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The inclusion--or not--of about 20 words in a massive stopgap federal funding bill this week could have far-reaching consequences for United States Thoroughbred industry employers who rely on foreign workers for hands-on, day-to-day horse care at racetracks, training centers, and breeding farms.

At issue is the reinstatement of the H-2B visa "returning worker" exemption that lawmakers recently allowed to lapse into inactivity.

The need for the H-2B exemption is by no means limited to the Thoroughbred industry. It affects numerous other industries in which the work is hard, the hours are long, and the pay is traditionally low.

Without the exemption, federal law caps at 66,000 the total number of foreign nationals who can be issued an H-2B visa during a fiscal year for the purpose of coming into the country to work for up to 10 months, provided they then return to their home countries.

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## AMERICAN ANTHEM LATEST IN BAFFERT'S TALENTED JUVENILE BAND by Joe Bianca

After reaching the pinnacle of Thoroughbred racing several times, including training the first Triple Crown winner in 37 years and sending out three consecutive GI Breeders' Cup Classic victors, it's difficult to imagine how the hunger and enthusiasm hasn't faded some yet in Bob Baffert's voice, but it hasn't. Speaking from his Santa Anita base Monday, the Hall of Fame conditioner credits much of his ongoing motivation to his ever-replenishing fleet of talented 2-year-olds, the latest of which, **American Anthem** (Bodemeister), graduated first time out Saturday at Del Mar.

Purchased for \$435,000 at OBS March by WinStar Farm and the China Horse Club, the bay came into his debut with a string of bullet workouts and unleashed a furious stretch kick to get up by a neck in the waning strides of the six-furlong test.

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**Home for the holidays.** This weekend, Charismatic (Summer Squall) returned from the JBBA Shizunai Stallion Station in Japan, where he stood since 2002, to Old Friends in Georgetown, KY, where he will be pensioned. The 1999 Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner and Horse of the Year was reunited with his trainer, D. Wayne Lukas (pictured), on Sunday. | *Laura Battles*

**TEMPLE CITY'S GRADE I DOUBLE**

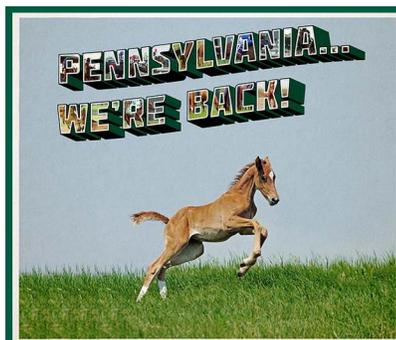
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*Andrew Caulfield takes a closer look at Temple City, who enjoyed a banner weekend on the Del Mar turf, siring GI Hollywood Derby winner Annals of Time and GI Matriarch S. heroine Miss Temple City.*

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Industry Employers (cont. from p1)**

However, under the proposed reactivation of the H-2B exemption that is backed by both the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) and the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (NHBPA), if employers are able to demonstrate that a worker has qualified for the H-2B program in any of the three previous years, that worker does not count against the 66,000 federal cap.

Put another way, if the exemption goes back into effect, it will make it much easier for trainers and farm managers to hire or re-hire workers from other countries for jobs that might otherwise go unfilled by American workers.

"The detrimental cause that could come into play should the H-2B exemption not be included could be very problematic for our industry as a whole," said NHBPA chief executive officer Eric Hamelback. "I think we all know that our labor force is very

dependent on migrant workers, and having these individuals continue to be here obviously is something that we as an industry need to push for and continue to ring the bell for in Washington to let people know how important this is to us."

NTRA and NHBPA officials are jointly underscoring the urgency for horse industry employers to let elected officials know how important the H-2B exemption is to them. That's because lawmakers are attempting to avoid a government shutdown prior to Dec. 9 by passing stopgap spending legislation to fund numerous federal agencies and programs before adjourning the 114th Congress, and the language that reinstates the H-2B exemption is in danger of not making it into that bill.

NTRA president Alex Waldrop said that without an exception to the H-2B cap, the Thoroughbred industry will face an onslaught of competition from other industries for the very limited number (66,000) of available visas that are available in fiscal year 2017.



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“Keep in mind, these are not immigrants. These are not people who are trying to get a green card. These are not people who are asking to come to the U.S. permanently,” Waldrop explained. “These are people who are coming as temporary workers. They have to return [to their home country] at least two months out of the year, and [their jobs] have to be seasonal in nature. These are simply foreign workers who are allowed to come and work the jobs that Americans don’t want and that employers can’t fill.”

Waldrop said the H-2B exemption had been in effect through the 2016 fiscal year, which ran through Sept. 30. But when federal lawmakers failed to pass a budget for the 2017 fiscal



Alex Waldrop | NTRA

year, they instead relied on a “continuing resolution” (CR) to fund the federal government. That CR (not a federal statute) only ran through Dec. 9, and didn’t include the H-2B exemption. With that deadline looming this week, lawmakers are under the gun to pass another CR to keep the government afloat through at least March 31, and Waldrop (like

the leaders of many other organizations representing myriad industries) wants the H-2B language put back in.

Not having the H-2B exemption in place for the past eight weeks hasn’t brought about an adverse impact on the Thoroughbred industry because it’s a slow time in the sport for hiring workers, Waldrop said. But life could get a lot more difficult for trainers and farm managers come Jan. 1, when hiring traditionally picks up if that language isn’t included in this week’s CR.

“If [a horse industry employer] can’t take advantage of the exemption between [Jan. 1] and Mar. 31, you’re effectively out of luck,” Waldrop said, because the 66,000 quota is quickly filled. “[The H-2B extension] needs to be done now, otherwise we won’t have the workers we need.”

Neither Waldrop nor Hamelback could cite a ballpark number of H-2B workers that have traditionally been covered by the exemption.

“I don’t have that number,” Waldrop said. “All I know is that trainers say that a large number of their employees that they hire are eligible for the H-2B program. What we don’t know is

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how many are here under the program, and how many are here without documentation. And frankly, that's just not something that people talk a lot about."

Waldrop continued: "The best case scenario is that the House appropriations committee, which is meeting this week, will decide to put the exemption language back in the CR, the language that has been in place the entire 2016 fiscal year...and the industry could continue to rely on that exemption when recruiting foreign workers. It's about 20 words that they need to include. There's no mystery about what that language is, it's just whether they will do it or not.

"The worst case is that they will not put it in, and decide that they will not ever go back to an exemption program for these returning workers. It's conceivable that we could lose this battle [but] maybe come back in March and convince them to put it into the next CR that will fund until through the end of September next year, but that's unlikely. It's one of those situations where we need to win now, or we're probably going to be out of luck for the entire fiscal year."

When asked if he thought that not having the H-2B exemption would trigger a federal crackdown (i.e. backstretch raids targeting illegal employees), Waldrop said, "I don't think it would be much of a change in terms of enforcement, but what it will do is it will deplete or dry up the H-2B program for trainers who want to be in compliance with the law, and they're going to be forced into the very bad decision to either hire undocumented workers or not have the staff to handle the horses."

To assist Thoroughbred industry employers who want to express support for the H-2B exemption, the NHBPA is circulating a flier with instructions on contacting federal



**Eric Hamelback, CEO, National HBPA**

lawmakers. It reads, in part:

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### **American Anthem Latest in Baffert’s Talented Juvenile Band (cont. from p1)**

American Anthem is bred to go much further, being out of a half-sister to 1998’s champion 3-year-old filly Banshee Breeze (Unbridled), who captured five top-level events going a route of ground and was second in the GI Kentucky Oaks and twice runner-up in the GI Breeders’ Cup Distaff. Baffert, who trained the colt’s sire--a brilliant winner of the GI Arkansas Derby and runner-up in both the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S.--is bullish about his charge’s potential.

“We’ve been excited about him since we got him, and he ran to his works,” the 63-year-old trainer said. “He was showing us that he was very talented. He’s changed a lot, he’s a big,

beautiful horse. I was afraid that it was going to be a little bit too short for him. He just looks like a giant version of [Bodemeister]. He’s not a sprinter, he’s going to get better as he goes longer, when he goes two turns. I think he’s one of my top ones.”

American Anthem is just the latest in a line of highly promising juveniles to burst onto the scene for Baffert this fall. Cheyenne Stables’ **Mastery** (Candy Ride {Arg}), a \$425,000 Keeneland September buy, came into his Oct. 22 debut at Santa Anita with



**American Anthem (outside) surges late**  
*Benoit Photo*

a ton of hype, getting crushed in the wagering to 1-5, and validated that support with a powerful 4 1/4-length score to earn a 93 Beyer Speed Figure and ‘TDN Rising Star’ honors. The dark bay followed that effort up by easily annexing the GIII Bob Hope S. when

adding blinkers Nov. 19 at Del Mar and is slated to try two turns for the first time in Saturday’s GI CashCall Futurity at Los Alamitos. He completed his preparation for that engagement by working a half-mile in :47 4/5 (5/27) Monday in Arcadia.

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“I think he got a lot out of that race,” Baffert said of Mastery’s Bob Hope victory. “He’s come back on and worked really well and I like him better with the blinkers on. He’s handier and stays a little bit more focused. He’s tall, has a lot of size to him, beautiful stride, jumps a long way, so we’re really excited about him.”

Gary and Mary West’s **Beach Bum** (Arch) is another colt of considerable intrigue residing in the Baffert barn. Hammered down for \$400,000 as a KEESEP yearling, the imposing colt



**Beach Bum** | *Benoit Photo*

tracked a blistering pace in his Nov. 6 debut at Santa Anita and finished full of run to romp by 5 1/4 lengths. The second and sixth-place finishers out of that race have returned to win next out. Beach Bum is from an

impeccably-bred Phipps family, being out of a half-sister to MGISWs Point of Entry (Dynaformer) and Pine Island (Arch). Further back in his pedigree resides 2005 GI Breeders’ Cup Distaff heroine Pleasant Home (Seeking the Gold), MGSW/MGISP Country Hideaway (Seeking the Gold), nine-time Grade I-winning Hall of Famer Sky Beauty (Blushing Groom {Fr}) and MGISW Maplejinsky (Nijinsky II).

“He’s another one that’s really talented,” Baffert commented. “I’m just waiting, I don’t want to get in a rush with him, because our main focus is getting these horses ready for the spring [Derby] prep. Gary West just told me to train him like I own him, so I’m taking my time with him and we’ll see him run sometime in January.”

Kaleem Shah’s **Klimt** (Quality Road) is already a top-level winner, having conquered the GI Del Mar Futurity Sept. 5, but the \$435,000 OBS March purchase, also a ‘**TDN Rising Star**’, disappointed when running eighth in the GI Sentient Jet Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Nov. 5 at Santa Anita.

“After the big effort at Del Mar, he just didn’t train as well as he did there,” Baffert explained. “He trained well, but not like I needed to see in him. The track was a little loose when we got up here and some horses tend to struggle with it. He’s actually doing much better now and I see a big change in him, so he’ll be OK. We’ll probably come back in a stake in January.”

Baffert and Shah also have an intriguing juvenile filly in **American Gal** (Concord Point), a debut winner at Del Mar in August who ran a huge race to be third in the GI 14 Hands Winery Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies after breaking slowly from

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the 12-hole and going extremely wide around both turns. The homebred is expected to start in Saturday’s GI Starlet S. at Los Alamitos.

“I sort of threw her in the deep end there and she ran a good third off a short layoff,” Baffert said. “We were at home, took a chance, the post killed her, but she’s been doing really, really well, so I expect a big effort from her.”

No discussion of the Baffert barn would be complete without checking in on the star of its show, GI Breeders’ Cup Classic and GI Travers S. hero **Arrogate** (Unbridled’s Song), who returned to the worktab for the first time since his Nov. 5 Classic win with a half-mile breeze in :49 flat (23/44) over the Arcadia strip Dec. 1.



**Bob Baffert** | *Horsephotos*

“He looks great,” Baffert offered. “Watching him work up here, it looks like he’s getting stronger. I can see a big improvement just since the Breeders’ Cup in him. He’s becoming a man. He was just a little teenager [before]. He couldn’t look any better.”

Baffert remained mum about whether or not the Juddmonte Farms colorbearer would be pointed to the \$12-million GI Pegasus World Cup Jan. 28 at Gulfstream Park, saying only, "There's no rush with him. We're just going to pick our spots [next] year. Our main goal is the Breeders' Cup Classic."

Given all of his success on the grandest stages, Baffert still emanates the excitement of a new trainer, with the promise of new forms of greatness around the corner and the desire to hold on to what his stable has built helping him get through the occasional letdown.

"American Pharoah set the bar. When he left, it was tough for a couple of months there, not having him around," Baffert confessed. "But these horses just keep at it, and I don't ease up at all. We're fortunate. Arrogate came around, you get a horse like Mastery, we were given all these nice horses. I know that someday, the day will come when we don't have those horses, and that's what keeps me going. I love the competition. We've been in this arena the last 16, 17 years or so, and once you're in it, you want to stay in that arena. It keeps you hungry. I want to be like [Alabama football coach] Nick Saban. I want the horsepower in the barn. As long as we've got the horsepower, I'll keep working."

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## PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



### TEMPLE CITY'S GRADE I DOUBLE

As a faithful member of the Roberto fan club, I have long been intrigued by the battle for survival of his male line in North America and Europe.

There have been many twists and turns along the way, with his male line effectively becoming an endangered species, even though numerous sons of the outstanding Darby Dan stallion were given their chance at stud.

Some of his Grade I-winning sons were deemed to stay too well and others were sold to Japan, but of those which remained, Silver Hawk and Lear Fan carved out solid careers, and the lightly-raced Red Ransom enjoyed flashes of brilliance. In the end, though, this male line's survival in the U.S. owes its survival to two rather unlikely sources.



Miss Temple City | Benoit Photo

One branch descends from Kris S., a big, masculine, plain horse who began his stallion career in Florida. Despite being available for a very modest fee, he sired an average of only 23 named foals in his first four crops. No doubt this was partly because he didn't cover his first mares until nearly two years after his only stakes victory in the Bradbury S. That effort had earned a rating of 116 on the Racing Form Free Handicap and it is fair to assume that Kris S. would have achieved much more had this very sizeable colt not bowed a tendon in the GI San Felipe H.

The Kris S. branch is largely reliant for its survival on his son Arch, sire of the 2010 GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Blame, who has replaced his sire at Claiborne, and of the GI Arkansas Derby winner Archarcharch, at Spendthrift Farm.

The other surviving branch of the Roberto male line has a similarly unlikely story. It too concerns a very big, plain, masculine horse who started out at a modest fee--\$5,000--after a career which fell short of Grade I standard. This horse, of course, was

Dynaformer, who--like Kris S.--quickly earned a transfer to a major stallion station in the Lexington area.

Dynaformer thoroughly merited his promotion, going on to sire well over 60 Group/Graded winners, but even he was not guaranteed to sire an heir apparent. As many as 14 of his 23 Grade I winners were fillies and two of the others--Perfect Drift and Vergennes--were geldings. That left just seven Grade I-winning sons. One, the exciting GI Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro, met an untimely death. A second, the GI Shadwell Turf Mile winner Purim, died in 2012, before his progeny had had much chance to prove themselves. However, he left the Grade I winners Twilight Eclipse and Undrafted among his legacy of only 218 foals. A third Grade I-winning son of Dynaformer, the GI Blue Grass S. winner Brilliant Speed, was killed by lightning earlier this year at the age of eight.

That means we are down to four Grade I-winning sons. One, the big G1 St Leger winner Lucarno, was retired to a stud geared primarily to the production of jumping horses. A second, the G1 Deutsches Derby winner Wiener Walzer, is based in Germany, where he has sired a Group 2 winner. And a third, the much-travelled G1 Melbourne Cup winner Americain, attracted only 19 mares when he was transferred to Ireland for the 2015 season and 50 when returned to Kentucky in 2016.

There is still one major contender, in the remaining male Grade I winner, Point of Entry. This very well-connected horse will have to overcome two prejudices, though, as he didn't become a stakes winner until he was four (no doubt partly because of his May 10 birthday) and he gained all five of his Grade I successes on turf. These prejudices were somewhat in evidence when his first two crops came under the hammer this year, but I am clinging to my hopes that he will eventually prove a worthy heir to Dynaformer.



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**AWESOME AGAIN** \$158,644, Kalookan II Queen H. [L] (SA, \$47,250), etc. Sire of TIZAKITTY, TIZSCOUT, TIZLOVELY, TIZLOVELYGLADY (f. by Western Union), TIZPRECIOUS (f. by Jade Hunter), Unplaced in 1 start. Dam of TIZGIANN, TIZNOW (c. by Cee's Tizzy), C. WinStar Farms, Inc. (L) (SUN, \$7,500),

**1st dam**  
TIZSCOUT (f. by Western Union), 102, Cotton Fitzsimmonsville H. (MUP, \$45,100), Sunland Park H. [L] (SUN, \$7,500),

**2nd dam**  
CEE'S SONG (f. by Seattle Slew), Winner of 1982 Half-sister to CEETOIT (\$139,500), including TIZNOW (c. by Cee's Tizzy), 6 wins at 2, \$3,427,830, horse of the year, champion 3-year-old colt, champion older horse, Breeders' Cup Classic [G1] twice, Santa Anita H. [G1], Super Derby [G1], etc. Sire: BUDROYALE (g. by Cee's Tizzy), 17 wins, 2 to 7, \$2,840,810, Goodwood II Breeders' Cup H. [G2], San Antonio H. [G2], San Bernardino H. [G2], etc. TIZDUBAI (f. by Cee's Tizzy), 2 wins at 2, \$116,400, in N.A./U.S., Sorrento II S. [G2] (DMR, \$90,000), (Total: \$117,780), Producer.



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But Point of Entry has a serious challenger in Temple City, as was highlighted by last weekend's Grade I double with Annals of Time and Miss Temple City. Appropriately, in view of the records of Kris S. and Dynaformer, Temple City is yet another stallion with an eye-catching record, even though he too failed to win at the highest level and started his stallion career at the Spendthrift Farm of his breeder, B. Wayne Hughes, at the cheap fee of \$5,000 (made all the cheaper by the fact that payment of the Share The Upside fee in 2011 also brought with it a lifetime breeding right).

Anyone skeptical about Point of Entry's potential would do well to remember that Temple City was also unraced at two and it took him even longer to become a stakes winner. Having been Grade II-placed at four, he made all to land the Grade III Cougar II H. over Del Mar's Polytrack as a 5-year-old and ended his career with another bold attempt to lead throughout in the GI Hollywood Turf Cup, when he was caught close home by Unusual Suspect. Once again we are dealing with a versatile horse who was effective from a mile and an eighth to a mile and a half.

It is also worth remembering that Point of Entry and Temple City represent pairings which enjoyed repeated success with Dynaformer. Point of Entry's broodmare sire, Seeking The Gold, had 15% black-type winners with him, while Temple City's

broodmare sire, Danzig, had 13%. Danzig, of course, enjoyed a successful relationship with Roberto mares, siring 32% black-type winners, including a pair of Grade I winners. For good measure, four different sons of Danzig also sired Grade I winners from Roberto's daughters, so this has been a very fruitful combination.

With a son of Roberto as his sire and a daughter of Danzig as his dam, Temple City is bred along similar lines to that successful stallion Arch and to the Japanese stallion Grass Wonder, whose G1 Japan Cup-winning son Screen Hero is currently responsible for one of Japan's most outstanding older horses, Maurice.

Temple City isn't the first member of his distinguished female line to prove unexpectedly successful as a stallion, as his dam Curriculum is a half-sister to a maiden race winner called Malibu Moon. Needless to say, this son of A.P. Indy has developed into one of the stars of the Spendthrift Farm roster, despite having started his stallion career at only \$3,000 in Maryland.

Macoumba, the Mr. Prospector mare responsible for Malibu Moon and Curriculum, was a Group 1-winning 2-year-old in France and so was her dam Maximova, so Temple City always had the potential to sire progeny faster than himself.

This he is doing. The 92 named foals in his first crop include Miss Temple City, an admirably tough turf miler who has enjoyed a magnificent 2016, thanks to Grade I victories in the GI Maker's 46 Mile S., GI Shadwell Turf Mile and now the GI Matriarch S. Bolo, another of this crop's graded winners, defeated 2016 GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint hero Obviously to take the GII Arcadia S. over a mile on turf, while the 2014 Grade II 2-year-old winner Startup Nation gained his best success over 1 1/16 miles on turf.

Temple City also has a pair of graded winners on turf from the 72 foals in his second crop, one being Annals of Time, winner of the GI Hollywood Derby on only his fourth appearance.

**MISS TEMPLE CITY, F, 4**

Temple City	Dynaformer	Roberto	Hail to Reason Bramalea
		Andover Way	His Majesty On the Trail
	Curriculum	Danzig	Northern Dancer Pas de Nom
		Macoumba	Mr. Prospector Maximova (Fr)
Glittering Tax SP, 13-3-4-2, \$61,076 8Fls, 2 GSWs, 1GISW,	Artax	Marquetry	Conquistador Cielo Regent's Walk
		Raging Apalachee	Apalachee Fagers Charisma
	Nancy's Glitter MSW, \$477,971 6Fls, 4Wnrs, 2SPs	Glitterman	Dewan Moon Glitter
		Starfire Voyage 6Fls, 6Wnrs, 1 SW	Fire Dancer Distant Voyage

Temple City's second dam is by Mr. Prospector, a stallion whose name was inextricably linked with Dynaformer's transformation from \$5,000 stallion into one of Kentucky's elite sires. Mares by Mr. Prospector and his sons and grandsons supplied Dynaformer with nine Grade I winners, including Film Maker, Barbaro, Point of Entry, Riskaverse, White Moonstone and Wiener Walzer.

It comes as no surprise, then, that several of Temple City's best winners are out of Mr. Prospector line mares, with Miss Temple City and Annals of Time among them. Indeed, Annals of Time is out of Lemon Haze, a Distant View mare inbred 3x2 to Raise A Native.

As Miss Temple City has a couple of respectable efforts to her credit at Royal Ascot, it is to be hoped that European buyers will start paying attention to Temple City, with his fine record as a sire of turf performers. They may need to be a little patient, as the stallion's 2014 and 2015 crops aren't big by today's standards, at 66 foals and 48 foals respectively. But Temple City's best years are surely ahead of him, as he has more than 150 foals in his 2016 crop, sired at an increased fee of \$12,500, and he was bred to 172 mares at a fee of \$15,000 this year.

## AMERICAN OAKS TO BE RUN DEC. 31

The GI American Oaks, which was not run in its usual spot in late spring this year, will be held Dec. 31 at Santa Anita, the track formally announced when releasing its 2016-17 winter meet stakes schedule Monday. The 1 1/4-mile turf race for 3-



**Exaggerator wins the 2016 Santa Anita Derby** | Benoit Photo

year-old fillies carries a purse of \$300,000. The GI Malibu S. and GI La Brea S. for 3-year-old males and females, respectively-- each contested over seven panels--will be held on the track's traditional opening day card Dec. 26, along with the GII Mathis Brothers Mile

and GIII San Simeon H. The 81st running of the GI Santa Anita H. will take place Mar. 11, while the \$1-million GI Santa Anita Derby--a major final prep for the GI Kentucky Derby--is scheduled for Apr. 8. For the complete Santa Anita winter meet stakes schedule, which includes 58 added-money events, click [here](#).

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12/10	GI Los Al CashCall Futurity	LRC
	GI Starlet S.	LRC
12/17	GIII Harlan's Holiday S.	GP
	GIII Rampart S.	GP
	GIII Sugar Swirl S.	GP
12/26	GI Malibu S.	SA
	GI La Brea S.	SA
	GII Mathis Brothers Mile	SA
	GIII San Simeon S.	SA
12/31	GI American Oaks	SA
1/7	GIII Dania Beach S.	GP
	GIII Hutcheson S.	GP
1/14	GII Fort Lauderdale S.	GP
	GIII Hal's Hope S.	GP
	GIII Marshua's River S.	GP
1/21	GIII Lecomte S.	FG
	GIII Col. E.R. Bradley H.	FG

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7. Creative Cause	\$15,000	15	\$843,764

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## ARIZONA SYMPOSIUM KICKS OFF BUSY

### TWO DAYS *by Dean A. Hoffman*

TUSCON, AZ--Does horse racing truly understand its niche in today's evolving entertainment and gaming environments?

That question will be discussed in the kickoff session, as the Global Symposium on Racing and Gaming gets underway in Tucson, AZ Tuesday.

Since 1974, racing executives, officials, and vendors have gathered in the Arizona desert in early December to take stock of the industry. Almost 400 people are registered to attend this year's two-day gathering. It's sponsored by the University of Arizona's Race Track Industry Program, a proving ground for many racing leaders over the last four decades.

Tuesday's opening panel is titled: "Racing's Identity Crisis: Who and What Are We?"

Speaking on that topic will be radio host Steve Byk; track executive Bill Nader; media and entertainment expert Peter Rotondo; Mike Tanner of the U.S. Trotting Assn.; and Amy Zimmerman, director of broadcasting for the Stronach Group.

They will discuss the intriguing question of whether racing is a sport, gambling, or just another entertainment option. Or is it really a blend of all three? The speakers will focus on how racing can best position itself to appeal to customers in each group.

Tom Tuchsmidt, vice-president of regional markets for MGM Resorts International, will explain to symposium attendees how tracks can service customers and, most critically, win their loyalty. Racing can always profit from the experiences of other industries. Tuchsmidt's presentation focuses on strategies that can work for both large and small racetracks.

Another Tuesday session is titled "Racinos: Is the Marriage Headed for a Divorce?"

It's no secret that "decoupling" is a dirty word in racing and yet no one can deny the damage that decoupling could do to racing. Certainly the horse industry in Florida is facing a serious threat from possible decoupling, but other states with racinos cannot afford to ignore this issue as some gaming companies question the importance of their horse racing product. **Cont. p2**



**Lonny Powell speaks with students | UA-RTIP**

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Lonny Powell, chief executive of the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders Association, will offer invaluable insights on the status of decoupling efforts in the Sunshine State. (Powell graduated from the University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program and served as its director for several years in the 1980s.)

Joining Powell on this critical panel will be Christopher McErlean, vice president of racing for Penn National Gaming, and Greg Martin, vice-president of wagering for Woodbine Entertainment Group. Derrin Heldt, director of racing at Prairie Meadows Racetrack and Casino, will moderate.

"Sports Illustrated and Thoroughbred Racing: Past and Present" is sure to be a popular hour-long conversation on Tuesday afternoon, as journalists Bill Nack and Tim Layden discuss how the media view horse racing today. Nack and Layden will also relive some of their behind-the-scenes reporting exploits involving some of the sport's greatest stars, from Secretariat to American Pharoah.

Jim Mulvihill, director of media and industry relations for NTRA, moderates this session.

Angel Suarez will inform symposium attendees how to "make smart data sexy" and how to use data to create effective advertising and marketing strategies. Suarez is now executive vice-president of Red Circle, but has worked with such major

national firms as ESPN, USA Today, and Gatorade. He will emphasize that the same techniques that work for major national companies can be adopted by racetracks across North America.

A trio of university professors with doctorate degrees form an afternoon panel to address the intriguing topic "Bridging the Horseracing-Academic Divide."

Offering their insights are Ann Gillette, professor of finance at Kennesaw State University; Marshall Gramm, associate professor of economics at Rhodes College; and Mick Peterson, professor of biomechanical engineering and director of equine programs at the University of Kentucky.

The academics will demonstrate that modern business and economic research can prove invaluable to horse racing in many areas, such as takeout, penalty structures, state-bred programs, and more.

Steve Koch of the NYRA Safety & Integrity Alliance will moderate this session.

The Arizona symposium continues Wednesday with a Racing Innovation Showcase and panels on animal rights, sports wagering, test barn practices, and methods to increase wagering.

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## LACK OF DEL MAR CLOSING DAY PICK 6 CONSOS SPARKS CONTROVERSY

Having paid out five-of-six consolations for its Single Ticket Jackpot Pick Six throughout its Bing Crosby meet, Del Mar Racetrack only paid out for six-for-six combinations on closing day Sunday, sparking confusion and outrage among bettors on social media.

The Del Mar Pick Six payout structure was changed to the Single Ticket Jackpot variety before the start of the 15-day Bing Crosby meet, with 70% of each day's pool split among all winning combinations; 15% for five-of-six consolations; and 15% paid out in the event of a single winner (in addition to the 70% main section of the pool) or carried over into the next day's card. There was an \$89,411 carryover into Sunday's mandatory payout Pick Six pool, with an additional \$780,563 in new money added for a total of \$869,974. There were 44 perfect tickets, each worth \$15,660.40. There were consolations pay-offs for five-of-six for every other day of the meet in the cases of both single-ticket winners or multiple winners.

Due to the confusion, Del Mar released a statement Sunday night asking all bettors to hold their Pick Six tickets until Del Mar, tote provider AmTote and the California Horse Racing Board sorted through the matter.

On Monday, Del Mar released the following statement:

*Beginning with its 2016 fall meeting, Del Mar instituted an*

*enhanced Pick Six that included a Single Ticket Jackpot pool bonus for a unique (i.e., single) winning ticket.*

*Del Mar applied for the modification to its Pick Six under the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) rule 004-105G ("Pick n Pools"). Under that rule, there is a provision which designates payouts during a mandatory distribution date (in this case closing day). Under the ARCI rule, if there is not a unique ticket on a mandatory distribution day, the entire pool, including any carryover that might exist, shall be paid out to those who have selected the first-place finishers in the greatest number of races. Based upon the rule, since there were 44 tickets with six of six winners, there was no consolation payout in these circumstances.*

*While Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and its tote provider, AmTote, were following the ARCI rule, we regret any confusion surrounding the payout of the Pick Six pool on the mandatory distribution day and how the ARCI rule may have impacted our customers.*

This was the second controversy to have impacted horseplayers during the Del Mar Bing Crosby meeting. During the Nov. 26 running of the GIII Jimmy Durante S., foam drain covers blew onto the track, causing a number of competitors to alter course to avoid them. After a lengthy inquiry, stewards ruled that the incident did not affect the running of the race.

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## FRITCHIE, GENERAL GEORGE HEAD LAUREL WINTER STAKES

Laurel Park will host a stakes schedule of 22 races worth \$2.2 million in purses during its upcoming winter meet, highlighted by the GII Barbara Fritchie S. and GIII General George S. Feb. 18, the track announced Monday. Laurel Park's 56-day winter meet runs Sunday, Jan. 1 through Sunday, May 7.

The Fritchie and General George anchor a six-stakes program on the Feb. 18 card, while there will also be a five-stakes card Mar. 18. The stakes program concludes Apr. 22 with five more stakes headed by the Federico Tesio S. and Weber City Miss S., a pair of nine-furlong stakes for sophomores that serve as "Win and You're In" qualifiers for the May 20 GI Preakness S. and May 19 GII Black Eyed Susan S., respectively.

"Thoroughbred racing continues to build momentum in the state of Maryland and Mid-Atlantic region," said Sal Sinatra, President and General Manager of the Maryland Jockey Club. "Handle on Maryland racing continues to climb due to the great support of fans and horsemen across the country as well as the availability of our product at additional off-track betting facilities throughout the state."

The entire Laurel winter stakes schedule can be found [here](#).

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### ROCKRIDGE STUD NY: 2017 STALLION FEES

<b>War Dancer</b> (War Front)	\$5,000*
<b>Giant Surprise</b> (Giant's Causeway)	\$5,000
<b>Honorable Dillon</b> (Tapit)	\$5,000
<b>Micromanage</b> (Medaglia d'Oro)	\$5,000
<b>Soaring Empire</b> (Empire Maker)	\$3,500
<b>Trinniberg</b> (Teuflesberg)	\$3,500
<b>D' Funnybone</b> (D'wildcat)	\$2,500
<i>*Available for \$7,500 via the "Share the Upside" program</i>	
<i>**Posse (Silver Deputy) has been purchased by Uruguay's Haras Rapetti and will not return to New York for the 2017 season</i>	

### NORTHWEST STUD OF OCALA: 2017 STALLION FEES

<b>Gone Astray</b> (Dixie Union)	\$5,000
<b>Wrote (Ire)</b> (High Chaparral {Ire})	\$3,000
<b>Flashstorm</b> (Storm Cat)	\$2,500
<b>Duke of Mischief</b> (Graeme Hall)	\$2,000
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## CENTRAL U.S.

### Fair Grounds, LTBA to Offer Six Scholarships Saturday:

Fair Grounds Race Course will partner with the Louisiana Thoroughbred Breeders Association (LTBA) Dec. 10 to offer eligible college students a chance to win one of six \$1,000 scholarships on Louisiana Champions Day. Doors open at 11 a.m. and the scholarship drawing registration continues until 1:30 p.m. for an extended window to ensure as many students as possible are able to enter. In order to be eligible to receive one of the scholarships, students must be enrolled full-time during the the Spring 2017 semester and must be in good standing with the college or university. Three drawings will take place throughout Saturday's card.

"We're honored to be able to award hard-working college students with scholarships to further their education in tandem with bringing awareness to the horse racing industry," said Fair Grounds Track President Tim Bryant. "The Fair Grounds team truly enjoys giving our future leaders a fun and unforgettable experience while visiting our historic property."

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# INDUSTRY INFO

## Veteran Horseman John T. Ward Joins WHOA:

John T. Ward, a third generation Thoroughbred trainer active in the industry for over 50 years and best known for conditioning 2001 GI Kentucky Derby hero Monarchos, has been a persistent advocate for rational model drug rules and a confirmed proponent of compromise within the industry. A leader in the development of the Racing Medication Testing Consortium who also served as the head of the Association of



**John T. Ward**

Racing Commissioners International, he recently has joined the ranks of the Water Hay Oats Alliance, a grassroots movement seeking the passage of federal legislation to prohibit the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horse racing.

In a statement in support of the group, Ward said:

“I wish to support the grass roots efforts of WHOA and its membership. During the course of a long career in competitive equine events, I have believed that winning is the reward for hard work. Without the elements of fairness and the uncompromising protection of the horse, the victories are meaningless.

It is now time to move forward. Horse Racing relies on the major economic input of two sources...the gambling customer and the race horse owner. We owe it to our customers to provide them with a uniform product which is beyond reproach, and we owe the race horse owner the opportunity to safely and fairly compete.

WHOA supports change in today's racing environment which streamlines the process of regulation and adopts a national approach in an effort to rebuild and revitalize the sport for generations to come.

If we adopt this approach, the rest of the elements of racing will flourish.”

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## Equine Equipment to Sponsor Internships at Keeneland and Mahoning Valley:

Innovative Equine Marketing, which provides manufacturer discounts to the horse world through its Equine Equipment program, is launching America's first internships for college students interested in the field of race-track maintenance, it was



Sol Kumin has had an extraordinary run in his very short 2+ years in racing. This week, he stops in at Bobby Flay's Manhattan studio to talk successful-owner-to-successful owner about his business, his family's involvement in the sport, the highs and lows of Lady Eli's career, and what he loves about the game of racing. [Click here](#) to listen to the podcast, or subscribe on your iOS podcast app.

announced Monday. Keeneland and Hollywood Gaming's Mahoning Valley Race Course have been awarded the first internship scholarships in 2017. Seed money for the internships will be provided by Equine Equipment, a leading provider of tractors, mowers and paint.

“This is just my idea to give back to the industry and to support the racing facilities and the tracks that support me,” said Innovative Equine Marketing founder Steve Andersen, a life-long racing enthusiast. “Maybe a University of Kentucky ‘ag’ student doesn’t want to work in soybeans, corn and tobacco. But he likes dirt, likes equipment and likes being outside. We want to give them the opportunity to see the wonderful world of being a track superintendent.”



**Javier Barajas** | Keeneland

Andersen is working with the University of Kentucky and Youngstown State University to provide candidates for the internships at Keeneland and Mahoning Valley. Keeneland track superintendent Javier Barajas and Mahoning Valley track superintendent R.J. Moore will then pick the recipients.

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**Internships cont.**

“Keeneland is excited to be able to offer this internship to introduce college students to race-track maintenance and encourage them to pursue a career as a track superintendent,” Barajas said. “With a dirt track, turf course and all-weather training track at Keeneland, a student will receive a unique opportunity to learn about the maintenance of three different surfaces.”

Other tracks can apply for a 2018 internship by contacting Steve Andersen via [email](#) or at Equine Equipment’s display at the University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program’s Global Symposium on Racing and Gaming Dec. 6 and 7.

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**Early Registration Period for Pan American Conference Open:**

The early registration period for the second Pan American Conference is open and will continue through New Year’s Eve, The Jockey Club and the Latin American Racing Channel announced Monday. The conference, a mix of business and social events supported by The Stronach Group, will take place in Washington, D.C., May 17 through May 20, 2017, in the days leading up to the GI Preakness S. at Pimlico. Among the prospective business topics are simulcasting, illegal betting, medication, harmonization of rules, international ratings and classifications, marketing, stud book issues, the importing and exporting of bloodstock, and Thoroughbred ownership.

The early registration fee for the conference is \$1,000 for a

delegate and \$800 for an accompanying guest. The normal registration fee--available from Jan. 1 through Apr. 15--is \$1,200 for a delegate and \$900 for an accompanying guest. The late registration fee--available from Apr. 16 through May 13--is \$1,500 for a delegate and \$1,000 for an accompanying guest. More information about the Pan American Conference can be found [here](#).

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**AmWager Joins NTRA:**

AmWager, the online account wagering platform owned and operated by AmWest Entertainment, has joined the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA), it was announced Monday. Beginning in 2017, AmWager and its affiliates will offer more berths to the National Handicapping Championship (NHC), both online and at Off-Track Betting facilities, with the assistance of NTRA member pricing.

“Joining the NTRA and supporting its efforts on behalf of the industry is only the latest example of our commitment to Thoroughbred racing in the United States,” said AmWager and AmWest founder and CEO Nelson E. Clemmens. “We provide the best wagering experience on the Internet and intend to keep it that way. Offering more paths to qualify for the NHC is something our customers have told us they want and we are happy to deliver.”

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**American Top**, c, 3, **Bernardini**--Parisian Affair (SW, \$114,968), by Mr. Greeley. Hanshin, 12-3, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-5, \$245,614. O-Katsumi Yoshizawa; B-Barronstown Stud; T-Kenichi Fujioka. \*1/2 to Crimson China (Giant's Causeway), SW, \$159,393. \*\*\$270,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. \*\*\*"I pushed him from the start," said pilot Kota Fujioka. "The pace was set fast, but he could travel comfortably and was keeping up his rhythm until the finish."

**Apollo Texas**, g, 3, **Colonel John**--Bible Belt, by Pulpit. Chukyo, 12-3, Plate Race, 9.5f. Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, \$157,895. O-Apollo Thoroughbred Club; B-William B. Thompson Jr.; T-Kenji Yamauchi. \*\$72,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. \*\*\*"I settled him behind the other horses to save him for a late run and he had no issue with the tactics," said jockey Kohei Matsuyama. "He has a lot of scope and showed strong acceleration in the stretch."

**Earth Collection**, c, 3, **Unbridled's Song**--Aspenglow (MSW & GSP, \$465,698), by Lion Hearted. Chukyo, 12-3, Plate Race, 8fT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$122,807. O-Green Farm; B-Nancy L. Terhune, Ernest Frohboese & The Unbridled's Song Syndicate; T-Tomohito Ozeki. \*\$80,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$120,000 2yo '15 FTFMAR. \*\*"He was quite tense before the race, but once in the lead, he relaxed and traveled well," said Mickael Barzalona. "He can take the lead or sit handy, but his current issue is his temperament."

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### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-PRX, \$68,320**, 12-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.44, ft. **ADDIBEL LIGHTNING (f, 3, Colonel John--Pontiana, by Deputy Minister)** Lifetime Record: 11-5-3-0, \$177,628. O-Albert R Lupcho, Jr.; B-Russell B Jones (PA); T-Marcos Zulueta. \*\$35,000 Ylg '14 EASSEP.

**3rd-PRX, \$44,250**, (S), 12-5, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25.08, ft. **IMPLY (f, 3, E Dubai--Allude, by Orientate)** Lifetime Record: SW, 11-5-2-1, \$187,928. O/B-Barlar, LLC (PA); T-T. Bernard Houghton. \*1/2 to Dancinginthecircle (Divine Park), SW & GSP, \$121,240.



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**7th-PRX, \$43,500**, (S), 12-5, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.99, ft. **HEARTBREAKER GIRL (f, 3, Drosselmeyer--Darnestown, by Williamstown)** Lifetime Record: 11-3-3-0, \$75,240. O-Shane & Kit Alley; B-Elizabeth M. Merryman (PA); T-Miguel Penaloza. \*\$40,000 Wlg '13 EASDEC; \$25,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$25,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. \*\*1/2 to Peace Town (Peace Rules), SW, \$155,467.



**1st-ZIA, \$33,500**, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 12-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.91, ft.

**TILLA CAT (f, 3, Attila's Storm--Charlotte's Drone, by B. G.'s Drone)** Lifetime Record: SW, 14-4-4-5, \$210,899. O-Dale Taylor, Lee R. Lewis, Joe Dee Brooks, Scott Bryant & Derrol Hubbard; B-Robert & Del Rae Driggers (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher.

**3rd-MVR, \$25,300**, (S), 12-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:43.49, ft.

**CRUZLINE (f, 3, King Cruz--Jazz Line, by Jambalaya Jazz)** Lifetime Record: 13-3-0-0, \$32,551. O-Crumley Racing Stable LLC; B-Double D Farm Corp. (OH); T-Jevon D. Crumley.

## Leading Turf Sires

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Galileo (Ire)</b> <i>(1998) by Sadler's Wells FYR: 2003 Crops: 12 Stands: Coolmore Stud IRE (private)</i>	<b>39</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>\$5,027,554</b>	<b>\$29,158,476</b> <i>Highland Reel (IRE)</i>
2	<b>Dubawi (Ire)</b> <i>(2002) by Dubai Millenium (GB) FYR: 2007 Crops: 8 Stands: Dalham Hall Stud ENG (225,000)</i>	<b>31</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>\$4,953,101</b>	<b>\$13,901,857</b> <i>Postponed (IRE)</i>
3	<b>Kitten's Joy</b> <i>(2001) by El Prado (Ire) FYR: 2007 Crops: 8 Stands: Ramsey Farm KY (100,000)</i>	<b>15</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>\$868,865</b>	<b>\$8,187,727</b> <i>Camelot Kitten</i>
4	<b>Sharmadal</b> <i>(2002) by Giant's Causeway FYR: 2007 Crops: 9 Stands: Kildangan Stud IRE (private)</i>	<b>22</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>\$938,475</b>	<b>\$7,187,434</b> <i>Tryster (IRE)</i>
5	<b>Fastnet Rock (Aus)</b> <i>(2001) by Danehill FYR: 2011 Crops: 5 Stands: Coolmore Stud IRE (private)</i>	<b>12</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>\$405,334</b>	<b>\$6,929,477</b> <i>Melagrana (AUS)</i>
6	<b>Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)</b> <i>(2004) by Danehill FYR: 2008 Crops: 7 Stands: Coolmore Stud IRE (17,500)</i>	<b>7</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>\$1,244,675</b>	<b>\$6,872,621</b> <i>Designs On Rome (IRE)</i>
7	<b>War Front</b> <i>(2002) by Danzig FYR: 2008 Crops: 7 Stands: Claiborne Farm KY (200,000)</i>	<b>19</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>\$523,580</b>	<b>\$6,624,032</b> <i>Avenge</i>
8	<b>Dansili (GB)</b> <i>(1996) by Danehill FYR: 2002 Crops: 13 Stands: Banstead Manor Stud ENG (85,000)</i>	<b>14</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>\$6,544,677</b> <i>Flintshire (GB)</i>
9	<b>Sea the Stars (Ire)</b> <i>(2006) by Cape Cross (Ire) FYR: 2011 Crops: 4 Stands: Giltown Stud IRE (125,000)</i>	<b>12</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>\$2,270,521</b>	<b>\$6,284,769</b> <i>Harzand (IRE)</i>
10	<b>Scat Daddy</b> <i>(2004) by Johannesburg FYR: 2009 Crops: 6 Stands: Ashford Stud USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>\$667,608</b>	<b>\$5,944,254</b> <i>Dacita (CHI)</i>
11	<b>Exceed and Excel (Aus)</b> <i>(2000) by Danehill FYR: 2006 Crops: 9 Stands: Kildangan Stud IRE (40,000)</i>	<b>8</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	--	<b>2</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>\$345,094</b>	<b>\$5,385,087</b> <i>Rewarding Hero (GB)</i>
12	<b>Dark Angel (Ire)</b> <i>(2005) by Acclamation (GB) FYR: 2009 Crops: 6 Stands: Yeomanstown Stud IRE (60,000)</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>\$465,843</b>	<b>\$5,324,123</b> <i>Mecca's Angel (IRE)</i>
13	<b>Monsun (Ger)</b> <i>(1990) by Konigsstuhl (Ger) FYR: 1997 Crops: 17 Stands: Gestut Schlenderham EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>\$3,094,278</b>	<b>\$5,252,598</b> <i>Almandin (GER)</i>
14	<b>Invincible Spirit (Ire)</b> <i>(1997) by Green Desert FYR: 2004 Crops: 11 Stands: Irish National Stud IRE (120,000)</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>\$542,626</b>	<b>\$4,932,379</b> <i>Ittetsu (IRE)</i>
15	<b>Tapit</b> <i>(2001) by Pulpit FYR: 2006 Crops: 9 Stands: Gainesway Farm KY (300,000)</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>\$869,345</b>	<b>\$4,744,911</b> <i>Time and Motion</i>

## WOOTTON BASSETT IN DEMAND IN DEAUVILLE



Wootton Bassett sired two of the top three lots at Arqana on Monday | *Etreham photo*

Wootton Bassett (GB), Europe's leading second-crop sire who was thrust into the limelight this year by Almanzor (Fr), winner of the G1 Prix du Jockey Club, G1 Irish Champion S. and G1 Champion S., proved a hot commodity during the third session of Arqana's December Breeding Stock Sale in Deauville on Monday. He sired two of the top three highest-priced foals, with the day's most expensive mare also carrying to him.

Key figures for the session took a hit compared to 12 months ago, but cumulatively the sale is not far off last year. A total of 195 lots were sold on the day for €1,722,000, while 199 were sold last year for €2,222,400. The buyback rate of 25.6% was nearly on par with last year, but the average dropped 20.9% to €8,831, while the median was down 13.3% to €6,500. Over the first three days of the sale, 511 lots have changed hands for €21,315,500, compared to 576 sold for €23,601,400 last year. The buyback rate is up three points to 25%; the average is nearly equal to last year at €41,713, and the median is down 10% at €18,000.

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## LESSONS LEARNED THIS WEEKEND

by John Berry

The stallion business in the antipodes changed forever once the practice of shuttling stallions from the Northern Hemisphere was established. Previously, it was an either/or situation regarding which hemisphere a horse could stand in, which meant that Australasia's imported stallions tended to be ones which had been deemed to be surplus to requirements in Europe or North America. Inevitably, some of these less obvious stallion prospects sired good horses, and it was not uncommon to see big races won by horses whose sires possessed relatively obscure profiles. Nowadays, however, it is much harder for the less obvious horses to find places at stud, which has lent something of a look of sameness to the results of big races around the world. However, Saturday's G1 Captain Cook S. at Trentham in New Zealand harks back to a former era.

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# EUROPEAN NEWS

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## Wootton Bassett In Demand In Deauville cont. from p1

Topping trade was [lot 606](#), Trois Rivières' Wootton Bassett colt from the family of six-time international Group 1 winner Pulsudski (Ire) (Polish Precedent), as well as the prolific Youmzain (Ire) (Sinndar {Ire}) and Creachadoir (Ire) (King's Best). The January-born bay was picked up by MAB Agency for €45,000.

Wootton Bassett briefly held the top two spots on the leaderboard when, 10 lots later, Ghislain Bozo's Meridian International went to €40,000 for [lot 616](#), Haras de la Bourgeauville's grandson of the stakes-winning Prianca (Diktat {GB}). That price was bettered later in the session, however, by [lot 606](#), a second-crop daughter of the Guineas winner Dawn Approach (Ire), who is represented by his first 2-year-olds next year. [Lot 685](#), offered by La Motteraye Consignment, is out of a half-sister to Group 3 winner African Skies (GB) (Johannesburg), the dam of listed winner Calypso Beat (Speightstown). She was picked up by Anglo Irish Stable for €42,000.

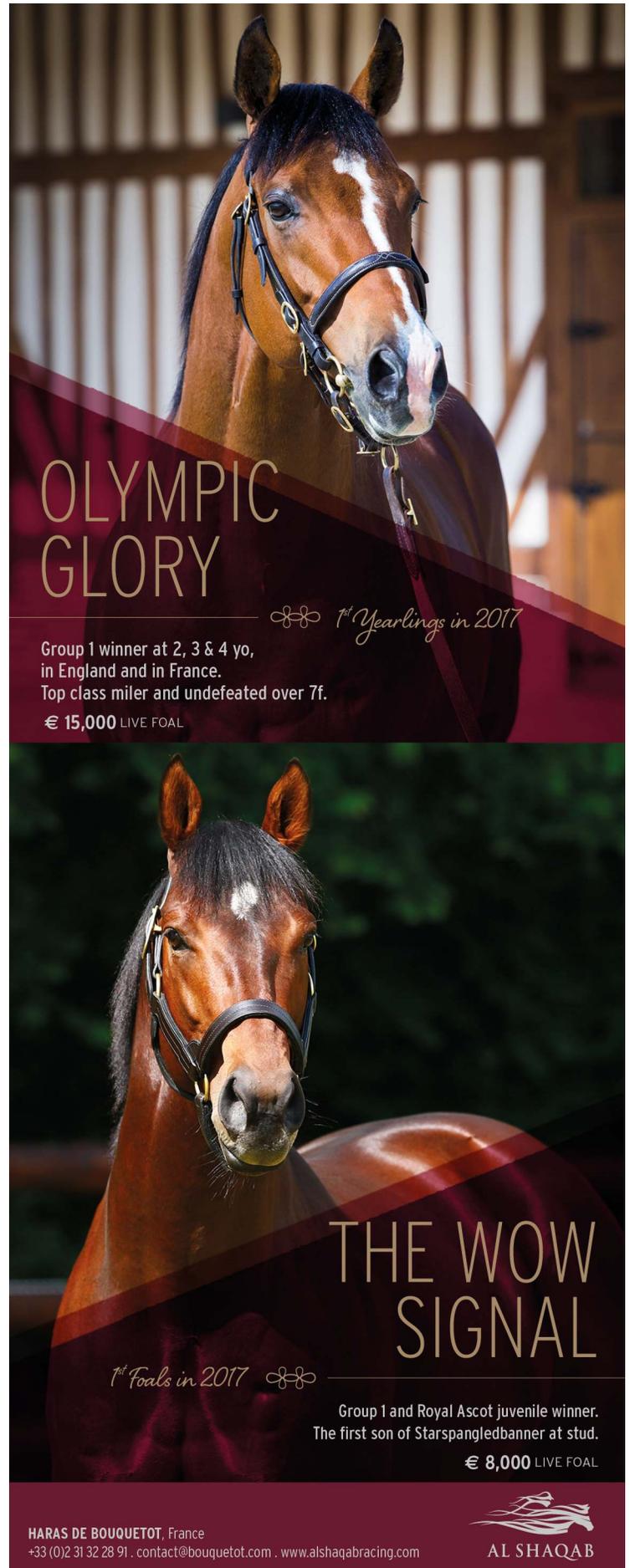
The priciest mare of the day was Haras d'Ombreville's Anna Bora (Ger) (Big Shuffle {GB}) ([lot 736](#)), who was picked up by Eric Puerari for €36,000 in foal to Wootton Bassett. The 6-year-old is a half-sister to the G1 Deutsches Derby-second Antek (Ger) (Kallisto {Ger}), while further back in the family appear the likes of Australian Group 1 winners Helmet (Aus) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) and Epaulette (Aus) (Commands {Aus}), as well as this year's G1 Jean-Luc Lagardere winner National Defense (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

The fourth and final session of the sale takes place on Tuesday.

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### Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale Day Four Outs

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SESSION TOTALS	2016	2015
• Catalogued	296	296
• No. Offered	262	270
• No. Sold	195	199
• RNAs	67	71
• % RNAs	25.6%	26.3%
• High Price	€45,000	€52,000
• Gross	€1,722,000	€2,222,400
• Average (% change)	€8,831 (-20.9%)	€11,168
• Median (% change)	€6,500 (-13.3%)	€7,500
CUMULATIVE	2016	2015
• Catalogued	779	823
• No. Offered	682	739
• No. Sold	511	576
• RNAs	171	163
• % RNAs	25%	22%
• High Price	€1,000,000	€900,000
• Gross	€21,315,500	€23,601,400
• Average (% change)	€41,713 (+1.8%)	€40,975
• Median (% change)	€18,000 (-10%)	€20,000

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**MINDING NAMED HRI HORSE OF THE YEAR**

Cartier Horse of the Year **Minding (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) earned yet another accolade on Monday, when she was named Horse of the Year at the Horse Racing Ireland Awards during a reception at Leopardstown Racecourse.

Derrick Smith, Mrs. John Magnier and Michael Tabor’s Minding won five of the seven Group 1 races she contested this year, including a pair of Classics--the G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Epsom Oaks--and the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. on British Champions Day. Her trainer, Aidan O’Brien, won the flat award for a remarkable season that was highlighted by 22 Group 1 wins, and 1-2-3 finishes in both the G1 Qatar Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe and the G1 1000 Guineas.



Minding winning the G1 Nassau S. | racingfotos.com

**LIAM BRENNAN, 83, PASSES AWAY**

Liam Brennan, a former trainer in Ireland and champion steeplechase jockey, passed away Sunday Dec. 4. He was 83. Born Mar. 22, 1933, Brennan was the father of Ocala horsemen Niall and Ian Brennan. He was a man who wore many hats in the Irish racing community. In addition to being a champion amateur jockey in 1955, he trained both flat and steeplechase horses--



Liam Brennan

including the likes of Cheltenham Gold Cup hero Forgive ‘n Forget--and was instrumental in the implementation of Sunday racing in Ireland as a member of the point-to-point committee at Punchestown Racecourse. He was best known for his collaboration with professional punter Barney Curley in the “Yellow Sam Affair,” the greatest gambling coup in the history of Irish racing.

He was predeceased by his wife of 60 years, Valerie and leaves behind his sons Niall (Stephanie) and Ian (Karen), grandchildren Colin, Kristin, Kaelyn, and

Ashleigh, his brother Dennis, sister Bernadette, as well as his extended family of cousins and many close-knit friends.

In the National Hunt realm, Willie Mullins was named champion trainer; trainer Mouse Morris took the outstanding achievement award; and jockey Jamie Codd won the point-to-point award. Maureen Mullins, wife of the late great trainer Paddy Mullins, received the Contribution to the Industry award for her work in Irish racing over the last six decades.

HRI Chief Executive Brian Kavanagh said, “It was a pleasure to present the Contribution to the Industry award to a very special lady who is a most deserving winner. From the likes of Hurry Harriet, Dawn Run, Grabel and Vintage Tipple, Maureen has witnessed the highs of racing on many occasions and is without doubt one of the most popular figures on the Irish racing scene.”

**Minding Named HRI Horse of the Year Cont.**

HRI Chairman Joe Keeling summed up the awards by saying, "The Horse Racing Ireland Awards allow us to shine the spotlight on the amazing achievements in Irish racing throughout the year. As always, the standard of nominations was extremely high and I would like to congratulate the very worthy winners and wish everyone in the Irish racing industry continued success in 2017."

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**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Little Miss Daisy (GB)**, f, 2, **Arabian Gleam (GB)**--Desert Liaison (GB), by Dansili (GB). LIN, 12-5, 5f 6y (AWT). B-Hungerford Park Stud (GB).

**Plead (GB)**, f, 2, **Dutch Art (GB)**--Entreat (GB), by Pivotal (GB). LIN, 12-5, 10f (AWT). B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB). \*37,000gns HRA '16 TATAUT.

**GODOLPHIN LOT TOPS ASCOT SALE**

Godolphin's Canyon City (GB) (Authorized {Ire}) topped Monday's Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Sale with a bid of £85,000 from Neil King. The 3-year-old colt [lot 95](#), who is out of a daughter of the excellent producer Colorspin (Fr) (High Top), was by far the most expensive transaction of the day, the next highest price being £26,000. The average and median at the sale, which was Tattersalls Ireland's last of the year, were both well up on last year at £4,830 (+26%) and £2,500 (+67%), respectively. The clearance rate was 66%.

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<b>HWA Derby Award Winners</b>	
<b>International Trainer of the Year</b>	Charlie Appleby
<b>Arabian Award</b>	Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum
<b>Picture of the Year</b>	Patrick McCann
<b>Racing Reporter of the Year</b>	Marcus Townend
<b>Owner of the Year</b>	Coolmore
<b>Outstanding Achievement</b>	Geoff Greetham
<b>Jockey of the Year</b>	Jim Crowley
<b>Trainer of the Year</b>	Aidan O'Brien
<b>Broadcaster of the Year</b>	Nick Luck
<b>Photographer of the Year</b>	Edward Whitaker
<b>Racing Writer of the Year</b>	Tom Kerr

# WORLDWIDE NEWS

**Lessons Learned This Weekend Cont. from p1**

The winner, Aide Memoire (NZ), is the only stakes performer ever sired by her 16-year-old sire Remind (Deputy Minister), a horse who never won a graded stake in a busy five-season career in the U.S.

Recent decades have seen a focus northwards in New Zealand's breeding industry, abetted by the relocation of the country's principal sales venue from Trentham to Karaka. Some of the great stallions in the nation's history have stood on the South Island, but nowadays studs there find it harder to



**Aide Memoire** | Race Images Palmerston North

compete. Remind, however, stands at Long Acres Stud near Darfield in Canterbury. He retired there in 2007 after a lengthy career racing from Bill Mott's barn in the

livery of his breeder, Claiborne Farm. He won five races between eight and nine furlongs including the Storm Cat S. at Keeneland, although a graded stake triumph continually eluded him. He was, though, many times placed in such company, including finishing second or third in eight Grade II or III races. He also finished fourth in the GI Shadwell Turf Mile in 2005, beaten four lengths by the winner Host (Chi) (Hussonet), passing the post ahead of the likes of Three Valleys (Diesis {GB}), Ad Valorem (Danzig) and the top-class Australian racemare Alinghi (Aus) (Encosta De Lago {Aus}).

Remind clearly had plenty to offer, having proved himself a very tough, sound and genuine horse, and only a few lengths behind the best. He was a half-brother to three graded stakes winners. Furthermore, his sire, Deputy Minister, had recently enjoyed success in Australia courtesy of his son Dehere, who had sired many good horses during his stints of shuttling to Coolmore in New South Wales. Dehere's high achievers had included the 2000 G1 Golden Slipper S. heroine Belle Du Jour (Aus), as well as the admirable Group 1 winners Defier (Aus) and Bollinger (Aus).

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## Lessons Learned This Weekend Cont.

The fact that Remind was affordable was also, presumably, a factor in his recruitment by Long Acres, a decision which has been justified by the on-going exploits of Aide Memoire, one of the most progressive racehorses in the country. Her seven victories include last season's Rangitikei Gold Cup, while her recent Group 1 triumph suggests that further big-race glory awaits.

## Home From Home For Double Doyle...

The position within the Godolphin fold of talented English jockey James Doyle seemed precarious a couple of months ago when Saeed bin Suroor seemingly decided that he would prefer to use other riders. However, Doyle now looks to have cemented his place on the team with a sparkling start to his current Australian stint. Doyle was recently sent southwards to fill the void created among Godolphin's riding ranks by the absence of James McDonald. He has made an excellent start to



James Doyle | *Racing Post*

his stint, taking three rides at Rosehill on Saturday for the John O'Shea stable and winning on two of them.

While he is basically in unfamiliar territory, Doyle will have found plenty of familiar signs, not

least because his two winners are both sons of stallions who are well represented within the Godolphin team in Europe: Street Cry (Ire) and Teofilo (Ire). He will also have recognised the Darley blue-print of developing families from high-class mares by using high-class sires. His first winner, Trekking (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire})--who justified odds-on favouritism to land an impressive win on debut--is a classic case in point. Trained by Lee Freedman, Serenade Rose (Aus) (Stravinsky) was Australia's champion filly of the 2005/06 season, taking the G1 VRC Oaks, G1 Arrowfield Stud S. and G1 AJC Oaks. She was bought afterwards by Sheikh Mohammed for a reported A\$3-million, clearly a mouth-watering addition to the Darley broodmare band. Sadly, she only had three foals before dying in 2011. Her first two foals were both fillies, Outdoor (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) and Entertains (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}). She then bred one colt: Minnesinger (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}).

Minnesinger, now aged five, is a winner at Kilmore and Sandown and has been Group 2-placed, but will never be part of Darley's breeding operation as he is a gelding. The two fillies,

though, each the winner of three races, are both now members of the Darley broodmare band, Outdoor in Australia and Entertains in Europe. They are both clearly exciting prospects with their collective breeding record now standing at one run for one win, Trekking being Outdoors's first foal and now a debut winner.

## Bonanza For High Chaparral?

Dual G1 Derby and dual G1 Breeders' Cup Turf hero High Chaparral (Ire) was a great stallion for Coolmore (and, for his first four Southern Hemisphere seasons, Windsor Park Stud in New Zealand) siring top horses on both sides of the world. His most prolific Group 1 winners were the Windsor Park-conceived So You Think (NZ) and Dundeel (NZ), but he also came up with plenty of other top-level scorers including Toronado (Ire), Free Eagle (Ire), Monaco Consul (NZ), Shoot Out (Aus) and Descarado (NZ). Tragically, he died in 2014 at the age of only 15, but he has plenty of chances to become established posthumously as a notable sire of sires.

One of several sons of High Chaparral to have made a good start at stud is Redwood (Ire), a magnificent horse who carried the colours of his owner/breeder Prince Khalid Abdullah with distinction for four years, 2008 to 2011 inclusive. Trained by Barry Hills, Redwood--a grandson of Dancing Brave's dual Group 1-winning full-sister Jolypha (Lyphard)--was an impressive winner at Newmarket on debut as a 2-year-old before taking a listed event at the same track first-up at three. Ultimately he registered his best triumph as a 4-year-old, taking the G1 Northern Dancer Turf S. over 12 furlongs on a firm track at Woodbine in 2010.



High Chaparral | *Coolmore*

## Lessons Learned This Weekend Cont.

Juddmonte elected not to place Redwood on its own roster when he signed off after contesting the G1 Hong Kong Vase in December 2011. Its loss, however, was Westbury Stud's gain because Redwood found his way to Gerry Harvey's property in New Zealand. Things are looking very promising, as was emphasised by Redwood's first-crop 3-year-olds' double at Ellerslie on Saturday. The Donna Logan- and Chris Gibbs-trained Romancer (NZ) is the more exalted of the pair at present, as his success came in black-type company in the Mufhasa S., which he landed comfortably under Vinnie Colgan. Night's Watch, however, might be at least as talented because he recorded an impressive victory on debut in a 1200-metre maiden race, suggesting that plans to press on for the G1 NZ Derby next March should be realistic. Both horses are owned by successful Australian-based syndicator OTI Racing, and both should be capable of running well in stakes company in Australia.



**Redwood** | Westbury Stud

## Coolmore's Kiwi Connections...

High Chaparral is not the only Coolmore stallion who has used New Zealand to establish his reputation. Stravinsky (Nureyev), sire of the aforementioned Serenade Rose, shuttled between Ashford Stud in the U.S. and Cambridge Stud in New Zealand, while Pour Moi has been splitting his time between Coolmore in Ireland and Windsor Park Stud in New Zealand, whence his first crop has yielded the Group 1 winner Sacred Elixir (NZ). Now 2011 G1 National S. and 2012 G1 Irish 2000 Guineas victor Power (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) is doing well with his Cambridge Stud-conceived offspring.



**Power** | Coolmore

The four stakes winners from Power's first European crop of juveniles this year have been headed by G3 Anglesey S. winner Peace Envoy (Fr), who has a minor placing in the G1 Prix Morny to his credit. Following Saturday's feature race day at Trentham, Power is already also responsible for a Southern Hemisphere first-crop group-winning 2-year-old, the Graeme Rogerson-trained Gift Of Power (NZ), previously successful in the Wellesley S., having taken the G2 Wakefield Challenge S. over 1100 metres.

A particular bonus of a link with Cambridge Stud, is the access which it provides to the stud's outstanding broodmare band. Gift Of Power is a case in point: his dam Capital Diamond (NZ) (Lucky Unicorn {Aus}) has Cambridge Stud's legendary matriarch Eight Carat (GB) (Pieces Of Eight) as her third dam, her granddam being Eight Carat's top-class daughter Diamond Lover (Aus) (Sticks And Stones {Aus}).

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