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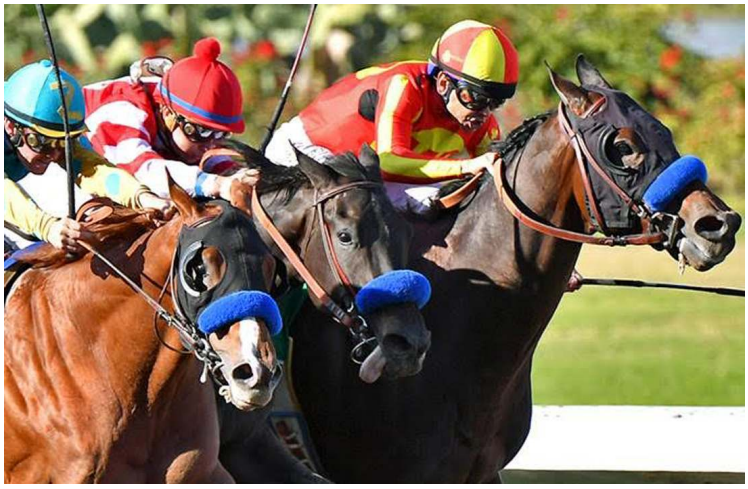
EVEN IN "DEFEAT," SOLOMINI A WINNER



From left: Solomini, Instilled Regard and McKinzie hit the wire together | *Gary Tasich*

The Week in Review, by Bill Finley

The Zayat camp is upset their **Solomini** (Curlin) was disqualified after crossing the wire first in Saturday GI Los Alamitos Cash Call Futurity, firing off a number of angry tweets after the stewards ruled their colt interfered with Instilled Regard (Arch). I appear to be in the minority in that I believe the horse deserved to come down. Had Solomini not come over on Instilled Regard, I believe that horse would have finished second and not third. Yet, I can understand Zayat's frustration. It was far from an 'no-brainer' call and no one wants to get taken down in a Grade I race worth $300,000.

But once Team Zayat calms down maybe they'll look at the bigger picture: The Los Al race proved they have a really nice colt, one who figures to be a serious player come the time of the GI Kentucky Derby. Solomoni was the best horse in the race as he rather comfortably defeated a horse **McKinzie** (Street Sense), who was being touted as the next big thing. After finishing second, but well-beaten, in both the GI Front Runner S. and the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, Solomini has clearly improved and, being that he's by Curlin, he should only get better with age and with more distance.

Both McKinzie, who was placed first, and Solomoni are trained by Bob Baffert. ***Cont. p8 (click here)***

FIRE RECOVERY CONTINUES, BARRETTS PLEDGES FUNDS

The Del Mar main track played host to training Sunday morning as a number of horses jogged in an effort to return to a sense of normalcy in the aftermath of the Lilac Fire, which devastated San Luis Rey Downs training center in Bonsall, California Thursday evening. Roughly 250 displaced Thoroughbreds were still stabled at Del Mar as of Sunday and the track was made available to trainers on short notice in time for the weekend.

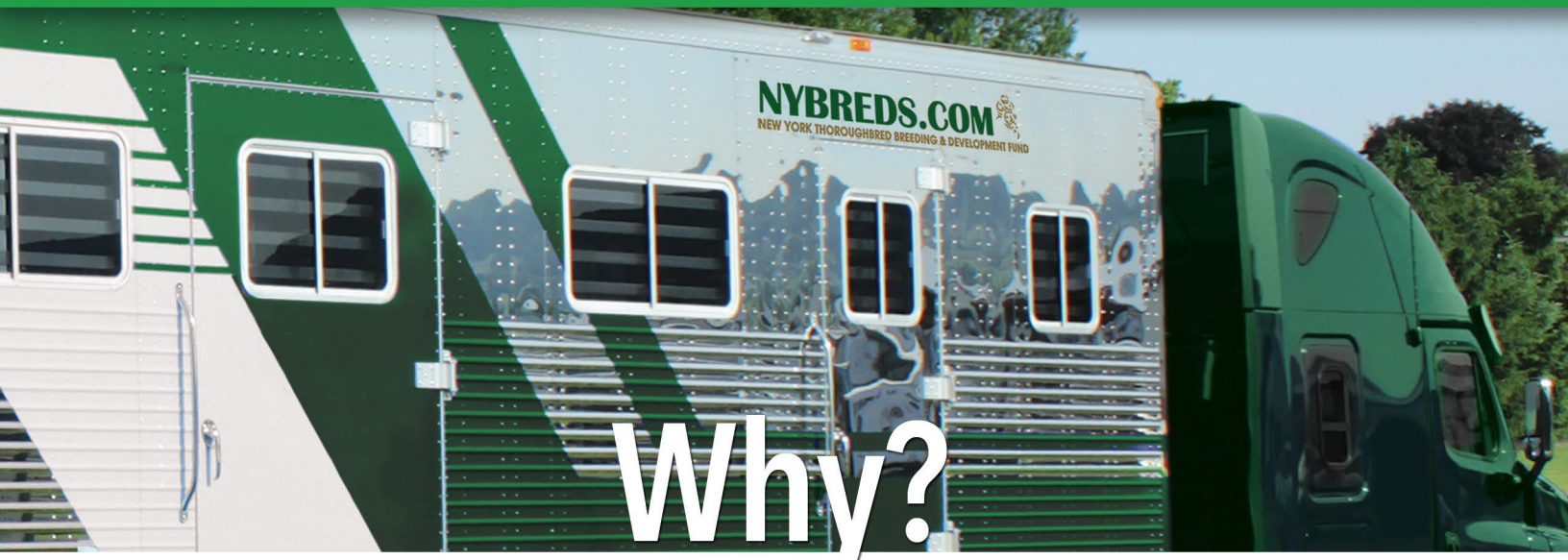
Likewise, positive progress in the identification and recovery of missing horses continued at a steady pace, but not without ongoing somber reminders of the loss of equine life in the fire's path. Trainer Peter Miller took to Twitter late Saturday to confirm the loss of Rockingham Ranch's four-time stakes winner **California Diamond** (Harbor the Gold), one of 46 reported equine deaths. ***Cont. p3***

IN TDN EUROPE TODAY

'REEL' GOES OUT A WINNER IN HK VASE

Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) won the G1 Longines Hong Kong Vase at Sha Tin on Sunday, his seventh Group 1 victory. He retires to Coolmore Ireland for 2018. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Europe.**

Savvy breeders are shipping mares to New York . . .



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Monday, December 11, 2017

Winter Wonderland. *Breeders brave snowy weather to see Peace and Justice (War Front) during Saturday's open house at Northview PA in Peach Bottom, PA.* | *Sarah Andrew*

MALIBU MOON COLT LEAVES 'EM IN THE DUST **5**
Leavem in Malibu (Malibu Moon) captured the GIII Valedictory S. on closing day at Woodbine.

ON THE RUN AGAIN **7**
Likely 2017 Horse of the Year Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) had his second work back since a win in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, drilling five furlongs at Fair Grounds Sunday morning in preparation for a tilt in the GI Pegasus World Cup.

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Fire Recovery Continues *(cont. from p1)*

California Diamond | *Benoit photo*

"We are overwhelmed by the support of the community," Miller tweeted. "We have accounted for all 77 of the horses, but with heavy hearts we are sad to report we [lost] five to the fire, one being our special jewel, California Diamond."

At both Del Mar and Santa Anita, donations continued to pour in for equines and humans alike, with clothes and other supplies arriving for backstretch workers who lost their homes in the fire.

California's Climax Stallions donated a season to Curlin to Mischief (Curlin) in an effort to raise further funding for backstretch workers. Bidding for the season can be found here.

"As native Californians, and owners of a filly who was lost but has since been found in the fire, we want to help those who weren't as fortunate in anyway we can," said Climax managing director Sean Feld. "This hit too close to home for us."

Del Mar added that it was in search of basic equine maintenance supplies, as well as breakfast and lunch food for backstretch employees, while Feld suggested contributing gas money for displaced workers on Twitter.

Barretts Sales added their name to the growing list of industry organizations donating to the cause, pledging to contribute 10% of the sales commissions of horses sold at their 2018 January Mixed Sale to the California Thoroughbred Horsemen's Foundation (CTHF), which is dedicated to improving the quality of life for backstretch workers at California racetracks and training centers. The horses of all ages sale will be held Jan. 17 at the Finish Line Sports Grill at Fairplex beginning at 11:00 a.m. PST. Additional funds will be raised on the day of the sale through live and silent auctions of donated 2018 stallion seasons, artwork and racing memorabilia.

Relief efforts received another boost late Sunday when a group of Los Alamitos Race Course affiliates, including owner Dr. Edward Allred and Vice President F. Jack Liebau, donated a total of $60,000 to the California Thoroughbred Horsemen's Foundation. Phoenix Thoroughbred, which captured Saturday's GI Starlet S. at Los Alamitos with Dream Tree (Uncle Mo), and the Hong Kong Jockey Club were among others who publicly pledged to donate to relief efforts late Saturday and early Sunday.

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Donations bound for Del Mar accumulate at Santa Anita

Santa Anita's Amy Zimmerman @NeverSettleTV Twitter

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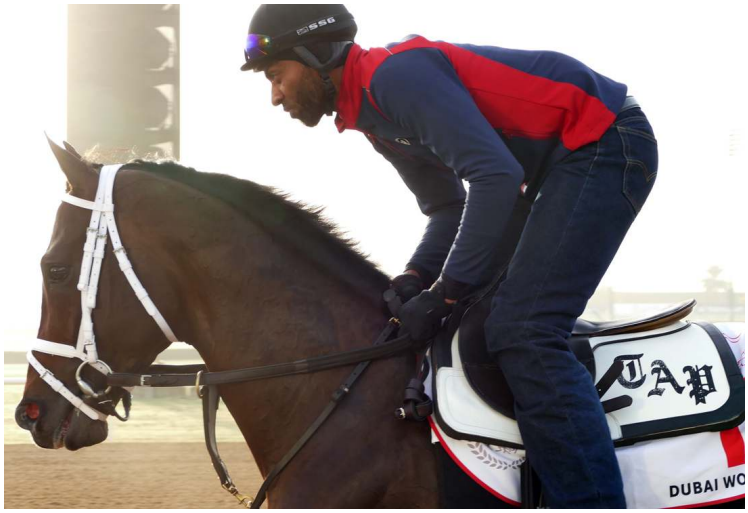

Neolithic | *Emma Berry*

Qatar Racing and Starlight Racing's three-time Grade I-placed **Neolithic** (Harlan's Holiday--Swingit, by Victory Gallop) has been retired from racing and will enter stud in 2018, Starlight Racing's Jack Wolf confirmed to the *TDN* Sunday. The news was first reported by *Blood-Horse*.

"This horse is by Harlan's Holiday, and Harlan's Holiday has proven to be a sire of sires with Into Mischief and Shanghai Bobby," Wolf, who raced Harlan's Holiday, said Sunday. "As I told the partners yesterday, it's amazing what he passes on to these horses as far as the try and the determination."

Neolithic paired two big efforts together when third in both the GI Pegasus World Cup Jan. 28 and G1 Dubai World Cup Mar. 25. He captured a Saratoga allowance test in August before placing third in that venue's GI Woodward S. Sept. 2. Last seen checking in second in the GII Hagyard Fayette S. at Keeneland Oct. 28, the Todd Pletcher trainee retires with a record of 3-4-3 from 12 starts and earnings of $2,278,028.

"We're retiring the horse sound, but going forward and training him would make no sense," Wolf said. "From the calls I've gotten last night and today, it seems like we'll find a spot for him in a regional market some time this week."

Wolf added that he has fielded interest from farms located in California, Pennsylvania and New York.

Neolithic was originally acquired by Starlight for $460,000 as a Keeneland September yearling.

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Sunday, Woodbine

VALEDICTORY S.-GIII, C$145,850, WO, 12-10, 3yo/up, 1 3/4m (AWT), 2:58.92, ft.

1--**LEAVEM IN MALIBU, 118, c, 4, by Malibu Moon**
1st Dam: Leaveminthedust, by Danzig
2nd Dam: Hidden Reserve, by Mr. Prospector
3rd Dam: Pure Profit, by Key to the Mint
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2--**Melmich**, 124, g, 6, Wilko--Little Swoon, by You and I. (C$4,000 Ylg '12 CANSEP). O-Stephen Chesney & Cory Hoffman; B-Andrew Stronach (ON); T-Kevin Attard. C$25,000.

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3--**Ethical Funds**, 115, g, 5, Giant Gizmo--Twilight Gallop, by Victory Gallop. (C$22,000 Ylg '13 CANSEP). O-Oak Run Racing Inc.; B-Errol Bailey (ON); T-George Billers. C$15,000.

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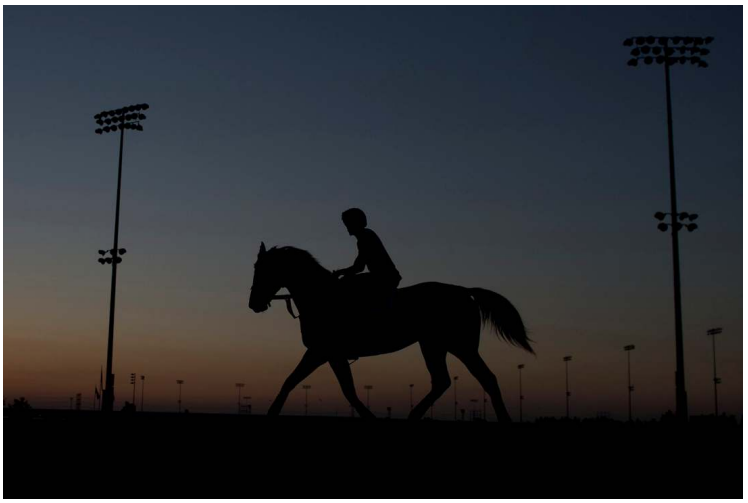
As snow flurries filled the air at Woodbine, Leavem in Malibu captured the 1 3/4-mile GIII Valedictory S. on the Toronto oval's closing-day card Sunday. The win marked the 4-year-old Mark Casse trainee's first career stakes success.

Away to a sharp beginning, Leavem in Malibu seized control immediately and rated comfortably beneath jockey Patrick Husbands through splits of :51.54 for the half-mile and 1:17.78 for six furlongs. Coming under pressure from longshot Ethical Funds (Giant Gizmo) past a mile in 1:44.67, he spurted clear once again on the far turn and had plenty left in the tank to hold heavily favored stalwart Melmich (Wilko) at bay by two lengths on the wire.

Leavem in Malibu flashed significant talent early in his sophomore season, reeling off two straight open-company wins before competing in all three legs of Canada's Triple Crown. Sixth in the Queen's Plate, he finished second in the Prince of Wales S. on dirt at Fort Erie and ran third in the 12-furlong Breeders' S. over the turf at Woodbine last August. Laid off for one day short of a year, he returned with a pair of in-the-money finishes in allowance company before finishing a dull fifth in the GIII Durham Cup Sept. 30. He dropped back down to the allowance level and found the winner's circle two starts later in a nine-furlong test Nov. 26--a prep for Sunday's return to an extended distance in the Valedictory.

Pedigree Notes:

A $175,000 Keeneland November weanling, Leavem in Malibu is a half-brother to the ill-fated Danzig Moon (Malibu Moon), runner-up in the 2015 GI Toyota Blue Grass S. His dam, Leaveminthedust (Danzig), is a full-sister to GSW Defer and a half to MGSW Reload (Hard Spun) and GSW Philanthropist (Kris S.), who was among the leading sires in Canada before being exported to Drakenstein Stud Farm in South Africa. This is the deep Phipps family of champions Inside Information (Private Account) and Smuggler (Unbridled) and MGISW Educated Risk (Mr. Prospector). Leaveminthedust produced a colt by Curlin 2016 and filly by that same sire this spring before being bred back to American Pharoah.



Leavem in Malibu, pictured above in August 2016, drew the Woodbine meet to a close with a score in the featured GIII Valedictory S. | *WEG/Michael Burns*

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On the Run Again: GI Breeders' Cup Classic hero and likely 2017 Horse of the Year Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) posted his second timed workout since his win at the World Championships Sunday morning, covering five furlongs in 1:02 2/5 at Fair Grounds with exercise rider Angel Garcia aboard. "Nothing exciting, just gradually getting him ramped up," said David Fiske, co-owner Winchell Thoroughbreds' long-time racing and bloodstock manager. "They'll gradually get longer and more serious. He'll get with company three or four works out, gradually get faster and farther. We'll just keep turning the dial up." Gun Runner is preparing for his final career start in the GI Pegasus World Cup at Gulfstream Park Jan. 27. | *Lou Hodges*

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2-year-old bay gelding
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Week in Review *(cont. from p1)*

Solomoni may not currently be as good as **Good Magic** (Curlin) or **Bolt d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro), but there's no reason why he can't turn out to be the best of his division in time. He showed a lot Saturday, no matter what the stewards might have thought.

So, officially, through disqualification, McKinzie is the winner of the 2017 Los Al Futurity. That's ten wins in this race for Baffert and four in a row. Though most of his prior winners turned out to be very good horses, only one, Real Quiet, went on to win the Derby. He was Baffert's first winner in this race.

Because the sport does not do nearly enough when it comes to recording its history, we're just going to have to guess when it comes to the record for a most wins by a trainer in a Grade I race. It looks like it's Charlie Whittingham's 14 wins in the San Juan Capistrano, which was still a Grade I in the era when Whittingham was dominating the race.

Jala Jala | *Kenny Martin*

Baffert is young enough and loaded enough to perhaps break that record, if it is a record.

Ella es un Buen Caballo

Bragging rights in the Carribean Classic races run Sunday at Gulfstream were shared by Panama and Mexico, with both countries picking two wins. Venezuela also had a victory, while Puerto Rico was shut out. But the clear star on the day was the Mexican filly **Jala Jala (Mex)** (Point Determined), who won the featured $300,000 Carribean Classic by nine lengths under Irad Ortiz, Jr. She made a powerful move entering the far turn and then just sprinted away from the field.

Ortiz won three of the five races.

It's impossible to gauge how the top Latin American horses compare to American-based horses, but the team at the Beyer

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numbers apparently wasn't too impressed with Jala Jala. She got a 78 Beyer, comparable to what a $30,000 claimer might run in the U.S.

One of the more intriguing horses on the card was **El Kurdo** (Giacomo), who competed in the $91,200 Invitational Cup. Though bred in Kentucky, the horse wound up racing in Ecuador and then found his way into the barn of American trainer Chad Summers. How good is racing in Ecuador? Apparently, not very good. If the past performances are to be believed, in four of this horse's last five race the purse was $0. On Sept. 10, he ran in and won what must have been a huge race as the purse was $800. But it appears El Kurdo has some ability after all. He finished second, earning $18,240. In 36 prior starts, which include 17 wins, he had made all of $36,481.

Panamanian pride at the Clasico International del Caribe

Kenny Martin

Gulfstream took a chance that its handle would fall off a cliff Saturday because American bettors would be wary of playing races with only foreign horses whose form was almost impossible to decipher. The handle did fall, but only by a small margin. They bet $8,822,876 Saturday at Gulfstream, as opposed to $9,441,934 the year before. Excluding the horizontal bets, the Carribean Classic handled $1,092,649, more than the Pulpit Stakes, the last "normal" race on the program.

Neolithic was Money in the Bank

It was announced this week that **Neolithic** (Harlan's Holiday) will not start in the GI Pegasus World Cup and has instead been retired. His career was not marked by a string of victories, but by his ability to run well enough when it really mattered. Few horses have ever been better managed.

The horse won just three times and never won a stakes race. But he was hardly a failure. He ran third in both the inaugural Pegasus World Cup and the GI Dubai World Cup. That's why he retires with an astounding $2,278,028 in earnings.

Mo Mentum, Indeed

The first part of Saturday's card at Gulfstream featured a number of small stakes for 2-year-olds. These races can turn out to be showcase event for horses who were a bit late to develop but have a future. In fact, GI Belmont winner **Tapwrit** (Tapit) won on this day in 2016 in the off-the-turf Pulpit S.

There was another impressive winner of the Pulpit this year as **Speed Franco** (Declaration of War) won the turf race by six-lengths to earn '**TDN Rising Star**' status.

But there was at least one other juvenile on the card that looks headed for some important wins down the road. In the opener, **Miss Mo Mentum** (Uncle Mo) could not have been an easier winner of the Hut Hut Stakes for owner Gary Barber and trainer Mark Casse. She won by 8 3/4 lengths and jockey Tyler Gaffalione never asked her to run.

What she is not is an overnight sensation. It took her four starts to break her maiden and it looks like Casse couldn't figure out if she is a dirt or turf horse. She's now made two straight starts on the dirt and won each one with ease. Wherever she goes next, which will no doubt be in a graded stakes, she'll be the one to beat.

Somehow, being by Uncle Mo, she got away for $50,000 at the 2016 Fasig Tipton Kentucky Fall Sale.

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Up North, a Different Story for Casse

There are few things more certain in horse racing than that Mark Casse will win the training title at Woodbine. Entering this year he had won 10 straight and 11 overall. This season, as is the case every year, he was the prohibitive favorite to win an 11th straight title.

But trainer Norman McKnight had other ideas.

Casse went into yesterday's final day of the meeting with a one-win lead over McKnight and had starters in three races. But it appears McKnight was determined to win the title. He unloaded his barn yesterday and had starters in six races.

Casse never knew what hit him. McKnight won with his first four starters to clinch the title. Game, set, match.

McKnight's stable bears no resemblance to Casse's. He specializes in claiming horses and, unlike the powerful Casse team, rarely has a stakes runner.

McKnight started his career in racing as a harness driver and trainer. A fire at Mohawk racetrack devastated his stable and he decided to turn to Thoroughbreds. His first full year as a Thoroughbred trainer was 1999.

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UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
12/16	GIII My Charmer S.	GP
	GIII Harlan's Holiday S.	GP
	GIII Rampart S.	GP
	GIII Sugar Swirl S.	GP
	GIII Tropical Turf S.	GP
12/23	GIII Mr. Prospector S.	GP
12/26	GI La Brea S.	SA
	GI Malibu S.	SA
12/30	GI American Oaks	SA
1/13	GII Fort Lauderdale S.	GP
	GIII Marshua's River S.	GP
	GIII Skip Away S.	GP
	GIII Lecomte S.	FG
	GIII Col. E.R. Bradley H.	FG
1/27	GI Pegasus World Cup	GP
	GIII W.L. McKnight H.	GP
	GIII Hurricane Bertie S.	GP
	GIII Fred W. Hooper S.	GP
	GIII Hurricane Bertie S.	GP
1/28	GIII Houston Ladies Classic	HOU
	GIII John B. Connally Turf Cup	HOU

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Sunday's Results:

8th-AQU, $69,000, Alw (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 12-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.64, gd.

DIVINE MISS GREY (f, 3, Divine Park--Seattle Grey, by Friends Lake), thrown to the wolves when seventh in the Aug. 5 GI Test S., was runner-up over the Belmont lawn in an Oct. 9 optional claimer and was second over track and trip Nov. 9. The 6-5 favorite, on the lead in the early strides, tracked the leaders three wide through a half in :46.68, charged to the front nearing the stretch and came home 3 3/4 lengths the best despite drifting late. Crimson Frost (Stormy Atlantic) was second. The winner, a $100,000 KEESEP yearling, is a full-sister to Divine Dawn (GSP, $187,875). Seattle Grey produced a a colt by Cairo Prince in 2016 and a filly by Summer Front this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 13-6-3-0, $233,672.

O-Corms Racing Stable; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Danny Gargan.

4th-AQU, $60,000, Msw, 12-10, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.31, gd.

BACKYARD HEAVEN (c, 3, Tizway--Cappagh Strand, by Grand Slam), recently profiled in Steve Sherack's Second Chances column, was second behind 'TDN Rising Star' Copper Town (Speightstown) while making his belated debut Sept. 10 at Belmont. The prohibitive 1-5 favorite stalked the pacesetters down the backstretch through a quarter in :23.15 and a half in :46.73. Tipped out five wide turning for home, the dark bay colt stormed to the lead and pulled clear under a hand ride to win by five lengths. Ekhtibaar (Bernardini) was second. Backyard Heaven was a $160,000 KEESEP yearling. Cappagh Strand's yearling colt by Curlin sold for $45,000 at this year's September sale. The mare, a half-sister to multiple graded stakes winner Lunarpal (Successful Appeal) and graded stakes winner Astrology (A.P. Indy), produced a filly by Declaration for War this year and was bred back to Mineshaft. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $51,000.

O-Kenneth & Sarah Ramsey; B-Waymore LLC (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

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3rd-AQU, $57,000, Msw, 12-10, 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:20.30, gd.

CALIFORNIA NIGHT (c, 2, Midnight Lute--Moon Over Malibu, by Malibu Moon) was sent off at 7-2 while facing just three rivals after two horses were scratched at the gate. The dark bay colt jumped out to the early lead through an opening quarter in :23.37 and a half in :47.06. He easily turned back favored Holland Park (Tapit) in upper stretch and strode home a three-length winner. It was 6 3/4 lengths back to slow-starting Fixed Point (Midshipman) in third and Moritz (Curlin) was fourth. California Night was a $10,000 FTKJUL yearling. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $36,000.

O-Three Diamonds Farm; B-James H Tolliver (KY); T-Michael J. Maker.

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FLORIDA

Sunday's Results:

3rd-GP, $43,000, Alw, 12-10, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45.69, ft.

GIUSEPPE THE GREAT (c, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Shawnee Moon, by Forestry) has run the gauntlet since breaking his maiden in his third attempt, hitting the board in three of the six graded stakes he's participated in, including the GII Woody Stephens S. June 10 at Belmont, GII Jim Dandy S. July 29 at Saratoga, and the GI Pennsylvania Derby Sept. 23 at Parx. He was exiting a fourth-place finish in the GII Fayette S. Oct. 28 over the Keeneland slop. The 1-5 favorite cantered along in third around the first turn as they were crawling on the front end through a half-mile in :50.55. He was asked to go midway on the far turn, but still was a length behind entering the stretch. Giuseppe the Great got the lead just outside the sixteenth marker and gutted out the win by a neck. Red Crescent (Overdriven) was a game second. Shawnee Moon is a half to Indian Ocean (Stormy Atlantic), GSW, $176,460. She also has a yearling filly by Verrazano. Sales history: $100,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT; $70,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-2, $467,300. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Mossarosa; B-Buck Pond Farm, Inc. (KY); T-Nicholas P. Zito.

Trained at Crupi's New Castle Farm

7th-GP, $42,000, Msw, 12-10, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.48, ft.
TREASURE IN HEAVEN (f, 2, Street Sense--Richwoman {GSW, $169,920}, by Successful Appeal) was third in her seven-furlong debut at Keeneland Oct. 21. Sent off the 1-2 favorite, the bay filly settled in a stalking third through fractions of :22.89 and :46.52. Angled three wide for the stretch run, she forged to the lead a furlong from home and was 1 3/4 lengths in front of pacesetting 30-1 longshot Alter Moon (Alternation) at the wire. Muchacha Uno (Macho Uno) was third and Sara Street (Street Sense) was fourth. Richwoman, winner of the 2006 GIII Debutante S., is a half-sister to graded stakes winner Street Babe (Street Sense). **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, $31,700. O/B-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.

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CENTRAL U.S.

Sunday's Results:
8th-FG, $40,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 12-10, 2yo, 1mT, 1:39.69, gd.
ZEKE (g, 2, Gio Ponti--Dancing Years, by El Prado {Ire}) went wire-to-wire and just held on to graduate by a head in his off-the-turf debut at Laurel Park Oct. 14. Sent off at 5-2, the gray gelding was caught five wide going into the first turn and was taken in hand to rate in mid-pack down the backstretch. He zipped into contention turning for home, reeled in Alien Invasion (Desert Party) down the lane and just held off that pacesetter's resurgent rally to win by a nose. James Walker's Bossci Stable purchased Zeke for $17,000 as a Keeneland November weanling. Dancing Years produced a colt by Stay Thirsty in 2016 and a filly by Proud Citizen this year. She was bred back to Verrazano. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.** Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $46,800. O-Bossci Stable; B-Ashleigh Stud & White Diamond Inc. (KY); T-Michael Stidham.

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Saturday Night's Results:
LOUISIANA CHAMPIONS DAY LADIES SPRINT S., $100,000, FG, 12-9, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.45, gd.
1--**MY MISS CHIFF, 116, f, 3, Into Mischief--Carl's Frosty Girl (MSW, $323,053), by Pulling Punches. ($60,000 Wlg '14 OBSOCT; $110,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL).**
O-Town & Country Racing, LLC; B-Steve E Holliday (LA); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr.; J-Mitchell Murrill. $60,000. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 6-4-0-1, $159,660.

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2--**Look Into My Eyes**, 118, m, 5, City Zip--Burnished Miss, by Wild Again. ($42,000 RNA Wlg '12 KEENOV; $35,000 Ylg '13 OBSWIN; $35,000 RNA 2yo '14 OBSOPN). O-Kathleen Amaya & Raffaele Centofanti; B-Robert McDowell & Bethe Deal (LA); T-Efren Loza, Jr. $20,000.

SELECT SALES Graduate...Exceeding Expectations

3--**Wheatfield**, 118, m, 5, Lone Star Special--Thistle Bear, by Gators N Bears. O/B-Tigertail Ranch (LA); T-Danny Pish. $11,000.
Margins: 3/4, 3HF, 1. Odds: 1.20, 6.30, 2.20.
Also Ran: Play Unified, Dr Liz, Bitsy's C C, Discreetly Grand, Elektracutioner, Sunny Oak, Fairwell Tax Break.

My Miss Chiff dominated fields of state-breds here in her first two starts Jan. 26 and Mar. 5 before running fifth in the GIII Beaumont S. at Keeneland Apr. 9. After a third-place effort in the GIII Miss Preakness S. May 19 at Pimlico, the $110,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga graduate was not seen again until Nov. 18 when she returned to the winner's circle in the Happy Ticket S. here.

The favored bay sat a perfect stalking trip behind an opening quarter of :21.86 set by pacesetter Elektracutioner (Custom for Carlos). My Miss Chiff traveled three wide around the far turn while still in hand and was set down for the drive at the quarter pole. She continued to make progress inside the final furlong, put her head in front at the sixteenth pole and held on for the victory.

This is the first stakes winner out of Carl's Frosty Girl, who is also represented by a yearling filly named Silvercents (Goldencents) who RNA'd at $72,000 at this year's ESLA September Yearling sale. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

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4th-RP, $42,075, (S), Msw, 12-9, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.38, ft.
VA VA VA BOOMBABY (f, 2, Violence--Scat Baby {SP}, by Scat Daddy) had been working over the track since the middle of October and turned in a nice five-furlong bullet work in :59 1/5 (1/12) Nov. 30. The 2-5 favorite broke on top and quickly went to the front, clocking the first quarter in :23.16. The homebred continued to widen her margin around the far turn, and kicked clear at the eighth pole and was geared down at the wire for an impressive 8 1/4-length graduation. Tickle Bunny (Shackleford) finished well for second. Va Va Va Boombaby is the 26th winner by her freshman sire (by Medaglia d'Oro). She is also the first winner out of Scat Baby, who also has a weanling named Scat Thru Traffic (Cross Traffic) and visited Creative Cause this season. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $24,185. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O/B/T-C. R. Trout (OK);

CALIFORNIA

Sunday's Results:
MISS AMERICA S., $53,675, GG, 12-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.04, gd.
1--**KATHY'S SONG, 121, f, 3, Candy Ride (Arg)--Strawberry Sense, by A.P. Indy**. ($210,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; $190,000 3yo '17 FTKHRA).
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Abbondanza Racing, LLC, Premier Racing Club & Jerry McClanahan; B-Payson Stud Inc (KY); T-Richard Baltas; J-Brice Blanc. $30,750. Lifetime Record: 12-4-4-0, $141,955. *1/2 to Prime Attraction (Unbridled's Song), GSW, $235,545.

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2--**Coachwhip**, 121, f, 3, So You Think (NZ)--Restless Rixa (Fr), by Linamix (Fr). O/B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Jedd B. Josephson. $10,000.
3--**Lady Valeur (Ire)**, 124, f, 4, Multiplex (GB)--Hawk Eyed Lady (Ire), by Hawk Wing. (€1,600 RNA 2yo '15 GORJUL). O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners; B-Edmond Kent (IRE); T-Patrick Gallagher. $6,000.
Margins: 3 1/4, HF, 3/4. Odds: 1.70, 16.90, 2.80.
Also Ran: Central Heat, Eccentric Spinster, Fiery Lady, Dreamarcher, Dynamic Mizzes K, Proud 'n' Ready, Miss Southern Miss, Alliford Bay, Arethusa (GB), Lookinforadanger, Ok Doll.

Kathy's Song began her career with Chad Brown on the East Coast before moving to the midwest barn of trainer Brad Cox. Bloodstock agent and Richard Baltas assistant trainer David Meah signed the ticket at $190,000 to acquire the filly at this past summer's Fasig-Tipton Horses of Racing Age Sale. She was 10th in the Aug. 19 GI Del Mar Oaks in her first start for the new connections before winning a Del Mar optional claimer Sept. 4. She closed late to be fourth down the hill in the Sept. 30 Unzip Me S. and again going one mile in Arcadia in the Oct. 29 GIII Autumn Miss S. Favored to get her first stakes win here, Kathy's Song was allowed to settle well off the early tempo. Fanned six wide at the top of the lane, the bay filly produced a stout late rally and stormed home much the best. Strawberry Sense, a half-sister to champion Vindication (Seattle Slew) and graded stakes winner Scipion (A.P. Indy), produced a colt by Lemon Drop Kid in 2016 and a colt by Quality Road in 2017. She was bred back to English Channel. Her Lemon Drop Kid yearling sold for $50,000 at this year's Keeneland September yearling sale. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

4th-GG, $27,225, Alw (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 12-10, 2yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:39.11, ft.
ANIVA BAY (f, 2, City Zip--Good News Today, by Distorted Humor) sold for $130,000 to Alistair Roden Bloodstock at this year's OBS June sale after breezing two furlongs in :21 1/5. The bay graduated at first asking on the Fresno main track Oct. 6 before a late-running fourth-place performance in the Golden Gate Debutante S. Nov. 24. The 8-5 favorite broke last in the field of six, but was quickly hustled up to take the lead. Aniva Bay still held that advantage heading into the stretch, but had to hold off the challenges of Divine Mercy (Bernardini) and Klosters (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) in deep stretch to prevail by 3/4 of a length. Divine Mercy grabbed the runner-up spot from Klosters (Ire) by a head. Aniva Bay's second dam was GISW A.P. Adventure (A.P. Indy), who sold for $3.7 million at the 2005 Keeneland November sale. This is the first foal out of maiden Good News Today, who was purchased for $100,000 with the winner in utero at the 2014 Keeneland November sale. She also has a yearling filly by Declaration of War, who hammered for $130,000 at this year's Keeneland September sale, and was bred to Carpe Diem and Liam's Map this year. Sales history: $95,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $34,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O-Peter Redekop B. C., Ltd.; B-Jim R. Wells & Everett Dobson (KY); T-Blaine D. Wright.

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FIRST & SECOND-CROP RUNNERS

First-crop starters to watch: Monday, December 11
Farm and fee represent current information

Brethren (Distorted Humor), Pleasant Acres Stallions, $6,000
37 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
4-LRL, Msw 7f, OLD TIME REVIVAL, 6-1

Celestic Night (Vindication),
2 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
7-ZIA, Msw 6 1/2f, HONDOS CELESTICMAN, 6-1

Gold Ranger (Montbrook),
2 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
7-ZIA, Msw 6 1/2f, ANDREWS SPEEDRACER, 20-1

Graydar (Unbridled's Song), Taylor Made Stallions, $15,000
100 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
8-PRX, Alw 7f, AGGREGATOR, 6-1
$30,000 FTK JUL yrl; $35,000 EAS MAY 2yo
6-RP, Msw 6f, GRAYDAR LOVE, 30-1
$4,000 KEE SEP yrl

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Judge Bill (Storm Cat),
3 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-RP, Msw 6f, JUDGE ON THE RUN, 30-1

Liaison (Indian Charlie), Spendthrift Farm, $10,000
77 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners
4-RP, Msw 6f, I GET BY, 30-1
$36,000 KEE JAN yrl

Orb (Malibu Moon), Claiborne Farm, $25,000
99 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner
4-RP, Msw 6f, ORBELINA, 5-2
$3,500 KEE SEP yrl

Smiling Tiger (Hold That Tiger), Harris Farms, $5,000
73 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner
7-ZIA, Msw 6 1/2f, PLEASE DO TELL, 15-1

Snapy Halo (ARG) (Southern Halo), Calumet Farm, $7,500
21 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
7-ZIA, Msw 6 1/2f, SNAPY HOUR, 9-5
$98,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl

Take Charge Indy (A.P. Indy), Kor, $20,000
103 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners
6-RP, Msw 6f, ROLL ON INDY, 15-1

Second-crop starters to watch: Monday, December 11
Farm and fee represent current information

Macho Rocket (Macho Uno),
19 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-RP, Msw 6f, ALL ABOUT BETTY, 15-1

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12/16	GIII My Charmer S.	GP
	GIII Harlan's Holiday S.	GP
	GIII Rampart S.	GP
	GIII Sugar Swirl S.	GP
	GIII Tropical Turf S.	GP
12/23	GIII Mr. Prospector S.	GP
12/26	GI La Brea S.	SA
	GI Malibu S.	SA
12/30	GI American Oaks	SA
1/13	GII Fort Lauderdale S.	GP
	GIII Marshua's River S.	GP
	GIII Skip Away S.	GP
	GIII Lecomte S.	FG
	GIII Col. E.R. Bradley H.	FG

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

11th-WO, C$77,449, 12-10, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (AWT), 1:23.14, ft.
MIDNIGHT BREW (m, 6, Milwaukee Brew--Danzig Colors, by Danzig) Lifetime Record: 19-6-2-3, $129,142. O-1569389 Ontario, Inc.; B-B. Van Arem (ON); T-Martin Drexler.

9th-WO, C$69,060, 12-10, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:22.49, ft.
SUNNY'S RAINBOW (g, 4, Philanthropist--Fashion Jenny, by Gilded Time) Lifetime Record: 16-4-3-5, $139,166. O-Racer's Edge Inc. & Gary McMaster; B-Rocco D'Alimonte & Frank Annecchini (ON); T-Norman McKnight.

6th-AQU, $67,000, 12-10, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.20, gd.
T R CREW (g, 4, Uncle Mo--Saintly Action {MGSP, $219,650}, by Saint Ballado) Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-2, $192,672. O-J. Christopher Everett & Daniel M. Ryan; B-Smart Angle, LLP (PA); T-David G. Donk.

7th-AQU, $57,000, (S), 12-10, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (off turf), 1:13.82, gd.
SAME KINDA CRAZY (f, 4, Posse--New Britski {MSP}, by Polish Numbers) Lifetime Record: 22-3-2-2, $159,788. O-Michael Dubb; B-Michael Schrader (NY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez. *$25,000 RNA Ylg '14 FTNMIX.

7th-LRL, $52,695, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($20,000-$25,000), 12-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46.13, ft.
LUCKY IN MALIBU (f, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Slow and Steady, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: MSP, 21-4-5-2, $219,868. O/B-ZWP Stable & Non Stop Stable (MD); T-Gary Capuano. *1/2 to Steady Warrior (Cherokee's Boy), MSW, $253,876; Hanky Doodle (Cherokee's Boy), MSP, $206,762; & Steady N Love (Not For Love), SW, $241,305.

1st-WO, C$49,000, (C)/Opt. Clm ($31,132), 12-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.23, ft.
RED CABERNET (f, 3, Signature Red--Gold Leaf Rose, by Deputy Commander) Lifetime Record: SP, 10-2-1-2, $76,789. O-Piano Bar Racing; B-Paul Buttigieg (ON); T-Ian Black.

8th-LRC, $47,655, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 12-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.48, ft.
RESKY BUSINESS (f, 3, Eskendereya--Trois Aureole {SW, $112,366}, by English Channel) Lifetime Record: 11-4-0-1, $87,910. O-Gulliver Racing LLC, Nick Ferrara & Michael Nentwig; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-William E. Morey. *$20,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; $50,000 2yo '16 BARMAR.

8th-GP, $44,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 12-10, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:39.55, gd.
CONVERGE (g, 4, Sidney's Candy--Atlantic Ocean {MGSW, $678,210}, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: GSW, 16-4-1-2, $257,161. O-E.V. Racing Stable; B-SF Racing (NY); T-Naipaul Chatterpaul. *$240,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

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6th-FG, $42,440, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 12-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:03.74, gd.
EXCESSIVESPENDING (f, 3, Shackleford--Excessing, by In Excess {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 11-3-4-0, $162,465. O-Joey Keith Davis; B-BMWZ Stables (KY); T-Chris A. Hartman. *$35,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; $65,000 2yo '16 EASMAY. *1/2 to Sweet Marini (Mario Marini), SW & MGSP, $411,668.

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7th-RP, $38,675, 12-9, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.17, ft.
JACKSON HILL (f, 3, Euroears--Carter's Chord, by Cactus Ridge) Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-2, $115,488. O/B-Dream Walkin' Farms, Inc. (OK); T-Kenny P. Smith.

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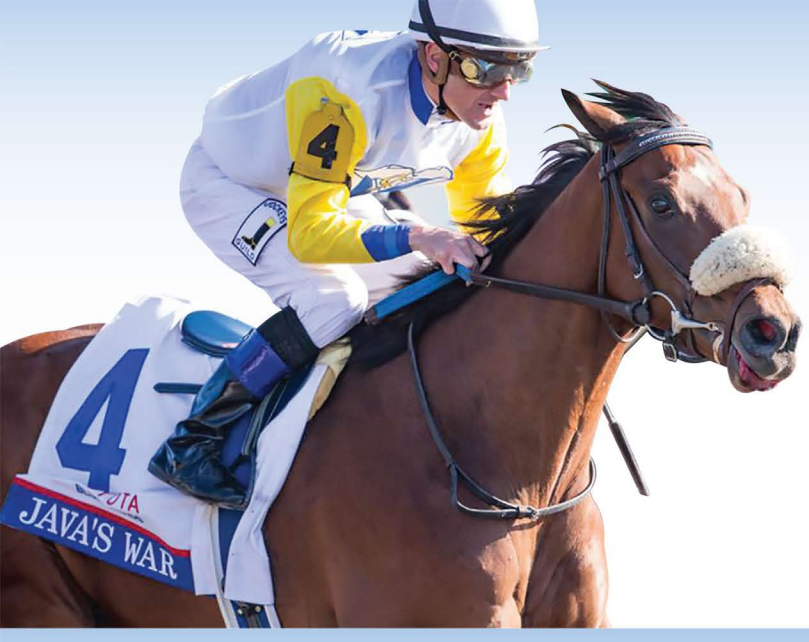

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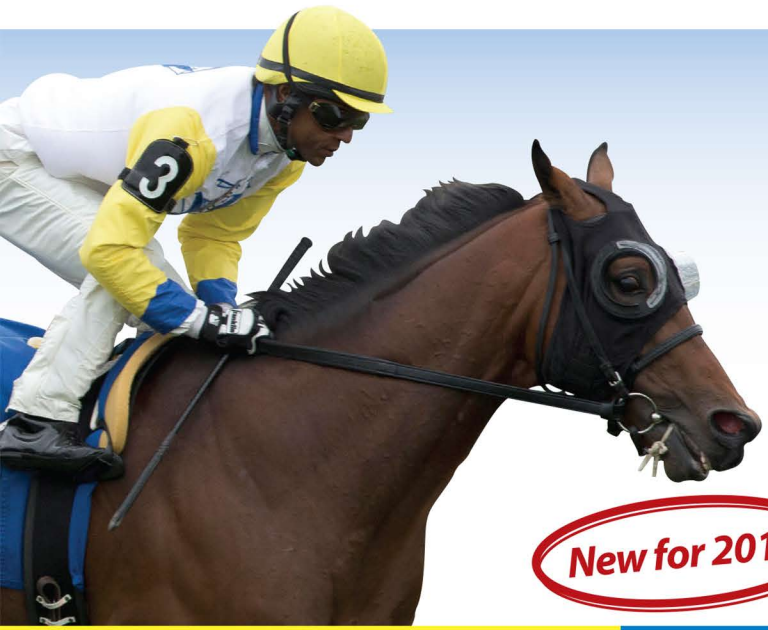

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8th-DED, $37,000, (S), 12-9, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:21.39, ft.
BLESSED SONG (f, 3, Tiz the One--Piping Hot, by Tabasco Cat) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, $42,680. O-Larry Elenz & Janice Krueger; B-Jack Hebert (LA); T-Joel Berndt. *$3,500 Ylg '15 ESLYRL; $11,000 2yo '16 EQL2YO.

5th-LRL, $35,000, (C), 12-10, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22.95, ft.
BALLIVOR (r, 4, Hard Spun--Model Figure, by Distant View) Lifetime Record: 17-4-2-4, $120,009. O-Michael Scheffres; B-Timothy Rooney (MD); T-Carlos A. Mancilla. *1/2 to Monument Hill (Royal Academy), GSP, $316,550.

6th-PEN, $33,300, (S), 12-9, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.94, ft.
PEACH ALLEY (f, 3, Jump Start--How Bout Tonight {SP, $116,400}, by Proud Citizen) Lifetime Record: SP, 5-2-1-2, $61,283. O/B-Thomas G McClay (PA); T-Michael W. Salvaggio, Jr..

8th-PEN, $33,300, (S), 12-9, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.35, ft.
SOARING ROSA (f, 3, Soaring Empire--Zarzuela, by Seattle Slew) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, $62,090. O-Edward Stevenson; B-Cavanaugh Breen LLC (PA); T-Heather Hollahan.

9th-GG, $31,815, 12-9, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:10.23, ft.
MACALLA (f, 4, Lonhro {Aus}--Damask Rose, by Touch Gold) Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-1, $54,755. O-Nicholas B. Alexander; B-Adena Springs (KY); T-Steven Miyadi. *$50,000 2yo '15 FTFMAR.

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8th-CT, $24,000, (S), 12-9, (NW2L), 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:21.79, ft.
DIONYSUS' CHALICE (g, 2, Fiber Sonde--Athena Grand, by Civilisation) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-2, $42,855. O/B-E. C. Lowry (WV); T-Ollie L. Figgins, III.

8th-ZIA, $24,000, 12-10, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03.54, ft.
THE PARTY FACTOR (c, 3, The Factor--Partyship, by Premiership) Lifetime Record: 11-2-1-0, $63,600. O-Jaime H. Gomez; B-James M. Herbener Jr. & Matthew R. Herbener (KY); T-Henry Dominguez. *$67,000 Ylg '15 KEEJAN; $95,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP; $125,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Arctic Party (Eskimo), SP, $323,397; Barrier Reef (Mizzen Mast), SW & GSP, $250,189.

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6th-TP, $22,300, (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 12-9, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45.13, ft.
ZULU ALPHA (g, 4, Street Cry {Ire}--Zori, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: 11-3-2-2, $73,701. O/B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Jose Fernandez. *1/2 to Bank The Eight (Distorted Humor), SW, $210,250.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
It's a Sweet One, g, 2, **Flashpoint**--Officer's Holiday (SP), by Officer. DED, 12-9, 5f, 1:00.97. B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (LA).
Bitsy's Afleet, c, 2, **Northern Afleet**--Streamin Bitsy, by Ford Every Stream. FG, 12-9, (S), 6f, 1:12.43. B-Rose C. & Earl Hernandez (LA). *1ST-TIME STARTER.
Fashion Rose, f, 2, **Old Fashioned**--White Scarf (SP, $135,150), by Matty G. RP, 12-9, (S), 6f, 1:12.35. B-Margie K. & Van French(OK).
O'Kratos, c, 2, **Paddy O'Prado**--Speightsy Heart, by Speightstown. WO, 12-10, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45.99. B-H Steve Conboy (KY). *$8,000 Ylg '16 FTKOCT.

Where's Anthony, g, 2, **Where's the Ring**--Bold Isabella, by Bold Executive. WO, 12-10, (S), 6f (AWT), 1:11.39. B-A.T.A. Stables Inc (ON).
Willa Win for Shir, f, 3, **Corinthian**--Shirley She Can, by Rock Hard Ten. RP, 12-9, 1m, 1:40.23. B-Drew O Litsch (OK).
D's Ben, g, 3, **D's Wando**--Signora Mia, by Wonneberg. WO, 12-10, 6f (AWT), 1:11.33. B-Raffaela Di Paola (ON).
Mono, c, 3, **First Samurai**--Sorus, by Capote. RP, 12-9, 6f, 1:11.92. B-Jose & Jorge Ramirez & Maria Gonzalez (KY). *$32,000 RNA Wlg '14 KEENOV; $40,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; $85,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Ray's Away (Limehouse), SW, $205,594.
Mining for Candy, f, 3, **Mineshaft**--Candy d'Oro, by Johannesburg. CT, 12-9, 4 1/2f, :53.21. B-Magalen O. Bryant (KY).
Castle, g, 4, **Slew's Tiznow**--Grand Advice, by Mr. Greeley. GG, 12-10, 6f (AWT), 1:09.53. B-Eagle Ridge Racing, LLC (CA). *Full to Zakaroff, GSW, $151,532.

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TOUGH TO THE FINISH, HIGHLAND REEL GOES OUT A WINNER IN HONG KONG

Highland Reel makes it two wins in three years in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Vase at Sha Tin | *HKJC photo*

by Alan Carasso

Making the final start of a truly illustrious career, Derrick Smith, Michael Tabor and Mrs John Magnier's **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) launched a second successful raid on Hong Kong in the last three Decembers with a typically determined victory over **Talismanic (GB)** (Medaglia d'Oro) in a battle of the last two winners of the GI Breeders' Cup Turf in Sunday's G1 Longines Hong Kong Vase at Sha Tin Racecourse. The son of Hveger (Aus) (Danehill), who defeated Flintshire (GB) (Dansili {GB}) in 2015 before just going down to defeat in his title defence 12 months ago, retires to stud at Coolmore with 10 wins from 27 starts and earnings of approximately US$10.5 million.

"He's the sort of horse once he gets into a fight, he's almost always going to prevail," said winning jockey Ryan Moore, winning for the fifth time at the international meeting. "I was always happy and always confident. He dug in over the last furlong and I thought he was comfortable and going away at the finish."

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PINHOOK PROSPECT TOPS ARQANA

By Kelsey Riley

Deauville, FRANCE--Peter Morgan of Carmel Stud declared lot 381 the nicest foal he's seen this year after securing him for €165,000 at Arqana on Sunday. The son of Starspangledbanner (Aus) offered by ACF Elevage is out of the listed-placed Torentosa (Fr) (Oasis Dream {GB}), herself a daughter of the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches third Ysoldina (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}), now better known as the dam of this year's G1 Investec Derby winner Wings Of Eagles (Fr) (Pour Moi {Ire}). It is also the family of the G1 Prix Saint Alary winner Belle Et Celebre (Fr) (Peintre Celebre).

"We've looked at 3,000 foals this year, and we think he's the nicest one we've seen," Morgan said after signing the ticket. "We loved him from the minute we saw him and he will be aimed at Book 1 in Newmarket next year. He was a lovely looking individual. He's the only foal we've bought this year and we've looked at a lot. We think he's special." **Cont. p5**

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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Bill Finley has the latest Week in Review on tap and takes a look at the disqualification of Solomini (Curlin) from the GI Los Alamitos Cash Call Futurity S. on Saturday. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.**

G1 Longines Hong Kong Vase Cont. from p1

Drawn out in gate eight, Highland Reel was away without incident and while he has the speed to lead as connections choose, they were happy to take the sit and allow **Helene Charisma (Fr)** (Air Chief Marshal {Ire}), one-time winner of the G1 Grand Prix de Paris, to head them off while blinkered for the first time.

Talismanic, looking to be the first to complete the Breeders' Cup Turf/Vase double, landed in a prominent position in fourth, while of the others in the market, G1 Kikuka Sho hero **Kiseki (Jpn)** (Rulership {Jpn}) was one of the slowest out and raced well behind the early pacesetters. Helene Charisma led them into the backstretch, but Moore pulled Highland Reel out into the two path with about 1400m to travel and raced at his saddle towel into the second half of the race, with Talismanic tracking that duo through. Unhappy with how things were evolving, Mirco Demuro gave Kiseki a bit of rein and the duo would make some ground into about midfield as they hit the third corner. Moore went for Highland Reel in earnest with 2 1/2 furlongs to race, but Talismanic was traveling sweetly behind and looked as if he was going to easily overhaul the race favourite soon after. Highland Reel was feeling a right-handed stick at the furlong marker and Talismanic was within a head at one point, but Highland Reel would have none of it, swatting away the bid and was going away at the wire. **Tosen Basil (Jpn)** (Harbinger {GB}) sat a midfield trip and was in contention into the final eighth of a mile, but peaked on his run and finished third.

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A Warrior Heads Off To Stud...

Highland Reel won his maiden by 12 lengths at second asking ahead of a next-out victory in the 2014 G2 Vintage S. Runner-up in the G1 Prix du Jockey Club, he annexed the G3 Gordon S. two starts later and made the most of his first trip outside of Europe with a front-running tour-de-force in the GI Secretariat S. at Arlington Park. Cont. p3

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He would go on to finish third to Winx (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) in the 2015 G1 Cox Plate and followed up seven weeks later with his first Vase, a breakthrough win in Hong Kong for trainer Aidan O'Brien.

He made starts in six countries in his nine appearances at four in 2016, turning in a terrific pillar-to-post success in the G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth S. at Ascot, and was given an enterprising ride by Seamie Heffernan to take out the GI Breeders' Cup Turf, getting the better of the heavily favoured Flintshire. He was also part of the O'Brien-trained Galileo 1-2-3 in that year's G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, finishing 1 3/4 lengths behind Found (Ire) and 1 1/2 lengths ahead of Order of St George (Ire).

It was another productive season in 2017 for Highland Reel, who won Epsom's G1 Coronation Cup (2400m) and the G1 Prince of Wales's S. (2000m) at Royal Ascot in rapid succession in June ahead of a fourth to Enable (Ire) (Nathaniel {Ire}) in the G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth S. Connections opted to take a pass on the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe--in which he was second in 2016--and caught soft ground when third behind Cracksman (GB) (Frankel {GB}) in the G1 QIPCO Champion S. He was exiting a game third to Talismanic in the Breeders' Cup Turf at Del Mar on Nov. 4.

O'Brien reflected on just what Highland Reel has meant to Ballydoyle over the course of four seasons at the races.

"He's a very special horse--he's irreplaceable, really," O'Brien said. "It's very rare that you get a horse that can travel like him. He's been doing it since he was a 2-year-old--he won the [G2 Vintage S.] at Goodwood as a 2-year-old and he's travelled the world in the meantime, so an incredible horse, really."

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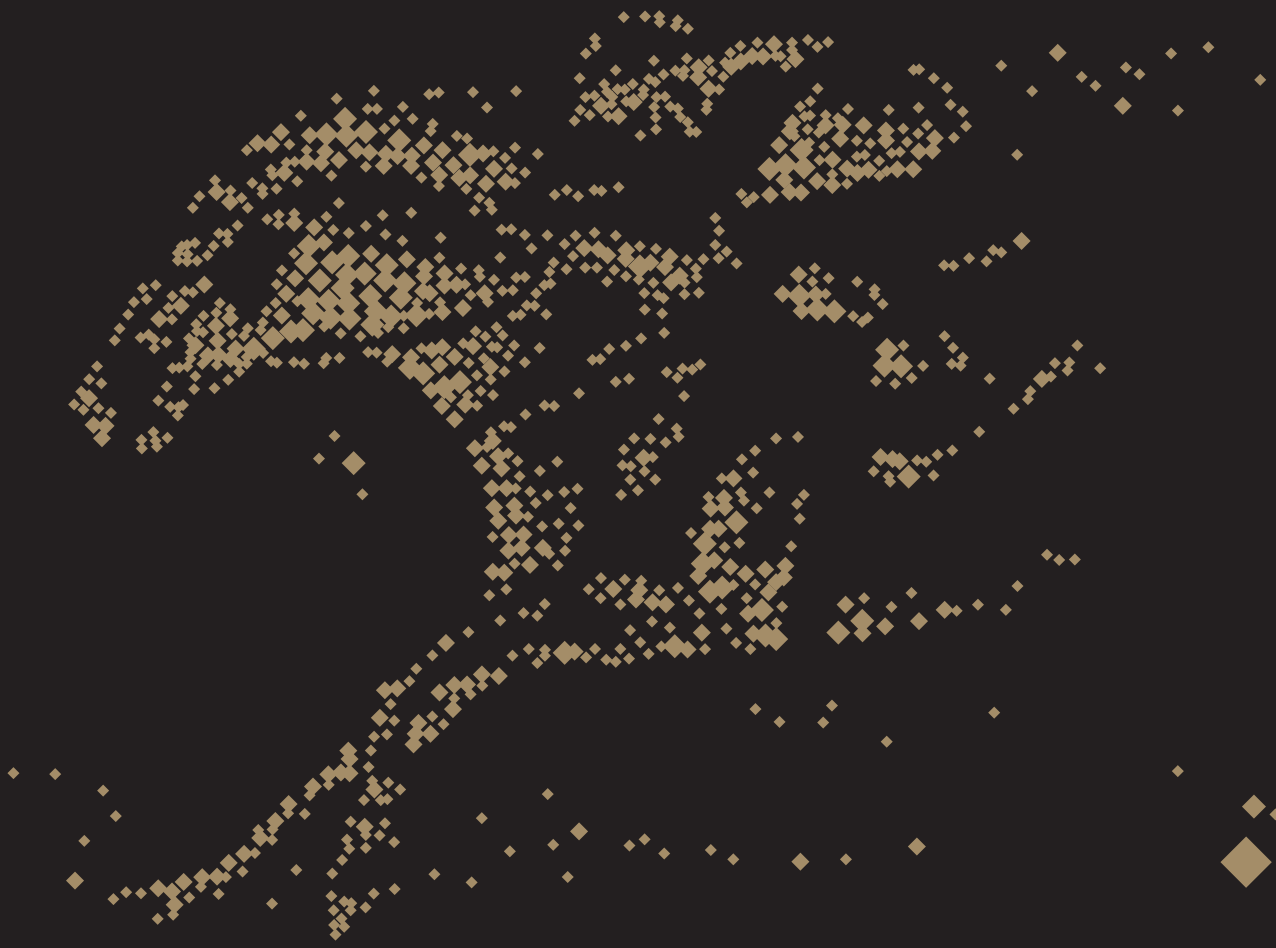

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"He's irreplaceable for us at home, but we were lucky to hold onto him as a 5-year-old, we were lucky to get another year out of him," O'Brien added, stressing again that, "a horse like him is irreplaceable."

Pedigree Notes...

Highland Reel's dam was second in the G2 South Australian Oaks and third in the G2 Schweppes Oaks prior to her second career, which is proving a resounding success. Her first foal was Valdemoro, who finished runner-up in the G1 Crown VRC Oaks and G1 Vinery Stud Storm Queen S., while a year after Highland Reel, she threw his stablemate Idaho, who could still be anything. The second dam is the G1 Australian Oaks heroine Circles of Gold, whose Elvstroem (Aus), also by Danehill, won five times at the highest level including in the Caulfield Cup and Victoria Derby and whose Haradasun (Aus) was successful three times in Group 1 company including the G1 Queen Anne S. here. Descendants of the third dam Olympic Aim include the champion sprinter of both hemispheres Starspangledbanner (Aus) (Choisir {Aus}) and also the G1 Schweppes Thousand Guineas heroine Amicus (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}).

Hveger has a 2-year-old filly and a yearling colt also by Galileo, with the former named Via Condotti (Ire). **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

LONGINES HONG KONG VASE-G1, HK$18,000,000 *(£1,723,088/€1,959,366/A$3,069,560/US$2,306,512)*, Sha Tin, 12-10, 3yo/up, 2400mT, 2:26.23, gd.

1--**HIGHLAND REEL (IRE), 126, h, 5, by Galileo (Ire)**

1st Dam: Hveger (Aus) (GSP-Aus), by Danehill

2nd Dam: Circles of Gold (Aus), by Marscay (Aus)

3rd Dam: Olympic Aim, by Zamazaan (Fr)

(460,000gns Ylg '13 TATOCT). O-Derrick Smith, Mrs John Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Hveger Syndicate; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore; HK$10,260,000. Lifetime Record: Hwt. Older Horse-Ire at 11-14f, MGISW-US, MG1SW-Eng, MG1SP-Fr, G1SP-Aus, 27-10-6-3, HK$84,318,110. *1/2 to Valdemoro (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}), MG1SP-Aus, $337,066; full to Idaho (Ire), MGSW & MG1SP-Eng, G1SP-Ire, $1,406,711. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

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2--**Talismanic (GB)**, 126, c, 4, Medaglia d'Oro--Magic Mission (GB), by Machiavellian. O-Godolphin; B-Darley; T-Andre Fabre; HK$3,960,000.

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3--**Tosen Basil (Jpn)**, 126, h, 5, Harbinger (GB)--Careless Whisper (Jpn), by Fuji Kiseki (Jpn). (¥141,500,000 fl '12 JRHAJUL). O-Takaya Shimakaya; B-Northern Farm; T-H Fujiwara; HK$1,800,000.

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Margins: 1 3/4, 3/4, NK. Odds: 21-10, 43-10, 84-10.
Also Ran: Chemical Charge (Ire), Gold Mount (GB), Max Dynamite (Fr), Smart Call (SAf), Eagle Way (Aus), Kiseki (Jpn), Danehill Kodiac (Ire).
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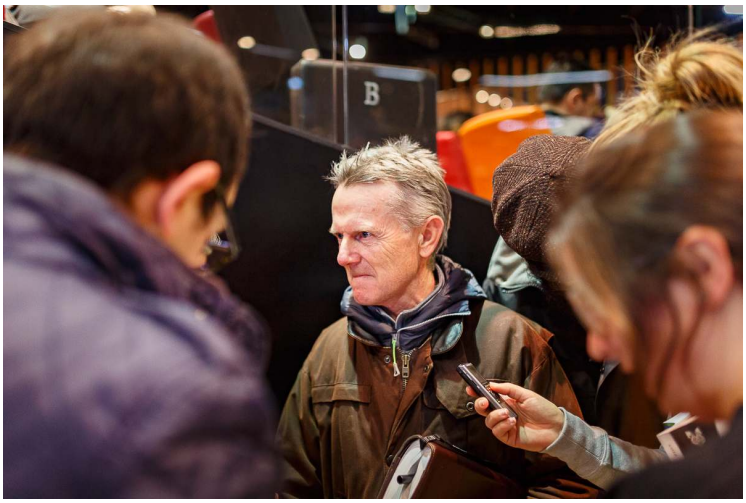
Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale Cont. from p1

The bay is the fourth foal out of Torentosa, and two others have been offered for sale: Jackfish (Fr) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), a 310,000gns yearling turned was turned around for 75,000gns later that year, and a Almadiero (Fr) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), a €220,000 yearling. Torentosa was bred this year to Dutch Art (GB).

Earlier in the afternoon, an Acclamation (GB) colt out of the Italian stakes-placed Regina Mundi (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) (lot 321) went the way of Paul Nataf for €75,000. Jamie Railton paid the same price for a first-crop son the G1 2000 Guineas and G1 Lockinge S. winner Night Of Thunder (Ire) (lot 358). Offered by Haras du Buff, the colt is from the family of the G1 Irish Oaks and G1 Prix de l'Opera winner Covert Love (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}), and the dual Group 1 winner and sire Grey Swallow (Ire) (Daylami {Ire}) appears under the third dam.

Overall, 201 lots found new homes from 245 offered, a clearance rate of 82%, and grossed €5,716,500. The average grew by 3.2% to €28,440, while the median also improved to €27,461 (+24.8%).

Lot 381 | *Zuzanna Lupa*



Peter Morgan of Carmel Stud | *Zuzanna Lupa*

Cumulatively, 376 horses brought a combined €27,309,500 for the first two days of selling for a clearance rate of 81.6%. The average grew by 17.1% to €72,632 and the median was €35,000 (+6.1%).

Tops among the fillies and mares on Sunday was **Shemda (Ire)** (Dutch Art {GB}), lot 348 from the Aga Khan draft. The winning 3-year-old filly was bought by Badgers Bloodstock for €100,000, with Arqana's Freddy Powell conducting the bidding. Shemda is out of a winning daughter of the G1 Prix de Diane winner Shemaka (Fr) (Nishapour {Fr}), who herself produced three stakes winners and also counts among her descendants this year's G1 Grand Prix de Paris winner Shakeel (Fr) (Dalakhani {Ire}) and Chilean Classic winner Luck (Chi).

The Japan-based JS Company went to €90,000 to secure the 6-year-old mare Salasie (Fr) (Teofilo {Ire}) (lot 273) in foal to leading French sire Wootton Bassett (GB). Salasie is a half-sister to the stakes-placed Tierra Del Fuego (Fr) (Champs Elysees {GB}) but the real riches come under her second dam, Rainbow Lake (Rainbow Quest), who is the dam of G1 Gold Cup and GI Arlington Million winner Powerscourt (GB) (Sadler's Wells), triple Group 2 winner Riposte (GB) (Dansili {GB}), French Group 3 winner Last Train (GB) (Rail Link {GB}) and, most famously, the listed winner Kind (GB) (Danehill), better known as the dam of Frankel (GB), Noble Mission (GB) et al.

JS Company is a regular buyer at the European sales and was perhaps most noted this season as the buyer of the 850,000gns No Nay Never colt at Tattersalls October.

New Zealand-based agent Paul Moroney signed for **L'Acclamation (GB)** (Acclamation {GB}) (lot 265) for €82,000. The three-time winner is out of the stakes-winning Lunaska (Fr) (Ashkalani {Ire}) and a half-sister to the stakes-winning Luna Royale (Fr) (Royal Applause {GB}). It is the family of Monroe Bay (Ire) (Makfi {GB}), who sold to Ecurie des Charmes and Ballylinch Stud for €420,000 on Saturday. *(Click here to return to p1)*

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• No. Offered	245	255
• No. Sold	201	183
• RNAs	44	72
• % RNAs	18%	28.2%
• High Price	€165,000	€105,000
• Gross	€5,716,500	€5,042,500
• Average (% change)	€28,440 (+3.2%)	€27,555
• Median (% change)	€27,461 (+24.8%)	€22,000

CUMULATIVE	2017	2016
• Catalogued	510	483
• No. Offered	461	420
• No. Sold	376	317
• RNAs	85	103
• % RNAs	18.4%	24.5%
• High Price	€1,300,000	€1,000,000
• Gross	€27,309,500	€19,663,500
• Average (% change)	€72,632 (+17.1%)	€62,030
• Median (% change)	€35,000 (+6.1%)	€33,000

SESSION TOPPERS

ARQANA DECEMBER BREEDING STOCK SALE DAY 2 TOP LOTS

Lot	Name	Status	Price (€)
381	**Unnamed (Fr)**	**Weanling**	**165,000**

(c, Starspangledbanner {Aus}--Torentosa {Fr}, by Oasis Dream {GB})
Consigned by ACF Elevage
Purchased by Emerald Bloodstock

348 Shemda (Ire) — Horse in Training — 100,000
(f, 3, Dutch Art {GB}--Shamooda {Ire}, by Azamour {Ire})
Consigned by Aga Khan Studs
Purchased by Badgers Bloodstock

273 Salasie (Fr) — i/f to Wootton Bassett (GB) — 90,000
(m, 6, Teofilo {Ire}--Marella {GB}, by Desert Prince {Ire})
Consigned by Haras de Maulepaire
Purchased by JS Company

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NEW FACES AT TRADITIONAL MONTAIGU

By Kelsey Riley

Deauville, FRANCE--The Guerlain family has been breeding top-class Thoroughbreds at Haras de Montaigu for over 100 years, and this year the stud reached the pinnacle of the sport in Europe when **Wings Of Eagles (Fr)** (Pour Moi {Ire}), which it bred and sold at Arqana as a yearling, won the G1 Investec Derby. Wings Of Eagles returns to his birthplace to start his stud career next year, and he will stand alongside the dual Group 1 winner Prince Gibraltar (Fr) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) and four others.

Montaigu is currently in the hands of the fifth-generation family member Sybille Gibson, who has hired well-traveled Frenchman Sebastien Defontaine to manage the farm. Defontaine, who has hit the ground running this week at Arqana after arriving back in France from Kentucky just last week, said, "I had this opportunity to come back here and I couldn't refuse it. It's a good farm, very successful and it's a good opportunity for me, so I hope for the best."

Sebastien Defontaine and Sybille Gibson | *Sue Finley*

Defontaine worked for 10 years in the Thoroughbred industry in France before moving abroad to gain experience and improve his English.

"I wanted to learn English and see different things so I moved over to America, and at the time I had already worked in Ireland for six months," he explained. "I moved over to America, having worked for Quesnay before that for five years, and then I moved to Indian Creek. I moved up slowly to be the assistant of [Nicky Drion]." **Cont. p7**

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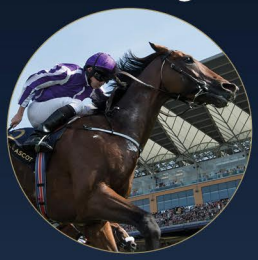

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New Faces at Traditional Montaigu Cont.

When Defontaine's American visa expired, he did a season at Sun Stud in Australia and then returned to France for a season at the Aga Khan's Studs before helping his friend Charles Briere in the early stages of his Fairway Consignment.

"It was only two months with Charles but I helped him start," he said. "He wasn't very busy but I wanted to help a friend."

Defontaine spent a year and a half back at Indian Creek before returning once again to France. He will seemingly have plenty to keep him busy at Montaigu, with a six-horse stallion roster, a full-service breeding operation and a sales consignment.

As for Wings Of Eagles, Gibson said the son of fellow Derby winner Pour Moi has just recently arrived at Montaigu and while he hasn't yet been shown to breeders, she expects him to be popular at €12,000.

Wings Of Eagles | *racingfotos.com*

"He's been very well received and we're convinced that once breeders see him they will love him, because he's a very nice horse," she said. "It's amazing to have an Epsom Derby winner straight to stud in France; it's the first time it has happened in 60 years."

Gibson also noted the heavy influx of new stallions to France next year; the number currently sits around 30.

"With the number of stallions coming into France there is a lot of competition, but I reckon he'll cover 80 to 100 mares," she said.

Prince Gibraltar has eight foals to sell at Arqana, seven of them over the next two days, and the stallion's owner, longstanding Montaigu client Jean-Francois Gribomont, was at the Montaigu consignment on Sunday morning viewing the three they have to offer.

"They're very nice," Gibson said. "We're delighted with them, they have bone, they're big and we're very happy with them. They look athletic. Jean-Francois Gribomont, who is the owner, is here and he'll support him."

Gibson said Montaigu's National Hunt sires are also enjoying success.

"Martaline and No Risk At All are fully booked," she said. "Martaline is 19 years old so we're limiting him to 120 mares. No Risk At All was champion first-crop National Hunt sire and he will cover 150 mares. We're delighted."

Also standing at Montaigu is Literato, and Gibson said of him, "Literato has got 63% winners to runners from his 2-year-olds again this year. He doesn't have many mares to cover but his results on the track are just amazing."

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MILLS: DEAUVILLE TO DOWN UNDER

By Emmanuel Roussel

Deauville, FRANCE--Bloodstock agent Sheamus Mills woke up with some good news on Sunday as Australian-bred **Mr Stunning (Aus)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) won the G1 Hong Kong Sprint at Sha Tin. Not that he was involved in that horse in any way but that this success was another hint that what he was busy doing in Deauville this weekend was actually the right thing to do.

Mr Stunning's dam, With Fervour, a Dayjur mare bred in the U.S. by George Strawbridge, had been sold in foal at Tattersalls after a few placings in France under the care of trainer Jonathan Pease. Bred a few years later to Exceed and Excel in Australia, she gave birth to Mr Stunning, who is now a leading sprinter in Hong Kong.

That is exactly the type of result Mills has been aspiring to replicate since his first visit to the Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale in Deauville in 2013.

On the first day of the 2017 edition, on Saturday, he ended up buying four mares in Deauville: lot 119, the unraced Amberdeen (Fr) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) for €50,000; lot 149, Belfast (Fr) (Manduro {Ger}) for €35,000; lot 212, the stakes-placed Bouquet de Flores (Street Cry {Ire}) for €160,000; and lot 227, Hidden Gem (GB) (Shamardal) in foal to Siyouni (Fr) on Southern Hemisphere time for €40,000.

"They are all examples of what we look for," said Mills. "For instance, I paid €50,000 for an Exceed and Excel mare consigned by the Aga Khan Studs. Her dam is a sister to a Linamix mare who foaled a Snitzel (Aus) stakes winner at two in Australia. It's a pedigree people in Australia would understand. If you flip through the catalogue, you find quite a bit of Australian pedigrees that are more familiar to an Australian audience." Cont. p8

Mills: Deauville to Down Under Cont.

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"My clients are commercial breeders who need to make the figures work," he said. "There are lots of people in Europe who can afford to buy traditional bloodlines, and I would love to do that, I'd love to go to Tattersalls with that sort of budget, but I simply don't [have it]. I bought a horse out in Maryland last week, an Elusive Quality filly for $25,000. It's a very good price. I look everywhere in the world for opportunities."

Yet, Mills's interest in European sales has grown in the last few years as the need for alternative bloodlines in Australia has become more pressing, partly because of the dominance of Danehill as a sire of sires. Outcross material and conformation types matching the Australasian speedy type are needed and Deauville, amongst other places, fits the bill. It also goes down to the way the Thoroughbred industry is conducted in Australia.

Sheamus Mills | *Sue Finley*

"We put a great percentage of our foal crop through the sales," Mills. "More than any country in the world, I think. So most Australian breeders are commercial breeders and the betterment of the breed is another concern altogether. I manage 220 mares for about 15 clients in New South Wales and Victoria. I would say that fewer than 20 of their offspring would not be up for sale. They are meant to better the breed and that's what I am looking for around here in Europe. In Europe, there is a greater appreciation for the depth of pedigrees. People celebrate the great bloodlines crafted by the likes of Juddmonte or the Aga Khan, they marvel at these families and we do whatever we can to get into them. It takes quite a bankroll to stand by your convictions, and a few generations to build a breeding program before you find out if you're right or wrong. Yet, a few breeders Down Under are lucky enough to be in a position to take the chance. They will breed across the whole spectrum but they will choose sires purely for the purpose of racetrack success, whereas a lot of breeders will pick them according to a commercial value."

A paradox in Australian racing has also prompted a growing interest in overseas bloodlines. Even though speed and precocity abound in the local breed, "classic" or colonial horse racing is still very much promoted Down Under, and horses to succeed in such conditions do not abound.

"The statistics might have changed a little bit but there used to be about a third of our horses racing beyond the mile, where 70% of our prizemoney is," Mills said. "Melbourne Cup, Caulfield Cup, Cox Plate, all the Cups and Derbies and Oaks, you name it. In any handicap raced over 10 furlongs or more, you have six or seven runners. Lots of opportunities there. We just don't breed these horses. We don't have the broodmares to produce those horses. So we have to find them elsewhere."

Four years after his first visit to Normandy, Mills and his partners are about to collect their first harvest as two yearlings bred out of French mares are in the Magic Millions catalogue in January.

"Both are French mares by Tamayuz and Elusive City I bought here from Shadwell and Etreham," he said. "We bred them to Not a Single Doubt and Dissident. They have mile pedigrees. I wouldn't buy a maiden mare that's won over too long a distance because we'd get either a sprinter without any turn of foot or a stayer with no stamina. Either way, it doesn't look good."

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It is again all about the right balance as Mills works to better his native Australia's breeding without ignoring a rightful commercial sense.

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TWO SEASONS TO SIYOUNI AVAILABLE AT ARQANAONLINE

Two nominations to French champion sire **Siyouni (Fr)** (Pivotal {GB}) will be auctioned at arqanaonline.com on Dec. 18-19, Arqana announced Sunday. Siyouni stands at His Highness the Aga Khan's Haras de Bonneval for a fee of €75,000 and the nominations, offered by a shareholder who can't use them in 2018, are offered without guarantee. The G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere-Grand Criterium hero, who was France's champion sire by earnings this year, has been represented by G1 Fillies' Mile and G2 May Hill S. heroine Laurens (Fr), as well as G3 Prix Thomas Bryon hero Sacred Life (Fr) in 2017, as well as Group 1 placers Finsbury Square (Ire) and Siyoushake (Ire). The young sire has also been in demand at the sales, with offspring selling up to €650,000 during the year.

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Siyouni | *The Aga Khan Studs*

CANCELLATION: ***The Tattersalls Ireland Ascot December Sale, to be held on Monday, Dec. 11, has been cancelled due to severe weather conditions at Ascot and throughout the United Kingdom.***

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UNITED KINGDOM:

Declaration of War (War Front), Ashford Stud
135 foals of racing age/11 winners/3 black-type winners
13:30-SOUTHWELL, 7f, ON THE WARPATH (GB)
$150,000 Keeneland Association September 2016 Yearling Sale

Epaulette (Aus) (Commands {Aus}), Kildangan Stud
104 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners
13:30-SOUTHWELL, 7f, ONE MORE CHANCE (IRE)
€32,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2016

Finjaan (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}), Gazeley Stud
30 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner
13:30-SOUTHWELL, 7f, SAMOVAR (GB)
12:30-SOUTHWELL, 8f, TEA RATTLE (GB)

Havana Gold (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), Tweenhills Farm & Stud
104 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners
12:30-SOUTHWELL, 8f, BLUE HAVANA (IRE)
€28,000 Goffs November Foals 2015; €23,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2016
12:30-SOUTHWELL, 8f, LA CABANA (GB)

Lethal Force (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Cheveley Park Stud
101 foals of racing age/24 winners/0 black-type winners
13:30-SOUTHWELL, 7f, G EYE JOE (GB)
31,000gns Tattersalls December Foals Sale 2015; 55,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2016 - Book 2; 85,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Sale 2017

FRANCE:

Blu Constellation (Ity) (Orpen), Allevamento Razza Ticino
7 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, PETITE ROODEE (FR)
€16,000 Arqana Deauville v2 August Yearlings 2016

Dabirsim (Fr) (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Haras de Grandcamp
98 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, AVALANA (GB)
€15,000 Osarus 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2017

George Vancouver (Henrythenavigator), Haras de la Hetraie
69 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, HIVA'OA (FR)

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First-Season Sires With Runners Cont.

Planteur (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot
75 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, PLANTAYYA (FR)

Declaration of War is looking for an even dozen of winners at Southwell on Monday. | *Coolmore*

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Soghan (Ire), g, 3, **Cape Cross (Ire)**--Quiet Dream, by Seattle Slew. WOL, 12-9, 12f 51y (AWT), 2:40.31. B-Ballyreddin Stud (IRE). *425,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT; 35,000gns HRA '17 TATAHI. **1/2 to No Dream (Anabaa), SW-Fr, $141,680.

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Sunday's Result:

PRIX MAX SICARD - 16EME ETAPE DU DEFI DU GALOP-Listed, €60,000, TLU, 12-10, 3yo/up, 12fT, 2:35.90, vs.

1--**HOLDTHASIGREEN (FR), 136, g, 5, Hold That Tiger--Greentathir (Fr), by Muhtathir (GB)**. O/T-Claude Le Lay; B-J Gilbert & C Le Lay (FR); J-Tony Piccone. €30,000. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Fr, 20-8-2-4, €279,955.

2--**Ison (Ger)**, 127, g, 4, Wiener Walzer (Ger)--Iojo, by Giant's Causeway. (€26,000 RNA Ylg '14 BBAGS). O-Ecurie Willy Sebag. €12,000.

3--**Vilaro (Fr)**, 127, g, 4, Whipper--Envoutement (Fr), by Vettori (Ire). O-Alain Louis-Dreyfus. €8,000.

Margins: 6HF, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 0.70, 107.00, 7.80.

Also Ran: Agathonia, Master Dan (GB), Spirit's Revench (Fr), Haya Kan (Fr), Gaining (GB), Westadora (Ire).

Last seen finishing third in the G1 Prix Royal-Oak at Saint-Cloud Oct. 22, Holdthasigreen who had previously finished runner-up in the G3 Prix Gladiateur at Chantilly Sept. 10 and third in Deauville's G2 Prix Kergorlay Aug. 20 proved what a force he is in this category with a domineering display in his favoured testing ground. In second initially before heading the field with over a mile to race, the chestnut who has a 2-year-old half-sister by Sri Putra (GB) named Srilandagreen (Fr) and a yearling half-brother by that same sire named Sridedgreen (Fr) was isolated against the far rail up the straight but was in a class of his own all the way. **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**

CONDITIONS RESULT:

3rd-TLU, €12,000, 12-10, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:43.42, vs.

PRESTIGE VENDOME (FR) (g, 6, Orpen--Place Vendome {Fr}, by Dr Fong) Lifetime Record: SW & MG1SP-Fr, 25-6-5-3, €300,055. O/B-Guy Pariente; T-Jean-Pierre Gauvin. *€40,000 HRA '17 ARFEB. **1/2 to Style Vendome (Fr) (Anabaa), G1SW-Fr, $601,741.

ITALY

Sunday's Result:

CRITERIUM DI PISA SPONSORED BY MEYDAN GROUP-Listed, €42,900, PIS, 12-10, 2yo, 7.5f, 1:29.1, hy.

1--**CAPTAIN CIRDAN (IRE), 122, c, 2, by Big Bad Bob (Ire)**
1st Dam: Malikayah (Ire) (Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 5-7f, SW & GSP-Ity, $119,316), by Fasliyev
2nd Dam: Trombe (Fr), by Bering (GB)
3rd Dam: Sail Storm, by Topsider
1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€8,000 Ylg '16 GOFSEP). O-Scuderia Del Girasole; B-The Irish National Stud (Ire); T-Marco Gasparini; J-Luca Maniezzi. €16,575. Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, €42,670.

2--**Villabate (Ire)**, 122, c, 2, Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)--Alta Fedelta (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). €7,293. O/B-Scuderia Incolinx; T-Nicolo Simondi. €7,293.

3--**Checkmark (Ire)**, 122, c, 2, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Ars Nova (Ire), by Barathea (Ire). O-Scuderia New Age; B-Razza Del Velino (Ire), T-Alduino Botti. €3,978.

Margins: SNK, 2, 2HF. Odds: 3.20, 2.75, 2.50.

Also Ran: Allimac (Ire), Pettifogger (Ire), Ballot Box (GB), Red Impact (GB), Torukk Maktum (Ire), Girard (Ger), Cracking Art (GB). **Click for the Racing Post chart.**

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN UAE:

Pathway To Honour (GB), g, 5, **New Approach (Ire)**--
Cheerleader (GB), by Singspiel {Ire}. Abu Dhabi, 12-10, Hcp. (AED90k), 1400mT, 1:23.80. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (GB). *360,00gns Ylg '13 TATOCT.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

PACE MAKES THE RACE IN THE CUP

by Alan Carasso

Over the course of the Longines Hong Kong International Races program Sunday afternoon at a sunsplashed Sha Tin Racecourse, it became increasingly apparent that to be successful, it was probably going to be necessary to be on or near the speed. Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) won the G1 Vase after stalking the pace from second, Mr Stunning (Aus) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) sat just in behind before clawing his way home first in the G1 Sprint and Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road to Rock {Aus}) dictated terms in taking out the G1 Mile. Along with **Neorealism (Jpn)** (Neo Universe {Jpn}), the progressive **Time Warp (GB)** (Archipenko) appeared to be blessed with the most early foot in the day's richest event and most valuable race contested in Hong Kong, the G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup. Able to dole out his own pace with a minimum amount of pressure, Time Warp never looked a loser and reported home a comfortable 2 1/4 lengths ahead of favoured **Werther (NZ)** (Tavistock {NZ}). Neorealism, reluctant to settle while scraping paint throughout, kept on for third.

Time Warp makes all in the Cup | *HKJC photo*

"I didn't think there was much speed on paper before the race so, unless anyone did anything differently, I thought I might be able to get my way in front," said winning jockey Zac Purton, who replaced Joao Moreira aboard Time Warp. "I had a very easy time and that was key to the result. [Trainer] Tony [Cruz] has a great deal of confidence in his horse and he rang me [Sunday] morning specifically to talk about this on, so I thought he must have been pretty keen on him."

The win in the Cup completed a banner week for Purton, who won the Longines International Jockeys' Championship at Happy Valley Wednesday, and gave him victories in all four of the international races, all since 2012. He has now ridden six winners at the internationals--two each in the Mile and Sprint and a rare Hong Kong success in the Vase--prior to Sunday.

Able to find his way to the fore with no fuss whatsoever, Time Warp led for the short run into and around the clubhouse turn chased by the Japanese mare **Smart Layer (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) with Neorealism keen at the fence. Werther settled between rivals in about seventh position, just behind midfield, while **Poet's Word (GB)** (Poet's Voice {GB}) was trapped deep from his wide draw a spot or two behind Werther. It was a dawdling pace up front to be sure--the opening section was just :26.27 while the half-mile was clocked in :51.39 and it was very much to the advantage of Time Warp as the Japanese duo continued to give chase. The front-runner rolled by the 800m pole after the opening six furlongs in 1:15.76, and with Werther still about six lengths adrift, the result was all but assured, assuming Time Warp had a kick. And sprint hard he did, opening up nearly immediately once heads were turned for home before cruising under the line a comprehensive winner, having run the final 400 metres in a sparking :22.08. Neorealism settled better through the middle stages and remained glued to the fence in the lane only to be outfinished for second by Werther.

"There wasn't enough pressure up front in the race--no pace--and not what he wanted," said Werther's rider Tommy Berry. Werther had defeated Time Warp in their previous meeting in the G2 Jockey Club Cup Nov. 19.

A trip beyond the borders of Hong Kong is a possibility, said winning trainer Tony Cruz.

"I would love to go abroad with him," said the former champion jockey and now trainer of nine HKIR winners. "He is a very versatile type of horse: he can go on the soft; he can go on the firm; he can go on the dirt too. I am sure this horse can go places. He is a very sound horse and he is a healthy horse. I haven't done his programme but I believe he can win elsewhere."

Time Warp, third to Beauty Generation in the G3 Celebration Cup H. (1400m) on Oct. 1, was runner-up in the G2 SaSa Ladies' Purse H. (1800m) on Nov. 5 before his narrow defeat in the Jockey Club Cup in which he got away with fairly cheap sectionals, but could not resist a late surge from Werther.

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G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup Cont.

Pedigree Notes...

Bred by Kirsten Rausing, Time Warp is the third Group 1 winner for his Lanwades Stud-based sire and is a maternal grandson of SW Heat of the Night, whose dam was a Group 3 winner in Brazil. Heat Of the Night (GB) (Lear Fan), is a half to the 2-year-old colt Jack Crow (GB) (Bahamian Dancer {GB}, twice second in a pair of runs this sesaon, and the dam of a British-foaled filly by Leroidesanimaux (Brz). **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong
LONGINES HONG KONG CUP-G1, HK$25,000,000
(£2,393,102/€2,721,263/A$4,262,955/US$3,203,424), Sha Tin, 12-10, 3yo/up, 2000mT, 2:01.63, gd.

1--**TIME WARP (GB), 126, g, 4, by Archipenko**
1st Dam: Here to Eternity, by Stormy Atlantic
2nd Dam: Heat of the Night (GB), by Lear Fan
3rd Dam: Hot Thong (Brz), by Jarrar
***1ST GROUP 1 WIN**. (€37,000 Ylg '14 TISEP). O-Martin Siu Kim Sun; B-Miss K Rausing; T-Tony Cruz; J-Zac Purton; HK$14,250,000. Lifetime Record: MSW-Fr, 23-9-3-4, HK$21,560,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Werther (NZ)**, 126, g, 6, Tavistock (NZ)--Bagalollies (Aus), by Zabeel (NZ). O-Johnson Chen; B-C D Allison, C V & J A Barnao, A R Campbell, T G Heptinstall, T M Pivac & D R Platt; T-John Moore; HK$5,500,000.

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3--**Neorealism (Jpn)**, 126, h, 6, Neo Universe (Jpn)--Tokio Reality, by Meadowlake. O-Carrot Farm Co Ltd; B-Northern Farm; T-N Hori; HK$2,500,000.

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Margins: 2 1/4, 1HF, HF. Odds: 3-1, 11-5, 63-10.
Also Ran: Staphanos (Jpn), Smart Layer (Jpn), Poet's Word (GB), Secret Weapon (GB), Robin of Navan (Fr), Garlingari (Fr), War Decree, Deauville (Ire), Blond Me (Ire).
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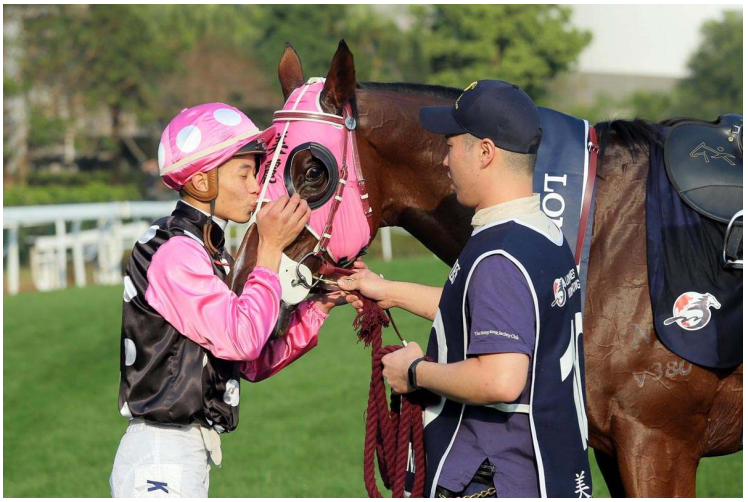
A 'BEAUTY' OF A RIDE FROM LEUNG IN THE MILE *by Alan Carasso*

Twenty-nine year old Derek Leung made his Longines Hong Kong International Races debut just 12 months ago, piloting Beauty Flame (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) to a 13th-place effort behind fellow Kwok colorbearer Beauty Only (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) in the 2016 G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile. Leung, a product of the Hong Kong Apprentice Jockeys' School, had been given the opportunity to ride Patrick Kwok's **Beauty Generation (NZ)** (Road to Rock {Aus})--third in a pair of the 4-year-old Classics last winter--this season, and he made the most of the opportunity with wins in the G3 Celebration Cup H. and the G2 Sha Tin Trophy H. Trainer John Moore decided to stick with Leung for Sunday's G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile despite a third to **Seasons Bloom (Aus)** (Captain Sonador {Aus}) in the G2 Jockey Club Mile on Nov. 19, and the decision proved a shrewd one when Beauty Generation took them coast-to-coast.



Derek Leung plants one on the nose of Beauty Generation
HKJC photo

The Mile appeared on paper to be devoid of any serious speed, bar, perhaps **Karar (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), but when that one didn't jump, it was fairly clear that something could control the race from the front. **Contentment (Aus)** (Hussonet) and **Horse of Fortune (SAf)** (Stronghold {GB}) showed the 'most' early interest, but sensing that neither was going to go on with it, Leung got aggressive with Beauty Generation and split rivals to lead prior to the end of 200m. Karar, off slowly, made steady progress to be in the top five at the 800-metre mark, but Beauty Generation was still going well, giving the others something to chase. Kicked further into the lead off the home corner, the race was over for all intents and purposes and Leung was able to celebrate a breakthrough success. **Western Express (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago {Aus}) followed Horse of Fortune into the lane, peeled off heels and just won a photo for second over the winner's stablemate **Helene Paragon (Fr)** (Polan {Fr}), who made good ground from the rear. Favored Seasons Bloom ran with credit to be fourth ahead of a slow-starting GI Breeders' Cup Mile runner-up **Lancaster Bomber** (War Front) in fifth.

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LONGINES HONG KONG INT'L RACES

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G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile Cont.

"This was a great opportunity and I took advantage," said Leung. "He never stops and we dictated the pace early on, so at the 450 metres, I pressed the button a bit earlier because I knew he wouldn't stop. He stayed on very well."

He added, "I want to thank everyone for their support, especially to the owner [Patrick Kwok] and to trainer John Moore. I am always trying to prove myself and I am hoping there will be more international winners in the future."

Raced in the early portion of his career as Montaigne and trained by Anthony Cummings, Beauty Generation was third in the G3 Hobartville S. and runner-up in the G1 Rosehill Guineas (2000m) prior to his sale to Hong Kong.

Pedigree Notes...

Beauty Generation's unraced dam, by the sire of Black Caviar (Aus), is a half-sister to SW & GSP Savage Attack (Aus) (Made of Gold) and SW & MGSP Victory Trump (Aus) (Euclase {Aus}). Her most recent foal is a 2-year-old colt by Echoes of Heaven (Aus) who fetched NZ$60,000 at the NZB Select Yearling Sale this past February. Stylish Bel was most recently covered by Tavistock (NZ). Beauty Generation is the first top-level scorer for his sire (by Encosta de Lago {Aus}), part-owned and trained by Anthony Cummings to victories in the 2009 G1 George Ryder S. and as the favourite in the 2010 G1 Queen Elizabeth S. **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

FIRST GROUP 1 WINNER FOR SIRE

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

LONGINES HONG KONG MILE-G1, HK$23,000,000 *(£2,201,619/€2,503,535/A$3,922,852/US$2,947,142)*, Sha Tin, 12-10, 3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:33.72, gd.

1--**BEAUTY GENERATION (NZ), 126, g, 5, by Road to Rock (Aus)**
1st Dam: Stylish Bel (Aus), by Bel Esprit (Aus)
2nd Dam: Stylish Victory (Aus), by Durham Ranger (Aus)
3rd Dam: Romantic Peace (Aus), by Mikado (Aus)
1ST GROUP 1 WIN. (NZ$60,000 Ylg '14 NZBSEL). O-Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen; B-Nearco Stud Limited; T-John Moore; J-Derek Leung; HK$13,110,000. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Aus, 18-7-3-4, HK$25,830,720. *1st G1SW for his sire (by Encosta de Lago {Aus}). **Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

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2--**Western Express (Aus)**, 126, g, 5, Encosta de Lago (Aus)--Alsatia (Aus), by Marauding (NZ). (A$80,000 Ylg '14 INGMEL). O-Larry Yung Chi Kin; B-F Peisah (NSW); T-John Size; HK$5,060,000.

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3--**Helene Paragon (Fr)**, 126, h, 5, Polan (Fr)--High Zaff (GB), by High Chaparral (Ire). O-Sir Po-Shing & Lady Woo, Jackson Woo Ka Biu, Dawson Woo Ka Chung & The Exors of the Estate of the Late Wilson Woo Ka Wah; B-A Jordan Torres; T-John Moore; HK$2,300,000.

Margins: 1, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 74-10, 35-1, 59-10.

Also Ran: Seasons Bloom (Aus), Lancaster Bomber, Horse of Fortune (SAf), Beauty Only (Ire), Sichuan Dar (Aus), Joyful Trinity (Ire), Lightning Spear (GB), Satono Aladdin (Jpn), Contentment (Aus), Karar (GB), Roly Poly.

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A 'STUNNING' RESULT FOR SIZE IN THE SPRINT *by Alan Carasso*

John Size only arrived in Hong Kong in 2001, but since then has established himself as a trainer of the highest order, with no fewer than nine premierships to his credit. That most recent title came just last season, when he posted a record 94 wins, some 27 clear of John Moore. The Australian handler came into this year's international race meeting as the owner of one of the true statistical anomalies, having been represented by just one winner of the big four races. **Mr Stunning (Aus)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) was pounded into 9-10 favouritism for Sunday's G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint and parlayed a perfect trip into a narrow success from stablemate **D B Pin (NZ)** (Darci Brahma {NZ}).

John Size saddled the first two home in the Sprint | *HKJC photo*

Mr Stunning jumped alertly beneath Nash Rawiller and was in the firing line early on, but was content to take back into third as 2015 Sprint hero **Peniaphobia (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) and the Japanese speedball **Once In a Moon (Jpn)** (Admire Moon {Jpn}) hooked up in an enervating speed duel and threw down an opening quarter-mile in a swift :23.37. Peniaphobia took control approaching the entrance to the straight, but the taxing early splits were bound to take their toll, and Mr Stunning cruised up to join the battle with a little less than a quarter mile to the finish. **Cont. p14**

G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint Cont.

Roused to the front just outside the 200m, Mr Stunning kicked nicely while bracing for the challenge of D B Pin and found the line narrowly in front. The latter sat a tough trip three wide on the turn and came wide for the drive before staying on well. **Blizzard (Aus)** (Starcraft {NZ}) was a good third just ahead of second choice **Lucky Bubbles (Aus)** (Sebring {Aus}). It was the fastest winning time in the Sprint since Lord Kanaloa (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) whooshed home in 1:08.25 in 2013.

"I wasn't too worried about them chasing me down," said Rawiller, scoring his first victory at the international meeting. "I was on the best horse at equal weight. It's been a long time coming this one in Hong Kong, so it means a lot."

It was an historic win for Size for another reason, as he became the first to saddle the quinella in one of the HKIR.

"He's had a lovely lead-up into the race," Size said. "His three runs were very good. He's trained well and trialled well all the way through to today. He's had every opportunity, he drew a good gate, he had a perfect run and Nash put him in a beautiful position so it was hard to see him being beaten from there. To D B Pin's credit, though, he's probably covered a lot of extra ground from the gate and he's made him work for it. Both horses have run very well."

Mr Stunning, who came from nowhere to win his maiden at first asking at Happy Valley 22 months ago, had also won from the front and had more recently become a stalk-and-pounce runner. A near-miss second to Lucky Bubbles in last year's G1 Chairman's Sprint Prize, the lightly framed bay was unplaced on his first run this term, but carried 133 pounds to a half-length defeat of Lucky Bubbles in the G2 Premier Bowl H. Oct. 22 and came away to a 1 1/2-length success over stablemate **Amazing Kids (NZ)** (Falkirk {NZ}) in the G2 Jockey Club Sprint when last seen Nov. 19.

For the near term--and beyond, potentially--Mr Stunning will be prepared for races at home and not overseas targets. The G1 Centenary Sprint Cup (1200m) next month and Chairman's Sprint Prize (1200m) in April are likely on the agenda.

Pedigree Notes...

Mr Stunning, the 11th Group 1 winner for his sire, is out of a daughter of US MGISW Fran's Valentine (Saros {GB}), also runner-up in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff and later the dam of the popular gray galloper, the MGISW With Anticipation (Relaunch), himself runner-up in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf. Fran's Valentine was also responsible for French GSW & MG1SP With Fascination (Dayjur). With Fervour's last listed produce is the now 3-year-old Mossman (Aus) filly With Faith (Aus). **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

LONGINES HONG KONG SPRINT-G1, HK$18,500,000 *(£1,770,994/€2,013,841/A$3,154,901/US$2,370,638)*, Sha Tin, 12-10, 3yo/up, 1200mT, 1:08.40, gd.

1--**MR STUNNING (AUS), 126, g, 5, by Exceed and Excel (Aus)**
1st Dam: With Fervour, by Dayjur
2nd Dam: Fran's Valentine, by Saros (GB)
3rd Dam: Iza Valentine, by Bicker
***1ST GROUP 1 WIN**. (A$110,000 Wlg '13 INGGSW; NZ$250,000 Ylg '14 NZBPRE). O-Maurice Koo Win Chong; B-Makybe Breeding & Racing (Vic); T-John Size; J-Nash Rawiller; HK$10,545,000. Lifetime Record: 16-10-2-1, HK$27,023,600. **Werk Nick Rating: D+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

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2--**D B Pin (NZ)**, 126, g, 5, Darci Brahma (NZ)--Pins 'N' Needles (NZ), by Pins (Aus). (NZ$200,000 Ylg '14 NZBPRE). O-Samuel Wong Yin Shun; B-Mrs K N & W E Calder; T-John Size; HK$4,070,000.

3--**Lucky Bubbles (Aus)**, 126, g, 6, Starcraft (NZ)--Stormy Choice (Aus), by Redoute's Choice (Aus). (A$75,000 Ylg '13 INGMEL). O-Infinitude Stable; B-G S A Bloodstock Pty Ltd (Vic); T-Ricky Yiu; HK$1,850,000.

Margins: NK, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 9-10, 20-1, 44-1.

Also Ran: Lucky Bubbles (Aus), Amazing Kids (NZ), Let's Go Donki (Jpn), Thewizardofoz (Aus), The Right Man (GB), Peniaphobia (Ire), Not Listenin'tome (Aus), Stormy Liberal, Once In a Moon (Jpn), Signs of Blessing (Ire).

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A total of 94,560 fans attended Sunday's Longines Hong Kong International Races meeting on a beautiful early December afternoon in the New Territories. The crowd began streaming in soon after the gates opened around 10:30 and were treated to an entertaining pre-race program in the parade ring. Jockeys and HKJC officials and other luminaries were introduced in the HKIR opening ceremony following race two before the day accelerated into the races themselves. Highland Reel (Ire) closed out a magnificent career with a second win in the Vase, while Mr Stunning (Aus) cemented his status as one of the world's best turf sprinters in race five. Beauty Generation (NZ) put on a show from the front for home-grown jockey Derek Leung in the Mile and the locally based horses made it three out of four for the first time since 2014 with Time Warp (GB)'s all-the-way success in the Mile. Total turnover was a record HK$1.59 billion (£152.4 million/US$204 million), an improvement of 5.4% over 2016. Cont. p15

Another Successful HKIR in the Books Cont.

"We want the Longines Hong Kong International Races to be the greatest show on turf and today we witnessed some sensational performances," said HKJC CEO Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges. "I think we are at a very high level, we have a very attractive global product, but we know that resting on laurels never works and we will sit down and see how we can develop this meeting going forward--we think this meeting has further potential as one of the sport's great world events."

The CEO was also full of pride in the Leung's success in the Mile.

"We have invested in our Apprentice Jockeys' School in the last 10 to 15 years and it's great to see a local Hong Kong talent hold his own in international company--the reaction from the crowd was fantastic," he said.

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Fans packed in to Sha Tin on a beautiful December Sunday
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'LILAC' GIVES ORFEVRE HIS FIRST G1SW

Off the mark at first asking going this trip at Niigata on Aug. 20, Sunday Racing's **Lucky Lilac (Jpn)** (Orfevre {Jpn}) added the G3 Artemis S. last out on Oct. 28 and maintained her perfect record in the G1 Hanshin Juvenile Fillies S. on Sunday. Off the fence in eighth through the early going, the 4-1 second choice and daughter of 2011 GI Ashland S. heroine Lilacs and Lace (Flower Alley) was shuffled farther off the pace through the first 1000 metres in :59.9. Shifted out at the 600-metre marker by pilot Syu Ishibashi who was winning his second Group 1, the chestnut uncorked a powerful run in the final 300 metres, drawing away to win by 3/4 of a length over fellow Sunday Racing colourbearer **Lily Noble (Jpn)** (Rulership {Jpn}).

Orfevre | *Kelsey Riley*

Mau Lea (Jpn) (Deep Impact Jpn}) ran third another half-length behind. Favoured **Rock This Town (Jpn)**, the other group winner by dual G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe runner-up Orfevre (Jpn) to date, faded to ninth.

"She was a bit keen in her last start, but was very relaxed today," said Ishibashi. "We were in a good striking position at the top of the stretch which gave me all the confidence I needed. Her physical ability is extremely high and she is very intelligent too."

Pedigree Insights...

Lucky Lilac is the first top-level winner for her sire, who was the Japanese Horse of the Year in 2011, the same year he won the Triple Crown in his native land, and the second winner of her Grade I-winning dam. Lilacs and Lace, winner of the GI Ashland S. at Keeneland in 2011, has a yearling colt by Deep Impact (Jpn). Out of the Seattle Slew mare Refinement, herself a half-sister to Japanese champion older mare Diamond Biko (Jpn) (Sunday Silence) and MGSW & G1SP Isle de France (Nureyev), Lilacs and Lace's third dam is the MGISW Stella Madrid (Alydar). **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

FIRST GROUP 1 WINNER FOR SIRE

Sunday, Hanshin, Japan
HANSHIN JUVENILE FILLIES-G1, ¥125,140,000 *(US$1,103,092/£824,167/€937,389)*, Hanshin, 12-10, 2yo, f, 1600mT, 1:34.30, fm.
1--**LUCKY LILAC (JPN), 119, f, 2, by Orfevre (Jpn)**
1st Dam: Lilacs and Lace (GISW-US, $350,300), by Flower Alley
2nd Dam: Refinement, by Seattle Slew
3rd Dam: Stella Madrid, by Alydar
1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn);

G1 Hanshin Juvenile Filles Cont.

T-Mikio Matsunaga; J-Syu Ishibashi; ¥66,288,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0. *1st G1SW for her sire (by Stay Gold {Jpn}). **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A.**

2--**Lily Noble (Jpn)**, 119, f, 2, Rulership (Jpn)--Pure Chaplet (Jpn), by Kurofune. O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥26,368,000.

3--**Mau Lea (Jpn)**, 119, f, 2, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Buy the Cat, by Storm Cat. O-Yukihiro Ochiai; B-Shimokobe Farm (Jpn); ¥16,184,000.

Margins: 3/4, HF, 2HF; Odds: 3.10, 4.50, 8.10.

Also Ran: Tosen Bless (Jpn), Molto Allegro, Lathyros (Jpn), Gulielma (Jpn), Social Club (Jpn), Rock This Town (Jpn), Mademoiselle (Jpn), Noble Earth (Jpn), Tosen Amber (Jpn), Cordierite (Jpn), Sayakachan (Jpn), Regle D'Or (Jpn), High Heel (Jpn), Las Emociones (Ire), Nadia (Jpn).

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Sunday, Nakayama, Japan

CAPELLA S.-G3, ¥68,810,000 *(US$606,591/£453,162/€515,396)*, Nakayama, 12-10, 3yo/up, 1200m, 1:11.00, gd.

1--**DIOS CORRIDA (JPN), 121, c, 3, Kane Hekili (Jpn)**
1st Dam: Erimo Today (Jpn), by Wild Rush
2nd Dam: Race Cam, by Mr. Prospector
3rd Dam: Video, by Nijinsky II
1st BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Shoji Nojima; B-Takeshi Maetani (Jpn); T-Yoshitada Takahashi; J-Akihide Tsumura; ¥36,567,000. Lifetime Record: 11-5-0-2. **Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Snow Dragon (Jpn)**, 128, h, 9, Admire Cozzene (Jpn)--Meine Caprice (Jpn), by Tayasu Tsuyoshi (Jpn). O-Makio Okada; B-Iwami Farm (Jpn); ¥14,162,000.

3--**Bulldog Boss (Jpn)**, 126, h, 5, Daiwa Major (Jpn)--Lyphard Cannes (Jpn), by Danehill. O-Him Rock Racing; B-Keiichi Samekawa (Jpn); ¥9,081,000.

Margins: HF, 1 1/4, 1 1/4; Odds: 5.60, 16.70, 4.10.

Also Ran: Dragon Gate (Jpn), Nitto Subaru (Jpn), Kikuno Storm (Jpn), Monde Classe (Jpn), Nobo Baccara (Jpn), Graceful Leap (Jpn), Blu Miracolo (Jpn), Nanchinnon, Kitasan Sajin (Jpn), Chocolat Blanc (Jpn), Captain Ship (Jpn), Saita Three Red (Jpn), Corin Berry (Jpn).

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