

WEEKEND OF VALIDATION



Lady Aurelia remained unbeaten in the Prix Morny, adding to a banner weekend for her late sire, Scat Daddy | *Racing Post photo*

by Andrew Caulfield

If nothing else, last week's action-packed program of group and graded races provided ample validation for the fees charged for some of America and Europe's high-priced stallions.

In Europe, England's highest-priced stallions in 2016 were Dubawi at £225,000 and Frankel at £125,000. Dubawi's chances of winning the Arc were strengthened by two of his most accomplished sons, with Postponed recording his sixth consecutive win--and his third this year at Group 1 level, when he defeated King George hero Highland Reel in the [Juddmonte International](#). Two days earlier, his Prix du Jockey-Club winner New Bay had shown that he was on the way back, with an easy Group 3 success [profiles of these horses can be found in the TDN Archive, on [July 27, 2015](#) and [June 1, 2015](#)].

Frankel, for his part, consolidated his fine start when Queen Kindly and Fair Eva took first and third in the [G2 Lowther S](#). He wasn't the only high-priced English-based son of Galileo to shine last week, as New Approach, the first of Galileo's three Derby-winning sons, also had a group/graded double with Messi and Nearly Caught, a pair of 6-year-old geldings from his first crop. New Approach, whose fee has been as high as £80,000, now has eight group winners from his 94 first-crop foals.

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PENNEY GOES FROM LAST TO FIRST

by Joe Bianca

Shirl Penney wasn't supposed to be here. Standing in the Saratoga paddock, watching his Hall of Fame trainer saddle the favorite in the featured race of the day, preparing to be interviewed on live television. He makes sure, as he always does, to soak all of this in.

While only 39 years old, Penney tells stories the way an old war veteran would, which is understandable considering where he's been and what he's experienced. He has essentially lived two dichotomous, massively eventful lives in those 39 years, overcoming extreme poverty and immense odds as a child to establish himself in adulthood as a power player on Wall Street and a thriving presence in the Thoroughbred industry.

Penney is from the small fishing village of Eastport, Maine, population 1,400. Eastport is part of Washington County, among the poorest counties in the United States. **Cont. p5**

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The most happy fella, that's me! Fan favorite Most Happy Fella (Ecton Park) retired from racing earlier this year after 71 starts and is now enjoying his time at ReRun, Inc. in East Greenbush, NY. ReRun's annual Saratoga fundraiser will be held on Tuesday, August 30 at The Lodge in Saratoga Springs, NY. [Click here for details.](#) | Sarah Andrew

BAFFERT QUARTET SETS SIGHTS ON THE SPA

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With all the serious prep work completed, trainer Bob Baffert has four 3-year-old colts set to ship to Saratoga Wednesday ahead of starts in the GI Travers S. and GI Ketel One King's Bishop S. Saturday.

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by Andrew Caulfield



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Galileo, needless to say, is by far the highest-priced stallion in Ireland. Although his game son Highland Reel couldn't beat Postponed in the Juddmonte International, Galileo still enjoyed another tremendously rewarding few days. He added five more group victories to his tally, including the [G1 Yorkshire Oaks](#) with his Irish Oaks winner Seventh Heaven and the [G2 Great Voltigeur](#) with Idaho, many people's idea of the next winner of the St Leger. Also on show were Order of St George, who proved he is ready to defend his Irish St Leger title, and the juveniles Churchill and Rhododendron.

Another in-form Irish stallion was Dark Angel, an 11-year-old who has steadily been climbing the Irish price list, reaching €60,000 this year. He confirmed his worth with impressive group victories by two of his daughters. Firstly Mecca's Angel won her second [G1 Nunthorpe S.](#), and then the very progressive Persuasive extended her unbeaten sequence to six in the [G3 Atalanta S.](#), shaping like a future Group 1 winner.

No fee is published for Kildangan Stud resident Shamardal, now that no outside nominations are available, but this son of

Giant's Causeway stood at €70,000 in 2015. He added another Group 1 winner to his extensive list earlier this year when Dariyan took the G1 Prix Ganay and his progeny were in particularly fine form last week. His 2-year-old son Blue Point looks sure to continue to play a leading role in the year's top juvenile events following his stylish success in the [G2 Gimcrack S.](#) Another of Shamardal's juveniles, the filly Alrahma, chased home Lady Aurelia in the [G1 Prix Morny](#), on a day when another Shamardal filly, Speedy Boarding, became a G1 winner in the Prix Jean Romanet. (Incidentally, I can't mention Speedy Boarding without congratulating her owner-breeders on her name. Anyone who witnessed EasyJet's speedy boarding process, which usually resulted in an indecorous battle between them and us, will appreciate the naming of this daughter of Dash to the Front).

Shamardal also made an impact last week via his son Lope de Vega, whose fee was up to €45,000 this year. The Ballylinch stallion is responsible for South Seas, whose easy win in the G3 Solario S. suggest he is another with a part to play in the year's top juvenile events.

Over in the U.S., the top-priced Tapit added the smart turf filly Time and Motion to his long list of important winners. Arch-rival War Front had to settle for second in the G2 Lowther S. when Roly Poly separated the two Frankel fillies. Bearing in mind that

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she was giving three pounds to the three-quarter-length winner Queen Kindly, Roly Poly performed very well and she completed a 1-2-3 of sorts for Galileo, as her dam is by him.

The remarkable Songbird ensured that Medaglia d'Oro also made his mark. Uncle Mo once again demonstrated why his fee is sure to rise substantially from this year's \$75,000, with his



Unbridled Mo (center) | Equi-Photo

daughter Unbridled Mo becoming no less than the 11th graded winner from his first crop when she took the Gill Monmouth Oaks.

Uncle Mo--and hopefully American Pharoah--is going to help fill the considerable void left at Ashford by the death of

Scat Daddy, who would have stood the 2016 season at \$100,000 had he lived. He hit the Grade 1 target on both sides of the Atlantic thanks to his daughters Harmonize and Lady Aurelia. With Dacita (Chi) and Caravaggio also scoring at the top level this year in the Northern Hemisphere, Scat Daddy is making a serious impact--especially when none of his racing-age offspring was sired at a fee higher than \$30,000. It would have been truly

fascinating to see what he might have achieved with \$100,000 mares.

I don't know a great deal about Puerto Rico, except that tennis player Monica Puig recently won gold at the Olympics. Now D' Wildcat Speed, another female who distinguished herself in Puerto Rico, has found fame as the dam of the blisteringly fast Lady Aurelia. D' Wildcat Speed won 14 straight races in Puerto Rico, including four PR-Grade I stakes, after losing her career debut. In the process, she earned the titles of champion 3-year-old and Horse of the Year in 2003.



The late Scat Daddy | Coolmore photo

Her success led to her being transferred to Florida, where her best win came when she landed the Gill Rampart H. over a mile and an eighth at Gulfstream Park in 2005. Her trainer Bill White explained afterwards that, "she finally got to run today at a distance she was most successful at in Puerto Rico. Unfortunately, I never had a chance prior to this race to run her at this distance because of soundness issues, but today she was finally able to show everybody what she's all about."

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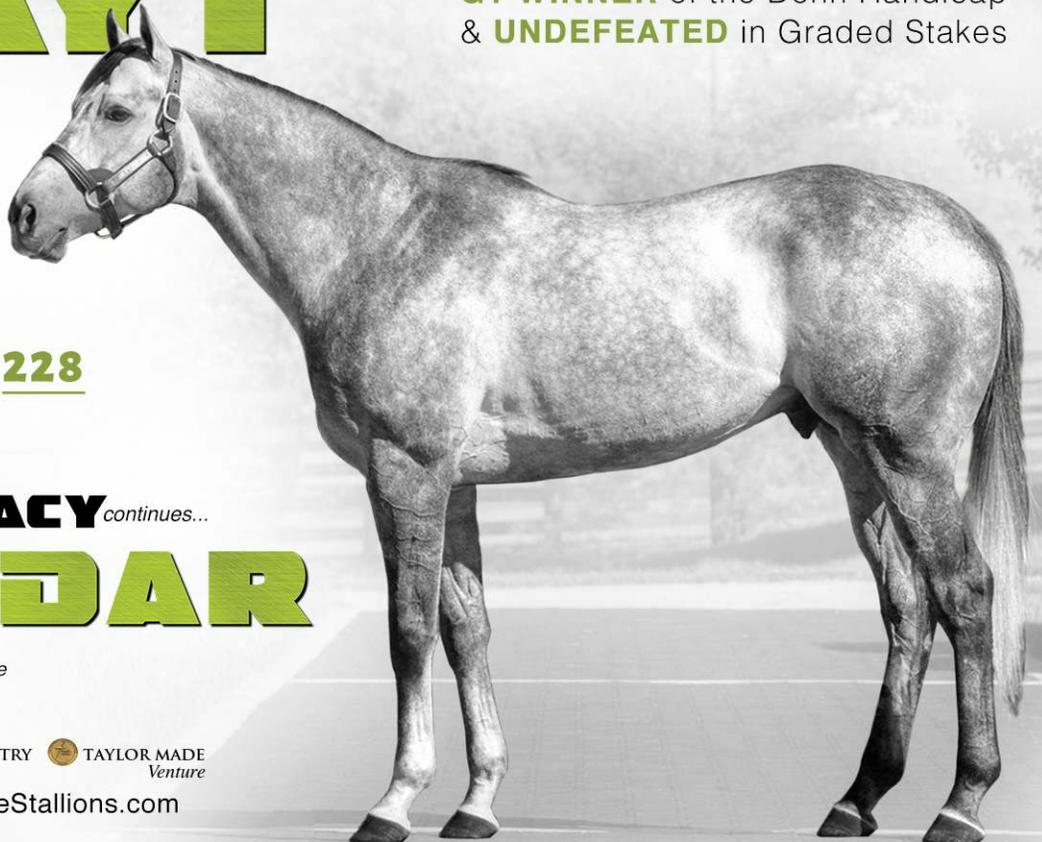
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Bearing in mind that Scat Daddy also thrived at around a mile and an eighth, winning the GII Fountain of Youth and GI Florida Derby, Lady Aurelia has every right to stay beyond a mile. This would probably surprise anyone who watched her make all over five furlongs in the G2 Queen Mary S. at Royal Ascot. It mustn't be forgotten, though, that she put in all her best work in the final 300 yards at Royal Ascot.

That she will stay beyond a mile also seems a bit unlikely after the terrific early speed she once again showed on her way to victory in the [G1 Prix Morny](#), but both her rider Frankie Dettori and trainer Wesley Ward had relevant excuses for why she wasn't as impressive at the end of her race as she had been at the start.

A mile is the furthest that Lady Aurelia will be asked to go this year, if her connections opt for the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf, rather than the dirt equivalent. Ward's opinion that she will get the mile has to be respected, as he took the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf with Hootenanny, another winner over five furlongs at Royal Ascot.

Lady Aurelia's second dam, Velvet Panther, was another star in Puerto Rico, where she notched up no fewer than 31 victories from 52 starts. She was bred in Florida, though.

If there proves to be a weakness in Lady Aurelia's stamina, there are several possible sources. Her broodmare sire Forest Wildcat raced exclusively over sprint distances and once equaled a track record over six furlongs. Although Velvet Panther's sire Pentaquod won at up to 1 1/16 miles, his best win came in the Hialeah Sprint Championship over seven furlongs. And Great



Harmonize | Horsephotos

Above, the sire of Lady Aurelia's third dam Blue Eyed Cat, was another whose stakes victories came over sprint distances, even though he too scored over 1 1/16 miles. Great Above also crops up in Caravaggio's pedigree, as the grandsire

of his dam.

One interesting aspect of Lady Aurelia's pedigree is that she is inbred 4 x 3 to Storm Cat, an outstanding sire of 2-year-olds, including two winners of the Juvenile Fillies on dirt. The previous Grade I winners with Storm Cat inbreeding have been in South America, but now Lady Aurelia and Harmonize have achieved that status in the north. Harmonize, who is inbred 4 x 4 to Storm Cat, had no difficulty with a mile and an eighth in the [GI Del Mar](#)

[Oaks](#). Scat Daddy's daughter Pretty N Cool--another with 4 x 4 inbreeding--won the GII Matron S. over a mile at two. For what it's worth, Harmonize also has two lines of Mr. Prospector (3 x 4), whereas Lady Aurelia has two to his sire Raise a Native.

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Penney Goes from Last to First (cont. from p1)

He was born to a teenage mother who was going to put him up for adoption until an extended family member stepped in.

"My mother was 15 years old when I was born," Penney explains. "I'm from the sticks of Maine. Eastport had a 50% unemployment rate. Five-zero. Back then, education was not a priority sometimes and a lot of kids didn't graduate high school, including my mother. She ended up getting pregnant early on, and was going to give me up for adoption, but my step-grandfather decided that he would take me in. He was divorced from my biological grandmother and was 60 years old at the time."

Penney lived in a 350 square-foot home with his step-grandfather until he was 10 years old, when the house collapsed around them and was condemned. The two of them were homeless for three years, staying at times with various neighbors while the local carpentry school rebuilt their house.



Shirl, Ann Clare, Mary Ann and Townsend Penney with their star mare Flipcup

"That was my youth," Penney says. "I knew I wanted--and my granddad wanted me--to get a job someday where I worked with my mind and not my hands. My granddad only had a fourth-grade education himself and he really had a tough life, a lot of manual labor and he was handicapped."

Penney became the first person in his family to go to college when he enrolled at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine. He studied economics and got hired at Smith-Barney when he was 21. Working his way up the corporate ladder for the next 10 years, Penney went out on his own in 2008 and founded Dynasty Financial Partners, a successful private wealth management firm that has allowed him to dive head-first into one of his lifelong passions, Thoroughbred racing.

"When I was at Bates," Penney recalls, "I captained the baseball team and we always had an affinity for going to the horse track or the OTB. I always thought someday, if I could afford it, I would own a Thoroughbred racehorse."

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Initially dipping their toes in the water with syndicate involvement, Penney and his wife, Mary Ann, began Team Penney Racing in 2004. Mary Ann, also from humble roots as the daughter of a West Virginia coal miner, runs the day-to-day operations of the stable and names most of its horses. A proud alum of West Virginia University, she designed the Team Penney silks in the Mountaineers' navy-and-gold colors.

The Penneys' first horse was a filly by American Chance named American Dream'a, a play on Shirl's Maine roots and life story. She raced on opening day of the 2007 Saratoga meet in Team Penney's first start at the Spa and dead-heated for the win in the day's final race. The following year, the stable sent out Sweet Vendetta (Stephen Got Even) to an upset victory in the Gil Black-Eyed Susan S. on a sloppy Friday at Pimlico.

The current stable star is Flipcup (Milwaukee Brew), a multiple graded stakes-winning mare who finished fourth in last Monday's Saratoga Dew S. The 5-year-old will run back in Friday's Yaddo S. on the Saratoga lawn, attempting to become just the ninth horse in American racing history to win a stakes race over dirt, synthetic and turf.

"We've had some great horses over the years," Penney says. "We have a handful of mares, we breed, we also buy. At the yearling auction at Saratoga, I just bought a Giant's Causeway New York-bred filly that I really like. Hip #52. We have 12-15 horses, with Bill Mott, George Weaver, Brian Lynch and some at Finger Lakes with Chris Englehart. Jim Crupi at New Castle develops our babies for us. Both Sweet Vendetta and Flipcup were born at Waldorf Farm, where Dr. Jerry Bilinski does a nice job with the babies and mares. We will expand over time. Probably for us, the right size is 25-30 horses."

Living and working in Manhattan, Penney is passionate about his job and puts in 16-17 hour days at Dynasty. Away from work, however, he and his family have centered their lives around horse racing. Shirl and Mary Ann's two daughters, eight and 10 years old, both ride, and the whole clan spends much of every summer at Saratoga.

"It's heaven on earth for me," Penney says. "I feel the weight of a high-stress job with a lot of responsibility and it's a really nice escape from Wall Street. My friends and I joke that the night before opening day, at this stage of our lives, is like Christmas Eve. Ever since our kids have been born, we've never missed an opening day and we always yell, as a family, 'And they're off at Saratoga!' It's a great family tradition. My girls love it."

Coming from the restrictions and despair of abject poverty to the kind of success and freedom that Penney now enjoys is a whirlwind that few could even imagine. In that Saratoga paddock scene, from where he's been to where he is, he must feel the need to pinch himself.

"I do, in all walks of life to be honest," Penney admits. "I've lived a blessed life since I started in my industry. I get to do pretty much anything I want. All the sporting events, we eat at the best restaurants. My life now is pretty good, coming from being homeless. The two things that you know when you're really poor, if you ever go to bed really cold or really hungry, those things suck. Eating fish that I would have to go catch for breakfast for a long period of time was not a lot of fun. The odds of me being where I am today are more than a million to one. I've already won before the gates even open."

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BAFFERT QUARTET SETS SIGHTS ON THE SPA

Trainer Bob Baffert's GI Travers S. week began in earnest Monday, as Gary and Mary West's **American Freedom** (Pulpit) completed his final serious preparation for Saturday's Midsummer Derby with a five-furlong breeze in :59 flat in company with GI Ketel One King's Bishop prospect **Jazzy Times** (Discreetly Mine) at Del Mar. The pair will be joined by a pair of



American Freedom | *Equi-Photo*

stablemates--Travers-bound **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) and King's Bishop contender **Drefong** (Gio Ponti)--on a Tex Sutton charter flight from California Wednesday.

Winner of the July 1 GIII Iowa Derby and a tough runner-up behind fellow Travers hopeful **Exaggerator** (Curlin) in the July 31

GI Betfair.com Haskell Invitational, American Freedom pleased Baffert with his Monday morning move--as did Jazzy Times, recent winner of an optional claimer at Del Mar.

"They both worked great, everything went well and they're on schedule," said Baffert.

The pair's work comes one day after Juddmonte Farms' Arrogate drilled six panels in 1:11.80 at Del Mar in company with Drefong, who was timed in 1:00.20 for five furlongs. Both colts have steadily ascended the class ladder with three consecutive wins at the allowance level, and will each make their respective stakes debuts Saturday.

"Arrogate worked really nicely and he looked great today," said Baffert. "We're all set."

Baffert has won both races previously, finding the winner's circle in the 2001 Travers with Point Given and the 1999 King's Bishop with Forestry. He most recently finished second in last year's Travers with Triple Crown hero American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile).

With as many as 15 horses possible for the centerpiece of the Saratoga meet, trainer Todd Pletcher has a sole contender for the race in GI Belmont S. runner-up and GII Jim Dandy S. third-place finisher **Destin** (Giant's Causeway). Having already completed his major preparations, the gray galloped Monday and will have a relatively quiet week leading up to Saturday, Pletcher confirmed.

"He had a good gallop and seems to be in good spirits," Pletcher said. "I'll probably paddock school him on Wednesday. It's just a routine week."

Pletcher added that three-time Grade I winner **Curalina** (Curlin) is "all systems go" for the GI Personal Ensign S. Saturday, a "Win and You're In" event that grants the winner an automatic berth in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff Nov. 5.

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During last year's selected session of the August sale, 150 yearlings sold for \$6,774,500. The average was \$45,163 and the median was \$35,000. A filly by Arch brought the top price of \$320,000 at last year's auction. **Noted and Quoted** (The Factor), who brought the sale's fourth-highest price of \$160,000, resold for \$375,000 at OBS March and was subsequently tabbed a **'TDN Rising Star'** after a maiden-breaking score at Del Mar Aug. 7.

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Monday's Results:

SUMMER COLONY S., \$100,000, SAR, 8-22, (NW1S9M), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:50.31, ft.

1--**RACHEL'S TEMPER**, 118, m, 5, [Flatter](#)--**Fergie's Folly**, by **Down the Aisle**. (\$14,000 RNA Ylg '12 OBSAUG). O-Saul J. & Max Kupferberg; B-Charles H. Deters (KY); T-Charlton Baker; J-Joel Rosario. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 32-6-6-5, \$371,905.

2--**Tiger Ride**, 123, f, 4, Candy Ride (Arg)--Royal Tigress, by Storm Cat. O/B-Dixiana Farms LLC (KY); T-H. Graham Motion. \$20,000.

3--**Sweetgrass**, 117, f, 4, Street Sense--Mondenschein, by Brahms. O-Six Column Stables, LLC, Randall L. Bloch, John Seiler & Fred Merritt; B-Randy Bloch, et al (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes. \$10,000.

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Also Ran: Eskenformoney, Money'soncharlotte, Milaya.

Rachel's Temper, fresh off a claim earlier this meet by the hot Charlie Baker barn, took advantage of a strong pace to register her first stakes victory in this Monday feature. The honest mare took a tough beat when finishing second by a nose to subsequent GI Alabama S. runner-up Going for Broke (Blame) July 27 and was plucked for \$62,500 from Z R J Stables and the David Cannizzo barn out of that effort.

Bet hard early before drifting up to third choice by post, the dark bay settled at the tail of the field as a pair of longshots sparred through sizzling fractions of :23.04 and :46.74. The field quickly began to reel in the frontrunners on the far turn, with second favorite Tiger Ride the first to strike. That one easily inhaled the pace actors by the top of the straightaway and opened a daylight lead past the eighth pole, but Rachel's Temper was produced on the far outside by Joel Rosario, caught that one at the sixteenth marker and kicked away late for the victory.



Rachel's Temper | *Chelsea Durand*

"She looked like a nice filly," Baker said of his claim. "I always liked her and once I saw her for the claiming price, I thought it was an opportunity to get her. We claimed her with the intention of running her back [for the claiming tag] but she ran so

good out of that race that the nominations were up for this race, so I figured just put her in and see what it looked like. It set up pretty good, but she's a nice filly."

Rosario added: "I was happy about [the pace]. I just tried taking my time and she handled it well. She was back, but she's always honest. She tries hard, and I had a lot of confidence in her. It was a good race for her today." **Click for the**

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7th-SAR, \$93,000, Alw (NW3\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 8-22, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:35.57, gd.

MACAGONE (g, 5, [Artie Schiller](#)--**Isabel Away**, by **Skip Away**), a speedy turfer who carried his early foot to an upset win over MGSW Takeover Target (Harlan's Holiday) in the Danger's Hour S. Apr. 10 at Aqueduct, set a blistering pace in the state-bred Kingston S. May 30 at Belmont before fading to finish sixth. Allowed to set a moderate tempo of :24.06 and :48.29 as a 46-10 proposition in this spot, the gelding was set down at the top of the lane and opened clear past the furlong marker before digging in gamely to just hold off the late bid of Dancetrack (First Defence) by a nose. The winner's dam is responsible for a 2-year-old Pure Prize colt named Red Knight, a yearling colt by

Colonel John and a weanling colt by Freud. Lifetime Record: SW, 20-6-3-4, \$352,167. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-Trinity Farm, LLC (NY); T-Michelle Nihei.

NY-BRED OWNER AWARD: \$5,580 [nybreds.com](#)

6th-SAR, \$85,000, (S), Alw, 8-22, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.74, ft. WEEKEND HIDEAWAY (h, 6, [Speightstown--Apocalyptical, by Wiseman's Ferry](#)) went winless in seven starts after capturing the 2015 Sunshine Millions Sprint S., but got back on track with a score in the state-bred Affirmed Success S. Apr. 29 at Belmont and followed that up with a frontrunning triumph in the Commentator S. going a muddy mile there May 30. Most recently fourth in the John Morrissey S. at a sixteenth further here July 28, the chestnut was bet late to 8-5 in this stakes-quality group. Away well from the rail, Weekend Hideaway stalked the pace from third through splits of :22.70 and :45.64. Angling out one path at the top of the stretch, he closed resolutely to reel in longshot leader Bond Vigilante (Salute the Sarge) in the final sixteenth and pull away to a one-length success. Sales History: \$40,000 Ylg '11 FLZDIS. Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP, 33-11-4-4, \$807,532. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Red and Black Stable; B-Flying Zee Stables (NY); T-Philip M. Serpe.

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2nd-SAR, \$83,000, Msw, 8-22, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:30.97, gd. SADLER'S JOY (c, 3, [Kitten's Joy--Dynaire, by Dynaformer](#)) checked in fourth closing into a slow pace in his May 20 debut going a mile on the Belmont lawn, and was seventh stretching out to 11 furlongs there June 12. Running on late to be fourth again at that distance over this course July 30, the chestnut was given a 39-10 chance in this marathon event. Breaking more sharply than usual, Sadler's Joy tracked in fifth on the fence through the early stages. Continuing to save ground on the far turn while favored Richmond Street (Street Cry {Ire}) went wide, he slipped through between horses nearing the sixteenth pole, struck the lead and kicked away from the chalk for a two-length tally. The winner's GSW second dam Binya (Ger) (Royal Solo {Ire}) is a half to MGISW Sabin (Lyphard). Dynaire has a 2-year-old Malibu Moon colt named Lunaire, a yearling colt by Lemon Drop Kid named Dyna Buck and a weanling filly by the same sire. She was bred back to Ghostzapper this term. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$57,888. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-Woodslane Farm (KY); T-Thomas Albertrani.

1st-SAR, \$73,000, (S), Msw, 8-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2ft, 1:02.92, gd.

+ANOTHER GENIUS (f, 3, Einstein {Brz}--Countyourblessings, by Golden Missile) showed an imposing worktab for this debut, most recently breezing four furlongs from the gate in a bullet :47 3/5 over the local main, and was bet late to 14-5. Settling third-last along the rail early, the dark bay tipped out one path on the turn, came four wide in early stretch and closed strongly inside the final furlong to graduate by 1 3/4 lengths over stablemate Wake Up Smiling (Distorted Humor). The winner has a 2-year-old half-sister by Boys At Tosconova named Sisella. Sales History: \$42,000 Wlg '13 FTNMIX; \$22,000 RNA 2yo '15 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$43,800. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Everything's Cricket Racing; B-Howard C Nolan (NY); T-Linda Rice.

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NYRA Partners with VenueNext to Enhance Visitor Experience:

The New York Racing Association (NYRA) has reached an agreement with VenueNext to implement its connected venue technology platform, starting with an initial rollout in spring 2017 at Belmont, followed by implementation at Saratoga in the summer of 2017.

NYRA will use VenueNext to offer racegoers services such as mobile tickets, betting, ordering food, drinks and merchandise for select in-seat delivery or express pick-up; viewing horse and jockey profiles, accessing behind-the-scenes video content, and wayfinding. VenueNext will also integrate with the NYRA Bets betting app, NYRA HD video app and create a seamless loyalty experience across all NYRA touch points.

"VenueNext has a proven track record for delivering innovative fan experiences to sporting venues across the country and we're proud to partner with them," said NYRA President & CEO Chris Kay. "This partnership is yet another step in our efforts to continuously improve the guest experience through the use of technology."

NYSGC Announces Fantasy Sports Companies May Operate:

The New York State Gaming Commission (NYSGC) issued temporary permits to fantasy sports operators DraftKings, FanDuel, Yahoo, FantasyDraft and Draft, it was announced Monday. The companies may resume operations immediately in New York, following the completion of a legally required review of the temporary permit applications.

"As the newly enacted law requires, the Commission regulates all aspects of interactive fantasy sports, including ensuring the operators put important consumer protections in place," said NYSGC Executive Director Robert Williams. "While the

Commission continues work on formal regulations for these games, these temporary permits get companies up and running in New York State while assuring resident players that safeguards are in place.”

The NYSGC also announced Monday that it will host a meeting focused on the issue of retired racehorses Tuesday, Aug. 30 at 11:15 a.m. in the Humphrey S. Finney Pavilion on the Fasig-Tipton sales grounds in Saratoga Springs.

“This event is an important opportunity for the public to hear about the great work that many people are doing within the industry to promote responsible horse stewardship,” said Williams.

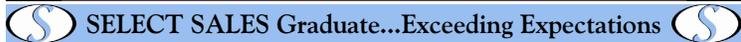
EASTERN U.S.

Monday's Results:

1st-PID, \$27,920, Alw, 8-22, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.98, ft.

TOUCH AND SMILE (f, 3, [Ghostzapper](#)--Frankie's Lady, by Meadowlake) endured a troubled trip, but got up by a neck at 7-10 in her debut Mar. 11 at Turfway, but failed as the favorite in her next two outings and came into this off a fourth-place effort on the Suffolk lawn July 9. Away with all the money on at 3-5 here, the \$250,000 Fasig-Tipton March buy dueled for early command through a :22.91 quarter-mile. Shaking loose past a half in :46.36, Touch and Smile widened with every stride in the stretch and bounded home six lengths to the good under minimal urging. Mystic Cotton (High Cotton) completed the exacta. Sales History: \$130,000 Ylg '14 FTSAUG Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$43,600. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Head of Plains Partners LLC; B-H. Allen Poindexter (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

 **Trained at Crupi's New Castle Farm** 


4th-DEL, \$35,825, Msw, 8-22, 2yo, 1m 70y, 1:43.24, ft.
BAYTOWN TURLS (g, 2, [Maclean's Music](#)--Glamorous Lady, by Kingdom of Spain) rallied to be third at a big price in his Apr. 8 debut at Keeneland for trainer Paul McEntee and filled the same slot first out for this barn July 3 at Parx. Switching to turf here July 20, the bay showed brief speed before fading to finish ninth. Off at 7-2 in this spot, Baytown Turls saved ground in fifth on the clubhouse turn, well off a strong opening quarter in :23.40. Inching with five lengths of the front past a :47.99 half, he advanced steadily along the inside, avoided the tiring pacesetter and rallied three wide in the lane to earn a

1 3/4-length decision. Bronx Sandman (Algorithms) was second-best. The winner is a half to Da Stoops (Distorted Humor), MSW & MGSP, \$640,906. He has a yearling half-brother by Astrology. Sales History: \$19,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$31,025. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Mercedes Stables LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Keith Nations.

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3rd-PID, \$26,730, (S), Msw, 8-22, 2yo, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.32, ft.
SIXERS CITY (c, 2, [Haynesfield](#)--Luna Grande, by Mass Media) showed speed in his July 31 debut here before fading in the last furlong to finish sixth. Pounded down to even-money in this spot, the homebred darted to the lead and rattled off modest splits of :22.69 and :46.31. Asked for his best at the top of the lane, Sixers City quickly burst away from the field and romped home by 9 3/4 lengths. Fast and Accurate (Hansen) won a photo for the place. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$16,605. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)
 O/B-James E Hess (PA); T-Ron G. Potts.

Total Handle Up 20% at Laurel Park Summer Meet:

Total handle on Laurel Park's summer meet was up 20.2% over the previous year while average and in-state handle also increased, the Maryland Jockey Club announced Monday.

Total handle on Laurel's 24-day summer meet--the same number of days as last year--was \$63.2 million compared to \$52.6 million in 2015. Average handle increased 12.4% from \$1.7 million to \$2.1 million, while in-state handle increased by 14.2% from \$18.1 million to \$20.7 million.

“We continue to buck industry trends and see increases in our product,” said Maryland Jockey Club President and General Manager Sal Sinatra. “Horsemen continue to support our growing program with great racing and large fields. Fans are also taking note of our great racing and world-class turf course. We continue to make fan-friendly improvements to our facility while engaging bettors.”

Laurel's fall and winter meet, which features a \$4 million stakes schedule highlighted by the 31st Jim McKay Maryland Million, commences Sept. 9.

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CENTRAL U.S.

Monday's Results:

7th-TDN, \$31,500, Alw, 8-22, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.22, ft. PROPER DISCRETION (f, 3, [Discreetly Mine](#)--Prizes {MSP, \$162,120}, by Prized) reeled off a triad of open-length scores here May 28, June 27 and July 30 and was made an even-money proposition to make it four in a row. Breaking a half-step slowly, the homebred soon sped clear through a :21.86 quarter-mile, widened further passing a :44.74 half and never faced a serious threat in the lane, jogging home by 2 1/2 lengths over Sweet Miss Lou (Super Saver). The victress's second dam is a half to MGSW/GISP Crafty Friend (Crafty Prospector). Her multiple stakes-placed dam is responsible for a 2-year-old Big Brown gelding named Brown Buckeye and foaled a Big Drama colt this term. Lifetime Record: 7-5-1-1, \$122,500. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O/B-Bruce Tallisman (OH); T-Benny R. Feliciano.

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KENTUCKY

Kentucky Downs Schedules Jockey Club Research Day:

The third annual Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation Day at Kentucky Downs is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 3, the Franklin, Kentucky track announced Monday. Kentucky Downs designated two stakes races and five overnight races on that date to be available for Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation to sell sponsorships.

"We appreciate Kentucky Downs organizing this innovative way to support equine research," said Edward L. Bowen, president of Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation. "At the moment, we have one stakes and three overnight races still available. We salute Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital, Hagyard Equine Medical Institute and Equibase for signing on to sponsor races."

The \$350,000 Kentucky Downs Juvenile, presented by Rood & Riddle, is one of four stakes on the Sept. 3 card. Another, the \$350,000 Kentucky Downs Ladies Turf, is eligible for sponsorship. Stakes sponsorship fees are \$1,000 each, and overnight sponsorship fees are \$700 each. Overnight races are named for individual sponsors, and all race sponsors receive recognition in the program, signage in the winner's circle, and hospitality at Kentucky Downs Sept. 3. For more information, visit the Jockey Club [website](#).

Keeneland to Host Educational Week for Fifth-Graders:

Keeneland will host 2,800 fifth-graders from 31 Lexington area public and private schools this week as part of its commitment to educate the community about its historical significance and the integral economic and cultural role the Thoroughbred industry plays in Central Kentucky, it was announced Monday. Now in its sixth year, the program has given more than 17,000 students the opportunity to see the inner workings of Keeneland and the Thoroughbred industry.

"Exposing local students to the significance of Keeneland and the Thoroughbred industry to Central Kentucky is important to us," Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason said. "In doing so, the tours have become one of Keeneland's most enjoyable events each year."

Each morning from Monday, Aug. 22, through Friday, Aug. 26, several hundred students will arrive at Keeneland for a morning full of activities. Students will be greeted by Keeneland officials, experience how a Thoroughbred is sold in the Sales Pavilion and tour the Grandstand, Paddock and trackside areas.

CALIFORNIA

Sunday's Late Result:

9th-DMR, \$71,015, Alw, 8-21, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.41, fm. ERIC THE TROJAN (g, 3, [More Than Ready](#)--[Catchofthecentury](#), by Carson City) was claimed for \$50,000 by these connections out of a win in the Santa Anita slop Apr. 9 and came back to finish second in the off-the-turf Desert Code S. there May 7. Fifth in a starter allowance May 29, he scored an optional claiming win June 30 and was a fast-closing second over course and distance in his first turf try July 30. Off as the 23-10 favorite here, the bay broke smoothly and settled third-last in the early going, well off a sharp :21.95 quarter-mile. Gathering momentum midway on the bend, Eric the Trojan exploded down the center of the course in the final furlong to reel in pacemaker Gutsy Ruler (Tribal Rule) and draw off to a 1 3/4-length success. The winner is a half to Spring Awakening (In Excess {Ire}), MSW & GISP, \$258,178; and Cat's Cat (Tabasco Cat), SW, \$168,513. Sales History: \$130,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$195,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESSEP; \$70,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT; \$85,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: SP, 10-3-2-1, \$116,020. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Chris Curtis; B-Mike Abraham (KY); T-Jack Carava.



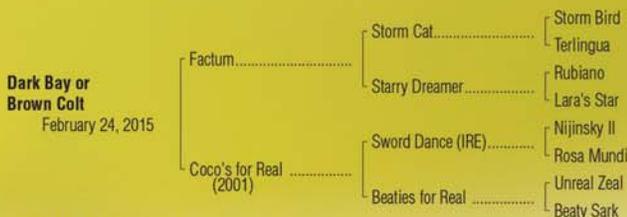
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1st dam

COCO'S FOR REAL, by Sword Dance (IRE). 5 wins, 2 to 4, \$104,770. Sister to **FRIEL'S FOR REAL, RYAN'S FOR REAL, LITTLE THUNDER**. Dam of 3 other registered foals, 3 of racing age, 2 to race, 1 winner--
COCO'S WILDCAT (f. by Wildcat Heir). 3 wins at 2 and 3, \$230,495, Cassidy S. (GP, \$43,245), 2nd Sorority S. [L] (MTH, \$15,000), Sandpiper S. (TAM, \$20,000), Miss Woodford S. (MTH, \$14,000), Stonehedge Farm South Sophomore Fillies S.-R (TAM, \$15,000), 3rd Adena Springs Miss Preakness S. [G3] (PIM, \$15,000), Fort Springs S. (KEE, \$10,000), Gasparilla S. (TAM, \$10,000), Selima S. (LRL, \$10,000), Any Limit S. (GP, \$7,350).

2nd dam

Beaties for Real, by Unreal Zeal. 2 wins at 2, \$42,885, 2nd Gasparilla S. (TAM, \$5,725), 3rd Sandpiper S. (TAM, \$2,775). Sister to **SLICK LADY** (\$166,504), half-sister to **IVANAVINALOT** (\$647,300, Bonnie Miss S. [G2] (GP, \$120,-000), etc.), **SHANANIE'S BEAT** (\$242,758). Dam of 5 winners, including--
FRIEL'S FOR REAL (f. by Sword Dance (IRE)). 13 wins, 2 to 6, \$674,544, Pimlico Breeders' Cup Distaff H. [G3] (PIM, \$90,000), Lady's Secret S. [L] (MTH, \$60,000) twice, Gala Lil S. [L] (LRL, \$45,000), Gala Lil S. (LRL, \$30,000), Maryland Racing Media H. (LRL, \$30,000), 2nd Obeah H. [L] (DEL, \$20,000), Maryland Racing Media H. [L] (LRL, \$15,000), Florida Breeders' Distaff S.-R (OTC, \$8,000), 3rd Pimlico Breeders' Cup Distaff H. [G3] (PIM, \$16,500), Winter Melody S. (DEL, \$5,984).

RYAN'S FOR REAL (g. by Sword Dance (IRE)). 7 wins, 2 to 5, \$333,805, Bill Hartack Memorial H. [G3] (HAW, \$120,000), 3rd General George Breeders' Cup H. [G2] (LRL, \$33,000), Ack Ack H. [G3] (CD, \$21,495), William Donald Schaefer H. [G3] (PIM, \$11,000).

ONEPOINTTHREEKARATS (f. by Medaglia d'Oro). 6 wins at 4 and 5, \$260,299, Thirty Eight Go Go S. [L] (LRL, \$60,000), Unbridled Belle S. (DEL, \$30,000), Winter Melody S. (DEL, \$30,000), 2nd John W. Rooney Memorial S. (DEL, \$15,000), Justakiss S. (DEL, \$10,310).

LITTLE THUNDER (c. by Sword Dance (IRE)). 6 wins, \$208,842, Artax H. [L] (GP, \$60,000), 3rd Donald LeVine Memorial H. [L] (PHA, \$11,000).

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Del Mar, Jockey Club Back Enhanced Medication Testing:

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club (DMTC) and The Jockey Club will provide additional funding to the Ken Maddy Laboratory at the University California, Davis to enhance the California Horse Racing Board's (CHRB) medication testing program, the organizations announced Monday. The resolution was made at The Jockey Club's regional members meeting at Del Mar Friday, Aug. 19.

"California has long been recognized as having the premier medication testing program in the country and it is important to me and the rest of Del Mar's Board of Directors that we maintain that standard," said Joe Harper, DMTC's president and CEO. "Biomarker testing is some of the most up-to-date science available and it makes great sense to embrace it. We need a level playing field in our sport and create the safest possible environment for our horses and riders."

Del Mar has also increased its veterinarian staffing levels to allow for additional out-of-competition medication testing.

"We applaud Del Mar and the CHRB in their efforts to combat ongoing challenges in our sport," said Jim Gagliano, president and COO of The Jockey Club. "A clean game is the best game for all involved--horses, riders, horsemen and fans. We are glad to be part of this significant effort."

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BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- AIKENITE** (Yes It's True), Calumet Farm, \$7.5K, 14/0/0
- 2-PID, Msw 5f, Truly Brilliant, \$5K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
- ALGORITHMS** (Bernardini), Claiborne Farm, \$7.5K, 88/6/0
- 3-IND, Msw 1m, Queen of Corona, \$11K KEE SEP yrl, 30-1
- 3-IND, Msw 1m, Radiantrithym, \$8K FTK OCT yrl, 6-1
- BRILLIANT SPEED** (Dynaformer), Three Chimneys Farm, dead, 27/3/0
- 1-PID, Msw 1m, Mongolian Changa, \$9K FTK OCT yrl, 6-1

Second-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, August 23

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: only offspring that are first-time starters or starting in a stakes race will be listed.

- ADIOS CHARLIE** (Indian Charlie), Ocala Stud Farm, \$3K, 85/18/1
- 2-PID, Msw 5f, +J's Indian Charm, \$2K OBS OCT wnl, 12-1
- FACTUM** (Storm Cat), Stonehedge Farm South, Pvt., 42/9/0
- 2-PID, Msw 5f, +Believe Me Babe, 15-1
- FIRST DUDE** (Stephen Got Even), Double Diamond Farm, \$7.5K, 195/45/1
- 3-IND, Msw 1m, +Fleet Dude, \$35K RNA FTK OCT yrl, 6-1

BREEDERS' EDITION

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-DEL, \$36,250, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$12,500), 8-22, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.22, ft.

CHARLESBRECKNRIDGE (g, 4, Mutadda--Generalbandsallie, by Officer) Lifetime Record: 14-3-5-1, \$94,575. O-Mark Hoffman & Jagger Inc.; B-Ripplewood Farm LLC. (KY); T-Jamie Ness.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Brett the Jet, g, 3, Bluegrass Cat--Littlemiss Allison (MSW, \$277,433), by Jump Start. FL, 8-22, 1 1/16m, 1:47.95. B-Wellspring Stables (NY). *\$95,000 Ylg '14 SARAUG.

LAMBHOLM SOUTH Training Graduate

Quasante, f, 3, Hard Spun--Imaginary Saint, by Saint Liam. DEL, 8-22, 1m (off turf), 1:39.73. B-Marc Keller (KY).

+Besides, g, 3, Lightnin N Thunder--Aftertheballisover, by Bernstein. TDN, 8-22, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07.38. B-Thomas J Cinalli (OH).

Mr. Magic, c, 3, Scat Daddy--Tu Tu Larue, by Theatrical (Ire). SAR, 8-22, (C), 1mT, 1:37.89. B-Hunter Valley Farm & Bourque Goldstein Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY). *\$52,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$160,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

Hip 1906 - Full sister sells at KeeSep with Blandford Stud

The Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation and the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund will host a charity golf tournament, "Tee Off for TRF & PDJF", to be held Tuesday, Aug. 23 at McGregor Links Golf Club in Wilton, NY. The event will be hosted by former jockey Richard Migliore and will include appearances by the likes of Angel Cordero, Jr. and Shug McGaughey. For more info, click [here](#).

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IN JAPAN:

Danon Legend, h, 6, Macho Uno--My Goodness, by Storm Cat. Morioka, 8-16, Cluster Cup, 6f. Lifetime Record: GSW-Jpn, 28-13-4-3, \$3,027,139. O-Danox Inc. ; B-Colts Neck Stables, LLC; T-Akira Murayama. *\$385,000 2yo '12 BARMAR; \$90,000 yrl '11 KEESEP.

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BRITISH YEARLING SEASON UNDERWAY AT GOFFS UK



G1 Darley July Cup winner and Goffs UK graduate Limato | *Racing Post*

Story and photos by Emma Berry

The British yearling sales season begins today at the newly branded Goffs UK sales house at Doncaster where, for the last few days, trainers and agents have been combing the yards in search of the next star juvenile at the Premier Yearling Sale.

The poster boy for this year's catalogue is Limato (Ire) (Tagula {Ire})--a £41,000 purchase three years ago by Peter and Ross Doyle--who very much lived up to the sale's billing as a source of precocious speed by scorching through his 2-year-old-season unbeaten in four runs, including two listed wins. He has subsequently built on that impressive start with three group victories, the biggest of them all coming in last month's G1 Darley July Cup.

Limato's trainer Henry Candy was among those pounding the beat on Monday, as was Tony Nerses, who bought last year's record-equaling top lot, a sister to Galileo Gold (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}), for £280,000. Nerses issued an upbeat bulletin on the filly now named Choumicha (GB) and in training alongside her brother at Hugo Palmer's stable for Saleh Al Homaizi and Imad Al Sagar, saying, "We're very pleased with her and she's doing really well. I hope she'll be racing before too long but I don't like to rush our trainers."

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TARZINO ON TRACK FOR MEMSIE

Dual Group 1 winner **Tarzino (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}) remains on course for Saturday's G1 Memsie S. despite his intended trial being cancelled due to rain on Monday. Trainer Mick Price told *Racing.com* the G1 Victoria Derby and G1 Rosehill Guineas winner's primary targets will come later in the season, and thus he doesn't need to be cranked up for the Memsie.

"If we had been able to trial him, it would have been good, but it doesn't affect his preparation as such," Price said. "The Memsie isn't the be-all and end-all for him; it's just a kick-off point for him because I don't want to run him first-up in the [G1] Makybe Diva [Sept. 10]. His target is the [G1] Caulfield Cup over 2400 metres in a couple of months' time, so I'm not too worried about it."

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The catalogue for the two-day sale, which is followed directly on Thursday by the Silver Sale, has been trimmed slightly to 487 lots. Taking into account withdrawals at the time of writing, 462 yearlings are due to come under the hammer in the next 48 hours and will do well to emulate an excellent set of results posted in 2015. The Premier Sale has been consistently upwardly mobile over the last few years, with last year's turnover of £17,644,000 being up from just £10,641,500 in 2012, while the average and median figures also represented notable gains at £40,034 and £30,500 respectively. Most



Luke Lillingston and Sam Hoskins inspecting yearlings

encouraging of all was a clearance rate of 87%.

"The vendors have responded really well to the progress that the sale has made over the last few years and the general consensus is that the quality of the individuals here has

taken another step forward," said Goffs UK Chief Executive Henry Beeby. "We're quietly hopeful that we can at least match last year, though obviously the world is a slightly precarious place at the moment in terms of uncertainty over the Brexit issues. We haven't yet seen exactly what effect it's going to have and it's the one unknown that makes us slightly nervous. But, of the horses we've seen, the footfall today and feedback, we're feeling quite happy."

Several first-season sires were given the market's seal of approval at Arqana, and there will be plenty more to be tested at Goffs UK over the new few days. Cheveley Park Stud's dual Group 1-winning sprinter Lethal Force (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) heads the list with 19 catalogued, including Houghton Bloodstock's colt out of a winning Kodiak (Ire) half-sister to Kingsgate Native (Ire) (Mujadil) ([lot 323](#)).

Also well represented is Epaulette (Aus), whose fellow Darley sire and half-brother Helmet (Aus) has made a blazing start with his first runners this season. Among his 18 yearlings catalogued is [lot 101](#), Whitwell Bloodstock's half-sister to this season's three-time winner Justice Lady (Ire) (Dream Ahead {Ire}) from

the super-fast family of Lochsong (GB) (Song {GB}) and recent Qatar Stewards' Cup winner Dancing Star (GB) (Aqlaam {GB}). Epaulette and Swiss Spirit (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) were among the newcomers to please the foal judges last year, and Whitsbury Manor Stud's Swiss Spirit has 13 yearlings in the Premier Sale. [Lot 165](#), from the Baroda & Colbinstown Stud's draft, has been the subject of a good recent update following the listed victory of his half-sister Silver Rainbow (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) in the Prix du Cercle at Deauville on July 30.

Tally-Ho Stud sadly lost top sprinter Society Rock (Ire) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) to laminitis earlier this year, but the former James Fanshawe trainee



Lot 165, Swiss Spirit colt

has 16 of his first crop to be sold at Doncaster, while Ballyhane Stud's Red Jazz--like Scat Daddy, a son of Johannesburg--has seven on offer, including the very first horse through the ring at 10 a.m. on Tuesday ([lot 2](#)), from the family of GI EP Taylor S. winner Truly A Dream (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}).

Completing the list of freshman sires with yearlings in the Premier Sale are Camelot (GB) (1), Data Link (1), Declaration Of War (1), Havana Gold (Ire) (8), Intello (Ger) (1), Maxios (GB) (1), Most Improved (Ire) (7) and Worthadd (Ire) (2).

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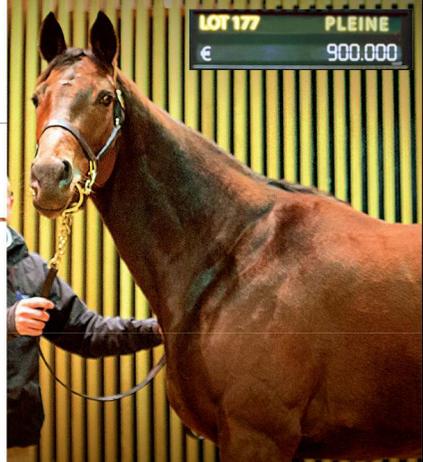
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EMBELLISHMENT topped the 2015 Breeding Stock Sale, selling for €900,000 to Bridlewood Farm.

First-season sires always attract much attention but there are plenty of proven stallions on the pages of the catalogue--not least Kodiak (Ire), who has 33 yearlings in the book and supplied the joint sales-toppers at the Goffs UK Breeze-up Sale back in April. One of the pair, Prince Of Lir (Ire), went through this sale last year for £40,000 before making £170,000 for Con Marnane's Bansha House Stables as a 2-year-old, just two months before he won the G2 Norfolk S. at Royal Ascot for the Cool Silk Partnership. Prince Of Lir's fellow breeze-up topper Ardad (Ire) wasn't offered for sale as a yearling but he too won at the Royal meeting, claiming the Listed Windsor Castle S. for John Gosden.



Niamh Woods, Paul Cashman and Henry

"This is probably the sale that has the strongest identity of any yearling sale," commented Henry Beeby. "There's a 'Donny horse' and people know what that is, and what's changed about the Donny horse over the last 20 years is the depth of pedigree, which means that it used to be all about how many 2-year-old winners we could get, but now it's about quality 2-year-olds who can win at

Royal Ascot and train on. There are plenty of recent examples--Limato, of course, Tiz Marvellous is a good horse, Prince Of Lir is another one. It's a sale that is regularly producing quality winners and few major buyers in Europe miss it these days."

The huge crowd of vendors and potential purchasers gathered at the end of the final viewing day under the newly installed giant tepee alongside the sales ring bore testament to these words. It would seem all the players are in place for what Beeby hopes will be another vintage renewal of the British season-opener.

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FRANKEL'S FLYING START IMPRESSIVE, BUT NOT MATCHLESS

Notwithstanding the first-season Royal Ascot hat-tricks of New Approach (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and Zoffany (Ire) (Dansili {GB}), it is hard to name a horse in recent years who has made as impressive a start to his stud career as Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}). He was, of course, an outstanding champion on the track, but that guarantees nothing as the score-board goes back to zero when a stallion starts out at stud. Frankel's early figures, however, are already excellent: 10 individual winners from 16 individual runners including two stakes winners: G2 Lowther S. heroine Queen Kindly (GB) and G3 Princess Margaret S. victrix Fair Eva (GB).

Obviously we cannot say how things will go for Frankel in the future, and there is much more to a top-class stud career than



Frankel's G2 Lowther S. scorer Queen Kindly | *Racing Post*

the ability to sire plenty of precocious first-crop 2-year-olds. In fact, instant success and long-term achievement are not necessarily one and the same thing, as Frankel's sire himself has proved. Galileo's first juveniles

collectively won no pattern races in 2006, but the races won by his offspring in 2007 included the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas, G1 St Leger (in which he sired the trifecta), G1 National S., G1 Dewhurst S., G1 Breeders' Cup Turf, G2 Lancashire Oaks, G2 Futurity S. and G2 Prix Chaudenay. Since then, of course, Galileo has gone from strength to strength.

It is easy, though, to believe that Frankel will eventually establish himself as the complete stallion, an influence for class in general rather than merely for achievement at a specific distance or age. Any such speculation inevitably invites comparison not only with Galileo but with the great sires of the past--and in particular it prompts reflection on how other stallions have fared after making a meteoric start.

Perhaps the most impressive start to a European stud career in recent years was made by Kendargent (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}). While that admirable grey horse did not come up with any Group 1 winners in his first crop (in fact, he has yet to sire one) he over-achieved (and is still doing so) to an extent rarely witnessed.

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Having failed to score in stakes company in his three-season racing career, he retired to stud with no fanfare whatsoever, covering tiny books at a fee of €500. The percentages from his first-crop of 2-year-olds were almost unimaginably good. From a crop of 19 foals, he sired seven juvenile runners and four juvenile winners, two of whom scored in pattern company. Kendargent's career has continued in similar vein and, having started to cover big books of good mares at a five-figure fee in 2014, it is surely only a matter of time before Group 1 success ensues.

While Kendargent has clearly over-performed to a remarkable extent, perhaps the bar at which Frankel should be aiming is an even higher one: that set by Adraan (Fr) (Zedddaan {Fr}). Sadly, Adraan sired merely one incomplete crop, dying from skin cancer at Narrung Stud in South Australia on Dec. 1, 1982, having covered the majority, but not all, of his small first book of mares.

The following spring, 27 Adraan foals were born. Of these, 23 got as far as being named, and 22 of them raced at least once. Twenty of these 22 runners won. Of these 20 winners, 15 scored in town and seven were stakes winners.



Kendargent in his racing days | Scoop Dyga

He actually ended up with nine stakes performers because two of his lesser winners were stakes-placed. Remarkably, three of Adraan's 2-year-olds earned a start in the 1986 Golden Slipper:

Magic Flute (Aus), Bataan (Aus) and Khaptivaan (Aus). Another of his 2-year-olds, El Vaquero (Aus), landed South Australia's premier juvenile race, the G2 SAJC Sires' Produce S.

The following year proved that Adraan had not merely been an influence for juvenile precocity. Having scored in Group 2 company as a 2-year-old, Magic Flute won four pattern races at three including the G1 VATC Thousand Guineas and the G1 AJC Doncaster H. In the same season, Khaptivaan landed the G2 AJC Surround S., in which Magic Flute finished third, the pair split by the Golden Slipper winner Bounding Away (Aus) (Biscay {Aus}). Bataan, Adraanito (Aus), Adraanette (Aus) and Aussie Consul (Aus) also landed pattern wins aged three or more.

Time proved that the loss to Australian breeding in general and South Australian breeding in particular when Adraan died was immense. Even with so few foals, he still managed to leave a legacy. Bataan became a decent stallion, while Wham (Aus) (Adraan {Fr}) left the NZ Group 1 winner Captain Cook (NZ) and the multiple Australian stakes winner Corregidor (NZ) from limited opportunities in New Zealand.

Stardraan (Aus) (Adraan {Fr}) also made his mark as a sire, leaving the dual stakes winner Ashaard (Aus) from even scantier patronage.

Khaptivaan proved the best of Adraan's daughters at stud, breeding G1 VATC Oakleigh Plate winner Khaptingly (NZ) (Bletchingly {Aus}) as well as listed winner Khaptrist (NZ) (Sir Tristram) and three-time winner and successful South Australian-based stallion Devaraja (NZ) (Sir Tristram). Snow Wonder (Aus) (Adraan {Fr}) also excelled, breeding G1 MVRC Manikato S. winner You Remember (Gold Carat); while Adraanito produced G2 VRC Ascot Vale S. winner Spargo (Aus) (Rory's Jester {Aus}).

While the full extent of Adraan's success could not have been predicted, he had gone to stud entitled to be an excellent sire of sprinters. Trained for his owner/breeder HH Aga Khan IV by Francois Mathet, he had been one of Europe's fastest colts of 1980, when he broke Longchamp's 1000-metre record in taking the G3 Prix de Saint-Georges and also won the G3 Prix du Gros Chene over 1000 metres at Chantilly. He ended his career by starting favourite in the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp, in which he finished fourth to the British champion Moorestyle (GB) (Manacle {GB}).

The source of Adraan's speed is easy to identify, as he was an archetypal product of the Aga Khan's studs in the era when HH Aga Khan III's dictum of "speed, speed and more speed" still held sway. Along the bottom line of his pedigree he came from HH Aga Khan III's brilliant foundation mare Mumtaz Mahal (GB) (The Tetrarch {GB}), 'The Flying Filly' from whom so many of the stud's champions have descended. Along the top he came from the line of Mumtaz Mahal's outstanding grandson Nasrullah (GB) (Nearco {Ity}) via the 1950 Richmond S. winner Grey Sovereign (GB). **Cont. p6**



Frankel at Banstead Manor Stud | Juddmonte Farm

The Grey Sovereign line has yielded many great racehorses and stallions over the years--usually short-distance horses, often grey and sometimes feisty--and is best represented nowadays by Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie) as well as the aforementioned Kendargent.

The start at stud made by Adraan was the most impressive made by any stallion in Australia since the first Baramul Stud-conceived sons and daughters of Star Kingdom (Ire) (Stardust {GB}) began racing in the 1954/55 season, in which term the first juvenile race, the AJC Breeders' Plate, fell to the only Star Kingdom colt to have been sold from Baramul as a yearling, Kingster (Aus). Star Kingdom's first crop contained 20 registered foals, 18 runners and 16 winners. His figures for his second crop (22 registered foals for 21 runners, 18 winners) and third crop (20 registered foals, 19 runners, 18 winners) were similarly good. His feat in producing the first five winners of the STC Golden Slipper S. set the tone



Hyperion statue in Newmarket | *Racing Post*

for a career which marked him down as Australia's most successful and influential sire of the pre-Danehill era. Frankel has already lived longer than Adraan and it must be hoped that he can live at least as long as Star Kingdom, who died on Apr. 21, 1967 at the age of 21. In fact, it would be lovely to think that he could emulate the longevity of Hyperion (GB) (Gainsborough {GB}), grandsire of Star Kingdom and ancestor of Frankel through his daughter Lady Angela (GB), the dam of Northern Dancer's sire Nearctic (Can) (Nearco {Ity}).

When Newmarket's initial batch of 'Legends of the Turf' were inducted in 2014, the first two horses to be thus celebrated were Hyperion and Frankel. The former, winner of the Derby and St Leger in 1933, proved himself Britain's greatest stallion of the 20th century before dying in 1960 at the age of 30. Frankel has yet to prove that he can be ranked in the same class (as a stallion, anyway) as either Hyperion or Star Kingdom, or that he can compile statistics to rival those put together by Adraan (and it will, of course, be two or three years before we know whether Frankel's first crop contains the 100 or so individual winners and approximately 35 stakes winners necessary to match Adraan's figures). But the early signs for Frankel are very promising.

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ONE-SIDED AFFAIR

Deauville's Tuesday card features the return of the unbeaten G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains and G1 Prix de Diane heroine **La Cressonniere (Fr)** (Le Havre {Ire}) along with three other members of the Jean-Claude Rouget stable in the G2 Prix de la Nonette Beachcomber Hotels le Royal Palm Ile Maurice. Whether or not Antonio Caro and Gerard Augustin-Norman d's star performer is capable of making an impact in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe is not yet known, and it is unlikely that this 10-furlong contest will offer any firm



Jean-Claude Rouget saddles four of the six in the Prix de la Nonette | *Racing Post*

evidence, but the fact that Rouget also runs the May 16 G1 Prix Saint-Alary winner and July 30 G1 Nassau S. third **Jemayel (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}) and July 30 G3 Prix de Psyche runner-up **Lakalas (Fr)** (Turtle Bowl {Ire}) means it will be no walkover.

From Britain is the June 24 Listed Hoppings S. winner **Nezwaah (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who represents Roger Varian. "I am under no illusions that this is a competitive renewal of the race. La Cressonniere sets a very high standard as a dual Classic winner who we meet on level terms, but Nezwaah is progressive and she deserves her place in the line-up," her trainer said. "I hope she acquits herself creditably."

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Tuesday, Deauville, France, post time: 1.20 p.m.

PRIX DE LA NONETTE BEACHCOMBER HOTELS LE ROYAL PALM ILE MAURICE-G2, €130,000, 3yo, f, 10fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	4	Nezwaah (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Atzeni	Varian
2	5	Jemayel (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Benoist	Rouget
3	1	Ouezy (Ire)	Le Havre (Ire)	Mendizabal	Rouget
4	3	La Cressonniere (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	C Demuro	Rouget
5	6	Lakalas (Fr)	Turtle Bowl (Ire)	Soumillon	Rouget
6	2	Chinoiseries (GB)	Archipenko	Rispoli	Simcock

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MEHMAS GIVEN MIDDLE PARK TARGET

Dual Group 2 winner **Mehmas (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}) is set to clash with the likes of G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. winner **Caravaggio** (Scat Daddy) and 'TDN Rising Star' **Blue Point (Ire)** (Shamardal), winner of last week's G2 Gimcrack S., in the



Mehmas bests Blue Point in the Richmond | *Racing Post*

G1 Middle Park S. at Newmarket Sept. 24. The Al Shaqab colourbearer finished second to Caravaggio in Royal Ascot's G2 Coventry S. before winning the G2 Arqana July S. and the G2 Qatar Richmond S., besting Blue Point on the

latter occasion, but missed Sunday's G1 Prix Morny after returning an unsatisfactory scope.

"The plan is for Mehmas to go to the Middle Park," confirmed trainer Richard Hannon. "Like a lot of horses at the moment, he just had a bit of a dirty scope, it just wasn't 100%, which stopped him from running yesterday. It was such a shame, but he's in good form and we'll look to Newmarket."

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ABBAYE AIM FOR MECCA'S ANGEL

Three days removed from **Mecca's Angel (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire})'s successful title defense in the G1 Nunthorpe S., trainer Michael Dods said the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye on the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe undercard Oct. 2 would be the 5-year-old mare's primary target before retiring to stud at the end of the season. The David Metcalfe colourbearer could also take in the G1 Qipco British Champions Sprint over six furlongs two weeks later.



Mecca's Angel | *Racing Post*

"She came home fine and she'll have an easy week or two and then I'll start to build her back up for the Abbaye," said Dods. "The Flying Five [at The Curragh Sept. 11] isn't on the agenda anymore; it just comes too close to the Abbaye. I'm not keen for her to have a run before France as I like her to be nice and fresh.

"The Abbaye is the number one target and then Ascot comes two weeks after that," Dods continued.

"As Ascot would be her last race we might risk it, but at the moment France is the number one priority and only if she came out of that bouncing would we consider Ascot," Dods added. "I have always wanted to try her over six before she retires, but we'll just have to see."

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IRISH DATE FOR SKIFFLE

Godolphin's **Skiffle (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), last seen finishing fifth in the G1 Investec Oaks June 3, will make her return to the races in Sunday's G3 Snow Fairy S. at The Curragh over nine furlongs. Trainer Charlie Appleby said the 3-year-old had originally been pencilled in for Tuesday's G2 Prix de la Nonette in Deauville, but



Skiffle | *Racing Post*

he wasn't keen to take on G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and G1 Prix de Diane victress La Cressonniere (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}).

"She's going to go to Ireland for the Snow Fairy," Appleby confirmed. "I was

going to take her to Deauville, but I didn't fancy taking on the French Guineas and Oaks winner. I'd love her to get her head back in front and then I'd like to put her away for next season."

Skiffle turned heads when breaking her maiden in the Listed Height of Fashion S. at Goodwood May 19, but was beaten 24 lengths by Minding (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) at Epsom in just her third start.

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MOORE BACK IN THE SADDLE

Leading rider Ryan Moore, sidelined since the end of last month due to an unspecified injury, has returned to riding out, but no timeline has been set out for his return to race riding, according to his father, Gary Moore.

"He is riding out," the elder Moore confirmed. "I think it has only been for a few days. When he is feeling well enough and when it is worth coming back, he will come back."

Moore was last seen in competitive action aboard Alice Springs (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the July 31 G1 Prix Rothschild, where the pair finished eighth.

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FALLON RIDING OUT IN NEWMARKET

Champion jockey Kieren Fallon, who announced his retirement and battle with depression last month, is riding out in Newmarket for trainer William Haggas after completing the first phase of his depression treatment.

Irish Turf Club chief medical officer Dr Adrian McGoldrick said, "Kieren is riding out for William Haggas in Newmarket a couple of mornings a week, but he still attends his aftercare appointments on a Tuesday. Those appointments are in Ireland and he flies back to attend."

"He's doing great," McGoldrick added. "I spoke to him last week and he's heading in the right direction."

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BRITAIN



Monday's Results:

2nd-CAR, £4,500, Cond, 8-22, 2yo, 5f 193yT, 1:15.90, gd.

PARNASSIAN (IRE) (c, 2, Elzaam {Aus}--Adaptation {GB}, by Spectrum {Ire}), who scored impressively over this trip on debut at Newcastle Aug. 4, raced with enthusiasm close to the early pace. Sent to the front with two furlongs remaining, the €34,000 TISEP yearling from the family of the GI Matriarch S. and GI Beverly Hills H. winner Squeak (GB) (Selkirk) readily asserted to score by 2 1/4 lengths from Grinty (Ire) (Elnadim). Adaptation also has a colt foal by Dandy Man (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$7,685. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Ontowinner 14 & Mrs E Burke; B-Ballyhane Stud Ltd (IRE); T-Karl Burke.

4th-KEM, £6,600, Mdn, 8-22, 2yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:25.35, st.

BLUSHING ROSE (GB) (f, 2, Dalakhani {Ire}--Russelliana {GB} {GSP-Eng}, by Medicean {GB}), who was an encouraging third on debut at Newmarket over this trip July 30, worked her way up behind the leading trio early and was sent to the inner in the straight to take command passing the two-furlong marker. Possibly idling in the clear, the even-money favourite was never seriously threatened and hit the line a comfortable length winner from Raven's Lady (GB) (Raven's Pass). Blushing Rose represents a solid start for Russelliana, who was second in the G2 Cherry Hinton S. as a juvenile, and the first foal is to be followed by a yearling colt by Dubawi (Ire) and a filly foal by Nathaniel (Ire). Like the triple Group 1-winning sire Notnowcato (GB), she descends from Rambling Rose (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), who placed in the G3 Lancashire Oaks, G2 Ribblesdale S. and G2 Prix de Pomone. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$6,473. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Sir Evelyn de Rothschild; B-Southcourt Stud (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute.

2nd-THI, £6,600, Mdn, 8-22, 2yo, 5fT, 1:00.44, sf.

NORWEGIAN HIGHNESS (FR) (f, 2, Kendargent {Fr}--Norwegian Princess {Ire}, by Fairy King), only sixth in a course-and-distance maiden last time May 14, showed early dash to race freely near the front. Gaining the edge passing the quarter pole, the 14-1 shot asserted to win by 1 1/4 lengths from Connacht Girl (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}). The winner is a full-sister to Prinedargent (Fr), SW & GSP-Fr, \$104,617, and a half to Private Jet (Fr) (Aussie Rules), SW & GSP-Fr, \$216,333. The dam, who also has a yearling full-sister to the winner named Norwegian Milady (Fr), is a half-sister to the G3 Glorious S. winner Forgotten Voice (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and G3 Prix de Flore scorer Australie (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) from the family of Arcangues. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$5,583. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Guy Pariente; B-Guy Pariente Holding SRL (FR); T-Kevin Ryan.

1st-BRG, £5,000, Mdn, 8-22, 2yo, f, 5f 213yT, 1:12.16, gd.

+MYSTIC DAWN (IRE) (f, 2, Oasis Dream {GB}--Frivolity {GB}, by Pivotal {GB}), sent off the 7-2 second favourite, was waited with towards the rear throughout the early stages before being gradually angled off the inside for her effort. Responding to a stroke of the whip to gain the lead with a furlong to race, the homebred drew away to record a convincing 2 3/4-length success from Spinnaka (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Frivolity, who has a yearling colt by High Chaparral (Ire), is a daughter of the European champion 2-year-old filly of 1994 Gay Gallanta (Woodman) courtesy of her successes in the G1 Cheveley Park S. and G3 Queen Mary S. Her most accomplished performer was the G2 Lennox S. and G2 Mill Reef S.-winning sire Byron (GB), who was also third in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains. The third dam is the G1 Prix Morny runner-up Gallanta (Fr) (Nureyev), a half-sister to the sires Gay Mecene, Gallapiat and Brave Shot (GB) and also the GIII Villager S. scorer Lassie Dear (Buckpasser). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,229. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Al Asayl Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-David Simcock.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Manners Please (GB), g, 2, **Sixties Icon (GB)**--Humility (GB), by Polar Falcon. THI, 8-22, 7fT, 1:32.47. B-C. A. Cyzer (GB). *15,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT.

Sir Valentine (Ger), c, 3, **Cacique (Ire)**--Singuna (Ger), by Black Sam Bellamy (Ire). KEM, 8-22, 12f (AWT), 2:32.10. B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GER). *75,000gns Ylg '14 TATOCT.

+Testimonio (GB), c, 3, **Cacique (Ire)**--Witness (GB), by Efisio (GB). BRG, 8-22, 9f 209yT, 2:07.97. B-Stowell Hill Ltd. (GB). *8,000gns Wlg '13 TATFOA; 45,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT; 70,000gns 2yo '15 TATBRE.

VoutesALES GRADUATE

Ehtiraas (GB), c, 3, [Oasis Dream \(GB\)](#)--Kareemah (Ire) (SW-Fr), by Peintre Celebre. THI, 8-22, 8fT, 1:45.08. B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited (GB).

+**Gaelic Tiger (GB)**, g, 3, [Teofilo \(Ire\)](#)--Green Swallow (Fr) (GSW-Fr), by Green Tune. CAR, 8-22, 9fT, 1:59.47. B-Newsells Park Stud (GB). *40,000gns RNA Ylg '14 TATOCT. **1/2 to Yellow and Green (GB) (Monsun {Ger}), GSW-Fr, \$325,560.

FRANCE



Monday's Results:

GRAND PRIX DE CLAIREFONTAINE - 100% BACHELOT-Listed, €55,000, CLF, 8-22, 3yo, 12fT, 2:28.90, g/f.

1--**#DARABAD (FR)**, 126, c, 3, by [Dansili \(GB\)](#)

1st Dam: **Daryakana (Fr) (G1SW-HK, GSW & G1SP-Fr, \$1,372,923)**, by **Selkirk**

2nd Dam: **Daryaba (Ire)**, by **Night Shift**

3rd Dam: **Darata (Ire)**, by **Vayrann (Ire)**

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (FR); T-Alain de Royer-Dupre; J-Christophe Soumillon. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-2, €47,650. *1/2 to Dariyan (Fr) (Shamardal), G1SW-Fr, G1SP-HK & GSP-UAE, \$872,592.

2--**Tamelly (GB)**, 126, c, 3, [New Approach \(Ire\)](#)--Perfect Hand (GB), by Barathea (Ire). O-Khalid Abdullah. €11,000.

3--**Alkhana (Fr)**, 122, f, 3, Dalakhani (Ire)--Dubai (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). O-Wertheimer & Frere. €8,250.

Margins: NK, NK, HF. Odds: 5.00, 2.30, 5.40.

Also Ran: Mythomane (GB), Academic (Ire), Ashkoul (Fr), Stereo (Fr), Leomar (Ger). Scratched: Wind of Change (Ger). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

Darabad, who went unraced as a juvenile, had earned minor prizes in all five prior starts and lined up for this black-type debut coming off a conditions fourth going 10 panels at Compiègne July 11. Held up off the pace for most of this marathon, he was rowed along once into the home straight and kept on resolutely under a continued drive inside the final quarter-mile to claim a first win of any kind in the dying strides.

The homebred bay is the second stakes winner, from as many foals to race, out of G1 Hong Kong Vase victress Daryakana (Fr) (Selkirk) and he is thus a half-brother to this term's G1 Prix Ganay winner Dariyan (Fr) (Shamardal), who also placed in the G1 Hong Kong Vase and G1 Prix d'Ispahan. Daryakana, a daughter of G1 Prix de Diane and G1 Prix Vermeille heroine Daryaba (Ire) (Night Shift), is kin to a trio of black-type performers which includes G2 Prix du Conseil de Paris scorer Daramsar (Fr) (Rainbow Quest). Darabad is also a half-brother to the 2-year-old colt Devamani (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Redoute's Choice (Aus).

2nd-CLF, €24,000, **Cond**, 8-22, 3yo, 11fT, 2:18.30, g/f.

HAPPY APPROACH (FR) (f, 3, [New Approach \(Ire\)](#)--Eire {GB} {MSP-Fr, \$241,221}), by **Medicean (GB)**) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, €30,300. O/B-Lutz Bongen (FR); T-Markus & Stephanie Nigge.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ellecourt (Fr), f, 3, **Muhtathir (GB)**--Carmelixa (Ire), by Linamix (Fr). CLF, 8-22, 9fT, 1:48.20. B-Ronchalon Racing (UK) Ltd (FR). *€35,000 RNA Ylg '14 AROCT.

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

12.10 Deauville, Debutantes, €25,000, 2yo, c/g, 8fT

SAJJAD (FR) (Siyouni {Fr}) debuts for His Highness The Aga Khan and Alain de Royer-Dupre and is a half-brother to the G1 Prix d'Ispahan-winning sire Sageburg (Ire) from the immediate family of Sagamix (Fr) and Sagacity (Fr). He encounters Sun Bloodstock's **National Defense (GB)** ([Invincible Spirit \(Ire\)](#)), a Criquelette Head-Maarek-trained €280,000 ARQAUG purchase whose dam is a half to the Classic-placed Anna Salai (Dubawi {Ire}).

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ROUTE DES ETALONS 2017

The 2017 Route des Etalons (Normandy Stallion Tour) will be held Jan. 21 and 22. For details, contact news@frbc.net.

GERMANY



Sunday's Results:

5th-DSS, €5,100, **Cond**, 8-21, 3yo, 11fT, 2:24.51, g/d.

SOUND CHECK (GER) (c, 3, **Lando (Ger)**--**Sky Dancing (Ire)** {SW-Ity}), by **Exit to Nowhere**) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €11,500. O-Gestut Ittlingen; B-Gestut Hof Ittlingen (GER); T-Peter Schiergen. *Full to Scalo (GB), Hwt. 3yo-Ger at 11-14f, Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 11-14f, G1SW-Ger, GSW-Fr, G1SP-Ity & GSP-Can, \$589,565; and 1/2 to Sexy Lady (Ger) (Daneshill Dancer {Ire}), GSW-Fr, SW & GSP-Ger; and Scolari (GB) (Monsun {Ger}), MGSP-Ger.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+Silver Cloud (Ger), f, 2, **Soldier Hollow (GB)**--Sassicaia (Ger), by Doyen (Ire). DSS, 8-21, 7 1/2fT, 1:33.12. B-Erika Muller (GER).

Qool (GB), f, 2, **Soldier Hollow (GB)**--Quiza Quiza Quiza (GB)

(Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 9.5-11f & 11-14f, G1SW-Ity, \$658,079), by Golden Snake. HNO, 8-21, 7fT, 1:30.35.

B-Riccardo Cantoni (GB). *€49,000 RNA Ylg '15 BBAGS.

+Lindaja (Ire), f, 3, **Lope de Vega (Ire)**--Desert Sprite (Ire), by Tagula (Ire). DSS, 8-21, 7 1/2fT, 1:33.26. B-Zalim Bifov (IRE).

*1/2 to Muharaaj (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), MSP-Fr, \$148,105.

+Winterjagd (Ger), f, 3, **Mamool (Ire)**--Wunderblume (Ger), by Lomitas (GB). HNO, 8-21, 11fT, 2:34. B-Gestut Ravensberg (Ger).

Shadow Chaser (Ger), c, 3, **Shamardal**--Sommernacht (Ger) (SW-Ger & GSP-Ity, \$102,601), by Monsun (Ger). HNO, 8-21, 8fT, 1:44.70. B-Gestut Schlenderhan (GER). *€135,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS. **Full to Sommerabend (GB), MGSW-Fr & GSW-Ger, \$619,244; and 1/2 to Sommertag (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}), GSW-Ger, \$117,763; and Sinnerman (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}), SW-Ger.

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**WORLDWIDE NEWS****HALF-SISTER TO WINX BORN**

A Snitzel (Aus) half-sister to champion Australian mare Winx (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) was born at Segenhoe Stud on Saturday night. Out of Vegas Showgirl (NZ) (Al Akbar {Aus}), the filly is also a full-sister to **'TDN Rising Star'** El Divino (Aus), the winner of last season's G3 Kindergarten S., and a colt that sold for A\$2.3-million at the Inglis Easter sale in April.

Winx notched her 10th straight win on seasonal debut in Saturday's G2 Warwick S., while El Divino is expected to kick off his 3-year-old campaign in Saturday's G2 Run To The Rose S. Vegas Showgirl was also on Saturday named Australia's Broodmare of the Year. Vegas Showgirl is owned by John Camilleri of Fairway Thoroughbreds, who retained El Divino to race in his silks. Camilleri told the *Daily Telegraph* he would keep the newborn filly, saying he would need a "compelling reason" to sell her.

"It was a memorable day," Camilleri told the publication. "Vegas Showgirl has been ready to foal for some days now and for it all to happen on Saturday was amazing. I got the call from [Segenhoe Stud manager] Peter O'Brien at midnight to tell me the mare had foaled and the filly was doing well. It was a relief more than anything." **Cont. p11**



photo - Joan Faras

The Factor (War Front) pictured at Newgate Farm. The Factor has made a fast start to his Northern Hemisphere stud career at Lane's End. He's responsible for a series of recent winners, including TDN Rising Star Noted and Quoted. | Joan Faras

Camilleri said Vegas Showgirl is likely to visit Snitzel again.

“El Divino is such a stunning-looking animal and the yearling colt, who is now a 2-year-old, is also a magnificent type,” he said. “This newborn filly is also a lovely, very correct foal. Although no decision has been made as to who Vegas Showgirl will go to this spring, Snitzel would have the inside running.”

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FORMER TRAINER SUTHERLAND DIES

Paul Sutherland, a former leading trainer in New South Wales, died Monday at age 71 following a short illness. Sutherland, a trainer of nearly 40 years who retired in 2008, finished runner-up in the 1986-87 Sydney Trainers’ Premiership.

“Paul Sutherland was one of Sydney’s best trainers for many years and rarely a Saturday race meeting went by and he didn’t train a winner,” said Racing NSW Chief Executive Peter V’landys. “Paul was a loveable character with a great sense of humour and extremely popular amongst his peers.”

Sutherland’s funeral will take place at the Sunshine Coast, with arrangements expected to be finalised Tuesday.

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 Bronwen Healy, Hugh Bowman and Deb Cam



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Real Impact (Deep Impact) pictured at Arrowfield Stud. Arrowfield hosted 600 clients and friends at the annual Stallion Open House last weekend. The three new stallions: Scissor Kick (Redoute's Choice), Panzer Division (Redoute's Choice) and Real Impact (Deep Impact), were introduced to breeders. | Jon Siegel

KING K FILLY TOPS SUMMER OPENER

The first of five sessions of the Hokkaido Summer Yearling Sale in Japan took place on Monday, with a daughter of King Kamehameha (Jpn) ([lot 130](#)) taking top billing when sold to Tetsuhide Kunimoto for ¥22,140,000 (US\$220,682). Consigned by Itaka Bojuko, the bay descends from the productive producer Morning Devotion (Affirmed), responsible for dual Classic winner Balanchine (Storm Bird) and group winners Red Slippers (Nureyev) and Romanov (Ire) (Nureyev), who have in turn become successful producers.

Tatsuzou Nakano bought the next two highest-priced lots, both colts: a son of Johannesburg ([lot 276](#)) for ¥17,820,000 (US\$177,622) and a son of Henny Hughes ([lot 118](#)) for ¥17,280,000 (US\$172,240).

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CHINA BLOG - A VISIT WITH GENGHIS KHAN

Story and photos by Lucas Marquardt

ORDOS, CHINA--It is Monday morning, the day after the Chinese Equine Cultural Festival in Ordos wrapped with a fun four-race card at Yiqi Race Course, and the weather is overcast and breezy. It's a welcome change after a weekend that was sticky hot.

From the abundance of work and other vices, there are some sluggish gaits and some missing faces from the group as we pile onto a tour bus at 9 a.m. The bus's destination is the Genghis Khan Mausoleum, about an hour away.



Genghis Khan statue

We drive through the streets of Ordos, and even on Monday morning, the city feels relatively empty. ("Yes, we get it," I can hear you say. "Big city, not many people. Move on.") (But I can't move on. It gives you

a strange feeling. The best I can describe it is this: Have you ever been outside, and suddenly become aware that the birds and insects and everything else has stopped making noise. And you know that something weird is about to happen? It's like that.)

Anyway, out past the newly built Kangbashi district, out past the Ordos Sports Center Stadium and its two sister complexes, out past Yiqi Race Course, you start to get into rural Ordos, and the fields open and you begin to see dozens of Mongolian horses dot the landscape. In the areas that haven't been fenced off for pasture, there are many trees, but few tall ones, and the landscape rolls like it does in Kentucky, so that in the right spot you can see many miles in each direction.

Mongolian horses are interesting little fellows. They aren't very big--ranging from 12 to 14 hands and weighing about 600 pounds--but they're rugged and sturdy, and evidently haven't changed all that much since the time of Genghis Khan. They may, in fact, be the least regal of the equine breeds, and it's amusing to think of them, with their choppy gallop and oversized heads, charging into battle with fearsome warriors on their backs.

We arrive at the mausoleum at 10, and it's easily the most people I've seen in public since I've been in Ordos, excepting Sunday at the track. ("Really, we get it. Not a lot of peeps. Move on.")

Entering through a large gateway, there are five or six broad, long plazas, with steps leading up to the next one. There are 99 steps in total that lead to the mausoleum, nine being a number significant in Chinese numerology.

Numbers play a big role at the mausoleum. The round plaza that sits midway to the main buildings is 66 meters in diameter; 66 the age at which Genghis Khan died, from non-battle internal injuries, after falling from his horse while hunting. From what I gathered from the tour guide, there are the images of 1227 dragons at the mausoleum. In Mongolian lore, dragons are the only animal in heaven, and 1227 is the year that Genghis Khan died.

The main building is long, with three grand halls connected by breezeways, each shaped like a Mongolian yurt. A white marble statue of Genghis Khan sits in the main building. There's a prayer area in back, and in each of the halls to the side are historical objects and replicas dating back to the period.

It's probably a good time to mention that Genghis Khan wasn't actually buried here; he was buried in an unmarked grave, and despite several archeological searches, no one is really sure of his final resting place. **Cont. p13**



Leading up to the Mausoleum

(The story goes that the funeral party killed everyone to and from the burial spot, so as to keep it a secret.)

Over time, portable mausoleums were erected in Genghis Khan's honor. The current site was built in 1954 and, after being ransacked by the Red Guard during the Cultural Revolution, rebuilt a few years later, minus some treasured artifacts that were destroyed.

This also might be a good time to put an asterisk beside the general adoration bestowed on Genghis Khan by those of Mongol descent here. On one hand, the adoration is understandable. The man united the Mongol tribes and brought glory to the Mongol people by establishing the world's largest-ever empire. He is also said to have embraced religious tolerance and meritocracy, AND established one of the world's first international postal systems (!). On the other hand...he is thought to have slaughtered some 40-million people during his military crusades. I won't get too into it, but if you want to spend an interesting, wide-eyed afternoon in front of your computer, start Googling.

Now, this is definitely a good time to mention that I do realize that this is a horse racing journal, and absolutely none of this has anything to do with racing. But when I travel, these cultural and historical adventures wind up being some of favorite parts of the trip, and I hope some of you enjoy the random facts of a place you might not have visited before.



The main hall

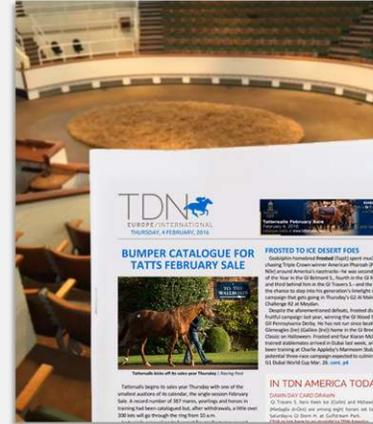
To wrap things up, I want to say thanks to my hosts from the China Horse Club and its founder, Mr. Teo Ah Khing, as well as the Club's Michael Wallace, Chris Richards and Mick Flanagan. And to Elona Wong, who helped me get to China in the first place. To reference Monday's column, it's been a real education.

On Sunday, after the races, I was standing next to bloodstock agent Tom Ryan as the fireworks began going off, the show stretching from one end of the track to the other. Ten minutes later, I leaned over and said, "Man, this is the best fireworks show I've ever seen." Tom said, "I agree. Teo doesn't do anything small, and he does it right."

That, I feel, is a good way to sum up the potential of the China Horse Club, and perhaps the future of racing in China in general.

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