

## IN THEIR FOOTSTEPS: THE TAYLOR 'NEXTERS'



Brooks Taylor, Logan Payne, Marshall Taylor, Katie Taylor-Marshall, Joe Taylor and Alex Payne | *Laura Donnell photo*

by Carly Silver

**Editor's Note: In Their Footsteps is an ongoing series on people who have followed their parents into the horse racing industry.**

No one knows family better than family--the same goes when it comes to a family farm. In 1976, Joe Taylor and partner Mike Shannon founded Taylor Made Farm, located on a portion of land leased from Gainesway. More than 40 years later, Joe's children and grandchildren have turned a fledgling farm into one of the world's premier stud and sales operations. Leading the charge are the "Nexters," as Joe's grandchildren and the sons of Taylor Made's vice president of sales Pat Payne call themselves, with cousins Marshall Taylor, Brooks Taylor, Joe Taylor and Katie Taylor-Marshall at the forefront.

Marshall is the son of farm president and CEO Duncan Taylor; Brooks is the son of Ben Taylor, vice president of the stallion operation; and siblings Joe and Katie are the children of Frank Taylor, vice president of boarding operations. And Uncle Mark, vice president of marketing and public sales operations, also has two youngsters of his own.

Just as Joe Sr. trained up his sons on the farm, he started the next generation at an early age.

"Me and my cousins would pick up rocks and take weeds, and that was our first job," 30-year-old Marshall recalled, reflecting back to his childhood. **Cont. p4**

## CALIFORNIA CHROME TO SHUTTLE TO CHILE'S SUMAYA STUD

2014 and 2016 Horse of the Year **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit), the all-time richest North American Thoroughbred money-earner, will shuttle to Haras Sumaya Stud in Chile for the Southern Hemisphere breeding season, it was announced Thursday. The deal was brokered by Chile's Sullivan Bloodstock in conjunction with Taylor Made Bloodstock.



California Chrome | *Jon Siegel*

"California Chrome has generated a lot of interest from the Southern Hemisphere, so we agreed to explore the option of shuttling," said Duncan Taylor, President & CEO of Taylor Made Farm. "We are very happy to partner with Sumaya Stud, and feel extremely comfortable that it's a great situation for California Chrome." **Cont. p3**

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**A Geno of all trades.** Fan favorite Geno's Bambino, who won his most recent race on August 13, 2016, is using his off-season time to learn a new sport. On March 11, the 6-year-old son of Decarchy demonstrated obstacle training with rider Kaitlyn Rinker in the Retired Racehorse Project's Colorado's Most Wanted Thoroughbred event at the Rocky Mountain Horse Expo in Denver, CO. He will return to racing when Arapahoe Park opens in May. Join track announcer and host Jonathan Horowitz during the racing season for an episode of "Gates Open at Arapahoe Park" about the event, broadcasting in Colorado on Altitude Sports and Entertainment, and also airing on the [Arapahoe Park YouTube channel](#). | Left: Coady Photography Right: The Galloping Lane Photography

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## California Chrome to Shuttle to Chile

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California Chrome | Laura Donnell

Taylor continued, “This was a decision that was not taken lightly. Ben (Taylor) and I flew down to see several potential farms and did an extensive amount of due diligence, evaluating whether or not there was a situation that met a very high set of standards established by our entire advisory team and our shareholders. Ultimately, the health and safety of California Chrome, quality of facilities, experience of staff and reputation of the farm were all paramount.”

Taylor Made Stallions personnel will accompany California Chrome during his time at Sumaya Stud, and a coordination of protocols have been established by Rood & Riddle’s Dr. Charlie Scoggin and Dr. Rolf Embertson and the two on-location veterinarians at Sumaya Stud, led by Dr. Carolina Rojas.

The newly-retired California Chrome is currently in the second month of his debut season at stud at Taylor Made Stallions in Nicholasville, where he stands for a fee of \$40,000. Following the conclusion of this year’s North American breeding season, the ever-popular chestnut will enter quarantine before shipping to the Southern Hemisphere.

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Marshall Taylor added, "He implanted in us the togetherness of our generation."

Joe, now 29, recalled that farm chores would come after Joe Sr. picked up his grandkids and dropped them off at church on Sundays. While Katie, 31, worked alongside her cousins, she was all about the horses from an early age.

"I got my first miniature horse when I was four," she reflected. "From that point on, I was hooked. I'd always loved horses. The boys didn't take a whole lot of interest in the horses until they were somewhat older."

As teens, all the Taylors pitched in at the yearling sales--Katie laughingly remembers taking her first horse, "a thousand-year-old mare," into the ring at age eleven. By the time they grew to adulthood, their career paths diverged. Marshall loved racing, while Brooks, now 31, wanted to be a farm manager, but eventually realized his passion was in stallions. Joe found his calling with yearlings, while Katie excelled in operations.

Katie attended Kentucky's Midway College. After graduating, she worked for a mini-horse trainer, then at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital as a surgery technician and eventually at Farfellow Farm in Florida. Those wide-ranging experiences made her an ideal candidate to help improve Taylor Made's Farm's internal operations in her current role of "really working in grinding the gears," as she describes it. That includes facilitating communications and assisting the farm and its employees, themselves a family, to prosper.

"I just want to contribute to the bottom line internally," she

explained. "I don't need to be out there selling horses to do it. I can be helping us save."

But Katie, who dubbed herself and her cousins the "Now-ers," also brings in revenue. She manages the farm's bloodstock investment package; every year, she raises two to three million dollars and seeks out investors with the intent to buy horses for Taylor Made to sell the following year. She said that last year, this initiative yielded a 17% return for customers.

"If it weren't for our relationship and great clients, Taylor Made would be nowhere," Katie continued. "It started with a pickup truck and a pitchfork."

Katie has seen interest in the farm skyrocket since California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit)'s retirement. As of late February, weekend tours are booked through June.

"He's the everyman's horse, and he's given us this excellent vehicle just to reach the people from all walks of life and all areas," she said. "Chrome brings them together. [Visitors see] how well these horses are taken care of and how much they're treasured."

The family is coming off a banner year with California Chrome's second Horse of the Year campaign. Clients and distant Taylor family members alike showed up at Chrome's big races, which Marshall said he hoped would encourage more prospective owners to get involved.

"Every time, at one of those races--even the [GI] Pegasus [World Cup Invitational], even though it didn't turn out the way we wanted it--I'd say everybody there had a great time, despite the loss," Marshall observed.

Joe agreed, adding, "It was surreal. We got a horse like this, and chances are there's not going to be a horse like this [that] comes around once in a lifetime, once in every five lifetimes."



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"In our family, and I think in the industry as a whole, in the generations before me...the women didn't have the opportunity to work on the farm," Katie asserted, citing examples of an increasing female presence in veterinary technician programs. "It's sort of a trend that will be forced, whether the industry is ready for it or not."

Perhaps those numbers will include Katie's own daughter, 6-year-old Mary Emily (named for Joe Sr.'s wife).

Both Marshall and Joe attended the University of Arizona Racetrack Industry Program. Two years ago, after working for trainers including Todd Pletcher and two-year-old specialist Raul Reyes, Marshall returned to Taylor Made: last year, he spent five months in South America, learning about the best operations in Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, and Brazil. He brings his global connections to his current role as co-manager of Taylor Made's new venture, Medallion Racing, inspired by the farm's success in purchasing portions of already successful runners like California Chrome and 'TDN Rising Star' and GI Kentucky Oaks winner Cathryn Sophia (Street Boss). Within the next month, Marshall and partner Phillip Shelton said they plan to acquire pieces of horses to race with their investors. Medallion will buy into racehorses already running at stakes or graded stakes levels, rather than purchasing untested youngsters.

Brooks also expanded his education overseas--he learned hands-on at prominent Australian farm Arrowfield Stud--but it's closer to home where he found his inspiration. He said he particularly admired Taylor Made stallion star Unbridled's Song, whose best son, 'TDN Rising Star' Arrogate, has set the racing world on fire.



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"He was big and expensive and he knew it," Brooks said with a laugh. "It's humbling. You just count the blessings every day and thank God [for] how lucky you've been. That doesn't happen all the time."

Now a stallion sales assistant, Brooks nurtures bonds with clients; he enjoys not having to put the "hard sell" on Taylor Made's studs, instead getting to "advise people and build relationships more." That involves checking in with breeders about their mares and foals, seeing which clients are looking to breed mares to a Taylor Made stallion (and advising which horse might suit their operation best), and talking up the farm's studs.

He said he was especially excited about California Chrome.

Joe honed his skills as an intern at the Kentucky Equine Sports Medicine & Rehabilitation Center. After working for several trainers and prepping Taylor Made sales horses, he served as WinStar Farm's assistant yearling manager from November 2011 to November 2013.

"I learned a lot about managing, just having to keep track of all that," Joe noted. "I really got a great experience over there and it was a really big stepping stone, I think, for me as a horseman."

By successfully merging their diversified interest and skill sets, the "Nexters" have made Taylor Made's future that much brighter.

“It’s coming to work every day with people that you’ve known all your life and they still have the ability to surprise you,” Katie concluded. “Being in a working relationship with them, you get to see them in different facets.”

Consistent with the theme of family bonds, Marshall echoed Katie’s sentiments.

“There’s something special about being able to go to work every day and seeing your cousins and your family succeed, and I’m grateful to be able to work with them,” he said. “All of them have different special talents and at times it’s challenging, but I don’t think I’d trade working with them for anything.”

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## MO TOWN VISITS GULFSTREAM, POSSIBLE FOR FLORIDA DERBY

Team D and the Coolmore partners’ [‘TDN Rising Star’ Mo Town](#) (Uncle Mo) took a major step toward rebounding from a disappointing fifth-place finish as the favorite in the GII Risen Star S. at the Fair Grounds Feb. 25, shipping in to Gulfstream Park from his Payson Park base Thursday morning for the sole purpose of familiarizing himself with the local strip. On an unseasonably chilly morning in South Florida, the GII Remsen S.-winning Anthony Dutrow trainee worked six furlongs in 1:13.24 [\[video\]](#) beneath Hall of Fame pilot Johnny Velazquez in preparation for a possible start in the Apr. 1 GI Xpressbet.com Florida Derby.

“I liked what I saw, I thought the horse was very smooth over the racetrack,” Dutrow said, moments after the work, as he prepared to meet Mo Town back at the barn. “He went very evenly the whole way, and seemed to gallop out excellent. I’m happy with today’s workout.”

Mo Town, who breezed solo while breaking off from the five-eighths pole, ticked off fractions of 36.23 and 1:00.09. While under urging from Velazquez, the son of Uncle Mo worked a furlong beyond the wire. His seven-furlong gallop-out time was 1:27.26. Dutrow said a major factor behind the decision to make the 90-mile journey to work over the



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Hallandale oval was his suspicion that Mo Town did not handle the racing surface at the Fair Grounds.

“I had a lot of reasons for coming here today from Payson Park,” Dutrow added. “Number one was to get a very good workout in the horse [somewhere] other than at Payson Park. He’s been breezing all winter long at Payson Park, so I wanted to get him down here at a racetrack for a very good workout. Number two was that I wanted to see how he got along with Gulfstream Park because of the Florida Derby, after having the bad experience at the Fair Grounds.”

Dutrow added that his colt can benefit from a break from his typical routine at bucolic Payson Park.

“I wanted to get him in the excitement-type atmosphere of a racetrack,” Dutrow explained. “I just wanted to get [as many] race-day type of situations as we could create in the morning.”

While the Florida Derby seems like the most likely next start for Mo Town because of its timing and geographic location, Dutrow did not rule out the possibility of shipping north to compete in the Apr. 8 GII Wood Memorial S. at Aqueduct, where he captured the Remsen last autumn.

“I will talk to Johnny and then I will talk to Coolmore, and then a decision will be made,” Dutrow said of his options for Mo Town’s final prep race for a potential try in the May 6 GI Kentucky Derby. “He also has to draw somewhat well in the Florida Derby. If he didn’t draw well, we wouldn’t run here.”

Mo Town became a ‘Rising Star’ off a seven-length graduation at second asking going a mile at Belmont Sept. 24 and followed with a decisive stalk-and-pounce score in the Nov. 26 Remsen. The \$200,000 KEESEP yearling buy was pounded down to 3-2 favoritism in the Risen Star and flattened out to finish fifth after tracking an honest early pace.

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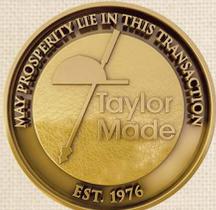


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19	Union Rags	F14	KY	\$35,000	14	10	\$362,800	\$217,500
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21	Tiznow	F03	KY	\$75,000	9	6	\$306,166	\$277,500
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**CONQUEST BANDIDO (f, 3, [Into Mischief](#)--Restraining Order {MSP}, by Skip Trial)** broke her maiden at fourth asking over the Woodbine synthetic in her final start for trainer Mark Casse and was subsequently sold to these connections for \$90,000 as part of the Conquest Stables dispersal at the Keeneland November sale. Transferred to Wayne Catalano, she kicked off her sophomore season with a runner-up effort here Jan. 20 and was fourth last time in Hot Springs Feb. 12. Overlooked at 10-1, the dark bay was in the middle of a three-horse duel for control through early splits of :23.92 and :48.31. Seizing control entering the turn for home, Conquest Bandido scampered clear in the stretch to win by a decisive 3 1/4 lengths over 18-1 shot Dutch Parrot (Eskendereya). The winner is a half-sister to Hey Byrn (Put It Back), GSW, \$339,793; and a 2-year-old colt by Mineshaft. Sales history: \$75,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1, \$101,589. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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the 3-year-old filly Strawberry Tequila (Daaher), who broke her maiden at Belmont last October. Sales history: \$57,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT; \$230,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: SP, 9-2-3-1, \$110,680. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Speedway Stable LLC; B-D. Hayes & Darley (KY); T-M. Stidham.

**3rd-FG, \$40,000, Alw** (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 3-16, 3yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.52, fm.

**CARSON KAN (g, 3, [Kantharos](#)--Carsomatic, by Carson City)** kicked off this term with a third-place finish on the dirt here Jan. 14 and completed the trifecta again in his turf debut last time in NOLA Feb. 11. Quickest away from the stalls, the 6-1 shot was overtaken by Stage Show (Salute the Sarge) just before clocking an opening quarter in :21.92. Resigned to press from a joint second, the chestnut took command once again in mid-stretch and zipped clear to win by 1 3/4 lengths. Keep Talking (Ghostzapper) ran on late for second and Stage Show faded to last. The winner is a half-brother to Carphonic (Lion Heart), SW, \$110,666; and has a 2-year-old full-sister. Sales history: \$80,000 Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$55,000 2yo '16 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-2, \$50,451. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Rags Racing Stable LLC & Little Bear Racing Stables; B-Gem Racing Inc. (FL); T-Ingrid Mason.

### Sequel Bloodstock graduate

**5th-FG, \$38,000, Msw**, 3-16, 3yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.54, fm.

**TRANSATLANTIC KISS (c, 3, [Stormy Atlantic](#)--Snuggs and Kisses {SW, \$288,020}, by Soto)** came charging late to be third after a troubled start and wide journey in her course-and-distance unveiling Feb. 16 and added blinkers as the 6-5 favorite for this second attempt. Away to a quick and untroubled beginning this time around, the chestnut seized the early advantage and was pressed along by longshot Refractive (Gemologist) through an opening quarter in :46.57. That rival threw in the towel as they hit the half in :46.57 and Transatlantic Kiss rolled clear, but Shirl's Ready (More Than Ready) was just getting started. He unleashed a powerful turn of foot to quickly close in on the leader in the final sixteenth, but was just a little too late as Transatlantic Kiss held on by a head. The winner is the first foal out of SW Snuggs and Kisses, who is also responsible for the juvenile colt No Worries Mate (Lonhro {Aus}) and a yearling colt by Central Banker. She was bred back to Here Comes Ben. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$26,980. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Bernard Racing LLC; B-L. Barrett Bernard (KY); T-Thomas Amoss.

# CALIFORNIA

## Thursday's Results:

**7th-SA, \$58,070, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt.** Clm (\$40,000), 3-16, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2fT, 1:13.23, fm.

**BETTY DRAPER (f, 4, Street Cry {Ire}--Interior Design, by A.P. Indy)** completed the trifecta in her first three starts in France before breaking maiden in her final start for trainer Andre Fabre and her breeder's Godolphin Racing at Pornichet Oct. 26. Purchased for \$149,352 at last term's Arqana December sale and transferred to California-based condition Jim Cassidy, she was given a 5-1 chance while receiving Lasix for the first time in this U.S. debut. Trailing the field through swift early fractions of :21.50 and :43.69, the dark bay swung out to the center of the track coming off the far turn and rallied alongside Anita Partner (Ire) (Majestic Warrior), but was carried out by that rival in the lane and forced to settle for a neck second. After a lengthy inquire into the first four finishers, the stewards disqualified Anita Partner from first and placed her second for stretch interference, giving the win to Betty Draper. Longshot pacesetter Candy Boss (Twirling Candy) crossed the line third, but was also disqualified and placed fourth for interfering with Longstocking (Into Mischief), who was in turn moved up from fourth to third. The winner is a half-brother to Modern (Tiznow), MSW, \$234,999. His dam Interior Design is also responsible for a juvenile colt by Street Sense; a yearling colt by that same Darley sire; and a Discreet Cat colt foaled Feb. 16 of this year. A daughter of French MGSW Colour Chart (Mr. Prospector), who was MGISP in the U.S., Interior Design is a full-sister to champion juvenile filly Tempera (A.P. Indy); English MGSW & G1SP Equerry (St. Jovite); and French SW Ecole D'Art (Theatrical {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-3, &56,971. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-D P Racing; B-Darley (KY); T-James Cassidy.

**4th-SA, \$54,690, (S), Msw, 3-16, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.41, ft.** **+BATIQUITOS (f, 3, Dixie Chatter--Warren's Got Game, by Ancient Art)** was hammered down to 4-5 favoritism for this debut off a speedy worktab, most recently breezing a best-of-60 half-mile in :45 3/5 in Arcadia Mar. 11. Off to a slow start from post one, the bay ran near the back of the pack through the initial stages, but advanced up the rail to be a close fourth as they clocked an opening quarter in :22.65. Assuming command on the backstretch, she kicked clear in the stretch to don cap and gown by 1 3/4 lengths. Radish (Square Eddie) completed the exacta. The winner is the first foal out of Warren's Got Game, who has only produced one other horse since, a yearling colt by Richard's Kid. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$32,400. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)  
O-David & Jennifer Lindo; B-David Lindo (CA); T-William Spawr.

## APPOINTMENTS

### Jill Byrne, Senior Director of Industry Relations, Breeders' Cup

- Byrne will focus on industry relations between Breeders' Cup Limited and its constituents, including the promotion and coordination of the Breeders' Cup Challenge series program in the US and Canada, as well as the recruitment of runners for the Breeders' Cup.
- Previously worked at Churchill Downs as Director of Broadcast and Programming for the past nine years.
- "I am excited for this wonderful opportunity to join the Breeders' Cup and look forward to working with the many people and organizations in the horse racing industry to continue to promote the sport I am so passionate about," said Byrne. "I am grateful and appreciative for the incredible opportunities that Churchill Downs has provided me and the vast knowledge and experience I have gained by being a part of the Kentucky Derby."
- "We are fortunate to have selected a very talented, hardworking and known professional in Jill Byrne," said Craig Favel, Breeders' Cup President and CEO. "This new position will combine Jill's great horsemanship and proven success in developing strong relationships inside and outside Thoroughbred racing. She will be a terrific asset to the Breeders' Cup."

## INDUSTRY INFO

### Geoffrey Hughes Foundations Gift to Cover TRF Farrier Expenses:

The Geoffrey C. Hughes Foundation has donated \$85,000 to the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation Farrier Fund to cover the organization's 2017 hoof-care expenses, it was announced Thursday. The TRF established the Farrier Fund in 2015.

"Hoof maintenance is especially important for off-track Thoroughbreds and is one of our single largest expenses," said Sara Davenport, TRF's herd manager. "Our horses are all turned out or in re-training, and they need healthy, well-trimmed feet."

Diana Pikulski, TRF Director of External Affairs, added, "We are grateful to have these funds restricted for hoof care available for our farriers. Like the Hart to Heart Fund, established five years ago by Sophie Stenbeck for TRF's vet care, these major gifts provide security for our horses' vital needs."

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**Industry Info cont.****NHC Tour Features New Brand, Sponsors and Record Prize Pool:**

The 2017 NHC Tour will be the richest in its 10-year history with a record prize pool totaling \$400,000 up for grabs in 2017, it was announced Thursday. The NTRA National Horseplayers Championship Tour (NHC Tour) is a year-long bonus series offering additional prize money and qualifying berths to the NTRA National Horseplayers Championship (NHC), the world's richest handicapping contest, formerly known as the NTRA National Handicapping Championship.

This year's NHC Tour prize pool represents a 27% increase from the \$315,000 offered in 2016. The NHC Tour champion will win \$100,000 (up from \$75,000 in 2016), with \$50,000 to the runner-up, \$25,000 to third, \$17,500 to fourth, and \$10,000 to fifth. The top 20 finishers on the NHC Tour will win prize money, with sixth through 20th paying on a declining scale from \$9,000 to \$2,000.

"This record prize money for the NHC Tour is a reflection of what continues to be unabated growth and interest in the NHC and NHC Tour," said NTRA President and Chief Executive Officer Alex Waldrop.

Additionally, the NTRA also noted that Equibase Company, the racing industry's official database, is the new official data provider of the NHC and the NHC Tour, and its STATS Race Lens interactive past performance product will be a presenting sponsor of the NHC. The Lexington-based luxury charter service LUXAIR Jets has acquired the naming rights for all NHC and NHC Tour leaderboards.

NHC Tour membership is mandatory to be eligible to qualify for the NHC. Membership includes free entry into five online "members only" contests offering a record 25 NHC berths (five more than in last year's free online qualifiers). Those contests are set for Apr. 8, May 13, June 10, July 30, and Sept. 2. The 19th NTRA National Horseplayers Championship Presented by RTN, STATS Race Lens and Treasure Island Las Vegas will be held Feb. 9-11, 2018, at Treasure Island in Las Vegas.

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**NOTABLE US-BRED RUNNERS IN JAPAN**

**Saturday, March 18, 2017**

**6th-HSN, ¥13,720,000 (US\$121k), Alw, 3yo, 1400mT**

Well-bet in each of her three trips to the post, **MRS WATANABE (f, 3, [Tapizar](#)--Foxy Friend, by Crafty Friend)** graduated at first asking on dirt at Tokyo last October ahead of a close runner-up effort in a six-furlong turf try Dec. 18. The bay filly, a \$130K KEESEP yearling and \$295K OBSMAR juvenile, returns to the grass for this try. A close relative to MGSP Tap for Luck (Tapit), Mrs Watanabe is a granddaughter of MSW & GSP Gerri N Jo Go (Top Command), dam of English GSW and the ultimately repatriated Freefouracing (French Deputy).

**Sunday, March 19, 2017**

**2nd-HSN, ¥9,550,000 (US\$84k), Maiden, 3yo, 1400m**

A \$100K KEESEP yearling acquisition, **ALPHABET (c, 3, [The Factor](#)--Oneminutetomidnite, by Street Cry {Ire})** breezed his eighth of a mile in [:10 flat](#) and was scooped up by Narvick International's Emmanuel de Seroux for \$270K at last year's OBSMAR sale. The Maryland-bred is out of a half-sister to Wicapi (Waquoit), a graded winner on both turf and dirt. The Factor is already the sire of one Japanese winner in the form of the impressive Zuar.

**6th-NKY, ¥13,720,000 (US\$121k), Alw, 3yo, 1600mT**

Racing in the colors of Kazumi Yoshida, **NILE STORY (c, 3, [Pioneerof the Nile](#)--Princess Two, by Two Punch)** opened his account in a single juvenile appearance, scoring by 1 1/4 lengths with Ryan Moore at the controls in a nine-furlong event at Tokyo last November. A \$150K KEESEP weanling turned \$325K KEESEP yearling, the Florida-bred is out of a full-sister to MSW & MGSP Tropical Punch, and makes his sophomore debut here.

--Alan Carasso

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**AMERICAIN** (Dynaformer), Calumet Farm, \$20K, 69/2/0

3-FG, Msw 1mT, Bella Bella, \$40K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

**ASTROLOGY** (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made Stallions, \$7.5K, 156/20/2

5-PEN, Alw 6f, Star Studed, \$45K OBS APR 2yo, 6-1

**CALEB'S POSSE** (Posse), Three Chimneys Farm, \$10K, 71/13/1

8-OP, Aoc 6f, Dupree, \$110K OBS MAR 2yo, 8-1

2-FG, Alw 6f, Molly Rules, 9-2

**DIALED IN** (Mineshaft), Darby Dan Farm, \$7.5K, 174/22/4

8-OP, Aoc 6f, Reckling, \$75K RNA OBS APR 2yo, 12-1

**EYE OF THE LEOPARD** (A.P. Indy), Calumet Farm, 35/3/0

5-PEN, Alw 6f, Divine Kitten, 15-1

**GEMOLOGIST** (Tiznow), WinStar Farm, \$15K, 205/25/3

4-GP, Msw 5fT, Gemologist, \$20K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1

**GET STORMY** (Stormy Atlantic), Crestwood Farm, \$5K, 141/12/1

4-GP, Msw 5fT, +Flyoff, \$110K EAS MAY 2yo, 6-1

**HANSEN** (Tapit), KOR, \$12.5K, 129/27/2

5-AQU, Msw 1m, Scarlett Jo Hansen, \$100K OBS APR 2yo, 5-1

**MACLEAN'S MUSIC** (Distorted Humor), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$6.5K, 147/28/3

4-GP, Msw 5fT, +Stormin Maclean, \$32K I '16 KEE NOV, 5-1

**SHACKLEFORD** (Forestry), Darby Dan Farm, \$20K, 208/27/1

5-AQU, Msw 1m, Decorator Jenn, \$42K EAS MAY 2yo, 2-1

8-OP, Aoc 6f, All Shacked Up, \$12K OBS APR 2yo, 15-1

**STAY THIRSTY** (Bernardini), Ashford Stud, \$17.5K, 160/31/2

5-PEN, Alw 6f, Always Thirsty, \$15K EAS OCT yrl, 6-1

**UNION RAGS** (Dixie Union), Lane's End Farm, \$35K, 220/22/3

9-GP, Msw 5fT, +Cat Walk, 10-1

# BREEDERS' EDITION

## ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**1st-SA, \$56,000, (S), 3-16, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.79, ft.**

**KRISTI'S COPILOT (g, 5, Lucky Pulpit--Aleya's At Brown, by Out of Place)** Lifetime Record: 18-4-2-3, \$124,310. O-Clarke M. Cooper Family Trust; B-Meadowbrook Farms, Inc. (CA); T-lan Kruljac.

## ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Red Clay Magic, g, 4, Drosselmeyer--Monaassabaat (SW-Eng & SP-US), by Zilzal. OP, 3-16, (C), 6f, 1:10.97. B-Tinnakill Bloodstock, Ire. Ltd. & Patrick Hayes (KY). \*\$20,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$140,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. \*\*1/2 to Echo River (Irish River {Fr}), SW & GSP-Eng; and Prince Alzain (Street Sense), SW-Eng.**

### Winning with Woodford

**Southern Keys, g, 4, Keyed Entry--Dixie Image, by Halo's Image. SA, 3-16, (C), 6 1/2fT, 1:13.67. B-H. J. Parra Racing Stable (FL). \*\$130,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.**

**Smuggler Union, g, 5, Kantharos--Kickapoo Princess (SW), by Unreal Zeal. SA, 3-16, (C), 6 1/2fT, 1:13.70. B-A. Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck (FL). \*\$52,000 Ylg '13 OBSAUG; \$150,000 2yo '14 OBSAPR. \*\*Full to Yorkiepool Princess, MSW, \$244,811.**

Tickets for the Retired Racehorse Project's "Hoedown at Hagyard" are on sale [here](#). The event, scheduled for Apr. 29 at 6:00 p.m. ET at Hagyard Medical Institute in Lexington, features an open bar, catering from Red State BBQ and live music. Tickets are \$35 for RRP members and \$50 for non-members.

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## MULLINS EXCELS ON RUBY THURSDAY



Willie Mullins and Ruby Walsh enjoyed four wins at Cheltenham on Thursday | *Racing Post*

By Emma Berry

Any fears that this would be a Cheltenham Festival devoid of a Willie Mullins winner were allayed in emphatic fashion on Thursday when the trainer and his number one jockey Ruby Walsh were back centre-stage to claim all three of the day's Grade 1 contests, plus a Grade 2 for good measure.

To some extent, Mullins had been enduring a Festival to forget, with a number of his high-profile horses having suffered injuries in the build-up, while odds-on favourite Douvan (Fr) (Walk In The Park {Ire}) disappointed in the G1 Queen Mother Champion Chase and was subsequently found to be lame. But Thursday quickly became a day to remember as first **Yorkhill (Ire)** (Presenting {GB}) then **Un De Sceaux (Fr)** (Denham Red {Fr}) and **Nichols Canyon (GB)** (Authorized {Ire}) restored natural order in the Mullins camp.

For British owner Graham Wylie it was a return to the glory days when his game Inglis Drever (GB) (In The Wings {GB}) ruled the staying hurdling division, with Nichols Canyon landing his eighth Grade 1 win over hurdles and giving his owner a fourth victory in the Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle.

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## GROUP 1-WINNING JUVENILE FOR SNITZEL

by Heather Anderson

Arrowfield stallion Snitzel (Aus)'s juvenile progeny have been on fire in recent weeks, and in the rescheduled NZ\$200,000 G1 Sistema S. at Ellerslie Thursday evening, the colt **Summer Passage (Aus)** saluted by three-quarters of a length and earned his first Group 1 in the 1200-metre contest. **Star Treasure (NZ)** (Lonhro {Aus}) was 1 1/4 lengths ahead of **Gold Fever (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}) in third in the first of two Group 1 opportunities for New Zealand juveniles this season. It was a landmark top-shelf overseas victory for pilot Blake Shinn, filling in for Hong Kong hoop Zac Purton, who could not make the rescheduled meeting after torrential rain washed out the card last Saturday.

Racing for Hong Kong-based Hermitage Thoroughbreds, who also race recent G1 Livamol Classic hero Willie Cazals (Ire) (Aussie Rules), the 12-5 favourite broke widest of all and was soon hustled up in pursuit of **Ujjayyi (NZ)** (Iffraaj {GB}).

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### CALIFORNIA CHROME TO SHUTTLE TO CHILE

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## 1 **CATCHY** (Fastnet Rock)

Inglis Easter graduate and winner of the **Blue Diamond Stakes-Gr.1** for Robert and Sylvie Crabtree

## 2 **INFERENCE** (So You Think)

Winner of the **Randwick Guineas-Gr.1** for Lindsay Maxsted and partners to become the second Gr.1-winning miler from the first crop of **So You Think**

## 3 **DAWN WALL** (Fastnet Rock)

Inglis Easter graduate and winner of the **Kembla Classic-Gr.3** for the Niarchos Family and partners... Will now target the **ATC Oaks-Gr.1**

## 4 **TULIP** (Pierro)

**Magic Night Stakes-Gr.3** winner from the first crop of **Pierro**... Next stop the **Golden Slipper-Gr.1**

## 5 **FORMALITY** (Fastnet Rock)

Inglis Easter graduate and winner of the **Chairman's Stakes-Gr.3**

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## Mullins Excels On Ruby Thursday cont. from p1

"Willie rang me when he found Nichols Canyon and he said, 'I think he could be your next Inglis Drever'," recalled Wylie. "Even though he's won eight Grade 1 races I still think he's been a little overlooked."

Mullins added, "We bought him with a view to going to this race--it's Graham's favourite race at the Festival. It's taken him a long time to settle and we used completely different tactics today. Ruby dropped him in and got him settled. Coming over the second-last I thought to myself that we'd be in the first four, but then he got space on the rail coming to the last and he's so like [dual Champion Hurdler] Hurricane Fly (Ire) that when he locks onto a hurdle it's done and dusted. You're always going to get an extra half-length from him at a hurdle and then he'll battle all the way home."

The comparison with Hurricane Fly doesn't end there. A son and a grandson of Montjeu (Ire), respectively, Hurricane Fly and Nichols Canyon both won listed races in France--the latter for John Gosden--before being switched to jumping with great success.

Nichols Canyon's victory capped a stellar day for Wylie after another of his colour-bearers, Yorkhill, had belied his notably quirky nature when posting a faultless round of jumping under a skilled hold-up ride from Ruby Walsh in the day's opener, the G1 JLT Novices' Chase.

"To get on the board is huge, and to get on the board in a Grade 1 is better," said a relieved Mullins immediately after the race, little knowing what the rest of the day had in store for him. "It's good for me, it's good for Ruby, and it puts confidence back in the team. It's been a hard few days but that's the way it is. It wouldn't be any fun winning over here if it was easy, so we take what we can get."

Issuing an update on Douvan, who was never able to jump with his customary flair throughout Wednesday's feature race, he added, "Douvan was quite lame this morning again when I brought him out. We had a good look over with the vets. He's on the way to get an MRI scan either later this afternoon or tomorrow. It's something up in his hindquarters, we think--it looked like his near hind leg, and we think it is above the hock from the way he is carrying himself. He was quite sore last night but is more comfortable today."

If Nichols Canyon is now a more settled creature according to his trainer, the same cannot be said for his stablemate, the

tearaway Un De Sceaux. But what he lacks in restraint he more than makes up for in ability and he soon had some strongly fancied rivals toiling in his wake as he set a relentless gallop in the G1 Ryanair Chase. Walsh made vain attempts to anchor the exuberance of his partner in the early stages of the race but eventually allowed him to tug his way to the front and hurtle from fence to fence, eliciting gasps from the crowd with his almost recklessly bold jumping.

Hailing the winner as "a real racehorse", Mullins admitted he has his heart in his mouth watching him at exercise every morning and added, "To do what he does every day, I mean Ruby is only half in control half the time and you always wonder whether he will get home, but he just seems to find reserves from I don't know where. He is just everything you would want in a racehorse. He is brave, strong and sound."

Not content with landing the three major contests of the day, Mullins and Walsh returned to the fray to give Rich and Susannah Ricci back-to-back wins in the G2 Trull House Stud Mares' Novices' Hurdle, as **Let's Dance (Fr)** (Poliglote {GB}) followed the example set by last year's facile victrix Limini (Ire) (Peintre Celebre).

"We're late to the party but we brought the music," said Rich Ricci, who also owns Douvan.

With Mullins now closing in on Gordon Elliott's five winners this week, the party will almost certainly have lasted long into the night for those in his resurgent team.

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## THE LITTLE ROGUE WITH A BIG HEART

By Emmanuel Roussel

Even though most hardcore jumps fans know him very well by now, there is something about the AQPS Un De Sceaux that keeps them on their toes every time he's out on the course, mostly as favourite. Few horses sprint down the hill leading to the final steep straight line of Prestbury Park after showing the way a few lengths ahead of the field, jumping fences with a boldness not many jockeys would find comfortable.

Such antics have not stopped the 9-year-old son of Denham Red from winning 18 of his 23 races and forking over £900,000 in his native France, Ireland and Britain. He won a second Grade 1 at the Cheltenham Festival on Thursday and it looks like he knows what he's doing now. Perhaps he always did. **Cont. p3**

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## The Little Rogue With The Big Heart cont.

Born in Sceaux d'Anjou in the west of France at Rene Choveau's farm, Un De Sceaux is out of a mare, Hotesse de Sceaux (April Night), who was never placed in her races and hadn't produced much at stud. But Pierre de la Guillonniere of Haras de la Rousselière, the owner of Denham Red, had noticed that his stallion's offspring had a certain affinity with April Night mares, so he made a foal-share deal with Choveau.

His fourth dam may have been Gorda, who was fourth in the G1 Prix Saint-Alary back in 1967, but that made little difference to potential buyers, so Pierre de La Guillonniere leased Un De Sceaux to trainer Fabrice Foucher, based by the ocean in Saint-Michel-Chef-Chef. It didn't work well initially as Un De Sceaux was already quite a character, and only by galloping him on a 20km beach did they finally manage to teach him to somehow settle and get ready to race.



**Un de Sceaux and Ruby Walsh return from Ryanair Chase triumph led by Virginie Bascop and agent Harold Kirk**

*Laurence Salphati/AQPS Association*

First he won an AQPS flat race by a distance. Then he went to Saint-Brieuc and won again, only by seven lengths this time. So he suddenly became a very interesting little horse, piquing the interest of bloodstock agent Pierre Boulard, who traveled half the country to buy him and send him over to Willie Mullins's yard in Ireland.

Since then, with the breeders' premiums Un De Sceaux has earned for her, Monique Choveau, Rene's widow, has completely rebuilt her house, which would have been impossible on her meagre farmer's pension.

The French connection has continued for Un De Sceaux, who is ridden every day by ex-pat Virginie Bascop, the resident vet at the Mullins stable.

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"I have ridden as an amateur and I also have an eventing background," she explains. "That led me to take care of some 'problem' horses at Willie's and that's how I had Un De Sceaux allotted to me. He was pulling hard all the time and, eventually, that hurt him. I started to do some flat work with him in a manege. The idea was to make him understand that I was in charge, but that I also was his friend. It has been a long process and it's not an exact science, but I somehow have some control on his speed now."

She adds, "He needs to be left alone, to do his thing the way he sees fit. That's the way he does things, but he gives a lot in return. And what is also great is that he's now owned by the O'Connell family--a great horse for great people."

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## LIVELY TRADE AT CHELTENHAM SALE

By Emma Berry

The action at Cheltenham on Thursday was brought to a close with an auction of 21 jumpers in training, bringing a cool £3-million in aggregate for the Tattersalls Ireland Festival Sale. Trade was headed by the young mare **Maire Banrigh (GB)** ([lot 25](#)), a daughter of the late champion National Hunt sire King's Theatre (Ire), who brought the hammer down at £320,000. The impressive five-length winner of an Irish point-to-point on debut, the 5-year-old, who was sold by Richard Black's Ballinapark Stables, will join the string of long-time National Hunt owner John Hales, who also bought the following lot ([26](#)), another maiden point-to-point winner **The Dellercheckout (Ire)** (Getaway {Ger}), for £260,000.

Agent Ryan Mahon conducted the bidding on both horses while standing in the company of champion trainer Paul Nicholls and his former assistant Dan Skelton, now a successful trainer in his own right.

"I'm not yet sure which horse will go to which trainer but one will be trained by Paul Nicholls and one by Dan Skelton--they may have to flip a coin over lunch," joked Mahon. "Maire Banrigh was very impressive when she won and she's from a terrific family. I've heard only good things about her," he added of the daughter of La Marianne (GB) (Supreme Leader {Ire}), a half-sister to the dual listed-winning hurdler Banjaxed Girl (GB) (King's Theatre {Ire}).

"I was there the day The Dellercheckout won at Lismore. He's a lovely stamp of a horse and he really impressed me that day."

At £310,000, **Palmer's Hill (Ire)** (Gold Wells {GB}) ([lot 18](#)) was another of the leading lights of the evening and will race in the colours of JP McManus after being signed for by his son, Kieran.

A debutant 20-length winner of a maiden point-to-point, the 4-year-old gelding was subsequently third to Flemenshill (Ire) (Flemensfirth), who sold for £480,000--a record price for a pointer--in the same arena in February.

Colin Tizzard will take charge of [lot 16](#), **Slate House (Ire)** (Presenting {GB}), yet another facile pointing winner for Northern Irish trainer Iain Ferguson back in November.

"He's a machine, there are no two ways about it," said agent Tom Malone, who was acting on Tizzard's behalf. "The two most impressive performances I've seen in point-to-points this season were by him and Finian's Oscar (Ire) and Finian's Oscar has already had the chance to go on and prove himself [by winning the G1 Tolworth Novices' Hurdle]. I hope this lad will get his chance, too."

Boutique jumping sales of this nature have become increasingly popular and the catalogue of 28 horses, including wildcards, had been widely praised throughout the day. The racecourse whispers proved accurate and, after withdrawals, 21 of the 24 offered were sold at an average price of £142,857--a rise of 38% on the previous year--and median of £120,000, which was up by 32%. With such a high clearance rate in comparison to last year when 14 horses were sold, the turnover of £3-million more than doubled from the 2016 tally of £1,447,000.

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## FRANCE



### Thursday's Results:

**PRIX RONDE DE NUIT-Listed**, €55,000, CHY, 3-16, 3yo, 6fT, 1:14.89, sf.

1--**#FAS (IRE), 128, c, 3, by Fastnet Rock (Aus)**

**1st Dam: Sotka (GB) (SP-Fr), by Dutch Art (GB)**

**2nd Dam: Demerger, by Distant View**

**3rd Dam: Merida (GB), by Warning (GB)**

(€50,000 RNA Ylg '15 TAOCT). O-Alain Jathiere & Zalim Bifov; B-Zalim Bifov (IRE); T-Pia Brandt; J-Maxime Guyon. €27,500. Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 5-2-0-2, €75,050.

2--**Tresorier (GB), 128, c, 3, Dunkerque (Fr)--Treasure (Fr), by Anabaa. O-Haras du Quesnay. €11,000.**

3--**Thrust Home (Ire), 125, f, 3, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Garden City (Fr), by Majorien (GB). O-Geoffrey Grimish & Ecurie des Monceaux. €8,250.**

Margins: HF, SNK, SNK. Odds: 2.70, 1.60, 9.50.

Also Ran: Spanish Fly (Ire), Upendi (Fr), Born To Be (Ire), Mister Art (Ire). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).**

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**Prix Ronde de Nuit cont.**

Fas stepped off an Aug. 20 debut score at Deauville to run third in the Sept. 12 Listed Prix Saraca and Sept. 21 G3 Prix Eclipse at Maisons-Laffitte, and lined up for this sophomore bow coming off a fourth in the G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte back there Oct. 10. Leading under a firm grip after a slick getaway here, he was stoked up passing the quarter-mile marker and kept on strongly under a final-furlong drive to claim a career high in ultimately snug fashion. “Fas ran some good races in defeat last year and had trained well coming into this race so I was quite confident of a good performance,” commented trainer Pia Brandt. “The plan was to hold him up to see if he would stay further, but he jumped out so fast that [jockey] Maxime [Guyon] had no option but to lead. It remains a question as to whether or not he will stay further and I am tempted to test him over seven furlongs in the [Apr. 10 G3] Prix Djebel [at Maisons-Laffitte] next time.”



**Prix Ronde de Nuit winner Fas | Scoop Dyga**

Fas is the first black-type scorer out of a stakes-placed sibling of the recently-retired MG1SW globetrotting sprinter Sole Power (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) and G3 Cornwallis S. runner-up Cornus (GB) (Inchinor {GB}). The homebred bay is half to the 2-year-old filly Vlatka (Ire) (Dawn Approach {Ire}), who is also conditioned by Pia Brandt, and a yearling filly by Kodiak (GB).

**PRIX MONTENICA-Listed, €55,000, CHY, 3-16, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.98, stn.**

**1--#AFRICAN RIDE (GB), 128, c, 3, by [Candy Ride \(Arg\)](#)**

**1st Dam: Paiota Falls (SW-Can, \$177,354), by Kris S.**

**2nd Dam: Dance Swiftly, by Danzig**

**3rd Dam: Classy 'n Smart, by Smarten**

O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (GB); T-Carlos Laffon-Parias; J-Maxime Guyon. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €46,750. \*1/2 to Rafting (Tapit), SW & GSP-US, \$159,002.

**2--Battle in Seattle (Fr), 128, c, 3, Naaqoos (GB)--Boa Vinda (Fr), by High Yield. (€15,000 Ylg '15 BBAGS). O-U Zerrath. €11,000.**

**3--[Spotlight Dream \(Ire\)](#), 128, g, 3, [Holy Roman Emperor \(Ire\)](#)--Jeu de Plume (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). (€320,000 Ylg '15 ARAUG). O-Eric Puerari & Mme Patrick Ades-Hazan. €8,250. Margins: 1, SNK, HF. Odds: 2.40, 16.20, 5.50.**

Also Ran: Greyway (Fr), North Thunder (Fr), Imperial Tango (Fr), Creme de Cremes (Fr), Ettu (GB), Fixette (Ire). Scratched: Unabated (Ire). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video](#), sponsored by [Fasig-Tipton](#).**



**Prix Montenica winner African Ride | Scoop Dyga**

African Ride, who improved off a Sept. 26 debut fifth at Maisons-Laffitte to run second over this course and distance Oct. 24, opened his sophomore campaign with a breakthrough score going one mile here last time Feb. 23 and duly delivered in this black-type bow. Fighting for his head in third until gaining some measure of rhythm on the home turn, he was scrubbed along inside the two pole and kept on well under a late drive to assert for a career high. “He’s not an easy horse and we’d hoped for some cover, but that didn’t work out and he was quite keen,” explained trainer Carlos Laffon-Parias. “I was a little worried in the home straight, but he managed to get a breather and was able to come again so that was a satisfactory performance. We’ll give him some more education at home, maybe with a lead horse in his work, and I imagine the [Apr. 10 G3] Prix Djebel [at Maisons-Laffitte] will be his next run.”

African Ride is out of Listed La Lorgnette S. victress Paiota Falls (Kris S.), herself a half-sister to Gill Dwyer S. scorer Speightster (Speightstown) and stakes-winning GII Raven Run S. runner-up West Coast Swing (Gone West), and is a half-brother to GSP Listed Smooth Air S. winner Rafting (Tapit) and the yearling filly Intellina (GB) (Intello {Ger}). The homebred bay’s third dam is Canadian champion Classy ‘n Smart (Smarten), whose progeny include leading sire Smart Strike and Canadian champion Dance Smartly (Danzig), who in turn produced GISW Canadian champion Dancethruthedawn (Mr. Prospector).

**French Report cont.**

**2nd-CHY, €25,000, Mdn, 3-19, unraced 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:21.03, stn.**

**+MUTTRAH FORT (FR) (c, 3, [Dubawi {Ire}](#)--Sabratih {GB} {MSW & GSP-Fr, \$165,478}, by Oasis Dream {GB}),** who RNA'd at €650,000 as an ARAUG yearling, was sharpest from the gates and seized immediate control of this firsters' heat. Holding sway throughout, the 13-10 chalk was untroubled in the straight and powered clear under whipless cajoling inside the final quarter mile to hit the line five lengths in advance of Unpretentious (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). The bay is the first scorer out of GSP dual stakes winner Sabratih (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), herself a daughter of Listed Cecil Frail S. victress Marika (GB) (Marju {Ire}), who also produced the stakes-winning Raw Impulse (GB) (Makfi {GB}). Marika, in turn, is out of the stakes winner Nordica (Ire) (Northfields), whose three black-type performers are headed by G3 Fred Darling S. winner Sueboog (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), herself the dam of G1 Prix d'Ispahan-winning sire Best of the Bests (Ire) (Machiavellian). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Guy Heald (FR); T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

**2nd-MRV, €30,000, Cond, 3-16, 3yo, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:29.21, stn. SEMBLANCE (FR) (f, 3, American Post {GB}--Similitudine {Fr}, by Brief Truce) Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, €46,375.**

O/B-Criquette Head-Maarek & Ecurie du Sud (FR); T-C Rossi.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Iteratif (GB), g, 3, Dunkerque (Fr)--Goritie (Fr), by Anabaa. MRV, 3-16, 10f (AWT), 2:13.35. B-Haras du Quesnay (GB). \*€16,000 Ylg '15 OSLATE.**

**Motivaroom (Fr), f, 3, Motivator (GB)--The Living Room (Fr) (MSP-Fr), by Gold Away (Ire). MRV, 3-16, 10f (AWT), 2:09.80. B-Jean-Claude Seroul (FR).**

**IRELAND****ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Vincy (Ire), c, 3, Elzaam (Aus)--Instant Memories (Ire), by Ad Valorem. DUN, 3-16, 8f (AWT), 1:38.75. B-Brian Miller (IRE). \*€20,000 Ylg '15 GOFSP.**

**APPOINTMENTS****Fabrice Favetto Bon: Head of Marketing, France Galop**

- An ESCP graduate, Fabrice Favetto Bon has served in a number of different positions in the marketing and sales departments of sports organisations, like the 1998 Football World Cup in France and football clubs including Paris Saint-Germain. As Chairman of TeamStadia since 2011, he has headed up numerous consultancy projects within the sports and entertainment industry. For the European Championship in 2016, he was involved in the revamping of major stadiums like Lyon, Lille, Nice and Marseille. He has also worked on large-scale projects like the Seine Musicale of Boulogne-Billancourt and the U Arena of Nanterre.
- Olivier Delloye, General Manager of France Galop, said, "The redeveloped Longchamp opens a year from now and I am delighted to welcome Fabrice to the position of Head of Marketing at France Galop. Due to the time restrictions, his first task will be to prepare us for the opening of Longchamp, which has to make a break with the past in terms of how we were using our racecourses. We have to create new ways of attracting new and different spectators, as well as improve the customer experience with better service. It is also important to develop new activities that will keep our customers interested in racing beyond the actual race day. Fabrice is experienced, competent and is interested in racing, everything you need to meet this great challenge together with the teams that have already been working on the project."



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## WORLDWIDE NEWS

### Group 1-Winning Juvenile For Snitzel cont. from p1

Thursday, Ellerslie, New Zealand

**SISTEMA S.-G1**, NZ\$200,000, ARC, 3-16, 2yo, Open Set Weight, 1200mT, 1:10.48, Dead.

1--&@**SUMMER PASSAGE (AUS)**, 56.5, c, 2, by Snitzel (AUS)

1st Dam: Subsequent (AUS), by Encosta de Lago (AUS)

2nd Dam: Sequin (AUS), by Lure (USA)

3rd Dam: Subterfuge (GB), by Machiavellian (USA)

(A\$800,000 Ylg 2016 WI Sydney Easter Yearling Sale)

O-Hermitage Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd; B-Highgrove Stud QLD;

T-L O'Sullivan & A Scott; J-B Shinn; NZ\$120,000. Lifetime

Record: 3-2-1-0, NZ\$155,250. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ \*Triple**

**Plus\***. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Star Treasure**, 56.5, c, 2, [Lonhro \(Aus\)](#)--Lost in Dubai, by Dubai Destination (USA). (NZ\$70,000 Ylg 2016 NZB National Yearling Sale) O-Kim Chua Stanley Tan, Koon Eng Tan, Leong Chen Ming, H C Yeow, Hui Leung Wai Man, Leung Terry & Eng Teong Goh; B-Monovale Holdings Ltd, Waikato, NZ; T-S J McKee; J-M R Du Plessis; NZ\$39,000.

3--**Gold Fever**, 54.5, f, 2, Savabeel (AUS)--Gold Rocks (AUS), by Oratorio (AUS). (A\$110,000 Ylg 2016 MM Gold Coast Yearling Sale) O-Te Akau Gold Fever Syndicate (Mgr: D C Ellis); B-G D & Mrs H J Nicholls & Waikato Stud Ltd, Waikato, NZ; T-S Autridge & J Richards; J-C E Lammas; NZ\$19,000.

Margins: 0.8 len, 2.1 len, 2.2 len. Odds: 2.40, 16.20, 3.60.

Also Ran: Princess Rihanna, Hasahalo, Ujjayyi, Irish Flame, Aquamosa, Felton Road, Super Phan.

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**Felton Road (NZ)** (Pins {Aus}) loomed up on the Snitzel colt's outside circling the bend, but quickly flattened out and it was left to Summer Passage to run down a resurgent Ujjayyi, who had edged ahead up the inside. In charge 100 metres out, Summer Passage stretched clear, with Star Treasure rallying best of the rest farther out in the course. Gold Fever nosed out **Princess Rihanna (NZ)** (Showcasing {GB}) in a tight finish for third.

"He's an exceptional 2-year-old and it's a big thrill to get my first Group 1 winner overseas," a jubilant Shinn told [www.nzracing.co.nz](#). "I didn't expect to be here today and I feel for Zac, who has missed out due to unfortunate circumstances. I took the initiative from the wide draw to go forward and kept him in a comfortable rhythm. He showed a great turn of foot 300 [metres] out to put the race to bed."

Added Lance O'Sullivan, who trains with Andrew Scott, "We'll talk to Blake and the owners and then make a decision, it's [A\$1-million G1 ATC Sires' Produce S. at Randwick Apr. 1] certainly on the radar. This has been a tremendous thrill, it's a great result. The first time we ran him up at speed he showed a lot of natural ability so it's pretty special for Andrew and I and the team at home."

Bred by Ron Gilbert's Highgrove Stud in Queensland, Summer Passage blossomed into an A\$800,000 2016 Inglis Australian Easter yearling ([lot 99](#)) when knocked down to Wexford Stables of O'Sullivan and Scott. A winner of two of his three barrier trials, the September-foaled bay was beaten three lengths into second in a Jan. 28 Pukekohe maiden affair before added the 1200m Listed Matamata Slipper Feb. 25.

### Pedigree Notes...

Summer Passage gave Snitzel his seventh Group 1 winner and sixth juvenile stakes winner. The second foal out the winning Encosta de Lago (Aus) mare Subsequent, who was also bred by Gilbert, Summer Passage has a yearling half-brother by Sebring and a weanling full-sister. Subsequent, a full-sister to MSW Order of the Sun (Aus) and a half-sister to SW Get to Work (Aus) (Snippets {Aus}) was served by Snitzel this past September. This is the extended family of Hong Kong MSW Scintillation (Aus) (Danehill), Australian MGSW and G1 George Main S. runner-up Shania Dane (Aus) (Danehill) and SW & GSP Risk Aversion (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}).

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## CHENILLE LANDS AUCKLAND CUP

by Heather Anderson

Bet down to \$2.90 favouritism, **Chenille (NZ)** (Pentire {GB}) duly saluted in the NZ\$500,000 G1 Barfoot & Thompson Auckland Cup at Ellerslie Thursday evening. [Cont. p8](#)

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**Auckland Cup cont.**

Trainer Tony Pike originally considered scratching the mare from the 3200-metre race, but was able to forego that decision, once Saturday's entire card was washed out and rescheduled for Thursday.

"I'm just glad we got a second chance and the track came back," a relieved Pike, who is part of the ownership group with his father Wayne, who is ill and his mother Vicki, commented to [www.nzracing.co.nz](http://www.nzracing.co.nz). "It's a huge buzz for my parents. Leith [Innes] rode her perfectly and he got her to drop her head down the back and she was bolting on the corner. She probably got to the front too soon, but she's a very good staying mare."

**Thursday, Ellerslie, New Zealand**

**AUCKLAND CUP-G1**, NZ\$482,000, ARC, 3-16, Open Set Weight, 3200mT, 3:22.90, Dead.

**1--@CHENILLE, 53.5, m, 5, by Pentire (GB)**

**1st Dam: Charmed, by O'Reilly**

**2nd Dam: Seraphic, by Imposing (AUS)**

**3rd Dam: Torquay, by Wharf (USA)**

(NZ\$55,000 Ylg 2013 NZB National Yearling Sale) O-V T W Breeding Company Ltd, G & Mrs J Capes; B-A W, Mrs V A & W K Pike, Waikato, NZ; T-A W Pike; J-L G Innes; NZ\$300,000.

Lifetime Record: 27-9-6-2, NZ\$548,375. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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**2--El Pistola, 53.0, m, 6, El Hermano--Classic Shot, by Zabeel.**

O-Hoofit Bros Tokoroa Syndicate; B-Mrs F I & F T Drummond, Waikato, NZ; T-N Hanley & K Whiting; J-T D Thornton; NZ\$87,500.

**3--Jacksstar, 56.0, g, 5, Zed--Star Guest, by Pentire (GB).** O-Mrs C A & P M Algie, Mrs C & R Wilkie; B-Mrs C A & P M Algie, Central, NZ; T-G R Vile; J-C E Lammas; NZ\$42,500.

Margins: 0.8 len, 1.1 len, 1.3 len. Odds: 2.90, 24.50, 5.50.

Also Ran: Megablast, Five to Midnight, Fanatic, Gentil Tonton (IRE), Pentathlon, Perfect Start, Storming the Tower, Snow Secret, Mister Impatience (GB), Marciano, King Kamada, Smedley, Nymph Monte.

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One off the fence in midpack for the first circuit, Chenille was given a quite ride by Leith Innes, as **Nymph Monte (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}) showed the way until the final bend. She was set loose at the 900-metre mark and motored past rivals on the turn with a three deep rush. The Tony Pike trainee hit the head of affairs inside the 400 metres, but had a tussle on her hands, grinding past a stubborn **Megablast (NZ)** (Shinko King {Ire}) after a stiff stretch battle to win by three-quarters of a length. The rallying duo of **El Pistola (NZ)** (El Hermano {NZ}) was a neck to the good of **Jacksstar (NZ)** (Zed {NZ}), who relegated Megablast back to fourth, a head behind.

Innes, who landed his 28th Group 1 win of his career said, "I had so much faith in this mare, she's a class horse."

"She's entered in the [3200m G1] Sydney Cup [at The Championships Apr. 8], but whether we head that way or not, we'll wait and see," concluded Pike.

A listed winner last preparation, Chenille scored third up in a 1600-metre handicap locally Oct. 22, and returned to the winner's circle four starts later upped to 2200 metres Jan. 29. Seventh after a wide trip in the 2400m G2 Avondale Cup here Feb. 18, Chenille bounced back to take another handicap here Mar. 4.

**Pedigree Notes...**

Chenille became multiple English highweight Pentire (GB)'s 15th Group 1 winner. Already a half-sister to New Zealand MGSW and MG1SP Chintz (NZ) (Savabeel {Aus}), the 5-year-old is a half-sister to sophomore filly Cashmere (NZ) (Redwood {GB}), juvenile filly Let's Get Loud (NZ) (Pour Moi {Ire}) and a weanling colt by Makfi (GB). Charmed, out of New Zealand Group 3 winner and G1 New Zealand S. bridesmaid Seraphic (NZ) (Imposing {Aus}), was covered by Savabeel (Aus) last fall.

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**'LIZ' GIVES ZABEEL ANOTHER G1 WINNER**

by Heather Anderson

The 2000-metre G1 Bonecrusher New Zealand S. at Ellerslie on Thursday was supposed to be **Kawi (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus})'s for the taking, but Zabeel (NZ)'s **Lizzie L'Amour (NZ)** capitalized on the traffic woes of the 70-cent favourite and defeated **Benzini (Aus)** (Tale of the Cat) by a short head, with **Sound Proposition (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}) rounding out the top three 1 1/2 lengths behind. It was the 46th Group 1 winner for the late Cambridge Stud stallion, who surpassed his own sire Sir Tristram (Ire) (Sir Ivor)'s tally with the victory. [Cont. p9](#)

**New Zealand S. cont.**

Sent off at \$8.90, Lizzie L'Amour stalked three deep in a messy charge into the first turn in fourth and drifted farther back in the field, but was still traveling sweetly at the 800-metre mark. Quickening nicely, the hooded mare spun four off the fence turning into the home straight as G1 Zabeel Classic heroine **Consensus (NZ)** (Postponed) took over from pacesetter **Authentic Paddy (NZ)** (Howbaddouwantit). Kawi, full of run, was bottled up until the final 100 metres, when any of five had a shot, but Lizzie L'Amour showed the sharpest turn of foot, getting up in a thriller over Benzini. The favourite had to settle for fifth, one behind Consensus.

**Thursday, Ellerslie, New Zealand**

**NEW ZEALAND S.-G1**, NZ\$200,000, ARC, 3-16, Open WFA, 2000mT, 2:03.64, Dead.

1--&**LIZZIE L'AMOUR, 57.0, m, 4, by Zabeel**

**1st Dam: Sabia (FR), by Sadler's Wells (USA)**

**2nd Dam: Remote Romance (USA), by Irish River (FR)**

**3rd Dam: Aviance (IRE), by Northfields (USA)**

O-G J & Mrs L M Moore; B-Mrs L M Moore, Waikato, NZ; T-M Baker & A Forsman; J-M Cameron; NZ\$120,000. Lifetime Record: 11-5-1-1, NZ\$221,960. \*Full to Al Shameel (Zabeel), MSP-Aus & NZ. **Werk Nick Rating: C+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Benzini (AUS)**, 59.0, g, 7, [Tale of the Cat](#)--Paris Perfume (AUS), by Kurofune (USA). (A\$25,000 Ylg 2011 MM National Yearling Sale) O-A M Bull; B-Emirates Park Pty Ltd NSW; T-A & H Bull; J-R J Myers; NZ\$39,000.

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3--**Sound Proposition**, 59.0, g, 5, Savabeel (AUS)--Ebony Babe, by Ebony Grosve. O-C P, J, Mrs S E & T G Tobin, Hon I Trayling Oam & R Trayling; B-Mrs S E & T G Tobin & R Trayling, Auckland, NZ; T-L O'Sullivan & A Scott; J-M T Coleman; NZ\$19,000.

Margins: 0.1 len, 1.6 len, 1.7 len. Odds: 8.90, 15.30, 32.00.

Also Ran: Consensus, Kawi, Von Tunzelman, Authentic Paddy, Maygrove (AUS), Sierra Beel, Seventeen Seventy.

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"This is unbelievable and I'm just so thrilled," Lorna Moore, who bred and co-owns the mare with her husband Gary, told [www.nzracing.co.nz](#). "It's not only a Group 1 for us and Lizzie, but it's also for Zabeel, who was tied with his sire Sir Tristram for individual Group 1 winners up until now, so this one is for him as well. I would have been happy to just run a place, but this means everything to a small breeder."

Added Andrew Forsman, who trains with Murray Baker, "It was a very good effort as they went hard at it leaving the straight the first time and it got quite messy. Thankfully she got the job done and is a Group 1 winner now. She's got it all ahead of her, so now it's a matter of finding the right distance for her, as if she can get to 2400 metres, then a [G1] Caulfield Cup could be a spring target for her."

A winner of three of her seven starts this campaign prior to the New Zealand S. highlighted by a first group score in the G3 Waikato Cup at Te Rapa Dec. 10, Lizzie L'Amour disappointed when 14th in the G3 City of Auckland Cup locally on New Year's Day. The bay rebounded with a second in a 1600-metre handicap at Matamata Feb. 25.

**Pedigree Notes...**

A daughter of multiple champion Australasian wonder-sire Zabeel, who resided at Sir Patrick Hogan's Cambridge Stud until his death in 2015 (click [here](#)), Lizzie L'Amour is the fourth foal of her unraced dam Sabia, who has a 3-year-old filly named Fun Seeker (NZ) (Darci Brahma {NZ}), but she missed to Ocean Park (NZ) in 2014 and slipped to Poet's Voice (GB) and Shamexpress (NZ) in 2015 and 2016, respectively. Sabia is a full-sister to Italian highweight and Group 1 winner Saddex (GB) (Sadler's Wells), who also won a Group 1 in Germany and was runner up in the G1 Prix Ganay, was bred to Makfi (GB) this past fall. Lizzie L'Amour's third dam is the top producer and G1 Phoenix S. heroine Aviance (Ire) (Northfields), responsible for European highweight Chimes of Freedom (Private Account), MGISW Denon (Pleasant Colony), and SW & G1SP Imperfect Circle (Riverman), herself the dam of European highweight and GI Breeders' Cup Mile hero Spinning World (Nureyev).

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Lizzie L'Amour | *The Informant*

## FILLIES FIGHTING FOR SLIPPER FIT

Of the runners in Saturday's G1 Golden Slipper (1200m) at Rosehill, fillies dominate the market headed by the unbeaten Magic Millions 2YO Classic winner **Houtzen (Aus)** (I Am Invincible {Aus}), G2 Silver Slipper winner **She Will Reign (Aus)** (Manhattan Rain {Aus}) and last start G1 Blue Diamond winner **Catchy (Aus)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), while G2 Reisling S. winner **Frolic (Aus)** (Husson {Arg}) and G2 Magic Night S. winner and **'TDN Rising Star'** **Tulip (Aus)** (Pierro {Aus}) also have claims in the \$3.5-million contest.

Trainer Toby Edmonds arrived early this week with his unbeaten Queensland filly Houtzen (Aus), and while the filly is yet to taste defeat, the question can be asked: what has she beaten? Second in the Magic Millions was **Chauffeur (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}) who is the first emergency for the Slipper, while the rest of the Magic Millions form is yet to stand strong.

The manner in which Houtzen has won her four starts is what impresses most, and while her jump-and-run racing style may be needed to come into play here with Jeff Lloyd having to contend with a wide gate, there is no doubting the ability of the filly who will look the winner at some stage in the home straight.



**Houtzen** | *Magic Millions photo*

It is an outstanding achievement for Gary Portelli to be saddling two runners in this year's race, and all eyes will be on his talented filly She Will Reign. Purchased for just A\$20,000 from the Inglis sale ring by Darby Racing, the syndication team are looking to go one better than the second that Yankee Rose (Aus) (All American ({Aus}) finished last year.

A winner of her first three starts emphatically before a narrow loss last time out to Frolic, many felt the 1200 metres would find She Will Reign wanting, and although beaten, Portelli is adamant that the filly has improved since the defeat; and remember, Mossfun (Aus) (Mossman {Aus}) did win the Inglis Nursery and the G2 Silver Slipper followed by a second in the

Reisling, just like She Will Reign (Aus), before recording victory in the Slipper.

Blue Diamond winner Catchy, one of four runners for the David and Ben Hayes and Tom Dabernig training partnership, has done nothing but win, taking her record to four from four. Defeating **'TDN Rising Star'** **Pariah (Aus)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), **Formality (Aus)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and Tulip in the Diamond, the filly will once again meet that trio in the Slipper.

Likely to get back in the running, which is her normal pattern, the Tommy Berry-ridden Frolic will need some luck to make up late ground to take the win. Having shown an impressive turn of foot in her last two victories, the Michael Freedman-trained filly has shown a liking for the wet conditions and will be one to watch late.

Of the colts, it's impossible to ignore the connections of last year's winner Capitalist (Aus) (Written Tycoon {Aus}), who will saddle up Pariah at just his fourth start. A Group 3 winner on debut over fellow Slipper runner **Menari (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}) before second-placed performances at Group 3 and Group 1 level, a victory by the colt would see his value skyrocket.

Another colt who holds appeal is Gary Portelli's **Single Bullet (Aus)** (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}), winner of the G3 Pago Pago S. last start. Bred by Corumbene Stud, the breeders of Slipper winners Sebring (Aus) (More Than Ready) and Overreach (Aus) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Single Bullet races as if he is looking for further, which may see the colt powering home late in the heavy track conditions.

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**Catchy goes for the Blue Diamond/Golden Slipper double**  
*Bronwen Healy*

On my list of top five things in the world (following my two children, of course), I am fairly certain that France, the beach and racing would run 3-4-5. So you can only imagine how exciting it is to present Jocelyn Targett's whimsical tale about a winter respite at Cagnes-sur-Mer, a race-track in France. On the beach. With wine (#6). Dive on in. We also give you a guide to the birthday celebration for Man o' War, who turns 100 this month; introduce you to McCracken, Kansas, population 190, which is about to become famous for its Kentucky Derby namesake and give 85-year-old Janis Whitham the thrill of a lifetime; show you what's new in Dubai (it's always something!) and let Australian trainer Chris Waller have the last word. Hint: we're all going to want that sleeping app of his...



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## BY GEORGE IT'S GOING TO BE SOME RACE

Aiming for her 16th consecutive victory, the Chris Waller-trained **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}) will have once again have every racegoer sitting on the edge of their seat, but Tommy Berry aboard the world champion sprinter **Chautauqua (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago {Aus}) will be trying to spoil the party in Saturday's G1 George Ryder S. (1500m).

Running out of superlatives to describe Winx, it appears only a mere formality that the world's highest-rated mare will add another victory to her resume, but this is racing and sometimes not everyone has taken the time to read the script.

Having never raced at the 1500 metre distance in his 26 prior starts, Chautauqua is starting to show that as he is getting older, the sprint trips may no longer be his go. Going down narrowly last start to **Le Romain (Aus)** (Hard Spun {USA}) in the G1 Canterbury S. (1300m), who he will again meet here, Chautauqua does appear the main danger to the mare if the heavy track conditions and the distance pose no concerns.

Third in the Canterbury, Godolphin's **Hauraki (Aus)** (Reset {Aus}) is a likely improver over the trip and with wet form should be capable of making his presence felt late in the run.

A length winner of the G3 Liverpool City Cup first-up, **McCreery (GB)** (Big Bad Bob {Ire}) showed on that occasion his ability on a heavy track, and although he is unlikely to trouble his stablemate Winx, he is a good second-stringer for the Waller team, while **Endless Drama (Ire)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}), the third runner for the Waller stable, has finished third and sixth, respectively, at his last two starts to Winx.

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**Chautauqua looks to spoils the Winx party in the George Ryder**  
Sharon Chapman

## RANVET NO ONE-ACT AFFAIR

While a race for **Hartnell (GB)** (Authorized {Ire}) without the presence of glamour mare Winx (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) is somewhat of a rarity these days, Godolphin appear to have their chance with their multiple Group 1 winner as the imposing 6-year-old is set to start a short-priced favourite in the G1 Ranvet S. (2000m), the first of five Group 1 races at Rosehill on Saturday.

If you look past his last-start failure when beaten nine-lengths by Winx in the G1 Chipping Norton S. on the heavy 9 rated track, Hartnell is almost assured victory, but with track conditions expected to be similar this coming Saturday there are some slight reasons for concern. With four of his wins at 2000 metres, including his most recent victory when successful over Jameka (Aus) (Myboycharlie {Ire}) in the Turnbull S. in the spring before his second to Winx in the Cox Plate, Hartnell will be ridden for the first time by William Buick, who is in Australia replacing the injured James Doyle.

Third-placed **Stratum Star (Aus)** (Stratum {Aus}) and fifth-placed **The United States (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who was a winner of the Ranvet 12 months prior, are both backing up from last week's G1 Australian Cup at Flemington, while the Group 1-winning mare **Sofia Rosa (NZ)** (Makfi {GB}) was a last start third at Group 1 level in New Zealand.

Not having started since the G1 Melbourne Cup in November, Lee and Anthony Freedman's **Our Ivanhowe (Ger)** (Soldier Hollow {GB}) will tackle the Ranvet fresh, and with victory in the G1 Doomben Cup over the trip in May, the 7-year-old stallion looks capable of being competitive.

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## GALAXY SET FOR RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

Unbeaten in his first four starts before a fourth in last year's G1 Coolmore Stud S., 3-year-old colt **Russian Revolution (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}) has been readied for his first-up assignment in the G1 Galaxy (1100m) with two impressive barrier trial wins.

Having defeated Group 1 winners Astern (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro {USA}) and Capitalist (Aus) (Written Tycoon {Aus}) in his G2 Roman Consul victory last campaign, the Peter and Paul Snowden-trained colt has always shown above-average ability, and the first-up run at Group 1 level has always been on the cards for the colt.

In a fairly wide-open affair, Russian Revolution needs to contend with the outside barrier in the field of 14, while the Group 2-winning, Group 1-placed mare **Heatherly (Aus)** (Lonhro {Aus}) will jump from his immediate inside. A noted leader, Heatherly will need to cross the field and with plenty of speed on her inside, she may be forced to travel wide, but in the wet conditions this could prove a positive.

Another mare likely to be right in the finish is the Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott-trained **English (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago ({Aus})), a Group 1 winner of the All Aged S. (1400m) last year. Having raced on this day for the past two years when second in the Golden Slipper and sixth in the Galaxy last year, the mare highlighted her class winning first-up on the heavy 10 conditions in the G2 Challenge S.

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## GINGERNUTS TO CONTINUE NZ-DOMINATION

Victory in the G1 Rosehill Guineas (2000m) has fallen to New Zealand-bred runners for seven of the past eight years, and Saturday's edition sees last-start G1 New Zealand Derby winner **Gingernuts (NZ)** (Iffraaj {GB}) looking to continue the form.

The lone runner in the 12-strong field carrying the NZ suffix, Te Akau Racing's Gingernuts has surprisingly never seen a heavy track, but with two wins and a second on soft going, the race-fit gelding ticks all the boxes.

A Group 1 winner as a 2-year-old over 1600 metres as well as the G1 VRC Derby (2500m) in the spring, the James Cummings-trained **Prized Icon (Aus)** (More Than Ready) recorded an outstanding second placing last start in the G1 Australian Guineas at Flemington and looks ready for the 2000 metres third-up from a spell.

Expected to run well in the G1 Randwick Guineas, but highlighted as one to watch as he stepped up to the 2000 metres, the win of **Inference (Aus)** (So You Think {NZ}) in the Guineas highlighted his sheer class, with Hawkes Racing and jockey Tommy Berry effusive in their praise for the colt and his ability.

Knowing what it takes to win the G1 Australian Derby, having won 12 months prior with Tavago (NZ) (Tavistock {NZ}), Trent Busuttin and Natalie Young look to have another exciting candidate on their hands, and there is no reason that **Anaheim (Aus)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) can't be competitive in the Guineas en-route to the Derby.

While yet to meet the class of a Group 1 race, Chris Waller's lightly raced colt **Sizzling Bullet (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}) has won three of his five starts including impressing over 2000 metres last time out. Out of Hollow Bullet (Aus) (Tayasu Tsuyoshi Jpn), a Group 1 winner at 2000 metres and 2500 metres, Sizzling Bullet's pedigree suggest he is one to watch and he could prove a real surprise packet in the race.

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**Inference looks for back-to-back Guineas wins** | Bronwen Healy

## EXTREME CHOICE, FLYING ARTIE RETIRED

Group 1-winning 3-year-olds **Extreme Choice (Aus)** (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}–Extremely {Aus}, by Hussonet) and **Flying Artie (Aus)** (Artie Schiller–Flying Ruby {Aus}, by Rubiton {Aus}) have been retired and will enter stud at Newgate Farm in Australia's Hunter Valley later this year. Both colts were trained by Mick Price.

Extreme Choice was a A\$100,000 Inglis Classic yearling who went unbeaten through his first three starts, including the G1 Blue Diamond S. over Flying Artie, before being purchased privately by a group including Newgate SF, Aquis Farm and China Horse Club. He would go on to win the G1 Moir S. against elders on his 3-year-old debut last spring. His best finish in three starts since was his third in the G1 Oakleigh Plate on Feb. 25.

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**Extreme Choice and trainer Mick Price** | *Bronwen Healy*

Flying Artie, a A\$50,000 yearling out of Inglis’s Easter sale session two, won the G3 Blue Diamond Colts Prelude at two and was third in the G1 Golden Slipper after being bought by a similar group to Extreme Choice. He won the G3 Blue Sapphire S. and the G1 Coolmore Stud S. at three, and was seventh in his lone start this season in the G1 Lightning S. He missed last weekend’s G1 Newmarket H. with a low-grade lung infection.

"We feel honoured to be standing these very special colts," said Newgate’s Director of Stallions and Sales Bruce Slade. "They are the elite Australian 2- and 3-year-old sprinters of their generation, the cream of the crop. They are horses with exactly the right profiles to develop into champion Australian sires."

Mick Price said, "It has been a privilege to train two colts as genuinely exceptional as Extreme Choice and Flying Artie. They will be missed in the stable, however they retire to stud as colts that have the potential to make a major impact on the Australian breeding industry."

Stud fees will be announced at a later date.

Newgate also revealed last year’s G1 Golden Slipper winner **Capitalist (Aus)** (Written Tycoon {Aus}) is booked full for his first season at Newgate this year.

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## ‘BONNE’ CHANCE IN NZ OAKS?

*by Heather Anderson*

The NZ\$300,000 G1 Wellfield New Zealand Oaks sees a field of 16 sophomore fillies vie for Classic honours in this 2400-metre affair at Trentham Saturday. The \$2.60 favourite is Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman charge **Bonneval (NZ)** (Makfi {GB}), who is hunting her third straight win. Successful in her lone juvenile appearance at Hastings in April, the bay resurfaced with a fifth in a Te Rapa handicap Dec. 10, before being pulled up after never

getting involved in the running in the G2 Eight Carat at Ellerslie on Boxing Day. An encouraging third--one in front of **Shared Secrets (NZ)** (Nadeem {Aus})--after a slow beginning in the wake of stablemate and Saturday’s \$6.00 second choice **Nicoletta (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}) and \$7.00 third pick **Devise (NZ)** (Darci Brahma {NZ}) stepped up to 1600 metres in the G3 Desert Gold S. over this course Jan. 28, Bonneval landed the G2 Sir Tristram Fillies Classic directly ahead of that duo at Te Rapa Feb. 11. Transferred to Hastings for the 2100-metre G3 Lowland S. and sent off the \$3.30 crowd’s pick, Bonneval closed strongly to score in the final jump, besting **Savvy Dreams (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}), and the familiar foes Devise and Nicoletta Mar. 2.

**Dreamcrafter (NZ)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) donned cap and gown at Arawa Park Jan. 18 and added another win to her ledger two stars on in a 1600-metre handicap at Avondale Feb. 22. The Michael Moroney and Pam Gerard-trained chestnut missed by just three-quarters of a length to the subsequently injured Eleonora (NZ) (Makfi {GB}) in the G3 McKee Family Sunline Vase going 2000 metres Mar. 4. **Dame Margo Fonteyn (NZ)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) completed the trifecta, one to the good of Eight Carat third-place finisher **Date Night (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}).

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**Nicoletta prevails over Devise (blue cap) with Bonneval third in the G3 Wellfield Desert Gold S.** | *NZ Race Images*

## TABCORP FINED A\$45-MILLION

Australian gaming corporation Tabcorp has been fined A\$45-million for “breaching anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing laws,” according to *Racing.com*. The fine is believed to be the largest civil penalty ever handed out in the country. The Federal Court found that Tabcorp failed to notify authorities of 108 counts of suspicious behaviour over a period of five years.

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**Tabcorp cont.**

Paul Jevtovic, Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre, told *Racing.com*, "It wasn't until AUSTRAC drew these deficiencies to the attention that they have been found out. There can be no doubt that this was a serious failure in the corporate governance and the size of the penalty reflects a consistent and extensive noncompliance. Its money laundering and terrorism financing function was at times under-resourced, and Tabcorp senior management didn't regularly receive reports in relation to the money laundering and terrorism finance compliance. Quite simply it failed in its obligations."

Tabcorp Chief Executive Officer David Attenborough said in a statement, "We remain firmly committed to continuing to work cooperatively with AUSTRAC into the future. We have made a significant investment in enhancing our compliance over the last three years and remain focused on being the industry leader in regulatory compliance across all of our operations."

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**TWICE OVER COLT TOPS CAPE SALE**

A colt by Twice Over (GB) (lot 125) topped Thursday's Bloodstock South Africa Cape Yearling Sale when hammered down to Bass Racing for R350,000 (US\$27,473). The colt was consigned by Drakenstein Stud. The top-priced filly of the sale was a R240,000 (US\$18,838) daughter of Jay Peg (SAf) (lot 82). Consigned by Varsfontein Stud, she was bought by Howells Racing.

The aggregate for the sale was R6,120,000 for 101 sold, which was up from the R4,092,500 accumulated last year for 86 sold. The average was R60,594, up 27.7%, and the median was R40,000.

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- 2--**Eurobeat (Jpn)**, 123, g, 8, Suzuka Mambo (Jpn)--Mejiro Brunet (Jpn), by Helissio (Fr). O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Mejiro Farm; ¥11,200,000.
- 3--**Umanojo (Jpn)**, 121, c, 4, Wing Arrow (Jpn)--Transparence (Jpn), by End Sweep. O/B-Foret Bleue Inc.; ¥6,400,000. Margins: 6, 5, 4. Odds: 0.60, 8.30, 91.10.

JAPANESE GROUP 1 RACES – 2017

Date	Race	Track
Mar. 26	Takamatsunomiya Kinen	Chukyo
Apr. 2	Osaka Hai	Hanshin
Apr. 9	Oka Sho (1000 Guineas)	Hanshin
Apr. 16	Satsuki Sho (2000 Guineas)	Nakayama
Apr. 30	Tenno Sho (Spring)	Kyoto
May 7	NHK Mile Cup	Tokyo
May 14	Victoria Mile	Tokyo
May 21	Yushun Himba (Oaks)	Tokyo
May 28	Tokyo Yushun (Derby)	Tokyo
June 4	Yasuda Kinen	Tokyo
June 25	Takarazuka Kinen	Hanshin
Oct. 1	Sprinters' S.	Nakayama
Oct. 15	Shuka Sho	Kyoto
Oct. 22	Kikuka Sho (St Leger)	Kyoto
Oct. 29	Tenno Sho (Autumn)	Tokyo
Nov. 12	Queen Elizabeth II Cup	Kyoto
Nov. 19	Mile Championship S.	Kyoto
Nov. 26	Japan Cup	Tokyo
Dec. 3	Champions Cup	Chukyo
Dec. 10	Hanshin Juvenile Fillies	Hanshin
Dec. 17	Asahi Hai Futurity S.	Hanshin
Dec. 24	Arima Kinen	Nakayama
Dec. 28	Tokyo Daishoten	Ohi

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**Thursday's Result:**

**DIOLITE KINEN-Listed**, ¥54,400,000, Funabashi, 3-15, 4yo/up, 2400m, 2:37.80, hy.

1--**CHRYSOLITE (JPN)**, 123, h, 7, **Gold Allure (Jpn)--Chrysoprase (Jpn)**, by **El Condor Pasa**. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; T-Hidetaka Otonashi; J-Yutaka Take; ¥32,000,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Jpn, 33-9-10-1. \*1/2 to Marialite (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), MG1SW-Jpn, \$3,717,679; and Lia Fail (Jpn) (Zenno Rob Roy {Jpn}), GSW & G1SP-Jpn, \$1,189,886.

**'DRAGON'S' DERBY DREAMS DONE NO**

**HARM AT BARRIER DRAW** by Alan Carasso

Joao 'Magic Man' Moreira is apparently capable of everything. He continues to break his own records for winners, booted home eight horses a few weeks ago, and Thursday said he had a premonition that **Rapper Dragon (Aus)** (Street Boss) would pull gate four for Sunday's HK\$18 million (£1.8 million) BMW Hong Kong Derby (2000m) at Sha Tin Racecourse. Apparently he is clairvoyant to go along with his considerable talent, as the 114-rated chestnut will leave from that barrier in his attempt to become the first to sweep all three legs of the local 4-year-old series. If possible, somehow, trainer John Moore enters the domestic centerpiece with heightened confidence. **Cont. p15**

**Hong Kong Derby Draw cont.**

“The owner of Rapper Dragon asked me what gate I wanted, I said four to six,” Moore told the Hong Kong Jockey Club’s Andrew Hawkins following the draw. “He got four, it couldn’t be better for him. We all know Rapper Dragon has the early gate speed, he’s going to get a great position and he’s going to be given every chance from there.”

Three of the five other entrants from the Moore yard drew double-digit alleys, though given their respective running styles, none seems unduly inconvenienced.

“Some are a little on the wide side, although for some of them, it doesn’t matter,” Moore commented. “A horse like **Eagle Way (Aus)** (More Than Ready, gate 10), he settled midfield from a similar gate in [winning] the [G1] Queensland Derby and came home strong. **Helene Charisma (Fr)** (Air Chief Marshal {Ire}, gate 14), he will be going back anyway and he will appreciate further, as will **Rodrigo (Aus)** (High Chaparral {Ire}, gate seven).”

Four of the last six Derby winners have left from post 10 or higher, including two from 14, and if **Pakistan Star (Ger)** (Shamardal) is to win the Derby, he will add to that factoid. The ‘[TDN Rising Star](#)’ and one of the most popular horses in all of Hong Kong, he is a slam dunk to be snagged back from the wide barrier and should be allowed to make one sustained run from the tail.

“Pakistan Star, he’s got no speed from the gate, so where can we go with him?,” said Tony Cruz, a two-time winner of the Derby as trainer *and* jockey.

“He’ll come from behind, so 13 is not a problem. We’ll drop in with him and he’ll run on. He’ll run the way he always likes to. We tried to ride him handier that once in the Classic Mile and he didn’t even finish off his race. The distance, 2000 metres, will suit him better this time, too.”

**Seasons Bloom (Aus)** (Captain Sonador {Aus}) will get the shortest way around from post one, though trainer Danny Shum wasn’t exactly counting his blessings.

“It’s fifty-fifty, I think,” the conditioner said. “It’s a good draw in the sense that you save the ground, but then it can be a disadvantage because on the ‘A’ [rail-setting] track they will all come from behind on the outside.”

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HONG KONG GROUP 1 RACES – 2016/2017

Date	Race	Distance
Apr. 30	Audemars Piguet QE II Cup	2000m
May 7	Champions Mile	1600m
	Chairman’s Sprint Prize	1200m
May 28	Champions and Chater Cup	2400m



Dr Simon Ip (center, pink tie), Chairman of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, toasts the participants in Sunday’s BMW Hong Kong Derby following the barrier draw held Thursday morning in the Sha Tin parade ring | HKJC photo

**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4:35 p.m. (4:35 a.m. EST)**

**2017 BMW HONG KONG DERBY-LR**, HK\$18,000,000 (£1,878,077/€2,161,994/A\$3,017,263/US\$2,318,425), 4yo, 2000mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	HK RATING
1	Seasons Bloom (Aus)	Captain Sonador (Aus)	Paul & Kathy Lo	Shum	N Rawiller	97
2	Dinozzo (Ire)	Lilbourne Lad (Ire)	Siu Pak Kwan	Size	Bowman	90
3	Prawn Baba (Aus)	Duke of Marmalade (Ire)	Kevin Lau	Size	Williams	94
4	Rapper Dragon (Aus)	Street Boss	Albert Hung	Moore	Moreira	114
5	Limitless (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Chua Hwa Por	Ho	Callan	95
6	My Darling (Aus)	Mossman (Aus)	Hugo Hui	Size	Teetan	91
7	Rodrico (Aus)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Johnson & Irene Chen	Moore	Clipperton	87
8	Gold Mount (GB)	Excellent Art (GB)	Pan Sutong	A Cruz	Mosse	95
9	Booming Delight (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Peter Law	Moore	Moore	94
10	Eagle Way (Aus)	More Than Ready	Siu Pak Kwan	Moore	Berry	98
11	Circuit Hassler (NZ)	Shocking (Aus)	Chan Wing Kwan, Chang Wing Yiu & Cheung Kwok Wa	A Cruz	Prebble	85
12	Beauty Generation (NZ)	Road to Rock (Aus)	Patrick Kwok	Moore	Purton	100
13	Pakistan Star (Ger)	Shamardal	Kerm Din	A Cruz	de Sousa	100
14	Helene Charisma (Fr)	Air Chief Marshal (Ire)	Sir Po-shing, Lady & Jackson Woo & The Estate of the Late Wilson Woo	Moore	Whyte	93

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**Saturday, Rosehill, New South Wales, Australia, post time: 2:05 p.m. (11:05 p.m. EST)**

**RANVET S-G1**, A\$700,000 (US\$531,616/£435,119/€500,138), Open, WFA, 3yo/up, 2000mT,

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Hartnell (GB)	Authorized (Ire)	O'Shea	Buick	130
2	Preferment (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Waller	Bowman	130
3	Stratum Star (Aus)	Stratum (Aus)	Weir	Lane	130
4	Our Ivanhowe (Ger)	Soldier Hollow (GB)	L/A Freedman	McEvoy	130
5	The United States (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Hickmott	Melham	130
6	He's Our Rokkii (NZ)	Roc de Cambes (NZ)	D/B Hayes & Dabernig	Dunn	130
7	Antonio Giuseppe (NZ)	Shocking (Aus)	Waller	Angland	130
8	Sofia Rosa (NZ)	Makfi (GB)	Marsh	Shinn	125

**Saturday, Trentham, New Zealand, post time: 4:36 p.m. (11:36 p.m. EST)**

**WELLFIELD NEW ZEALAND OAKS-G1**, NZ\$300,000 (US\$208,610/£170,726/€196,241), 3yo, f, 2400mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY
1	Bonneval (NZ)	Makfi (GB)	Baker & Forsman	Cameron
2	Dreamcrafter (NZ)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	M/P Moroney & Gerard	Du Plessis
3	Dame Margo Fonteyn (NZ)	High Chaparral (Ire)	S/J Autridge & Richards	Parkes
4	Nicoletta (NZ)	Savabeel (Aus)	Baker & Forsman	Coleman
5	Zigwig (NZ)	Zacinto (GB)	Wigley	Moseley
6	Date Night (NZ)	Savabeel (Aus)	G/D Rogerson	Allpress
7	Savvy Dreams (NZ)	Savabeel (Aus)	G/G Lowry & Cullen	Innes
8	Devise (NZ)	Darci Brahma (NZ)	Ritchie	Riddell
9	Shared Secrets (NZ)	Nadeem (Aus)	Oulaghan	Tanaka
10	Fashionably (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	S/J Autridge & Richards	Lammas
11	Incantesimo (NZ)	Per Incanto	Richardson	McNab
12	Rube Bridges (NZ)	Darci Brahma (NZ)	Marsh	Johnson
13	Korakonui (Aus)	All American (Aus)	Manning	McCulloch
14	Vencedora (NZ)	Ekraar	Wheeler	Thornton
15	Imogen Smiles (NZ)	Sufficient (NZ)	Dalley	Collett
16	Ave Maria (NZ)	Bachelor Duke	Myers	Myers

All carry 124 pounds.

**Saturday, Rosehill, New South Wales, Australia, post time: 2:45 p.m. (11:45 p.m. EST)**

**CHINA HORSE CLUB GEORGE RYDER-G1**, A\$1,000,000 (US\$759,428/£621,513/€714,165), Open, WFA, 3yo/up, 1500mT,

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Chautauqua (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	M/W/J Hawkes	Berry	130
2	Le Romain (Aus)	Hard Spun	Lees	Schofield	130
3	Hauraki (Aus)	Reset (Aus)	O'Shea	Buick	130
4	Tosen Stardom (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Weir	Williams	130
5	Leebaz (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	M/W/J Hawkes	Reith	130
6	McCreery (GB)	Big Bad Bob (Ire)	Waller	McEvoy	130
7	Endless Drama (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Waller	Angland	130
8	Winx (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Waller	Bowman	125
9	Sylpheed (Aus)	Real Saga (Aus)	Edmonds	Fujii	119

**Saturday, Rosehill, New South Wales, Australia, post time: 3:25 p.m. (12:25 a.m. EST)****SKY RACING ROSEHILL GUINEAS-G1**, A\$600,000 (US\$455,687/£372,948/€428,406), Open, 3yo, 2000mT,

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY
1	Prized Icon (Aus)	More Than Ready	Cummings	Schofield
2	Gingernuts (NZ)	Iffraaj (GB)	Autridge & Richards	Bosson
3	Seaburge (Aus)	Sebring (Aus)	D/B Hayes & Dabernig	Shinn
4	Inference (Aus)	So You Think (NZ)	M/W/J Hawkes	Berry
5	Comin' Through (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Waller	Williams
6	Anaheim (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Busuttin & Young	Bowman
7	So Si Bon (Aus)	So You Think (NZ)	Laing	McEvoy
8	Sizzling Bullet (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Waller	Moore
9	Impavido (Aus)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Baker	Lloyd
10	Land of Plenty (Aus)	Stratum (Aus)	Begg	Arnold
11	Harper's Choice (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Ryan	Avdulla
12	Hollywood Mo (Aus)	Uncle Mo	Perry	Melham

All carry 124 pounds.

**Saturday, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 4:10 p.m. (1:10 a.m. EST)****LONGINES GOLDEN SLIPPER-G1**, A\$3,500,000 (US\$2,643,304/£2,178,966/€2,487,385), 2yo, 1200mT.

PP	SC	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	4	Pariah (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	P & P Snowden	Shinn	124
2	11	Veranillo (Aus)	Medaglia d'Oro	O'Shea	Avdulla	124
3	5	Trapeze Artist (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Ryan	Clark	124
4	3	Single Bullet (Aus)	Not A Single Doubt (Aus)	Portelli	Angland	124
5	7	Diamond Tathagata (Aus)	Hinchinbrook (Aus)	Newnham	G Schofield	124
6	18	Trekking (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	O'Shea	Buick	124
7	15	Invader (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	P & P Snowden	Bowman	124
8	1	Menari (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Ryan	Brown	124
9	8	Catchy (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	D & B Hayes & T Dabernig	Williams	120
10	2	Formality (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	D & B Hayes & T Dabernig	Moore	120
11	10	Tulip (Aus)	Pierro (Aus)	D & B Hayes & T Dabernig	McEvoy	120
12	13	She Will Reign (Aus)	Manhattan Rain (Aus)	Portelli	Melham	120
13	17	Frolic (Aus)	Husson (Arg)	M Freedman	Berry	120
14	14	Teaspoon (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	M Freedman	Purton	120
15	16	Houtzen (Aus)	I Am Invincible (Aus)	Edmonds	Lloyd	120
16	9	Madeenaty (Aus)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	D & B Hayes & T Dabernig	Bayliss	120

*Emergencies:*

17	19	Chauffeur (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Ryan	Parr	124
18	6	Showtime (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	M, W & J Hawkes	No rider	124
19	12	The Mission (Aus)	Choisir (Aus)	Perry	No rider	124

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**NATHAN'S FAMOUS HOTDOGS GALAXY H-G1**, A\$700,000 (US\$531,616/£435,119/€500,138), Open, 3yo/up, 1100mT,

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Music Magnate (NZ)	Written Tycoon (Aus)	Baker	Collett	128
2	Fell Swoop (Aus)	Not a Single Doubt (Aus)	Dale	Bowman	123
3	English (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Waterhouse & Bott	Shinn	122
4	Big Money (Aus)	Choisir (Aus)	Northam	Thompson	120
5	Faatinah (Aus)	Nicconi (Aus)	D/B Hayes & Dabernig	Bayliss	120
6	Redzel (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	P/P Snowden	Dunn	120
7	Heatherly (Aus)	Lonhro (Aus)	Ellerton & Zahra	Lane	119
8	Supido (Aus)	Sebring (Aus)	Kent	Williams	118
9	Felines (Aus)	Conatus (Aus)	Lees	Brown	113
10	Miss Promiscuity	Magnus (Aus)	D/B Hayes & Dabernig	Mallyon	112
11	Jungle Edge (Aus)	Dubawi (Ire)	Bell	Forrester	112
12	Russian Revolution (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	P/P Snowden	McEvoy	111
13	Missrock (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Laing	O'Hara	110
14	Glenall (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Bridge	Adkins	110

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Galileo (Ire)</b> <i>(1998) by Sadler's Wells FYR: 2003 Crops: 12 Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire (private)</i>	39	71	30	54	14	24	291	138	\$4,742,548 <i>Found (IRE)</i>	\$26,906,542
2	<b>Wootton Bassett (GB)</b> <i>(2008) by Iffraaj (GB) FYR: 2013 Crops: 2 Stands: Haras D'Etreham Fr (€20,000)</i>	2	2	1	2	1	1	28	10	\$2,986,654 <i>Almanzor (FR)</i>	\$3,227,169
3	<b>Sea the Stars (Ire)</b> <i>(2006) by Cape Cross (Ire) FYR: 2011 Crops: 4 Stands: Gilttown Stud Ire (€125,000)</i>	13	28	10	21	2	6	139	81	\$2,270,521 <i>Harzand (IRE)</i>	\$6,064,745
4	<b>Dansili (GB)</b> <i>(1996) by Danehill FYR: 2002 Crops: 13 Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng (£65,000)</i>	15	28	5	13	2	4	171	86	\$2,000,000 <i>Flintshire (GB)</i>	\$5,880,513
5	<b>Dubawi (Ire)</b> <i>(2002) by Dubai Millennium (GB) FYR: 2007 Crops: 8 Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng (£250,000)</i>	33	47	18	30	5	13	198	107	\$1,203,101 <i>Postponed (IRE)</i>	\$8,661,112
6	<b>Paco Boy (Ire)</b> <i>(2005) by Desert Style (Ire) FYR: 2012 Crops: 3 Stands: Highclere Stud Eng (£6,500)</i>	2	6	2	4	1	1	138	52	\$1,120,040 <i>Galileo Gold (GB)</i>	\$2,294,041
7	<b>Le Havre (Ire)</b> <i>(2006) by Noverre FYR: 2011 Crops: 4 Stands: Haras De La Cauviniere Fr (€60,000)</i>	5	13	2	8	1	3	138	56	\$1,050,030 <i>La Cressonniere (FR)</i>	\$3,512,572
8	<b>Iffraaj (GB)</b> <i>(2001) by Zafonic FYR: 2008 Crops: 7 Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng (£27,500)</i>	9	16	3	8	1	2	197	89	\$1,045,260 <i>Ribchester (IRE)</i>	\$3,442,406
9	<b>Choisir (Aus)</b> <i>(1999) by Danehill Dancer (Ire) FYR: 2005 Crops: 8 Stands: Coolmore Stud EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>	4	9	3	8	2	4	43	22	\$834,000 <i>Obviously (IRE)</i>	\$1,612,021
10	<b>Showcasing (GB)</b> <i>(2007) by Oasis Dream (GB) FYR: 2012 Crops: 3 Stands: Whitsbury Manor Stud Eng (£35,000)</i>	6	10	4	6	1	1	121	51	\$756,548 <i>Quiet Reflection (GB)</i>	\$1,960,346
11	<b>Tagula (Ire)</b> <i>(1993) by Taufan FYR: 1998 Crops: 17 Stands: Rathbarry Stud Ire (€4,000)</i>	2	3	1	1	1	1	68	19	\$749,789 <i>Limato (IRE)</i>	\$1,201,736
12	<b>Youmzain (Ire)</b> <i>(2003) by Sinndar (Ire) FYR: 2012 Crops: 3 Stands: Haras Du Quesnay Fr (€4,000)</i>	1	2	1	2	1	1	55	14	\$676,400 <i>Sea Calisi (FR)</i>	\$1,132,596
13	<b>Shamardal</b> <i>(2002) by Giant's Causeway FYR: 2007 Crops: 9 Stands: Kildangan Stud Ire (private)</i>	23	34	11	18	3	8	211	107	\$673,408 <i>Speedy Boarding (GB)</i>	\$4,956,046
14	<b>Danehill Dancer (Ire)</b> <i>(1993) by Danehill FYR: 1999 Crops: 16 Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire (pensioned)</i>	3	11	2	7	1	1	101	42	\$652,728 <i>Qemah (IRE)</i>	\$1,811,282
15	<b>Monsun (Ger)</b> <i>(1990) by Konigsstuhl (Ger) FYR: 1997 Crops: 17 Stands: Gestut Schlenderhan EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>	7	13	5	10	3	4	55	30	\$623,371 <i>Vadamos (FR)</i>	\$1,915,160

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