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THE POP-UP PEGASUS

Arrogate w/Mike Smith in the irons after the GI Pegasus World Cup
Adam Mooshian

by Bill Oppenheim

You've heard of course of one of the new features of contemporary life: the pop-up event. I'm slightly altering the definition (which is somewhat hazy anyway) to suit our purposes, but essentially The Stronach Group's Jan. 28 GI Pegasus World Cup (the old GI Donn H.) at Gulfstream Park can be described as horse racing's first modern pop-up event. I happened to be able to be there because of some Breeders' Cup meetings the following week, and I can confirm the event was a big success. Ticket prices were high, but the crowd was manageable, i.e. you were able to move around without getting squashed, for the most part. It was a good day of racing, highlighted of course by Arrogate's impressive win. Given California Chrome wasn't really at the races, the form behind the winner looked good. Last year's GI Woodward S. winner Shaman Ghost (bred and owned by Adena Springs, so the 'House Horse') was a clear second, with up-and-coming Neolithic third and another previous Grade I winner, Keen Ice, fourth. The day's handle of $40 million was spectacular, breaking the previous record by $8 million (25%), and doubling last year's handle on the corresponding day (GI Donn H., Feb 6). TV ratings were also respectable. All in all, a big win--a very successful pop-up event.

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FOX HILL MARES IN DEMAND AS FASIG WINTER SALE POSTS GAINS

by Amanda Duckworth

Spirited bidding for several young broodmare prospects helped produce strong figures for the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale, which concluded its two-day run in Lexington yesterday. Leading the way was **Cinnamon Spice** (Candy Ride {Arg}), who topped both Tuesday's session and the sale overall when she was hammered down for $700,000.

Oussama Aboughazale's International Equities Holding Co. bought the 6-year-old racing/broodmare prospect, who was offered as hip 345 by Taylor Made Sales Agency on behalf of owner Rick Porter's Fox Hill Farms. Fox Hill Farms was also the seller on the day's second-highest offering, the racing or broodmare prospect **Glory** (Tapit), who sold for $300,000.

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LE HAVRE FILLY HEADS GOFFS FEBRUARY

A short yearling filly by Le Havre (Ire) topped the opening session of the Goffs February Sale when sold for €75,000 to Pier House Stud on Tuesday.

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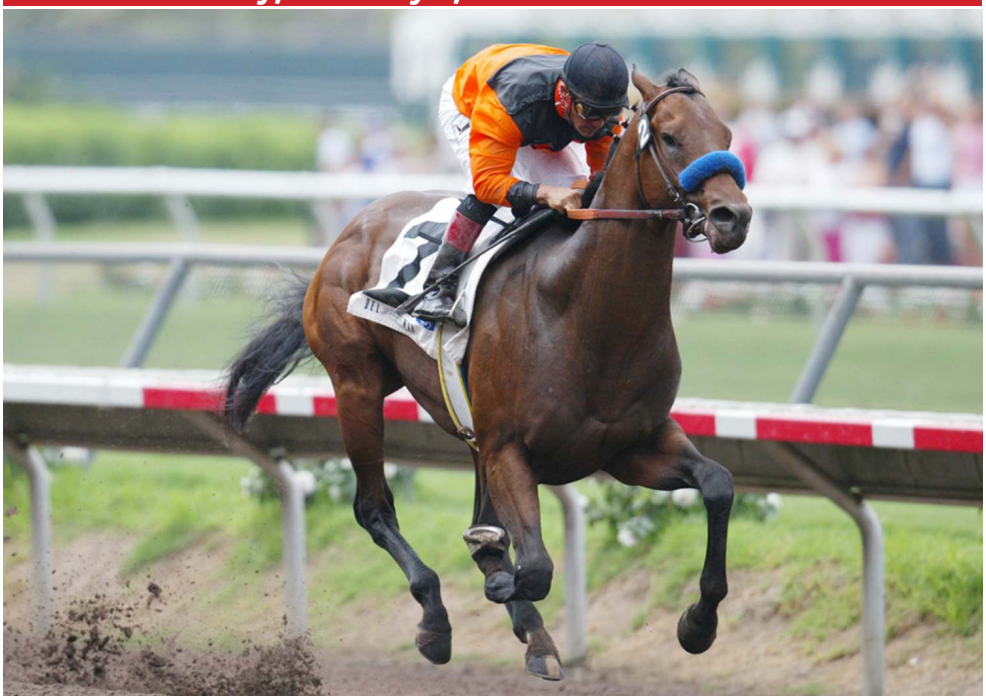

Vale. *GISW* ***Roman Ruler*** *(Fusaichi Pegasus--Silvery Swan, by Silver Deputy), pictured winning the GII Best Pal Stakes at Del Mar in 2004, reportedly died last month due to laminitis at Argentina's Haras Vacacion. He was 15, and was represented by the likes of 2011 GI Belmont S. winner Ruler on Ice.* | *Horsephotos*

INDUSTRY EFFORTS AID PARKINSON'S RESEARCH **RR1**

Ann Hanley, wife of WinStar Farm General Manager David Hanley, was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease at the age of 49 and instead of letting it get her down, she was inspired and empowered. She started the Ann Hanley Parkinson's Research Fund and teamed up with the University of Kentucky's Dr. Craig Van Horne and Professor Greg Gerhardt to advance their groundbreaking research to treat this incurable disease through surgical procedure that implants a nerve graft into the brain... Christie DeBernardis has the story.

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From the desk of...

BILL OPPENHEIM

In light of this success there is speculation that the Pegasus concept, whereby the owners put up all the prize money (or, in the case of the new Randwick initiative, most of it) can perhaps generate a new 'model' for horse racing. Of course, it wouldn't really be a new model: this is how modern horse racing started. Lord Salisbury and the Marquess of Buckingham put up £100 each for a match in 1622 between their horses (thanks to Kip McCreery for uncovering that factoid), and we have modern horse racing. So it's actually the oldest model for funding racing. The creation of racetracks introduced a middleman who could bring in (and ultimately charge) spectators, then we have regulated gambling, and off we went.

The Pegasus concept is of course far more complicated than when modern racing originated. But Gulfstream Park and its owners The Stronach Group performed two main roles: they provided the venue, and they did a huge amount of marketing--estimated to have been between $2-$3 million. In return for that, they won respect for having a novel idea and successfully carrying it off within the industry, and undoubtedly gained increased brand recognition in South Florida, nationally, and even internationally. The stakeholders each received $250,000 in prize money minimum, plus a share of any other revenues on the race from sponsorship, handle (big), and media rights (minimal, international only) which is estimated to amount to something in the low six figures.

But is this a new model? Doubtful. One interesting angle is that there was a certain amount of arbitrage surrounding the 12 slots. We're forever looking for new ways to engage potential new owners, and for those who thrive on arbitrage, that aspect of the concept--buying and selling your slot--was fun for them. But that is a limited audience, and racing needs to reach out in many more directions to attract new owners. Fundamentally prize money is the answer for anybody (which is just about everybody in North America) who wants to try and be financially responsible about owning racehorses, and in that respect, the Pegasus was great as a one-time event, of course. But hyper-purses are not going to attract new owners in sufficient numbers; something more like the emerging Australian model for A$100,000 purses for all metropolitan races in the biggest cities are more what is needed.

So kudos to Frank Stronach, Mike Rogers, the Executive VP for Racing, and The Stronach Group for spreading the word, attracting more 'eyes' to the game. But my take on it is that

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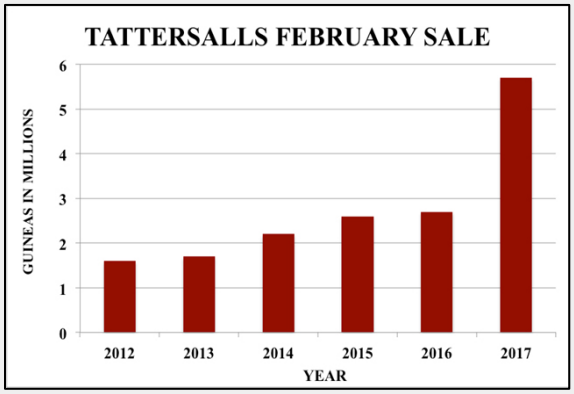
WEEKLY SALES TICKER

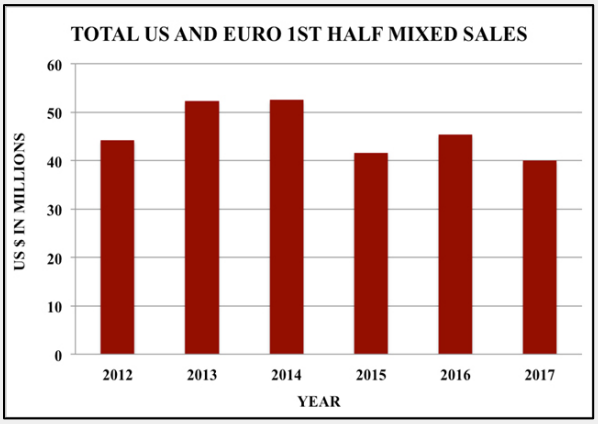
by Bill Oppenheim

“Big consignments from Godolphin have boosted the sales in the last 12 months, and particularly so at Tattersalls’ February Mixed Sale, where 53 Godolphin fillies and mares brought almost 1.7-million guineas, almost exactly 30% of the proceeds in the sale, which smashed all previous records with the gross more than double last year’s. Going into this week’s Fasig Kentucky February Sale, which concluded yesterday (will be reported in next week’s WST, along with Goffs, which starts today) the NA-EU winter mixed sale gross was off $5-million, or about 12% - even including the Tattersalls sale. The Fasig sale may have cut into that margin though 2016 had been down $2.3-million in gross from 2015.”



TATTERSALLS FEBRUARY SALE (IN GUINEAS)

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% W/D	% S/R	% S/C	GROSS	AVE
2017	488	377	338	22.7%	89.7%	69.3%	5,735,200	16,968
2016	387	306	251	20.9%	82.0%	64.8%	2,718,800	10,832
2015	307	240	211	21.8%	87.9%	68.7%	2,586,100	12,256
2014	301	214	172	28.9%	80.4%	57.1%	2,166,600	12,597
2013	316	244	190	22.8%	77.9%	60.1%	1,747,600	9,198
2012	298	244	179	18.1%	73.4%	60.0%	1,641,100	9,168



TOTAL US AND EUROPEAN 1ST HALF MIXED SALES AS OF FEB 6, 2017

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% W/D	% S/R	% S/C	GROSS	AVE
2017	3,221	2,850	2,190	11.5%	76.8%	68.0%	$ 39,975,689	$ 18,254
2016	3,029	2,379	1,795	21.5%	75.5%	59.3%	$ 45,383,898	$ 25,284
2015	2,289	1,832	1,407	20.0%	76.8%	61.5%	$ 41,596,759	$ 29,564
2014	3,016	2,394	1,886	20.6%	78.8%	62.5%	$ 52,494,681	$ 27,834
2013	2,952	2,352	1,736	20.3%	73.8%	58.8%	$ 52,321,162	$ 30,139
2012	2,568	2,072	1,582	19.3%	76.4%	61.6%	$ 44,158,364	$ 27,913

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley

pop-up Events like these (you could even argue the Breeders' Cup is a type of pop-up event, with a different funding mechanism) shine the light on horse racing, but then it's still up to us, all of us who put on the show, to revise existing models so that the next time the person we attracted through the Breeders' Cup or through Pegasus comes to the racetrack they have a fun, vibrant, interesting experience, and don't come into some dead, cold, boring simulcast parlor of a racetrack populated by gambling degenerates. That remains the real challenge, does it not?

One place where I do think the buy-in concept could also work, although again on a pop-up basis, is at smaller tracks, especially if not fuelled by slots money. Smaller, regional, 'country' racing--the Minor Leagues as opposed to the Majors, if you will--is really 'local' racing. Local sponsorship has to be a major part of the formula for local/regional racetracks, and I could envision a scenario where 10 local owners put up say $25,000 each to create a local $250,000 extravaganza. But for us, the takeaway from the Pegasus is not that this is a new model for day-to-day or even 'Saturday' racing, but that it is indeed a new and mainly laudable model for the application of pop-up events to our sport.

DRILLDOWN: APEX B & C RUNNERS

Consistency is usually a virtue, and in the world of thoroughbred stallions, there's a lot to be said for consistency. They can't all be superstars--class is a pyramid, after all--so for those which are not stars, it's better for their owners if they're at least earning something, and the more the better. The APEX ratings were developed for practical application by racehorse owners and breeders, and besides A Runners, which are the top 2% of the racing population each year, we also calculate 'B Runners', which are the next 2%, and 'C Runners', the next 4%; so when we do calculations or indices for the three categories combined, we call the combined group 'ABC Runners', which are the top 8% of runners in a year (or season). As you can see from the accompanying table, the earnings threshold for C Runners in North America in 2016 was $63,590; for B Runners $93,200; and for A Runners $133,000. The corresponding thresholds for the other jurisdictions (expressed in US$) are displayed in the table.

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APEX EARNINGS THRESHOLDS 2010-2016 (US$)

A RUNNERS **top 2%**

	NA	GB/IR	FR	GER	JPN
2016	133,000	88,103	75,614	61,743	330,784
2015	134,280	97,770	79,466	54,014	289,558
2014	134,655	98,055	91,375	65,259	325,293
2013	131,410	85,511	92,160	61,617	348,782
2012	121,200	76,204	88,961	58,096	425,698
2011	113,114	74,070	91,784	61,095	424,320
2010	105,458	76,283	90,413	52,730	398,758

B RUNNERS **next 2%**

	NA	GB/IR	FR	GER	JPN
2016	93,200	49,596	55,601	36,477	205,862
2015	93,610	56,191	58,942	34,336	187,633
2014	92,290	57,337	68,833	39,845	210,376
2013	90,760	50,997	65,405	41,680	224,614
2012	87,750	43,663	64,593	33,775	264,781
2011	78,578	40,998	65,450	35,712	274,450
2010	74,103	43,106	61,877	30,950	256,982

C RUNNERS **next 4%**

	NA	GB/IR	FR	GER	JPN
2016	63,590	27,259	40,185	18,726	122,275
2015	63,420	30,380	41,167	20,957	111,357
2014	63,525	31,916	47,385	23,307	124,053
2013	62,256	27,684	46,386	21,246	129,200
2012	59,420	23,459	44,582	19,104	159,750
2011	53,400	22,250	44,914	19,986	161,191
2010	51,070	23,868	43,266	17,421	149,815

So it's good to know these things, both for assessing which well-known and expensive sires are showing the most consistency in siring what we call "break-even or better" racehorses, and for discovering little-known sires pushing their way up the ladder; those we discover more in the indexes. There were 616 North American and European sires which had 80 or more year-starters 2010-2016 (remember, one horse is one 'year-starter' every year it starts; also one A Runner every year it meets or exceeds the A Runner earnings threshold etc.). These lists show the top 30 in each of four categories: leaders in number of B Runners and by B Runner Index; and leaders by number of C Runners and by C Runner Index.

There are some familiar names among the leading NA-EU sires by number of B Runners: a certain **Galileo** leads the list, with 83, followed by **Giant's Causeway** (80), **Candy Ride** (74), and **Tapit** (72). Right away I would point out an interesting fact: though

Galileo | *Coolmore*

the percentage of runners in a year is exactly the same--2%--for A Runners and B Runners, the ceiling for the number of A Runners is much higher than for B Runners. They should be exactly the same, but they're not: five sires have more than 90 A Runners, yet none has more than 83 B Runners. We hypothesize this means the very top sires have such a class edge that their ratio of A Runners to B Runners, which should be 1:1, is actually tilted towards A Runners. So they're that good. It's an interesting exercise to compare a sire's number of A's to B's: the seven top sires of B Runners 2010-2016 are: Galileo (184 A Runners--83 B Runners, indicating a strong tilt toward the top; he also has far more Group 1 winners than Group 2 winners); Giant's Causeway (100-80); Candy Ride (65-74); Tapit (111-72);

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GALILEO	1998	SADLER'S WELLS	2003	IRE	2058	184	4.47	83	2.02	115	1.40	382	2.32
GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	1997	STORM CAT	2002	KY	2120	100	2.36	80	1.89	124	1.46	304	1.79
CANDY RIDE	1999	RIDE THE RAILS	2006	KY	1498	65	2.17	74	2.47	81	1.35	220	1.84
TAPIT	2001	PULPIT	2006	KY	1858	111	2.99	72	1.94	130	1.75	313	2.11
DISTORTED HUMOR	1993	FORTY NINER	2000	KY	1498	65	2.17	63	2.10	112	1.87	240	2.00
DUBAWI	2002	DUBAI MILLENNIUM	2007	ENG	1236	82	3.32	59	2.39	89	1.80	230	2.33
SPEIGHTSTOWN	1998	GONE WEST	2006	KY	1541	92	2.99	59	1.91	126	2.04	277	2.25
MALIBU MOON	1997	A.P. INDY	2001	KY	1950	70	1.79	58	1.49	114	1.46	242	1.55
OASIS DREAM	2000	GREEN DESERT	2005	ENG	1616	69	2.13	56	1.73	104	1.61	229	1.77
EMPIRE MAKER	2000	UNBRIDLED	2005	KY	1644	54	1.64	54	1.64	74	1.13	182	1.38
MEDAGLIA D'ORO	1999	EL PRADO	2006	KY	1495	104	3.48	53	1.77	97	1.62	254	2.12
LANGFUHR	1992	DANZIG	1999	KY	1594	21	0.66	51	1.60	75	1.18	147	1.15
WILDCAT HEIR	2000	FOREST WILDCAT	2007	Dead	1314	23	0.88	49	1.86	90	1.71	162	1.54
SHAMARDAL	2002	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2007	IRE	1337	65	2.43	49	1.83	93	1.74	207	1.94
KITTEN'S JOY	2001	EL PRADO	2007	KY	1629	84	2.58	49	1.50	80	1.23	213	1.63
STORMY ATLANTIC	1994	STORM CAT	2000	KY	1583	50	1.58	47	1.48	84	1.33	181	1.43
PULPIT	1994	A.P. INDY	1999	Dead	1061	41	1.93	46	2.17	56	1.32	143	1.68
DANEHILL DANCER	1993	DANEHILL	1999	Retired	1394	55	1.97	46	1.65	87	1.56	188	1.69
STREET CRY	1998	MACHIAVELLIAN	2004	Dead	1386	41	1.48	45	1.62	86	1.55	172	1.55
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	1997	GREEN DESERT	2004	IRE	1774	60	1.69	45	1.27	106	1.49	211	1.49
UNUSUAL HEAT	1990	NUREYEV	1999	CA	845	40	2.37	44	2.60	57	1.69	141	2.09
CAPE CROSS	1994	GREEN DESERT	2001	IRE	1525	49	1.61	44	1.44	87	1.43	180	1.48
SMART STRIKE	1992	MR. PROSPECTOR	1998	Dead	1643	83	2.53	44	1.34	114	1.73	241	1.83
GHOSTZAPPER	2000	AWESOME AGAIN	2007	KY	1013	65	3.21	42	2.07	78	1.92	185	2.28
PIVOTAL	1993	POLAR FALCON	1998	ENG	1405	55	1.96	42	1.49	96	1.71	193	1.72
SCAT DADDY	2004	JOHANNESBURG	2009	Dead	1003	45	2.24	41	2.04	45	1.12	131	1.63
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BROKEN VOW	1997	UNBRIDLED	2003	KY	1432	37	1.29	40	1.40	96	1.68	173	1.51
LEMON DROP KID	1996	KINGMAMBO	2002	KY	1442	57	1.98	40	1.39	88	1.53	185	1.60
TIZNOW	1997	CEE'S TIZZY	2003	KY	1493	54	1.81	40	1.34	72	1.21	166	1.39
HARLAN'S HOLIDAY	1999	HARLAN	2005	Dead	1728	56	1.62	40	1.16	98	1.42	194	1.40

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HARLAN'S HOLIDAY	1999	HARLAN	2005	Dead	1728	56	1.62	40	1.16	98	1.42	194	1.40
MEDAGLIA D'ORO	1999	EL PRADO	2006	KY	1495	104	3.48	53	1.77	97	1.62	254	2.12
PIVOTAL	1993	POLAR FALCON	1998	ENG	1405	55	1.96	42	1.49	96	1.71	193	1.72
BROKEN VOW	1997	UNBRIDLED	2003	KY	1432	37	1.29	40	1.40	96	1.68	173	1.51
SHAMARDAL	2002	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2007	IRE	1337	65	2.43	49	1.83	93	1.74	207	1.94
WILDCAT HEIR	2000	FOREST WILDCAT	2007	Dead	1314	23	0.88	49	1.86	90	1.71	162	1.54
DUBAWI	2002	DUBAI MILLENNIUM	2007	ENG	1236	82	3.32	59	2.39	89	1.80	230	2.33
LEMON DROP KID	1996	KINGMAMBO	2002	KY	1442	57	1.98	40	1.39	88	1.53	185	1.60
ELUSIVE QUALITY	1993	GONE WEST	2000	KY	1446	38	1.31	28	0.97	88	1.52	154	1.33
DANEHILL DANCER	1993	DANEHILL	1999	Retired	1394	55	1.97	46	1.65	87	1.56	188	1.69
CAPE CROSS	1994	GREEN DESERT	2001	IRE	1525	49	1.61	44	1.44	87	1.43	180	1.48
STREET CRY	1998	MACHIAVELLIAN	2004	Dead	1386	41	1.48	45	1.62	86	1.55	172	1.55
STORMY ATLANTIC	1994	STORM CAT	2000	KY	1583	50	1.58	47	1.48	84	1.33	181	1.43
DANSILI	1996	DANEHILL	2002	ENG	1419	87	3.07	40	1.41	82	1.44	209	1.84
UNBRIDLED'S SONG	1993	UNBRIDLED	1998	Dead	1287	54	2.10	28	1.09	81	1.57	163	1.58
CANDY RIDE	1999	RIDE THE RAILS	2006	KY	1498	65	2.17	74	2.47	81	1.35	220	1.84
ACCLAMATION	1999	ROYAL APPLAUSE	2005	IRE	1552	34	1.10	28	0.90	81	1.30	143	1.15
KITTEN'S JOY	2001	EL PRADO	2007	KY	1629	84	2.58	49	1.50	80	1.23	213	1.63

TOP 30 SIRES by B RUNNER INDEX 616 NA-EU SIRES 80+

SIRE	YR	HIS SIRE	1st Fls	ST	Tot. Rnrs	A's	A Index	B's	B Index	C's	C Index	ABC	ABC Index
DAAHER	2004	AWESOME AGAIN	2009	KY	89	4	2.25	8	4.49	2	0.56	14	1.97
NIIGON	2001	UNBRIDLED	2008	Dead	324	17	2.62	25	3.86	27	2.08	69	2.66
SQUARE EDDIE	2006	SMART STRIKE	2011	CA	183	11	3.01	14	3.83	9	1.23	34	2.32
REBELLION	2003	MOZART	2011	VA	81	1	0.62	6	3.70	2	0.62	9	1.39
TWIRLING CANDY	2007	CANDY RIDE	2013	KY	123	5	2.03	9	3.66	10	2.03	24	2.44
SILENT NAME	2002	SUNDAY SILENCE	2009	ON	382	15	1.96	23	3.01	20	1.31	58	1.90
GRAZEN	2006	BENCHMARK	2011	CA	88	4	2.27	5	2.84	6	1.70	15	2.13
WEIGELIA	2001	SAFELY'S MARK	2010	PA	147	6	2.04	8	2.72	7	1.19	21	1.79
LOPE DE VEGA	2007	SHAMARDAL	2012	IRE	294	9	1.53	16	2.72	16	1.36	41	1.74
KENDARGENT	2003	KENDOR	2009	FR	334	9	1.35	18	2.69	25	1.87	52	1.95
UNUSUAL HEAT	1990	NUREYEV	1999	CA	845	40	2.37	44	2.60	57	1.69	141	2.09
CANDY RIDE	1999	RIDE THE RAILS	2006	KY	1498	65	2.17	74	2.47	81	1.35	220	1.84
CURLIN	2004	SMART STRIKE	2010	KY	694	34	2.45	34	2.45	57	2.05	125	2.25
INDY WIND	2002	A.P. INDY	2010	OH	104	1	0.48	5	2.40	2	0.48	8	0.96
DUBAWI	2002	DUBAI MILLENNIUM	2007	ENG	1236	82	3.32	59	2.39	89	1.80	230	2.33
FROST GIANT	2003	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2010	NY	253	9	1.78	12	2.37	16	1.58	37	1.83
VRONSKY	1999	DANZIG	2006	CA	278	11	1.98	13	2.34	19	1.71	43	1.93
PULPIT	1994	A.P. INDY	1999	Dead	1061	41	1.93	46	2.17	56	1.32	143	1.68
SAFFIR	2002	UNBRIDLED	2008	Dead	138	5	1.81	6	2.17	6	1.09	17	1.54
TEUFLESBERG	2004	JOHANNESBURG	2009	NY	161	2	0.62	7	2.17	3	0.47	12	0.93
GREAT NOTION	2000	ELUSIVE QUALITY	2006	MD	371	11	1.48	16	2.16	26	1.75	53	1.79
PIONEEROF THE NILE	2006	EMPIRE MAKER	2011	KY	376	19	2.53	16	2.13	19	1.26	54	1.80
DISTORTED HUMOR	1993	FORTY NINER	2000	KY	1498	65	2.17	63	2.10	112	1.87	240	2.00
PEPPERED CAT	2000	TABASCO CAT	2006	CA	119	2	0.84	5	2.10	7	1.47	14	1.47
GHOSTZAPPER	2000	AWESOME AGAIN	2007	KY	1013	65	3.21	42	2.07	78	1.92	185	2.28
STREET SENSE	2004	STREET CRY	2009	KY	945	37	1.96	39	2.06	56	1.48	132	1.75
MEDALLIST	2001	TOUCH GOLD	2007	PA	388	4	0.52	16	2.06	19	1.22	39	1.26
SCAT DADDY	2004	JOHANNESBURG	2009	Dead	1003	45	2.24	41	2.04	45	1.12	131	1.63
GALILEO	1998	SADLER'S WELLS	2003	IRE	2058	184	4.47	83	2.02	115	1.40	382	2.32
ISTAN	2002	GONE WEST	2009	KY	198	5	1.26	8	2.02	11	1.39	24	1.52

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SIRE	YR	HIS SIRE	1st Fls	ST	Tot.Rnrs	A's	A Index	B's	B Index	C's	C Index	ABC	ABC Index
STREET MAGICIAN	2004	STREET CRY	2012	MD	94	1	0.53	1	0.53	8	2.13	10	1.33
NIIGON	2001	UNBRIDLED	2008	Dead	324	17	2.62	25	3.86	27	2.08	69	2.66
OLD FORESTER	2001	FORESTRY	2008	ON	662	24	1.81	26	1.96	55	2.08	105	1.98
SOLDIER HOLLOW	2000	IN THE WINGS	2009	GER	324	13	2.01	10	1.54	27	2.08	50	1.93
CURLIN	2004	SMART STRIKE	2010	KY	694	34	2.45	34	2.45	57	2.05	125	2.25
SPEIGHTSTOWN	1998	GONE WEST	2006	KY	1541	92	2.99	59	1.91	126	2.04	277	2.25
TWIRLING CANDY	2007	CANDY RIDE	2013	KY	123	5	2.03	9	3.66	10	2.03	24	2.44
GHOSTZAPPER	2000	AWESOME AGAIN	2007	KY	1013	65	3.21	42	2.07	78	1.92	185	2.28
HEATSEEKER	2003	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2010	Dead	249	5	1.00	6	1.20	19	1.91	30	1.51
FIRST DEFENCE	2004	UNBRIDLED'S SONG	2010	S. Arabia	331	9	1.36	4	0.60	25	1.89	38	1.44
KANTHAROS	2008	LION HEART	2012	KY	160	11	3.44	5	1.56	12	1.88	28	2.19
GIROLAMO	2006	A.P. INDY	2013	KY	120	3	1.25	3	1.25	9	1.88	15	1.56
DISTORTED HUMOR	1993	FORTY NINER	2000	KY	1498	65	2.17	63	2.10	112	1.87	240	2.00
KENDARGENT	2003	KENDOR	2009	FR	334	9	1.35	18	2.69	25	1.87	52	1.95
MONSUN	1990	KONIGSSTUHL	1997	Dead	633	41	3.24	18	1.42	47	1.86	106	2.09
CITY ZIP	1998	CARSON CITY	2003	KY	1634	61	1.87	41	1.25	118	1.81	220	1.68
DUBAWI	2002	DUBAI MILLENNIUM	2007	ENG	1236	82	3.32	59	2.39	89	1.80	230	2.33
MINESHAFT	1999	A.P. INDY	2005	KY	998	39	1.95	35	1.75	71	1.78	145	1.82
SEA THE STARS	2006	CAPE CROSS	2011	IRE	424	21	2.48	15	1.77	30	1.77	66	1.95
WAR FRONT	2002	DANZIG	2008	KY	836	69	4.13	32	1.91	59	1.76	160	2.39
QUALITY ROAD	2006	ELUSIVE QUALITY	2012	KY	313	12	1.92	12	1.92	22	1.76	46	1.84
TOO MUCH BLING	2003	RUBIANO	2008	TX	370	6	0.81	6	0.81	26	1.76	38	1.28
TAPIT	2001	PULPIT	2006	KY	1858	111	2.99	72	1.94	130	1.75	313	2.11
GREAT NOTION	2000	ELUSIVE QUALITY	2006	MD	371	11	1.48	16	2.16	26	1.75	53	1.79
SHAMARDAL	2002	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2007	IRE	1337	65	2.43	49	1.83	93	1.74	207	1.94
SMARTY JONES	2001	ELUSIVE QUALITY	2006	KY	789	31	1.96	28	1.77	55	1.74	114	1.81
SMART STRIKE	1992	MR. PROSPECTOR	1998	Dead	1643	83	2.53	44	1.34	114	1.73	241	1.83
GOLD AWAY	1995	GOLDNEYEV	2001	Dead	579	12	1.04	19	1.64	40	1.73	71	1.53
FAIRBANKS	2003	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2010	PA	377	1	0.13	8	1.06	26	1.72	35	1.16
VRONSKY	1999	DANZIG	2006	CA	278	11	1.98	13	2.34	19	1.71	43	1.93
PIVOTAL	1993	POLAR FALCON	1998	ENG	1405	55	1.96	42	1.49	96	1.71	193	1.72
WILDCAT HEIR	2000	FOREST WILDCAT	2007	Dead	1314	23	0.88	49	1.86	90	1.71	162	1.54
ORATORY	2002	PULPIT	2007	OK	366	5	0.68	8	1.09	25	1.71	38	1.30

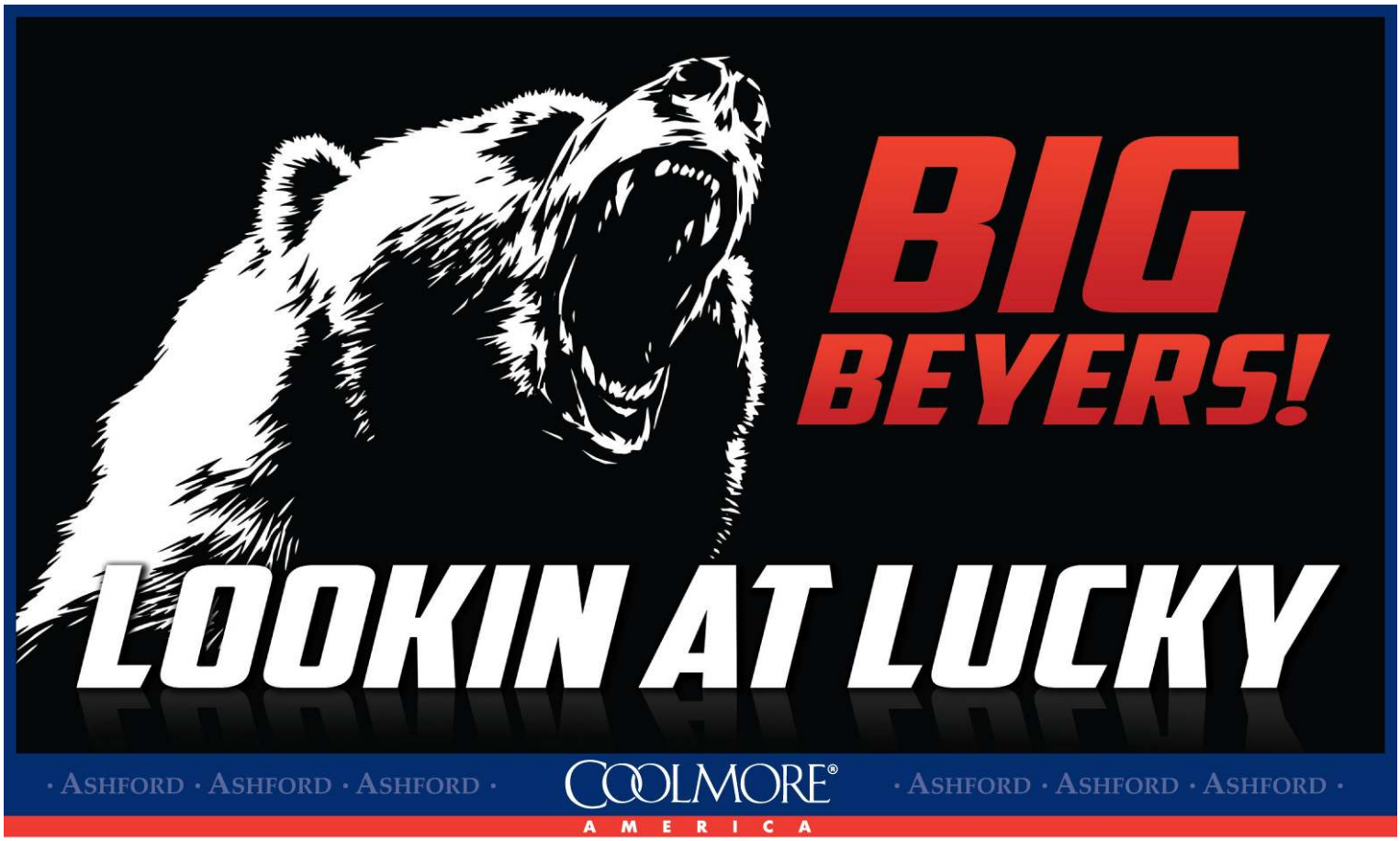
Distorted Humor (65-63); **Dubawi** (82-59); and **Speightstown** (92-59). A little further down the B Runner list we see the likes of **Langfuhr** (21-51) and **Wildcat Heir** (23-49), suggesting they were most effective--in these years anyway--at siring B Runners.

The same principle applies to the ratio of the number of C Runners (4%) to the number of A+B Runners (4%); a quick way to look at this is whether a sire's C Runners are more or less than half their number of ABC Runners (8%). So, looking at the top seven sires of C Runners, the leader in this category, Tapit, has a ratio of 183 A+B Runners to 130 C Runners, which is 58%. so even though he's the leading sire of C Runners (which is after all a lot better than not being among the top 8% of earners), we also know he's a whole lot more than that; the 183-130 ratio is one of the clues to that. Number two C Runner sire Speightstown has a ratio of 55% (151-126); Giant's Causeway 59% (180-124); **City Zip** 46% (102-118); Galileo 70% (267-115); **Smart Strike** 53% (127-114), virtually the same as **Malibu Moon** 53% (128-114). I wouldn't be using this statistic in place of anything else, because all these sires are good, it just does present an interesting insight into the issue of 'class'--the most important five-letter word in the horseman's vocabulary after 'horse'.

Sure enough, the top 30 sires by B Runner Index include a few names you've barely heard of as well as some you have. The number one sire by B Runner Index 2010-2016 is Shadwell Kentucky's **Daaher** (4.49), a son of Awesome Again who defeated Midnight Lute in the 2007 GI Cigar Mile but has had just 68 foals in his first six crops (first crop 2009). These include four Black-Type Winners (5.9%), including the speedy Grade II winner, Gypsy Robin. That looks good (2.25 A Index), but it's his eight B Runners which put him at the top of this list. Daaher's biggest crops of 30 each are 2-year-olds and yearlings this year, and he stands for just $5,000 at Shadwell. He displaces the former Canadian sire **Niigon** (3.86), a son of Unbridled who was clearly very good up there but died just about before anybody knew it. The remarkable **Square Eddie** (3.01 A Index, 3.83 B Index) is making a huge contribution to his owner Paul Reddam's California racing stable, with the obscure Virginia sire **Rebellion** (1 A Runner, 0.62 but 3.70 for B Runners) fourth.

The big-time sires in the top 15 by B Runner Index also include **Twirling Candy** (3.66), Ireland's **Lope De Vega** (2.72), France's **Kendargent** (2.69), California's **Unusual Heat** (2.60), Candy Ride (2.47), **Curlin** (2.45), and Europe's number two sire, Dubawi (2.39). The other 'regional' sires include: Ontario's **Silent Name** (3.01); California's **Grazen** (2.84); **Weigelia** (2.72), who stands in Pennsylvania; and **Indy Wind** (2.40), who stands in Ohio.

The C Runner Index figures are much tighter; the leading sire by C Runner Index is Maryland's **Street Magician** (2.13), who has



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only one A Runner and one B Runner, but eight C Runners from 94 year-starters. Canada's Niigon and **Old Forester** are tied for second with Germany's **Soldier Hollow** (2.08 each), followed by Curlin (2.05), Speightstown (2.04), Twirling Candy (2.03), and **Ghostzapper** (1.92). Deceased California sire **Heatseeker** (1.91), and former Juddmonte USA sire **First Defence** (1.89), now in Saudi Arabia, round out the top 10. Recent Kentucky import **Kantharos** and **Girolamo** (both 1.88) head up the second 10, ahead of Distorted Humor and Kendargent (each 1.87).

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JAPAN: As mentioned before, though we use the same methodology to calculate APEX ratings for Japan as for Europe and North America, there are some significant differences in the racing setup there (big emphasis on 4-year-olds+ and the dominance of the Shadai group) which have led us to not mix Japanese results in with those from NA-EU. We have already noted that Shadai's **Deep Impact** (4.78) and **King Kamehameha** (3.16) are the two most dominant sires there. It's often difficult to read the runes on the younger stallions, but we think another Shadai stallion, 2011 G1 Dubai World Cup winner **Victoire Pisa**, who just had his first 3-year-olds, is one to keep an eye on. Click here to see an alphabetical list of 110 sires with APEX figures which stand in Japan, including a few like **Eskendereya** who are recent imports and have not yet had runners in Japan.

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Fasig-Tipton coverage cont.

"She captured everybody's attention," Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning said of Cinnamon Spice. "As soon as anyone with significant racehorses saw her, they wanted to own her. If you didn't have significant horses, you said, 'Wow, I wish I could own her,' but you knew you couldn't. She was a beautiful filly."

Cinnamon Spice fetched significantly more than the sale topper in 2016. Last year, graded stakes winner Flashy American (Flashy Bull) brought $395,000 from Blue Sky Stable. The hammer price was the largest at the February sale since 2013, when horses from the dispersal of Eugene Melnyk were front and center. Pool Land (Silver Deputy) topped that year's event on a bid of $900,000.

Cinnamon Spice | *Fasig-Tipton photo*

A total of 351 horses were sold over the course of the two-day February sale, leading to a gross of $9,501,800, which was up 15% compared to last year. Overall, the average was $27,071 (+11.7%), and the median was $9,000 (-5.3%). The buy-back rate of 25.5% was up slightly. In 2016, 341 horses sold for a gross of $8,260,600.

In all, 23 horses brought six figures. Fourteen reached that threshold a year ago.

"Overall, it was a very positive two days," said Browning. "I think we were pleasantly surprised at the level of activity and just the mood. Buyers found it generally tougher to buy than they thought they were going to, and I think sellers may have found a little more activity in the marketplace than they had anticipated coming into the sale.

"The average is up and the gross is up, but you have got to be realistic and you have to evaluate your horses objectively, not emotionally. It is still no fun when you have a 14-year-old mare that hasn't produced anything and is in foal to the wrong stallion or in foal really late."

During the second day of the sale, 187 horses sold for a gross of $4,799,500, leading to an average of $25,666 and a median of $8,000. The buy-back rate was 19.7%. In the same session last year, 157 horses sold for a gross of $4,966,100. That led to an average of $31,631 and a median of $12,000.

The highest-priced short yearling of the sale also sold during

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Tuesday's session. **Makes Mo Cents** (hip 492), a son of hot sire Uncle Mo, went to Michael and Julia O'Quinn for $172,000. He was consigned by Bluewater Sales.

Cinnamon Spice was far from the only young mare to bring a significant sum across the two days. Monday's session topper, Grade III winner **Super Majesty** (Super Saver), was also the second-highest priced horse overall. Consigned by Darby Dan Farm on behalf of owners LNJ Foxwoods, Super Majesty was sold to Susan Chu's Baoma Corp. for $475,000.

She's All In (Include), who was also offered during the opening session, brought the third-highest price of the sale. Offered by Vinery Sales as part of the dispersal of Rockin' Z Ranch, She's All In went to RML, agent, for $325,000. Ran Leonard bought the millionaire, who was offered in foal to Magna Graduate, on behalf of an undisclosed client.

The last horse offered in the sale, Glory, brought the fourth highest-price overall when Abdullah Saeed Almaddah went to $300,000 to secure her. Like Cinnamon Spice, Glory (hip 640) was offered as a racing/broodmare prospect by Taylor Made Sales Agency on behalf of Fox Hill Farms.

"When the sale history on a broodmare comes in and she was bought by Fox Hill, you know she is going to be good looking, you know that she was treated right, and you know she is going to have every opportunity," said Browning. "It gives people a lot of confidence. It is a racing program that is associated with excellence at the highest level, and they are straight-up legitimate, good people. People have confidence doing business with them, and it showed again today."

Better Late than Never

The fact the February sale is the last chance to buy or sell a mare at auction before the breeding season gets underway once again led to competition for quality lots on Tuesday.

Cinnamon Spice (Candy Ride {Arg}) set off fireworks early in the session when Oussama Aboughazale's International Equities Holding Co. went to $700,000 to secure the well-bred broodmare prospect. Out of the Gone West mare Violent Beauty, Cinnamon Spice is a half-sister to Grade I winner Violence (Medaglia d'Oro) and hails from the family of champion Sky Beauty.

"She did cost a little more than we were expecting, but the quality always rises to the top," said bloodstock advisor Frances Relihan, who signed the ticket. "We knew we would have a challenge to get her, so we were happy. She's a beautiful mare, obviously. We looked at her and thought she was the best physical in the sale. There is great depth in her pedigree. She had a lot of ability from what we could see on the track. She didn't get black-type, but she trained really well and she did

really show some brilliance."

Cinnamon Spice won four of nine starts and earned $144,820 on the racetrack. She was most recently fourth in the Tiffany Lass S. at Fair Grounds last December.

Frances Relihan | *Fasig-Tipton photo*

In addition to topping this year's sale, Cinnamon Spice became the most expensive horses to sell at the February sale since 2013. That year, Pool Land topped the sale at $900,000 as part of the Eugene Melnyk dispersal. Breeding plans for Cinnamon Spice are undecided.

"Mr. Aboughazale is looking to add quality mares to his broodmare band, and we thought this nice young mare would be ideal," said Relihan. "She comes from a very good program from Fox Hill. Tom McGreevy, as we all know, always buys such an amazing yearling that we were very happy to pursue her."

Taylor Made Sales Agency consigned Cinnamon Spice on behalf of Rick Porter's Fox Hill Farms, which purchased the chestnut for $350,000 out of the 2012 Keeneland September Yearling Sale. McGreevy is Porter's bloodstock advisor. That connection is something that Mark Taylor felt may have led to such high interest in the 6-year-old mare.

"There is a brand-name association that goes with Fox Hill," said Taylor. "As soon as they see them in the catalogue, they know they are going to be good looking, most of them can run, and they don't buy horses with bad pedigrees. So you have all those factors built in, and I think they bring more money because of it."

Cinnamon Spice was originally slated to sell at the Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale, but had to be withdrawn for reasons that had nothing to do with her.

"She was scheduled to go in January, but she got caught up in the quarantine thing coming out of the Fair Grounds, so we had to scratch her out of there," said Taylor. "This was the last spot to try and sell her. I think these kinds of horses, wherever they show up, people are going to identify them as quality.

"This mare, we've had her on the farm for awhile leading up to the sale and there were a lot of inquiries about her privately. We had several of our customers trying to buy her. She was one of those mares I was desperately wanting to go back to Taylor Made because, if she reproduces herself physically, she's going to sell really high dollar yearlings for a long time."

Relihan had experience with Cinnamon Spice long before she was offered as a broodmare prospect.

"I had seen her previously," said Relihan. "I was the farm manager at Vinery for many years, and we used to lay up a lot of horses. We had horses for Mr. Porter. I had her for a couple months after he purchased her as a yearling back then, so I knew what she was like and knew what she looked like."

Aboughazale, a perennial leading owner in Chile, races in the United States under the moniker Sumaya U.S. Stable, which is named after his mother, and he recently purchased a farm in Paris. During the February sale, he also purchased a number of mares to support his young stallion Protonico, who stands at Taylor Made.

Aboughazale was also active at the Keeneland January sale, where he purchased 11 horses for a total of $2,251,000, including the $700,000 Delightful Joy (Tapit).

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• High Price	$700,000	$395,000
• Gross	$4,799,500	$4,966,100
• Average (% change)	$25,666 (-18.9%)	$31,631
• Median (% change)	$8,000 (-33.3%)	$12,000

CUMULATIVE	2017	2016
• Catalogued	640	528
• No. Offered	471	437
• No. Sold	351	341
• RNAs	120	96
• % RNAs	25.5%	22.0%
• No. $100K+	23	14
• High Price	$700,000	$395,000
• Gross	$9,501,800	$8,260,600
• Average (% change)	$27,071 (+11.7%)	$24,225
• Median (% change)	$9,000 (-5.3%)	$9,500

Pinhooking Purposes

Uncle Mo--Infliction | *Thorostride*

Michael and Julia O'Quinn went to $172,000 on Tuesday afternoon to secure **Makes Mo Cents** (hip 492), the highest-priced short yearling of the sale. The Uncle Mo colt is the first foal out of the winning Stormy Atlantic mare Infliction.

"He was a very nice colt," said Michael O'Quinn. "It was a little bit more than I really wanted to spend on him, but my wife and I have a little pinhooking deal that we do. We try to get a few elite horses, and we keep it small. It's just us. All we can do is just hope for the best."

Bluewater Sales consigned the colt, who was foaled last February and was the only Uncle Mo short yearling in the sale. The colt was bred by TNIP, which purchased Infliction with this foal in utero for $100,000 at the 2015 Keeneland November sale.

O'Quinn plans on pinhooking Makes Mo Cents later this year.

"It'll either be here in July or in Saratoga," said O'Quinn. "He's just got to keep going, keep growing, doing everything that he's got to do. The main thing is we've just got to stay out of his way and let him do what he's going to do. If you force it, it'll come back and bite you. You've just got to hope he'll be the horse we expect him to be later on.

"(Uncle Mo) just gets runner after runner. If you want to play at the top end, you've got to go with those type of sires, so that's what we did."

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Tuesday's Top Mares

Hip	Name	Status	Price ($)
345	**Cinnamon Spice**	**racing/b'mare prospect**	**700,000**

(6, Candy Ride {Arg}--Violent Beauty, by Gone West)
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent for Fox Hill Farms
Purchased by International Equities Holding

640	**Glory**	**racing/b'mare prospect**	**300,000**

(5, Tapit--Ki Maniere {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells)
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent for Fox Hill Farms
Purchased by Abdullah Saeed Almaddah

622	**Playmates Arch**	**i/f Carpe Diem**	**210,000**

(4, Arch--Woodman's Dancer, by Woodman)
Consigned by James Keogh (Grovendale), Agent VI
Purchased by T Ocampo, Agent for Silesia Farm

616	**Bahama Halo**	**racing/b'mare prospect**	**200,000**

(3, More Than Ready--Bahama Bound, by Empire Maker)
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XLI
Purchased by Town & Country Horse Farms LLC

611	**Dr. Zic**	**i/f Constitution**	**185,000**

(11, Milwaukee Brew--Royal Corona, by Holy Bull)
Consigned by James B. Keogh (Grovendale), Agent VI
Purchased by Calumet Farm

604	**Sastrugi**	**racing/b'mare prospect**	**165,000**

(3, Bodemeister--Indian Snow, by A.P. Indy)
Consigned by St George Sales, Agent VIII
Purchased by Robert E Courtney, Jr.

Tuesday's Top Short Yearlings

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price ($)
492	**colt**	**Uncle Mo**	**Infliction**	**172,000**

($100,000 i/u '15 KEENOV)
B-TNIP (Ky)
Consigned by Bluewater Sales LLC, Agent XI
Purchased by Artic Bloodstock

593	**filly**	**Violence**	**Dr. Zic**	**60,000**

B-SF Racing Group (Ky)
Consigned by James B. Keogh (Grovendale), Agent VI
Purchased by Austin & Brenda Paul

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Session Toppers cont.

340 filly Mineshaft Emerald Buddha 50,000
B-University of Kentucky (Ky)
Consigned by Maine Chance Farm (University of Kentucky)
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Josh Stevens

Each sales day, we ask one buyer to look at the day's results, and choose the horse he or she thinks was the buy of the day.

Hip 622, Playmates Arch
(4, Arch--Woodman's Dancer, by Woodman)
Buyer: T Ocampo, agent for Silesia Farm
Price: $210,000

"Hip 622 was the buy of the day to me. She's a full-sister to GI Arkansas Derby winner Archarcharch, out of a Grade II-placed mare. Her second dam was a Grade I winner, as well. The family has the right aptitude for breeding Derby types, but also has had success in Ireland. She's in foal to a precocious young sire in Carpe Diem and I'd think they would do quite well on that foal, selling or racing."

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**Note: Seth Klarman in the principal of prominent Thoroughbred racing outfit Klaravich Stables.*

US Plans Shelved for South African Runners

The ambitious plan to fly Legal Eagle, The Conglomerate, Marinaresco and Silver Mountain to race in America--and so pave the way for the South African bloodstock industry to be opened up to the world--looks to have fallen through.
Michael Clower, *Sporting Post (South Africa)*

THIS DATE IN HISTORY...

February 8, 1941...Whirlaway began his three-year-old season with a win in a six-furlong allowance race at Hialeah.

February 9, 1940...After a year's absence from competition, Seabiscuit, champion handicap horse of 1937 and 1938, returned to racing at Santa Anita, where he finished third in a handicap race. Seabiscuit ran three more races in 1940, concluding his career with a win in the Santa Anita H.

Courtesy of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association.

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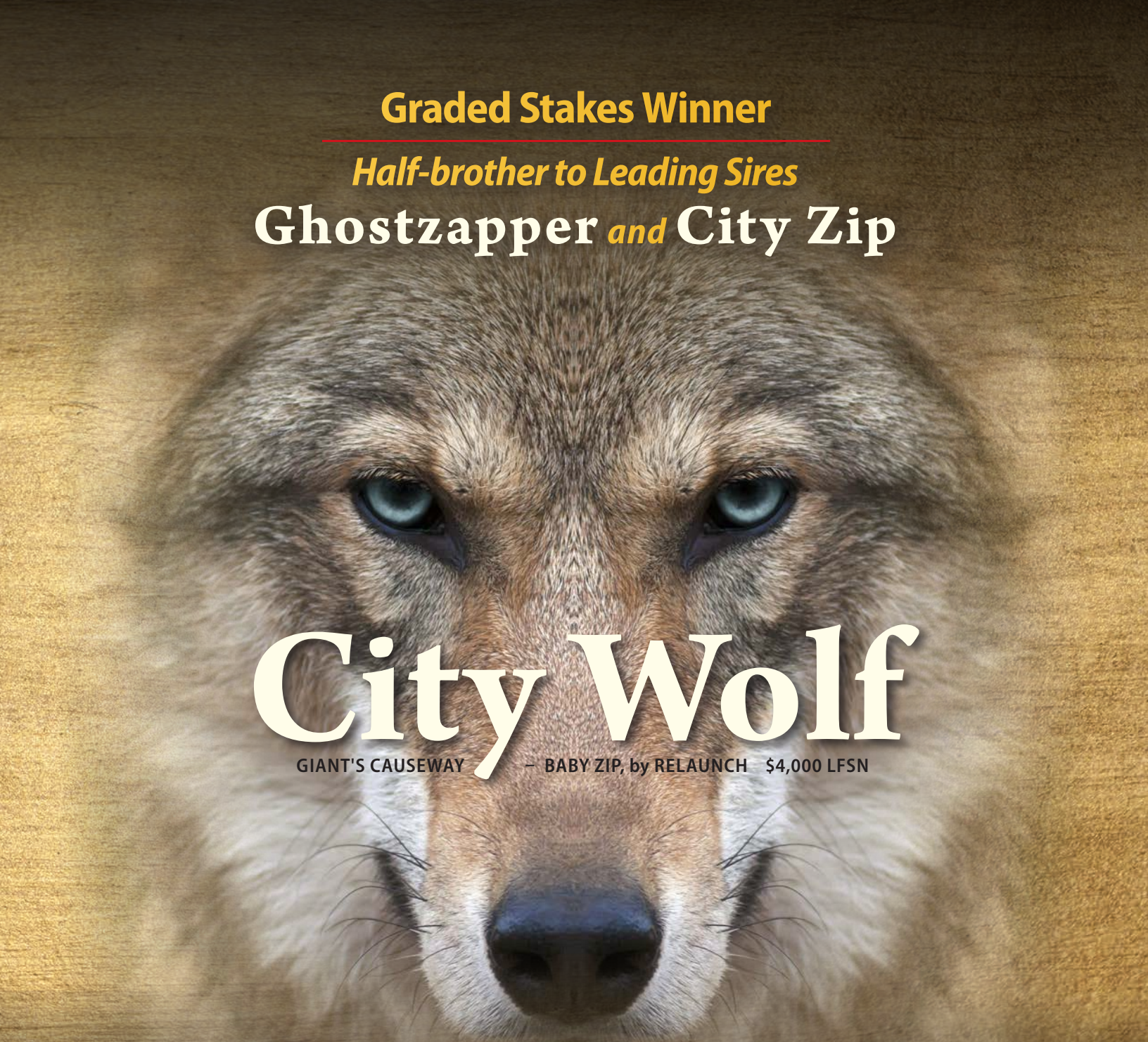

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for stallions standing in North America through Tuesday, Feb. 7

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	**Uncle Mo**	24	37	13	22	3	7	159	94	$5,189,200	$16,435,414
	(2008) by Indian Charlie FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Ashford Stud KY ($150,000)									*Nyquist*	
2	**Archarcharch**	5	11	1	2	--	1	139	79	$360,440	$3,971,272
	(2008) by Arch FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY ($6,000)									*Toews On Ice*	
3	**Paddy O'Prado**	2	9	--	3	--	2	149	76	$567,832	$3,763,040
	(2007) by El Prado (Ire) FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY ($3,500)									*Cherry Wine*	
4	**Wilburn**	3	9	--	--	--	--	129	75	$216,735	$2,977,177
	(2008) by Bernardini FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: River Oaks Farms-- Inc OK ($3,500)									*Afleet Willy*	
5	**First Dude**	3	9	1	2	--	1	121	71	$567,402	$4,657,608
	(2007) by Stephen Got Even FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Double Diamond Farm FL ($10,000)									*Flora Dora*	
6	**Trappe Shot**	2	10	1	5	--	2	115	62	$572,185	$3,850,462
	(2007) by Tapit FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Claiborne Farm KY ($7,500)									*Fish Trappe Road*	
7	**Twirling Candy**	9	18	1	6	--	1	87	60	$378,650	$5,034,873
	(2007) by Candy Ride (Arg) FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY ($20,000)									*Danzing Candy*	
8	**Gio Ponti**	3	7	1	1	1	1	123	54	$1,203,040	$4,121,706
	(2005) by Tale of the Cat FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Castleton Lyons KY ($7,500)									*Drefong*	
9	**Gone Astray**	4	11	--	3	--	1	102	54	$740,240	$3,158,898
	(2006) by Dixie Union FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Northwest Stud FL ($5,000)									*Three Rules*	
10	**Tizway**	7	11	--	4	--	1	111	53	$302,050	$3,180,396
	(2005) by Tiznow FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY ($7,500)									*Coasted*	
11	**Drosselmeyer**	4	7	1	1	1	1	97	53	$163,200	$2,318,876
	(2007) by Distorted Humor FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)									*Kelsocait*	
12	**Sidney's Candy**	1	3	1	2	--	--	111	50	$170,160	$2,420,899
	(2007) by Candy Ride (Arg) FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)									*Converge*	
13	**Lonhro (Aus)**	4	10	2	2	--	--	100	47	$399,629	$2,597,299
	(1998) by Octagonal (Nz) FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Darley USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)									*Isotherm*	
14	**Girolamo**	4	10	1	2	--	1	92	46	$374,000	$3,700,332
	(2006) by A.P. Indy FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Darley KY ($10,000)									*Highway Star*	
15	**Big Drama**	2	8	--	--	--	--	75	46	$255,585	$2,547,429
	(2006) by Montbrook FYR: 2013 Crops: 3 Stands: Bridlewood Farm FL ($15,000)									*R Kinsley Doll*	

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INDUSTRY EFFORTS AID PARKINSON'S RESEARCH

By Christie DeBernardis

Ann Hanley, wife of WinStar Farm General Manager David Hanley, was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease at the age of 49 and instead of letting it get her down, she was inspired and empowered. She started the Ann Hanley Parkinson's Research Fund and teamed up with the University of Kentucky's Dr. Craig Van Horne and Professor Greg Gerhardt to advance their groundbreaking research to treat this incurable disease through surgical procedure that implants a nerve graft into the brain.

The majority of the funding for this research has come from members of the Thoroughbred industry. Fasig-Tipton, Coolmore and WinStar hosted "Night for a Cure" during the Fasig-Tipton July sale, which raised over $300,000 and Goffs hosted a similar event that brought in over €150,000.

Ann Hanley | *Photos by Z*

"What I really wanted to get across to the Thoroughbred community is the fact that they have been so helpful and so dedicated to my cause and they have really helped us get started with this study which is really important for Parkinson's," Hanley told the *TDN*. "We've implanted 34 patients with nerve grafts into the brain thanks to this funding. We've been able to see that it is a very safe procedure and it is really tolerated well."

Hanley added, "Of that 34, we have 17 patients that are one year out [from having the procedure] and 11 of the 17 have shown clinically important improvements. This is really unbelievable and it's amazing for this first of its kind study. The rest of those patients of the 17, all did well, but the 11 did really outstanding."

Now that Hanley and her team have seen that Parkinson's patients are seeing significant improvement after receiving the treatment, the next step is to expand their project by implanting grafts in more patients and sharing their technique with other medical centers.

"We have patients that come from all over the country that want to be a part of what we are doing. This is one of a kind," Hanley explained. "There is nothing else out there that shows this kind of success. Some patients seem to show a change in the progression of the disease, which is what really excites us and shows we have to continue with the study. We are at a point where we can't give up, we have to keep going. If we get to share what we are doing here, we could be changing not just Parkinson's in America, but the bigger picture."

Hanley will take a step towards sharing and spreading the University of Kentucky's research during her visit to Washington D.C. Feb. 26 through Feb. 28 for the 2017 Parkinson's Policy Forum, which she was invited to by Michael J. Fox's Fox Foundation.

"It is an invite-only event, where we will start work on policies and agendas and then go to the Hill Feb. 28," Hanley said. "They expect that we have probably 200 meetings set up during the time we are going to be there. What we try to do is get all the Parkinson's community and organizations together so we can learn, discuss and take action on issues related to research, drug development and approval, and healthcare. It plays a critical role in helping lawmakers understand the prospectus of the patients and the families living with the disease."

The invitation to this event if very important for Hanley and her research. She credits the Thoroughbred community and their support for giving her this opportunity.

"The only reason I have been invited is because of the work that I have done with the research here at UK, which has been mostly funded through the Thoroughbred community," Hanley commented. "You could see the Thoroughbred community has set off this chain reaction, so it has catapulted me further along in the advocacy work that I do."

Not only has the racing industry provided financial support to Hanley's efforts, but they have also been there for her on a personal level, checking in and giving her emotional support.

"When I go to the horse sales or the Eclipse awards, everybody comes and talks to me and they all are interested in the research and how I am doing," Hanley remarked. "It is the most wonderful feeling that you have a family and network of supporters behind you that seem to genuinely care and have done so much for me to get this far. It is not just about me, it is about all of these people that don't have the energy that I have. Over a million people in the USA have Parkinson's. It is not like cancer or Alzheimers, which are the big diseases. It kind of gets overlooked, but there is no cure."

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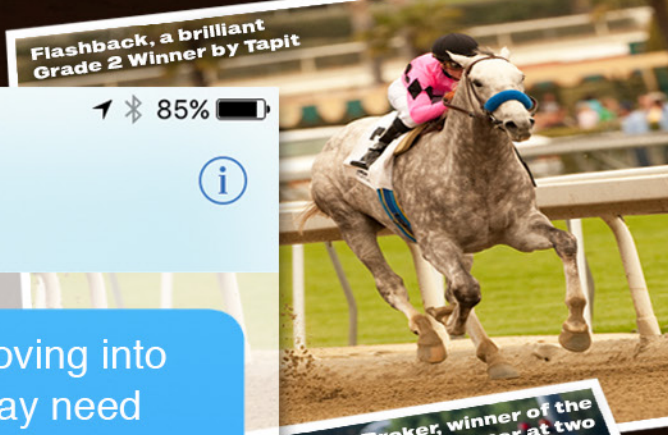

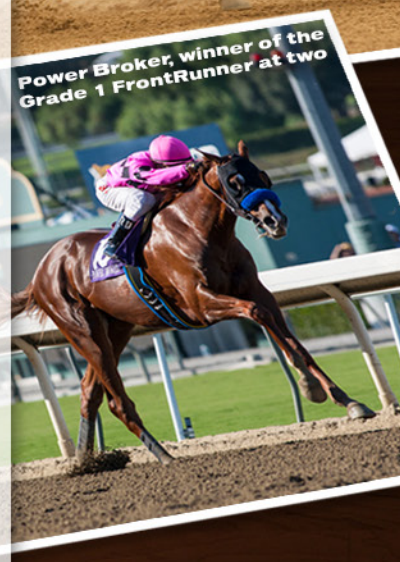

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1	Woodrow	Old Fashioned	Gaffalione	Benson	10-1
2	Third Day	Bernardini	Velazquez	Pletcher	2-1
3	Barry Karafin Bets	First Defence	Saez	Dwoskin	9-2
4	Wait	Distorted Humor	Castellano	Gold	3-1
5	Quinientos	Sky Mesa	Meneses	Sanchez	12-1
6	Basha	Uncle Mo	Jaramillo	Zerpa	5-2

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Tuesday's Result:

4th-HOU, $19,000, Msw, 2-7, 3yo, 1m, 1:39.91, ft.

+SMOOTH FLIGHT (c, 3, Concord Point--Miss M V P, by Grand Slam), tabbed the 5-2 third choice in this career bow, set the pace from his rail draw under medium pressure to his outside. He began to edge clear after three quarters in 1:12.28 and finished up two lengths ahead of favored Seeking Albert (Einstein {Brz}) at the line. Sales history: $8,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $11,340. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Griselda Trevino; B-Richard S. Kaster (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

INDUSTRY INFO

Thoroughbred Makeover Launched with 578 Trainers:

The Retired Racehorse Project has announced that 578 trainers have been accepted to compete for their share of $100,000 in prize money at the 2017 Thoroughbred Makeover at the Kentucky Horse Park on Oct. 5-8.

The Thoroughbred Makeover is a racehorse retraining competition. Trainers are approved based on their skills in a primary discipline, but may compete at the Makeover in one or two of 10 sports (eventing, show hunter, show jumper, dressage, barrel racing, competitive trails, field hunters, polo, working ranch, and freestyle) depending on aptitude shown during the training process.

Each trainer must acquire a Thoroughbred that meets the competition's guidelines, which states that eligible horses may not have started second career training before the Dec. 1 opening date, and must have raced or had a published work after July 1, 2015.

"Many of the horses that compete in the Makeover each year don't begin their training or even retire from racing until well into the year. I encourage racehorse owners with any horses they are considering retiring this year to list them on our website," said RRP President Steuart Pittman. "It's kind of cool to think about--the winner of this year's Thoroughbred Makeover may not yet have run his or her last race."

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Betfair US/TVG Joins NTRA:

The National Thoroughbred Racing Association has announced that Betfair US/TVG has joined the organization and that Kip Levin, Chief Executive Officer of Betfair US and TVG, has been appointed to the NTRA's Board of Directors.

Kip Levin

"The perspective of one of the world's largest gaming operators and its national television network will be a welcome addition to our Board of Directors," said NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop. "We expect that Kip and his years of expertise will be great assets as we continue to identify ways to best serve the Thoroughbred racing industry."

Levin has been CEO of Betfair US and TVG since May 2014, responsible for leading and managing all aspects of the U.S. business operations, including the television network and wagering businesses. Before joining Betfair, Levin served in various senior executive roles at Live Nation and Ticketmaster, including Executive Vice President of Ticketmaster's multi-billion dollar e-commerce business.

"The NTRA has done exceptional work advocating on behalf of its stakeholders, including tracks, horsemen and horse players, the most recent example being the great work it has done in support of modernizing IRS rules to the industry's benefit," said Levin. "I look forward to working with the NTRA board on programs and policies that bolster the overall economic health of the Thoroughbred racing industry and to further exploring how TVG can continue to support the racing industry as a whole."

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2ND	GEMOLOGIST	$25,000 LF	3	57
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T-3RD	BODEMEISTER	$25,000 LF	2	59
T-3RD	TAPIZAR	$15,000 LF	2	58
T-6TH	DIALED IN	$15,000 LF	1	44
T-6TH	THE FACTOR	$25,000 LF	1	59
T-6TH	MACLEAN'S MUSIC	$8,500 LF	1	43
T-6TH	STAY THIRSTY	$10,000 LF	1	59
T-6TH	SHACKLEFORD	$15,000 LF	1	62
T-6TH	DOMINUS	$7,500 LF	1	22
T-6TH	ASTROLOGY	$6,500 LF	1	46
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APPOINTMENTS

STUART BROWN has been named chair of the University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation's board of directors; MICHAEL BANAHAN was named vice chair.

- Brown, who has served as vice chair since January 2012, is a veterinarian and partner at Hagyard Equine Medical Institute. Brown specializes in equine reproduction and takes the leadership reins from Case Clay.
- Banahan is director of farm operations for Godolphin LLC and has served on the Foundation's board of directors since April 2014.

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Sojunghan Mannam, c, 3, Northern Afleet--Divine Honor, by Honor Grades. Seoul, 2-5, Hcp. *($52k)*, 1300m. B-Somewhere Stable Kentucky LLC (KY). *1/2 to Frisk Her (Officer), MSW, $132,392. **$12,000 Ylg '15 FTMOCT; $43,000 2yo '16 FTMMAY.

IN PERU:

Essenciale, c, 3, Street Boss--Yankee Glider, by Quiet American. Monterrico, 2-4, Cond., 1400m, 1:26.82. B-John Reisz (KY). *$35,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. VIDEO

Mr. Lipton, h, 6, Medaglia d'Oro--Saywaan, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Monterrico, 2-5, Hcp., 1000m, :57.96. B-Shadwell Farm LLC (KY). *$27,000 Ylg '12 FTKOCT. VIDEO

ROOKIES

Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, February 8

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CREATIVE CAUSE (Giant's Causeway), Airdrie Stud, $15K, 174/19/1
1-DED, Alw 6 1/2f, Cause You Can, $14K RNA KEE NOV wnl, 9-2

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-SUN, $34,600, (S), 2-7, (NW2X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.68, ft.

SHE DEVIL (m, 5, Diabolical--Patsy Capote, by Capote) Lifetime Record: 20-4-4-3, $101,768. O-Roger K. Beasley & Miles Johnson; B-Roger Beasley (NM); T-Ross A. Amestoy.

7th-SUN, $31,400, Opt. Clm ($15,000), 2-7, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.65, ft.

OVERLAND PARK (g, 5, Snow Ridge--Bonnie's Slam, by Grand Slam) Lifetime Record: 18-4-9-0, $110,423. O-Donna Eaton; B-Joe K Davis (TX); T-Nancy Summers.

2nd-MVR, $23,100, 2-7, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.18, sy.

LAKE PONCHATRAIN (m, 5, Afleet Express--Harmony Lake, by Lucky Lionel) Lifetime Record: 21-9-4-4, $176,960. O/T-Ernest M. Haynes; B-John E. & Barbara R. Smicklas Living Trusts (OK). *$1,000 Wlg '12 KEENOV.

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7th-HOU, $20,000, 2-7, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.64, fm.

SPECIAL ROCKSTAR (m, 5, Special Rate--Buckstar, by Spend a Buck) Lifetime Record: 23-4-2-3, $59,605. O/B-Star Bright Thoroughbreds (TX); T-Mindy J. Willis. *$15,000 RNA 2yo '14 TEXAPR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Rose Cape, f, 4, **Cape Blanco (Ire)**--Destiny Rose, by Leroidesanimaux (Brz). HOU, 2-7, 5fT, :59.94. B-Cheryl A. Prudhomme & Michael T. Gallivan (NY). *$30,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

IN THE DARBY DAN TRADITION

Prevailing, f, 4, City Zip--Princess Ruckus (SW, $134,471), by Bold Ruckus. HOU, 2-7, 5fT, :59.51. B-Gustav Schickedanz (ON). *$15,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; $85,000 RNA 2yo '15 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Vibank (Silver Deputy), MSW, $248,084.

WOODS EDGE FARM GRADUATE

Shiloh County, f, 4, **Trancus**--Shelby County, by Manzotti. HOU, 2-7, (S), 6f, 1:14.16. B-Doris Hatcher (TX).

Avenueofprayer, g, 5, **Primary Suspect**--Satira, by Halo's Image. MVR, 2-7, (S), 6f, 1:14.94. B-Lori D Yoder (OH).

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LE HAVRE FILLY HEADS GOFFS FEBRUARY

Tuesday's session-topping Le Havre filly | *Peter Mooney*

By Emma Berry

Daughters of Le Havre (Ire) have done a great job in advertising their sire's prowess over the last few seasons, and one of just two yearlings catalogued by the Haras de la Cauviniere resident led the way as the Goffs February Sale got underway on Tuesday.

Consigned by Airlie Stud as lot 123, the Niarchos family-bred filly is a late addition to the pinhook squad at Pier House Stud, with the Morrin brothers going to €75,000 to secure the daughter of the listed-placed dual winner Kithonia (Fr) (Sadler's Wells).

"She'll be reoffered later in the year, perhaps at Deauville," said Ger Morrin. "She's a really good-looking filly with a great walk."

In addition to her physical attributes, the January-born filly hails from a family which has served her breeder well, her third dam Whakilyric (Miswaki) having produced the Group 1 winners Hernando (Fr) (Niniski) and Johann Quatz (Fr) (Sadler's Wells) among five stakes scorers.

The section of short yearlings, which followed a group of horses in training and continues today, provided the highlights of a relatively quiet day's trade at Kildare Paddocks.

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TAITS PURCHASE TWIN HILLS

By Kelsey Riley

Olly and Amber Tait have purchased Twin Hills Stud in Cootamundra, New South Wales, Australia from Godolphin in a deal brokered by Inglis. The Taits will operate the 2500-acre Twin Hills, offering racehorse and broodmare boarding, sales preparation and consignment, from April this year.

Tait, an Australian national, was chief operating officer of Darley for 15 years before leaving that position in October 2014. He has since remained in England working on a consultancy basis and breeding horses commercially, and he told the *TDN* setting up a business in Australia has been a longtime goal.

"To have a commercial Thoroughbred enterprise is what I wanted to do, and I've been wanting to do that for quite some time," Tait said. "It was important for us to find the right place to do that; the right platform where we could run a business."

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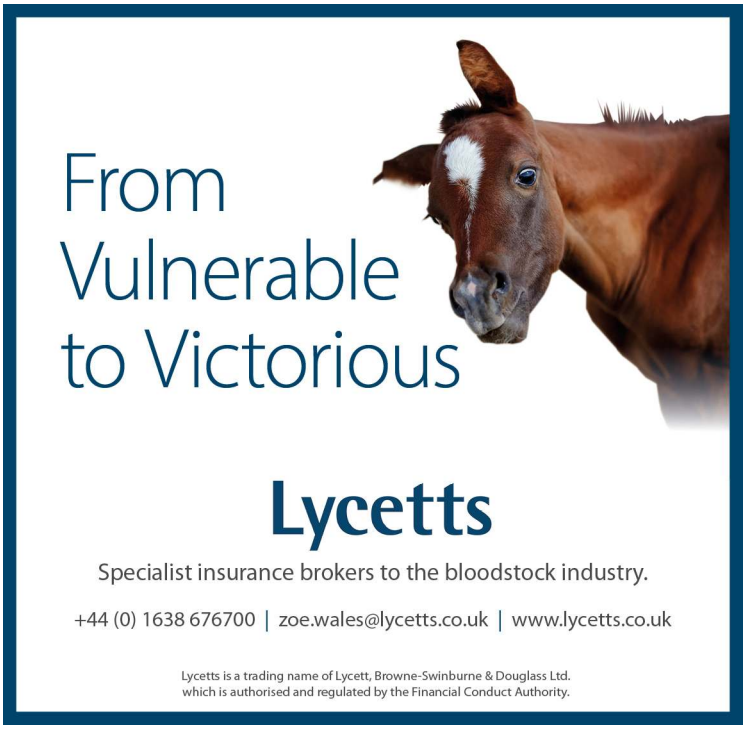
IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

OPPENHEIM: THE 'POP-UP' PEGASUS

Columnist Bill Oppenheim shares his views on the GI Pegasus World Cup held last month at Gulfstream Park. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.**



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Le Havre Filly Heads Goffs February cont. from p1

With a reasonable number of those youngsters having previously been unsold when offered at foal sales at the end of last year, the level of trade has not improved sufficiently in most cases to make the quick return to the ring worthwhile. The day's clearance rate stood at 58% for 116 sold from 201 horses put up for auction. Cumulatively they sold for €880,500 at an average price of €7,591 and median of €4,000. Full comparative figures of the yearlings sales will be compiled upon the conclusion of the yearling portion of the sale on Wednesday.

Ger Morrin of Pier House Stud | *Peter Mooney*

The great support given to the first crop of Coolmore's treble Classic winner Camelot (GB) continued with a member of his second batch of yearlings. Prospect Stables's son of the winning Oasis Dream (GB) mare Rugosa (GB) (lot 247), was the most expensive colt of the session when bought by Tally-Ho Stud at €54,000.

A descendant of the Juddmonte matriarch Monroe (Sir Ivor), he is the first foal for his dam, who won as a 3-year-old in the colours of Barry Hills when trained by his son Charlie.

Ballyhane Stud's Dandy Man (Ire) is routinely popular with pinhookers, and he was the sire of another leading colt of the day (lot 205), the second foal of Passion Planet (Ire) (Medicean {GB}), a half-sister to the Group 2-winning stayers Nearly Caught (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) and Pale Mimosa (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}). Bred by Pat Turley, the colt was offered by Kingsfield Stud and was signed for by Richard Fitzsimmons of BBA Ireland on behalf of the Glencoole pinhooking syndicate at €42,000.

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• Gross	€880,500
• Average (% change)	€7,591
• Median (% change)	€4,000

**Due to the inclusion of horses-in-training in Tuesday's session, full comparative figures of yearling trade will be published following Wednesday's session.*

Amy Marnane picked up a commercial-looking individual in the form of Milltown House Stud's Kodiac (Ire) colt (lot 230) out of the dual Group 3 winner Redstone Dancer (Ire) (Namid {GB}). Dam of the five-time winner Alnaahee (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), Redstone Dancer also has a juvenile Kodiac filly to run for her this season. **Cont. p3**

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Tattersalls February cont.

The colt is another to emanate from an established Juddmonte family, being a descendant of Rainbow Quest's dam I Will Follow (Herbager {GB}).

The second of three Goffs February sessions begins on Wednesday at 10 a.m., and the sale concludes tomorrow with a session of broodmare prospects.

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FRANCE'S WEIGHTY DECISION

By Emmanuel Roussel

From Mar. 1, female riders in France will receive a 2kg (4.4 pound) allowance in most races, with the aim of the new rule being to boost trainers' and owners' confidence in women jockeys, enabling them to become more competitive.

The board of directors of France Galop reached this decision only last Monday, but France Galop's President Edouard de Rothschild has been considering the move for a long time.

Training yards in France have become more and more feminine in recent years.

Amelie Foulon winning the G3 Grand Prix de Vichy | *Scoop Dyga*

According to France Galop, one-sixth of professional jockeys are women but they ride much less frequently than their male counterparts. For nearly 15 years, 60% of the pupils at Afasec, the French racing school, have been female. Women now account for a third of the workforce in racing, twice as many as 20 years ago, and that creeps up to 50% among the under 20s.

Yet only one group race has been won by a woman in France to date, when Amelie Foulon landed the G3 Grand Prix de Vichy aboard Elliptique (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) for trainer Andre Fabre and owner Edouard de Rothschild.

It is difficult to assess how popular this allowance will be until it is put into practice. The first reactions, coming from both sides of the English Channel, reveal a certain level of scepticism. Hayley Turner was quoted in the *Racing Post* as saying, "The girls in France will be rubbing their hands together."

A multiple Group 1-winning jockey, Turner also stated that it was thanks to intensive work experience in the United States that she had acquired the necessary stamina and strength to compete on equal terms with the boys.

It could be said that French trainers are less open to the idea of female jockeys than their British or American counterparts, and that a stronger glass ceiling separates training from competition in France for women. This new step is intended to fracture that ceiling.

Among the more negative reactions in Great Britain, the argument has been put forward that women are as strong as men in the races and that this rule therefore constitutes an offence to their equality. However, the positive discrimination applied to give opportunities to certain minorities does not mean that these minorities are less able than the others, merely that they may suffer from prejudices which must be countered. This is clearly the example that France Galop wanted to follow with this rule.

It was also noted that, as Class 1 contests, listed races and group races are not affected by this allowance, then it would in fact be ineffective. However, applying the rule to pattern races was impossible. **Cont. p4**

France's Weighty Decision cont.

Group and listed races are selected on a European-wide basis and France cannot impose specific rules on its own.

The French Association of Jockeys did not officially react to the news, but its president Jacques Ricou said, "I think it is above all a question of mentality. Some women have risen to the highest level against men and they have succeeded, like Beatrice Marie, Anne-Sophie Madelaine or Barbara Genet and Nathalie Dessouter today. They all have in common the fact that they have been supported by great trainers and owners. What women jockeys lack is the confidence of horsemen, which would allow them to be used more."

"It should also be noted that raw strength is more decisive over the flat than over jumps, where the experience and sensitivity matter more," Ricou added. "In flat racing, it is mainly a question of explosiveness, and one can compare the performance of a flat jockey to that of a sprinter. That is the real difference between men and women, which women can sometimes compensate by other qualities, but not usually when it comes to pushing a horse to the line. We are tackling prejudice, perhaps also to give ourselves a good conscience, and we will have to judge the results then maybe adjust the rule in a few years."

Nicolas Caullery, who has just won his first race in Dubai and finished the last year in 22nd place among the French trainers, with 48 victories and more than €1.5-million in prize-money, comments, "It will be necessary to follow the results, and the influence of this rule on trainers' decisions. For my part, I have my apprentices and I will continue to trust them first. I do not think it will change my habits. I happen to give rides to women jockeys, but it has nothing to do with their gender."

Caullery's partner, Marine Henry, is also a trainer, and her reaction is more positive. She says, "It is a very good initiative. The strength of a man is greater than that of a woman, and that counts a lot in a race. I also think this rule is less sexist than women-only races."

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BHA EXPANDS 2-YEAR-OLD CHANGES

The British Horseracing Authority will implement a handful of changes to the country's 2-year-old racing programme for 2017, including the conversion of the majority of 2-year-old maiden races to novice races. The BHA last year conducted a trial between the beginning of the flat season to early July to address concerns that juveniles who win in the early part of the season have few opportunities to develop. Data collected from the trial suggested novice and maiden races became more competitive, with the average field size of novices races rising to 7.84 from 5.08. As a result, a further 442 maiden races (82% of maiden races) through the remainder of the season have been converted to novice races.

The criteria by which 2-year-olds will qualify for a handicap mark has also been modified. Juveniles will now need to run at least three times or win twice before being designated a handicap mark, and the ability to run in a nursery handicap. Two-year-old handicap ratings will be published prior to the beginning of the programme of nursery handicaps in July, and the current rule that prevents once-raced winners rated 81 or above or twice-raced winners rated 86 or above from competing in handicaps has been abolished.

Trainer Ralph Beckett spoke out in support of the changes | *Racing Post*

Richard Wayman, chief operating officer of the BHA, said, "We were very encouraged by the success of the trial in 2016 and the feedback we received from many horsemen. That feedback included a clear consensus that, as part of a wider package of measures, the trial would be even more effective if it was extended to the full year. The conversion of maiden races to novices provided more opportunities for 2-year-olds and improved field sizes without any impact on the competitiveness of races."

Wayman added, "The extension of the novice programme means that lightly raced winners will now have plenty of opportunities without having to run in handicaps, and the revised qualifying criteria will mean that handicappers would have more evidence to accurately assess and rate 2-year-olds, thereby reducing the risk of a lightly raced horse being significantly under or overrated. There will also be greater transparency by publishing handicap ratings before the first nurseries are staged at the beginning of July."

Trainer Ralph Beckett spoke out in support of the changes, saying, "The extension of this trial to cover the whole 2-year-old programme is an obvious step based on its success in 2016. The nursery handicapping changes should make it transparent for all involved, enable the handicappers to assess horses accurately, and hence benefit horsemen, whilst the increased number of auction races is based on statistical analysis in order to make best use of the horse population, and give opportunities for all."

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This filly, from the first crop of Gleneagles, was born on Jan. 18. A half-sister to the dual Group 1 winner Gallante, she is bred by Lynch-Bages Ltd & Camas Park Stud

PRINCE FAISAL RETAINS DE SOUSA

Prince Faisal, who has in recent years raced Group 1 winners like Belardo (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) and Make Believe (GB) (Makfi {GB}), will have first retainer on champion jockey Silvestre de Sousa for the 2017 flat season. Prince Faisal has 17 horses in training for 2017 between Roger Varian and Hugo Palmer in Newmarket and Andre Fabre in France. Those include Sooda (Street Cry {Ire}), a 2-year-old filly out of Group 1 winner Nayarra (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) with Varian; a pair of Frankel (GB) 3-year-olds, Last Kingdom and Moon Mountain (GB), with Fabre; and It's A Wish (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), a 2-year-old full-sister to Group 1 winner Signs Of Blessing (Ire), with Hugo Palmer.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Lady Cristal (Ire), f, 3, **Footstepsinthesand (GB)**--Scarborough Lily (GB), by Dansili (GB). NC, 2-7, 6f (AWT), 1:13.16. B-Knocktoran Stud & Carrigbeg Stud (IRE). *€10,000 Ylg '15 GOFSPT; £26,000 2yo '16 GOFBRE.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Monzalvos (Spa), c, 3, **Champs Elysees (GB)**--Reel Style (GB), by Rainbow Quest. PAU, 2-7, 9f 165y (AWT), 2:03.60. B-Yeguada de Milagro SA (SPA).

Famara (Ire), f, 3, **Dream Ahead**--Nice to Know (Fr), by Machiavellian. PAU, 2-7, 9f 165y (AWT), 2:05.40. B-Paul Hancock (IRE). *€18,000 Ylg '15 TISEP.

EUROPE

GREECE JOINS EMHF

Greece has become the 28th member country of the European and Mediterranean Horseracing Federation after The Jockey Club of Greece's application was approved following a visit from EMHF Secretary-General Paull Khan.

Brian Kavanagh, EMHF Chairman, said, "We warmly welcome the Jockey Club of Greece into the region's international racing community. I hope that we are witnessing the start of an era of growth in Greek racing and a return to the popularity the sport enjoyed in that country not so long ago."

Khan added, "I was impressed by the strides that have been made over the past year to re-kindle horseracing in Greece and by the enthusiasm of all concerned to ensure that this upward trend continues. I am sure that there is much that our Federation, and its member Racing Authorities, can do to assist Greece in its journey."

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TYLICKI DETERMINED TO STAY POSITIVE

Freddy Tylicki insists "staying positive is the main thing" as he continues to rehabilitate from a fall that left him paralysed from the waist down.

Tylicki remains in the London Spinal Cord Injury Centre, in Stanmore, after he was injured in a four-horse pile-up at Kempton on Oct. 31.

He told BBC Radio's 5 live Daily show: "You've got good days and bad days, but at the moment I'm taking every day as it comes. For me, that's the best way to handle the situation. There's always someone worse than you. You've just got to do the best you can out of the situation. Staying positive is the main thing. It can be hard sometimes and easier other days. You've just got to learn how to deal with it." **Cont. p6**

Freddy Tylicki cont.

The 30-year-old sustained a T7 paralysis, which means he has movement in the upper half of his body but not his lower, when he fell from Nellie Deen in the 4-horse pile-up that led to the abandonment of the meeting at Kempton. Tylicki admitted he has not yet seen a replay of the incident.

He said: "A few of my colleagues have watched the fall, I haven't myself. They were saying I'm actually very lucky to be here. There's no point for me to watch it. I was there, that's enough. I do remember everything. Unfortunately, that's racing, in a way."

Freddy Tylicki | *Racing Post photo*

Tylicki had last year been an emerging force in the weighing room, having claimed a first Group 1 victory aboard the James Fanshawe-trained Speedy Boarding (GB) (Shamardal) at Deauville in the summer. He then secured a second top-level Flat triumph when the same filly won the Prix de l'Opera on Arc weekend at Chantilly in October.

"I was born to do it," he added. "My father was a very, very good jockey and from a very young age I decided to go down that route. I saw the ups and downs and the toughness of the job, but from around 12 years of age I knew I was going to be a jockey.

He continued: "On the Flat, you're going at great speed so when you do get a fall it's always, 'How bad it is?', and this time I didn't get away with it. Accidents do happen in racing. It's a risky sport and you're aware of it as a jockey, but you don't think about it. Things can happen. When you've won on a few horses that absolutely took off with you--there's nothing better than that. I'm glad I've experienced that."

A GoFundMe page, established by racing presenter Matt Chapman, to raise money to help Tylicki's recovery had collected over £330,000.

Tylicki said: "The support I've been getting is tremendous and unbelievable. I don't quite know how to thank everyone. It's been absolutely amazing."

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EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Mambo Rock (Ire), c, 4, Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)--Amaya, by Kingmambo. Sha Tin, 2-5, Hcp. *(£129k/€149k)*, 1800mT, 1:47.75. B-Churchtown House Stud. *90,000gns Ylg '14 TATOCT. VIDEO

WORLDWIDE NEWS

Taits Purchase Twin Hills cont. from p1

Tait continued, "Setting up your own business is something that takes a long period of time. You want to find the right place, and this was exactly the right place for us."

Tait would certainly know a good Thoroughbred nursery when he sees one. Tait, who hails from a highly successful racing family, established Darley's satellite in Australia and spent time managing Darley's farms in Japan and the U.S. before relocating with his family to England, where he was responsible for overseeing Darley's global operations. And this isn't the first time Tait has been involved with a purchase of Twin Hills.

Olly Tait | *Bronwen Healy*

"When the Woodlands bloodstock enterprise was bought by Darley I managed that acquisition, and this was an asset that was purchased by Darley in that acquisition," he explained. "It's a property I know well and had been involved with before, and it's a property I always thought was wonderful. At the beginning of August last year Darley put it on the market with William Inglis, and I then started trying to buy it. All these things take a bit of time and we got it finalised in the last few days."

Twin Hills was established by Ferd Calvin before being purchased by media personality Mike Willesee in the early 1980s. Willesee renamed the property Trans Media Park and, in addition to building up world-class facilities, stood important stallions Snippets (Aus) and Rubiton (Aus). Cont. p7

Taits Purchase Twin Hills cont.

Twin Hills was purchased by Jack and Bob Ingham's Woodlands Stud in 1993 and was an integral part of that operation as the home to many of its broodmares as well as successful sires like Strategic (Aus), Domesday (Aus) and Quest For Fame (GB). After its purchase by Darley, Twin Hills was home to some of Godolphin's most successful Australian racehorses, including Group 1 winners Appearance (Aus) (Commands {Aus}), Exosphere (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}), Epaulette (Aus) (Commands {Aus}) and Guelph (Aus) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}).

After all his years traveling the globe, Tait said his family's decision to return home to Australia was a straightforward one.

"I've been very fortunate to work and be exposed to the Thoroughbred industry in different parts of the world," he said. "Australia is home, so there was a natural gravitation back here, particularly given the age of our children, but at the same time weighing up what we were going to do, you look at how the industry has developed and is continuing to develop in Australia, and there's a fairly compelling argument to set up shop here. It's a very vibrant environment. The economic fundamentals of racing are very sound and there's a great culture of racing within the country, and as a consequence there's a very commercial market as well. In terms of the business we're going to run Australia was a great place to do it."

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Twin Hills Stud

PRICE STARS TO STAY APART

Trainer Mick Price's star 3-year-old sprinters **Flying Artie (Aus)** (Artie Schiller) and **Extreme Choice (Aus)** (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}) are set to be kept apart–at least for their seasonal debuts, the conditioner told *Racing.com* after the colts trialled separately at Cranbourne on Tuesday.

Flying Artie, who was placed in the G1 Blue Diamond S. and the G1 Golden Slipper as a 2-year-old and won last season's G1 Coolmore Stud S., will take in the G1 Lightning S. on Feb. 18 followed by the G1 Newmarket H. on Mar. 11. Extreme Choice, the Blue Diamond winner who added last season's G1 Moir S., will open his season in the Feb. 25 G1 Oakleigh Plate with plans fluid after that. He could join Flying Artie in the Newmarket or wait for the Mar. 24 G1 William Reid S. back at the scene of his Moir triumph at Moonee Valley.

Flying Artie was second to smart mare Heatherly (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}) in an 800-metre trial on Tuesday.

Flying Artie pulled his way up to be joint leader on the inside with Heatherly on his heels, and the mare passed Flying Artie in deep stretch with neither asked a question. Price told *Racing.com* after, "He's had a good day out. He's a bit sparked up by being out here, which was the plan. [The] time was good, horse is good, he had a bit of a blow. They're only trials, so he's not getting dug out in a trial."

"We've got two more [trial] opportunities with him fitness-wise: this Saturday and next Tuesday before the Lightning," Price added. "I'm pretty happy with him; he's had a beautiful prep and he's going well."

Extreme Choice was shaken up out of the barriers in his trial and led gate-to-wire, with So Si Bon (Aus) (So You Think {NZ}) making a late charge on him to narrow the margin at the line. Price remarked, "Against those horses, there was not much competition speed-wise. [Rider Craig Newitt] said he had pricked ears, he was in front for that long, and eased up before the post. He's pretty fit, and he's a clean-winded horse--first-up in the Oakleigh Plate, you'd want to be. Most of the others who run in it will run somewhere else [first]."

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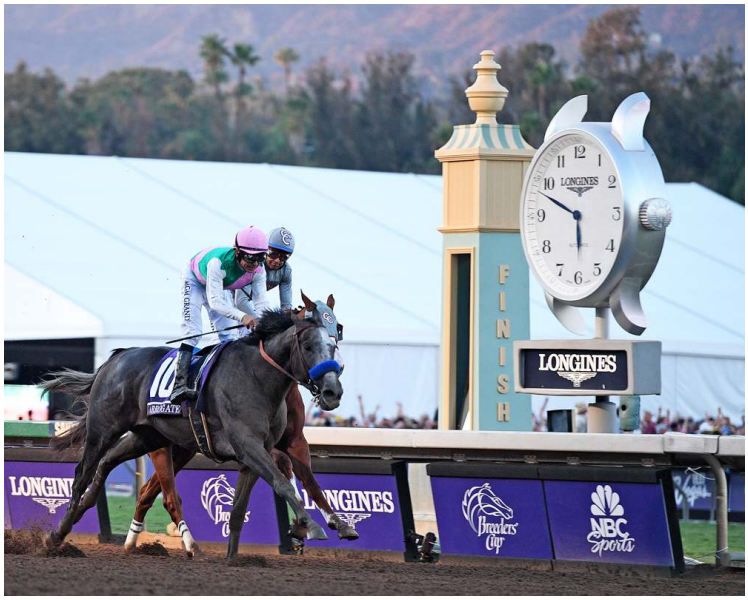
Extreme Choice trials with ears pricked | *Bronwen Healy*

ARROGATE NOMINATED FOR WORLD CUP

Juddmonte Farms's **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song), the world's highest-rated racehorse of 2016, has been nominated to the $10-million G1 Dubai World Cup on Mar. 25 at Meydan Racecourse. Arrogate, one of 168 entries to the World Cup, won last year's GI Travers S. and GI Breeders' Cup Classic and opened his 4-year-old season with a win in the Jan. 28 GI Pegasus World Cup.



Arrogate bests California Chrome in the Breeders' Cup Classic
Mathea Kelley

Other U.S.-trained nominations to the World Cup include Arrogate's former Bob Baffert stablemate **Dortmund** (Big Brown), now trained by California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit)'s former trainer Art Sherman, and champion 3-year-old filly **Songbird** (Medaglia d'Oro). G2 UAE Derby winner and last year's World Cup runner-up **Mubtaahij (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) will look to go one better, and last year's UAE Derby winner **Lani** (Tapit) will look to make it back-to-back wins on the big night.

There are a total of 1,549 nominations from 779 horses from 22 countries for World Cup night, which features five Group 1s and three Group 2s for Thoroughbreds. Also among the highlights is U.S. champion grass mare and G1 Queen Anne S. winner **Tepin** (Bernstein), nominated for the G1 Dubai Turf. **Postponed (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) looks set to defend his title in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic, where he could oppose the formidable Ballydoyle pair of **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Seventh Heaven (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). The former also holds a World Cup entry.

The G1 Al Quoz Sprint on turf will be held over 1200 metres for the first time, and among the nominations are European standout sprinter **Limato (Ire)** (Tagula {Ire}), Hong Kong's **Peniaphobia (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}), Australian speedball **Malaguerra (Aus)** (Magnus {Aus}) and French Group 1 winner **Signs Of Blessing (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

The G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen over 1200 metres on dirt features a pair of American Group 1 winners: champion sprinter **Drefong** (Gio Ponti) and Malibu S. winner **Mind Your Biscuits** (Posse).

Malih Al Basti, Meydan Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Meydan Racing Committee, said, "With 22 countries represented among the 2017 Dubai World Cup nominations we once again look forward to hosting a truly global day of racing on Mar 25. We are gratified that our support for international racing in the form of subsidies and prize money continues to attract such a strong response from the world's biggest names. Yet we are just as pleased to welcome to the Dubai World Cup the relative newcomers to the world stage from countries such as South Korea. Our wish, and that of Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, when he founded the Dubai World Cup in 1996, was to create a truly global event and it is rewarding to see that vision fulfilled year after year."

Click here for the full list of nominees.

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STAKES WINNER FOR CHAIRMAN'S SALE

Another stakes winner has been entered for Inglis's inaugural Chairman's Sale Elite Breeding Prospects session on Apr. 7 in Sydney. **Don't Doubt Mamma (Aus)** (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}) is the winner of seven of her 17 starts, five of those stakes wins, highlighted by victories in last season's G2 Let's Elope S. over 1400 metres at Flemington and G2 Stocks S. going a mile at Moonee Valley for trainer Tony McEvoy.

The 4-year-old Don't Doubt Mamma joins Group 1 winner Provocative (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), stakes winner Harlem River (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and Close To My Heart (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), a young mare in foal to Frankel (GB), in the Chairman's catalogue.

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NEWGATE OFFERS CLASSIC BONUS

Newgate Farm will pay a A$100,000 bonus to the buyer of any graduate by its three first-season sires of this weekend's Inglis Classic Sale that can go on to win the 2018 Listed Restricted Inglis Classic race, already worth A$250,000, in a year's time.

Newgate's three first-season sires are Group 1-winning juvenile **Sizzling (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}), represented by 20 yearlings at the Classic sale; Group 2 winner and dual Group 1-placed **Eurozone (Aus)** (Northern Meteor {Aus}) with 19 yearlings; and American shuttler **The Factor** (War Front) with eight. Cont. p9

Newgate Classic Bonus cont.

"Our young stallions all have the profile to suggest they can get 2-year-old winners, and you only have to look at their progeny on show here at Newmarket to see someone will have a great chance of collecting this bonus next year," said Bruce Slade, Newgate's Director of Stallions and Sales.

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Newgate first-season yearling sire Sizzling | *Newgate Farm*

ASIA

Tuesday's Result:

SAGA KINEN-Listed, ¥34,500,000, Saga, 2-7, 4yo/up, 2000m, 2:06.70, sy.

1–**#LONDON TOWN (JPN), 121, c, 4, by Kane Hekili (Jpn)**
1st Dam: Fairy Banyan (Jpn), by Honour and Glory
2nd Dam: Cataract, by Storm Cat
3rd Dam: Queen Tutta, by Kris S.
O-Toru Makiura; B-Matsuura Farm; T-Kazuya Makita; J-Yuga Kawada; ¥23,000,000. Lifetime Record: 15-5-2-0.

2--**Tamuro Miracle (Jpn)**, 123, h, 5, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Tamuro Ine (Jpn), by Jolie's Halo. O-Tamuro Taniguchi; B-Miyauchi Farm; ¥6,900,000.

3--**Strong Souther (Jpn)**, 126, h, 6, Heart's Cry (Jpn)--Eventail, by Lear Fan. O-Atsushi Muraki; B-Shadai Farm; ¥2,300,000.

Margins: 4, HF, 1. Odds: 1.90, 2.00, 4.00.

RAPPER DRAGON REGISTERS SMOOTH TRIAL

by Alan Carasso

With a little less than two weeks remaining to the Hong Kong Classic Cup (1800m), pro-tem divisional favorite **Rapper Dragon (Aus)** (Street Boss) got an interim pipe-opener in Tuesday morning's first trial up the 1000-metre straight at Sha Tin Racecourse.

Rapper Dragon gets easy trial ahead of the Classic Cup | *HKJC photo*

The impressive last-out winner of the Hong Kong Classic Mile Jan. 22, Rapper Dragon jumped alertly from the one hole (furthest from the stands) and raced in the centre of the track throughout the trial while never asked a serious question by regular rider Joao Moreira. Always traveling comfortably and appearing well within himself, the chestnut came home fifth, just over three lengths behind the stakes-winning galloper Packing Llaregyb (Ire) (Dylan Thomas {Ire}) in the time of :59.35 (video).

"I'm very pleased with Rapper Dragon's trial--everything's going the same direction, work-wise, as it was leading into his last win," commented trainer John Moore. "He'll be cherry ripe by the time he gets to the Classic Cup a week on Sunday."

In the same batch was Rapper Dragon's G1 Queensland Derby winner **Eagle Way (Aus)** (More Than Ready), who raced reasonably close to the early pace while a bit keen and was not fully extended in caboosing the field.

"Eagle Way--I was very happy with the trial," Moore said. "He shows early speed but when it comes to race day you can drop him back in and he'll relax. He's going well."

The conditioner also provided an update on **Beauty Generation (NZ)** (Road to Rock {Aus}), a latest third to Rapper Dragon in the Classic Mile and also headed towards the Classic Cup.

"Beauty Generation got galloped on again in the Classic Mile, so he missed a day's work," Moore explained. "But he was back galloping within a few days and he was out on the training track this morning. I'm happy with the way he's progressing. It was a little bit disappointing that he didn't hit the line a little stronger the other day," he added. "The way he closed off, he just didn't finish like I'd hoped he would. Maybe that's the best he can do--he doesn't have a long run on him. He's still on track and maybe that little freshen up won't have hurt him."

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AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

+Bravo Watchman (Aus), g, 3, Congrats--Secover (Aus), by Danehill. Sha Tin, 2-5, Hcp. *(A$142k)*, 1000mT, :56.68. B-G Harvey (NSW). *1/2 to Landlocked (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), SW-Aus, A$320,300. **A$85,000 Ylg '15 MMADE. VIDEO

Western Express (Aus), g, 4, Encosta de Lago (Aus)--Alsatia (Aus), by Marauding (NZ). Sha Tin, 2-5, Hcp. *(A$296k)*, 1400mT, 1:21.65. B-F Peisah (NSW). *Formerly Cardless Cash (Aus). **1/2 to Whitefriars (Aus) (Arena {Aus}), MGSW-Aus, A$618,765; and Ringmaster (Aus) (Arena {Aus}), MSW-Aus, A$270,700. ***A$80,000 Ylg '14 INGMEL. VIDEO

IN SINGAPORE:

Siam Gemstone (Aus), g, 3, **Darci Brahma (NZ)**--Savamour (NZ), by Savabeel (Aus). Kranji, 2-5, Restricted Maiden *(A$69k)*, 1400mT, 1:22.44. B-Little Avondale Stud (NSW). *NZ$115,000 Ylg '15 NZBPRE. VIDEO

TOP 20 GENERAL AUSTRALIAN SIRES BY EARNINGS

Sire	Winners	SW (SWins)	Earnings (A$)
Snitzel	98	13 (15)	7,191,091
I Am Invincible	92	7 (12)	6,958,366
Street Cry (Ire)	64	6 (10)	6,645,805
Fastnet Rock	93	6 (7)	6,244,031
Not a Single Doubt	92	5 (7)	5,760,299
High Chaparral (Ire)	80	7 (7)	4,840,406
Stratum	50	5 (7)	4,578,630
Written Tycoon	83	5 (10)	4,544,023
Monsun (Ger)	1	1 (3)	4,510,925
More Than Ready (USA)	59	3 (4)	4,350,178
Sebring	82	1 (1)	4,323,579
Choisir	66	5 (6)	3,959,526
Exceed and Excel	64	9 (11)	3,957,549
Redoute's Choice	55	5 (6)	3,464,049
Lonhro	65	6 (6)	3,349,529
Hinchinbrook	35	3 (4)	3,144,666
Myboycharlie (Ire)	37	1 (2)	3,123,095
Magnus	48	2 (3)	3,054,681
Medaglia d'Oro (USA)	33	3 (4)	2,983,294
Nicconi	71	3 (4)	2,946,774

Source: Arion Pedigrees (www.arion.co.nz)

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