany (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}). Red Ensign's third dam is G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup-winning highweight Rebelline (Ire) (Robellino), who produced G3 Leopardstown 2000 Guineas Trial winner and G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup runner-up Recharge (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), and the stakes-winning distaffer I'm Yours (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). He is a half-brother to a yearling colt by Epaulette (Aus) and a filly foal by Tamayuz (GB). Sales history: €75,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; 250,000gns Ylg '15 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$5,449. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-New Line Stud Ltd (IRE); T-Simon Crisford.

2nd-WOL, £5,000, Mdn, 8-16, 2yo, f, 7f 32y (AWT), 1:29.74, st. +GOYA GIRL (IRE) (f, 2, [Paco Boy {Ire}](#)--[First Exhibit {GB}](#), by [Machiavellian](#)), sent off at 10-1, broke well to track the leaders against the rail early before being wound up for her challenge on the home turn. Grinding down Suffragette City (Ire) (Dragon Pulse {Ire}) in the last 100 yards, the homebred asserted to score by a length. The winner is a granddaughter of the G1 Prix Vermeille and G1 Yorkshire Oaks heroine My Emma (GB) (Marju {Ire}), whose most accomplished progeny is the listed-winning highweight Moments of Joy (GB) (Darshaan {GB}). She in turn is the dam of the dual G3 Sagaro S. winner and G1 Ascot Gold Cup runner-up Mizzou (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and the group-placed fillies

Unity (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and Eternal Bounty (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). My Emma's half-brothers include Classic Cliche (Ire), who captured the G1 St Leger and G1 Ascot Gold Cup as well as finishing second in the G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Diamond S., and the G3 Curragh Cup runner-up Mediterranean (GB) (Sadler's Wells), while her listed-placed half-sister Threatening (GB) (Warning {GB}) produced the G2 Royal Lodge S. scorer Mutinyonthebounty (GB) (Sadler's Wells). First Exhibit also has a yearling colt by Rip Van Winkle (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,165. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Duke of Roxburghe; B-Floors Farming and Newbyth Stud (IRE); T-Ralph Beckett.

5th-WOL, £5,000, Mdn, 8-16, 3yo/up, f, 8f 141y (AWT), 1:50.37, st.

SIDE HILL (f, 3, [Speightstown--Hidden Face, by Empire Maker](#)), second when last seen over a mile at Newbury June 9, was slowly away but was able to loop the field and assume the lead before the first two furlongs were up. Notably green in the straight and hanging right with her mind not on the task in hand, the 8-15 favourite still had nothing to concern her and was in hand at the line to record a facile five-length success from Dame Judi (Ire) (Shamardal). Side Hill is a granddaughter of the G1 Flower Bowl Invitational H. and G2 Ribblesdale S. heroine Yashmak (Danzig), who was also second in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac and G1 Irish Oaks. Her 2012 foal was Full Mast (Mizzen Mast), who was awarded the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere on the disqualification of Gleneagles (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who surpassed her previous best performer Sound of Nature (Chester House), who managed a stakes win in Australia and was runner-up in the G2 Patinack Farm Crystal Mile. Yashmak is a daughter of the Juddmonte operation's blue hen Slightly Dangerous (Roberto), the G3 Fred Darling S. winner and G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up who also produced the G1 English and Irish Derby-winning champion Commander in Chief (GB), the brilliant miler Warning (GB), the G2 Great Voltigeur S.-winning sire Dushyantor and other high-achievers Jibe (Danzig) and Deploy (GB). Hidden Face has an as-yet unraced 2-year-old filly by Afleet Alex named Tortoiseshell, yearling filly by City Zip and a colt foal by Mizzen Mast. She was bred to Munnings for 2017 Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$6,887. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-John Gosden.



1st-RIP, £4,500, Mdn, 8-16, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:12.03, gd.

ARWA (IRE) (f, 2, [Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}](#)--Another Storm, by Gone West), who ran eighth over this trip at Newmarket last

time July 7, recovered from a slumbering departure to track the leading duo along the fence through halfway in this one. Angled into a clear lane nearing the final quarter-mile, the 9-2 chance swooped for control passing the furlong marker and powered clear under mild urging in the closing stages to easily best Sugar Beach (Fr) (Canford Cliffs {Ire}) by 2 1/4 lengths. The €360,000 GOFORB yearling is a half-sister to four black-type winners, including G1 Gold Cup and G1 Irish St Leger-winning European highweight Order of St George (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), G3 Prix Paul de Moussac winner Asperity (War Front) and GIII Pin Oak Valley View S. victress Angel Terrace (Ghostzapper). She is out of a winning daughter of MGISW U.S. champion juvenile filly Storm Song (Summer Squall), and is also kin to yearling colt by Declaration of War and a colt foal by Australia (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$3,749. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Saleh Al Homaizi & Imad Al Sagar; B-Paget Bloodstock (IRE); T-Charles Hills.

2nd-KEM, £4,500, Mdn, 8-16, 3yo/up, f, 8f (AWT), 1:40.20, stn. HONORINA (GB) (f, 3, [Sea the Stars {Ire}](#)--Honorine {Ire}, by Mark of Esteem {Ire}), eighth going 10 furlongs at Nottingham in her most recent start July 15, was sharpest from the gate to lead through the early strides before easing off to lob along in second here. Stoked up to regain the initiative passing the two pole, the 5-6 favourite kept on strongly under continued rousting to score by 2 1/4 lengths from Trishuli Rock (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}). She is kin to G1 Irish Derby and G1 Secretariat S. victor Treasure Beach (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), Listed Lingfield Oaks Trial victress Honor Bound (GB) (Authorized {Ire}) and G3 Ormonde S. third Elidor (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}). Her dam is a winning half to MG1SP G2 Hardwicke S.-winning sire Indian Creek (GB) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), and she is a half to the 2-year-old colt Count Octave (GB) and a yearling filly, both by Frankel (GB). Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$7,233. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Qatar Racing Ltd; B-Qatar Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Snuggy (Ire), f, 2, [Elzaam \(Aus\)](#)--Mandhooma (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). LEI, 8-16, 5fT, 1:00.75. B-Ballyhane Stud (IRE). *€10,000 Ylg '15 GOFSP; £10,000 2yo '16 GOFBRE. **12th winner for first-season sire (by Redoute's Choice {Aus}).



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IRELAND

**CONDITIONS RESULT:**

2nd-ROS, €20,000, 8-15, 2yo, 7fT, 1:28.22, gd.

SWEET SOUNDS (IRE) (f, 2, [Vocalised](#)--[Timeless Whisper](#) {Ire}, by [Footstepsinthesand](#) {GB}) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$23,998. O-Qatar Racing Limited; B-Mr Shane O'Rourke (IRE); T-Ger Lyons. *€4,200 RNA Ylg '15 TISEP; €20,000 2yo '16 GORMAY.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Beau Recall (Ire), f, 2, [Sir Prancealot](#) (Ire)--[Greta d'Argent](#) (Ire), by [Great Commotion](#). TIP, 8-16, 7f 100yT, 1:35.70. B-Tom Wallace (IRE). *€17,000 Ylg '15 TISEP. **16th winner for first-season sire (by [Tamayuz](#) {GB}).

Crocodile Shoes (Ire), c, 3, [Galileo](#) (Ire)--[Mythical Echo](#), by [Stravinsky](#). ROS, 8-15, 10f 80yT, 2:15.84. B-F Hutchinson (IRE).

Almanaara (Ire), c, 3, [Shamardal](#)--[Midnight Angel](#) (GB), by [Machiavellian](#). TIP, 8-16, 7f 100yT, 1:35.33. B-Malih L. Al Basti (IRE). *370,000gns Ylg '14 TATOCT. **1/2 to [Dark Angel](#) (Ire) ([Acclamation](#) {GB}), G1SW-Eng, \$685,840; & to [Angel's Pursuit](#) (Ire) ([Pastoral Pursuits](#) {GB}), SW & GSP-Eng, SP-Fr, \$164,970.



Fresh off surgery to repair a displaced colon, **The Gurkha (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})** is recovering well at Coolmore and was out for a pick of grass Tuesday | *Coolmore photo*

FRANCE

**Tuesday's Results:**

4th-VHY, €20,000, Mdn, 8-16, 3yo, 9f 55yT, 2:01.72, sf.

LILY PASSION (GB) (f, 3, [Sea the Stars](#) {Ire}--[Alix Road](#) {Fr} {G1SP-Fr, \$263,989}, by [Linamix](#) {Fr}), a last-out seventh going

7 1/2 furlongs at Deauville July 8, found a comfortable rhythm off the pace in fifth after the initial strides of this turf debut. Making smooth headway in the straight, the 14-5 chance challenged at the quarter-mile marker and was ridden out inside the final eighth to score by two lengths from Orania (GB) ([Sea the Stars](#) {Ire}). Out of G1 Prix Saint-Alary third [Alix Road](#) (Fr) ([Linamix](#) {Fr}), the winner is kin to last term's G2 Prix Greffulhe winner [Sumbal](#) (Ire) ([Danehill Dancer](#) {Ire}), and G2 Prix de Malleret and G2 Prix de la Nonette placegetter [Lavender Lane](#) (Ire) ([Shamardal](#)), from the family of G1 Prix d'Ispahan runner-up and MGSW sire [Gunboat Diplomacy](#) (Fr) ([Dominion](#) {GB}) and MG1SW Argentinian champion [Riton](#) (Fr) ([Un Desperado](#) {Fr}). She is also a half-sister to the 2-year-old colt [Excessively](#) (GB) ([Exceed and Excel](#) {Aus}) and a yearling colt [Frankel](#) (GB). Sales history: €170,000 Wlg '13 ARQDEC; €320,000 Ylg '14 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, €10,000. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Ecurie des Charmes; B-Aleyrion Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-P Bary.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Terrific Feeling (Ire), c, 2, [Sir Prancealot](#) (Ire)--[Easy Feeling](#) (Ire), by [Night Shift](#). VHY, 8-16, 5fT, :59.70. B-Hyde Park Stud & Lisglen Stud (IRE). *€28,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; £28,000 RNA Ylg '15 DNPRM. **15th winner for freshman sire (by [Tamayuz](#) {GB}).

EUROPEAN NEWS

**GROUP 1 WINNERS SET FOR IRISH TRIALS**

Group 1 winners **Order Of St George (Ire)** ([Galileo](#) {Ire}) and **Fascinating Rock (Ire)** ([Fastnet Rock](#) {Aus}) will be among the stars to step out at The Curragh this weekend for the Irish Champions Weekend trial races.

G1 Gold Cup winner **Order Of St George** will use Saturday's G3 Palmerstown House Estate Irish St Leger Trial as a springboard to the main event on Sept. 11, which he won last year. G1 Champion S. and G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup victor **Fascinating Rock** looks likely to be met by O'Brien's one-time Derby favourite **US Army Ranger (Ire)** ([Galileo](#) {Ire}) in Sunday's G3 Royal Whip S. O'Brien will also be well-represented in the juvenile races, with Listed **Chesham S.** and G3 **Tyros S.** winner **Churchill (Ire)** ([Galileo](#) {Ire}) set for Sunday's G2 Futurity S., and **Brave Anna** ([War Front](#)), **Promise To Be True (Ire)** ([Galileo](#) {Ire}) and **Rhododendron (Ire)** ([Galileo](#) {Ire}) all still engaged in Sunday's G2 Debutante S. [Cont. p13](#)

“Order Of St George had a break after Royal Ascot and is just back ready to start,” O’Brien said. “The plan with him after Ascot was to start back at The Curragh this weekend and we’ll get over that first, but hopefully then he will go back for the Irish St Leger.”

“US Army Ranger is similar in that he is after having a good long break and is just ready to start back,” he continued. “We are happy with him since Epsom but he is just ready to start off and he’ll improve a lot for the run at the weekend.”

O’Brien added, “Churchill seems to be in good form after Leopardstown and he is the main one in the Futurity S., and we will decide later in the week what else will run with him. In the Debutante S., Rhododendron is a possible to go there as is **Hydrangea** (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who



Aidan O’Brien will be heavy handed at The Curragh this weekend | *Racing Post*

won at The Curragh last time and we might have something else to run as well but we will take a look closer to the weekend. With Irish Champions Weekend coming up this is a great weekend which is very well placed in the calendar as it is great to get the horses out before Champions Weekend.”

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CARAVAGGIO LIKELY TO PASS ON MORNY

A mouthwatering showdown between **Caravaggio** (Scat Daddy) and **Lady Aurelia** (Scat Daddy) in Sunday’s G1 Prix Morny at Deauville appears unlikely to happen after Caravaggio’s trainer Aidan O’Brien said the last-out G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. winner is likely to target the G1 Middle Park S. Sept. 24 instead.

“It looks like he’s going to the Middle Park,” said O’Brien. “It looks like that’s going to be the plan, without anything being written in stone, at the moment.”

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SOLOW UNLIKELY TO START THIS YEAR

The Wertheimer brothers’ five-time Group 1-winning gelding **Solow** (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), who was injured while training in March, is unlikely to race this year, but trainer Freddy Head told *At The Races* he is looking towards a 2017 campaign for the grey.

“I saw him three days ago, he seemed well, the vets are very pleased so we’ll cross our fingers,” Head told *At The Races*. “We won’t have him this year I think; we’ll try for next year. We’ll try for Dubai. He’s a great horse and has kept his enthusiasm.”

“He hasn’t run for five months but he looks like he’s been trained all the time, he doesn’t put on weight and keeps the muscle,” Head added.



Solow | *Racing Post*

The 6-year-old Solow currently rides a 10-race win streak, having not lost since August of 2014. He won all six outings last year, five of which were Group 1s, and made a winning return to the races in March in a Chantilly conditions race only to miss a trip to Dubai due to his injury.

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PRINCESS HAYA TO DELIVER IFHA KEYNOTE

Edited Press Release

HRH Princess Haya Al Hussein will be the keynote speaker at the 50th International Conference of Horseracing Authorities Oct. 3 in Paris, France.

Princess Haya was president of the Federation Equestre Internationale from 2006 to 2014, and led the global equestrian



Princess Haya | *Racing Post*

sports governing body to many significant milestones, including the FEI Solidarity programme, FEI Clean Sport and an affiliation with the World Organisation for Animal Health.

During Princess Haya’s tenure, the

FEI and International Federation of Horseracing Authorities also joined forces to create the International Horse Sports Confederation as a vehicle to discuss fundamental issues including horse welfare, doping control and movement of horses.

“Her Royal Highness Princess Haya has been one of the most prominent figures in equestrian sport throughout her distinguished career,” said Louis Romanet, IFHA Chairman.

Princess Haya to Deliver IFHA Keynote cont.

“Her accomplishments as an Olympian, as FEI President, and as a racehorse owner are equally matched by her charitable endeavours and humanitarian efforts throughout the global community. It is an honour that HRH Princess Haya will address the IFHA at the 50th International Conference of Horseracing Authorities.”

The three vice-chairmen of the IFHA will lead the other main sessions of the conference. Horse Racing Ireland Chief Executive Brian Kavanagh will oversee the topic “Promoting and Attracting Racehorse Ownership”; Jockey Club President and COO Jim Gagliano will moderate a panel titled, “Providing Aftercare Solutions at a Global Level”; and Hong Kong Jockey Club CEO Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges will chair the session “Strategies to Secure and Grow Revenues for Racing.”

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APPOINTMENTS

Tony Williams: Managing Director, Goffs UK

- Australian Tony Williams will take up the role of Goffs UK Managing Director Oct. 7, but will attend next week’s Premier Sale.
- Williams worked for Magic Millions for nine years, and was instrumental in the setup of Newgate Farm. He has been an agent for the Hong Kong Jockey Club in connection with the Hong Kong International Sale since 2000.
- Goffs Group Chief Executive, Henry Beeby said, “Tony Williams brings a wealth of experience to Goffs UK and we are confident he will prove a valuable addition to our passionate team. A respected horseman, Tony is also a natural leader as well as a genuine ‘people person,’ which is crucial for an auction house. His long career, and the respect in which he is held in his home country, will give him the ideal platform to contribute to the growth and development of Goffs UK over the next decade.”
- Williams added, “In the world of Thoroughbred auction houses, Goffs is a revered name. I am honoured by the appointment and can’t wait to start developing relationships with buyers, vendors and the Goffs UK team who have developed a strong business model. My excitement about the company and drive to succeed in this business is second to none, so this is an opportunity to excel, implement a lifetime of experience and assist in the growth of Goffs UK with a dynamic team.”

GOFFS UK SEPTEMBER CATALOGUE ONLINE

The catalogue for Goffs UK’s September Sale Sept. 6 is online. The single-session sale will see 135 winners, 30 flat horses rated 75-plus and 30 hurdle/chase horses rated 115-plus offered. The September sale, only in existence since 2014, also includes G3 Craven S. winner Kool Kompany (Ire) (Jeremy) among its graduates.

Goffs Group Chief Executive Henry Beeby said, “We have enjoyed a very successful year with our horses-in-training sales in 2016, having been well supported by our vendors, and it’s pleasing to see that support once again. Having just completed our August Sale, where we catalogued 362 horses-in-training, to get another 228 horses a fortnight after is a great result for the sale.”

Beeby added, “This catalogue will offer some very high-class flat horses from the likes of Middleham Park Racing and Godolphin, and NH horses from Gigginstown House Stud, three vendors who have really supported this sale since its inception in 2014, and we look forward to welcoming a truly international buying bench once again to Doncaster in September.”

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EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN SINGAPORE:

Heracles (Ity), g, 3, **Fast Company (Ire)**--Solar Dawn (GB), by Soviet Star. Kranji, 8-14, Hcp., 1200m (AWT), 1:12.56. B-Joan Coburn. *Formerly Solar Choice (Ity). **1/2 to Kiris World (GB) (Distant Relative {Ire}), GSW-Ity; and Solzah (Ire) (Zaha), SW & GSP-Ity. ***€31,000 Ylg ‘14 SGASEP; 67,000gns 2yo ‘15 TATAPR. [VIDEO](#)

WORLDWIDE NEWS

CAPITALIST TO BYPASS GOLDEN ROSE

‘**TDN Rising Star**’ **Capitalist (Aus)** (Written Tycoon {Aus}), soundly beaten on seasonal debut in the Aug. 13 G3 San Domenico S. over soft ground, will bypass the G1 Golden Rose S. Sept. 10, according to *Racing.com*. The G1 Golden Slipper winner will instead be prepared for the G1 Coolmore Stud S. at Flemington Oct. 29, where he is likely to get his preferred ground.

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Capitalist to Pass Golden Rose cont.

Managing owner James Harron said the decision was made after consultation with trainers Peter and Paul Snowden and jockey Blake Shinn.

"The horse has come through the run in good order, he is really good actually, but just after speaking to Peter and Blake we decided it would be best to wait with him and aim at the Coolmore," Harron told *Racing.com*. "He is definitely a better

horse on top of the ground, he is a fast horse that shows his best when the tracks are firmer and that is what we are looking for. The Golden Rose was a possible early option for us, but given the conditions in Sydney it has been decided to focus our energy on the Coolmore, where there is more of a likelihood of conditions that he likes."

Capitalist will have one prep run before the Coolmore, with options including the Oct. 1 G2 Roman Consul S., the Oct. 8 G2 Schillaci S. or the Oct. 12 G3 Blue Sapphire S.



Capitalist | *Racing and Sports*

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GROUP 1 WINNER SRIKANDI RETIRED

Dual Group 1-winning mare **Srikandi (Aus)** (Dubawi {Ire}–Raining {Aus}, by Hurricane Sky {Aus}) has been retired from racing and will visit Snitzel (Aus) this season. As the winner of nine of 15 starts, including the 2015 G1 Stradbroke H. and G1 Tatt’s Club Tiara, the 6-year-old Srikandi bankrolled A\$2,377,600, making her the highest-earning female for her sire. Trained by Ciaran Maher for a partnership, Srikandi finished second to Chautauqua (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}) in last spring’s G1 Manikato S., and was last seen finishing fifth in the G1 Darley Classic at the Melbourne Cup Carnival. She has since been recovering from a stress fracture.

Shares totaling 31% of Srikandi were recently sold, with Greg Ingham—a major owner of Chautauqua—buying 15%. Srikandi’s new ownership group is made up of seven owners from Port Douglas, Queensland. The mare will reside at Kitchwin Hills in New South Wales, and that operation’s farm manager Mick Malone said, "We're delighted Srikandi's owners have decided to send her to Kitchwin Hills, where she will join a long list of outstanding broodmare talent. She was one of hell of a racehorse, but she's also got a stellar pedigree to boot, which makes it even more exciting.

Being a daughter of Dubawi is also a major bonus, as it opens up so many avenues when you consider the number of Danehill and Danehill-line stallions in Australia."

Malone added, "Srikandi had bags of speed and a mating with Snitzel looks the perfect match. He continues to produce stock of the highest calibre, who run at two and invariably train on."

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G1 Blue Diamond S. winner Extreme Choice prepares for his spring 3-year-old campaign with a swim and a smile | *Bronwen Healy*

Tuesday’s Result:

CLUSTER CUP-Listed, ¥34,500,000, Morioka, 8-16, 3yo/up, 1200m, 1:09.10, yg.

1--**DANON LEGEND, 132, h, 6, Macho Uno--My Goodness, by Storm Cat.** (\$90,000 yrl '11 KEESEP; \$385,000 2yo '12 BARMAR). O-Danox Inc; B-Colts Neck Stables LLC; T-Akira Murayama; J-Mirco Demuro. ¥23,000,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Jpn, 28-13-4-3, ¥305,741,000.

Hip 63: From the family of now 8x SW Danon Legend

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2--**Bulldog Boss (Jpn)**, 119, c, 4, Daiwa Major (Jpn)--Lyphard Cannes (Jpn), by Danehill. O-Him Rock Racing; B-Keiichi Samekawa. ¥5,290,000.

3--**Love Bullet (Jpn)**, 119, h, 5, Nobo Jack--Revival Girl (Jpn), by Bubble Gum Fellow (Jpn). O-Ichiro Uchiyama; B-Yuji Tsushima. ¥2,990,000.

Margins: 2, 4, 2HF. Odds: 1.50, 0.90, 16.50.

Victorious in this event in 2015, Danon Legend was looking for his third win from four starts this season, having most recently annexed the Hokkaido Sprint Cup over a muddy strip at Mombetsu June 9.

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The second favorite in a field of 14, Danon Legend jumped well enough from gate five and was in front after 100 metres, but was soon joined on the front end by longshot Love Bullet. Despite being pinned down on the inside through the middle stages of the race, the 6-year-old kicked away from Love Bullet entering the final furlong and was always holding odds-on Bulldog Boss to record an eighth career black-type success. A \$90,000 Keeneland September purchase from the consignment of Craig and Holly Bandoroff's Denali Stud, Danon Legend was the \$385,000 second highest-priced lot at the 2012 Barretts March Sale. Danon Legend shares his second dam--the 2000 Eclipse Award-winning 2-year-old filly Caressing (Honour and Glory)--with a New York-bred son of Pioneer of the Nile consigned by Denali as [hip 63](#) to the upcoming Keeneland September sale. The winner's dam produced colts by Deep Impact (Jpn) in each of her last two years at stud. [@EquinealTDN](#)

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KEENELAND-SPONSORED KOREAN RACES**DRAW 16 FOREIGN ENTRIES** by Alan Carasso

A total of 16 entries from abroad have been received for the K¥1-billion (US\$830,000) Keeneland Korea Cup (1800m) and the K¥700-million (US\$600,000) Keeneland Korea Sprint (1200m), to be held at Seoul Racecourse Sunday, Sept. 11.

Eight horses representing six jurisdictions have been entered from overseas for the Cup, including the talented Hong Kong dirt



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horse **Gun Pit (Aus)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who proved he could match it with some of the top internationals on the main track when runner-up in the G1 Al Maktoum Challenge-R3 at Meydan Racecourse last March. Trained by Caspar Fownes, Gun Pit, a perfect seven-from-seven over the Sha Tin all-weather track, has been training forwardly at home and turned in a sharp 800m gallop in :48.3 (:25.1, :23.2) Aug. 13. Singapore is represented by a pair of nominees, including the Desmond Koh-conditioned **Order of the Sun (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago {Aus}). The 6-year-old has run the exacta in six of his 16 starts at Kranji, his most important victory coming via a dead-heat score in the Colonial Chief S. (1700m AWT) last December.

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Japan fields a live threat in the form of **Chrysolite (Jpn)** (Gold Allure {Jpn}), who counts the the 2013 Japan Dirt Derby and back-to-back scores in the Diolite Kinen among his seven career successes. One of the more intriguing entries for the Cup is **Franklin D** (Medaglia d'Oro), victorious over the Lingfield all-weather last November and winner of turf handicaps at Newmarket and Goodwood in his last two runs for trainer Michael Bell.

Hong Kong runners also feature prominently among eight nominations received for the Sprint. **Rich Tapestry (Ire)** (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) brings international Grade I form into the race, having famously become the first Hong Kong-based horse to take out a top-level race in the US in the 2014 Santa Anita Sprint Championship. The bay is still going strong at age eight, as he led throughout to win this year's G3 Al Shindagha Sprint in Dubai. **Super Jockey (NZ)** (Sandtrap) nearly caused a massive boilover in the 2015 G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen, missing by a head to Secret Circle (Eddington). American-bred **Wild Dude** (Wildcat Heir) could be the one they all have to beat with a repeat of any of his US victories. Upset winner of the 2015 GI Bing Crosby S. when trained by Jerry Hollendorfer, the Florida-bred exits a latest tally in the GII Kona Gold S. at Santa Anita. Now owned by Zhang Yue Sheng, Wild Dude is under the care of Mick Halford.

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