

2017 LEADING SIRE? IT'S A SONG DYNASTY



Arrogate in the Pegasus | Adam Mooshian/Coglianese photo

by Chris McGrath

It was the Song Dynasty, a thousand years ago in China, that first introduced paper money. And while the **Unbridled's Song** dynasty is still developing, it is the dollar bill that in 2017 gave the ultimate measure of the legacy to be shared among his heirs.

Four and a half years after his death, aged 20, Unbridled's Song has been decorated by his posthumous champion, Arrogate, with a first sires' championship among North American stallions.

Everyone knows that prizemoney can be a fairly clumsy index of stallion quality. And everyone also recognises the paradox that a racehorse's primary economic function is to connect the cyclical values of the sales ring.

Nonetheless the experiment that introduced the Pegasus and Everest at No 1 and No 3 in the world's most valuable races in 2017, whatever its long-term future, has skewed things afresh. Not simply in California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit) and now Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) briefly extending their track careers, but in further undermining the coherence of the sires' prizemoney championship.

Without Arrogate, the leading North American sire of 2017 would have finished in 44th place--between Jump Start and Sky Mesa--in the table of worldwide earnings ([click here](#)) as it stood on the final day of the year. **Cont. p3**

A PIONEERING TRAINER ROOTED IN OLD-SCHOOL WAYS

The Week in Review, by T.D. Thornton

The morning after Jack Van Berg won the 1987 GI Kentucky Derby with Alysheba, he brightened a gray day outside Barn 32 on the Churchill Downs backstretch by spinning yarns and telling old stories to a cluster of reporters. Many of those tales involved the debt of gratitude Van Berg said he owed his late father, the Hall-of-Fame trainer Marion Van Berg, whose 16th anniversary of passing happened to coincide with the day after his son's training victory in America's most important horse race.

Van Berg, then 50, underscored how his father had been at once both a relentless, driving taskmaster and a supreme motivator and teacher. He illustrated those qualities by describing how Marion once gave him the whipping of his life after Jack had shirked chores at the family farm in Columbus, Nebraska. ([Click to continue to p7](#))

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<i>Sire/Fee</i>	<i>Earnings</i>
1. OVERANALYZE (\$15,000)	\$1,665,118
2. Violence (\$35,000)	\$1,588,996
3. Shanghai Bobby (\$15,000)	\$971,885
4. Animal Kingdom (\$30,000)	\$940,613
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Sharp Azteca (Freud) and Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) impressed with works at Gulfstream Park West and Fair Grounds Sunday as they continue to tune up for the Jan. 27 GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational.

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2017 Leading Sires (cont. from p1)

As it was, Arrogate's wins in the Pegasus and Dubai World Cups helped him to contribute 71.2% of the \$18,739,088 accumulated by Unbridled's Song.

In contrast, Tapit's top earners in winning the three previous titles were Frosted, twice, contributing 9.6% and 10%, respectively, in 2016 and 2015; and Untapable, who weighed in with 15.1% in 2014.

It's hardly a new challenge. California Chrome's spree in 2016, when beaten only by Arrogate in the Breeders' Cup Classic, catapulted his blue-collar sire Lucky Pulpit to ninth with a contribution of 75.8% to his progeny earnings. That's why breeders nowadays use umpteen different measures to try and ascertain how different sires are punching above their weight.



Unbridled's Song | Taylor Made Stallions

But if these new megabuck races have the potential to increase distortion, then it would be churlish to deny that a sires' title represents an apt epilogue to the story of Unbridled's Song. He was always a smasher--as his sales history attests, whether as an individual or as a sire--and his overall body of work, across 17 seasons at Taylor Made, makes him a legitimate colossus.

Arrogate is a graduate of his penultimate crop. As such, Unbridled's Song was confined to a pool of 2017 runners smaller than any of those sires who would have outranked him without his final masterpiece. Indeed, his 143 starters represent less than half the 297 who represented the deposed champion Tapit, who has slipped to fourth after three consecutive years crushing all comers. (No disgrace in that, of course, for a sire only now about to have his first runners after doubling his fee to \$300,000, presumably with a corresponding upgrade in his harem.)

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#1 GENERAL ACTIVE SIRE IN 2017

Stallion	2017 Earnings
CANDY RIDE (ARG)	\$15,409,072
MEDAGLIA D'ORO	\$15,304,869
TAPIT	\$14,103,762
KITTEN'S JOY	\$14,083,832
EMPIRE MAKER	\$11,961,208



Grade 1 winners include **Gun Runner**, Breeders' Cup Classic winner and Horse of the Year contender.

If Unbridled's Song has saved his very best till last, more or less, then nor does he depend only on Arrogate to strengthen his profile as a sire of sires. Will Take Charge and Cross Traffic, both out of Grade I winners, are about to be represented by their first runners; the weanlings of Liam's Map were in strong demand last year; and then there is Bird Song, out of a champion half-sister to Birdstone, starting out this spring.

Sons of Unbridled's Song have hitherto made only a fair job of recycling their ability but the story, plainly, is far from over. On the face of it, certainly, it would be surprising if those assets associated with his brand did not prove genetically transferable: such athleticism, such competitive zest! Hard-headed and ambitious, his stock have always known what they are about; what it is they want to get out there and do.

When Arrogate derailed after Dubai, you heard renewed mutterings about their physical longevity, and indeed about the delicate balance between soundness and brilliance in the whole Mr. Prospector line. Certainly Unbridled's Song has produced plenty of big horses, which sets an obvious premium on soundness. But some trainers have suggested that the main reason his stock might damage themselves is that they will always give you anything you ask. Perhaps Arrogate just reached the bottom of his barrel in Dubai.

In many cases, no doubt, all that gusto and natural brilliance sometimes proved just too much, too soon, for a big raw physique. Smart trainers learned to bide their time; to back off, let them develop. And we saw the dividends not just in the late bloom of Arrogate, but also in some others who arrived fairly late on his resume. Cross Traffic only raced at four; Liam's Map really thrived at the same age; and likewise Graydar, another young sire out to bat for Unbridled's Song.

The fact that collective experience can help horsemen refine the way they handle his stock--and breeders to choose appropriate partners--is perhaps a neglected factor when the market downgrades an aging sire. Note that Unbridled's Song was down to \$85,000, from a peak of \$200,000, the year he conceived Arrogate--and was cut to \$60,000 for what proved to be his final season.

Like Unbridled's Song, sires' list runner-up **Candy Ride (Arg)** had a game-changing standout in 2017. Gun Runner accounts for 45.1% of his \$15,409,072 tally, though even without him Candy Ride would have divided **Speightstown** and **Uncle Mo** in a perfectly creditable 19th. Officially turning 19 today, he is hoisted from \$60,000 to a career-high \$80,000 at Lane's End.

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For sheer consistency, however, the most remarkable achiever on the podium is **Medaglia d'Oro**, with no fewer than seven Grade I winners in the calendar year. This tally had previously been matched, among American sires in graded stakes history, apparently only by three titans in Danzig, Mr. Prospector and Storm Cat. (But see **Scat Daddy** below.) Moreover, he has just produced the most prolific, at least by winners, of the year's debutant sires in **Violence**. ([Click here for the TDN first-crop sire list.](#)) Another approaching the venerable stage--a contemporary, indeed, of Gun Runner--Medaglia d'Oro remains so unmistakably in his pomp that he has earned a hefty hike at Darley America from \$150,000 to \$250,000.



Medaglia d'Oro | Darley photo

Medaglia d'Oro duly denies fifth-placed **Kitten's Joy** as the main man for their sire-line in North America, a great distinction nowadays with El Prado (Ire) arguably exceeding even European phenomenon Galileo (Ire) in terms of proliferating and diversifying the geographical impact of their sire Sadler's Wells.

But Kitten's Joy remains champion turf sire--it scarcely needs stating--for the fifth year running, and also emerges from the general table as No 1 by individual winners, aggregate wins and indeed Grade I horses, thanks to his son Gendarme running second in the Hopeful S. in Japan last Thursday. ([Click here for the TDN leading turf sires of 2017.](#))

In contrast with the work being done for their sire by Medaglia d'Oro, grass remained the surface of choice for every one of the 16 stakes winners sired by Kitten's Joy in 2017.

But there is no denying his ever-deepening impact, with a career-best prizemoney haul of \$14,083,832, even as he transfers to Hill 'n' Dale and takes an aggressive fee cut from \$100,000 to \$60,000. That should surely heighten his appeal to the kind of breeders Ken Ramsey found so exasperatingly elusive. **In the combined European and American turf table**, after all, Kitten's Joy has even intercepted the Galileo-Dubawi (Ire) exacta of the previous two years.

All that said, on behalf of El Prado, the sire-line of the year in North America must nonetheless be that of Fappiano--which has not only delivered the first two in the general table, but also Gainesway's **Empire Maker**, seventh; the leading sophomore in WinStar's **Bodemeister** ([click here](#)); and Lane's End's **Twirling Candy**, second only to **Uncle Mo** among those operating on three crops ([click here](#)).

While Coolmore's Uncle Mo only just makes the top 20 of the general list, he does so as the youngest among them. In that respect, however, special distinction is reserved for **Quality Road**, whose \$11,071,284 earnings in 2017 take him up to 11th place after just four crops. Unsurprisingly, Lane's End have doubled their invoices for the sire of Abel Tasman to \$70,000.



Quality Road | Lane's End photo

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As mentioned, Violence is top freshman by winners (32, an impressive clip from 65 starters) and wins (43)—as he would have been in each of the three previous years. He gets a corresponding boost to \$25,000 from \$15,000 at Hill ‘n’ Dale. By prizemoney, however, he fell a little short of **Overanalyze**: WinStar’s son of Dixie Union amassed \$1,665,118 from a bunch of \$10,000 covers (up to \$15,000 for 2018). Violence, the only other to break seven figures, reached \$1,588,996. Both rivals also stacked up four black-type winners.

But 2017 was famously the year of the sophomore, on both sides of the Atlantic, making this a category of unusual interest. Bodemeister, the division leader, and **Maclean’s Music** each produced a Classic winner; **Union Rags**, complementing the work of Overanalyze for their sire, finished second with four GSW; and an honourable mention again goes to **Dialed In**, who beat Union Rags to the freshman’s title the previous year off \$7,500 covers, for consolidating with a dozen black-type horses in 2017.

Union Rags, Bodemeister and Dialed In duly fill the podium for this intriguing crop of sires on cumulative earnings to date.

All have earned a rise: WinStar hardly pushing their luck on Bodemeister, after conjuring a Kentucky Derby winner at the first attempt, by going \$40,000 from \$25,000; Lane’s End edging Union Rags to \$60,000 from \$50,000; and Dialed In still looking decent value at Darby Dan, at \$25,000 from \$15,000.

The final word, however, is reserved for poor **Scat Daddy**.

Sixth overall, the late Coolmore sire is unmatched in stakes and graded stakes, whether by winners or horses. In fact, 28 black-type winners and 16 GSW represents an aggregate haul beyond any sire in the previous three years, Daddy’s Lil Darling giving him a sixth Northern Hemisphere Grade I of the year in the American Oaks at Santa Anita on the penultimate day of the year. (He also sired a Group 1 winner in Chile during the summer, bred on Southern Hemisphere time.)

It is just over two years now since Scat Daddy dropped dead walking out of his paddock, aged just 11. So we can never know, from day to day, quite what Thoroughbreds will bring us this year. Never mind building dynasties. Here’s to healthy horses in 2018; the rest, always, is only gravy.



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A Pioneering Trainer Rooted in Old-School Ways *(cont. from p1)*

“Three things I don’t like to do, and that’s walk a horse, hold for the blacksmith, and milk a cow,” Van Berg recounted to the *Chicago Tribune*. “I was about 12 or 13, supposed to milk a cow while the rest of the family went to eat. Well, I wanted to go eat, too. So I went and bought some milk from the grocery store and put it in the pail. Thing is, it was homogenized already. And cold. Hell of a cow I had there. Milk you get from milking is warm and foamy. Mine was like it just came from a carton, because it did. He took one sniff of that, my dad did, and did I ever get the strap. He was right. He told me I was dumb, and I was dumb.”

That might have been the last time Jack Van Berg ever took a shortcut in caring for an animal. When he died last Wednesday at age 81, he left his own Hall-of-Fame legacy anchored in doing what’s right by the horse and being up front about it, even if his honest-to-a-fault demeanor came across as cantankerous or rubbed people the wrong way.



Jack Van Berg | *Coady Photography*

“I got my knowledge of horses from my father,” he told the post-Derby crush of journalists, “and the Good Lord gave me horse sense.”

Now, three decades later, as the racing world mourns the man who was the continent’s leading trainer in victories nine times

between 1968 and 1986, a number of images spring to mind: Van Berg on horseback observing morning training at the crack of dawn. The consummate, hands-on Midwestern trainer dressed in cowboy boots, a work shirt, and a Stetson hat (always removed in the presence of ladies). An insistence upon being addressed as Jack, not “Mr. Van Berg.” A man with a voracious appetite, an assertive yet not mean-spirited way of getting across his points, and a preference for firm-handshake agreements that sealed deals better than paper contracts. Is it any wonder that in his Hollywood Park tack room, alongside a photo of his father, Van Berg used to keep a picture of his other hero, the rugged,

principled film actor John Wayne?

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“There are some people out there, they might have more money than I have,” he told *TDN* in 2016, “But they ain’t near as tough as I am. I will survive.”

In that same interview, Van Berg lamented the way the training game has shifted in terms of client management.

“These young guys come along with the texting and the Twitter. All their B.S. I don’t do that. Guy wants me to train a horse, fine. If he don’t, I don’t ask him.”

Yet despite all the iconic imagery of Van Berg being “old school,” it’s possible that the public—and even Van Berg himself toward the end of his life—lost sight of the perspective that for a good chunk of time in the 1970s and 80s, he represented the cutting-edge epitome of the new way training was evolving.

Van Berg’s no-nonsense efficiency enabled him to build the first major coast-to-coast racing outfit in America made up of divisions at multiple tracks run by assistants who executed his shed-row game plans on a grand scale. Although commonplace now, this strength-in-numbers form of training was viewed by some in the 1970s as somewhat unorthodox. And just like the 21st Century racing world largely bemoans the proliferation of so-called “super trainers,” it is easy to envision backstretch

detractors who (without telling him to his face) viewed Van Berg’s assaults on smaller circuits as too aggressive.

And while texting and Twitter are par for the course in this day and age, Van Berg, too, was an early adopter of the technologies that defined his era of glory: Overseeing a late 1980s conglomerate of 250 horses owned by 35 different owners and cared for by 200 employees at tracks in California, New York, Kentucky, Maryland, Louisiana, and Arkansas (plus two farms in California and Kentucky), Van Berg reportedly racked up a \$4,500 average monthly telephone bill and even signed up for his own toll-free 800 number.

At the zenith of his training empire, Van Berg spent \$70,000 annually on airplane tickets (the hard way, by flying coach). A 1988 *Sports Illustrated* profile that attempted to keep up with his whirlwind stable-hopping noted one week’s itinerary took him from New York to Los Angeles to Newmarket, England (where he had been invited to evaluate the then-emerging concept of synthetic track material). Then it was back to L.A., on to Louisville, a return trip to New York (in a blizzard) before, finally, another all-nighter back to L.A.

That article from 30 years ago also portrays the pioneering Van Berg as constantly punching numbers on his car phone during his travels—which, believe it or not, might be one of the very first documented mentions in print of a Thoroughbred trainer using a cellular device to communicate with staffers and clients. [\(Click to return to p1\)](#)

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PEGASUS HOPEFULS TUNE UP

Ivan Rodriguez's **Sharp Azteca** (Freud) impressed onlookers with a five-furlong work in :59.00 (1/4) ([video](#)) Sunday morning over Gulfstream Park West's main track. Connections are hoping to secure a berth in the Jan. 27 GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational for the now-5-year-old, who is coming off a 5 1/4-length victory in the Dec. 2 GI Cigar Mile H.

"After [seeing] this video, I think somebody's going to jump on this horse," trainer Jorge Navarro said. "Yes, it was fast, but he has come out of the race so good I can't be mad at the workout. He did it easy. The kid was just sitting on him. That's the way he's training. He wants to do something."

Sharp Azteca has won three of five lifetime starts at Gulfstream Park, including the GII Gulfstream Park H. last February.

Navarro also sent out Pegasus hopeful **War Story** (Northern Afleet) to work at Gulfstream Park West Sunday. The 6-year-old went five furlongs in 1:01.20.

"This is what you're going to see in the morning from him," Navarro said. "He goes out there and does his job. He's a professional. He knows what he's doing."

War Story finished fifth behind Arrogate (Unbridled's Song) in last year's inaugural running of the Pegasus. Winner of the GII Brooklyn S. in June, he is coming off a fourth-place finish in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. He is a confirmed starter in the Pegasus for stakeholder Ron Paolucci and Ashley Quartarolo.

With frigid temperatures expected in New Orleans in the coming week, trainer Steve Asmussen was looking for a little something extra from **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg})'s Sunday work at Fair Grounds and the Hall of Famer got just that as the Breeders' Cup Classic winner blitzed six furlongs in 1:10.60 (1/6) in company with stakes-placed Gettysburg (Pioneerof the Nile).

The Fair Grounds clockers timed Gun Runner through fractions of :12 2/5, :24, :35 1/5, :47 3/5 and :58 1/5, with gallop-out times of 1:24 3/5 for the seven-eighths and 1:39 1/5 for the mile.

"He worked amazing," trainer Steve Asmussen said. "Time to pick it up with him, and obviously he's very willing. He looked wonderful and cooled out great. He's just fast."

Gun Runner's half-mile split of :47 3/5 was faster than the day's official best-of-93 bullet work of :47.80 and his :58 3/5 easily topped the bullet of 75 workers at five-eighths of :59.20.

"We have a little pending weather coming, and we're most likely going to miss a couple of days," Asmussen said. "I really wanted him to get something out of this, in case the weather lingers around. So we did ask him to pick it up today. I thought he did it nicely. He looked great. If all is perfect, we'll have two more works here before we go to Gulfstream."

Gun Runner is scheduled to fly to Florida Jan. 18.

Charles Fipke's **Seeking the Soul** (Perfect Soul {Ire}), also prepping for the Pegasus at Fair Grounds, worked four furlongs in :48.00 (4/93) Sunday.

"Very good. Sharp. Looked good," trainer Dallas Stewart said of the GI Clark H. winner. "He came back great. He galloped out in a minute and change, so I feel good about it. I just wanted him to be sharp. He's been galloping sharp and I figured the work would be sharp. He's getting there and I'm very happy with him."

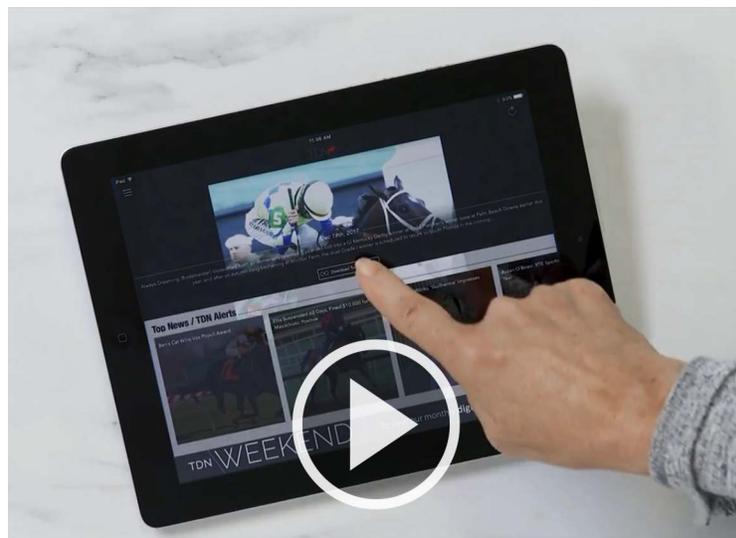
Seeking the Soul is expected to ship to Florida Jan. 24.

The Pegasus gained another contender with TVG's Britney Eurtan reporting Sunday that Tuesday's GII San Antonio S. winner **Giant Expectations** (Frost Giant) will join the line-up.

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FLORIDA

Sunday's Results:

6th-GP, \$52,000, (S), Msw, 12-31, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:37.38, fm.

NORMA'S HOT DUDE (f, 2, **First Dude--All County, by Medallist)**

debuted sprinting on the Gulfstream Park West main track Nov. 18, flashing some early speed before fading to sixth. Trying the turf for the first time, the 13-1 longshot broke sharply and rode the rail to the lead heading into first turn. Uncontested on the front end, the bay clocked moderate fractions of :23.88 and :48.47 up the backstretch and was still in hand around the far turn. Norma's Hot Dude held firm down the stretch, holding off the late bid of So Fresh (Candy Ride {Arg}) to graduate by 1 1/2 lengths. All County has a yearling filly by Capo Bastone. Sales history: \$13,500 Wlg '15 OBSOCT; \$16,000 RNA Ylg '16 OBSWIN. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$31,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-J P D Stables LLC; B-GT Farm LLC, George & Tania Heatherly & Heather Ruebel-Duggan (FL); T-Marcial Navarro.

Winning with Woodford

11th-GP, \$51,000, Msw, 12-31, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.49, fm.

SOURDOUGH (c, 2, **Point of Entry--Cheechako {SP, \$106,010}, by Invasor {Arg}),**

fourth on debut at Churchill Sept. 23, was a narrowly beaten runner-up at Keeneland Oct. 22 and stretched out to a mile for a third-place effort in Louisville Nov. 19. Making his first turf appearance, the bay colt took the field through fractions of :24.68 and :49.93 and had plenty left in the tank down the lane, rolling to a three-length triumph as the 8-5 favorite. Causeur (Giant's Causeway) was second. This is the 11th winner for his Sourdough's freshman sire (by Dynaformer). Cheechako, a stakes-placed Whitney homebred and half-sister to GSP Bird Maker (Empire Maker), produced a colt by First Defence in 2016 and a colt by Graydar this year before being bred back to Tapizar. Her dam Bird Harbor, a winner of two of six starts in the Whitney colors in 2004 and 2005, produced a filly by Liam's Map this year and was bred back to Empire Maker.

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O/B-Marylou Whitney Stables LLC (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes.

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EASTERN U.S.

Gonzalez, Toledo Tops in Maryland:

Claudio Gonzalez and Jevian Toledo, who took top honors at Laurel Park's recently concluded fall meet, were the leading trainer and jockey, respectively, in Maryland during 2017.

Gonzalez finished 2017 as Maryland's overall leading trainer with 84 victories, capping the calendar year with three consecutive winners. He dethroned Kieron Magee, Maryland's leading trainer in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Gonzalez won four stakes during the fall meet, highlighted by the GIII Frank J. De Francis Memorial Dash Sept. 16 with Chublicious.

"I'm very happy because it's not easy here," Gonzalez said. "There are a lot of good trainers with a lot of experience. My people, my employees, are the key because I have a very good group. They work together. The owners bring better horses and we're claiming for more money and that makes a difference. They understand, anything we put in for the right price has a chance to win. I want to continue to win races and continue to work hard. If you're working hard, everything comes to you."

The fall meet was Toledo's fourth Maryland title. The 23-year-old, represented by agent Marty Leonard, had 144 wins in 2017.

"First of all I have to thank God. Without him we cannot do anything," Toledo said. "I have to thank all the owners and trainers for the opportunities. The exercise riders and the grooms who do a good job with the horses. My agent has done a great job. I had really good support this year, and every single year all the trainers and owners here help me a lot. Thank God we had the title again this year. It's pretty nice."

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Ippodamia's Girl (Stormy Atlantic) holds on late to score the Blue Norther S. Sunday at Santa Anita

CENTRAL U.S.

Sunday's Results:

LOUISIANA FUTURITY, \$95,230, FG, 12-31, (S), 2yo, f, 6f, 1:12.17, ft.

1--IONA STAR, 122, f, 2, by Star Guitar

1st Dam: Miss Peenyata, by Mr. Greeley

2nd Dam: Our New Empire, by Empire Maker

3rd Dam: Fara's Team, by Tunerup

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Brittlyn Stables, Inc. (LA); T-Justin Jeansonne; J-Diego Saenz. \$57,138. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$79,578.

2--Feisty Embrace, 122, f, 2, Brethren--Appalachianna, by Langfuhr. (\$4,700 RNA Ylg '16 OBSWIN). O/B-Matalona Thoroughbreds, LLC (LA); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr.. \$19,046.

3--Cool Spring, 122, f, 2, Concord Point--Thistle Bear, by Gators N Bears. O/B-Tigertail Ranch (LA); T-Danny Pish. \$10,475.

Margins: 4, 3/4, HF. Odds: 6.10, 5.30, 27.90.

Also Ran: Champagne Diva, Girls Life, Bionic Butterfly.

Scratched: Minit to Stardom.

Iona Star, narrowly-beaten second for a \$20,000 tag over the turf at Retama Sept. 16, bolted on the turn at that same level Oct. 27 over a muddy Delta Downs strip. She graduated with a front-running score versus state-bred foes at Delta Downs Nov. 21.

Iona Star broke on top from her rail draw and dashed to the early lead, clocking the first quarter in :22.78. She began to feel the challenge of Feisty Embrace to her outside around the far turn before opening up her lead inside the quarter pole and never looking back for her second straight victory.

Iona Star's third dam is MGISW Fara's Team (Tunerup) who also produced GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Concern (Broad Brush). [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)



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4th-FG, \$40,000, Alw, 12-31, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2ft, 1:03.07, gd.

RESTLESS RAMBLER (g, 4, Ghostzapper--Restless Song, by Songandaprayer) has hit the in all, but one of his 13 previous starts this year, including three straight victories at Indiana Grand and most recently at Fair Grounds Dec. 1. In his usual fashion, the 6-5 favorite quickly went out to the front and opened up a clear lead through an opening quarter of :22.11. He rode the rail around the far turn before getting passed by Belgian (Candy Ride {Arg}) inside the quarter pole. Restless Rambler battled back and made up four lengths in the final furlong to prevail by a nose. The winner's dam has a juvenile filly named Nonhelma (Majestic Warrior), a yearling filly named Edison's Light (Bellamy Road) and a weanling colt by Trappe Shot. Sales history: \$87,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 21-12-3-3, \$151,400. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#) O-L. T. B., Inc. & Miles Childers; B-Rosemont Farm LLC (KY); T-Bernard S. Flint.



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8th-FG, \$38,000, Msw, 12-31, 2yo, f, 5 1/2ft, 1:04.82, gd.

SMOKIN HOT MOMMA (f, 2, Midshipman--Gold Bowl, by Seeking the Gold), ran ninth at first asking after contesting the early pace beneath the Twin Spires June 24. The chestnut posted a five-panel breeze over the main track here in 1:02 (30/56) on Christmas Eve and entered the starting gate on New Year's Eve sans blinkers. One of the quickest away, the 20-1 shot pressed the pace in second from her wide draw through a quarter in :22.64 in this turf bow. Cornering three deep, she snatched the advantage through a half in :46.69 and, although shortening stride late, held off the rallying Drift Away (Congrats) by a length. The last reported foal of her dam, who is a full-sister to SP Japanese runner Midas Touch (Jpn) (Seeking the Gold), Smokin Hot Momma's third dam is the dual Grade III heroine Shires Ende (El Prado {Ire}), who placed second in the 1998 GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup S. Sales history: \$35,000 Ylg '16 OBSAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$23,033. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#) O-Knollwood Stables; B-Zeke Kobak (KY); T-Conor Murphy.

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Saturday Night's Results:

7th-DED, \$35,400, Alw, 12-30, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 7 1/2f, 1:34.54, gd.

BIRD ORR BRADY (g, 3, Kantharos--Gracious Assault, by Glitterman) graduated on his third attempt over the main track at Santa Anita May 28 before finishing ninth in his inaugural turf try there June 30. Switching from Doug O'Neill's barn to Brad Cox, the 3-5 favorite went straight to the front heading into the

first turn. The \$550,000 OBS March purchase set easy fractions of :23.48 and :48.27 up the backstretch before opening his advantage with every stride around the far turn. Bird Orr Brady was never asked for his best as he romped home by seven lengths. Red Wined Up (Redding Colliery) rallied for second. Sales history: \$14,000 RNA Wlg '14 OBSOCT; \$30,000 Ylg '15 OBSAUG. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$59,625. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sol Kumin, John J. Cronin, William Strauss & Al Gold; B-Christy Whitman (FL); T-Brad H. Cox.

Joe Kristufek Named Fair Grounds Racing Analyst:

Joe Kristufek has been named the new racing analyst and paddock host for the Fair Grounds meet. The Chicago native is the lead racing analyst for Churchill Downs and he also serves as the racing analyst at Ellis Park and Kentucky Downs, for whom he makes the morning-line odds. Kristufek also works on the Breeders' Cup World Thoroughbred Championships' simulcast team and as a fan development specialist for America's Best Racing.

"I'm thankful for this opportunity and can't wait to get started," Kristufek said. "I'm very familiar with the jockeys, trainers and horses that compete at Fair Grounds on a daily basis and I am looking forward to offering valuable insight. One of my favorite parts of being the racing analyst at Churchill Downs is scouting prospects for the GI Kentucky Derby and Oaks, and Fair Grounds' exceptional 3-year-old program feeds right into those premier races."

CALIFORNIA

Sunday's Results:

BLUE NORTHER S., \$85,320, SA, 12-31, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:35.93, fm.

1--**IPPODAMIA'S GIRL, 120, f, 2, by Stormy Atlantic**

1st Dam: Ippodamia (SW, \$79,593), by Peterhof

2nd Dam: Timely Bet, by Just the Time

3rd Dam: Missa Bet, by Captain Courageous

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-George & Martha Schwary Racing LLC; B-George Schwary (KY); T-Mike Puype; J-Rafael Bejarano. \$46,980. Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$96,525. *1/2 to Georgie Boy (Tribal Rule), GISW, \$788,634.

2--**One Fast Broad, 124, f, 2, Decarchy--Awesome Broad, by Mr. Broad Blade.** O-Ruis Racing LLC; B-Richard Allen Kritzski, AGR Racing (CA); T-Mick Ruis. \$20,160.

3--**Silken Spy, 120, f, 2, The Factor--Despite Her Form, by Speightstown.** (\$37,000 RNA Ylg '16 KESEP). O-R-Cher Family Farms LLC & Eric Kruljac, J.; B-R-Cher Family Farms, LLC. (KY); T-J. Eric Kruljac. \$9,396.

Margins: HF, HF, 2 1/4. Odds: 4.30, 2.30, 12.10.

Also Ran: Finess Bere (Fr), Streak of Luck, X S Gold, Multiplayer, Retro, Holy Diver, Deep Breath (Ire), Empress of Lov. Scratched: Mraseel (Ire), Treasuring (GB).

Ippodamia's Girl finished second in her grassy debut at Ellis Park for William Bradley before switching to the barn of Mike Puype. She made one start on the main track prior to moving back to the turf and just missed by a half-length Oct. 21 at Santa Anita. Last time out, the homebred graduated in her fourth attempt at Del Mar Nov. 25.

Ippodamia's Girl broke sharply and settled just to the outside of pacesetter Silken Spy heading into the clubhouse turn. Those two went in tandem down the backside and around the far turn. Ippodamia's Girl hit the front just outside the eighth pole and had to hold off One Fast Broad, who stormed from last down the center of the track, for her first victory against winners.

This is the second stakes winner out of Ippodamia. The first was 2007 GI Del Mar Futurity victor Georgie Boy (Tribal Rule), who also carried the Schwary colors. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



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8th-SA, \$59,383, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 12-31, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.92, ft.

BOBBY ABU DHABI (c, 3, Macho Uno--Wadena, by Saint Ballado), another refugee from the San Luis Rey fires, gave trainer Peter Miller his third win on the Santa Anita card Sunday. Second in the San Pedro S. in April, the chestnut colt was making his first start since finishing fourth in the Chick Lang S. at Pimlico May 20. Sent off at 9-2, Bobby Abu Dhbai chased the pace while four wide down the backstretch behind fractions of :21.81 and :44.52. He reeled in the pacesetters on the turn and put away pacesetting Aristocratic (Malibu Moon) with a furlong to run en route to a 1 3/4-length victory. Wadena produced a colt by



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Flatter in 2016. With no reported foal in 2017, she was bred back to Macho Uno this past spring. Her yearling sold for \$270,000 at this year's Keeneland September sale. Sales history: \$85,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$335,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: SP, 6-3-1-0, \$145,100. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Rockingham Ranch; B-T/C Stable, LLC (KY); T-Peter Miller.

3rd-SA, \$59,069, Alw, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 12-31, 3yo/up, 6 1/2ft, 1:12.68, fm.

TRISTAN'S TRILOGY (g, 4, Scat Daddy--Deadly Diva, by Unbridled's Song), who broke his maiden over this course and trip last April before a runner-up effort in the Singletary S., was most recently eighth going one mile over the Del Mar lawn Nov. 25. Part of the Peter Miller barn displaced by the fires at San Luis Rey, the gray gelding was sent off at 5-1. He stalked the pacesetters before forging into contention at midstretch and just got his nose in front of pacesetting Incensed (Pollard's Vision) on the wire with Skelton Pass (Temple City) a neck back in third. Sales history: \$160,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$530,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: SP, 16-2-3-1, \$119,275.

O-Rockingham Ranch; B-Mikhail Yanakov (KY); T-Peter Miller.

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7th-SA, \$56,070, (S), Msw, 12-31, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:12.11, ft.
TRIBAL DANCE (f, 2, Tribal Rule--Last Dance for Me, by General Meeting) reported home fifth after a wide trip in similar company over the turf course here Oct. 29 and was sent off at 15-1 in this maiden voyage over the main track. Flashing good early speed, Tyler Connor eased the chestnut back to fifth as the field approached the lone bend. Making a four-wide move turning into the lane, Tribal Dance cruised clear to win by 1 1/2 lengths over Judicial (Tribal Rule). Out of a half-sister to MSW & MGSP Valentine Dancer (In Excess {Ire}), Tribal Dance has a yearling half-brother named General Mo (Uncle Mo), and her dam was covered by Tiznow this spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$33,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 O/B-Al & Sandra S. Kirkwood (KY); T-Mark Glatt.

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Daritai, c, 2, Dublin--Desafinado, by Pulpit, Naples, 11-15, Hcp., 2000mT. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$23,588. O-Scuderia Fert; B-Anstu Farm (NY); T-Gianluca Verricelli. *\$1,200 Ylg '16 KEEJAN; \$13,000 Ylg '16 OBSAUG.

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Big Riot, c, 2, Flatter--Ms. Lydonia (MSW & GSP, \$326,937), by Labeeb (GB). Rome, 12-9, Hcp., 1400m (AWT). Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$6,863. O-Blue Castle Stable; B-Carson Springs Farm(FL); T-Agostino Affe`. *\$7,500 Ylg '16 OBSAUG.

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Freedom Day, c, 2, Spring at Last--Queen of the Rings, by Empire Maker. Rome, 11-28, Hcp., 2200m (AWT). Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-4, \$35,139. O-Scuderia dell'Avvocato; B-J. C. Davis Farm Inc. & P. Costello (KY); T-Luigi Di Dio. *\$6,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

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Freedom Day, c, 2, Spring at Last--Queen Of The Rings, by Empire Maker. Rome, 12-27, Hcp., Tierce`, 2250mT. Lifetime Record: 16-4-3-4, \$51,259. O-Scuderia dell'Avvocato; B-J. C. Davis Farm Inc. & P. Costello (KY); T-Luigi Di Dio. *\$6,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

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Stone Skipping, c, 3, Bustin Stones--Mick's Doll by Mojave Moon. Rome, 12-23, Hcp., 1200m (AWT). Lifetime Record 11-4-3-1, \$26,377. O-Scuderia Svetlana; B-Mojo Stables Inc

(NY); T-Ivano Bugatell. *\$1,300 Wlg '14 FTNOCT.



Lucky Concy, f, 4, Sightseeing--American Heiress (SW), by QuietAmerican. Rome, 11-14 Hcp., 2200m (AWT). Lifetime Record:22-5-3-6, \$46,213. O-Blue Castle Stable; B-Richland Hills (KY); T-Agostino Affe`. *\$7,500 '13 Wlg KEENOV; \$ 6,500 Ylg '14 OBSAUG.



FIRST & SECOND-CROP RUNNERS

First-crop starters to watch: Monday, January 1

Farm and fee represent current information

Alternation (Distorted Humor), Pin Oak Stud, \$7,500
80 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
6-SA, Msw 6f, ALTERNATE RHYTHM, 12-1
\$14,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$75,000 OBS APR 2yo

Brethren (Distorted Humor), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$6,000
37 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
7-AQU, \$150K Jerome S., 1m, OLD TIME REVIVAL, 10-1

Champ Pegasus (Fusaichi Pegasus), Barton Thoroughbreds, \$3,500
59 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
7-GG, Msw 5 1/2f, PEGATOR, 20-1
4-SA, Msw 6 1/2f, UNUSUAL CHAMP, 30-1
\$2,000 BAR OCT yrl

El Padrino (Pulpit), Northview PA, \$5,000
53 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
6-LRL, Aoc 6f, FRECHETTE, 7-2
\$24,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl

Emcee (Unbridled's Song), Sequel Stallions New York, \$7,500
32 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
2-AQU, Msw 1m, ANNE'S SONG, 12-1
\$16,000 FTN MIX yrl

Fast Bullet (Speightstown), WinStar Farm, \$7,500
32 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
7-AQU, \$150K Jerome S., 1m, REGALIAN, 15-1
\$42,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

Flat Out (Flatter), Spendthrift Farm, \$10,000
104 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner
8-FG, Aoc 1mT, DEADLINE, 6-1
\$16,000 KEE JAN yrl; \$75,000 FTK JUL yrl

Graydar (Unbridled's Song), Taylor Made Stallions, \$15,000
100 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
6-SA, Msw 6f, THE ITALIAN, 20-1
\$15,000 FTK FEB yrl; \$18,000 KEE SEP yrl
6-SA, Msw 6f, LOMBO, 20-1
\$110,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$40,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$75,000 OBS MAR 2yo
6-LRL, Aoc 6f, NUMBER THE STARS, 6-1
\$75,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl

Hunters Bay (Ghostzapper), Adena Springs North, \$6,000
16 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
5-LRL, Msw 1m, BRUSHING, 6-1
\$60,000 EAS OCT yrl

Jimmy Creed (Distorted Humor), Spendthrift Farm, \$12,500
93 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners
4-TP, Msw 1m, LADY CREED, 15-1
\$1,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Morning Line (Tiznow), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000
72 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner
7-AQU, \$150K Jerome S., 1m, SEVEN TRUMPETS, 4-1
\$45,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$205,000 OBS APR 2yo

Oxbow (Awesome Again), Calumet Farm, \$20,000
76 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
5-LRL, Msw 1m, POCO DEL SOL, 5-1
\$85,000 KEE NOV wnl

Paynter (Awesome Again), WinStar Farm, \$25,000
95 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner
4-TP, Msw 1m, DON'T TELL LYDIA, 5-1
\$5,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$8,000 E '17 KEE JAN
5-LRL, Msw 1m, MIMINEGASH, 10-1

Poseidon's Warrior (Speightstown), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$6,500
51 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner
7-AQU, \$150K Jerome S., 1m, FIRENZE FIRE, 1-1

Rattlesnake Bridge (Tapit), Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds LLC, \$7,500
46 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners

6-LRL, Aoc 6f, LIVE LARGE, 6-1
\$8,500 OBS AUG yrl; \$85,000 OBS APR 2yo

Shanghai Bobby (Harlan's Holiday), Ashford Stud, \$20,000
115 foals of racing age/15 winners/3 black-type winners
6-SA, Msw 6f, SHANGHAI BILLY, 3-1
\$32,000 RNA KEE JAN yrl; \$50,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$55,000 BAR MAR
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Take Charge Indy (A.P. Indy), Kor, \$20,000
103 foals of racing age/24 winners/2 black-type winners
2-AQU, Msw 1m, JURERE, 4-1
\$20,000 FTK FEB yrl
2-AQU, Msw 1m, SPLIT TIME, 4-5
\$62,000 SAR AUG yrl

Trinniberg (Teuflesberg), Rockridge Stud, \$7,500
11 foals of racing age/1 winner/1 black-type winner
2-AQU, Msw 1m, FOREVER DREAMS, 6-1
\$10,000 FTN MIX wnl

Violence (Medaglia d'Oro), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$15,000
126 foals of racing age/32 winners/4 black-type winners
6-LRL, Aoc 6f, OH HECK YEAH, 8-1
\$3,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$15,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Second-crop starters to watch: Monday, January 1
Farm and fee represent current information

Caleb's Posse (Posse), Three Chimneys Farm, \$10,000
72 foals of racing age/32 winners/1 black-type winner
3-GP, \$75K Abundantia S., 5fT, GIRLS KNOW BEST, 12-1

Dialed In (Mineshaft), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500
174 foals of racing age/58 winners/7 black-type winners
3-GP, \$75K Abundantia S., 5fT, ATTYIA, 9-2
\$140,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$200,000 OBS APR 2yo

Skipshot (Skip Away), Considine Farm, unknown
29 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner
4-FG, Msw 1mT, APRECIADO, 12-1

To Honor and Serve (Bernardini), Gainesway Farm, \$20,000
173 foals of racing age/69 winners/1 black-type winner
7-AQU, \$150K Jerome S., 1m, HONOR UP, 6-1
\$65,000 SAR AUG yrl

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STAKES RESULTS:

LOUISIANA FUTURITY, \$101,330, FG, 12-31, (S), 2yo, c/g, 6f,
1:11.11, ft.

**1--POUND FOR POUND, 122, c, 2, by Redding Colliery--
Buttercup's Song, by Unbridled's Song. (\$5,000 Ylg '16
ESLYRL). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Israel Flores Horses LLC;
B-J. Adcock & B&B Bloodstock (LA); T-Jose Grimaldo; J-Miguel
Mena. \$60,798. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-1, \$123,798. *1/2 to
Flatlined (Flatter), GSW, \$468,547.

2--Givemeaminit, 122, c, 2, Star Guitar--Powerful Nation, by
Turkoman. (\$20,000 RNA Ylg '16 ESLYRL). O-Valene Farms LLC;
B-Clear Creek Stud LLC (LA); T-Dallas Stewart. \$20,266.

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3--Greeley Went West, 122, g, 2, El Corredor--So Well Read, by
Read the Footnotes. (\$15,000 Ylg '16 ESLYRL). O-Phyllis Hodges
& Randy Schiender; B-Tom Curtis & Wayne Simpson (LA);
T-James E. Hodges. \$11,146.

Margins: NK, 3, 2 3/4. Odds: 21.90, 0.90, 5.70.

FOUR RIVERS JOHN DEERE S., (NB) \$85,000, SUN, 12-31, (S),
2yo, 6f, 1:09.46, ft.

**1--BLAZING NAVARONE, 120, g, 2, by Song of Navarone--
Carmen's Delight, by Carmen's Glory**
O-George E. Coleman & Henry E. Dominguez; B-Lucky Six Inc.
(NM); T-Henry Dominguez; J-Enrique Portillo Gomez. \$51,000.
Lifetime Record: MSP, 7-3-2-1, \$117,226.

2--Del Mar Summer, 120, g, 2, Southwestern Heat--Del Mar
Holiday, by Sharp Humor. O/B-J. Kirk & Judy Robison (NM);
T-Joel H. Marr. \$17,000.

3--Golden Band, 120, g, 2, Quinton's Gold--Partyband, by
Chimes Band. O/B-Dale Taylor (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher.
\$8,500.

Margins: 3 3/4, 1 1/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 7.80, 3.10, 12.30.

BOLD EGO H., \$65,000, SUN, 12-31, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:02.22,
ft.

**1--KELL PASO, 120, f, 3, Divine Park--Listen to Libby, by Indian
Charlie.**

(\$12,500 Ylg '15 KEESEP). O-William K. Goode; B-Brereton C.
Jones (KY); T-Danny Morales; J-Aldo Arboleda. \$39,000.
Lifetime Record: SW, 9-4-3-0, \$182,943.

2--Diabolical Dame, 123, m, 5, Diabolical--Vipervapor, by Devon
Lane. (\$25,000 Ylg '13 RUI MIX). O-Joe Dee Brooks, Scott Bryant
& Derrol Hubbard; B-Fred Alexander, Todd Fincher & Brad King
(NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$13,000.

3--**Tilla Cat**, 121, f, 4, Attila's Storm--Charlotte's Drone, by B. G.'s Drone. O-Dale Taylor, Lee R. Lewis, Joe Dee Brooks, Scott Bryant & Derrol Hubbard; B-Robert Driggers & Del Rae Driggers (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$6,500.
Margins: 1, 1HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 5.60, 2.40, 3.80.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

1st-SA, \$69,317, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 12-31, 3yo/up, 6 1/2fT, 1:12.37, fm.

FLY TO MARS (g, 3, Ministers Wild Cat--Warren's Flyer {MSP, \$134,730}, by Doc Gus) Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-1, \$108,168. O/B-Gary Barber (CA); T-Peter Miller.

10th-GP, \$60,000, 12-31, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.84, ft.

FLEMISH CAP (g, 3, Graeme Hall--Cotton Bay Close, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 16-5-3-1, \$139,540. O-Tim E. O'Donohue Racing Stables LLC; B-Karen A Gilliam (FL); T-J. David Braddy. *\$24,000 Ylg '15 OBSWIN.

9th-GP, \$54,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 12-31, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:40.71, fm.

TASIT (g, 4, Tapit--Fantasia {GB} {GSW-US & Eng & GISP-Fr, \$724,401}, by Sadler's Wells) Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-2, \$122,625. O-Augustin Stable; B-George Strawbridge, Jr. (PA); T-Michael R. Matz.

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5th-FG, \$43,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$17,500), 12-31, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:44.90, ft.

WICKED LICK (f, 3, Maclean's Music--Here Music, by Dehere) Lifetime Record: GSP,14-2-6-0, \$220,652. O/B-Lee P. Mauberret (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh.

9th-DED, \$40,030, 12-30, (C), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:20.08, gd.

BELLARMINE (g, 7, Magna Graduate--Aly Capri, by Alydar) Lifetime Record: 56-10-8-8, \$411,988. O/T-Karl Broberg; B-John W Phillips (KY). *\$25,000 Wlg '10 KEENOV; \$40,000 Ylg '11 FTKJUL. *1/2 to Aly's Alley (Alwuhush), GSW & MGISP, \$902,210.

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2nd-DED, \$40,000, (S), 12-30, (NW2L), 2yo, 5f, :59.77, gd.

I WANT A PICTURE (g, 2, Redding Colliery--Bond's Babe, by Johannesburg) Lifetime Record: SP, 8-2-2-1, \$59,620. O/T-Brent Delahoussaye; B-J. Adcock & Hume Wornall (LA). *\$3,000 Ylg '16 FTKOCT; \$40,000 2yo '17 TTAAPR.

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8th-GG, \$34,155, 12-31, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.68, ft.
SUNSET DRAGUNN (g, 3, Bold Chieftain--Luke's Finest, by Indian Charlie) Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-2, \$80,131. O-Heriberto Gomez & Alvaro & Silvia Gonzalez; B-Lorrie Anthony-Wanger & Oliver W. Wanger (CA); T-Tirso Rivera.

8th-GG, \$31,590, 12-30, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:09.93, ft.

PASSIONATE EMOTION (f, 4, Wilburn--Lyrical Star, by Five Star Day) Lifetime Record: 12-5-1-1, \$78,775. O-Scott Herbertson; B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY); T-Ari Herbertson. *\$3,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$47,000 2yo '15 BARMAY.

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7th-TAM, \$22,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 12-31, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.80, ft.

NICK THE CARDSHARK (c, 3, Backtalk--Fiesta d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro) Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-0, \$78,750. O-Happy Tenth Stable; B-Belvedere Farm (FL); T-Tony Wilson. *\$17,000 Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$19,000 RNA 2yo '16 EASMAY; \$19,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSOPN.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Wildcat Harrison, c, 2, **Power Broker**--Lambeth Walk, by Silver Deputy. DED, 12-30, (S), 5f, 1:00.60. B-Jack William Duke & Farfar Away Farm (LA). *\$10,000 RNA Ylg '16 ESLYRL. **1ST-TIME STARTER. ***16th winner for freshman sire (by Pulpit

Arch Daddy, g, 4, **Arch**--African Jade, by Seeking the Gold. GP, 12-31, 1 1/16mT, 1:40.63. B-Clearsky Farms (KY). *\$175,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$290,000 RNA 2yo '15 OBSOPN. **1/2 to Lord Nelson (Pulpit), MGISW, \$958,271.

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Christiana's Song, f, 4, **Thorn Song**--Christiana's Heat (SW & GSP, \$332,332), by Unusual Heat. GG, 12-31, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.71. B-Albert & Kathleen Mattivi, LLC (CA).



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SEA THE STARS CONTINUES HIS UPWARD TRAJECTORY



Sea The Stars | The Aga Khan Studs

by John Berry

Galileo (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) remains in a league of his own as regards siring stakes winners in Europe. During 2017 he became champion sire of Great Britain and Ireland for the ninth (and eighth consecutive) time. While nothing is certain, the 2001 Derby winner looks perfectly placed to equal and then probably pass his father's tally of 13 sires' championships. He is arguably an even more complete stallion than his father. As such, he is a tribute to both of his parents, his dam Urban Sea (Miswaki) clearly having put plenty of her influence into him too. If there were any doubt as to her influence, her merit is made crystal-clear by the fact that she is also dam of one of the very few stallions who can be considered a legitimate challenger for championship honours: 2009 Derby winner **Sea The Stars (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}).

Urban Sea was fully entitled to be a stellar broodmare, having won the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and coming from a family whose subsequent stars have included 2000 G1 2000 Guineas hero King's Best (Kingmambo) and 2001 G1 Prix du Jockey-Club winner Anabaa Blue (GB) (Anabaa). Even so, the start which she made at stud was sensational. Her first foal Urban Ocean (Fr) (Bering {GB}) won the G3 Gallinule S. as a 3-year-old. Her second foal Melikah (Ire) (Lammtarra) was placed in the G1 Oaks.

And Galileo was her third, establishing himself as a champion with a quickfire Group 1 hat-trick in the summer of 2001 courtesy of superb victories in the Derby, Irish Derby and King George and Queen Elizabeth S. Next came Galileo's full-brother Black Sam Bellamy (Ire) who won two Group 1 races headed by the 2003 Tattersalls Gold Cup at The Curragh. Further top-level success came when her daughter My Typhoon (Ire) (Giant's Causeway) took the G1 Diana S. at Saratoga as a 5-year-old in 2007. Even so (and with due respect to Galileo) one could say that the best was yet to come.

Urban Sea was aged 17 when Sea The Stars was born in April 2006. Previously, the Tsui family had only raced one of the foals whom they had bred from Urban Sea (her first one, Urban Ocean), but Sea The Stars too was retained to run in their yellow and purple silks (which are similar but not identical to the livery in which Urban Sea, owned by the late David Tsui, had won the 'Arc'). [Cont. p2](#)

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John Oxx was chosen to train him and, while from the outset it seemed likely that this large and imposing colt would be likely only to come into his own at the age of three, it soon became clear that there would be some treats in store at two too. Sea The Stars made his debut in a 2-year-olds' maiden race at The Curragh in July 2008 before ending his campaign two and a half months later with two wins to his name including the G2 Beresford S. over a mile.

Galileo's 3-year-old season had been superb. Sea The Stars' Classic campaign was even better. Oxx sent him out once a month for six consecutive months (May to October). Each time he raced in Group 1 company, and each time he and Mick Kinane came home in front, recording an unprecedented (and possibly never-to-be-repeated) winning sequence: 2000 Guineas, Derby, Eclipse S., Juddmonte International, Irish Champion S. and Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.



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It is fair to say that he would almost certainly have won the Triple Crown had his connections opted to contest the St Leger.

As a big, progressive and seemingly very sound horse, Sea The Stars looked perfectly placed to continue his progress as a 4-year-old and beyond, but his connections opted for the cautious option, arranging for him to retire to the Aga Khan's Giltown Stud in 2013 at a fee of €85,000.

Once Sea The Stars started to have runners, the similarities between him and his most distinguished sibling Galileo continued to impress. Galileo's

first 2-year-olds in 2005 had shown promise before starting to show their true colours as 3-year-olds the following year, most notably with Classic victories courtesy of Nightime (Ire) and Sixties Icon (GB), winners of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 St. Leger, respectively. So it was with Sea The Stars, who began to demonstrate his true powers as a stallion when his first crop were aged three in 2014. **Cont. p3**

	NORTHERN DANCER
SADLER'S WELLS (USA)	FAIRY BRIDGE (USA)
GALILEO (IRE)	MISWAKI (USA)
URBAN SEA (USA)	ALLEGRETTA
STORM BIRD (CAN)	
TERLINGUA (USA)	
RAHY (USA)	
IMMENSE (USA)	

GLENEAGLES (IRE) (2012) A BAY HORSE

YOU'RE SOTHRRILLING (USA) (2005)

MARIAH'S STORM (USA)

GLENEAGLES (IRE) (c. by Galileo), **Champion 2yo colt in Ireland in 2014, Champion 3yo filly in Europe in 2015, won 7 races at 2 and 3 years and €900,862 including Irish 2000 Guineas, Curragh, Gr.1, Goffs Vincent O'Brien National Stakes, Curragh, Gr.1, St James's Palace Stakes, Ascot, Gr.1, 2000 Guineas, Newmarket, Gr.1, Galileo EBF Futurity Stakes, Curragh, Gr.2 and Tyros Stakes, Leopardstown, Gr.3, also placed once at 2 years in France and €33,338 viz third in Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere, Longchamp, Gr.1. Sire.**

1st Dam: **YOU'RE SOTHRRILLING (USA)** (c. by Storm Cat), **won 2 races at 2 years and €109,644 viz Cherry Hinton Stakes, Newmarket, Gr.2 and Naas Sprint Stakes, Naas, Gr.3, placed second in Albany Stakes, Ascot, Gr.3 and Isabel Morris EBF Stakes, Curragh, L., Own sister to GIANT'S CAUSEWAY (USA), Tumblebrutus (USA), Tiger Dance (USA) and Freud (USA); dam of five winners viz-**

GLENEAGLES (IRE) (c. by Galileo), see above.

MARVELLOUS (IRE) (c. by Galileo), **1st 3rd top rated 3yo filly in Europe in 2014, won 7 races at 2 and 3 years and €160,222 including Irish 1000 Guineas, Curragh, Gr.1, HAPPILY (IRE)** (c. by Galileo), **won 4 races at 2 years and €400,906 including Moyglare Stud Stakes, Curragh, Gr.1, Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere, Chantilly, Gr.1, Silver Flash Stakes, Leopardstown, Gr.3, placed in Debutante Stks, Curragh, Gr.2.**

TAJ MAHAL (IRE) (c. by Galileo), **won 2 races at 2 and 3 years and €263,755 including Zipping Classic, Sandown, Gr.2, placed second in Secretariat Stakes, Arlington Park, Gr.1 and third in Killavullan Stakes, Leopardstown, Gr.3.**

COOLMORE (IRE) (c. by Galileo), **won 1 race at 2 years and €66,932 viz C L & M F Weld Park Stakes, Curragh, Gr.3, also placed once at 3 years in U.S.A. and €93,818 viz third in Belmont Oaks Invitational Stakes, Belmont Park, Gr.1.**

2nd Dam: **MARIAH'S STORM (USA)** (c. by Rahy), **won 10 races including Arlington Washington Lassie S., Arlington Int., Gr.2, Furway Park Breeders' Cup H., Turfway Park, Gr.2, Arlington Matron H., Arlington Int., Gr.3, Arlington Heights Oaks, Arlington Int., Gr.3, Falls City H., Churchill Downs, Gr.3, Ak-Sar-Ben Oaks, Ak-Sar-Ben, Gr.3, placed third in Spinster S., Keeneland, Gr.1; dam of eight winners including-**

GIANT'S CAUSEWAY (USA) (c. by Storm Cat), **Champion 3yo in Europe in 2000 (9.5-TU.S.T.), won 9 races at 2 and 3 years including International S., York, Gr.1, Eclipse S., Sandown Park, Gr.1, Irish Champion S., Leopardstown, Gr.1, St James's Palace S., Royal Ascot, Gr.1, Sussex S., Goodwood, Gr.1, Prix de la Salamandre, Longchamp, Gr.1, Futurity S., Curragh, Gr.3, Gladness S., Curragh, Gr.3, placed second in Irish 2000 Guineas, Curragh, Gr.1, Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, Ascot, Gr.1, 2000 Guineas, Newmarket, Gr.1, Breeders' Cup Classic, Churchill Downs, Gr.1; champion sire.**

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Sea The Stars Continues His Upward Trajectory Cont.

He too was represented by two first-crop Classic winners: wide-margin G1 Deutsches Derby hero Sea The Moon (Ger) and G1 Oaks heroine Taghrooda (Ire). The latter followed up in weight-for-age company by taking the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S., while another top-level triumph for the stallion that summer came when Vazira (Ire) won the G1 Prix Saint-Alary.



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Since then, Sea The Stars has continued to consolidate his status as one of the principal rivals to his legendary half-brother Galileo among Europe's ranks of elite Classic sires. It is impossible to overstate the influence which this family is currently having on the results of top-class middle-distance races. (The family, incidentally, has continued to produce high-class runners since Sea The Stars's retirement, most notably Urban Sea's final son Born To Sea (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) finishing second in the G1 Irish Derby, her granddaughter Bracelet (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) winning the G1 Irish Oaks, her granddaughter Wonder Of Wonders (Kingmambo) finishing second in the G1 Oaks and her grandson Masterstroke (Monsun {Ger}) finishing third in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe). The past two years have seen this dominance taken to a startling level.

No pair of races better illustrates the joint influence which the half-brothers Galileo and Sea The Stars is having on Europe's top middle-distance races than the Derby and Irish Derby of 2016. Sea The Stars's son Harzand (Ire), bred and raced by the Aga Khan, landed a heroic victory in the premier Classic, with the placings filled by the Galileo colts US Army Ranger (Ire) and Idaho (Ire). **Cont. p4**

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Three weeks later the two siblings again provided the trifecta in the Irish Derby as Harzand beat Idaho with the Sea The Stars colt Stellar Mass (Ire) finishing third. The previous year, of course, had also seen a son of Sea The Stars featuring in the finish of these two races when Storm The Stars had finished third in the Derby and second in the Irish Derby. That Derby, of course, was won by a colt who rivals Sea The Stars for the honour of being acclaimed as Cape Cross's best son: Golden Horn (GB) who matched Sea The Stars's feat of landing both the Derby and the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in the same season.



Harzand | Racingfotos.com

The 2017 season has again provided us with further illustrations of the joint-dominance of the siblings. Britain's final Classic of the year was the classic example: Galileo sired the winner Capri (Ire) and Sea The Stars was responsible for both of the minor place-getters, Crystal Ocean (GB) and Stradivarius (Ire). The latter, of course, had previously won the G1 Goodwood Cup over two miles. The following month Galileo and Sea The Stars both put their mark on Europe's premier weight-for-age race, Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe: Galileo's son Nathaniel (Ire) sired the winner Enable (GB),

Sea The Stars sired the runner-up Cloth Of Stars (Ire) and Galileo sired third-placed Ulysses (Ire). [Cont. p5](#)



Sea The Stars in his paddock at Gilltown Stud. | [The Aga Khan Studs](#)



Cloth of Stars | Scoop Dyga

Sea The Stars Continues His Upward Trajectory Cont.

Earlier in the year Cloth Of Stars had won the G1 Prix Ganay over 2100m plus the G2 Prix d'Harcourt and the G3 Prix Exbury over 2000m. (His Prix d'Harcourt victory, incidentally, was yet another example of Sea The Stars and Galileo combining to sweep the board in a feature race when another son of Sea The Stars, Mekhtaal (GB), finished second with the Galileo 4-year-old Maniaco (GB) third). Next time out Mekhtaal, winner of the previous season's G2 Prix Hocquart over 2000m, became the second of Sea The Stars's three Group 1 winners of 2017 by taking the G1 Prix d'Ispahan over 1800m.

It is fairly easy to typecast the typical son or daughter of Sea The Stars. His stock generally don't start to display their true merit until the age of three, and generally show their best form beyond a mile. They also tend, like their father, to be very good-looking. During the past year the exception who has proved the rule about Sea The Stars's stock excelling at distances beyond a mile has been Mutakayyef, who enjoyed a rewarding campaign at the age of six, winning the G2 Summer Mile S. at Ascot after chasing home Ribchester (Ire) (If fraaj {GB}) in the G1 Queen Anne S. up the straight mile at Royal Ascot. More typical of Sea The Stars's stock were the likes of Armande (Ire), Endless Time (Ire), Chemical Charge (Ire) and the aforementioned Crystal Ocean who all won Pattern races during 2017 at distances beyond 10 furlongs.

The upshot of the collective efforts of these horses is that Sea The Stars has **ended 2017 in fifth place on the TDN's table of European-based sires ranked on total European and North American earnings**, behind only Galileo (Ire) (of course!), Dubawi (Ire), Dark Angel (Ire) and Nathaniel (Ire). Sea The Stars remains very popular with breeders aiming to produce Classic runners at his current career-high fee of €135,000.

It is fair to assume that the future will see him consolidating his place among Europe's elite--which is exactly what one would expect of a horse with his pedigree, class, beauty, and proven physical and mental aptitude for regular and successful racing in the highest class. It is not unrealistic to suggest that one day he might become the second Champion Sire of Great Britain and Ireland produced by the mighty Urban Sea.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Furzig (GB), g, 2, **Monsieur Bond (Ire)**--Princess Cocoa (Ire), by Desert Sun (GB). LIN, 12-31, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:24.91. B-Mr & Mrs P Ashton (GB).



Furzig gave trainer Richard Fahey his 200th winner for the year at Lingfield on New Year's Eve. "It's grand," said Fahey. "We missed it last year by two. It's just nice to get it." | [Racingfotos.com](#)

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN UNITED STATES:

Midnight Crossing (Ire), f, 4, **Dark Angel (Ire)**--Line Ahead (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. Santa Anita Park, 12-30, Gill Robert J. Frankel S. (\$100,345), 1 1/8mT, 1:48.10. B-Tom & Geraldine Molan (Ire).

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"She is expected to have an operation next week," said O'Dea to *racenet.com.au*. "It is bad luck, but I suppose that is 2-year-old racing. The tracks have been very hard. I expect she will come back a good horse again."

Epaulette (Commands {Aus}) has sired 23 winners from his first Northern Hemisphere 2-year-olds and his daughter **Meryl (Aus)**, his first black-type winner, will represent him in the Magic Millions Classic following her victory in the G3 Magic Millions B.J. McLachlan S. at Doomben on Saturday.

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	Futurity S.	Caulfield
	Oakleigh Plate	Caulfield
Mar. 3	Chipping Norton S.	Warwick Farm
	Surround S.	Warwick Farm
Mar. 10	Australian Guineas	Flemington
	Randwick Guineas	Randwick
	Canterbury S.	Randwick
	Australian Cup	Flemington
Mar. 17	Newmarket H.	Flemington
Mar. 17	Coolmore Classic	Rosehill
Mar. 23	William Reid S.	Moonee Valley
Mar. 24	Golden Slipper S.	Rosehill
	George Ryder S.	Rosehill
	Ranvet S.	Rosehill
	The Galaxy	Rosehill
	Rosehill Guineas	Rosehill
Mar. 31	The BMW	Rosehill
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SISTEMA RAILWAY S.-G1, NZ\$200,000 (£105,147/€118,335/A\$181,696/US\$141,979), 3yo/up, 1200mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	4	Start Wondering (NZ)	Eighth Wonder (NZ)	E & J J Rayner	Parkes	130
2	7	Packing Eagle (NZ)	Pins (Aus)	Da Cruz	Thornton	123
3	5	Fully Funded (NZ)	Fully Fledged (NZ)	Surgenor	Spratt	122
4	6	Speech Craft (Aus)	Oratorio (Ire)	Riddell	Myers	122
5	11	Ferrando (NZ)	Fast 'N' Famous (Aus)	G & D Rogerson	Cameron	122
6	1	Sweet Leader (NZ)	O'Reilly (NZ)	O'Sullivan/Scott	Innes	122
7	15	Sacred Star (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Pike	Colgan	121
8	8	Irish Moon (NZ)	O'Reilly (NZ)	K & B Kelso	D Johnson	121
9	9	Heroic Valour (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Autridge/Richards	R Bayliss	121
10	10	Go Nicholas (NZ)	Danroad (Aus)	Hale	Du Plessis	121
11	12	Volpe Veloce (Aus)	Foxwedge (Aus)	Richardson/Parker	J Bayliss	119
12	13	Volks Lightning (NZ)	Volksraad (GB)	G & D Rogerson	C Johnson	117
13	14	Somethingvain (NZ)	Falkirk (NZ)	M, M F & M L Rogers	Lammas	117
14	2	Melody Belle (NZ)	Commands (Aus)	Autridge/Richards	McNab	117
Reserves						
15	3	Ja Ja Binks (NZ)	Falkirk (NZ)	E-L & David Browne	Collett	117

Monday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 5:10 p.m. (4:10 a.m. EST/9:10 a.m. BST)

CHINESE CLUB CHALLENGE CUP H.-G3, HK\$3,000,000 (£284,068/€319,692/A\$491,712/US\$383,986), 3yo/up, 1400mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	5	Helene Paragon (Fr)	Polan (Fr)	Moore	Berry	133
2	7	Beauty Only (Ire)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	A Cruz	Purton	132
3	11	Contentment (Aus)	Hussonet	Size	Prebble	131
4	10	Peniaphobia (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	A Cruz	Rawiller	128
5	9	Lucky Year (Aus)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Shum	Badel	123
6	1	Giant Treasure	Mizzen Mast	A Cruz	Boudot	122
7	8	Dashing Fellow (Aus)	Duport (Aus)	Moore	Clipperton	121
8	3	Winner's Way (Aus)	Starcraft (NZ)	A Cruz	Chadwick	117
9	12	Dundonnell	First Defence	Lor	Schofield	116
10	2	Beat the Clock (Aus)	Hinchinbrook (Aus)	Size	Moreira	115
11	4	Southern Legend (Aus)	Not a Single Doubt (Aus)	Fownes	Rispoli	115
12	6	Fifty Fifty (NZ)	Thorn Park (Aus)	Ho	Teetan	113

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