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GALILEO, TAPIT TOP SIRES OF A & ABC RUNNERS

Galileo | *Coolmore*

by Bill Oppenheim

Well, they should be the top two, shouldn't they, since they are the most expensive stallions, respectively, in Europe and North America, although Darley's Dubawi, now at £250,000, is marginally more expensive than Gainesway's Tapit, at $300,000. In 2015, Tapit gave Coolmore's world number one, Galileo, a real scare in terms of the numbers of 2015 A Runners and 2015 ABC Runners each produced: Galileo sired 28 A Runners and 61 ABC Runners in 2015; Tapit sired 26 and 60. Last year, Galileo reinforced the gap between himself and the rest of the world of North American and European sires by siring 36 A Runners in 2016, far clear of Tapit (22) and Dubawi (20), in second and third respectively. But Tapit also sired nine B Runners and 28 C Runners, for a total of 59 ABC Runners, which actually put him ahead of Galileo, who had 10 B Runners but just 11 C Runners, for a total of 57 ABC Runners by Galileo in 2016. So if it seems like every time you turn around there's another Tapit on the scene in North American racing, there probably is: 19.4% of his 2016 runners (59/305) were ABC Runners, versus 16.4% for Galileo (57/346). However, over 10% of Galileo's 2016 starters were A Runners (that's a 2016 A Runner Index over 5.00), whereas Tapit and Dubawi checked in around 7%. Dubawi was also third by number of 2016 ABC Runners, with 48.

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IN THEIR FOOTSTEPS: NOLAN RAMSEY

by Carly Silver

Editor's note: this is the third in a series of feature articles on young people in racing who have followed in their parents' career-paths in the industry.

As the champion turf male of 2004, Kitten's Joy helped put his owner/breeders, Kenneth and Sarah Ramsey, on the map. As the leading general sire of 2013 and a perennially successful turf stallion, the son of El Prado (Ire) has provided the Ramseys with outstanding progeny. That success runs parallel to the next generation of Ramseys: Ken and Sarah's grandson, Nolan, who's carving out his own sphere of influence as an assistant to leading trainer Mike Maker.

Twenty-year-old Nolan cut his teeth at Ramsey Farm in Nicholasville, Kentucky. **Cont. p6**

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REDVERS PRAISES AUSTRALIAN INITIATIVES

Fresh off a trip to Magic Millions, David Redvers looks at what the British industry could learn from Australia.

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Withers Wednesday. *Count Fleet and Johnny Longden pose for a photo with owner Fannie Hertz after the Withers S. at Belmont Park on May 22, 1943.* | *Horsephotos*

PORTER BUYS INTO 'TDN RISING STAR' 8

Rick Porter's Fox Hill Farms has purchased a 50-percent interest in ***'TDN Rising Star' Jenda's Agenda*** *(Proud Citizen), a runaway debut winner going six furlongs at Fair Grounds Jan. 7. "We're pleased to add to our stable the 3-year-old filly Jenda's Agenda," Porter announced on Fox Hill's Facebook page. "A homebred of Larry Jones, we struck a deal to purchase 50% of 'Jenda,' with Larry retaining 50%."*

COASTED AIMING FOR GULFSTREAM RETURN 8

Stakes-winning ***'TDN Rising Star' Coasted*** *(Tizway), last seen finishing second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf Nov. 4, has begun to prepare for her 3-year-old campaign, and the Leah Gyarmati pupil recorded her third breeze back at Gulfstream Tuesday morning, covering four panels in :48.81 (7/34) on the main track. Brian DiDonato has the latest from owner Jeff Treadway.*

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From the desk of...

BILL OPPENHEIM

A total of 21 NA/EU sires had 30 or more ABC Runners in 2016; we keep specifying NA/EU because Japan's Deep Impact sired 47 A Runners and 114 ABC Runners last year, and King Kamehameha sired 33 A Runners and 95 ABC Runners; but Japan works differently than North America and Europe, so they're not really comparable.

TOP 11 NA-EU SIRES BY 2016 A RUNNERS

Sire	1stFls	ST	A	B	C	ABC
Galileo	2003	IRE	36	10	11	57
Tapit	2006	KY	22	9	28	59
Dubawi	2007	ENG	20	8	20	48
War Front	2008	KY	18	8	14	40
Medaglia d'Oro	2006	KY	18	8	12	38
Uncle Mo	2013	KY	18	7	12	37
Kitten's Joy	2007	KY	17	5	21	43
Bernardini	2008	KY	15	11	12	38
Dark Angel	2009	IRE	15	6	15	36
Giant's Causeway	2002	KY	14	7	13	34
Smart Strike	1998	Dead	14	7	13	34

In North America and Europe, besides the top three of Galileo (36), Tapit (22), and Dubawi (20), three sires tied with 18 A Runners each in 2016: Darley's Medaglia d'Oro; Claiborne's War Front; and Coolmore Ashford's Uncle Mo, with just his first 3-year-olds--no wonder he tops even Galileo and War Front with his 5.09 A Runner Index. Ramsey Farm's Kitten's Joy had 17 A Runners last year, followed by Darley's Bernadini and Ireland's Morristown Stud's Dark Angel, with 15 each, and Ashford's

Tapit | *Mathea Kelley*

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Blue-Blooded Multiple G1 Winner *by* **TAPIT**

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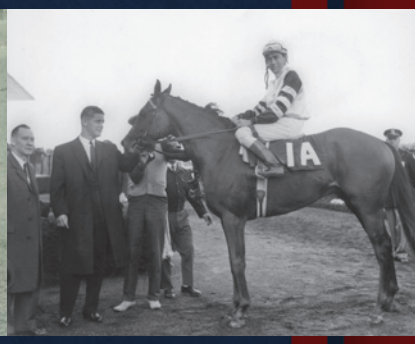

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CONSTITUTION
- Tapit
  - Pulpit
    - A.P. Indy
    - Preach
  - Tap Your Heels
    - Unbridled
    - Ruby Slippers
- Baffled (2005)
  - Distorted Humor
    - Forty Niner
    - Danzig's Beauty
  - Surf Club
    - Ocean Crest
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By TAPIT (2001). Black-type winner of $557,300, Wood Memorial S. **[G1]** (AQU, $450,000), etc. Leading sire 3 times, sire of 10 crops of racing age, 1143 foals, 831 starters, 89 black-type winners, 619 winners of 1800 races and earning $107,569,384, 6 champions, including Untapable ($3,926,625, Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff **[G1]** (SA, $1,100,000), etc.), Stardom Bound **[G1]** ($1,861,610), Hansen **[G1]** ($1,810,805), and of Tonalist **[G1]** ($3,647,000), Frosted **[G1]** ($3,972,800), Creator **[G1]** (at 3, 2016, $1,610,320).

1st dam

Baffled, by Distorted Humor. Winner at 2, £9,571, in England, 3rd Albany S. **[G3]**; winner at 3, $44,204, in N.A./U.S. (Total: $63,219). Sister to **SURFER**. Dam of 6 foals, 3 to race, all winners--

CONSTITUTION (c. by Tapit). Black-type winner, below.

BOYNTON (c. by More Than Ready). 2 wins in 3 starts at 2, 2016, £70,123, in England, Bet365 Superlative S. **[G2]**, 3rd Qatar Vintage S. **[G2]**. (Total: $91,704).

JACARANDA (f. by Congrats). 2 wins at 2, $207,200, Tempted S. **[G3]** (AQU, $150,000).

2nd dam

SURF CLUB, by Ocean Crest. 6 wins, 2 to 4, $114,397. Dam of 8 winners, incl.--

EMCEE (c. by Unbridled's Song). 4 wins in 8 starts at 3 and 4, $479,900, Forego S. **[G1]** (SAR, $300,000), 3rd Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. **[G1]** (SAR, $40,000), Tom Fool H. **[G3]** (AQU, $20,000).

SURFER (g. by Distorted Humor). Placed in England; 5 wins, 1,579,570 dirhams, in U.A.E., Longines Conquest Classic Moon Phases Al Maktoum Challenge Round 1 **[G2]**, Lincoln MKC Dubai Creek Mile, 2nd TABLOID Al Maktoum Challenge Round 2 **[G2]**, Emirates Al Bastakiya, etc. (Total: $436,344).

SPRING PARTY (f. by Smart Strike). 6 wins, 3 to 5, $202,077, Wintergreen S. (TP, $29,760), 3rd Decoration Day H. [L] (MNR, $7,500).

Baffled (f. by Distorted Humor). Black-type-placed winner, above.

3rd dam

HORNS GRAY, by Pass the Tab. 12 wins, 2 to 5, $118,015, Al Swihart Memorial H. (FON, $15,000), 2nd Al Swihart Memorial H. (FON, $6,270), Good Life S. (AKS, $5,310), etc. Half-sister to **RULED OFF**, **BINGO TIME**. Dam of--

AWESOME HUMOR. 6 wins in 11 starts to 3, $848,950, Spinaway S. **[G1]** (SAR, $120,000), Adirondack S. **[G2]** (SAR, $90,000), etc. Dam of--

Keep Me Informed. 6 wins, $321,630, 3rd Arts and Letters S. (BEL, $7,000).

Dignified Donovan. 12 wins, $446,021, 2nd San Juan County Commissioner's H. [L] (SRP, $16,500); winner at 6 in Canada. (Total: $459,483).

RACE RECORD: At 2, unraced; at 3, three wins (Besilu Florida Derby **[G1]** (GP, $600,000)), once 3rd (Clark H. **[G1]** (CD, $52,896)) in 5 starts; at 4, one win (Donn H. **[G1]** (GP, $297,600)). Totals: 4 wins, once 3rd in 8 starts. Earned $1,031,596.

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veteran Giant's Causeway and Lane's End's deceased Smart Strike rounded out the top 10, tied with 14. Tapit (59), Galileo (57), and Dubawi (48) were also the top three by number of 2016 ABC Runners; Kitten's Joy (43) was fourth here, ahead of War Front (40).

Air Force Blue | *Coolmore*

Medaglia d'Oro was tied for sixth with Bernardini and Hill 'n' Dale's Curlin, with 38, followed by Lane's End's City Zip and Uncle Mo, with 37 each. In a way, War Front is a big mover on this list; he has always been one of the three leaders by A Runner Index, but because he had so many fewer foals he never figured this high up in the lists by number of A Runners or ABC Runners. Once again we have to say all the backchat about War Front is very much, in our opinion, misplaced. His smallest crop of 55 foals were 3-year-olds of 2016 and still included Air Force Blue and Hit It A Bomb, and his 2-year-olds of 2016 ranked him number two to Into Mischief on the 2016 North American 2-Year-Old Sire List by earnings, and he was number one by 2-year-old Black-Type Winners (8), and 2-year-old Graded/Group winners (5). Oh, and yes, they train on: he was the leading North American sire by BTW of all ages (22) in 2016, one ahead of Tapit (21), plus he has a 5-year-old-plus ABC Age Rating of 3.02. Case closed; well, for us, anyway, if not for some segments of the commercial market.

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Bernardini	2008	KY	15	11	12	38
Curlin	2010	KY	12	8	18	38
Uncle Mo	2013	KY	18	7	12	37
City Zip	2003	KY	10	4	23	37

Among F2012 NA-EU sires with their first 4-year-olds in 2016, seven sires had 18 or more 2016 ABC Runners, and were in pretty much the same positions by number of A Runners and ABC Runners. Lane's End's Quality Road was the leading NA-EU F2012 sires by both A Runners (8) and ABC Runners (24). Ireland's Ballylinch Stud's Lope De Vega was right behind him in both categories (7-23, also had 9 B Runners in 2016). Darley's Midshipman and Ashford's Munnings were tied for third with six A Runners and 20 ABC Runners; Eskendereya, who is now in Japan, also had 20 ABC Runners and was tied with Claiborne's Blame with five A Runners in 2016. Makfi, who stood in England, then France, and is also now in Japan, had 19 ABC Runners; Blame had 18.

Quality Road | *Lane's End Farm*

NA-EU F2012 SIRES WITH 18+ 2016 ABC RUNNERS

Sire	1stFls	ST	A	B	C	ABC
Quality Road	2012	KY	8	6	10	24
Lope De Vega	2012	IRE	7	9	7	23
Midshipman	2012	KY	6	5	9	20
Munnings	2012	KY	6	4	10	20
Eskendereya	2012	JPN	5	3	12	20
Makfi	2012	JPN	4	4	11	19
Blame	2012	KY	5	3	10	18

Nine F2013 NA-EU sires, with their first 3-year-olds in 2016, had 10 or more 2016 ABC Runners. Uncle Mo, equal third nationally with 18 A Runners and in the top 10 nationally with 37 ABC Runners, is of course miles in front among F2013 sires. Lane's End's Twirling Candy and Coolmore Ireland's Zoffany had five A Runners each and were two-three by 2016 ABC Runners, Twirling Candy with 17 ABC Runners (7 B Runners) and Zoffany with 13 ABC Runners. Coolmore's Canford Cliffs and Spendthrift's 'sleeper' Tizway had four A Runners each; Florida's Double Diamond Farm's First Dude had three. These three each had 10 ABC Runners in 2016; Darley Kentucky's Girolamo and Spendthrift's Archarcharch had 11 (no A Runners, though), and Darley's Lonhro, a proven sire in Australia who did a couple of seasons in Kentucky, also had 10 2016 ABC Runners.

Uncle Mo | *Coolmore*

NA-EU F2013 SIRES WITH 10+ ABC RUNNERS 2016

Sire	1stFls	ST	A	B	C	ABC
Uncle Mo	2013	KY	18	7	12	37
Twirling Candy	2013	KY	5	7	5	17
Zoffany	2013	IRE	5	3	5	13
Girolamo	2013	KY	2	3	6	11
Archarcharch	2013	KY	0	3	8	11
Canford Cliffs	2013	IRE	4	1	5	10
Tizway	2013	KY	4	1	5	10
First Dude	2013	FL	3	5	2	10
Lonhro	2013	AUS	2	3	5	10

Among F2014 sires, Juddmonte's Frankel had eight ABC Runners (six A Runners); Cheveley Park's good sprinter Mayson had six ABC Runners; and Lane's End's Union Rags had five.

A total of 47 North American and European sires had 20 or more ABC Runners in 2016. Click here to see an alphabetical list of the 47 sires.

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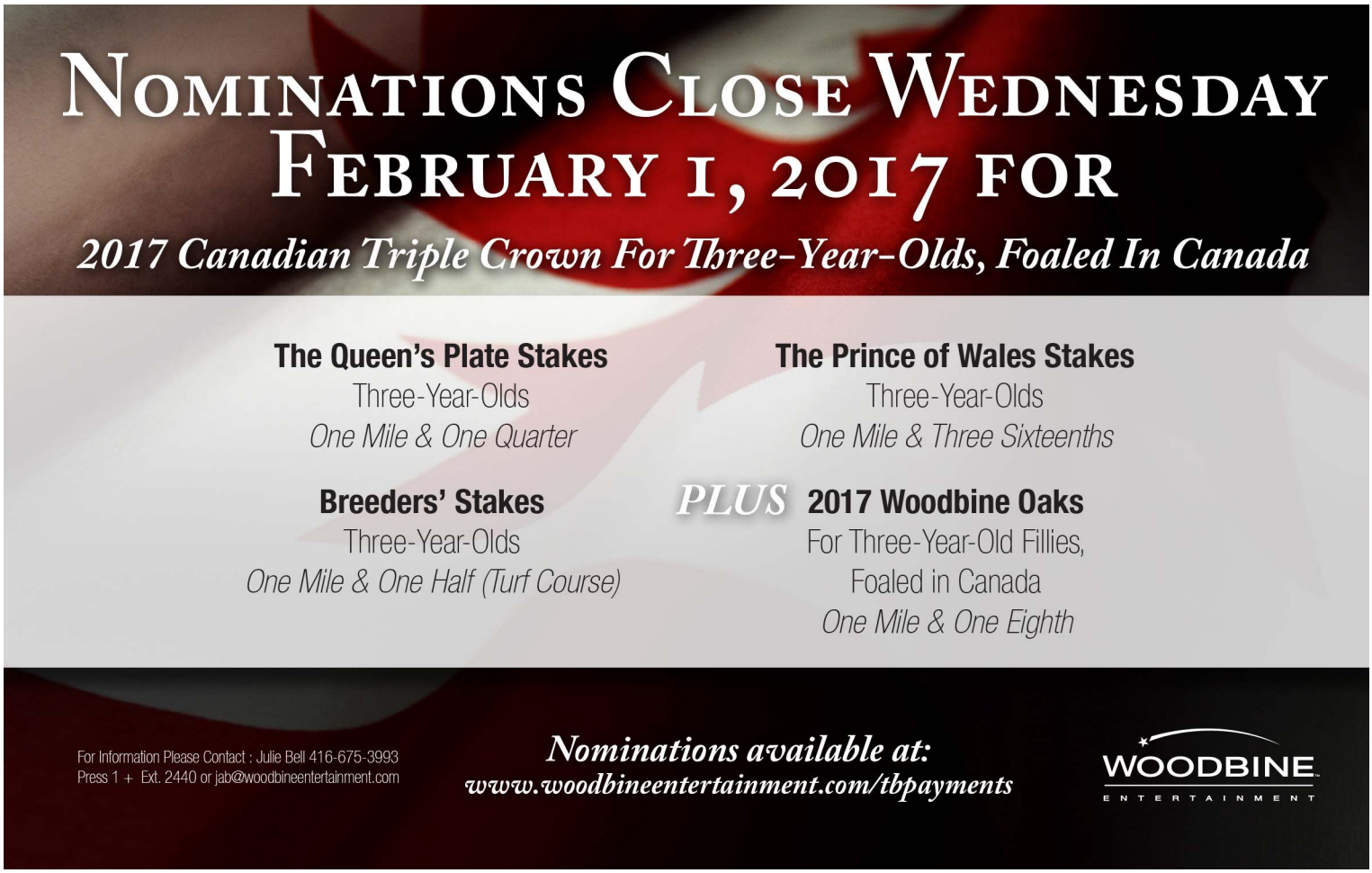

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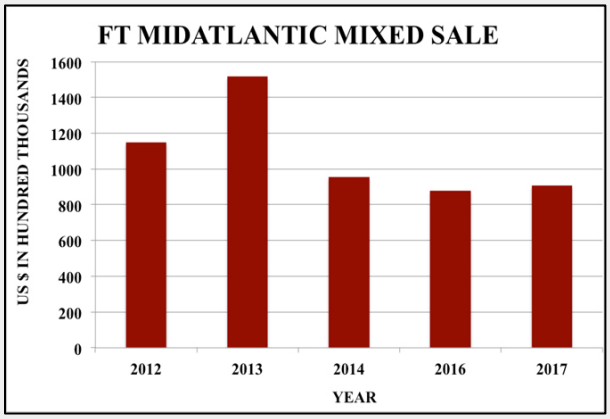
WEEKLY SALES TICKER

by Bill Oppenheim

"The results of two more smaller regional sales, OBS Winter Mixed and Fasig's Mid-Adlantic Mixed Sale, illustrate again the weakness in the regional American markets: OBS down 35% in gross from last year, while Maryland was slightly up in gross but with 41% more horses catalogued and 35% more sold, the average was down 24%. The Fasig Mid-Atlantic Sale was held in December through 2014, but rather than December, 2015, that sale was moved back to January, 2016 – which is why there is no 2015 line for that sale. Tattersalls' February Sale in Newmarket starts tomorrow, then Fasig Kentucky and Goffs have sales next week."

OBS WINTER MIXED SALE

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% W/D	% S/R	% S/C	GROSS	AVE
2017	646	516	326	20.1%	63.2%	50.5%	$ 2,970,700	$ 9,113
2016	639	509	358	20.3%	70.3%	56.0%	$ 4,565,100	$ 12,752
2015	514	410	335	20.2%	81.7%	65.2%	$ 4,751,000	$ 14,182
2014	809	633	463	21.8%	73.1%	57.2%	$ 6,408,500	$ 13,841
2013	454	392	257	13.7%	65.6%	56.6%	$ 2,835,200	$ 11,032
2012	382	335	238	12.3%	71.0%	62.3%	$ 2,475,300	$ 10,400



FASIG-TIPTON MIDATLANTIC MIX SALE (*SALE TOOK PLACE IN DECEMEBER UNTIL 2016)

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% W/D	% S/R	% S/C	GROSS	AVE
2017	236	178	141	24.6%	79.2%	59.7%	$ 906,400	$ 6,428
2016	167	120	104	28.1%	86.7%	62.3%	$ 878,100	$ 8,443
2014	202	165	110	18.3%	66.7%	54.5%	$ 954,800	$ 8,680
2013	214	185	133	13.6%	71.9%	62.1%	$ 1,516,700	$ 11,404
2012	243	195	140	19.8%	71.8%	57.6%	$ 1,150,200	$ 8,216

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley

In Their Footseps cont from p1

Ramseys lead Sir Dudley Diggs into winner's circle after Queen's Plate win. *Will Wong*

"During the summers, when I wasn't in school, I was working on my grandfather's farm, working on the mare-foal crew. Basically, as soon as I was big enough to handle a horse, I was out there working with them," Ramsey recalled.

The highlight of each summer was traveling to Saratoga Springs and attending the races with his grandfather Ken, who taught him how to read the *Daily Racing Form*. While at the Spa, Nolan got to know longtime Ramsey trainer Mike Maker. The Ramseys had runners with D. Wayne Lukas when Maker worked as that Hall of Fame trainer's assistant, and they supported the young conditioner when he went out on his own.

Sensing a burgeoning horseman, Maker offered a then 14-year-old Ramsey a job walking hots at Saratoga. The horse-crazy teen proved a deft hand around the barn and, once he'd graduated from high school, returned to his native Kentucky to attend the University of Louisville's equine industry program.

"I had no doubt in my mind I wanted to do something with horses; it was just trying to figure out exactly what I wanted to do," Ramsey enthused. "But when I started working for Mike, I immediately loved training. I love horses in general and I'd be content doing anything with them, but I really found my niche on the backstretch."

After finishing his first year of school, Ramsey decided to leave college to focus on his promising training career.

"I decided that I was going to stick with the horses full time. That didn't go over too well," Ramsey chuckled. "I knew I was making the right decision, but family and friends--a lot of people who didn't understand the horse racing--thought that I was making a mistake.

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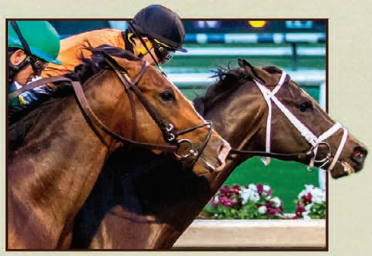

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And I can tell you right now that I've learned more working in the barn with Mike than I did--than I think I would have--in four years of college at the University of Louisville, as far as the horses are concerned."

The choice was a practical one. Ramsey noted this was an opportune time for him to learn.

Nolan Ramsey and Sir Dudley Digges
Will Wong

"I'm young; I can travel, I can go do things right now while I don't have a family or any stipulations that required me to be in one place," he explained. "So I valued my next four years. I thought [they] would be better used on the track and learning hands on from Mike and his other assistants...than it would be sitting in a classroom learning in a book."

Maker supported his young employee, who added, "I think, him being a father and having kids and going through this himself, I think that part of him wanted to tell me to go to school and finish--but also he'd never admit it--but I think he was kind of excited to see me pursue my career in horses."

Ramsey's responsibilities range from the day-to-day of running a shedrow to vanning top runners across country lines. One such example is Sir Dudley Digges (Gio Ponti). A late bloomer, the Ramsey-owned Ontario-bred took seven starts to break his maiden, but Maker identified him as a candidate for one race he knew his owners wanted to win: the Queen's Plate. Maker sent Sir Dudley Digges--in Ramsey's care--to Woodbine early to prep him on the Polytrack and run in a prep race. Working daily with the colt and conferring with their boss, Ramsey and another assistant trainer proved instrumental in sending out Sir Dudley Digges to win the Canadian Classic.

In his young career, Ramsey has found his surname a help and a hindrance. Having known Maker for most of his life, he found it was "a pretty easy transition for me, going from being the owner's grandchild to the trainer's assistant." He has found his professional relationship with his grandparents easy, but he's pushed himself that much harder to prove his qualifications. He said, "But I think here, in the last few years, people have finally started to realize that I wasn't handed the job. I wasn't handed anything. Mike didn't just hire me because I was Ramsey's grandkid. I think that's shown when Mike sent me with horses that don't belong to my grandparents." **Cont. p8**

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While he loves working for Maker, Ramsey eventually hopes to head out on his own. He observed, "I'd like to train a few for my family, but I'd like to have a large stable and several different owners."

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He enjoys improving horses from the ground up, noting his family's success with former claimers, and has even claimed a few good mares that the Ramseys raced and will breed to Kitten's Joy.

"Actually, my nickname around the barn is Kitten," he laughed. "I want to say it's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to take a horse, a homebred horse, and be able to watch and grow up watching him run, attending his races, even leading him into the winner's circle, watching him be retired, and then find a second stride as a stallion and really blossom. And now it's very special--it's really nice--because I get to train a lot of his offspring and be around his horses. I remember him just as a racing fan and part of the family, going to watch him, and now I get to see his offspring perform and be a part of that as well; it's very special. It's not something that happens every day."

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PORTER BUYS INTO IMPRESSIVE MAIDEN WINNER

Jenda's Agenda
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Rick Porter's Fox Hill Farms has purchased a 50% interest in '**TDN Rising Star**' **Jenda's Agenda** (Proud Citizen), a runaway debut winner going six furlongs at Fair Grounds Jan. 7. The 3-year-old filly, owned and bred by Larry and Cindy Jones, is a daughter of the three-time graded victress Just Jenda (Menifee). She will remain under the care of Larry Jones. "We're pleased to add to our stable the 3-year-old filly Jenda's Agenda," Porter announced on Fox Hill's Facebook page. "A homebred of Larry Jones, we struck a deal to purchase 50% of 'Jenda,' with Larry retaining 50%. This Proud Citizen filly was impressive in her debut at Fair Grounds, and earned a very nice 10 1/4 Ragozin for her effort. In all the years we've been with Larry, this is the first horse we've owned in partnership with him. We hope that we'll be standing in many future winner's circles as co-owners of this filly."

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COASTED GEARING UP FOR 3YO DEBUT

by Brian DiDonato

Stakes-winning '**TDN Rising Star**' **Coasted** (Tizway), last seen finishing second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf Nov. 4, has begun to prepare for her 3-year-old campaign, and the Leah Gyarmati pupil recorded her third breeze back at Gulfstream Tuesday morning, covering four panels in :48.81 (7/34) on the main track.

"She came out of the Breeders' Cup great," owner Jeff Treadway told the *TDN*. "We chose to give her some time off to gear up for her 2017 campaign and turned her out for about a month before sending her to Florida. She had her first half-mile work this morning and went very easily in company with [4-year-old GSP colt] Strike Midnight (Smart Strike)."

Coasted | *Sarah K Andrew*

Treadway said he and Gyarmati hope to have Coasted ready to run by the Mar. 4 GIII Herecomesthebride S. over the Gulfstream lawn. A debut fifth sprinting on the Belmont main track last July, Coasted has been kept on the infield since then, recording a dominant maiden breaker at the Spa in August before adding the P.G. Johnson S. there later in the meet. Third to New Money Honey (Medaglia d'Oro) in the GIII Miss Grillo S. back down state Oct. 2, she outran 23-1 odds to just miss to that familiar foe at Santa Anita.

When asked if Coasted would be considered for a return to dirt with an eye towards the GI Kentucky Oaks, Treadway offered, "She works so well on dirt I wouldn't completely rule out a try in an Oaks prep. Having said that, since there are plenty of big opportunities for 3-year-old turf fillies with races like the [GI] Belmont Oaks, we will likely follow that path."

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for stallions standing in North America through Tuesday, Jan. 31

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	**Munnings**	19	26	6	8	1	3	155	117	$2,349,614	$11,776,915
	(2006) by Speightstown FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Ashford Stud KY ($25,000)									*I'm a Chatterbox*	
2	**Quality Road**	11	22	7	12	4	5	191	125	$838,671	$11,449,141
	(2006) by Elusive Quality FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY ($35,000)									*Hootenanny*	
3	**Lookin At Lucky**	9	26	4	10	--	6	160	109	$1,035,000	$10,394,733
	(2007) by Smart Strike FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Ashford Stud KY ($17,500)									*Madefromlucky*	
4	**Super Saver**	11	22	6	10	3	4	192	115	$1,496,250	$9,654,104
	(2007) by Maria's Mon FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: WinStar Farm KY ($50,000)									*Runhappy*	
5	**Blame**	8	21	3	11	--	4	155	92	$607,220	$7,745,749
	(2006) by Arch FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Claiborne Farm KY ($25,000)									*March*	
6	**Midshipman**	13	24	2	6	--	1	130	96	$902,387	$7,682,498
	(2006) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Darley KY ($8,500)									*Lady Shipman*	
7	**Temple City**	8	13	5	5	2	4	153	86	$1,453,038	$7,617,801
	(2005) by Dynaformer FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY ($10,000)									*Miss Temple City*	
8	**Warrior's Reward**	7	20	--	7	--	1	190	123	$368,500	$7,541,100
	(2006) by Medaglia d'Oro FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY ($7,500)									*Tencendur*	
9	**Kantharos**	12	22	3	4	--	1	98	70	$515,235	$6,727,357
	(2008) by Lion Heart FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farm KY ($15,000)									*Mr. Jordan*	
10	**Majesticperfection**	8	16	2	7	1	3	117	69	$1,003,000	$6,473,200
	(2006) by Harlan's Holiday FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Airdrie Stud KY ($15,000)									*Lovely Maria*	
11	**Hold Me Back**	6	15	1	2	--	--	136	91	$399,430	$5,836,345
	(2006) by Giant's Causeway FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Irish Hill Century Farm NY ($5,000)									*Jet Black Magic*	
12	**Discreetly Mine**	3	11	--	3	--	1	190	97	$332,690	$5,638,782
	(2007) by Mineshaft FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Lane's End Farm USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)									*Control Stake*	
13	**Tale of Ekati**	7	19	2	7	--	1	115	77	$498,045	$5,563,746
	(2005) by Tale of the Cat FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY ($7,500)									*Tale of Verve*	
14	**Desert Party**	3	10	--	3	--	--	104	57	$315,934	$3,771,254
	(2006) by Street Cry (Ire) FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Sequel Stallions New York NY ($2,500)									*Heart's Song*	
15	**Line of David**	3	8	1	2	--	1	79	48	$976,000	$3,652,711
	(2007) by Lion Heart FYR: 2012 Crops: 4 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY ($2,500)									*Firing Line*	

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HIGH-PROFILE INDUSTRY EVENTS RAISE $110K FOR TAA

Pegasus Day at Gulfstream | *TAA Photo*

by T.D. Thornton

January is no longer a sleepy part of the season for the United States racing industry. This year, the confluence of the Eclipse Awards, the inaugural GI Pegasus World Cup (PWC), and the National Handicapping Championship (NHC) made for an elite series of on- and off-track events that showcased the sport's best human and equine participants over a stretch of about 10 days.

But just as noteworthy during that time frame was the amount of generosity those events and their associated festivities generated for worthy racing-related causes. Particularly remarkable was the roughly $110,000 raised by the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance (TAA), a non-profit organization that inspects and awards grants to approved aftercare organizations to retire, retrain, and re-home racehorses using industry-wide funding.

"These are a big 10 days in horse racing, and the charity was a factor in a lot of them," said Stacie Clark-Rogers, the TAA operations consultant, in a phone interview Tuesday. "That's more than $10,000 in donations per day, and it's an acknowledgment that the industry is participating and taking an active role in the aftercare of Thoroughbreds."

Clark-Rogers said the racing industry is evolving in a positive direction with regard to making sure charitable aspects are part of the sport's gala events. And although that inclusion might appear seamless to attendees, she emphasized that there is a lot of behind-the-scenes effort to coordinate donation opportunities so issues like aftercare are emphasized prominently yet tactfully.

"We do get significant fundraising from stand-alone events [throughout the year], but this stretch is unique in that a series of major events has come together to generate over six figures," Clark-Rogers said. "The Eclipse Awards, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA), the NHC, and the PWC have all been incredible supporters. And as they evolve, each is providing us with great new ideas. Like being one of the three charities of PWC day is massive. They full-on had us on their website and they recognized us as a partner," even granting the TAA a 30-second commercial on the NBC broadcast of the world's richest race.

Cross-promotions among the sport's various charitable organizations are also effective, Clark-Rogers said.

"I think everyone wants to take responsibility for the commodity of the racehorse, and we like partnering with the Permanently Disabled Jockey Fund on some events because, whether it's human or equine athletes who need help, we all need to make sure we all work together so that everybody wins," said Clark-Rogers, who rode as a jockey prior to finding her calling in Thoroughbred aftercare work.

Among the TAA's recent fundraising highlights were:

- As part of the TAA being named the official aftercare partner of the Eclipse Awards, $82,000 raised from the LUXAIR auction of two private jet trips from Lexington to Saratoga (B. Wayne Hughes and Kenneth Ramsey each submitted winning bids of $41,000).
- A $15,000 donation from Gulfstream Park for being one of the three official charities of the PWC.
- $5,500 raised from the TAA being named the beneficiary of the Eclipse Awards cocktail party gala.
- $5,000 donated by the NTRA in the name of Ellis Starr, winner of the third annual Charity Handicapping Challenge; event sponsor Tito's Vodka separately selected the TAA to receive a donation of $2,500.

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Tuesday's Result:
6th-PRX, $53,200, Msw, 1-31, 3yo, 1m 70y, 1:47.01, ft.
J. J.'S CANDY (c, 3, Sidney's Candy--Nortena, by Mr. Prospector) debuted with a third-place effort behind next-out optional claimer winner Square Shooter (Trappe Shot) sprinting over this strip Nov. 1. The $17,000 KEESEP yearling covered a lot of extra real estate when fifth in sloppy conditions locally Dec. 12 and, despite bobbling at the start, ran third in his route bow going a mile here Jan. 10. Sent off at 5-1 Tuesday, J. J.'s Candy arrowed straight to the head of affairs, but Hashtag Alex (Afleet Alex) soon zipped past to take up a half-length advantage through a first quarter in :23.00. The dark bay boxed right back however, and stuck his neck in front as noses pointed toward home. Still dogged by Hashtag Alex turning into the lane, J. J.'s Candy was briefly headed again in deep stretch, but battled right back and held on to win by a nose over that foe. The winner is a half to Aldo (Red Ransom), MGSP, $193,096; Flower Forest (Kris S.), SW, $107,891; Southern Flu (Dixie Union), GSP, $136,374; and Shooting Jacket (Hard Spun), SW & MGSP, $172,152. Out of a daughter of GISW Pattern Step (Nureyev), J. J.'s Candy is from the same family as GI Arkansas Derby hero Archarcharch (Arch), GSW Balance of Power (Silver Train) and Irish GSW & G1SP Arch Swing (Arch), who was runner-up in the G1 1000 Guineas at Newmarket and the G1 Falmouth S. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, $42,500. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
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CBA Announces Toast and Roast of D. Wayne Lukas at the 4th Annual Symposium:

The Consignors and Commercial Breeders Association's (CBA) annual symposium will be held Monday, Apr. 17 in the Keeneland Sales Pavilion. It will begin at 2 p.m. Senator Damon Thayer will open proceedings with his state of the industry message, followed by presentations by Vision 20/20, the Godolphin Flying Start, the TAA, The Jockey Club and Plus Vital. Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails will be served between 5-6 p.m. The highlight of the symposium will follow with the toast and roast of trainer D. Wayne Lukas.

Many of his proteges, including Randy Bradshaw, Mike Maker, Kiaran McLaughlin, Todd Pletcher, Dallas Stewart and George Weaver, will share their experiences coming up under the Hall of Famer. The panel will be hosted by track announcer Frank Mirahmadi.

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2nd-MVR, $26,200, (S), 1-31, (NW2L), 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:06.96, ft.
VISUAL MISSION (g, 3, Colonel John--Visual Arrest, by Pollard's Vision) Lifetime Record: 10-2-4-2, $57,545. O/B-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC (OH); T-Robert M. Gorham.

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MORE THAN MOST (f, 4, Indygo Mountain--Better Than Most, by Elusive Quality) Lifetime Record: MSW, 16-7-1-4, $242,464. O-Douglas Scharbauer; B-Clarence Scharbauer (TX); T-W. Bret Calhoun. *1/2 to Worldventurer (Wimbledon), MSW, $270,508; and W V Jetsetter (Jet Phone), MSW & MGSP, $182,374.

6th-HOU, $21,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($25,000), 1-31, 4yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:42.81, ft.
BUCK FIFTY (c, 4, Proud Citizen--Nicholella, by Nicholas) Lifetime Record: 13-4-0-2, $62,270. O-Church Racing; B-David & Barbara Kraus (TX); T-Larry Stroope.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Carlson, g, 3, **Ez Dreamer**--Open View, by Southern Halo. SUN, 1-31, 5 1/2f, 1:03.90. B-Triple AAA Ranch (CA). *$30,000 Ylg '15 BARSEL; $60,000 2yo '16 BARMAY. **1/2 to Safety Zone (King Kugat), SW, $647,763.

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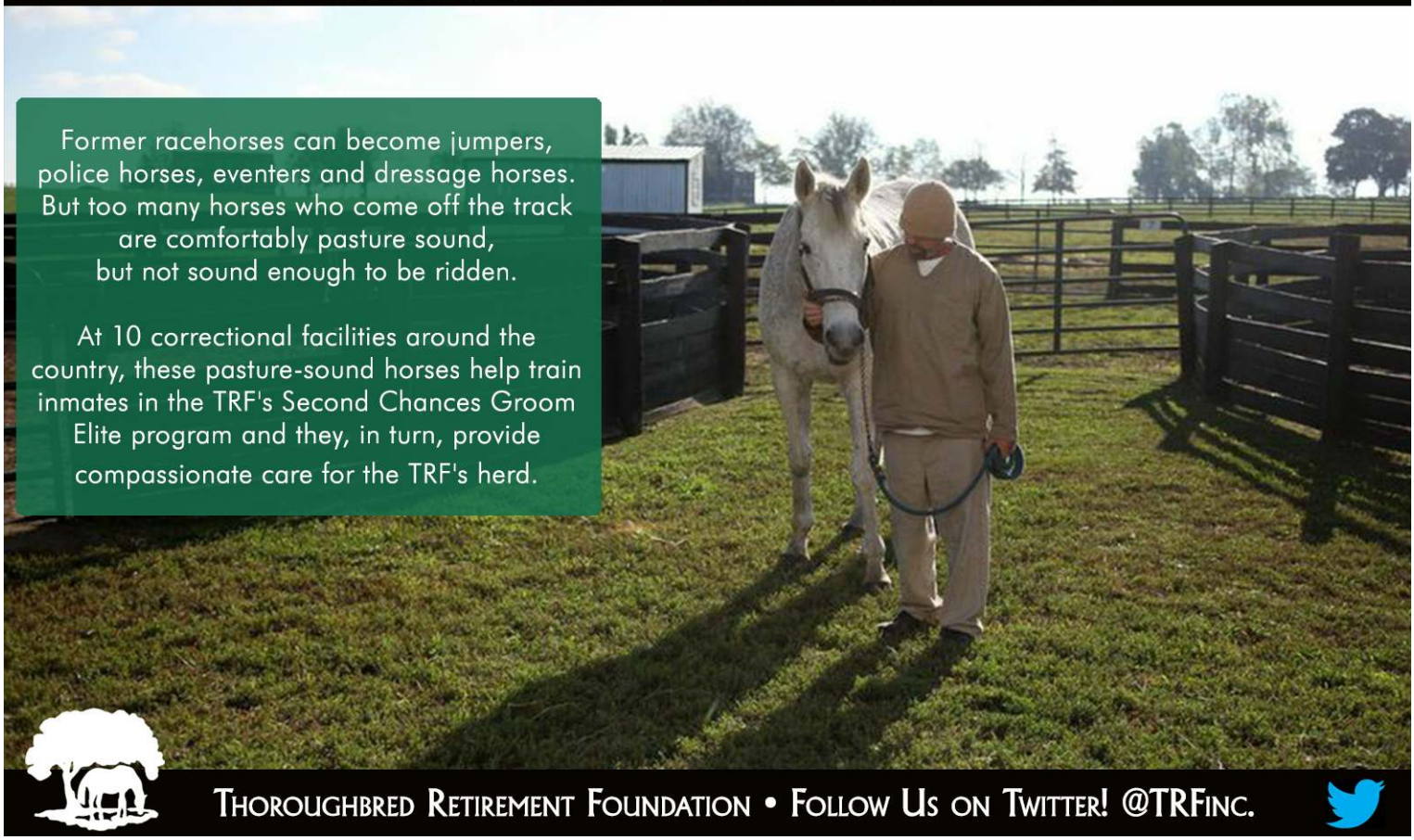

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REDVERS PRAISES AUSTRALIAN INITIATIVES

David Redvers (right) at Magic Millions with Guy Mulcaster, Sheikh Fahad and Chris Waller | *Katrina Partridge*

By Chris McGrath

Having followed the sun from Australia's Gold Coast to Cape Town, David Redvers has reliably imported some illumination of his own back to the cold and grey of January in England. For the professional vision that qualified the Tweenhills man to manage Sheikh Fahad Al Thani's emerging bloodstock empire--newly enhanced by the impressive debut of Zoustar (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}), in whom the Sheikh has a significant stake, at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale--is no less evident in his aspirations for the sport as a whole. Just as Redvers and his patron have invested immense funding and energy in innovative projects such as QIPCO British Champions' Day, so he is constantly urging the Turf community in his homeland to show a dynamism worthy of their heritage. And his recent trip only served to amplify depressing contrasts between the popular reach of racing in Australia, in particular, and the land that gave the world the Thoroughbred.

Noting the remarkable statistic that one in 310 Australians has a stake in a racehorse, Redvers offers a couple of specific examples that condense a culpable difference in attitude: the simple fact that syndicate partners all have their names listed in Australian racecards, and the diligence with which Australian trainers bombard their patrons with information.

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KARAKA PREMIER SALE ENDS ON PAR

New Zealand Bloodstock's two-day Premier Sale came to a close on Tuesday, with figures holding steady from last year's record-breaking sale. Last year's Premier Sale saw 17% increases in average and median, and this year the average dipped 2% to NZ$172,803, while the median remained the same at NZ$140,000. The clearance rate also remained steady at 78%, while the aggregate rose 5% to NZ$58,407,500. A total of 338 yearlings were sold over the two days, compared to 316 last year, from 18 more catalogued. As was the case on day one, China Horse Club's Michael Wallace signed for Tuesday's top-priced lot, a NZ$640,000 daughter of Savabeel (Aus).

"While we couldn't match last year's record average, the more important median has stuck firm at $140,000 and turnover is up," said NZB Managing Director Andrew Seabrook. "We've offered more Premier Sale horses this year and had a buying bench with enough extra depth to compete for them."

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IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

LEADING SIRES OF A, ABC RUNNERS? NO SURPRISES

In this week's column, Bill Oppenheim turns the spotlight on the leading sires of APEX 'A' and 'ABC' runners, and the leading duo will shock no one. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.**

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Redvers Praises Australian Initiatives cont. from p1

"The thing that really struck me at Magic Millions--where the sale was very strong, with lots of A$200-, 300-, 400,000 horses going through the ring--was that almost none will end up owned by one person," Redvers says. "To the extent that we bought four or five of the best Zoustars we could find and went halves on nearly all of them, with Chris Waller syndicating the other half. That reflects the way everyone wants to be involved in the sport. Owners don't care whether they have 10% or 75% or 100%, they just want to be part of it."

"Obviously part of the reason is the prize-money and stallion values they have now," Redvers continued. "Racehorses are viewed as furry lottery tickets. And of course it's such a social thing, going racing there. But the other thing that really strikes is that they really feel like they're owners--and one of the reasons is that their name is in the racecard. Here, for some reason, if you have more than three owners in a horse, you can't get a fourth name anywhere. And that's just because the administrator hasn't got round to sorting out his computer, and doesn't want the hassle. Which is frankly scandalous. However little their share--within reason, say up to a tenth--get their names in the racecard, let them brag to their friends, rather than this nonsense where they have to run under Syndicate 3.2 or whatever."

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As for the communications skills of the Australian trainer, Redvers goes so far as to suggest that nobody should be given a licence to train in Britain without serving six months as an assistant Down Under. "Not because Australian trainers are any better than ours, much as they'd like to think they are, but because they're absolutely mustard when it comes to keeping the information flow going," he explains. "With Chris Waller and Robert Smerdon, if I'm sitting in an office in London I'd almost be having more fun having a horse in training in Australia than I would do with one in Newmarket.

There are one or two trainers getting better at it here, but most of them are in the Ice Age compared with how the Australians do it--and that's because they are so syndicate-oriented there. However small your involvement, you get to know every last piece that's going on. And that's something we need to up our game on, big time."

David Redvers | *racingfotos.com*

Needless to say, a less favourable funding structure in the British sport heightens discrepancies in the breadth of its appeal. "Every horse that runs in a city race on a Saturday is running for A$100,000," Redvers acknowledges. "The prize-money means you have a realistic chance of covering your costs. And we don't here." **Cont. p3**

Redvers cont.

Redvers continued, “Okay, we've had some very good schemes coming in--the Racing Post Yearling Bonus, the Plus 10, the sales company schemes and so on--but we need to be able to promote an opportunity to cover your costs by winning a race. If you could do that, the trainers would have a tool to draw people into the sport. But obviously it's the most tired statement ever, that the prize-money here isn't good enough. The absolute crux of the matter is that we rely here on a very small number of very wealthy people to put the betting fodder on the table."

Redvers asks what would happen if these few major investors, such as his own patron, suddenly decided to switch to motor cars or some such alternative. "Left with our domestic owners, the game would collapse," he says. "Because it is being massively subsidised, by and large by oil money, and basically the bookmakers and the sport have had a free ride on that. Without this support, there's no betting product. As it is, we're told there's a crisis because there aren't enough runners in races--at the same time as we have [foal] overproduction because there aren't enough people in this country wanting to buy racehorses."

“When we were lucky enough to win the Melbourne Cup in 2011, the winner wasn't just on the front page of every newspaper but on pages two and three as well.”

Happily for Qatar Racing's involvement in Zoustar, that buoyant Australian market registered its enthusiasm for his first yearlings. "It really was staggering," Redvers says. "He was by far and away the leading freshman sire on averages and at one point he had 23 sold from 23 offered. I think he ended up with three passed out of 30-odd, but there was an extraordinary willingness to embrace him. And you could tell them a mile off, they all had this amazing outlook. He's a horse with a great, muscular physique, and they all have the same thing, with a good walk.”

"The fact that Chris Waller, who trained him, was prepared to go 50-50 on so many with us showed his belief in the horse,” Redvers added. “We've done our bit--we've sent him nice mares, we've gone to the sales and bought the best we could, and ensured they'll go to the best trainers. But he'd have done it on his own, because they're all so well-stamped."

Zoustar was frustratingly denied the chance to run at Royal Ascot by an untimely setback, but if he builds on this commercial reception he is very likely to have a second opportunity to make an impression in Britain, by shuttling to Tweenhills.

Redvers and Sheikh Fahad--who enjoyed riding a mock race on the Gold Coast beach--returned via the Cape Premier Yearling Sale, where they were keen to reciprocate the investments made in Northern Hemisphere bloodstock by Markus Jooste and duly dipped their toe into a handful of local partnerships. "It's extraordinary what one man has been able to achieve through his passion for the sport," Redvers remarks. "He's pulling together some of the wealthiest owners down there and bringing in a massive international audience. But the future of the entire business there revolves around African Horse Sickness, quarantine, and being able to get horses out of there. Quite clearly the best South African horses are capable of competing anywhere in the world, they're sound and tough, but at the moment there's only a convoluted and expensive way of getting them out via America."

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On the domestic front, Redvers is looking forward to a maturing contribution by Qatar Racing's homebreds, and the blossoming of young stock by the likes of Deep Impact (Jpn) and Frankel (GB). The stable has several 3-year-olds coming through, while one with runs on the board is South Seas (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), runner-up in a Group 1 in France after losing his unbeaten record in the Dewhurst S. **Cont. p4**

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Redvers cont.

"He'd had a fairly tough race at Newmarket and you could see that he was just growing and growing," Redvers says. "He's going to make a lovely 3-year-old."

As ever, however, his talk soon returns to the bigger picture--and literally so, in his hope that ITV's new broadcasting deal will expand the British sport's popular base. "When we were lucky enough to win the Melbourne Cup in 2011 [with Dunaden (Fr) (Nicobar {GB})], the winner wasn't just on the front page of every newspaper but on pages two and three as well," he says. "There was footage of a cabinet meeting being put on hold and everyone cheering on Red Cadeaux. It's so much part of the national psyche. A friend of mine there believes that it all goes back to Phar Lap, dragging the country out of the Depression. But it's under 100 years ago that there were half a million turning up for the Derby. If we go with a glass half-full attitude, there's absolutely no reason why we can't do it again. With a new mindset at ITV, and everyone working closely together--the BHA, the British Champions' Series, Great British Racing--I hope we can find ways to spread that net, and reach a new audience."

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Bet365 has signed a three-year deal to sponsor Newmarket's Craven Meeting, which traditionally marks the start of the British flat season. This year's Craven Meeting is set for Apr. 18 to 20, and will feature the G3 bet365 Craven S., a course-and-distance prep for the G1 Qipco 2000 Guineas on May 6.

Amy Starkey, Regional Director of Jockey Club Racecourses East Region, said, "I am delighted to announce bet365 as the headline sponsor of the Craven Meeting for the next three years. The bet365 Craven Meeting is not only our first fixture of the season, it also signals the start of the real build-up to our QIPCO Guineas Festival with a number of highly significant Classic trials taking place including the bet365 Craven S. and the Lanwades Stud Nell Gwyn S. We would like to thank bet365 for their continuous support and we are very much looking forward to working with the team throughout this partnership."

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Qipco has signed on to sponsor the G1 Qipco Irish Champion S. for another three years. Qipco first sponsored the race in 2014, and last year proved a highlight with Almanzor (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) leading home eight other Group 1 winners.

Leopardstown chief executive Pat Keogh said, "Since they became involved, the Qipco Irish Champion S. has established itself as one of the top races in the world."

Sheikh Fahad Al Thani, chairman of Qatar Racing and director of Qipco, added, "From the outset, we wanted to lend our support to Irish Champions Weekend and, in particular, the QIPCO Irish Champion S. as the centrepiece of the event."

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Almanzor wins the 2016 QIPCO Irish Champion S. from Found

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Tuesday's Result:

7th-WOL, £5,800, Mdn, 1-31, 3yo/up, 7f 32y (AWT), 1:28.47, st. **FAST LANDING (GB) (g, 3, Raven's Pass--Miss Lucifer {Fr} {GSW-Eng, $193,403}, by Noverre)**, runner-up over this course and distance 11 days previously, was sent straight into the lead where he tended to over-race. Kicking on the home turn, the 11-10 favourite was soon clear en route to a convincing 2 3/4-length success from Naab (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}). The G2 Challenge S.-winning dam's first foal was the smart filly Shuruq (Elusive Quality), Hwt. Older Mare-UAE at 7- 9 1/2f, MGSW-UAE, GSW-Tur & GSP-Eng, $658,709, who achieved highweight status in the UAE by winning the G2 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 1, G3 UAE Oaks and G3 Burj Nahaar. Also successful in the G3 International Istanbul Trophy, the distant relative of the G1 1000 Guineas heroine Virginia Waters (Kingmambo) and sires Alexander of Hales, Chevalier (Ire) and Chief Lone Eagle has a yearling colt by Dubawi (Ire) to follow. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $5,933. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.

O-Godolphin; B-Darley (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor.

Several months into a long, grey winter, it's hard to imagine that somewhere, people are somewhere sitting on a warm beach. In this month's TDN Weekend, you'll be inspired to do just that. It's February, and for those of who grew up in the Northeast (and grew tired of the cold-weather racing at Aqueduct, or Laurel) that means one thing: it's time for a visit to Gulfstream. Whether you're planning a trip for the big 3yo races, or the Gulfstream sale March 1, it's time to read up on what to see and where to be seen in South Beach. Further south still, we'll catch up with Teo Ah Khing, who is planning a racing paradise in St. Lucia. Graham Motion has also headed to Miami for winter racing, and he'll have this month's Last Word. Chris McGrath reminds us that winter in England doesn't mean sunbathing: it means steeplechasing, and there's no better place to do it than Cheltenham. And finally, before you get ready to breed your mare in Europe this year, take heed: there's a revolution happening in France.

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EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Booming Delight (Ire), g, 4, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Starship, by Galileo (Ire). Sha Tin, 1-30, Hcp. *(£127k/€148k)*, 1600mT, 1:35.71. B-T Hirschfeld. *Formerly Out and About (Ire). **1/2 to Alexander Pope (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), GSW-Ire, GSP-Eng, $246,542; full to Rivet (Ire), G1SW-Eng, $265,998. VIDEO

Invincible Dragon (Ire), g, 5, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Cephalonie, by Kris S. Sha Tin, 1-30, Hcp. *(£257k/€299k)*, 1400mT, 1:22.08. B-Nawara Stud Co Ltd. *Formerly Arctic Gyr (Ire). **SW-Fr. ***1/2 to Tell (GB) (Green Desert), GSP-Eng, SP-Fr, $113,886; full to Festivale (Ire), SW & GSP-Eng; and Simple Magic (Ire), GSP-Eng. VIDEO

Citron Spirit (Ire), g, 5, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Citron Presse, by Lemon Drop Kid. Sha Tin, 1-30, Hcp. *(£127k/€148k)*, 1400mT, 1:22.28. B-Mrs E Bifova. *GSW-Ger. **€450,000 HRA '14 ARQARC. VIDEO

WORLDWIDE NEWS

Karaka Premier Sale Ends On Par cont. from p1

China Horse Club representative Michael Wallace signed for the opening session's priciest yearling, the full-brother to Group 1 winner and first-season sire Shamexpress (NZ) (O'Reilly {NZ}) on Monday on behalf of the partnership of China Horse Club, Alan Bell and Newgate Farm, and the agent was in a familiar position on Tuesday when going to NZ$640,000 for lot 260, a Savabeel filly from Cambridge Stud. The bay is out of the 2-year-old winning Love Diamonds (Aus) (Danehill), herself a daughter of G1 Sires' Produce S. and G1 Australasian Oaks winner Tristalove (NZ) (Sir Tristram {Ire}) and a half-sister to four stakes winners, including G1 Spring Champion S. winner Viking Ruler (Aus) (Danehill). Two of Love Diamonds's full-sisters have produced stakes winners: Diamond Like (Aus) is responsible for the group winners Forever Loved (NZ) (High Chaparral {Ire}) and Zephyron (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), while Chimeara (Aus) has produced the G1 Rosehill Guineas winner De Beers (NZ) (Quest For Fame {GB}).

China Horse Club's Teo Ah Khing & Michael Wallace | *Katrina Partridge*

Love Diamonds is already a stakes-producer herself, with the Group 3-placed Lovetessa (NZ) (O'Reilly {NZ}) to her credit. Love Diamonds has produced four winners from five to race.

"We rated this filly amongst the best physical types in the sale and that, combined with her pedigree and knowing her sister had plenty of ability, made her an attractive proposition for us," said Wallace, who signed solo for the filly.

Wallace later partnered with Australian trainer Ciaron Maher on lot 449, a rare white colt by Shamexpress. The hammer came down on the Windsor Park Stud offering at NZ$510,000. The November foal is the third produce of The Opera House (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), whose second dam is a half-sister to the multiple champion and Cox Plate/Melbourne Cup winner Might And Power (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}). Also appearing under the third dam are French Classic winner Beauty Parlour (GB) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), Hong Kong champion Lucky Owners (NZ) (Danehill) and Australian champion filly Mosheen (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}).

"The Shamexpress colt was an interesting one even when you look past his colour," Wallace said. "He has great muscle, strength and an amazing temperament. Having been under immense scrutiny all week he handled the spotlight and extra pressure like a true professional."

The colt was one of seven by first-season sire Shamexpress to sell for six figures, making him the sale's leading first-season sire with 13 sold at an average of NZ$192,500.

"There are some nice young sires starting to emerge here in New Zealand and we've got a lot of faith in Shamexpress, so it's fantastic to see our confidence backed up by some good judges," said Windsor Park Stud's Rodney Schick. "He's been well-received by the Australian buyers who got to see first-hand what an explosive sprinter he was, and to average NZ$192,500 off the back of a NZ$15,000 service fee is a nice reward for those that have supported him." Cont. p6

NZB Premier Yearling Sale cont.

Wallace managed to outbid syndicator David Ellis of Te Akau Racing for the white colt, but Ellis enjoyed a productive sale nonetheless, emerging as leading buyer with 26 secured for NZ$4,197,500. His priciest purchase was an Exceed and Excel (Aus) colt (lot 312) bought for NZ$625,000 on Tuesday, and that Cambridge Stud offering will join the Te Akau Stallion Syndicate that has produced the likes of Darci Brahma (NZ), Rock 'n' Pop (Aus), Xtravagant (NZ) and Burgundy (NZ).

Lot 312 is the first foal out of the New Zealand Two Thousand Guineas second Oasis Rose (Aus) (Oasis Dream {GB}).

"That list of horses is the reason we keep coming to Karaka and our owners demand that we do," said Ellis. "I think it's been an enormously successful sale and I take my hat off to the team at New Zealand Bloodstock for bringing together such a strong buying bench. To have three Sheikhs investing in New Zealand horses is a credit to the company and the vendors, and I must say the sale's been a lot of fun."

Lot 449, a white colt by Shamexpress | *NZB photo*

Perennial leading sire Savabeel proved plenty popular throughout the sale, with a whopping 52 sold for NZ$11,460,000 and an average of NZ$220,385, and Peter Moody got in on the action on Tuesday, securing a colt by the sire from Waikato Stud for NZ$600,000. Lot 420 is the first foal out of the stakes-placed Spending (NZ) (Pins {Aus}), herself a full-sister to the multiple group winner Shopaholic (NZ). Waikato Stud was the sale's leading vendor with 45 sold for NZ$8,415,000, and Waikato's Mark Chittick said, "The main thing for us is to sell as many as we can because we own the majority of them outright. An incredible amount of hard work is put into getting to the past two days and it's nice to now be able to sit down with our team and friends to celebrate another successful sale."

Sir Patrick Hogan's Cambridge Stud finished a narrow second among vendors, and Hogan said, "It's been an absolutely fantastic sale with new international buyers from far and wide giving our industry a huge profile boost. I think most people should be very pleased with the results from the top to bottom."

Sir Patrick Hogan | *cambridgestud.co.nz*

He added, "Of particular note from what I've seen is that there has been a kick up from the domestic market, which is great with the likes of David Ellis, Albert Bosma and other syndicators bringing new people into racing and giving the industry a boost."

Indeed, the leading buyers' table included purchasers from New Zealand, Australia, China and Hong Kong, including a NZ$1.22-million spend from Godolphin's John Ferguson, who was visiting the sale for the first time.

"The sale clashing with Chinese New Year wasn't ideal, however, increased participation from Dubai countered its effect," Seabrook noted. "Again, we are grateful to our domestic buyers and overall leading buyer David Ellis and his Te Akau Racing team, who continue to really bolster the sale."

The NZB Sales Series continues on Wednesday with the start of the three-day Select Sale.

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NZB Premier Sale Leading Sires

By Average, 3+ Sold

Sire	No. Sold	Average (NZ$)
I Am Invincible (Aus)	3	295,000
Snitzel (Aus)	7	292,143
Exceed and Excel (Aus)	3	291,667
Fastnet Rock (Aus)	12	284,583
High Chaparral (Ire)	10	227,500
Savabeel (Aus)	52	220,385
Power (GB)	9	205,556
Shamexpress (NZ)*	13	192,500
Sebring (Aus)	5	191,000
O'Reilly (NZ)	32	187,500

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• Catalogued	465	447
• No. Offered	436	408
• No. Sold	338	316
• RNAs	98	92
• % RNAs	22.5%	22.5%
• No. NZ$500K+	10	10
• High Price	NZ$825,000	NZ$1,300,000
• Gross	NZ$58,407,500	NZ$55,687,500
• Average (% change)	NZ$172,803 (-1.9%)	NZ$176,226
• Median (% change)	NZ$140,000 (n/c)	NZ$140,000

SESSION TOPPERS

KARAKA PREMIER SALE DAY 2 TOP LOTS

260 filly **Savabeel (Aus)** — **Love Diamonds (Aus)** — **640,000**
(walking video)
B-Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan (NZ)
Consigned by Cambridge Stud
Purchased by China Horse Club

312 colt **Exceed and Excel (Aus)** — **Oasis Rose (Aus)** — **625,000**
(walking video)
B-Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan & Dr G W Tsoi (NZ)
Consigned by Cambridge Stud
Purchased by D C Ellis

420 colt **Savabeel (Aus)** — **Spending (NZ)** — **600,000**
(walking video)
B-Waikato Stud Ltd (NZ)
Consigned by Waikato Stud Ltd
Purchased by Peter Moody

271 colt **Snitzel (Aus)** — **Make Me Dream (Ire)** — **525,000**
(walking video)
B-Hong Kong Breeders Club Ltd (Aus)
Consigned by Highview
Purchased by Good Harvest Bloodstock

449 colt **Shamexpress (NZ)** — **The Opera House (NZ)** — **510,000**
B-Windsor Park Stud Ltd (NZ)
Consigned by Windsor Park Stud
Purchased by China Horse Club/Ciaron Maher Bloodstock

433 filly **O'Reilly (NZ)** — **Striker (NZ)** — **450,000**
(walking video)
B-R B McLaren Ltd (NZ)
Consigned by Haunui Farm
Purchased by China Horse Club

366 colt **Jakkalberry (Ire)** — **Refused the Dance (NZ)** — **440,000**
B-H Smit (NZ)
Consigned by Novara Park
Purchased by J R Wheeler/Jason Warren Racing

318 colt **Tavistock (NZ)** — **On Arrival (NZ)** — **425,000**
(walking video)
B-Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan (NZ)
Consigned by Cambridge Stud
Purchased by Yu Long Park Investment

Thursday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 8:50 p.m.
AL MAKTOUM CHALLENGE R2 SPONSORED BY EMIRATES GLOBAL ALUMINIUM-G2, $250,000, NH4yo/up, SH3yo/up, 1900m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Furia Cruzada (Chi)	Newfoundland	Fresu	Charpy	121
2	Fitzgerald	Elusive Quality	O'Donoghue	bin Harmash	126
3	Second Summer	Summer Bird	Dobbs	Watson	126
4	Gold City (Ire)	Pivotal (GB)	Mullen	Seemar	126
5	Long River	A.P. Indy	Barzalona	bin Ghadyer	126
6	Power Blade (Kor)	Menifee	Cosgrave	Kim	125
7	Lindo Amor (Arg)	Dynamix	Soumillon	de Kock	126
8	Storm Belt	More Than Ready	Hitchcott	Watson	126
9	Le Bernardin	Bernardini	O'Shea	Al Rayhi	126

Thursday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 7:40 p.m.
AL SHINDAGHA SPRINT SPONSORED BY EMIRATES GLOBAL ALUMINIUM-G3, $250,000, NH4yo/up, SH3yo/up, 1900m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	Moviesta	Hard Spun	Lee	Lynam
2	Wild Dude	Wildcat Heir	Smullen	Halford
3	Shaishee	Indian Charlie	O'Neill	Al Mheiri
4	Muarrab (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Crowley	Al Mheiri
5	Cool Cowboy	Kodiak Kowboy	Dobbs	Watson
6	Stunned (GB)	Shamardal	Hitchcott	Watson

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WINX, CHAUTAUQUA TRIAL AT ROSEHILL

by Alan Carasso

Two of Australia's best horses, the world's top-rated turf runner **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}) and **Chautauqua (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago {Aus}), tied for top honours as the best sprinter on either surface, were each out for Tuesday morning barrier trials at Rosehill as they prepare to make their respective first starts of a new preparation.

Winx, the owner of a 13-race winning streak dating all the way back to May 2015, went postward in the day's first heat over 1000m and raced in last position for the opening furlong and a half or so before tugging her regular partner Hugh Bowman up into midfield down the side of the track. With her rider tall in the saddle, Winx was steered out about five paths from the dogs and was under no encouragement whatsoever in the stretch to finish third behind the Group 3-winning sprinter **Nancy (Aus)** (Big Brown) (video). **Cont. p8**

Winx, Chautauqua Trial at Rosehill cont.

Last seen successfully and emphatically defending her title in the G1 William Hill Cox Plate last October, Winx is expected to stage her reappearance in Randwick's G2 Apollo S. (1400m) Feb. 11.

Winx | *Sharon Chapman photo*

Chautauqua went on a Group 1 tear 12 months ago, winning the Lightning S. and a second consecutive T J Smith S. at home and the Chairman's Sprint Prize in Hong Kong. The popular gray returned to the trials for the first time Tuesday since a pair of subpar efforts in the G1 Moir S. and G1 Manikato S., and gave a good account of himself when third, finishing 1 1/2 lengths of top 3-year-old sprinter and stablemate **Star Turn (Aus)** (Star Witness {Aus}) (video).

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AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Mr Stunning (Aus), g, 4, **Exceed and Excel (Aus)**--With Fervour, by Dayjur. Sha Tin, 1-30, Hcp. *(A$297k)*, 1000mT, :56.38. B-Makybe Racing & Breeding (Vic). *A$110,000 Wlg '13 INGGSW; A$250,000 Ylg '14 NZBPRE. **VIDEO**

IN SINGAPORE:

Jupiter Gold (Aus), r, 3, **Congrats**--Contented (Aus), by More Than Ready. Kranji, 1-29, Hcp. *(A$75k)*, 1600mT, 1:34.11. B-Vinery Stud (Australia) Pty Ltd (NSW). *A$130,000 Ylg '15 MMGCYS. **VIDEO**

Starshine (Aus), g, 4, **Ad Valorem**--Fraoch (Aus), by Viscount (Aus). Kranji, 1-30, Hcp. *(A$56k)*, 1200mT, 1:10.37. B-Kings Bloodstock (Qld). *A$25,000 Ylg '14 MMNAT. **VIDEO**

Wonderful (Aus), g, 5, **Hidden Dragon (Aus)**--Covet Gold (Aus), by Sequalo (Aus). Kranji, 1-30, Hcp. *(A$94k)*, 1100m (AWT), 1:05.68. B-Pallara Park Stud (Qld). *Formerly Expectation (Aus). **A$110,000 2yo '13 MMGC2YO. **VIDEO**

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