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by Jessica Martini

LEXINGTON, KY - The Fasig-Tipton November Sale will offer a glittering array of outstanding racemares and producers, as well as a quality group of weanlings, when selling kicks off Monday afternoon at 4 p.m. at Newtown Paddocks.

"It's a tremendous catalogue and, even more exciting, as I've been on the grounds, is looking at the quality of the horses from a physical perspective," said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning, Jr. "You can see with some of these top fillies and mares, the conformation matches up with their racing record and the pedigrees. It's a really exceptional group of horses on the grounds." **Cont. p3**

LADY ELI SCRATCHED FROM KEENELAND NOVEMBER SALE

Sheep Pond Partners' MGISW **Lady Eli** (Divine Park) will be withdrawn from Hill 'n' Dale Farm's Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale consignment due to lacerations and a puncture wound suffered during the running of Saturday's GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf, the farm announced Sunday. **Cont. p5 (click here)**

GUN RUNNER IN GOOD ORDER, LIKELY FOR PEGASUS

Winchell Thoroughbreds and Three Chimneys Farm's **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}), a decisive winner of Saturday's GI Breeders' Cup Classic, emerged from his triumph in good order Sunday and will likely point toward a start in the Jan. 27 \$16-million GI Pegasus World Cup at Gulfstream Park, according to Scott Blasi, long-time assistant to trainer Steve Asmussen. Blasi reflected on Saturday's 2 1/4-length victory and what it means to train a likely Horse of the Year.

"To help develop another Horse of the Year, our fourth [award] in a decade, is unbelievable," said Blasi, who also worked with 2009 Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra (Medaglia d'Oro) and 2007 and 2008 Horse of the Year Curlin (Smart Strike). "I think he needs to get all the limelight right now. He deserves it, and he's earned it." **Cont. p10 (click here)**; For this week's Breeders' Cup "Week in Review," **click here**.

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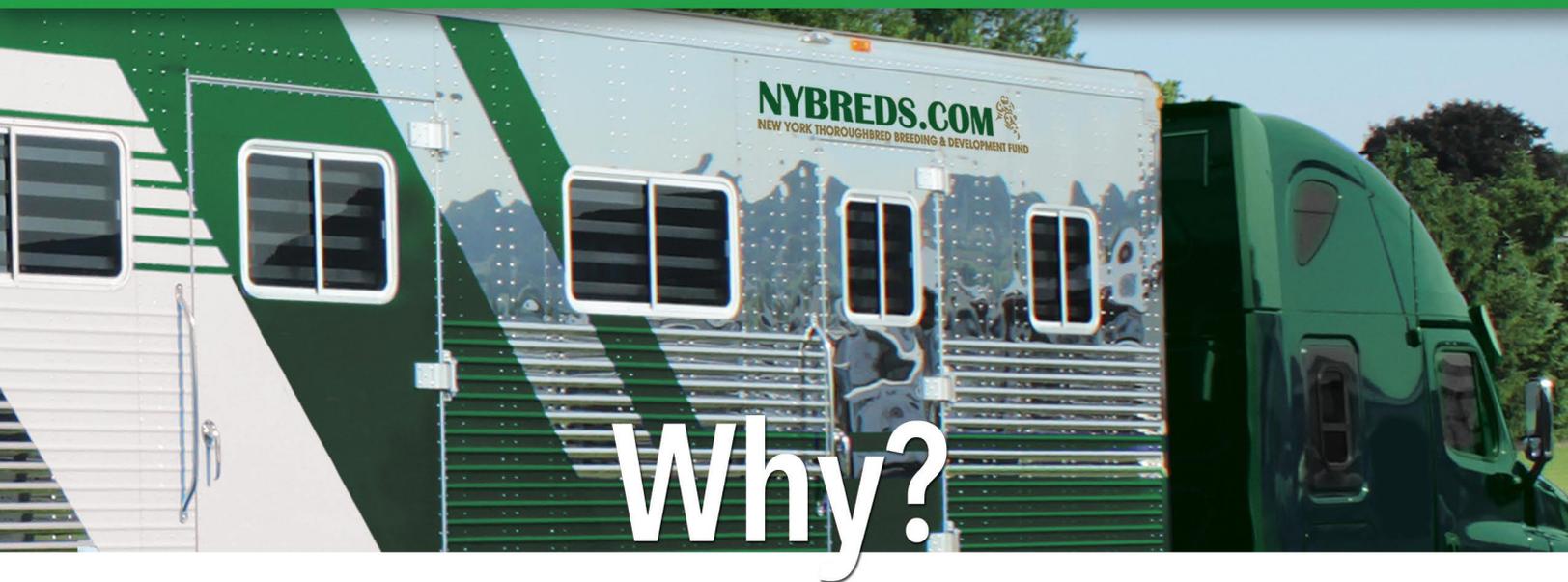
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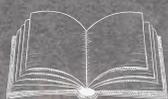
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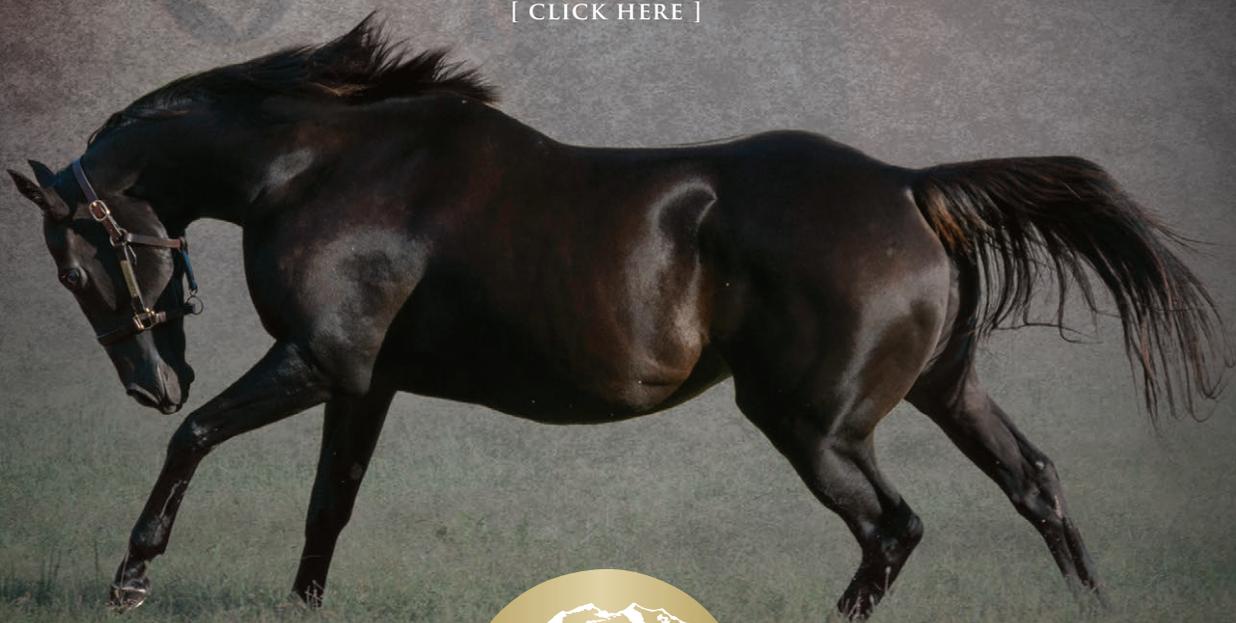

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Sea horses. Godolphin's multiple group winner Hartnell (GB) (Authorized {Ire}), center, and friends enjoy a dip at Altona Beach in Victoria, Australia ahead of Tuesday's G1 Emirates Melbourne Cup. | Emma Berry

INTRIGUING PLOT TWISTS ANCHOR ROUSING B.C. **7**

T.D. Thornton looks back at the Breeders' Cup weekend that was in this week's "Week in Review," kicking off a complete wrap of the World Championships on the following pages.

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As we turn the page to sales week, we take a deep dive into some storylines to watch ahead of Fasig-Tipton and Keeneland's November sales.



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Browning continued, "I am also excited about the quality of weanlings this year. I think it's a really strong group of weanlings that we have on offer."

After an exciting two days of racing at Del Mar, the industry had a day to catch its breath Sunday before plunging into the bloodstock sales. Browning looks for the excitement of Breeders' Cup championship weekend to carry into Monday's auction.

"There is a demand for quality and when you see quality horses and quality performances, it invigorates everybody," he said.

Among the headliners at this year's November sale are a pair of two-time Eclipse champions in **Songbird** (Medaglia d'Oro) and **Tepin** (Bernstein). The catalogue also features Eclipse champion **Finest City** (City Zip), Canadian champion **Catch a Glimpse** (City Zip) and multiple Grade I winner **Miss Temple City** (Temple City), as well as the Grade I placed **American Cleopatra** (Pioneer of the Nile), a full-sister to Triple Crown winner American Pharoah.

"It's an opportunity to buy the best," Browning said. "I think Songbird is honestly the finest quality offering, in terms of coming off the racetrack, that I've been associated with since I've been at Fasig-Tipton. And that's saying something. Her race record was unbelievable. She's a two-time champion and her pedigree is very, very strong. Her conformation is beautiful. She could literally be a breed-changing broodmare for somebody and change somebody's program completely. The potential is unlimited."



Tepin | Fasig-Tipton photo

Browning continued, "And we have horses of the quality of Tepin, who accomplished things that have never been accomplished before. And then you throw in horses like Miss Temple City, who didn't beat the boys just once, she beat the boys twice. You go through the catalogue, there are many, many more that have that potential quality to produce a top-end stallion."

Browning pointed out the exploits of outstanding broodmare Leslie's Lady, who has produced leading sire Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday), four-time champion Beholder (Henny Hughes) and Friday's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf winner Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy).

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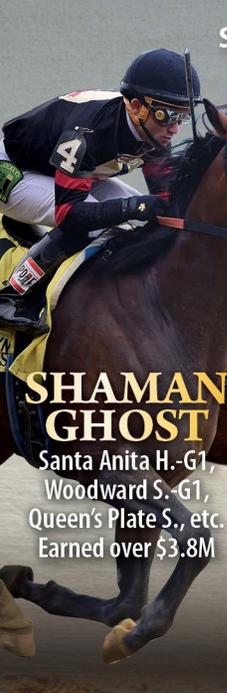
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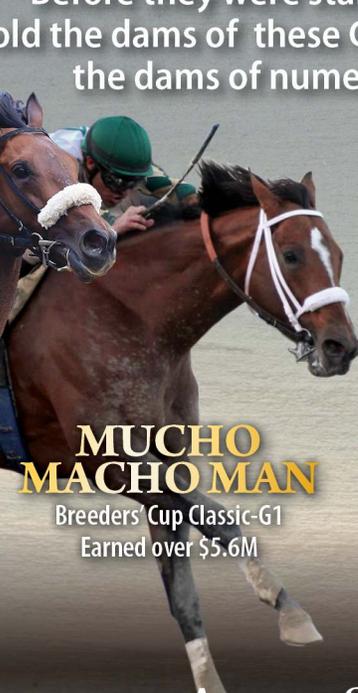
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A champion at two and three and a nine-time Grade I winner, Songbird (**hip 120**) is consigned to the November sale by Taylor Made Sales Agency on behalf of Rick Porter’s Fox Hill Farm.

“There has been a lot of people coming by to see her and that’s been really cool because she means a lot to a lot of people,” Taylor Made’s Mark Taylor said of the **‘TDN Rising Star’** popular champion. “And then all the biggest buyers and breeders in the world are looking at her. So you have really good judges of horseflesh looking at an absolute specimen. And it’s very interesting to watch that dynamic happen. And some of the best judges in the world are looking at her and I think they are just scratching their heads and wondering, ‘Why didn’t we buy her as a yearling?’”

Eclipse champion grass mare of 2015 and 2016, Tepin (**hip 130**) sells in foal to Curlin with the ELITE Sales consignment on behalf of Robert Masterson.

“Tepin has done something no filly ever brought to public auction has ever done,” said Elite’s Bradley Weisbord. “We might never see something like her again, so we have very high expectations. She looks tremendous and she’s in foal to Curlin, who had the one-two in the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile.”

Tepin’s dramatic victory at Royal Ascot in last year’s G1 Queen Anne S. is one of several performances on the international scene by American-based runners that will further encourage foreign buyers, according to Weisbord.

“The product is here and there is international demand from the buyers,” Weisbord said. “Tepin helped create that. She went to Royal Ascot--no Lasix--and won. Mind Your Biscuits going to Dubai and winning the G1 Golden Shaheen, Arrogate dominating in the G1 Dubai World Cup. These are medication-free races and international performances that have brought buyers back [to America] to say, ‘I want your blood.’”

Miss Temple City (**hip 99**) defeated the boys in Grade I company last season, annexing both the GI Maker’s 46 Mile S. and the GI Shadwell Turf Mile. The 5-year-old mare sells as a broodmare or racing prospect with Select Sales as agent for The Club Racing LLC & Partners.

“Miss Temple City has obviously been a huge draw and she should be,” said Select Sales’ Carrie Brogden. “She danced every dance and she is a big, strong powerful thing. Her weanling

half-sister (**hip 72**), who happens to be consigned right across the way from us [at Buckland Sales], is absolutely stunning. So the next generation coming up behind her looks just as good as she does.”

Brogden agreed the excitement from the Breeders’ Cup will have a positive carry-over effect into the November sale.

“People are keen,” she said. “We’ve just watched a lot of top-level racing and I think it makes people excited and they are excited about the next generation.”

At last year’s November sale, 88 horses sold for \$54,152,000 for an average of \$615,364 and a median of \$377,500. Fifteen offerings sold for seven figures, including the mare Baffled (Distorted Humor) who brought top price of \$3.5 million.

The November sale, with a catalogue of 203 head, is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. The sale opens with an offering of 81 weanlings, **including five foals from the first crop of Triple Crown winner American Pharoah**. Other first-crop sires with weanlings in the catalogue include Competitive Edge, Tonalist, Palace, Honor Code, Daredevil, Danza, Summer Front, Liam’s Map and Karakontie (Jpn).

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Lady Eli Scratched from KEENOV (cont. from p1)



Lady Eli | Sarah K. Andrew

Trainer Chad Brown reported that Lady Eli came out of the race with the injuries, which have been treated and are being treated. The injury, though not life-threatening, mandates stall rest for the mare.

In a statement released Sunday, Sheep Pond Partners' Jay Hanley and Sol Kumin said, "After lengthy discussions with Chad Brown following the BC Filly & Mare Turf, we have decided that

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Sikura added, "Though disappointed to scratch one of the greatest turf distaffers of all time, our philosophy at Hill 'n' Dale has always been to put the safety, soundness, and well being of our horses first. We trust the advice of the horse's owner and trainer."

Widely celebrated for her comeback from a bout with Laminitis midway through her 3-year-old season, Lady Eli put forth a memorable 2017 campaign, capturing the GI Gamely S. at Santa Anita May 27 and the GI Diana S. at Saratoga July 22 before adding the GII Ballston Spa S. at Saratoga Aug. 26. She endured a brutal trip at Saturday's World Championships and finished seventh.

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The Week in Review, by T.D. Thornton

If this year's Breeders' Cup was a theatrical production, you'd have to give its cast of characters high marks for intrepid off-script improvisation. Many of the anticipated stars of the World Thoroughbred Championships flubbed their big-stage performances, yet budding understudies rose to the occasion, stealing the show with aplomb by incorporating new plot twists that now spin the sport's chief story lines in intriguing new directions.

Would you have thought that the Friday and Saturday races would have unfolded as appealingly and competitively as they did if you knew ahead of time that pari-mutuel favorites would tank and only manage two wins from 13 races, with nine of those chalky no-shows failing to even hit the board?

Or what if I told you in advance that it would be evident just a few jumps out of the gate in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic that the highly hyped showdown between **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) and **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) was never going to materialize, yet the 2:01.29 of drama in the closing act would still rate the Classic as one of the most captivating races of the year?

Some of those 11 well-beaten Breeders' Cup favorites could very well qualify to have their photos plastered on milk cartons in an effort to determine why they went "missing" on the most important racing weekend of 2017.

Yet by a similar analogy, you could make a strong case for Gun Runner deserving to get his picture emblazoned on the front of a Wheaties cereal box, because the chestnut colt's hard-earned victory epitomized the twin virtues of finely honed athleticism and an ability to deliver a dynamic performance under pressure.

When jockey Mike Smith had to shake the reins at a lackluster Arrogate soon after the starter sprung the latch in the Classic, the focal point of the race immediately shifted to Gun Runner, who had jumped away keenly and then confidently secured a ground-saving spot under Florent Geroux just ahead of the projected main speedster, **Collected** (City Zip).

Those two sparred tenaciously through energetic early splits of :22.50 and :46.31, then came on even terms three-eighths out. At that point it had already been made obvious that Arrogate was not going to be an active participant in the final race of his meteoric career, and it was just starting to sink in that even the determined sophomore **West Coast** (Flatter) was not going to be able to parlay his gift-trip stalking of the duelers into any meaningful stretch attack against his elders.

The frontrunning slugfest continued until just before the furlong pole, when Gun Runner finally cracked the pesky Collected for good, then clicked into yet another overdrive gear to demonstrate he still had plenty of power in reserve.



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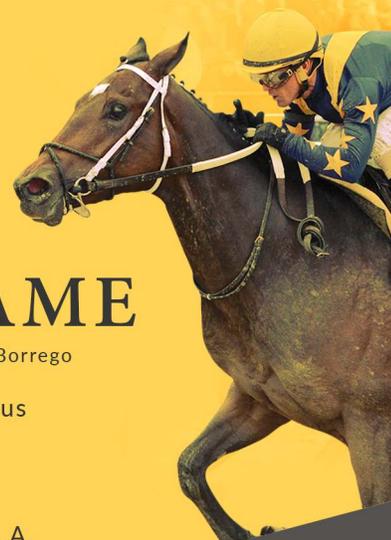
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So Gun Runner vanquished Arrogate for the first time in their three matchups. Even if his victory was not the result of direct hoof-to-hoof combat against that arch rival, other aspects of the 4-year-old's scintillating win stand out.

For starters, Gun Runner conquered the perceived slant against inside speed that had been percolating through the first two days of the championships at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club. Although the sample size is too small to deem it a true "bias," Gun Runner was the only wire-to-wire winner from seven main track Breeders' Cup races (three closers, two stalkers, and one pace-presser accounted for the others).

Gun Runner also attained his first lifetime victory at 10 furlongs, smartly shaking free of his 0-for-3 stigma at that distance, and he'll enter the winter as the presumed Horse of the Year victor in the Eclipse Awards voting.

Gun Runner has been a three-year study in watching a racehorse methodically mature into a champion, and here's hoping we see more of him on the track in 2018.

To steal a line from the always-quotable jockey Kent Desormeaux—who seemed to invent a new turn of phrase earlier on Saturday when he waxed glowingly in the aftermath of **Roy H** (More Than Ready)'s win in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint--Gun Runner has "gained the ascendancy" to the highest level of the sport.

The buildup to Saturday's Classic was preceded by several solid lead-in Breeders' Cup races that stand out on their own: The new-course-record score by **Talismanic (GB)** (Medaglia d'Oro) in the GI Turf, and the look-what-we-have-here breakout performance by the maiden **Good Magic** (Curlin) in the GI Juvenile.



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Tortuga Band, by Dixieland Band. 4 wins, 2 to 4, \$69,811, 2nd Jiffy Lube S. (HOU, \$5,000), 3rd La Senorita S. [L] (RET, \$8,250), Carris Memorial H. (RP, \$3,850). Half-sister to **ABOLINE** (champion miler in India), **HOTEL HALL (IRE)** [L] (\$306,070), **Kuwait Trooper [G3]** (Total: \$55,939). Dam of 6 registered foals, 6 of racing age, 6 to race, 6 winners, including--

Won first 4 starts,
including **G3 UAE**
Oaks over **G1W**
Millionaire,
Vale Dori

TORTUGA STRAITS (g. by Gold Tribute). 14 wins, 2 to 9, \$831,573, Jean Lafitte S. [L] (DED, \$90,000), Lafayette S. [L] (EVD, \$60,000), Louisiana Premier Night Prince S.-R (DED, \$75,000), Cajun S.-R (LAD, \$60,000), John Franks Memorial Sales S.-R (EVD, \$60,000), Louisiana Champions Day Juvenile S.-R (FG, \$60,000), Temperance Hill S. (LAD, \$30,000), etc. Set ntr at Evangeline Downs, 5 1/2 fur. in 1:02 3/5.

2nd by 3/4 length
against males in
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to **G1P Millionaire**
Lani, defeating
Vale Dori

TORTUGA FLATS (f. by Wild Zone). 16 wins, 2 to 5, \$594,064, River Cities S. [L] (LAD, \$66,000), Louisiana Champions Day Lassie S.-R (LAD, \$60,000), Laurel Lane S.-R (LAD, \$48,420), Louisiana Futurity-R (LAD, \$45,440), Elge Raspberry S.-R (LAD, \$30,000), Seven Stars S.-R (LAD, \$30,000), 2nd Walmac Farm Matchmaker S.-R (LAD, \$20,000), Fantasia S.-R (LAD, \$10,000), Southern Belle S.-R (LAD, \$10,000), etc. Producer.

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LIGHTSNATCHER (c. by Wild Zone). 5 wins at 3 and 4, \$107,020, Harold V. Goodman Memorial S.-R (LS, \$30,000), 3rd Premiere S.-R (LS, \$5,500), Gold Nugget S.-R (LS, \$4,400).

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Oro Tributo (g. by Gold Tribute). 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$98,778.

RACE RECORD: At 2, one win; at 3, unplaced. Earned \$34,716.

PRODUCE RECORD:

2013 **POLAR RIVER**, f. by Congrats. 4 wins in 8 starts at 2 and 3, 2,824,453 dirhams, in U.A.E., Emirates UAE Oaks [G3], Friday UAE One Thousand Guineas, 2nd Saeed & Mohammed Al Naboodah Group UAE Derby [G2]. (Total: \$769,099).

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bought by Tommy
Town, is currently
in foal to
Palace Malice

2014 **Oh Flatter Me**, f. by Flatter. Placed at 3, 2017, \$3,615.

2015 **Rare Form**, c. by The Factor. Unraced.

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Talismanic's authoritative win also underscores the potent precision of legendary French trainer Andre Fabre, who opted to send only one horse to this year's Breeders' Cup but made it count at generous 14-1 odds. It's also worth noting that Talismanic was one of only eight horses not treated with Lasix in the Breeders' Cup, and the only one to finish better than fifth.

The stylish unveiling of 2-year-old Good Magic exactly six months from the GI Kentucky Derby sets him up as the (very) early favorite for the first leg of the 2018 Triple Crown. Stalking the pacemakers confidently with an inside trip, Good Magic responded willingly to his cue to quicken by jockey Jose Ortiz, and the million-dollar KESEP yearling inhaled the field in deep stretch with an authority that belies his light (three races to date) seasoning.

Granted, the very-wide-on-both-turns overland journey that beaten favorite **Bolt d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro) endured begs the legitimate question of whether Good Magic really got a stern

test from the best horse in his division on the first Saturday in November. But we have the whole winter ahead of us to debate such Derby-related minutiae, and for now it's fine just to appreciate Good Magic's coming-out party, which was capped off by a decidedly feel-good moment when the NBC microphones picked up an enthused Ortiz congratulating and praising his mount past the finish wire as Good Magic noticeably pricked his ears in response to the encouraging words and touch of his rider.



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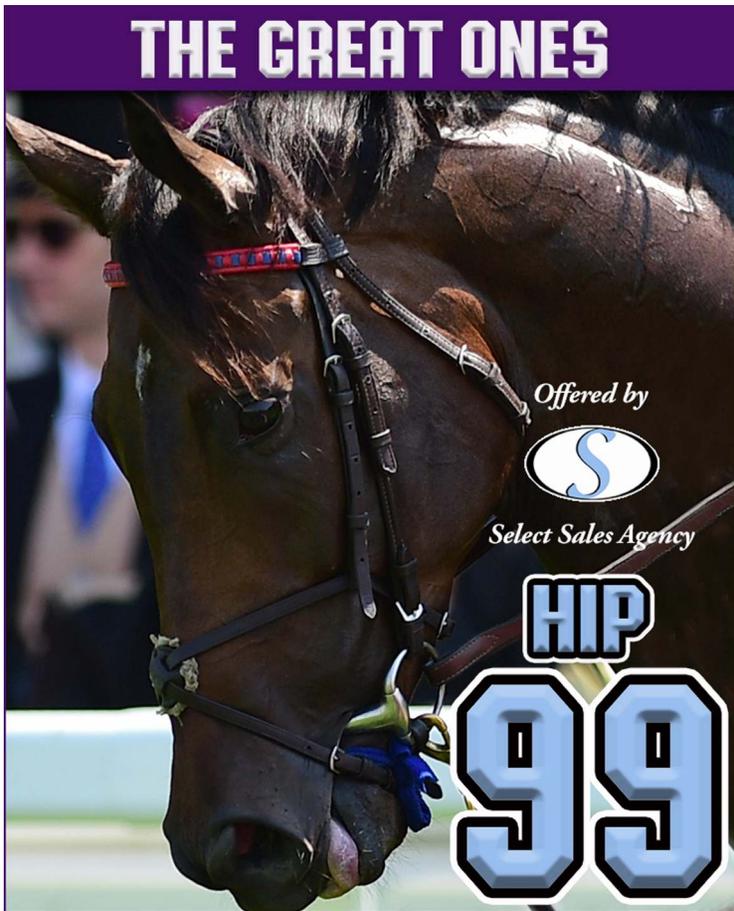
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Of all the beaten favorites in the Breeders' Cup, none tugged at the heart so much as **Lady Eli** (Divine Park) in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf, both because of her career-long stature as an adversity-overcoming racemare and because she seemed to have the most legitimate excuse of all the chalky no-shows.

Lady Eli was banged around and stepped on from behind heading into the first turn and was tossing her head around like she wanted to savage the competition before settling midpack and finishing an uncharacteristic seventh. After the race, it was revealed that she lost a hind shoe and suffered significant lacerations and puncture wounds to both of her hind legs. The injuries are not life-threatening, but a need for stall rest has forced her withdrawal from this week's Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale.

Safety, by and large, was not an issue at the 2017 Breeders' Cup, as all 159 starters finished their respective 13 races. There was also no need for overt officiating, as no results required prolonged inquiries, objections, or changes in the order of finish by the stewards.

In fact, the only happenstance that could even be remotely called a "controversy" involved the pre-race stewards' determination that Charles Fipke, the owner of **Forever Unbridled** (Unbridled's Song), would have to pay double jockey fees as a penalty for a late rider switch from Joel Rosario to John Velazquez. Forever Unbridled ended up winning the GI Distaff,

and trainer Dallas Stewart deserves an award for level-headedness for his emphatic but polite attempts to defuse the situation by repeatedly switching the focus back to his mare, even as numerous media entities kept asking him to explain the situation over and over again, both before and after the race.

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Gun Runner (cont. from p1)

Blasi continued, "He came out in good shape. Right now, he's going to go to Three Chimneys for a few days to relax and we'll bring him back in. Right now, we want to get through this and then look at the next race."

Gun Runner will likely join Asmussen's Fair Grounds-based string in New Orleans later this year to point to the Pegasus, a race from which he was excluded this year because of an EHV-1 outbreak at Fair Grounds. Calling an audible, the chestnut was re-routed to the Feb. 20 GIII Razorback H. at Oaklawn--a race he won easily--before finishing second to North America's all-time leading money earner Arrogate (Unbridled's Song) in the G1 Dubai World Cup Mar. 25. He returned to the States in ultra-sharp form, reeling off three consecutive Grade I tallies in the June 17 Stephen Foster H., the Aug. 5 Whitney S. and the Sept. 2 Woodward S. prior to his crowning achievement at the World Championships Saturday.

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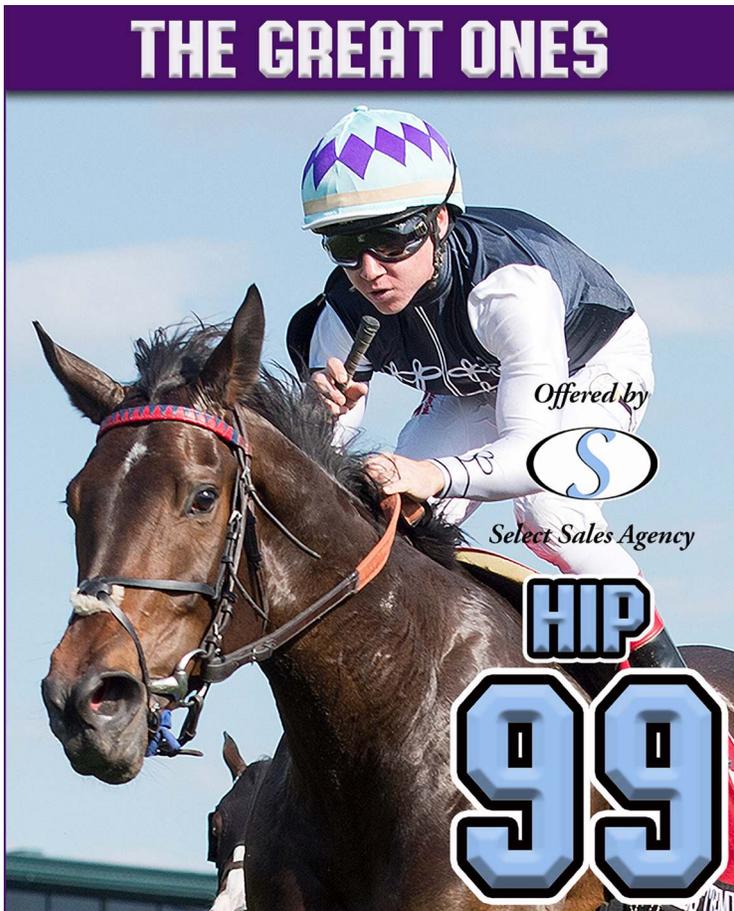


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BAFFERT CREW REGROUPS

Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert reported that all 11 of his Breeders' Cup runners emerged from their races in fine condition Sunday morning, including North America's all-time richest Thoroughbred **Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song), who was a disappointing fifth in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

"He just went through the motions," Baffert said. "At the end, he started taking off a little bit. Today in the stall, he's all amped up. He broke flat-footed and then he got into it, but not at anytime did I ever think [he would challenge Gun Runner]. He was just in that long stride and just coming around there. He didn't have that fire that he usually has."

Winner of the GI Travers S., GI Breeders' Cup Classic, GI Pegasus World Cup and G1 Dubai World Cup in an unprecedented four-race tour de-force in late 2016 and early 2017, Arrogate was scheduled to be retired to stud at Juddmonte Farms following Saturday's race. Baffert also saddled **Collected** (City Zip) and **West Coast** (Flatter) to finish second and third, respectively, behind Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) in the Classic.

"[Collected] got a little tired there at the end, but he was going toe to toe with that horse pretty well," Baffert said. "For an instant there I thought maybe he was going to put him away, but Gun Runner was just too tough...West Coast, I thought he would be coming late. I think he wanted to be closer, too. I didn't really want to have all of them too close there."



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Both horses are expected to return to training in 2018 and are considered candidates for the Jan. 27 \$16-million GI Pegasus World Cup at Gulfstream Park. Baffert's eighth-place finisher **Mubtaahij (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) is also likely to return in the new year.

Meanwhile 2016's champion sprinter **Drefong** (Gio Ponti) was a punchless sixth after breaking slowly from post two in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. Baffert said a decision on the 4-year-old's future would be made in the coming weeks.



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A definite bright spot for Baffert during the weekend was the runner-up finish put forth by Zayat Stable's **Solomini** (Curlin) in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile. The colt finished 4 1/4 lengths behind winner Good Magic (Curlin), an East Coast invader from the Chad Brown barn.

"He was on the hot pace and then he was out there by himself," Baffert said. "He got beat by a pretty good horse. Chad Brown was telling me that it was his best 2-year-old. He ran well. He's getting better. I thought he could move way up, but he's not there yet."

Looking back to Friday, Baffert said he was unsure what was ahead for GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile beaten favorite **Mor Spirit** (Eskendereya), but confirmed that **Cupid** (Tapit) was certain to be retired to Coolmore's Ashford Stud. Coolmore's Charlie O'Connor confirmed the news, adding that the farm is excited to welcome the GI Gold Cup at Santa Anita S. winner.

"Cupid has all the credentials you look for in a sire," O'Connor said. "He's a Grade I winner by Tapit from one of the most commercial families in the stud book and he has the looks to match. We can't wait to get him to the farm so breeders can come by and see him. I'm sure they won't be disappointed."

Cupid's stud fee will be announced shortly, according to O'Connor.

POST-BREEDERS' CUP UPDATE

As is the case on racing's biggest days, this year's Breeders' Cup featured both the highs and lows that are often witnessed at the highest level of racing. Several of the weekend's winning (and losing) connections offered updates Sunday regarding their charges' exit out of their respective races in addition to some insight into the future:

Mick Ruis' reported that **Bolt d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro), third behind winner Good Magic in Saturday's GI Juvenile, exited the race in good order despite the less-than-idea trip.

"That was a horrible trip," offered Ruis. "He had to race wide all the way around there. He never could get in."

Bolt d'Oro, who captured his first three career starts, including the GI Del Mar Futurity and GI Front Runner, was scheduled to return to Ruis' Santa Anita barn yesterday afternoon.

"He'll get 60 days," confirmed Ruis. "We'll keep him there and tack walk him. We'll plant some grass for him, just for him. He's just a baby. We'll let him grow into his 3-year-old season. He's had a hard campaign."

Ruis indicated Bolt d'Oro will be targeted at next spring's GI San Felipe and GI Santa Anita Derby ahead of a tilt at the 2018 Triple Crown.

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GI Juvenile Fillies victress **Caledonia Road** (Quality Road), campaigned by Zoom and Fish Stable Inc., Charlie Spiring and Newtown Anner Stud, took the money and ran, exiting Del Mar early Sunday morning and beginning her voyage back to trainer Ralph Nicks' South Florida base. She was expected to make a stop in Kentucky before reaching her final destination at Gulfstream Park in Hallandale.

"How could you not be feeling great," said Nicks after garnering his first Breeders' Cup win. Caledonia Road captured her debut at Saratoga by 2 3/4 lengths before finishing second in the GI Frizette S. at Belmont.

"I expected her to run really well," said Nicks. "You never know when you get to this level of competition. I thought her race at Belmont was outstanding, because she got away bad and made a strong middle move. The way she's done [it] since then is nothing but move forward. I expected a good race out of her, but for her to go out there and dominate those fillies is just an amazing feat for her."

Following the Florida-bred's initial graded victory, Nicks has already begun mapping out a 2018 campaign.

"We'll probably work backwards from the GI Kentucky Oaks," he said. "We'll get her home and evaluate her, see how she is and kind of be smart about what we do."

Carl Moore's **Finley'sluckycharm** (Twirling Candy), who finished ninth as the third choice in the GI Filly & Mare Sprint, was headed back to Kentucky and continues on to Bret Calhoun's winter base at the Fair Grounds and where she is expected to get 30-40 days off.

"She came out of the race good," Calhoun said of the filly who finished worse than second for the first time in 12 sprint races. "[Jockey] Brian [Hernandez Jr.] thought she was just spinning her wheels out there but we have no excuses."

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According to Calhoun, the three-time graded stakes winner is expected to give the 4-year-old a race at the Fair Grounds in March before a tilt at the GI Madison S. at Keeneland in April followed by the GI Humana Distaff S. at Churchill Downs in May.

Stonestreet Stables and Peter Leidel's **Lady Aurelia** (Scat Daddy), who crossed the line in 10th as the 9-10 favorite in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint, appeared fine Sunday, according to trainer Wesley Ward. The Group 1 winner will get a break before being pointed toward a 4-year-old campaign.

"She came out good, but unfortunately it's just been a long season," admitted Ward. "She's heading to Robert Turner at Stonestreet [Farm] and she's going to get a little breather. I would like to get her relaxed physically and mentally and, hopefully, get back going again next year. She's accomplished a lot this season, but unfortunately we couldn't close it out. We'll try next year."

Lady Aurelia, victorious in the G1 Darley Prix Morny and G2 Queen Mary S. last season, added wins in this year's Giant's Causeway S. at Keeneland in April followed by the G1 King's Stand S. at Ascot in June. She finished a close-up second in York's G1 Nunthorpe S. Aug. 25. Ward indicated the 3-year-old will now target Royal Ascot for the third consecutive year.

Trainer Mark Casse, represented by a bevy of runners Breeders' Cup weekend including GI Mile hero **World Approval** (Northern Afleet), outlined plans for his team.

"All are flying to Ocala [Florida] Tuesday," confirmed assistant trainer Norm Casse Sunday.

Casse confirmed the trio of horses owned by Live Oak, will head to Charlotte Weber's farm for some time off. Headed by World Approval, the Live Oak team also includes **Awesome Slew** (Awesome Again), third in the GI Dirt Mile and **Holding Gold** (Lonhro {Aus}), seventh in the GI Turf Sprint. The junior Casse, who recently announced he will be taking on his own string following the Breeders' Cup, indicated Juvenile Fillies runners **Wonder Gadot** (Medaglia d'Oro) (sixth); **Gio Game** (Gio Ponti) (ninth); and **Heavenly Love** (Malibu Moon) (11th) will head to Casse's training facility in Ocala. GI Juvenile Turf eighth-place finisher **Flameaway** (Scat Daddy) is expected to join those fillies as well.

"They are all getting a bit of a break and we won't see any of them until early spring," confirmed Casse. "We have bigger fish to fry in the spring with [GI] Kentucky Oaks horses, hopefully, so we don't need to rush them into anything."

Already looking ahead to the next mission of **Stormy Liberal** (Stormy Atlantic), trainer Peter Miller offered a glimpse at what may lie ahead for the 30-1 shot winner of Saturday's GI Turf Sprint.

"We're considering taking Stormy Liberal to Hong Kong for the Sprint [Dec. 10]," said Miller.

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Miller also saddled **Roy H** (More Than Ready), winner of the GI Sprint and **Richard's Boy** (Idiot Proof), runner up to his stablemate in the Turf Sprint.

"They've also asked about, Roy H and Richard's Boy, but Stormy Liberal is more likely, because he's had more of a break," admitted Miller. "He had a break coming into this race [off since June], so he's a fresher horse. Richard's Boy has run hard and Roy H has run hard, so we'll back off of those two for a while."

Miller indicated long-range plans for all three runners will include mapping out a course to next year's Breeders' Cup at Churchill Downs.

Euros Exit Races in Good Form...

A strong contingent of European challengers were rewarded for the long trek West by taking down three Breeders' Cup World Championship events Friday and Saturday. Among them, 13 horses--representing trainer Aidan O'Brien--who reportedly were in good form Sunday morning, according to head traveling lad Pat Keating. Chief among O'Brien's runners was

Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy), victorious in Friday's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf. Campaigned by Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith, the colt may be considered for next season's GI Kentucky Derby.

"They have all eaten up and they are all in great condition," affirmed Keating.

Team Coolmore was also represented by Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) third in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf and **Lancaster Bomber** (War Front), runner up in the Mile.

"Nothing has been decided yet, but I think that [O'Brien] will be thinking of sending Highland Reel and Lancaster Bomber out to the Hong Kong International races [Dec. 10]."

The Irish-based runners heading back to Ballydoyle are scheduled to leave early Monday morning.



Mendelssohn | Breeders' Cup/Eclipse Sportswire

Also listed among possibilities to make their next starts in Hong Kong's International races:

- **Talismanic (GB)** (Medaglia d'Oro) (1st; GI Turf) - was reportedly in fine fettle Sunday morning and trainer Andre Fabre indicated the 4-year-old remained a candidate for a trip to Hong Kong in December. It is also a possibility that Talismanic will stay in training in 2018.
- **Wuheida (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) - posed for a Godolphin team photo Sunday morning and is another whose future racing career remains undecided. Godolphin traveling lad Tim Denniff said Sunday: "She is absolutely fine today and has been a real star. [Trainer] Charlie Appleby is due to have a meeting with Sheikh Mohammed in the next couple of days and a decision on whether she is finished for the season or has one more run in Hong Kong will be discussed."
- **Nezwaah (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) (10th; GI Filly and Mare Turf) - the Roger Varian-trained filly remains possible for Hong Kong .

Additionally, French Group 1 winner **Marsha (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}), sixth in the GI Turf Sprint and who gave her trainer Sir Mark Prescott his first Breeders' Cup runner, remains on course to be offered at the Tattersalls December sale in Newmarket.

The primary contingent of English and French horses were scheduled to depart yesterday.

Newtown Anner Stud's **Beckford (GB)** (Bated Breath {GB}), fifth in the GI Juvenile Turf, will reportedly get some R&R at his owners' farm in Kentucky before returning to the races in America in the early part of next year and returning to trainer Gordon Elliott in Ireland.

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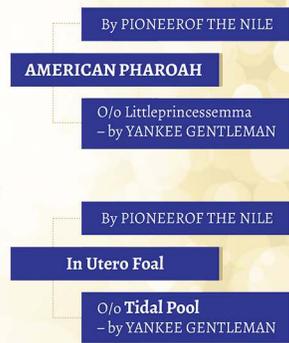
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THE RETURN OF AN EMPIRE MAKER

by Jessica Martini

The aptly-named Empire Maker, whose Triple Crown-winning grandson American Pharoah is represented by his first crop of weanlings this year, has a milestone of his own as the first foals bred since his repatriation from Japan sell at the bloodstock sales in Lexington this week. The 17-year-old stallion, who has stood the last two breeding seasons at Antony Beck's Gainesway, had a pair of weanling fillies catalogued at Monday's Fasig-Tipton November sale and an additional six weanlings catalogued at the Keeneland November sale, which starts Tuesday.

The regally-bred Empire Maker, a son of GI Kentucky Derby and GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Unbridled and Juddmonte's broodmare of the year Toussaud (El Gran Senor), won the 2003 GI Belmont S. for Prince Khalid Abdullah's operation and trainer Bobby Frankel. A half-brother to Grade I winners Chester House (Mr. Prospector), Honest Lady (Seattle Slew) and Chiselling (Woodman), he began his stud career at Juddmonte and sired graded stakes winners Acoma, Acting Happy and Battle Plan before being sold to the Japan Bloodhorse Breeders' Association and relocating to the JBBA's Shizunai Stallion Station in 2011.

While in Japan, Empire Maker's stature in the U.S. continued to rise. The stallion was represented by two-time GI Breeders'

Cup Distaff winner Royal Delta, as well as four-time Grade I winner Emollient and Grade I-winning millionaires Bodemeister--sire of this year's Kentucky Derby winner Always Dreaming--Mushka, Acoma and Grace Hall.

Empire Maker is also the sire of two-time Grade I winner Pioneerof the Nile, who in turn is sire of, not only American Pharoah, but also Airdrie Stud's red-hot Cairo Prince, whose first-crop yearlings have averaged \$150,786 in the sales ring this year. Pioneerof the Nile is also sire of 2016 champion juvenile Classic Empire, who begins his stud career next year at Ashford Stud.

The Solari family's Chilean-based Don Alberto Corporation, which purchased the former Vinery in 2013 and systematically built up an impressive broodmare band in the following two years, pulled the trigger on returning Empire Maker to the U.S. in 2015 and chose Gainesway to partner with on the stallion.

"I was contacted by George Mundy of Don Alberto," Gainesway's Michael Hernon recalled of the origin of the deal. "He called me up out of the blue and asked me where I'd be in 20 minutes and I said, 'In your office.' He said, 'That's the right answer.' I had three meetings with them and the identity of the horse wasn't revealed until the second meeting. I had kept Antony apprized on everything and the meetings went well. And Antony struck a deal with Don Alberto principal Carlos Heller."

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Hernon continued, “Don Alberto was buying the horse and bringing him back, but they don’t want to stand stallions. They were making the investment in the horse and then they were looking for a 50% partner. I think their knowledge of Gainesway’s reputation and history of standing successful stallions had us well-positioned to partner with them.”

In advance of Empire Maker’s arrival in Kentucky, Hernon made a reconnaissance trip to Japan.

“I went to Japan in July of 2015, in the company of Noaya Yoshida, DVM, of Winchester Farm,” Hernon said. “We went to the select sale and then spent a week travelling around Hokaido to see many yearlings and foals by Empire Maker. And we went to the foal sale where I purchased two colts by Empire Maker.”

Empire Maker, who stood the 2017 breeding season for \$85,000, has been an in-demand commodity at the Lexington nursery.

“Demand has been excellent,” confirmed Hernon. “Both partners have heavily supported the horse and plan to do so again next year. We do

limit his book to 130 mares. He’s very fertile, but we recognize that he’s turning 18 and, by limiting the book, breeders have easy access to the horse when their mares are ready and the numbers help protect the asset, namely Empire Maker. That simultaneously protects the customer base. We try to have a balance within the book of end-users and market sellers, so we don’t have a huge supply of the product on the market, which would dilute the return.”

Gainesway will consign four of the six weanlings by Empire Maker catalogued at the Keeneland November sale.

“Antony has bred many of his best mares to Empire Maker and I’m sure we’ll be selling quite a few nice ones,” Hernon said. “We’ll retain a filly or two for the racing stable, but our general policy is to bring our yearling crop to the auction arena and we’re not sitting back and keeping the best ones in-house.”

Included in Gainesway’s group slated to sell next week is **hip 829**, a colt out of stakes-placed Bagatelle Park (Speightstown).



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“He is really a chip off the old block, this guy,” Hernon said of the weanling. “He is so like Empire Maker, he’s almost marked identically up around the head. The mare is a good stakes placed daughter of Speightstown and it’s the family of Grade I winner Seattle Smooth.”

Also on offer next week at Keeneland is **hip 294**, a filly out of stakes winner and graded placed Namaste’s Wish (Pulpit) who is consigned by Burleson Farms.

“I looked at that filly this morning in Versailles,” Hernon said. “She’s an absolute rock star, a knock-out physical. She’s a terrific filly, I was really impressed with her. There is a lot of Unbridled in her. She is big and elegant and she has great quality. If she comes with a good vet report, those guys are going to have a really good sales horse there.”

In addition to the success of his sons at stud, Empire Maker is gaining a reputation as an outstanding broodmare sire and is the covering sire of three Book 1 mares at Keeneland. His daughters have produced the likes of graded

stakes winners Takeover Target (Harlan’s Holiday), Polar River (Congrats), Outwork (Uncle Mo), Timeline (Hard Spun) and Arklow (Arch).

That combination will make for a potent force in the sales ring, according to Hernon.



Empire Maker--Namaste's Wish

“Empire Maker is influential on the male side through all these horses we’re talking about, like Pioneer of the Nile, Bodemeister, and his colts will appeal to the market to become potential stallions themselves. This is a very vibrant male line, it’s very influential and it’s highly commercial.

“Empire Maker will also be a very significant broodmare sire,” Hernon continued. “It has already begun. His fillies from top U.S. female families will become collector’s items.”

Empire Maker’s return to Gainesway completes a circle of sorts for the stallion.

“Toussaud was bred by Unbridled to create the mating that resulted in Empire Maker when Unbridled stood here at Gainesway,” Hernon said. “His second dam is Image of Reality, a

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Juvenile colt **Avery Island**, from **Street Sense**’s first post-Japan crop, lands the **G2** Nashua Stakes by $4\frac{3}{4}$ lengths.

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graded stakes winner by In Reality. In Reality stood here in the later part of his stallion career and is buried 50 feet away from my office.”

Empire Maker is in good company at historic Gainesway, which is also home to leading sire Tapit. The stallions are the latest in a long line of impressive names to grace the farm’s roster.

“You’ve got Blushing Groom, Irish River, Broad Brush, Cozzene, and the list goes on of all the significant successful horses that Mr. John Gaines put together in his time and tenure here at the farm under the guidance of his farm manager Joe Taylor,” Heron said. “We are trying to carry the baton and keep the place vibrant. Empire Maker was a very big addition and an endorsement of the farm and he added to the perception of Gainesway as being home of great stallions. And of course, led by Tapit, Empire Maker is in good company.”

As Empire Maker’s first crop of foals since his repatriation get set to go through the sales ring this week in Lexington, it’s hard not to be impressed with the prescience Juddmonte showed when naming its future Classic winner.

“It’s remarkable that he turned into this kind of influential stallion on the breed,” Heron said. “I’m not sure at what stage Juddmonte elected to name him Empire Maker, but they sure hit the target with that. He’s clearly become an ‘empire maker’ in his own right.”

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BLACKSTONE FARM HOPING SELECTIVITY

PAYS OFF AT FTKNOV *by Ben Massam*

Four years ago at the 2013 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale, Blackstone Farm’s Douglas Black, Christian Hansen and Mark Weissman had high hopes for a More Than Ready weanling colt, only to see him return home to Pennsylvania unsold. The trio of partners gave the handsome colt time and brought him to Fasig-Tipton’s 2014 Saratoga Select Yearling Sale, where he hammered for \$145,000 to GMB Racing.

The rest is history, as the Blackstone Farm-bred dark bay--named **Tom’s Ready**--has gone on to win three graded stakes races, and along with crop-mate **Dark Nile** (Pioneer of the Nile)--who captured the 2016 GII Delaware Oaks--draw valuable attention to the growing commercial breeding farm situated in the rolling hills of Pine Grove, Pennsylvania. The latest of Tom’s Ready’s triumphs came with a rallying score in the GIII Bold Ruler H. at Belmont ([video](#)) Oct. 28.

“Tom’s Ready is a good little racehorse,” Black said. “We RNA’d him as a weanling and then we sold him as a yearling at Saratoga. Obviously, he won [last] weekend and he crossed the \$1-million mark, which is great. I think he’s going to run in the [GI] Cigar Mile next month. We hope he wins--he’s going to be a stallion.”



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Groom – Vincent Champion



Horse – Talismanic
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Trainer – Andre Fabre

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Groom – Adeberto Guitierrez



Horse – Gun Runner
Owner – Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC
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Trainer – Steven M. Asmussen



Tom's Ready | Sarah K. Andrew

Black said he believes that patience and selectivity tend to be rewarded in the breeding and sales game--a theory that also guided his strategy at the upcoming Fasig-Tipton November Sale. Blackstone entered four horses in the auction with Mike Recio's South Point Sales, but will only offer one Gemologist filly (**Hip 49**) who Black classifies as an exceptional individual.

"We entered four and we pulled three of them because we didn't think they'd be ready for the sale," Black said. "Our whole model is to sell as yearlings, if possible, but we just felt that this one is a special filly. We're going to run her through the sale, and the other three are going to sell as yearlings."

Hip 49 is a daughter of Wildcat Marie, who won Woodbine's GIII Whimsical S. in 2011 and was scooped up by Blackstone for \$25,000 at the 2015 Keeneland January Sale in foal to To Honor and Serve. Black said her Gemologist filly made a favorable impression from day one.



Douglas Black, Christian Hansen and Mark Weissman (from left) are honored for breeding top Pennsylvania-bred Tom's Ready

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“She’s a good physical,” Black said. “She’s got good size and she’s correct. She vets well and the other three just aren’t ready. From my perspective, you want to sell a horse when its at its best...If you have a great physical, you might get a pinhooker who is willing to take a chance on it.”

Black said that experience tells him that the time is right to offer the filly as a weanling.

“I’ve been in the business for 30 years, and it’s a matter of timing on all these things,” said Black. “I’ve seen some horses that RNA’d in September and sold in October for five times their RNA price. It’s just how the business works. Tom’s Ready is a perfect illustration of that, and I hope to breed to him, by the way. He’s one of the most special horses we’ve had at the farm. I would say we’ve maybe had three or four better physicals, but he was always perfectly put together. He’s sort of between a sprinter and a miler.”

Black said the example of Tom’s Ready also illustrates how the yearling market can be more appealing as a landing place for end users. While holding a horse for another year comes with added risk, there is also something to be said for striking while the iron is hot.

“The market is a fickle thing, and the market will tell you when to sell,” Black said. “We had good success selling some weanlings. I think the market is a little light in the middle, but

you get paid handsomely on the back end if you have the right pedigree and the right physical.”

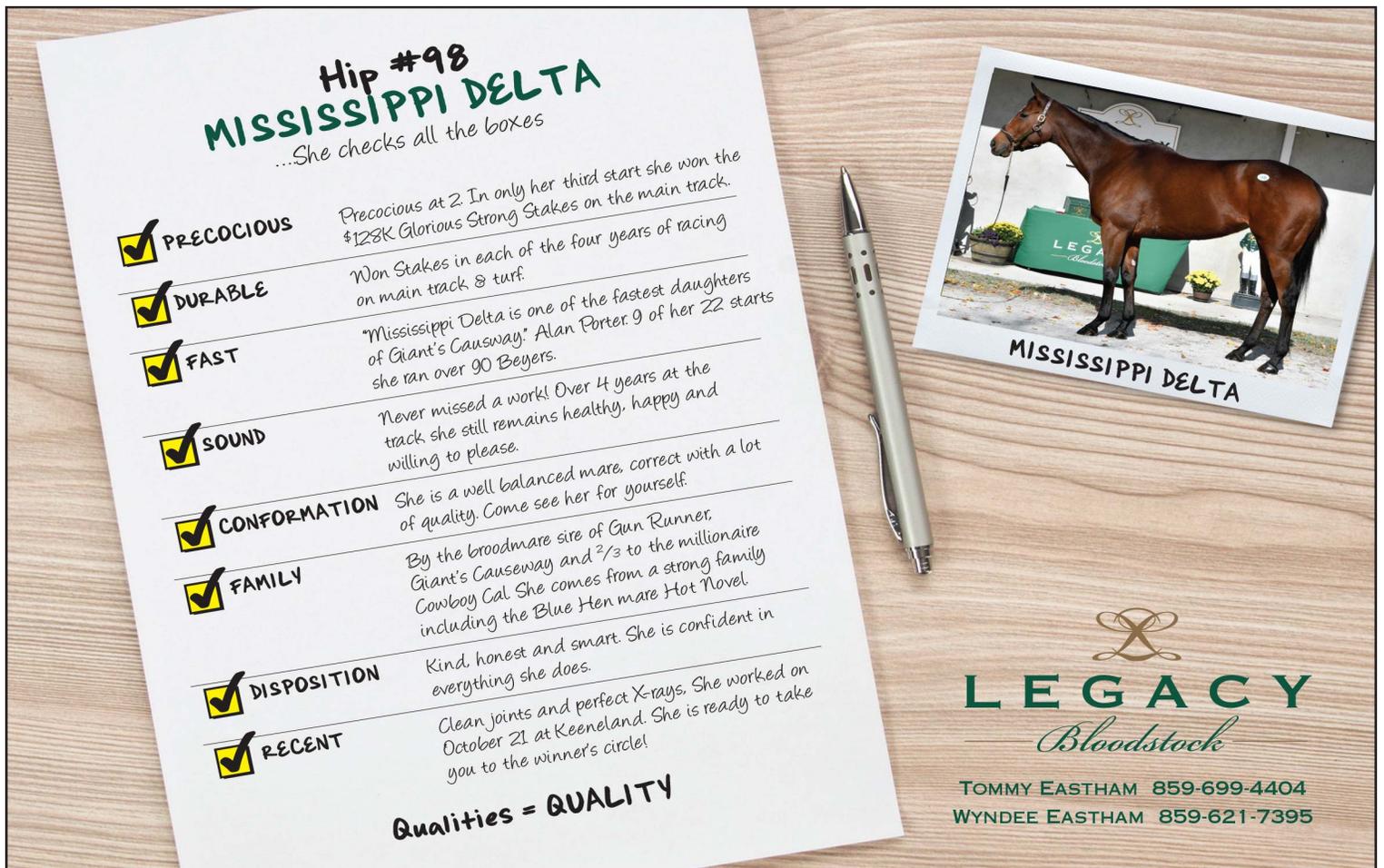
Blackstone has experienced a prolonged run of success since Black partnered with Christian Hansen, a native of Denmark who has with a background in both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred industry, in 2010. The first priority for the two men was to convert the property into a larger-scale commercial breeding operation.

“I always wanted to get in to the commercial side of it,” Black explained. “If you want to run a business, you have to go commercial. And the first thing we agreed upon was that we need to build a commercial broodmare band--and I think we’ve done that. We have about 60 broodmares.”

A third partner, Mark Weissman, joined the farm in 2012. With no shortage of broodmares and foals, Black said Blackstone prioritizes the health and happiness of their horses to give them every chance to succeed in the sales ring and on the track.

“It’s all about doing the right thing by the horses,” Black said. “If you do the right thing by the horses, they’ll do the right thing by you. Our whole philosophy is to make sure they get the best feed program, the best care out of the gate, vet work, farrier work, and send them off to college to see what they do.”

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“Our new ‘Taylor Made Money’ promotion was designed to benefit both buyers and sellers of the over 50 broodmares selling at this week’s Keeneland November sale that are in foal to our exciting first-year stallions of 2017: California Chrome, Mshawish and Not This Time,” said Duncan Taylor, Taylor Made President & CEO. “Buying one of these mares will automatically earn the buyer Taylor Made Money that will be good to use for up to 33% off the stud fee for an approved mare they wish to breed to one of those stallions in 2018, and the buyer will also receive the benefit of Taylor Made Stallions honoring the guaranteed live foal agreement in 2018 for the broodmare they purchase.”

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California Chrome, standing for \$40,000 in 2018, will have a \$30,000 Taylor Made Money Fee; Mshawish, standing for \$15,000 in 2018, will have a \$10,000 Taylor Made Money fee; and Not This Time, standing for \$15,000 in 2018, will have a \$12,500 Taylor Made Money fee.

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1--**EVERY ISLAND, 116, c, 2**, by **Street Sense**

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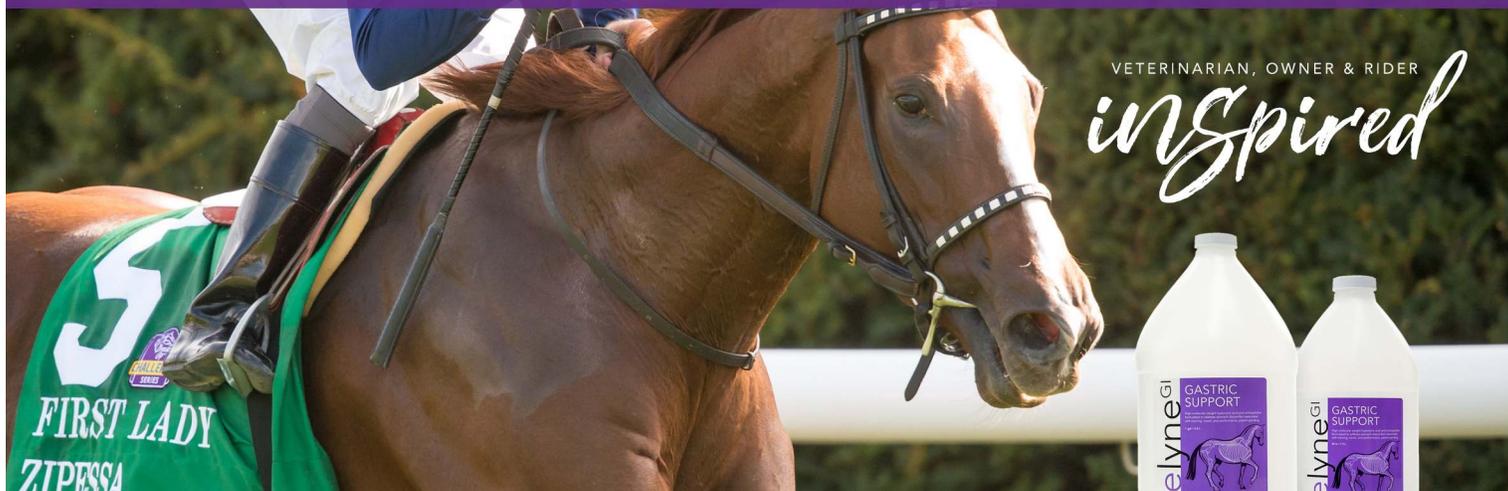
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Avery Island made it two in a row with a convincing score in Sunday's GII Nashua S. at the Big A, stamping himself as a 2-year-old to watch going forward. The win was the second in three starts for the bay, who recently captured a 1 1/16-mile maiden heat at Belmont in wire-to-wire fashion Sept. 30.

Away in good order as the second choice, the colt set a measured pace along the inside through a quarter-mile in :23.66, taking moderate pressure to his outside from longshot Under the Graydar (Graydar). Shaking clear from that one on the far turn, he spun into the stretch with heavily favored Avenue Malcainu ranging up to mount a menacing bid. Avery Island had plenty in reserve, however, and rebroke to notch a comfortable victory. Super Sermon came back to tag the favorite for place honors.



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"It was a great race for only his third start," said trainer Kiaran McLaughlin, who won his fifth Nashua. "[Jockey] Joe Bravo did a great job. He was pressured early and then he kind of drew off late. We're tickled to death. He's a nice horse. We'll look at the [GII] Remsen [S.] back in four weeks."

Avery Island was a dull seventh as the 7-2 favorite sprinting six furlongs in his debut at Saratoga Aug. 19. He caught a sealed track labeled good last out at Belmont, but relished the added ground with an easy score. The form from that race received an added boost when second-place finisher High North (Midnight Lute) returned to annex a Keeneland maiden event Oct. 26.

"It's encouraging that it wasn't a wet track or sealed or anything this time," McLaughlin added. "He's always trained well and we've always liked him and that was a great result today. The longer the better. He's a big strong horse with a big stride. He wants to run all day."

Pedigree Notes:

Avery Island's Second dam Isola Piu Bella (Chi) (Rich Man's Gold) was Chile's Horse of the Year in 2004 and was imported to the United States by Sumaya U.S. Stable. Kinda Spicy, who won twice from just two starts in 2011, produced a colt by Street Sense in 2016 and a colt by Ghostzapper in 2017 before visiting Nyquist this spring.

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THE ROAD TO A BREEDERS' CUP PAYDAY

by Dan Liebman

25 years ago, Keeneland asked me to conduct handicapping seminars for beginners. You know--how to read the program and toteboard, how to place a wager, what the difference is between win, place and show.

Each Saturday, I would receive questions and every week, among them was: How long is a furlong? Do you have any tips? What is the most important part of handicapping? The answers were: an eighth of a mile; the burgoo and corned beef; and wagering and money management.

A blank stare would follow wagering and money management?

In the case of a beginner, money management might be as simple as this...you attend the races feeling you can lose \$100 and have a fun day. If you are behind by \$200 after four races, you have messed up.

For an experienced handicapper, picking winners is one thing. Betting winners, and optimizing the chances to make money from them, are different things altogether. If you tell me we are going to the races tomorrow and we're going to wager on every race, I know I will have a hard time making money. My method has always been to handicap every race, pick out a few that

catch my eye, and see if I can figure out how to make money from them.

For a handicapper, the Breeders' Cup races are such a fascinating challenge. There are top runners in every field, horses from various parts of the country, and shippers from Europe. Leading trainers, leading jockeys...great handicapping experiences.

That being said, you still approach them the same as any other two cards of racing.

On Friday, my top picks were Rushing Fall and Elate. Neither, obviously, was going to be a huge price. So while I wagered money to win on both, I thought I could catch a decent pick three price if I wheeled Rushing Fall.

A simple wager where you use one horse (Rushing Fall) in one race with every horse in the other two races. If Rushing Fall wins, you sit back and root for longshots in the next two races. Some handicappers shy from wheeling horses, figuring they are always astute enough to trim down the choices in both horizontal and vertical wagers. I, too, often part-wheel horses when making exotic wagers, though I am never hesitant to simply key, or wheel a horse I feel strongly about.

Rushing Fall (3-1) ran exactly as I hoped and Battle of Midway won the following race, the Dirt Mile, at 14-1. The pick three was going to be profitable, but a longshot in the third leg could really pay off. The next winner was Mendelssohn (Juvenile Turf), who in a great betting race was the \$4.80-1 favorite.

The \$1 pick three wheel, which cost \$140, returned \$725.40. Elate finished fourth as the 2-1 favorite in the Distaff, but it was a profitable day and my top pick overall in the Breeders' Cup races--Caledonia Road--was the following day. My other two picks Saturday were Cambodia and Gun Runner.

Knowing Caledonia Road would be a generous price (I figured 20-1; she ended up 17) in the Juvenile Fillies, I decided to make four wagers: win; superfecta key; trifecta wheel; and pick three wheel. I simply didn't have a strong feeling as to who would run second in her race or who would win the two subsequent races. Wheeling seemed like the best option.

Handicappers hate to count their money too soon, but down the backside I felt confident I had wagered on the winner. The race was for second and I had used four horses in that spot in the superfecta--but not Alluring Star.

I had to "settle for" having a \$4,579.90 trifecta.

At this point, I had to jump in my truck and take off to deliver a catering order. My mind was, pardon the pun, racing, pleased that my best bet of the weekend had just won and paid \$36.60 (for the record she also paid nicely to place and show, \$15.40 and \$9.80, though I never make those wagers).

Being a fan of Lady Aurelia, I knew if she won the Turf Sprint the pick three payoff would plummet, so I was pleasantly surprised when my son texted me that Stormy Liberal had won at 30-1. No matter who won the third leg of the pick three, it was going to be a nice payoff. I had handicapped the Filly &

Mare Sprint, a race I thought was wide open. My selection was Skye Diamonds.

When my son called while I was still driving, I couldn't even recall Bar of Gold, but then I remembered seeing her run at Keeneland in the Spinster.

"She was 60-1," my son said. Well actually \$66.70-1.

The payoff was \$29,340.10, making the profit on the wager \$29,172.10.

I did wager on Cambodia, who ran a bang up race to finish third in the Filly & Mare Turf, and on Gun Runner, whose win in the Classic gave me the superfecta when I keyed him over just four horses and three of them waltzed in behind him.

There is extra satisfaction in hitting a large wager on one of racing's biggest days. Though the money is just as green cashing the same wager on a weekday card at any racetrack, the Breeders' Cup races provide extra incentive to handicappers. The key, I've found, is to use the same handicapping methods on big days that work for you on other days as well.

A leading breeder once told me his mating method was simple: I look at what has worked for me in the past and try to repeat it.

For me, it is the same thing with handicapping.

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1--**HALO HOLIDAY (ARG)**, 123, f, 3, by Harlan's Holiday

1st Dam: Cuidadosa Halo (Arg), by Southern Halo

2nd Dam: Cuidadosa Fitz (Arg), by Fitzcarraldo (Arg)

3rd Dam: Have a Care (GB), by Rainbow Quest

O/B-Haras Firmamento (Arg); T-Juan Carlos Etchechoury Jr; J-Francisco Goncalves Fernandes. Lifetime Record: 9-5-2-0.

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2--**Global Beauty (Arg)**, 123, f, 3, Global Hunter (Arg)--Kiwi Girl, by Stravinsky. O-Stud Tres P; B-Rafael Horacio Dellacasa (Arg); T-Carlos Daniel Etchechoury.

3--**Care Lady (Arg)**, 123, f, 3, Equal Stripes (Arg)--Care For (Arg), by Pure Prize. O-Stud Los Cardones; B-Haras Abolengo (Arg); T-Hector Antonio Marsiglia.

Margins: SNK, 1, 3. Odds: 1.95, 10.50, 5.25.

Also Ran: Rockanrolera Inc (Arg), Pure Sexista (Arg), Dia Primavera (Arg), Bell Dome (Arg), Luna Inc (Arg), Kandara (Arg), Las Moras (Arg), Jinzhou (Arg), Tomorrow Future (Arg), Irisa (Arg), Paddock Seattle (Arg), Apacigua (Arg).

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SCAT DADDY'S TESORA DAZZLES AT DEL MAR TO BECOME LATEST 'TDN RISING STAR'



Tesora | Benoit Photo

Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and TNIP Racing's Tesora remained perfect when impressively stretching out to two turns at Del Mar Sunday afternoon to become the newest 'TDN Rising Star'. Debuting going five furlongs on the Gulfstream turf Sept. 17, Tesora flew home to win going away by 1 3/4 lengths over a return winner, getting her final furlong in a scorching :10.78.

Dispatched as the 11-10 favorite in a field of six going one mile Sunday, the bay got squeezed going down the stretch for the first time and had to settle in last heading into the first turn behind an opening quarter in :23.15. Unhurried down the backstretch, she began to make progress just past the half-mile pole, but had to check midway on the far turn and was still fifth entering the stretch. Once in the clear, Tesora displayed that devastating closing kick once again, rolling to the lead inside the sixteenth pole, and was wrapped up in hand crossing the wire for the eye-catching 1 3/4-length victory.

A \$130,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase, Tesora is the first foal out of Romance Is Roman, a full-sister to Romance is Diane, winner of the GI Hollywood Starlet S. in 2007, and Romanceishope, the 2001 GII Del Mar Derby victor. Romance Is Roman was bred to Dialed In this spring. This is Scat Daddy's seventh 'TDN Rising Star'.

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4th-DMR, \$53,345, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 11-5, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:37.21, fm.

TESORA (f, 2, Scat Daddy--Romance Is Roman, by In Excess {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$57,600. [Click for the Equibase.com chart, free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & TNIP, LLC; B-Siena Farms LLC (KY); T-Jonathan Thomas.



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PUMPKIN PIE S., \$100,000, AQU, 11-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.39, ft.

1--**LUCY N ETHEL, 117, f, 4, During--Kid Silver, by Silver Ghost.** O/B-Jettany Thoroughbred Corp & J.A.G. Racing, Inc (PA); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-John R. Velazquez. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GSW, 7-5-0-0, \$373,134. *Full to Hey Kiddo, SW, \$401,368; and Jake N Elwood, SW, \$399,350.



BLACKWOOD GRADUATE



2--**Indulgent, 119, f, 4, Bernardini--Fast Cookie, by Deputy Minister.** O-Godolphin Racing LLC; B-Darley (KY); T-Kieran P. McLaughlin. \$20,000.

3--**Bustin Out, 121, m, 5, Bustin Stones--Disco Shaker, by Disco Rico.** O-Gayle Ioia; B-Dianne Boyken (NJ); T-Chuck Spina. \$10,000.



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Margins: 2 1/4, 1, HF. Odds: 3.45, 1.35, 4.30.

Lucy N Ethel began her career in emphatic fashion, rattling off four consecutive victories, including scores in the GIII Old Hat S. at Gulfstream Park and the GII Prioress S. at Saratoga. Her first defeat came in last year's GII Raven Run S. at Keeneland where she finished 12th. After switching from Tom Amoss's barn to Todd Pletcher's, she returned Sept. 24 off an 11-month break and finished last in the GII Gallant Bloom H.

Lucy N Ethel found herself alone on the lead in the early stages despite there being other early speed in the race.

In hand, she moved over to the rail, saving ground entering the far turn. The homebred kicked clear at the top of the stretch and opened up to score by 2 1/4 lengths. The favorite, Indulgent, rallied up the rail to grab second.

“She broke well and I got her a little off the rail like I wanted to and she just did it easy today,” said winning rider John Velazquez.

Lucy N Ethel's dam is responsible for a yearling colt by Two Step Salsa and a weanling filly by Palace Malice. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

7th-AQU, \$59,000, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 11-5, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.45, fm.

RED KNIGHT (g, 3, Pure Prize--Isabel Away, by Skip Away) started off his career in good form. After narrowly missing by a nose in his debut on the Belmont main track June 18, the homebred got to the turf and has won back-to-back starts entering Sunday. Breaking as the 5-2 favorite, the chestnut established himself in midpack heading into the first turn. He swung out into the three path on the backstretch before going four wide into the far turn. Red Knight got to the front at the sixteenth pole and had to hold off a late charge from Startup Nation (Temple City) to grab the half-length victory. Red Knight is a half to Macagone (Artie Schiller), MSW, \$530,817. Their dam has a yearling filly by Freud and was bred to Magician (Ire) this year. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$122,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Trinity Farm, LLC (NY); T-William I. Mott.

Sunday's Results:

6th-AQU, \$60,000, Msw, 11-5, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.70, ft.
WESTWOOD (g, 3, Bernardini--Ashado {Ch. 3yo Filly & Older Mare & MGISW, \$3,931,440}, by Saint Ballado) showed late interest to be runner-up in his career bow last September at Saratoga and was an even third off the bench Oct. 16 at Parx. Let go at 13-2 in this spot, the gelding broke alertly to show the way narrowly through a :23.09 quarter. Dueling with heavily favored Tommy T (Shackleford) on the turn, Westwood shook loose from that rival past the eighth pole and held off rail-running firster Business Cycle (Curlin) to triumph by one length. The victor's two-time Eclipse Award-winning dam is responsible for an unraced juvenile Tapit filly named Alfresco, a yearling filly by Lemon Drop Kid and foaled a Candy Ride (Arg) filly this season before being paired with Into Mischief. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$57,550. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Godolphin Racing LLC; B-Darley (KY); T-Kieran P. McLaughlin.

2nd-AQU, \$55,000, (S), Msw, 11-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.95, fm.

TIZ R BELLA (f, 3, Tizway--R Valbella, by Sky Mesa) finished an even fifth debuting Aug. 7 at Saratoga and was third Sept. 29 at

Belmont. Off as the 8-5 favorite here, the dark bay trailed through a :23.73 quarter, moved up along the rail on the far turn and wore down Cique (Courageous Cat) in the stretch for a 1 1/4-length graduation. The winner has a yearling full-sister and her dam produced a Big Brown filly this term before returning to that sire. Sales History: \$48,000 RNA Ylg '15 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$41,190. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Bond Racing Stable, Gray Riders Stable & Crown Stable; B-Thomas A Qualtere (NY); T-H. James Bond.

4th-AQU, \$55,000, (S), Msw, 11-5, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:09.98, fm.
BIRTHDAY GIFT (f, 2, Hat Trick {Jpn}--Giant Cause, by Giant's Causeway), dismissed at 88-1 for a low-percentage debut outfit despite above-average turf breeding, settled in sixth behind a :21.98 quarter. Advancing up the rail into the final furlong, the homebred overcame some greenness to shock favored Kreesie (Cosmonaut) by a nose on the wire. The winner's dam, a half to MGISW turfer Riskaverse (Dynaformer), foaled another filly by Hat Trick (Jpn) this season before being bred to Big Screen. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Fox Ridge Farm, Inc. (NY); T-Patrick J. Kelly.

EASTERN U.S.

Sunday's Results:

6th-PRX, \$46,500, Msw, 11-5, 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:18.29, ft.
STRATOSPHERE (c, 2, Graydar--Karate Gal, by First Samurai) has been training at Belmont with consistent five-furlong works for a top-notch barn which excels with getting their runners ready at first asking. The \$190,000 Keeneland November weanling buy broke midpack before finding room on the rail in the first furlong to get into contention. He saved ground on the far turn and was three across the track with Charming Bobby (Shanghai Bobby) and Wentz (Super Saver) at the quarter pole. Stratosphere found an extra gear and put away his rivals in deep stretch to score by 4 1/4 lengths. Wentz crossed the wire second, but was disqualified for interfering Heartfullofstars (Astrology), who was put to the runner-up spot, in deep stretch. The winner, the 14th for his freshman sire (by Unbridled's Song), has a yearling half-sister by Jimmy Creed. His dam was bred to Bodemeister this season. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Twin Creeks Racing Stables, LLC & Brent Gasaway; B-Glendale LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

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KENTUCKY

Sunday's Results:

4th-CD, \$71,196, Alw, 11-5, 3yo/up, 5fT, :58.46, gd.

UNDRAFTED (g, 7, Purim--French Jeannette, by French Deputy), winner of the 2015 G1 Diamond Jubilee S. at Ascot, scored in the GII Shakertown S. at Keeneland the following spring, but had only tallied once in 10 subsequent starts. Made the 4-5 favorite here, the chestnut took up his usual position near the tail of the field behind a :21.89 quarter. Still with a lot to do at the eighth pole, he came alive in the five path late and motored to the lead in the waning strides to beat Singingintheheat (Latent Heat) by one length. Sales History: \$50,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Eng & MGSW-US, 34-8-4-10, \$1,464,713. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Wes Welker & Elizabeth Kumin; B-Catesby W. Clay Investment LLC (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.



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9th-CD, \$62,066, Alw, 11-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:47.27, gd.

ENGLISH AFFAIR (f, 3, English Channel--Lady Melesi {MSW & GISP, \$389,190}, by Colonial Affair) rallied to an open-lengths graduation July 1 at Ellis and was off the board in her first two starts against winners, running fourth last out Sept. 29 at Indiana Grand. Dismissed at 16-1 as part of an entry here, the homebred tracked from a joint third through splits of :24.69 and :50.06, poked her head in front leaving the furlong grounds and

inched clear to a 1 1/2-length score over favored Mom's On Strike (First Dude). The victress is a half to Seruni (Saint Liam), SW & MGSP, \$355,572; Roman Emperor (Empire Maker), SW, \$168,803; Doc Cheney (Saint Ballado), MGSP, \$190,390; and Liberated (Curlin), GSP, \$169,808. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$72,310. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-George R. Arnold, II.

5th-CD, \$61,416, Alw, 11-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:36.72, ft.

SONG OF SPRING (f, 3, Spring At Last--Adream, by Bernardini), a third-out winner at Fair Grounds in December, was fourth behind 'TDN Rising Star' Stallion Heiress (Exchange Rate) in the Allen Black Cat Lacombe Memorial S. there Mar. 11 and most recently filled the same slot here Oct. 1. Dismissed at 13-1 in this go-around, the bay settled third-last up the backstretch behind fractions of :23.44 and :46.67, made a sudden, four-wide bid for the lead near the top of the lane and kicked away in the final furlong to score by 1 1/4 lengths over Laney (Shackleford). Diamond Tap (Tapit), **highlighted in a recent edition of The Week in Review**, faded to finish third at 6-5 after chasing the pace. Sales History: \$80,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-2, \$82,643. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Stoneway Farm; B-Susan Casner (KY); T-Neil J. Howard.



CANADA

Sunday's Results:

CORONATION FUTURITY, C\$225,000, WO, 11-5, (C), 2yo, 1 1/8m (AWT), 1:51.02, ft.

1--AHEADBYACENTURY, 122, c, 2, by Midnight Lute

1st Dam: Sinful, by Touch Gold

2nd Dam: Aly's Adita, by Alydar

3rd Dam: Royal Entrance, by Tim Tam

(C\$67,000 Ylg '16 CANSEP).

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Jack of Hearts Racing & J.R. Racing Stable Inc.; B-Hill 'N' Dale Farms (ON); T-John A. Ross; J-Rafael Manuel Hernandez. C\$135,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$159,757. *1/2 to Awfully Sinful (El Corredor), SP, \$327,927.



2--Neepawa, 122, c, 2, Scat Daddy--Niigon's Touch, by Niigon.

O/B-Chiefswood Stables Limited (ON); T-Mark E. Casse. C\$45,000.

3--**Kitten's Boy**, 122, g, 2, **Kitten's Joy**--Catch the Ring, by Seeking the Gold. O/B-Sam-Son Farm (ON); T-Malcolm Pierce. C\$22,500.

Margins: 2, NO, 3/4. Odds: 6.20, 5.35, 1.05.

Also Ran: Cooler Mike, Flight Deck, Wedgewood, Crumlin Night, Bobby's Escape. Scratched: Theregoesjojo.

Aheadbyacentury, third in the Ontario-bred Clarendon S. on debut here Aug. 5, was fourth as the favorite in the restricted Simcoe S. Aug. 30 before dropping in with straight maidens and graduating on the stretchout Oct. 1. Off as the fourth choice in this Sunday feature, the bay dropped back early on before moving up to track from fourth through pokey fractions of :25.04 and :50.04. The pace picked up through three-quarters in 1:13.98 and Aheadbyacentury commenced a bid entering the final furlong, running by the pace players soon thereafter and skipping clear late. Neepawa nailed heavy favorite Kitten's Boy in the last jump for place honors. The winner's dam, a half to GISW Seek Gold (Touch Gold), produced a filly by Conquest Curlinate this season before being bred to War Dancer. Second dam Aly's Adita is a half to champion and Filly Triple Crown winner Davona Dale (Best Turn). **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

3rd-WO, C\$67,893, Msw, 11-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT) (off turf), 1:10.41, ft.

MUST BE DREAMING (f, 3, [Run Away and Hide](#)--Sweet Awakening, by Street Cry {Ire}) was second debuting over the local grass last July and finished 10th a month later before being shelved until this off-the-turf engagement. Backed to favoritism at a nickel below 2-1, the bay broke alertly and dictated terms through splits of :22.66 and :45.70. Inching clear once straightening for home, she widened to a 4 1/4-length score over Spring in the Wind (Spring At Last). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$37,502. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Poplar Hill Equine LLC, Ronald K. Kirk & John C. Bates; B-John Bates, Ron Kirk & Greg McDonald (KY); T-Roger L. Attfield.

CENTRAL U.S.

Saturday Night's Results:

MY DANDY DIVISION OF THE CLARENCE SCHARBAUER, JR. TEXAS STALLION S., \$65,000, RET, 11-4, 2yo, c/g, 6f, 1:10.59, ft. 1--**DIRECT DIAL, 120, c, 2, Too Much Bling--Fast Find, by Mineshaft.** (\$105,000 Ylg '16 TTAMIX).

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-W. S. Farish (TX); T-Sтивен M. Asmussen; J-Jareth Loveberry. \$39,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$96,820.

2--**Kats Second Silver**, 120, g, 2, Silver City--Red Thread, by Devil His Due. O/B-Wayne Sanders & Larry Hirsch (TX); T-W. Bret Calhoun. \$13,000.

3--**Silver Luke Silver**, 120, c, 2, Too Much Bling--My Lost Silver, by Silver Deputy. (\$13,000 RNA 2yo '17 TTAAPR). O/B-Stephen R. Baker (TX); T-M. Brent Davidson. \$7,150.

Margins: 1 3/4, 5HF, 4 1/4. Odds: 1.00, 1.60, 20.20.

Also Ran: Quiet Angliana, Toledo Pache, Silis, Cowboy Bling.

Dominating his debut by 7 3/4 lengths at odds-on Apr. 26 at Keeneland, Direct Dial was third in the Tremont S. next out June 9 at Belmont and retreated to finish seventh when last seen in the GIII Sanford S. July 22 at Saratoga. Made the clear favorite in this return, the gray was hustled away to be part of a three-way duel through a :21.75 quarter. As one of the pace players dropped away, he hooked up with second choice Kats Second Silver around the turn and gradually edged away from that foe in the final furlong to earn his first stakes tally. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

CALIFORNIA

Sunday's Results:

6th-DMR, \$52,690, Msw, 11-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.14, fm.

SASINI (GB) (f, 3, [Fastnet Rock {Aus}](#)--Eva's Request {Ire} {G1SW-Ity, Hwt. Older Mare Italian FH, 9 1/2-11f, GSW-Eng & GSW-Ire, \$673,936}, by Soviet Star), twice second in four tries in her native land, finished well to be fourth in her North American debut Oct. 15 at Santa Anita and was made the 21-10 favorite in this spot. Dropping out to run second-last behind splits of :24.41, :49 flat and 1:13.81, the bay saved ground on the far turn and surged when tipped out at the eighth pole to run down Scandal (Blame) by a neck. The winner has an unraced juvenile New Approach (Ire) half-sister in Ireland named Imperial Choice (Ire) and a weanling Frankel (GB) half-sister. Her dam, a group winner in three countries, is a half to Irish G1SW Priory Belle (Ire) (Priolo). Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$36,811. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Alice Bamford; B-Lady Bamford (GB); T-Simon Callaghan.

2nd-DMR, \$52,657, Msw, 11-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.34, ft. **DURANGA (f, 3, Bellamy Road--Just a Tizzy {SP, \$128,231}, by Cee's Tizzy)** ran on late to be third at 16-1 debuting in her career bow Oct. 13 at Santa Anita and was supported to 7-5 to go two better here. Posting up in a clear third through splits of :22.40 and :45.98, the bay swept to the fore at the sixteenth pole and

edged away from there to a 1 1/2-length success. Kentan Road (Into Mischief) held for second after setting the pace. The victress has an unraced juvenile I Want Revenge half-brother named Liberty Valance and a weanling half-sister by Fed Biz. Her dam was bred to Run Away and Hide this spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$37,200. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Hollendorfer, LLC, David A. Bernsen, John Stuart & George Todaro; B-J. D. Stuart, P. C. Bance, Hollendorfer & Todaro (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

1st-DMR, \$52,345, (S), Msw, 11-5, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:12.40, ft. CARPATHIA (f, 2, Exchange Rate--Melinda Rose, by Malek {Chi}) finished eighth debuting Sept. 10 at Los Alamitos and was made a 19-10 proposition here. Settling in fourth behind a contested quarter of :22.07 quarter, the homebred revved up for deep passing a :46.19 half, ran by favored firster Z Z Tiger (Smiling Tiger) at the eighth pole and drew clear to a 1 3/4-length success. Lovely Finish (Marino Marini) ran on late at 17-1 to overtake the chalk for second money. The victress has a yearling half-brother by Grazen named Rocket Rod and a weanling half-brother from the same sire. Her dam was bred to Bluegrass Cat this spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$31,545. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Nicholas B. Alexander (CA); T-Philip D'Amato.

APPOINTMENTS

Larry Walton, Jr.: Stallion Manager, Hill 'n' Dale

- Current assistant stallion manager at Spendthrift Farm, Larry Walton, Jr., has been appointed as the new stallion manager at Hill 'n' Dale Farms in Lexington.
- "Larry ran one of the busiest breeding sheds in Central Kentucky--he has worked at top class operations and is an experienced horseman," said John G. Sikura, president of Hill 'n' Dale Farms. "He is highly recommended by all who work with him and we are thrilled he is taking over this important position here at Hill 'n' Dale."
- "Becoming a Stallion Manager has been a dream of mine," Walton said. "Now I not only get to fulfill that dream, but get to do it with an outstanding stallion roster, at one of Lexington, Kentucky's most prestigious Thoroughbred farms. I could not be more excited and honored with this opportunity to join the team at Hill n Dale."

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53 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners

4-LRL, Msw 6f, FRECHETTE, 5-1

\$24,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl

Orb (Malibu Moon), Claiborne Farm, \$25,000

99 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner

4-LRL, Msw 6f, BIDDING CIRCLE, 4-1

\$80,000 KEE JAN yrl

Oxbow (Awesome Again), Calumet Farm, \$20,000

76 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

4-LRL, Msw 6f, POCO DEL SOL, 20-1

\$85,000 KEE NOV wnl

Rattlesnake Bridge (Tapit), "Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds, LLC", \$7,500

45 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners

7-LRL, Aoc 5 1/2ft, SEVEN LILIES, 10-1

\$16,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

Take Charge Indy (A.P. Indy), KOR, \$20,000

103 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners

7-LRL, Aoc 5 1/2ft, AFTERBURNER, 10-1

\$5,000 FTK OCT yrl

Winslow Homer (Unbridled's Song), Journeyman Stud, \$5,000

25 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners

4-LRL, Msw 6f, BROOKSIE, 10-1

\$80,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Second-crop starters to watch: Monday, November 6

Farm and fee represent current information

McKenna's Justice (Medaglia d'Oro)

13 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

1-ZIA, Msw 5 1/2f, MCCLASSIC, 12-1

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STAKES RESULTS:

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SCHARBAUER, JR. TEXAS STALLION S., \$65,000, RET, 11-4, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.63, ft.

1--**HOWBOUTTHISCOWGIRL**, 120, f, 2, **My Golden Song (MSP, \$107,854)**--**Nothinbettertodo**, by **Gold Legend**.

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Douglas Scharbauer (TX); T-W. Bret Calhoun; J-Iram Vargas Diego. \$39,000. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$76,920.

2--**Shes Our Fastest**, 120, f, 2, Oratory--Dawali, by Festival of Light. (\$14,000 Ylg '16 TTAMIX; \$50,000 2yo '17 OBSOPN).

O-Mark Norman & Norman Stables LLC; B-Eureka Thoroughbred Farm (TX); T-Scott Gelner. \$13,000.

3--**Red Dress**, 120, f, 2, Too Much Bling--Red Cell, by Geri. (\$60,000 Ylg '16 TTAMIX). O/B-W. S. Farish (TX); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$7,150.

Margins: 2HF, 1 1/4, 4 3/4. Odds: 4.00, 1.50, 4.00.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PRX, \$50,680, 11-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.78, ft.

TIN N LINT (f, 3, Maclean's Music--Holiday Lights, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-4, \$142,834. O-The Harp Racing Stable and LC Racing LLC; B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-Robert E. Reid, Jr. *\$13,000 Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$20,000 2yo '16 EASMAJ.

5th-PRX, \$46,750, 11-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.94, ft.

BROTHER CHUB (g, 5, Hey Chub--Sassy Broad, by Arch) Lifetime Record: 30-6-4-4, \$184,001.

O-Kasey K Racing Stable LLC & Michael Day; B-Joe-Dan Farm Inc (NJ); T-Michael M. Moore. *Full to Hey Chub, GSW, \$533,754.

7th-LRL, \$45,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000-\$25,000), 11-5, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.00, sy.

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Somethinaboutlaura {MSGW, \$1,129,365}, by Dance Floor)

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POWER WALKER (g, 3, Stroll--Black Power, by Empire Maker)
 Lifetime Record: SP, 6-2-1-1, \$48,390.
 O-Midwest Thoroughbreds, Inc.; B-Pine Tree Mares LLC (KY);
 T-Thomas M. Amoss. *\$15,500 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$65,000 Ylg '15
 OBSAUG.

8th-CT, \$27,000, (S), 11-4, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:47.11,
 sy.
CREATIVE MIST (g, 4, Yarrow Brae--Cut Number, by Numerous)
 Lifetime Record: 25-3-7-2, \$90,665.
 O-Wind N Springs Farm; B-Sharon Johnson (WV); T-Freddie R.
 Johnson.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Gone Fishing, c, 2, Gone Astray--Lilmiscantbrong, by Double
 Honor. GPW, 11-5, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.95. B-Robert Romine (FL).
 *\$12,000 2yo '17 OBSOPN.

Beer Pressure, c, 2, Silent Name (Jpn)--Maeve, by Valid Wager.
 WO, 11-5, (S), 7f (AWT), 1:23.94. B-Andy Stronach (OH).
 *\$10,000 Ylg '16 OBSAUG.

Dig Charlie Dig, g, 3, Discreetly Mine--Concert Strike, by Smart
 Strike. CD, 11-5, 6f, 1:10.36. B-Doug & Felicia Branham (KY).
 *\$30,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. **1/2 to Tia Flor (Archarcharch), SP,
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NORTHERN LIGHTS AIM FOR SOUTHERN SUCCESS



Iain Jardine with **Nakeeta** & Glyn Schofield | Emma Berry

by Emma Berry

MELBOURNE, Australia--The website for Iain Jardine Racing has only just gone live and it could have quite a launch story this Tuesday if stable star **Nakeeta (GB)** (Sixties Icon {GB}) can add to his Ebor win with victory in Australia's biggest staying race.

Melbourne Cup fever may be sweeping Victoria but Jardine, a softly-spoken former jump jockey from Hawick in the Scottish Borders, appears not to be letting the excitement get to him, despite his historic appearance in Australia with the first Scottish-trained runner at the Spring Carnival.

He is not the only Scottish trainer in town, however, as Hughie Morrison and Hugo Palmer hail from north of Hadrian's Wall, though both have chosen to base their training activities in England.

"The Scottish Borders have a great horsey tradition, there's plenty of hunting, common riding, pony racing and the like," says Jardine after watching **Nakeeta** through his morning exercise at Werribee, where he is stabled alongside the Joseph O'Brien-trained pair of US Army Ranger (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and Rekindling (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}).

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MARMELO LOOKS TO KEEP WILLIAMS AT BAY

With ownership in an impressive six runners in Tuesday's A\$6.5 million G1 Melbourne Cup (3200m) at Flemington, Lloyd Williams's chance of recording back-to-back wins looks better than most, although it appears that another of the internationals could hold the winning form.

Lightly raced for a 5-year-old, and in great form this season, Hughie Morrison's **Marmelo (GB)** (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}) recorded a fast finishing dead-heat for sixth in the G1 Caulfield Cup (2400m) on Oct. 21, beaten just under three lengths by **Boom Time (Aus)** (Flying Spur {Aus}). Never having won below 2400m, two of his victories have been at 3000m, highlighted by a tough win in the G2 Prix Kergorlay on Aug. 20, a race that Americain (Dynaformer) in 2010 and Protectionist (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) in 2014 won en route to victory on the first Tuesday in November at Flemington. **Cont. p10**

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He continues, "If you're a young man from Hawick you're mostly either going to play rugby or become a jockey, depending on how big you are."

Though on the tall side, the willowy Jardine chose the latter and spent his early years in racing, but not before his traditional Borders apprenticeship of common riding and pony racing. Several stints in Yorkshire working for trainers Mick Naughton and Ferdy Murphy were sandwiched around a spell as conditional jockey to Len Lungo at the Carrutherstown base of Hetlandhill where Jardine now trains himself, his good season having ensured that his stable now numbers 70.

"That's a good number for me and it's a mix of flat horses and jumpers," he says. "At that level I can keep an eye on all of them, I don't want it to get any bigger but we've got plenty to

get on with. Getting above that I feel I could start to lose the individual touch for what I want to do with each horse."

He adds, "The stable is very relaxed. We're on our own up there and can use the gallop whenever we want. We have a good routine--first lot goes out at 8 a.m."

By that time of day most Australian trainers will be thinking about lunch, having clocked in for work around 4 a.m. But Jardine seems confident that he won't be trailing around behind the locals come Cup day and aims to go one better than the previous year's Ebor winner, Heartbreak City (Fr) (Lando {Ger}), who was beaten just a head by Almandin (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}).

"I think Nakeeta definitely has the right profile--Heartbeak City almost did the deed last year and we're following in his footsteps and just hoping to run a big race. I do know that he will run well," says the trainer with quiet certainty.



Nakeeta schooling with Bruce Lynn. | Emma Berry

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Northern Lights Aims for Southern Success Cont.

"He's taken the travelling and all the preliminaries really well and in the build-up to the race his work has been really good," he continues.

While Jardine still rides work himself, it is his stable amateur Bruce Lynn who rides Nakeeta daily and was charged with seeing him through quarantine in Newmarket and Werribee. Jockey Glyn Schofield acquainted himself with Nakeeta at the training track on Thursday, but Lynn was back on board come Friday as the finishing touches are put to the 6-year-old's preparation for the Flemington showdown.

Jardine says, "Nakeeta seems to be coping with being trained on his own here. I don't know what other trainers do when they come here but I've just tried to do my own thing and keep his regime as close to it is at home. It worked for the Ebor so let's hope it works in Australia."

Nakeeta started his life with trainer Mick Channon, for whom he raced five times as a juvenile for one runner-up finish. Catalogued to sell at Ascot at the end of 2013, he was withdrawn from the sale when Jardine made Channon a private offer on behalf of owners Alex and Janet Card. Though Channon may now be rueing losing a globetrotting campaigner, he can at least bask in some reflected glory as he is also Nakeeta's breeder and stands the horse's Classic-winning sire Sixties Icon at his Norman Court Stud in Wilthshire.

"A trainer I used to ride for called Billy McEwan rang me and said he'd seen Nakeeta in the catalogue and I should have a look at him," Jardine recalls. "He hadn't had many runs and we thought he'd stay a bit and should be ok. I like training staying horses in particular. Initially we thought Nakeeta might make a hurdler as well but he's turned out to be decent so we don't want to risk him over hurdles. He's been a good buy and it's hard to get hold of horses like this--there aren't too many out there." **Cont. p4**



Iain Jardine all smiles after Nakeeta's Ebor win | Racing Post



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Jardine and Nakeeta are in good company in Melbourne among a trio of horses trained by the doyen of dual-purpose trainers, Willie Mullins, not to mention Aidan O'Brien, who, before he became a record-breaking flat trainer also plied his trade as a jump jockey and trained the legendary Istabraq (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) to win three Champion Hurdles.

How, then, does Jardine feel in such an esteemed gathering during the countdown to one of the world's iconic races in a vibrant city 10,000 miles away from his peaceful Scottish base?

"It's great to be part of it and I'd like to think that we're on the way up. We've had a great season on the flat this year and this horse has earned the right to be here," he says. "Apart from taking horses to Ireland I haven't really done much travelling, so this is my first international runner. To be in the Melbourne Cup is a real privilege, firstly to have a horse this good and secondly just to be here. I didn't realise until I was actually here what a big deal they make of it but it's unbelievable."

Despite his English roots, Nakeeta is now very much a son of Scotland. In a year that has already seen a Scottish-trained Grand National winner, a Melbourne Cup victory would help to promote the merits of a proud racing nation on a much wider international scale.

As Jardine allows himself to imagine a scenario that has doubtless run through his mind many times since his breakthrough Ebor win, he says almost wistfully, "Wouldn't that be something?"

Indeed it would.

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IRISH FLAT CHAMPIONS CROWNED

2014 Irish champion apprentice Colin Keane won his first Irish jockeys' championship over former champion Pat Smullen Sunday. Signing off with an even century of winners, the 23-year-old rode a double Sunday, and with the help of the in form Ger Lyons yard, never let Smullen close throughout the season. The latter rode 88 winners, with Donnacha O'Brien in third with 62 winners, while Kevin Manning notched up 59.

Oisin Orr, 20, earned the champion apprentice title on the back of 20 winners, one ahead of Killian Leonard. The injured Ana O'Brien was third with 18.

Aidan O'Brien, fresh off a victory in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf with Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy) at Del Mar on Friday, earned his 20th flat champion trainer title. **Cont. p5**



Colin Keane hoists the Irish flat champion jockey's trophy | James Crombie/INPHO

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O'Brien set a new world record mark for single season Group 1 wins, with 27, and also scooped four of the five Irish Classics--barring the Irish Oaks--with the help of the top-class Ballydoyle string among his many season highlights.

Mrs. Sue Magnier collected the Irish champion owner award, her 15th since 2000. She was involved with G1 Tattersalls Irish 1000 Guineas heroine Winter (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and G2 Derrinstown Stud Flying Five S. hero Caravaggio (Scat Daddy). She just touched off fellow Coolmore associates Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith in prize money won during the 2017 season.

Suzanne Eade, Chief Financial Officer of Horse Racing Ireland, was on hand at Naas Sunday to present trophies to the champions.

"I would like to congratulate all of our champions for their performances on the track this season," said Brian Kavanagh, Chief Executive of Horse Racing Ireland. "Domestically the 2017 season will forever be remembered for the tremendous battle served up by Colin Keane and Pat Smullen in the Irish champion jockeys' title. [Keane's] skill has been evident in recent seasons and he proved this season that he is right up there with the best riders on the international scene."

He added, "I'm very proud of the achievements of Irish-bred horses, our riders and our trainers at home and abroad, and special mention, at the official close of this flat season, must go to Aidan O'Brien and his team, for the outstanding achievement in setting a new world record for Group/ Grade 1 wins in a calendar year."

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PEACE ENVOY TO STAND AT WORSALL GRANGE

Group 3 winner **Peace Envoy (Fr)** (Power {GB}--Hoh My Darling {GB}, by Dansili {GB}), has been retired to Worsall Grange Stud in North Yorkshire for the 2018 season. Off the mark at first asking over the Dundalk all-weather, the Aidan O'Brien trainee was back on top two starts later in the Listed Rochestown S. in 2016. After a runner-up finish in the G2 Railway S., he captured his biggest win in the G3 Anglesey S. at The Curragh in July of that year, before placing third in the G1 Prix Morny switched to France later on. All told, the dark bay saluted the judge three times from 13 starts and earned \$180,609. The former Coolmore runner will stand for £2,000.

"He's a big, strong, good looking horse," said Worsall Grange's Aaron Anderson. "Peace Envoy showed speed and class on the track and we hope he will be well received by breeders."

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Peace Envoy to Stand at Worsall Grange Cont.

Bred by Team Hogdala in France, Peace Envoy is a half-brother to Swedish champion Our Last Summer (Ire) (Zamindar), as well as G3 Prix des Chenes third Kadyny (GB) (Zamindar). His winning dam is a half-sister to GSP Everlasting Love (GB) (Pursuit of Love {GB}), while his third dam is a half-sister to the outstanding international champion Dahlia (Vaguely Noble {Ire}).

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PIETSCH LIFTS VENETO TO CAREER BEST

With the G1 Grosser Preis von Baden third Colomano (GB) (Cacique {Ire}) and recent G3 Baden-Wurtemberg-Trophy scorer **Navaro Girl (Ire)** (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) running far below expectations, the way was open for an upset in Sunday's G3 Niederrhein-Pokal at Krefeld. It was duly delivered by **Veneto (Ger)** (New Approach {Ire}) who was the subject of a masterclass of riding from Alexander Pietsch. In second initially, the 14-1 shot was steered far wide of the remainder in the back straight and after crossing back over found himself in front. Tackled first by **Capitano (Ger)** (Paolini {Ger}) and then by **Devastar (Ger)** (Areion {Ger}), the bay saw them off to assert for a three-length verdict over the latter.

Having disappeared off the map after finishing last of 10 in last May's G2 Mehl-Mulhens-Rennen (German 2000 Guineas) at Cologne, Veneto had won three of his first four outings this term but was eighth of nine in his sole black-type attempt in the Listed Fritz Henkel Stiftungs-Rennen at Dusseldorf Aug. 6. Well beaten when fourth last time in an 11-furlong conditions event at Baden-Baden Oct. 22, he was taking a major advance in his career here.

Pedigree Notes...

In so doing became the third black-type winner for his dam Venia Legendi (Ger) (Zinaad {GB}) with the G2 Premio Ribot and G2 Diana-Trial-winning champion Vanjura (Ger) (Areion {Ger}) his most notable half-sibling. Venia Legendi is a half-sister to the listed-placed Voodoo Lounge (Ger) (Turfkönig {Ger}) who produced the G3 Prix Vanteaux third Party Girl (Fr) (Bering {GB}) and the dam of the SW and GSP High Alpha (Fr) (Fuisse {Fr}) and the MGSP Stillman (Fr) (Vesponse {Ire}). Venia Legendi's 2-year-old by Areion unfortunately died earlier this year, but she has a yearling filly by Maxios (GB) named Valanca (Ger) to come. [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

Sunday, Krefeld, Germany

GROSSER PREIS VON RONDO FOOD - NIEDERRHEIN-POKAL-G3, €55,000, KRE, 11-5, 3yo/up, 10f 55yT, 2:17.08, sf.

1--**VENETO (GER)**, 127, c, 4, by **New Approach (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Venia Legendi (Ger)**, by **Zinaad (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Vecchia Romagna (GB)**, by **Salse**

3rd Dam: **Princess Eboli (GB)**, by **Brigadier Gerard (GB)**

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€160,000 Ylg '14 BBAGS). O-Gestut Winterhauch; B-Matthias Barth (GER); T-Andreas Suborics; J-Alexander Pietsch. €32,000. Lifetime Record: 9-5-0-0, €68,500. *1/2 to Vanjura (Ger) (Areion {Ger}), GSW & G1SP-Ity, MGSW-Ger & MSW-Tur, £913,740; and Vancovia (Fr) (Dream Well {Fr}), SW-Ger. **Werk Nick Rating: A+**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Devastar (Ger)**, 127, h, 5, Areion (Ger)--Deva (Ger), by Platini (Ger). O/B-Gestut Park Wiedingen (GER); T-Markus Klug. €12,000.

3--**Capitano (Ger)**, 125, c, 4, Paolini (Ger)--Carabiola (Fr), by Grape Tree Road (GB). O-Stall Walzertraum; B-Gestut Sommerberg (GER); T-Jens Hirschberger. €6,000.

Margins: 3, 1, 9 1/4. Odds: 14.00, 5.60, 18.30.

Also Ran: Sound Check (Ger), Colomano (GB), Navaro Girl (Ire).

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Veneto salutes for a career best at Krefeld | *Galopponline.de*

Sunday, Krefeld, Germany

GROSSER PREIS DES WEINGUTES LUCASHOF - HERZOG VON RATIBOR-RENNEN-G3, €55,000, KRE, 11-5, 2yo, 8 1/2fT, 1:56.72, sf.

1--**POLDI'S LIEBLING (GER)**, 123, c, 2, by Tai Chi (Ger)

1st Dam: Pinea (Ger), by Platini (Ger)

2nd Dam: Pleasant Touch (Ger), by Windwurf (Ger)

3rd Dam: Pantherella (Ger), by Anfield (Ire)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Stall Audenhove; B-Horst-Dieter Beyer; T-Andreas Wohler; J-Bauyrzhan Murzabayev. €32,000. Lifetime Record: SP-Ity, 5-2-2-1, €42,580. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Guiri (Ger)**, 123, c, 2, Motivator (GB)--Guardia (Ger), by Monsun (Ger). O/B-Stall Ullmann (GER); T-Jean-Pierre Carvalho. €12,000.

3--**Melodino (Ger)**, 123, c, 2, Dabirsim (Fr)--Melody Fair (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). (€6,000 RNA Ylg '16 BBAGO). O-Stall Heymann GmbH; B-Gestut Hofgut Heymann (GER); T-Karl Demme. €6,000.

Margins: NK, 9HF, 5HF. Odds: 3.80, 4.60, 11.20.

Also Ran: Weltstar (Ger), Destino (Ger), Star Max (Ger).

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Poldi's Liebling, who was runner-up in efforts at Hamburg July 1 and Munich July 30, graduated traversing seven furlongs at Dresden in his third start before hitting the board in Milan's Oct. 22 Listed Premio Campobello upped to nine panels last time. Positioned in a handy fourth against the hedge after the initial exchanges of this pattern-race bow, he was scrubbed along off the home turn to challenge at the quarter-mile marker and stayed on resolutely under continued rousing in the closing stages to narrowly assert for a career high.

Pedigree Notes...

Poldi's Liebling becomes the first group and second stakes winner for his sire (by High Chaparral {Ire}) as well as being the first black-type winner bred from seven-time winner Pinea (Ger) (Platini {Ger}). Pinea's granddam Pantherella (Ger) (Anfield {Ire}) is a half-sister to Listed Rostek & Pesch-Rennen third Praktikant (Ger) (Frontal {Fr}). Poldi's Liebling's third dam Partitur (Ger) (Masetto {Ger}) annexed the G3 Deutscher Stutenpreis and Listed Nereide-Rennen, and is herself kin to the unraced Prioritat (Ger) (Frontal {Fr}), who produced three stakes performers headed by MGSW G1 Preis von Europa runner-up Protektor (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}) and Listed Alexander-Rennen scorer Poet (Ire) (Dance In Time). [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)



Poldi's Liebling | Galopponline.de

Sunday, Capannelle, Italy

PREMIO GUIDO BERARDELLI-G3, €77,000, CAP, 11-5, 2yo, 9fT, 1:55, hy.

1--**WIESENBACH (GB)**, 124, c, 2, by Jukebox Jury (Ire)

1st Dam: Wurfscheibe (Ger) (Hwt. Older Mare-Ger at 11-14f, MGSW-Ger, \$168,943), by Tiger Hill (Ire)

2nd Dam: Wurfbahn (Ger), by Frontal (Ger)

3rd Dam: Wolkenpracht (Ger), by Pitskelly (Ire)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. (€13,000 Ylg '16 BBAGSEP). O-Scuderia D'Altemps; B-Gestut Ravensberg; T-II Cavallo In Testa; J-Fabio Branca. €29,750. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0 €40,783. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Wait Forever (Ire)**, 124, c, 2, Camelot (GB)--Mount McLeod (Ire), by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire). (€22,000 Ylg '16 TATSEP). O-Scuderia Effevi; B-Pier House Stud; T-Alduino Botti. €13,090.

3--**Old Fox (Ire)**, 124, c, 2, Lord Shanakill--Mia Madonna (GB), by Motivaotr (GB). (€1,000 Ylg '16 TATSEP). O-Scuderia Ste.Ma.; B-Barouche Stud; T-Alduino Botti. €7,140.

Margins: SHD, 2, 9. Odds: 2.09, 3.14, 11.87

Also Ran: Frutireu (Ire), Undisclosed Desire (Ire), Domagnano (Ire), Valeria (GB), La Volta Buona (GB), Biz Honor (Ire).

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UNITED KINGDOM:

DECLARATION OF WAR (War Front), Ashford Stud
135 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners
13:20-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, GLORIOUS ARMY (GB)
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FRANCE:

ALIANTHUS (GER) (Hernando {Fr}), Haras de la Couriais
14 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
5-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1800m, LA CATALEYA (FR)

FRENCH FIFTEEN (FR) (Turtle Bowl {Ire}), Haras du Logis Saint Germain

50 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner
2-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1800m, QATAR ARROW (FR)

GEORGE VANCOUVER (Henrythenavigator), Haras de la Hetraie
69 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
5-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1800m, ESPALDINHA (FR)

PENNY'S PICNIC (IRE) (Kheleyf), Haras du Hoguenet
41 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
4-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1800m, POLDINA (FR)

PLANTEUR (IRE) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot
75 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
4-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1800m, HENRY BRULARD (FR)
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IRELAND



Sunday's Results:

FINALE S.-Listed, €45,000, NAA, 11-5, 3yo/up, 12fT, 2:45.70, sf.
1--**TOCCO D'AMORE (IRE)**, 121, f, 3, **Raven's Pass--Spirit of Tara (Ire)** (GSP-Ire), by Sadler's Wells.

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 'TDN Rising Star' (€2,000,000 Ylg '15 GOFORB). O-Moyglare Stud Farm; B-Kilcarn Stud (IRE); T-Dermot Weld; J-Pat Smullen. €26,550. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$41,263. *1/2 to Akarem (GB) (Kingmambo), MSW-Eng & GSP-Ire, \$267,792, & to Echo of Light (GB) (Dubai Millennium {GB}), MGSW-Eng & Fr, G1SP-Ity, \$459,479.

2--**Lagostovegas (Ire)**, 126, m, 5, Footstepsinthesand (GB)--Reine de Coeur (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). O-John Donohue. €8,550.

3--**Mustajeer (GB)**, 131, g, 4, Medicean (GB)--Qelaan, by Dynaformer. (50,000gns HRA '17 TATJUL). O-David Spratt. €4,050. Margins: 3, NK, HF. Odds: 1.75, 2.50, 3.00.

Also Ran: Dew Line (Ire), Laws Of Spin (Ire), Ted Veale (Ire), Play The Game (Ire), Two For Tea (Ire), Sanus Per Aquam (Ire).

Earning **TDN Rising Star** status on her six-length winning debut in a 10-furlong maiden here Apr. 9, Tocco d'Amore overcame a seven-month absence to continue the trail and register a convincing first black-type success in the process. Confidently anchored in mid-division early by Pat Smullen, the bay moved to Lagostovegas in the centre of the track and after gaining the advantage passing the furlong marker found a late surge to put her seal on Ireland's last black-type race of 2017.

"It's a very pleasing performance by her," said Dermot Weld. "She is a very valuable filly and I look forward to winning group races with her next year. She would always appreciate an ease in the ground and would not want it firm. She is a smart filly. She had a setback fairly soon after her previous run and was off all through the summer. We just waited and patience paid dividends."

As expected from a €2-million purchase from Pat O'Kelly famed nursery at Kilcarn Stud, Tocco d'Amore has fancy connections with her dam, the G2 Blandford S. runner-up Spirit of Tara, now responsible for a total of six black-type performers headed by Godolphin's talented Echo of Light. Himself a €1.2-million buy at the Goffs Orby auction that Kilcarn have helped shape in recent times, he captured five group races for the operation which included the G2 Prix Daniel Wildenstein. Now a sire alongside his smart Kingmambo half-brothers Akarem (GB) and Multazem, he is also a half to the G2 Ribblesdale S. runner-up Flame of Gibraltar (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) and Irish History (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) who was third in the G1 Coronation S. **Cont. p9**

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The second dam Flame of Tara (Ire) (Artaius) was high-class in her own right, winning the latter Royal Ascot contest when it was still a Group 2 and also the G2 Pretty Polly S. and finishing runner-up in the G1 Champion S. Her seven black-type performers feature Spirit of Tara's stellar full-sister Salsabil (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) whose five top-level victories included the G1 Irish Derby, G1 Epsom Oaks and G1 1000 Guineas and who later produced three pattern-race winners headed by the GII Knickerbocker H.-winning sire Sahm (Mr. Prospector). Flame of Tara's son Marju (Ire) achieved renown as a sire after taking the G1 St. James's Palace S. and finishing second in the G1 Epsom Derby, while her other notable representatives were the G3 Prix de Psyche scorer and G1 Irish 1000 Guineas runner-up Danse Royale (Ire) (Caerleon), the SW and MGSP sire Song of Tara (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and the G2 Ribblesdale S. third Nearctic Flame (Ire), another by Sadler's Wells who went on to throw three black-type performers.

Also from the family of the GI Breeders' Cup Turf hero Northern Spur (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and G1 Grand Criterium-winning sire Second Empire (Ire) (Fairy King), Spirit of Tara also has an as-yet unraced 2-year-old colt by Declaration of War named Texas Ranger (Ire) and a yearling colt by Invincible Spirit (Ire). The latter was purchased for €120,000 at the recent Goffs Orby Sale by Justin Casse. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#).**

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3rd-NAA, €16,500, Mdn, 11-5, 2yo, 8fT, 1:49.53, sf.

STILL STANDING (IRE) (c, 2, [Mastercraftsman {Ire}](#)--Il Palazzo, by Giant's Causeway), third in a seven-furlong maiden at Leopardstown Oct. 28, was settled behind the leader initially before being allowed to bowl to the front after the first three furlongs. Having galloped most of his rivals into the ground

halfway up the straight, the 7-4 market-leader stayed on to see off stablemate House Call (Ire) (Clodovil {Ire}) by 2 3/4 lengths. The winner is the first foal out of Il Palazzo, who failed to break her maiden in seven attempts for Ballydoyle but is suitably well-connected to have raced for that formidable outfit. A half to the G3 Derrinstown Stud 1000 Guineas Trial third Divine Night (Ire) (Danehill), she hails from the Juddmonte family of the GI United Nations H. and GI Clement L. Hirsch Memorial Turf Championship S.-winning sire Senure (Nureyev) and the champion juvenile Xaar (GB). She also has a yearling colt by Helmet (Aus). Sales history: €26,000 Wlg '15 GOFNOV; €1,000 RNA 2yo '17 GOFFEB. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$13,660. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Mrs P. K. Cooper; B-D. G. Icton (IRE); T-Jessica Harrington.

HANDICAP RESULT:

6th-NAA, €100,000, 11-5, 3yo/up, 14fT, 3:26.15, sf.

SWAMP FOX (IRE) (g, 5, Windsor Knot {Ire}--Brogella {Ire}, by King's Theatre {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 31-7-6-8, \$340,613. O-T Egan & Mrs Bridget Dillon & Seamus O'Brien & Dominick Glennane; B-John McEnery & M. L. Hanrahan (IRE); T-J G Murphy. *€9,000 Wlg '12 TATNH; €23,000 Ylg '13 TISEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Vinnie's Wish (Ire), c, 2, **Most Improved (Ire)**--Sarella Loren, by Theatrical (Ire). NAS, 11-5, 6fT, 1:18.19. B-J Connolly & P Henley (IRE). *€30,000 Ylg '16 GOFFEB; €20,000 Ylg '16 GOFSP; €70,000 2yo '17 GBMBR. **13th winner for freshman sire (By Lawman {Fr}).

Warnaq (Ire), f, 3, **Arcano (Ire)**--Ihtiraam (Ire), by Teofilo (Ire). NAA, 11-5, 12fT, 2:49.30. B-J. Connolly (IRE). *€8,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; €5,000 Ylg '15 TISEP.

BRITAIN



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Envisaging (Ire), g, 3, **Zoffany (Ire)**--Star of Stars (Ire), by Soviet Star. NC, 11-4, 6f (AWT), 1:14.67. B-David McGuinness (IRE). *€17,500 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; €110,000 Ylg '15 GOFORB.

GERMANY



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dusky Dance (Ire), c, 2, **Lope de Vega (Ire)**--Dawn Dew (Ger) (GSP-Ger), by Montjeu (Ire). KRE, 11-5, 6 1/2fT, 1:25.45. B-Gestut Ammerland (IRE).

ITALY

CAPANNELLE CANCELLED AFTER THE FOURTH

The G2 Premio Roma and the Listed Criterium Femminile will be rescheduled for later in November following the decision of the stewards at Capannelle Sunday to suspend the meeting after four races. The ground, rated soft before the start of the first race, changed dramatically after a torrential rain struck the area and turned it to heavy for the fourth on the card, the G3 Premio Berardelli. The stewards decided to inspect the racecourse following that feature and, after a short discussion, they suspended the meeting because the ground was deemed unsafe.

The two stakes will move to Sunday, Nov. 19 or Sunday Nov. 26 with a decision made in the next couple of days. The entries for both races will also be reopened.

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Sunday's Result:

PREMIO SCHEIBLER-Listed, €42,900, CAP, 11-5, 3yo, 11fT, 2:03.4, hy.

1--**TOGETHER AGAIN (GB)**, 125, c, 3, by **Pivotal (GB)**

1st Dam: **Regal Aura (GB)**, by **Teofilo (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Regal Velvet (GB)**, by **Halling**

3rd Dam: **Ruthless Rose**, by **Conquistador Cielo**

(2,000gns Wlg '14 TATNOV; €40,000 Ylg '15 TISSEP).

O-Scuderia Effeve; B-Cheveley Park Stud; T-Alduino Botti;

J-Dario Vargiu. €16,575. Lifetime Record: 10-5-2-1, €70,278.

2--**Holy Water (Fr)**, 125, c, 3, Falco--Miss Bikini (Ire), by Titus Livius (Fr). O-Scuderia Effeve; B-Paolo Ravanetti (Fr); T-Alduino Botti. €7,293.

3--**Aethos (Ire)**, c, 3, 129, Dragon Pulse (Ire)--Quela (Ger), by Acatenango (Ger). O-WE Bloodstock; B-Massimo Parri (Ire); T-Alduino Botti. €3,979.

Margins: 4, HD, 3/4. Odds: 1.19, 1.19, 1.25.

Also Ran: Cima Da Conegliano (Fr), Mushibest (Ity), The Druid (Ity), Crupi The Best (GB), Paco Douglas (Ire).

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EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN UNITED STATES:

Wuheida (GB), f, 3, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Hibaayeb (GB) (G1SW-Fr & Eng, GISW-US, \$630,316), by Singspiel (Ire). Del Mar, 11-4, GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf (\$1.84K), 1 1/8mT, 1:47.91. B-Darley (GB). *G1SW-Fr & Ger, G1SP-Eng.

Talismanic (GB), c, 4, **Medaglia d'Oro**--Magic Mission (GB) (GSP-Fr, GSW & GISP-US, \$398,111), by Machiavellian. Del Mar, 11-4, GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf (\$3.68K), 1 1/2mT, 2:26.19. B-Darley (GB). *GSW-Fr.

Another British-bred Graded Stakes Winner 

Arles (Fr), m, 5, **Monsun (Ger)**--Attachee de Presse (Ire), by Danehill. Aqueduct, 11-4, GIII Long Island H. (\$200K), 1 1/2mT, 2:28.65. B-S.A.R.L. Ecurie D (Fr). *1ST GRADED WIN.



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WORLDWIDE NEWS

Marmelo Looks to Keep Williams at Bay Cont. from p1

Finishing second in the G2 Prix Maurice de Nieuil (2800m) on July 14 behind Talismanic (GB) (Medaglia d'Oro) adds another layer on confidence, with that winner capturing the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf at Del Mar on Saturday.

Over six lengths behind Marmelo in the Kergorlay was fellow Melbourne Cup competitor **Red Cardinal (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}), who had won the G3 Belmont Gold Cup over 3219m on June 9 the start prior and must rate as a top-10 chance.

Surprisingly beaten into fourth in the G3 Bart Cummings (2500m) at Flemington on Oct. 7 behind **Amelie's Star (Aus)** (Testa Rossa {Aus}) when the short-priced favourite, last year's G1 Melbourne Cup winner **Almandin (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger}) would be the leading chance for part owners Lloyd and Nick Williams and deserves his place towards the top of the betting.

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Marmelo Looks to Keep Williams at Bay Cont.

With Frankie Dettori taking the ride on the 8-year-old, who is himself looking for his first win in the race, Almandin looks the best option to give Williams his sixth win in the race as an owner, and join five other previous multiple winners of the race.

Fifth in the Caulfield Cup, where trainer Darren Weir highlighted his unhappiness with the ride, before a nail-biting second to Winx (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) in the G1 Cox Plate (2040m) on Oct. 28, **Humidor (NZ)** (Teofilo {Ire}) has not won past 2000m, but his last start effort has him right up in the market.

Victory at four of his last five starts, including twice over Talismanic, the Alain Couetil-trained **Tiberian (Fr)** (Tiberius Caesar {Fr}) would give part-owners Australian Thoroughbred Bloodstock the thrill of a life time, having gone down narrowly twelve months earlier when Almandin defeated their runner Heartbreak City (Fr) (Lando {Ger}) by the barest of margins.

With a big query over his head at the 3200m, the Aidan O'Brien-trained **Johannes Vermeer (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) has proven that he has acclimatised extremely well, finishing an unlucky second in the G1 Caulfield S. (2000m) behind Gailo Chop (Fr) (Deportivo {GB}) first-up, before once again having to weave through late for third in the Caulfield Cup.

Set to carry just 53kgs, the Hugo Palmer-trained, Craig Williams-ridden **Wall Of Fire (Ire)** (Canford Cliffs {Ire}) produced an outstanding effort in his Australian debut, finishing a length second in the G2 Herbert Power (2400m) on Oct. 14 behind Lord Fandango (Ger) (Lord Of England {Ger}), with that winner taking fourth in the G1 Caulfield Cup (2400m) at his next start.

Dropping 5kgs from his Herbert Power run, Wall Of Fire has failed at his two starts over 3200m, which is of some concern, but appears to be heading into the race in the right form and can't be discounted at the weights.

One of only three Australian-bred runners in the race, tough as teak mare **Single Gaze (Aus)** (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}) has always had the race as her main aim. Good enough as a 2-year-old to race in the Magic Millions 2YO Classic and the Golden Slipper before Group 1 victory at three, the Nick Olive-trained mare finished second in the Caulfield Cup and as the distances have increased throughout her campaign she has improved every step of the way. ([Click here to return to p1](#))

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'BARMAN' OUT OF CUP WITH TEMP

Three-time G1 Melbourne Cup starter **Who Shot Thebarman (NZ)** (Yamanin Vital {NZ}), the 2014 G1 Auckland Cup hero and last out G2 Moonee Valley Gold Cup victor, will not compete in this year's A\$6.2-million G1 Emirates Melbourne Cup, after spiking a temperature Sunday morning. The Chris Waller trainee's best previous finish was a third in 2014. He ran fifth last term.

"This afternoon when returning to the stables, Who Shot Thebarman presented with an elevated temperature and due to the level of elevation, I have no option but to withdraw the horse from the 2017 Emirates Melbourne Cup," Waller told Racing Victoria Chief Steward Terry Bailey in a Sunday email. "It is obviously a great disappointment to the owners, my staff and I, however, the welfare of the horse comes first and for that reason, he must be scratched from Tuesday's race."

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Sunday, Tokyo, Japan

COPA REPUBLICA ARGENTINA-G2, ¥109,920,000

(US\$963,934/£ 736,991/€829,906), Tokyo, 11-5, 3yo/up, 2500mT, 2:30.00, fm.

1--SUAVE RICHARD (JPN), 123, c, 3, Heart's Cry (Jpn)

1st Dam: Pirramimma, by Unbridled's Song

2nd Dam: Career Collection, by General Meeting

3rd Dam: River of Stars, by Riverman

(¥155,000,000 Wlg '14 JRHAJUL). O-NICKS Inc.; B-Northern Farm; T-Yasushi Shono; J-Mirco Demuro; ¥58,134,000.

Lifetime Record: G1SP-Jpn, 7-3-3-0. *1/2 to Bandwagon (Jpn) (White Muzzle {GB}), GSP-Jpn, \$644,557. **Werk Nick Rating: B.**

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2--**Sole Impact (Jpn)**, 117, h, 5, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Cream Only, by Exchange Rate. O-Yasushi Kubota; B-Shiao Farm (Jpn); ¥23,324,000.

3--**Seda Brillantes (Jpn)**, 119, c, 3, Deep Brillante (Jpn)--Silk Universal (Jpn), by Brian's Time. O-Silk Racing; B-Shiraoi Farm (Jpn); ¥14,162,000.

G2 Copa Republica Argentina Cont.

Margins: 2HF, 1 1/4, HF; Odds: 1.00, 18.50, 6.50.

Also Ran: Albert (Jpn), Curren Mirotic (Jpn), Toshin Monstera (Jpn), Shiho (Jpn), Denim And Ruby (Jpn), Prestwick (Jpn), Happy Moment (Jpn), Meiner Sage (Jpn), Hit The Target (Jpn), Comfy (Jpn), Toruk Makto (Jpn), Recondite (Jpn), Saratoga Spirit (Jpn).

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Sunday, Kyoto, Japan

MIYAKO S.-G3, ¥72,800,000 (US\$638,334/£488,035/€549,575), Kyoto, 11-5, 3yo/up, 1800m, 1:50.10, gd.

1--**T M JINSOKU (JPN)**, 123, h, 5, by Kurofune

1st Dam: **My Discovery (Jpn)**, by **Forty Niner**

2nd Dam: **My Green (Jpn)**, by **Dancing Brave**

3rd Dam: **My Succession**, by **Criminal Typet**

1ST GROUP WIN. O-Masatsugu Takezono; B-Hidaka T. M. Farm; T-Kazuyoshi Kihara; J- Yoshihiro Furukawa; ¥38,560,000. Lifetime Record: 23-8-5-4. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Leur Sauveur (Jpn)**, 123, g, 5, French Deputy--Kyoei Truth (Jpn), by Fuji Kiseki (Jpn). O-Normandy Thoroughbred Racing; B-Okada Stud (Jpn); ¥15,160,000.

3--**King's Guard (Jpn)**, 126, h, 6, by Sinister Minister--Kings Berry (Jpn), by King Halo (Jpn). O/B-Nisshin Farm (Jpn); ¥9,580,000.

Margins: 2HF, 1 1/4, 4; Odds: 2.10, 54.10, 6.30.

Also Ran: Tamuro Miracle (Jpn), Molto Bene (Jpn), Shiny Bean (Jpn), Rose Princedom (Jpn), Epicharis (Jpn), Tagano Verite (Jpn), Asukano Roman (Jpn), Tagano Diguio (Jpn), Regent Rock (Jpn), Meiner Crop (Jpn), Monde Classe (Jpn), Salsa Dione (Jpn).

Scratched: Top Divo (Jpn).

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South African import Nassa swooshed home in :22.28 and set a new course record in Sunday's G3 Sa Sa Ladies' Purse H. at Sha tin. Trainer Tony Millard, who purchased Nassa as a yearling, will aim the 5-year-old at the G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup (2000m) at Sha Tin Dec. 10

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Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

SA SA LADIES' PURSE H.-G3, HK\$3,000,000 (£294,379/€329,695/A\$498,128/US\$384,466), Sha Tin, 11-5, 3yo/up, 1800mT, 1:45.41 (NCR), gd/fm.

1--**NASSA (SAF)**, 115, h, 5, by **Dynasty (SAf)**

1st Dam: **Cosima Liszt (Chi)**, by **Rich Man's Gold**

2nd Dam: **La Juerga (Arg)**, by **Forlitano (Arg)**

3rd Dam: **La Garufa (Arg)**, by **Our Talisman**

(R800,000 Ylg '14 EMPNAT). O-Connie Siu; B-Wilgerbosdrift; T-Tony Millard; J-Chad Schofield; HK\$1,710,000. Lifetime Record: G1SP-SAf, 11-3-0-2, HK\$1,998,060. *1/2 to Wagner (SAf) (Tiger Ridge), G1SW-SAf, \$177,343. **Werk Nick Rating: D+**. Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).

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G3 Sa Sa Ladies' Purse Cont.

2--**Time Warp (GB)**, 123, g, 4, Archipenko--Here to Eternity, by Stormy Atlantic. (€37,000 Ylg '14 TISEP). O-Martin Siu; B-Miss K Rausing; T-Tony Cruz; HK\$660,000.

3--**Romantic Touch (Aus)**, 122, g, 7, Northern Meteor (Aus)--Dearness (Aus), by Snippets (Aus). O-Ming Shui Sum & Alice Ming Bo Ting; B-Gooree Park Stud Pty Ltd (NSW); T-Tony Cruz; HK\$345,000.

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Margins: HD, 2, 2. Odds: 69-10, Evens, 59-1.

Also Ran: Horse of Fortune (SAf), Eagle Way (Aus), Marvel Hero (Ire), Doyeni, Helene Charisma (Fr), Keen Venture (Aus), Consort (Ire), Rocketeer (Aus), General Sherman (Ire), Harbour Master, Circuit Land.

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ASIA

Sunday, Seoul, South Korea

PRESIDENT'S CUP, ₩800,000,000 (£548,612/€617,781/US\$717,463), Seoul, 11-5, 3yo/up, 2000m, 2:07.1, ft.

1--**TRIPLE NINE (KOR)**, 126, h, 5, Ecton Park--**A Little Poke (Broodmare of the Year-Kor)**, by **Pleasant Tap**. O-Choi Byeong-Bu; B-Isidore Farm; T-Kim Young Kwan; J-Lim Sung Sil; ₩456,000,000. Lifetime Record: 2x Horse of the Year & Ch. 3yo-Kor, 29-13-11-1.

2--**Power Blade (Kor)**, 126, c, 4, Menifee--Cheonmachong (Kor), by Lost Mountain. ₩168,000,000.

3--**Success Story (Kor)**, 126, g, 6, Peace Rules--Power Pack, by Lil's Lad. ₩104,000,000.

Margins: 2, 10, 3/4. Odds: 1.10, 1.00, 25.80. **VIDEO**

AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Hot King Prawn (Aus), g, 3, **Denman (Aus)**--De Chorus (Aus), by Unbridled's Song. Sha Tin, 11-5, Hcp. (A\$219k), 1000mT, :56.67. B-Torryburn Stud (NSW). *Won by 2 1/4 lengths as the 3-4 favourite to remain perfect in three career appearances. **A\$90,000 Ylg '16 INGSYD. **VIDEO**

Conte (Aus), g, 4, **Starcraft (NZ)**--Miss Midas (Aus), by Flying Spur (Aus). Sha Tin, 11-5, Hcp. (A\$147k), 1200mT, 1:09.50. B-G P Nolan. *1ST-TIME STARTER. **Won by two lengths on debut as the 1-2 favourite. ***A\$50,000 Ylg '15 MMGCYS. **VIDEO**

AUSTRALIAN GROUP 1 RACES – 2017/2018

Date	Race	Track
Nov. 7	Emirates Melbourne Cup	Flemington
Nov. 9	Crown Oaks	Flemington
Nov. 11	Emirates S. Darley Classic	Flemington Flemington
Nov. 25	Railway S.	Ascot
Dec. 2	Winterbottom S.	Ascot
Dec. 9	Kingston Town Classic	Ascot
Feb. 10	C. F. Orr S.	Caulfield
Feb. 17	Lightning S.	Flemington
Feb. 24	Blue Diamond S. Futurity S. Oakleigh Plate	Caulfield Caulfield Caulfield
Mar. 3	Chipping Norton S. Surround S. Australian Guineas	Warwick Farm Warwick Farm Flemington
Mar. 10	Randwick Guineas Canterbury S. Australian Cup Newmarket H.	Randwick Randwick Flemington Flemington
Mar. 17	Coolmore Classic	Rosehill
Mar. 23	William Reid S.	Moonee Valley
Mar. 24	Golden Slipper S. George Ryder S. Ranvet S. The Galaxy Rosehill Guineas	Rosehill Rosehill Rosehill Rosehill Rosehill
Mar. 31	The BMW Vinery Stud S.	Rosehill Rosehill
THE CHAMPIONSHIPS		
Apr. 7	Doncaster H. T J Smith S. ATC Australian Derby ATC Sires' Produce S.	Randwick Randwick Randwick Randwick
Apr. 14	Queen Elizabeth S. Sydney Cup ATC Oaks	Randwick Randwick Randwick
Apr. 21	All Aged S. Champagne S. Queen of the Turf S.	Randwick Randwick Randwick
May 5	Schweppes Oaks UBET Classic	Morphettville Morphettville
May 12	Doomben 10,000 S. SA Derby	Doomben Morphettville
May 19	Doomben Cup	Doomben

Tuesday, Flemington, Australia, post time: 3:00 p.m. (9:00 p.m. ET)

EMIRATES MELBOURNE CUP-G1, A\$6,000,000 (\$4,590,000/£3,509,442/€3,950,256), 3yo/up, 3200mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	12	Hartnell (GB)	Authorized (Ire)	Cummings	Lane	127
2	14	Almandin (Ger)	Monsun (Ger)	Hickmott	Dettori	124
3	13	Humidor (NZ)	Teofilo (Ire)	Weir	Shinn	123
4	23	Tiberian (Fr)	Tiberius Caesar (Fr)	Couetil	Peslier	122
5	16	Marmelo (GB)	Duke of Marmalade (Ire)	Morrison	Bowman	121
6	24	Red Cardinal (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	Wohler	McEvoy	121
7	3	Johannes Vermeer (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	O'Brien	Melham	120
8	1	Bondi Beach (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Hickmott	Walker	119
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