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CHURCHILL ICON JOHN ASHER PASSES AWAY



John Asher | Coady photo

John Asher, widely considered the face of Churchill Downs and the GI Kentucky Derby through his roles as the track's vice president of racing communications, passed away Monday morning after suffering a heart attack while on vacation with his family in Florida. The iconic and beloved spokesman was 62 years old.

Asher joined Churchill Downs in January 1997 and had served in his communications role since March 1999.

"To say that racing has lost one of its giants with the passing of John Asher does not begin to capture the impact this man has had and will continue to have on the Churchill Downs family," said Kevin Flanery, President of Churchill Downs Racetrack. "His passion for the Kentucky Derby, horse racing, his WKU Hilltoppers, great music, and above all else his loving family was genuine and infectious. Racing has lost an icon. I, and many others, have lost a kind and generous friend. We will miss John's laugh, his unmistakable voice, and his unique storytelling. Our hearts and prayers are with his wife Dee, his daughters Heather, Erin and Emma and his grandsons, Cameron and Caden."

Asher was born Nov. 22, 1955 in Leitchfield, Kentucky and attended Western Kentucky University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Journalism.

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TDN Q&A WITH JACK SISTERSON

by Lucas Marquardt

Young trainer Jack Sistrerson, a former assistant to prominent names in racing such as Doug O'Neill and Todd Pletcher, set out on his own with a Keeneland-based string earlier this year and won his first race Aug. 12 when Calumet Farm homebred Next Dance (Oxbow) won her debut in a Belterra Park maiden race. As Sistrerson becomes more of a regular name in the entry box across the Midwest, the trainer sat down with the TDN's Lucas Marquardt to discuss his time working with O'Neill as well as his new connection with the storied Calumet operation.

LM: How did it feel getting your first winner for Calumet? It must have been pretty exciting for you.

JS: We were always anxious to get our first win and we have that competitiveness in us. I don't want to focus this on myself, but as a team, here at this barn, it was a whole team effort. From the hot walkers, the grooms, the exercise riders--we were all very happy. *(Click to cont. to p4)*

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Emma Berry is in Doncaster, as Goffs UK kicks off Britain's 2018 yearling sale season on Tuesday.

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Breakfast with Mom and Princess. After working 4 furlongs on Saratoga's turf training course Monday morning in :49.31, Mom's On Strike (First Dude) enjoys a snack with her caprine friend, Princess Pea, at Joe Sharp's barn. | Sarah Andrew

DESORMEAUX FINED, CHRB INVESTIGATING

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Kent Desormeaux was fined for excessive whipping Aug. 25 at Del Mar and track officials have asked the CHRB to investigate his actions in the race as part of new protocol.

BARRETT'S SELECT YEARLING SALE TUESDAY

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Barretts will host its final Select Yearling Sale Tuesday at Del Mar. Bidding begins at 2 p.m. PT.

ROSE'S VISION WINS BETTER TALK NOW STAKES

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Rose's Vision (Artie Schiller) earned his first stakes victory in the Better Talk Now S. at Saratoga Monday.



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Churchill Icon John Asher Passes Away

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That degree propelled him to an award-winning radio career at WHAS-AM and WAVE-AM in Louisville, where he earned five Eclipse Awards for “Outstanding National Radio Coverage of Thoroughbred Racing” and countless other honors.



John Asher | Horsephotos

Within the Thoroughbred industry, Asher received the Warner L. Jones Jr. Horseman of the Year award in 2006; the Charles W. Engelhard Award for excellence in media coverage from the Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders; the Dean Eagle Award from the Knights of Columbus; and a media award from the Kentucky Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association.

After joining Churchill Downs, Asher became an integral player in handling publicity for the track’s events, chiefly the Kentucky Derby. Thanks to his deep knowledge of the history of the event and passion for the ongoing tradition of the race, Asher was widely beloved and respected by his peers. Throughout the day Monday, various racing personalities and farms took to social media to reflect on Asher’s contributions to the game. Spendthrift Farm noted that “his death is a huge loss to the racing community,” while Churchill Downs announcer Travis Stone reflected, “Whenever John Asher came around I knew a hearty laugh, a good story or kind words would soon follow. His passion for Churchill Downs and the Kentucky Derby was infectious. Family, horse racing, great music, good food, laughs...what a life he led. Sad day.”

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In a Monday statement, Patrick Armstrong, President and CEO of the Kentucky Derby Museum, added, “His love of the Kentucky Derby and the Thoroughbred racing industry ran deep, as did his endless knowledge of the sport. His warmth and his energy was contagious and endearing. When you met John you were instantly drawn into his dynamic personality. Once you knew him, he always remembered you and he always had the answer to the question, ‘How many days until the next Derby?’ He wore his passion for his work, his family and his community on his sleeve.”

Away from the track, Asher was well-known for his generous community service outreach and volunteer work. He was a former member of the board of directors of the Kentuckiana Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, and was honored as the chapter’s “Volunteer of the Year” in 2004.

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TDN Q&A with Jack Sisterson *(cont. from p1)*

JS: The van driver said when he dropped the horse back off after the race, the lady who does the laundry, she came back to do the laundry and was high-fiving everyone and wanted to see the filly get off the van. So it was a small win at Belterra, but it was a homebred. That made it that much more special she is sired by Oxbow and the mare is owned by the farm and it was great to win with a homebred.



Next Dance wins at Belterra | Coady photo

LM: Talk a little about how you got hooked up with Calumet in the first place. When did they first approach you about training?

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JS: It was a few years ago, actually, that I was introduced to Calumet through Doug. Doug trained a couple of horses for them and they were always approachable guys and they made you feel a part of their team...I kept in contact via Doug and Calumet and was back here in Keeneland. I got to see them more often obviously being at Keeneland and Calumet is stabled here, you know the main farm is here. I met with them a couple of times and was offered a position and was very humbled.

LM: Calumet has a storied name in Thoroughbred racing, but under Brad Kelley, it's a relatively new operation. They have had a lot of success, a GI Preakness S. winner already. Can you just talk a little bit about joining an operation like that, both with such a history, but also being a young up-and-coming operation as well?

JS: The name Calumet itself--it's such a historic name and it's one that we want to build a team to grow Calumet to where it once was before. I know I can speak on behalf of the staff I have behind me--we're all very proud to be in the position we are and we want to work that much harder.

LM: Let's talk a little bit about yourself. Where are you from, and how did you get started in the business?



2018 September Meet Stakes Schedule September 14 - September 30

POCAHONTAS (GII)

*2018 "Win and You're In Juvenile Fillies Division"
2019 Kentucky Oaks Points Race*

Runs Sat., Sept. 15	Closes Sept. 1
\$200,000	(\$200 nomination fee)
Fillies, Two Years Old	1-1/16 Miles

IROQUOIS (GIII)

*2018 "Win and You're In Juvenile Division"
2019 Kentucky Derby Points Race*

Runs Sat., Sept. 15	Closes Sept. 1
\$150,000	(\$150 nomination fee)
Two Year Olds	1-1/16 Miles

LOCUST GROVE (GIII)

Runs Sat., Sept. 15	Closes Sept. 1
\$100,000	(\$100 nomination fee)
Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up	1-1/16 Miles

OPEN MIND

Runs Sat., Sept. 15	Closes Sept. 1
\$100,000	(\$100 nomination fee)
Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up	6 Furlongs

DOGWOOD (Listed)

Runs Sat., Sept. 22	Closes Sept. 8
\$100,000	(\$100 nomination fee)
Fillies, Three Years Old	7 Furlongs

ACK ACK (GIII)

Runs Sat., Sept. 29	Closes Sept. 15
\$100,000	(\$100 nomination fee)
Three Years Old & Up	1 Mile

LUKAS CLASSIC (GIII)

Runs Sat., Sept. 29	Closes Sept. 15
\$200,000	(\$200 nomination fee)
Three Years Old & Up	1-1/8 Miles

JEFFERSON CUP (Listed)

Runs Sat., Sept. 29	Closes Sept. 15
\$100,000	(\$100 nomination fee)
Three Year Olds	1-1/8 Miles Turf

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2018 Fall Meet Stakes Schedule

October 28 - November 25

STARS OF TOMORROW I

SPENDTHRIFT JUVENILE STALLION STAKES

Runs Sun., Oct. 28 Closes Oct. 13
 \$300,000 (no nomination fee)
 Two Year Olds 7 Furlongs

RAGS TO RICHES OVERNIGHT STAKES

Runs Sun., Oct. 28 Closes Oct. 20
 \$95,000 (no nomination fee)
 Fillies Two Year Olds 1 Mile

THE BET ON SUNSHINE OVERNIGHT STAKES

Runs Thurs., Nov. 1 Closes Oct. 20
 \$95,000 (no nomination fee)
 Three Years Old & Up 7 Furlongs

STREET SENSE

Runs Fri., Nov. 2 Closes Oct. 20
 \$100,000 (\$100 nomination fee)
 Two Year Olds 1 Mile

THE MARATHON STAKES (GII)

Runs Fri., Nov. 2 Closes Oct. 20
 \$200,000 (\$200 nomination fee)
 Three Years Old & Up 1-3/4 Miles

THE CHEROKEE RUN STAKES

Runs Sat., Nov. 3 Closes Oct. 20
 \$200,000 (\$200 nomination fee)
 Three Year Olds 7 Furlongs

CHILUKKI (GII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 3 Closes Oct. 20
 \$200,000 (\$200 nomination fee)
 Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up 1 Mile

DREAM SUPREME OVERNIGHT STAKES

Runs Sun., Nov. 4 Closes Oct. 27
 \$95,000 (no nomination fee)
 Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up 6 Furlongs

COMMONWEALTH TURF (GIII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 10 Closes Oct. 27
 \$100,000 (\$100 nomination fee)
 Three Year Olds 1-1/16 Miles Turf

RIVER CITY HANDICAP (GIII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 17 Closes Nov. 3
 \$100,000 (\$100 nomination fee)
 Three Year Olds & Up 1-1/8 Miles Turf

CARDINAL HANDICAP (GIII)

Runs Thurs., Nov. 22 Closes Nov. 10
 \$100,000 (\$100 nomination fee)
 Fillies & Mares, 1-1/8 Miles Turf
 Three Years Old & Up

FALLS CITY HANDICAP (GII)

Runs Thurs., Nov. 22 Closes Nov. 10
 \$200,000 (\$200 nomination fee)
 Fillies & Mares, 1-1/8 Miles
 Three Years Old & Up

MRS. REVERE (GII)

Runs Fri., Nov. 23 Closes Nov. 10
 \$200,000 (\$200 nomination fee)
 Fillies, Three Years Old 1-1/16 Miles Turf

CLARK HANDICAP (GI)

presented by Norton Healthcare

Runs Fri., Nov. 23 Closes Nov. 10
 \$500,000 (\$300 nomination fee)
 Three Years Old & Up 1-1/8 Miles

STARS OF TOMORROW II

GOLDEN ROD (GII)

2019 Kentucky Oaks Points Race

Runs Sat., Nov. 24 Closes Nov.10
 \$200,000 (\$200 nomination fee)
 Fillies, Two Years Old 1-1/16 Miles

KENTUCKY JOCKEY CLUB (GII)

2019 Kentucky Derby Points Race

Runs Sat., Nov. 24 Closes Nov.10
 \$200,000 (\$200 nomination fee)
 Two Year Olds 1-1/16 Miles

JS: I'm from Durham, England--a small town outside of Newcastle, and my parents hold a few horses on a smaller level and I remember growing up going with mom and dad to a few point-to-points back home. I developed a love for the sport at a young age. It was hard to get it out of my blood and I always wanted to be a jockey growing up. I grew too tall for that, but I always wanted to do something with horses and I wasn't sure exactly what path that would lead me down, but it was something...I was able to move to the United States and had opportunities to work for trainers that lead me down the training career.



Jack Sisterson
Trainer, Calumet Farm

LM: How are you finding life in Kentucky after spending so much time in California?

JS: I spent probably the last 10 years or so in Del Mar and you go from living on the beach to...Kentucky--it's a great little town in Lexington...It's the best place to go, racing competition wise. I am enjoying my lifestyle here in Lexington--fingers crossed I'm here for a while.

LM: You obviously spent a lot of time working with Doug O'Neill, playing a major role in the campaign of two GI Kentucky Derby winners in I'll Have Another and Nyquist. What can you say about your time as a member of Team O'Neill?

JS: If you could describe a boss you wanted to work for, it would be Doug O'Neill. He's such an approachable, good horseman--he really treated his staff well--from hotwalkers to grooms to riders to assistants to foremen--everybody was on the same level. We didn't have a hierarchy--it was all very much a team effort, win, lose or draw, with Doug.

LM: The 2012 Triple Crown saga with I'll Have Another must have been particularly memorable. He won the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness, and then you had to scratch him from the GI Belmont S. Was that as much of a ride of emotions as it seemed?



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STILL THERE, 2nd Ballerina S. (G1)
Defeating winners of 14 graded stakes races

SPRING LILY, 3rd Torrey Pines S. (G3)
Multiple graded stakes placed

UNION STRIKE, 4th Ballerina S. (G1)
G1 winner at 2



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JS: We learned a lot through the Triple Crown with I'll Have Another...Mr. [Paul] Reddam, you know, put faith in Doug's training to get him back there...I remember Mr. Reddam pulled us all in the barn when we weren't able to run, and he sat us all down and he made every one of us go to the Belmont on Saturday to support every other runner in that race.

We couldn't run and we could have dropped our heads and sulked, but we learned things like this are going to happen and we pick our heads up and we support other people in the sport. Thankfully we took a lot away from that trip and it was a great experience, and one Mr. Reddam had asked going into it, "If I would have told you, you're going to win the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness and you're not going to win the Belmont, what would you say?" And we all looked at it on the bright side and said, "Absolutely, we'd be more than happy with that."

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Jack Sisterson | *Coady photo*

DESORMEAUX FINED, INVESTIGATORS CALLED IN AS PART OF NEW CHRb PROTOCOL

by T.D. Thornton

Four cracks of the crop at the head of the stretch in the fourth race at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club Aug. 25 has resulted in a \$200 excessive whipping fine for jockey Kent Desormeaux.

In addition, the track's stewards have asked California Horse Racing Board (CHRb) investigators to look into the Hall-of-Fame rider's actions in the closing strides of that race to determine if Desormeaux could have ridden his mount more assertively to avoid getting nosed at the wire for second place ([click here for video](#)).

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STELLAR RESULTS ON A BIG WEEKEND OF RACING

Winners Include:

TATTERS TO RICHES, Shared Belief S.
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The *Blood-Horse* first reported this story on Sunday, with the veteran jockey denying that he eased up in the final 100 yards aboard **Take a Leap** (The Factor) in the 1 1/16-mile MSW turf race. "I absolutely had a strong hand ride [until] two jumps past the wire," Desormeaux told the *Blood-Horse*.

On Monday, CHRB spokesperson Mike Marten explained to *TDN* that the Del Mar stewards' decision to have investigators get involved is part of a work-in-progress protocol shift to cut down on the number of informal hearings between alleged violators and track stewards in California.

Moving forward, Marten said, when track stewards in California notice potential rules violations, they will now more regularly ask CHRB investigators to perform due diligence work--reviewing race replays and interviewing jockeys and trainers, for example--to see if a formal complaint and hearing are warranted. If so, the stewards can then decide if penalization is necessary based on the evidence investigators bring to them.

"They referred it to the investigators to look at the race," Marten explained via phone after checking with one of the Del Mar stewards. "It's just a matter going through [a new] process. That's going to be happening more and more in this manner as we sort of try to formalize the process more and more--fewer informal hearings and more formal hearings. This might be one of the first that they've done this way. It's a matter of trying to improve the process. They've just added a dimension to it."

In this case, Marten added, "Apparently [the stewards] felt more comfortable asking the investigators look at it before they ruled."

Marten underscored that the stewards still have the power to adjudicate without referral to investigators.

"I don't want to suggest that they're going to be referring every case to the investigators," Marten said. "But because of a new protocol, they are going to be referring more cases to investigators. It would only go to the [full CHRB] board if there was a hearing, a penalty, and an appeal."

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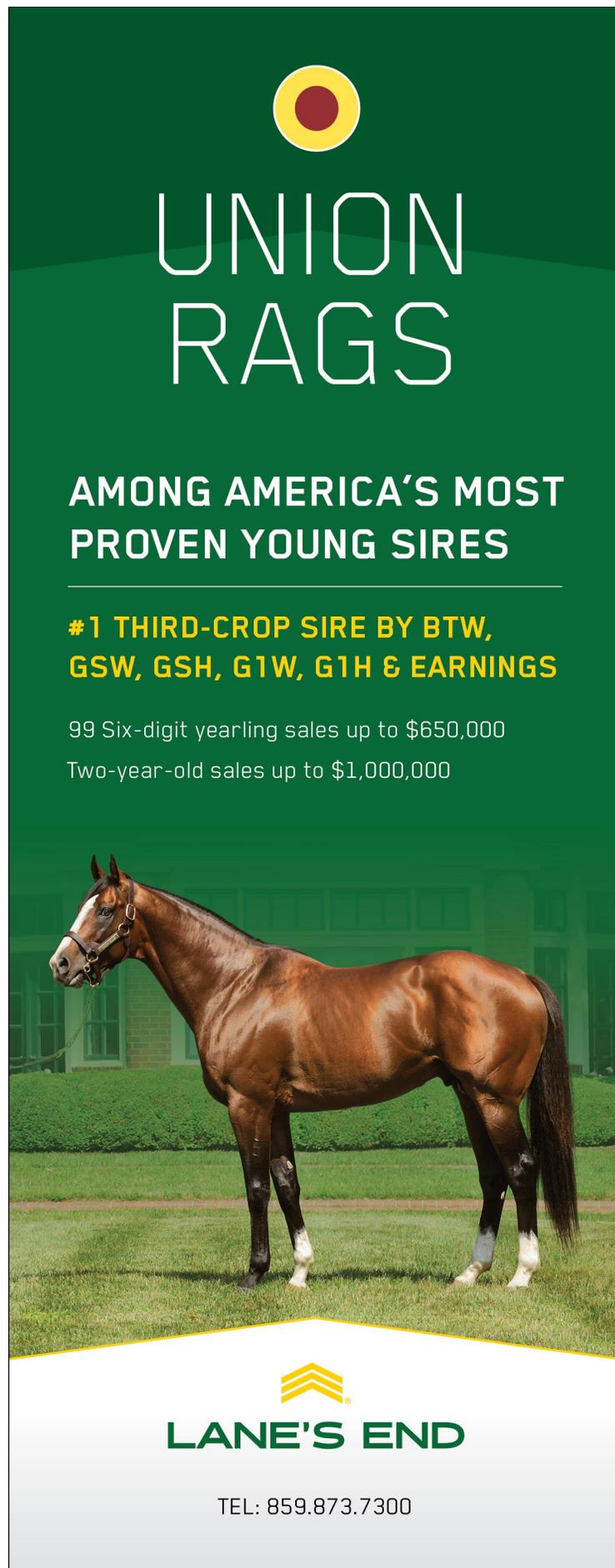
BARRETT'S SELECT YEARLING SALE TUESDAY

by Jessica Martini

Barretts will present its final Select Yearling Sale Tuesday in Del Mar with the first of 86 catalogued head scheduled to go through the sales ring at 2 p.m. PT.

"We are standing out here in the middle of the arena right now and we have a big crowd looking at horses and we've got an extremely good vibe going," Barretts General Manager Kim Lloyd said from the sales barns Monday afternoon. "Consignors are excited. There are plenty of buyers and plenty of good horses here for them to buy."

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Last year’s auction was topped by a filly by Bodemeister who sold for \$300,000 to Jay Em Ess Stable. The 2018 edition of the auction will include a half-brother to that sales topper, and to stakes winner and Grade I placed Take the One O One (Acclamation). By Square Eddie, **hip 54** is consigned by breeder Tom Bachman’s Fairview, LLC.

In addition to racetrack winners like ‘TDN Rising Star’ Mr Paytience (Paynter) and recent Del Mar maiden winner Creative Instinct (Creative Cause)--who goes postward in Wednesday’s Generous Portion S.--the 2017 auction also produced notable pinhooking successes. A colt by Uncle Mo purchased by Quarter Pole Enterprises for \$60,000 last year returned to top the Barretts Spring Sale with a final bid of \$600,000.

“The pinhookers did really well at this sale last year and they are all back again,” Lloyd said.

In all, 53 yearlings sold at the 2017 auction for a total of \$2,177,000. The average was \$41,075 and the median was \$32,000.



Barretts sales grounds Monday | Barretts Sales photo

“Last year we hit our stride with this sale, we had goals to meet and last year we hit our stride,” Lloyd said. “We had a \$300,000 horse and horses that were bought that were pinhooked well. Now this year, the sale has really taken off with the quality of the horses. It’s really a terrific group of horses, a big upgrade from what we’ve offered in the past.

“Unfortunately, it’s the last one we’re going to have, but at least we are going to go out with a big bang,” Lloyd added.

Among the yearlings with recent updates in this year’s catalogue is a half-sister by Champ Pegasus to graded stakes winner Spectator (Jimmy Creed). Consigned by McCarthy Bloodstock, **hip 17’s** 2-year-old half-brother Policy (Strong Mandate) broke his maiden on debut at Del Mar Aug. 19. The catalogue also includes yearlings by stallions such as Animal Kingdom, Cairo Prince, Candy Ride (Arg), City Zip, Creative Cause, Fed Biz, Goldencents, Liam’s Map, Shackleford, Street Sense, Tiznow, Tonalist, Union Rags, Verrazano, Violence, Wicked Strong and Will Take Charge.

Barretts is in its final year of conducting auctions and will host its last sale with the Oct. 16 Fall Sale of Yearlings and Horses of Racing Age.

“I am grateful that I got to be a part of this sale,” Lloyd said. “We built this from scratch out of necessity. When Fairplex got out of racing, that changed everything for Barretts. I had a great run at Barretts and Barretts has been very important to the industry out here. So I’m grateful for the whole experience.”

Results from Tuesday’s auction will appear in Thursday’s TDN.

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PINHOOK GUIDE

Barretts Select Yearling Sale Tuesday, Aug. 28

Hip	Sex	Pedigree	Price	Prev Sale	Buyer/Agent	Current Consignor
2	F	Gemologist-Anna Mia	\$12,000	KEE NOV BRDG 17	Prestige Worldwide	Checkmate Thoroughbreds
8	C	New Year's Day-Brave as a Lion	\$6,500	KEE JAN ALL AGES 18	Dr. Don Gibb	Fleming Thoroughbred Farm
47	F	Acclamation-Mesaatmimiscafe	\$6,000	BAR JAN MIX 18	David Meah	Checkmate Thoroughbreds
72	C	Discreet Cat-Staria	\$21,000	KEE NOV BRDG 17	Los Santos Customs	Checkmate Thoroughbreds
73	F	Will Take Charge-Stormy Tak	\$22,000	KEE NOV BRDG 17	Prestige Worldwide	Checkmate Thoroughbreds

OSCAR PERFORMANCE BACK ON WORKTAB

Amerman Racing's **Oscar Performance** (Kitten's Joy) returned to the worktab for the first time since being pulled up near the wire of the Aug. 11 GI Arlington Million. The 4-year-old worked four furlongs over the Oklahoma turf course Monday in :49.43 (8/57).

"He breezed by himself, we just wanted to get a feel for him without putting him under too much pressure," trainer Brian Lynch said. "He was nice and comfortable and got his first work back."



Oscar Performance working Monday | Sarah Andrew

Oscar Performance, who received a clean bill of health from Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital after he was vanned off the track at Arlington, is expected to make his next start in the Oct. 6 GI Shadwell Turf Mile at Keeneland. Also pointing for that million-dollar race is stablemate **Heart to Heart** (English Channel).

"They're on a collision course," Lynch said with a laugh. "They both seem real good."

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FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC CATALOGUE ONLINE

The catalogue for the upcoming Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Fall Yearlings Sale, which includes 445 initial entries, is now available online at www.fasigtipton.com. The auction will be held Oct. 1 and 2 at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium.

"Midlantic Fall continues to be prolific source of top-class race horses," said Midlantic Director of Sales Paget Bennett. "This year's catalogue features four recent Grade I or graded stakes winning graduates--Army Mule, Long on Value, Call Paul and Still

Having Fun--all of which have been leaders in their respective divisions. The sale is also once again a top-ranked North American yearling sale by percentage of winners, 2-year-old winners, and repeat winners."

The first session of the sale will begin at 4 p.m. and offer hips 1-150 and the second session will commence at 10 a.m. Supplemental entries will be accepted through late September. Print catalogues will be available by Sept. 7.

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NYRA, NYTHA EXTEND PER START CREDIT

The New York Racing Association and New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, have extended their Per Start Credit program for owners and trainers in an effort to increase horsemen participation and to help offset the costs of workers' compensation during the 2018-19 winter meet at Aqueduct Racetrack.

"The Per Start Credit program reflects NYRA's commitment to supporting owners and trainers who race with us throughout the winter," said Martin Panza, NYRA SVP for Racing Operations. "We're pleased to work with NYTHA to bring it back for the 2018-19 winter meet at Aqueduct Racetrack."

First launched for the 2017-18 Aqueduct winter meet, the program guarantees owners and trainers, including those shipping in from out-of-town racetracks or training facilities, who finish fourth through last in a race this winter at Aqueduct at least \$300 per starter. The credit will be applied to any outstanding balance for the New York Jockey Injury Compensation Fund, which provides workers' compensation insurance for jockeys and exercise riders.

"Anything we can do to make New York an easier place to do business for our horsemen benefits the industry as a whole," said NYTHA President Joe Appelbaum. "The Starter Loyalty Program is already reaping rewards for our owners. By bringing back the \$300 Per Star Credit program, we will encourage greater participation year-round, which will grow field size, make our racing more attractive to bettors and strengthen business across the board."

Under the NYRA purse structure, owners are now paid 55% of the total purse to the winner, 20% to second place, 12% to third, 6% to fourth, 4% to fifth, with the remaining 3% divided among the remaining runners. Owners of horses who finish sixth-through-last split the remaining 3% of the total purse, which can vary greatly depending on purse and field size. With the NYRA Per Start Credit in place, those owners will now earn a minimum of \$300 per start.

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FIRST BREEDERS' CUP FUTURE POOL CLOSES

Hronis Racing's **Accelerate** (Lookin at Lucky) closed as the 3-1 favorite in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic future wager and **Catholic Boy** (More Than Ready), winner of Saturday's GI Travers S., is listed second, closing at 7-1 after opening at 50-1 Friday. In the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff future wager, Monomoy Stables LLC, The Elkstone Group and Bethlehem Stables' **Monomoy Girl** (Tapizar) closed as 3-1 favorite when the first of three future wagering pools closed Sunday.

Both the Classic and Distaff Future Wager pools consisted of 23 unique wagering interests and one All Others wager for a total of 24 betting interests. "All Others" includes all Thoroughbreds other than the pool's individual horses.

The second Breeders' Cup Future Wager pools on the GI Sentient Jet Breeders' Cup Juvenile and the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Sire will open this Friday, Aug. 31 and close Sept. 2.

Complete Breeders' Cup Future Wager results are available at www.BreedersCup.com/Future-Wagers.

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Keeneland will provide area youth with interactive tours designed to broaden their understanding of the immense historical, economic and cultural importance of the Thoroughbred industry in Central Kentucky as it welcomes nearly 2,900 fifth-graders from 31 area public and private schools each day this week.

"These student visits are an annual highlight for Keeneland, and we enjoy their eagerness to learn about Keeneland and Kentucky's Thoroughbred industry," Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason said. "The tours provide a fun environment for young people to explore an important part of where they live and develop a lifelong connection to Keeneland and the horse industry."

The two-hour tour begins with a welcome address by a member of Keeneland's executive team in the Sales Pavilion. Students then will watch an informative video about Keeneland and take part in a mock Thoroughbred auction. The walking portion of the tour includes a variety of themed educational stations, including Keeneland history lessons in the Walking Ring, Thoroughbred industry careers in the Winner's Circle, racing information at the Finish Line, the safety of Keeneland's human and equine athletes, and important landmarks at the track.

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SONGANDAPRAYER FILLY TOPS TEXAS YEARLING SALE

A Louisiana-bred filly by Songandaprayer topped Monday's Texas Summer Yearling and Mixed Sale at Lone Star Park when selling for \$30,000 to Susan Naylor. Consigned by Clear Creek Stud, agent, the yearling is out of stakes placed Those Lion Eyes (Lion Heart) and was bred by Tom Curtis and Wayne Simpson.

During the one-session sale, held jointly by the Texas Thoroughbred Association and Lone Star Park, 44 of 82 yearlings sold for a total of \$414,300. The median jumped 72.2% from last year's mark of \$4,500, and the average dropped from \$11,556 to \$9,415 this year. The buy-back rate this year was 46.3%

"Obviously we would have liked to see some bigger numbers today, but overall the middle and lower-end of the market seemed fine," said sales director Tim Boyce. "We just didn't have the really exceptional individuals we had last year, so the average was down a bit, but it's encouraging that the median jumped almost 75%. It was also good to see the mixed session numbers jump compared to last year."

In the mixed session, 18 of 24 head sold for \$93,100 with an average of \$5,172 and a median of \$2,350. The highest-priced horse in the mixed session was a weanling filly by Too Much Bling who sold for \$19,000 to Naylor from the consignment of Benchmark Training Center, agent for the Estate of Ed Few.

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WOODBINE TO HOST GOMEZ MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

Woodbine Entertainment, along with the HBPA and Jockeys' Benefit Association of Canada, will host the inaugural Backstretch Softball Classic in support of the Avelino Gomez Memorial Foundation Sept. 17. The foundation assists individuals involved in the horse racing industry and this year's proceeds will assist Woodbine-based rider Lanscott Fray, who was left paralyzed from the chest down after a training accident earlier this year. The tournament will be held from 12 to 4 p.m. at Paul Coffey Park. The public is welcome to attend and a raffle and BBQ will also benefit the Gomez Foundation. Please contact josedepaulo@outlook.com to sponsor a team or make a donation.

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CLASICO POLLA DE POTRANCAS-G1, PER\$90,000 (US\$27,369),

Hipodromo de Monterrico, 8-26, 3yo, f, 1600m, 1:40.01, ft.

1--**JULIANA (PER)**, 119, f, 3, by Eye on Jacob

1st Dam: Flight To Cash, by Pine Bluff

2nd Dam: Vasquez, by Coronado's Quest

3rd Dam: Long Silence, by Alleged

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN.

O-Stud Puerta Cerrada; B-Haras Los Eucaliptos (Per); T-Juan Suarez. J-Martin Chuan. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1. **Werk Nick**

Rating: D. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--**Karmi (Per)**, 119, f, 3, Timely Advice--Iquena, by Vindication.

O-Stud Maku; B-Haras Barlovento (Per); T-Camilo Traverso II.

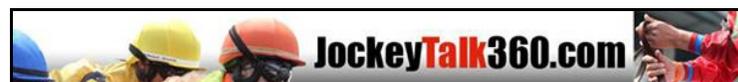
3--**La Onda (Per)**, 119, f, 3, Man of Iron--Marejada, by Roman

Ruler; O-Stud Altamar; B-Haras San Pablo (Per); T-Sabino Arias.

Margins: 1 3/4, 2, 6. Odds: 3.10, 6.30, 4.50.

Also Ran: Reina Leona (Per), Lady Kathy (Per), Bahira (Per), Carmine (Per), Chester Pegasus (Per), Pegasus Magic (Per), Artimana (Per), Hussonita (Per).

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1	War Front	F08	KY	\$200,000	3	2	\$787,500	\$787,500
2	Medaglia d'Oro	F06	KY	\$150,000	12	8	\$735,486	\$567,500
3	American Pharoah	F17	KY	\$200,000	17	15	\$643,605	\$525,000
4	Tapit	F06	KY	\$300,000	8	8	\$531,875	\$475,000
5	Curlin	F10	KY	\$100,000	10	7	\$474,285	\$470,000
6	Pioneerof the Nile	F11	KY	\$125,000	8	6	\$451,666	\$505,000
7	Hard Spun	F09	KY	\$45,000	4	3	\$441,666	\$250,000
8	Into Mischief	F10	KY	\$45,000	21	20	\$364,250	\$300,000
9	Empire Maker	F05	KY	\$100,000	4	4	\$361,250	\$335,000
10	Quality Road	F12	KY	\$35,000	4	4	\$352,500	\$387,500
11	Violence	F15	KY	\$15,000	9	4	\$333,750	\$290,000
12	Blame	F12	KY	\$25,000	3	3	\$323,333	\$285,000
13	Candy Ride (Arg)	F06	KY	\$60,000	7	6	\$317,500	\$250,000
14	Uncle Mo	F13	KY	\$75,000	16	14	\$308,520	\$305,000
15	More Than Ready	F02	KY	\$50,000	10	6	\$308,333	\$312,500

Leading 2018 Freshmen Sires of Yearlings

by cumulative average price for stallions standing in North America

Rank	Name	Sire's Sire	Loc	2016 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	American Pharoah	Pioneerof the Nile	KY	\$200,000	17	15	\$643,605	\$525,000
2	Honor Code	A.P. Indy	KY	\$40,000	14	12	\$283,333	\$230,000
3	Carpe Diem	Giant's Causeway	KY	\$25,000	14	10	\$212,000	\$150,000
4	Bayern	Offlee Wild	KY	\$15,000	9	9	\$188,333	\$145,000
5	Mr Speaker	Pulpit	KY	\$10,000	4	1	\$180,000	\$180,000
6	Liam's Map	Unbridled's Song	KY	\$25,000	16	13	\$172,676	\$150,000
7	Tonalist	Tapit	KY	\$30,000	7	5	\$153,000	\$200,000
8	Lea	First Samurai	KY	\$12,500	7	4	\$142,500	\$145,000
9	Palace Malice	Curlin	KY	\$20,000	15	12	\$129,166	\$100,000
10	Constitution	Tapit	KY	\$25,000	14	10	\$110,000	\$105,000
11	Majestic City	City Zip	NY	\$3,500	2	1	\$100,000	\$100,000
12	Summer Front	War Front	KY	\$10,000	10	8	\$96,500	\$65,000
13	Fast Anna	Medaglia d'Oro	KY	\$7,500	8	6	\$89,583	\$85,000
14	Tapiture	Tapit	KY	\$7,500	17	10	\$85,300	\$37,500
15	Palace	City Zip	KY	\$6,000	10	7	\$81,500	\$105,000

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WITH ANTICIPATION S.-GIII, \$150,000, 2yo, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Henley's Joy	Kitten's Joy	Bloom Racing Stable	Maker	Rosario	120
2	Joyful Heart 	Kitten's Joy	Amerman Racing LLC	Lynch	Ortiz	120
3	Yes and Yes	Sidney's Candy	Philip A. Gleaves, Joseph R. Straus, Jr. & Hugh Fitzsimons	Gleaves	Maragh	120
4	Gunslinger (Ire)	Born To Sea (Ire)	Matthew Schera	Martin	Carmouche	116
5	Seanow	Tiznow	Wertheimer and Frere	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
6	Unionizer	Union Rags	Peter Vegso	Mott	Alvarado	118
7	Somelikeithotbrown	Big Brown	Skychai Racing LLC	Maker	Ortiz, Jr.	120
8	Opry 	Declaration of War	Cheyenne Stables LLC & Gaillardia Racing LLC	Pletcher	Castellano	116
9	Swamp Rat	Hat Trick (Jpn)	Bryan Hilliard	Gleaves	Leparoux	120
10	Lexitonia	Speightstown	Calumet Farm	Pletcher	Velazquez	118
11	Stage Left 	Congrats	Ray Sainz	Ward	Lezcano	118
12	Backtohisroots 	Mark Valeski	Gatsas Stables	Terranova II	Saez	118

Breeders: 1-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 2-Mrs. Jerry Amerman, 3-Phil Gleaves, 4-C. J. Foy, 5-Wertheimer et Frere, 6-Vegso Racing Stable, 7-Hot Pink Stables & Sand Dollar Stables, 8-Crosshaven Bloodstock, 9-Brian Hilliard, 10-Calumet Farm, 11-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 12-Breton C. Jones

Sunday, Louisiana Downs, post time: 6:05 p.m. EDT

SUPER DERBY-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Autumn Warrior	Orb	Autumn Hill Farms Racing Stables, Inc.	Stall, Jr.	Hernandez	124
2	Charlie's Schiller 	Artie Schiller	Ives, Daren and Adamez, James Robert	Ives	Green	124
3	Lone Sailor 	Majestic Warrior	G M B Racing	Amoss	Graham	124
4	McFeely 	Scat Daddy	Oakwood Stables Inc	Ney	Broussard	124
5	Bode's Maker 	Bodemeister	Keene Thoroughbreds LLC	Milligan	Dominguez	124
6	G's Turn	Alternation	Tom Galvin	West	Pompell	124
7	Limation 	Alternation	Michael Langford	Asmussen	Saenz	124
8	High North 	Midnight Lute	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Cox	Geroux	124
9	Lionite 	Quality Road	Winchell Thoroughbreds & Willis Horton Racing	Asmussen	Cabrera	124

Breeders: 1-Autumn Hill Farms Racing Stables, Inc., 2-J. Adcock & Hume Wornall, 3-Alexander - Groves - Matz, LLC., 4-Hare Forest Farm, Ltd., 5-Stride Rite Racing Stable, Inc., 6-Ed Few, 7-David Purvis & James Purvis, 8-Mercedes Stables LLC, 9-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC



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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

BETTER TALK NOW S., \$100,000, Saratoga, 8-27, (C), 3yo, 1mT, 1:35.82, fm.

1--**ROSE'S VISION, 118, c, 3, by Artie Schiller**

1st Dam: Essential Rose, by Bernardini

2nd Dam: Essential Edge, by Storm Cat

3rd Dam: Rose of Tara (Ire), by Generous (Ire)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Chiefswood Stable; B-Chiefswood Stables Limited (ON); T-Stuart C. Simon; J-Jose L. Ortiz.

\$55,000. Lifetime Record: 12-3-4-1, \$197,993.



2--**Have At It, 118, c, 3, Kitten's Joy--Akronism, by Not For Love.**

(\$200,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP). O/B-Robert S. Evans (KY); T-Christophe Clement. \$20,000.



3--**Prioritize, 118, g, 3, Tizway--Whey Sauce (Jpn), by Kurofune.**

(\$45,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP). O-William L. Clifton, Jr.; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-H. James Bond. \$12,000.



Margins: NK, 3/4, HF. Odds: 5.20, 7.30, 9.30.

Also Ran: Combatant, Westerland (GB), Ceevee, Irish Territory (Ire), Corot, Strike Power. Scratched: Roaming Union.

Rose's Vision took six tries to break his maiden before getting the nod over the Gulfstream turf Feb. 24. Repeating in a Keeneland allowance Apr. 12, he was sixth in the Gill Marine S. before running second in the Plate Trial S. at 22-1 June 9 at Woodbine. Fading to finish 14th in the Queen's Plate there three weeks later, he was last seen completing the exacta in the Toronto Cup S. back on grass July 28.

Off as the distant second choice in this competitive betting

affair, the bay came away smoothly and found a comfortable midpack spot at the hedge through fractions of :24.17 and :48.49. Patiently handled by Jose Ortiz while saving ground on the far bend, he moved through an inside opening nearing the eighth pole and soon hooked up with Have At It. That pair threw down in the final sixteenth, with Rose's Vision grimly staving off his challenger despite taking two separate awkward steps close to home.

"Grass is his thing," said winning trainer Stuart Simon. "We explored the dirt, because we want to explore the dirt with our 3-year-olds all the time, and he had breezed good enough on it. On synthetic, he's OK. Bottom line: he's a turf miler to maybe as far as a mile and an eighth. That's his game. We kind of thought that. We chased the [Queen's] Plate because it's a million-dollar race back home, but we always did feel like this was his game."

"He's a really nice horse," added Ortiz. "I worked him a few times at Gulfstream last year and I always liked him. I'm glad I got the win for Stuart. He, along with the owners, are good people and I'm very happy."

Rose's Vision is the first foal out of an unraced dam who has since produced a juvenile Lookin At Lucky colt named Lucky At Night and fillies by Gemologist each of the last two seasons. She was bred to Liam's Map this term. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



Rose's Vision staves off Have At It | Sarah Andrew



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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

6th-Saratoga, \$87,000, Alw, 8-27, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:01.79, fm.

STOLEN PISTOL (g, 3, New Year's Day--Pistolpackinsenora, by Closing Argument) was a third-out graduate over course and distance last summer, but failed to find the mark in his next four tries before taking a New York-bred allowance at Belmont June 17. Repeating there July 8, the bay made up some late ground to finish fifth in the yielding-turf Quick Call S. here Aug. 8. Given a 63-10 chance in this spot, the homebred broke a length tardily and traveled second-last behind a :21.63 quarter. Revving up while coming progressively wider nearing the stretch, he closed strongly in the center of the course to outkick favored Bam Bam Blu (Curlin) by a neck on the wire. The winner's Louisiana-bred dam, who took three of four lifetime starts for Brad Grady, has a juvenile filly by Alpha and foaled a colt by Race Day this term before being paired with Wicked Strong. Lifetime Record: 11-4-0-1, \$187,738. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Brad Grady; B-Misty & Brad Grady (NY); T-Joe Sharp.



Stolen Pistol | Sarah Andrew

4th-Saratoga, \$82,960, (S), Alw, 8-27, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.19, ft.

CELTIC CHAOS (h, 5, Dublin--Let Joy Reign, by Awesome Again), winner of last summer's local state-bred John Morrissey S. for Kieran McLaughlin, ran into some bad luck in trying to defend that title July 26 in her first try for this barn, getting checked in the closing stages before finishing third. Made the narrow 8-5

second choice in this spot, the chestnut took up his usual position loping along at the back of the pack behind a soft :22.51 quarter. Moving into contention past a :45.04 half, he switched three wide at the top of the lane, swept to the fore at the eighth pole and edged clear despite staying on his left lead to score by 1 1/4 lengths over longshot Saratoga Giro (Girolamo). The victor is a half to Osi Posse (Osidy), SW, \$167,092; and Get a Notion (Notional), MSP, \$201,356. His dam has an unraced sophomore filly by The Lumber Guy named Infinite Joy and a juvenile Moro Tap filly named Moro Joy. She got a significant bump in sire power when bred to American Pharoah this spring. Sales History: \$55,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: MSW, 27-7-4-6, \$487,597. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Zilla Racing Stables; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (NY); T-Brad H. Cox.



Celtic Chaos | Sarah Andrew

7th-Delaware, \$37,490, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 8-27, 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:32.80, fm.

FRIPPERY (f, 3, City Zip--Flagrant, by Rahy), a debut winner over course and distance May 30, was a good second at 23-1 in the local Christiana S. June 20 before being eased to last when dueling on a fast pace over yielding Saratoga turf July 28. Made the 6-5 favorite to rebound in this local return, the homebred tracked from second through splits of :24.10 and :47.64, took over in hand at the quarter pole and skipped clear in the lane to triumph by 1 3/4 lengths over Scattered Thoughts (Ire) (Scat Daddy). The victress is a half to Furthest Land (Smart Strike), GISW, \$917,707. Her unraced dam, a half to MGSW/MGISP Dynever (Dynaformer), is responsible for a yearling Lookin At Lucky filly named Luck Money and was bred back to that sire this season. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-0, \$52,372. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Catherine M. Wills (KY); T-Arnaud Delacour.

7th-Thistledown, \$31,000, Alw, 8-27, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.88, ft.

MARATHON (f, 3, Drosselmeyer--Radiant Sky, by Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) blew through her first three Ohio-bred allowance conditions by a combined 21 1/2 lengths at this oval to start her career before finishing a distant third at 4-5 in the state-bred Norm Barron Queen City Oaks in the Belterra mud July 22. Off at 1-2 in this spot, the chestnut stalked from second past a sharp :23.28 quarter and more relaxed :48.28 half. Shuffled back a bit on the far turn, she came alive in the four path at the top of the lane and took charge in the final furlong to prevail going away by three lengths over Honor Ride (To Honor and Serve). The winner's second dam is a half to champion Arazi (Blushign Groom {Fr}) as well as G1SW Noverre (Rahy). Radiant Sky is responsible for a yearling colt by Fed Biz and foaled a Tourist colt this term before visiting Speightster. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-1, \$86,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Blazing Meadows Farm & WinStar Farm, LLC (OH);
T-Timothy E. Hamm.



Winter View was bred to Temple City this term. Lifetime Record: 6-1-3-0, \$70,430. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Augustin Stable (KY); T-Michael R. Matz.



Winter Union | Sarah Andrew



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

2nd-Saratoga, \$85,000, Msw, 8-27, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:27.52, fm.

WINTER UNION (g, 4, Union Rags--Winter View {MGSW, \$328,909}, by Thunder Gulch), a close runner-up in his last two outings over the Delaware lawn, was let go at 63-10 stretching out behind 1 1/16 miles for the first time here. Settling in fifth while saving ground behind fractions of :23.80, :48.64 and 1:12.95, the chestnut improved one spot past a 1:37.66 mile split, advanced three wide on the latter half of the far turn and overhauled Midnight Tea Time (Midnight Lute) at the sixteenth pole to prevail by 1 1/2 lengths. Midnight Tea Time dug in late to save the place from longshot No Mans Land (Lemon Drop Kid). The winner's dam, who captured the GIII Grey Goose Bewitch S. going this distance in 2009, is a half to European champion Rainbow View (Dynaformer), as well as GSP/MGISP Just As Well (A.P. Indy) and GSW Utley (Smart Strike). Second dam No Matter What (Nureyev) was a GISW. Winter Union has an unraced sophomore full-sister named Perfect Spy, a yearling full-brother and a weanling half-sister by Point of Entry. The aforementioned

1st-Saratoga, \$75,000, (S), Msw, 8-27, 2yo, 7f, 1:23.96, ft. JUST RIGHT (c, 2, Into Mischief--Perfect Package, by Tiznow) made no impact when finishing a well-beaten seventh debuting July 12 at Belmont before improving markedly with the addition of blinkers to be second at 12-1 going a furlong shorter here Aug. 6. Given a 27-10 chance in this Monday opener, the homebred broke sharply from his inside draw and quickly established command. Dictating terms through splits of :23 flat and :45.58, the bay shook loose soon after straightening for home and never faced a serious threat from there en route to a 4 3/4-length success. Narrow favorite Red Zinger (Will Take Charge) completed the exacta. The winner is the first foal out of a half-sister to MGSW Maoinach (Congaree) whose subsequent produce is a yearling colt by Ghostzapper and a weanling Munnings filly. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$56,664. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Barry K Schwartz & Andrew Rosen (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

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Rose's Vision (Artie Schiller) digs in late to pick up his first stakes win in the Better Talk Now S. at Saratoga



Just Right | Sarah Andrew

9th-Saratoga, \$75,000, (S), Msw, 8-27, 2yo, f, 5 1/2ft, 1:03.23, fm.

SURGE OF PRIDE (f, 2, Kantharos--Solar Surge, by Bernardini) showed a modest worktab for this debut, most recently breezing a half-mile over the local main track in :49 1/5 (70/118) Aug. 13, but was nevertheless supported as the 37-10 second choice.

Tracking from third through a :22 flat quarter, the bay ran to the lead outside the eighth pole and inched clear from there to beat Short Pour (The Factor) by 1 3/4 lengths. The winner is the first foal out of an unraced half-sister to the Bromans' New York-bred stakes winners Friend Or Foe (Friends Lake) and Star Grazing (Sky Mesa), as well as Stolen Star (Cat Thief), the MSP dam of their MGSW Highway Star (Girolamo). Her subsequent produce is a yearling colt by Emcee and a weanling Gemologist colt. Sales History: \$47,000 RNA 2yo '18 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$41,250. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Grey Fox Stable, Chester Broman, Sr. & Mary Broman; B-Chester & Mary R. Broman (NY); T-Linda Rice.

 **THOROSTRIDE**--featured horse
Sequel Bloodstock graduate

2nd-Delaware, \$34,125, Msw, 8-27, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.76, ft.
MIDNIGHT KARMA (f, 2, Violence--In From the Cold, by American Chance) showed speed in a handful of three-furlong local breezes for this debut, capped by a spin in :35 3/5 (1/9) Aug. 23, and was backed to 3-2 favoritism off a 10-1 morning-line quote. Breaking several lengths last, the bay rushed up along the fence to duel through a :22.60 quarter. Creeping away from pace foe Malibu Dawn (Malibu Moon) on the turn, she drew clear strongly in the stretch to romp by an impressive 12 lengths while taken in hand late. Malibu Dawn held on for

second. The victress is a half to Cederberg (Rosberg), MSW, \$105,749. She has a yearling half-brother by Amira's Prince (Ire) named Prince Teo. Sales History: \$15,000 2yo '18 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Michael & Troy Langford; B-Helen & Joseph Barbazon (KY); T-Greg Compton.

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IN JAPAN:

Jasper Eight, c, 3, Shackleford--Annie's Apple (SP, \$190,582), by Shawklit Won. Kokura, 8-25, Novice Race, 5f. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$86,036. O-Kirt Cahill, Sarah Cahill & Shackleford Syndicate; T-Hideyuki Mori. *1/2 to K. D.'s Shady Lady (Maria's Mon), GSP, \$113,014. **\$15,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV; \$25,000 Ylg '16 OBSAUG; \$220,000 2YO '17 OBSMAR.

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STAKES RESULTS:

WA CUP SOPHOMORE S., (NB) \$50,000, Emerald Downs, 8-26, (S), 3yo, 1m, 1:35.89, ft.

1--SIPPIN FIRE, 124, g, 3, Harbor the Gold--Bahati, by Horse Chestnut (SAf). (\$20,000 Ylg '16 WASSEP). O-How We Roll #4; B-Bar C Racing Stables & Desert Rose Racing (WA); T-Steve Bullock; J-Rocco Bowen. \$26,950. Lifetime Record: 9-6-1-0, \$156,038. *Full to Del Rio Harbor, MSW & GSP, \$264,439; and Couldabenthewhisky, MSW, \$184,695.

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2--**Boundary Bay**, 119, g, 3, Harbor the Gold--Flying Memo, by Memo (Chi). (\$32,000 Ylg '16 WASSEP). O-North American Thoroughbred Racing Co. Inc.; B-Bret Christopherson (WA); T-Sandi Gann. \$9,800.

3--**Elliott Bay**, 119, g, 3, Harbor the Gold--Melba Jewel, by Cahill Road. (\$14,500 Ylg '16 WASSEP). O-Rising Star Stable II; B-Frederick L. Pabst (WA); T-Howard Belvoir. \$7,350.

Margins: 3 1/4, NK, HF. Odds: 0.30, 4.40, 5.70.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Del Mar, \$63,752, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 8-26, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.01, ft.

DISTINCTIVE B (g, 7, With Distinction--Anythingispossible, by Songandaprayer) Lifetime Record: 26-6-6-2, \$235,285. O-Rockingham Ranch; B-Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds, Charlie Dobbs & Frank Berris (FL); T-Peter Miller. *\$7,000 Wlg '11 OBSOCT; \$55,000 Ylg '12 OBSAUG; \$55,000 RNA Ylg '12 ARZNOV; \$69,000 2yo '13 BARJAN.

8th-Delaware, \$36,500, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$12,500), 8-27, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.70, ft.

ODDS ON (g, 3, Despite the Odds--Baltic Lady, by Polish Miner) Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$59,560. O/B-Country Roads (MD); T-Aimee D. Hall.

4th-Thistledown, \$24,000, 8-27, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.02, ft.

PRIMO EXTREMO (f, 3, Overanalyze--Diamondesque, by Any Given Saturday) Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1, \$67,065. O-John E. Brown; B-Charles H. Deters (KY); T-Jason DaCosta. *\$7,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dixieland Grand, c, 2, **Congrats**--Oh Glory Be (SP), by Dixieland Band. Louisiana Downs, 8-27, 5 1/2f, 1:06.71. B-Brookdale (KY). *\$5,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT; \$16,000 2yo '18 TTAAPR.

Rey Coliman, g, 2, **Fort Larned**--Heavenly Dream, by Singing Saint. Golden Gate Fields, 8-26, (S), 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:05.36. B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA). *\$1,700 Ylg '17 NCAAUG.

Supercommittee, f, 3, **The Factor**--Cry Hallelujah, by Street Cry (Ire). Saratoga, 8-27, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:42.28. B-Brent & Crystal Fernung & Eugene P. Cahalan (FL). *\$80,000 Ylg '16 OBSAUG.

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Wolf Strike, g, 4, **Smart Strike**--Silver Wolf, by Silver Deputy. Thistledown, 8-27, 5 1/2f, 1:05.40. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY). *\$10,000 3yo '17 FTKHRA.

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ARTIE SCHILLER, Rose's Vision, c, 3, o/o Essential Rose, by Bernardini. Better Talk Now S., 8-27, Saratoga

CITY ZIP, Frippery, f, 3, o/o Flagrant, by Rahy. AOC, 8-27, Delaware

CONGRATS, Dixieland Grand, c, 2, o/o Oh Glory Be, by Dixieland Band. MSW, 8-27, Louisiana Downs

DESPITE THE ODDS, Odds On, g, 3, o/o Baltic Lady, by Polish Miner. AOC, 8-27, Delaware

DROSSELMAYER, Marathon, f, 3, o/o Radiant Sky, by Leroidesanimaux (Brz). ALW, 8-27, Thistledown

DUBLIN, Celtic Chaos, h, 5, o/o Let Joy Reign, by Awesome Again. ALW, 8-27, Saratoga

FORT LARNED, Rey Coliman, g, 2, o/o Heavenly Dream, by Singing Saint. MSW, 8-26, Golden Gate

HARBOR THE GOLD, Sippin Fire, g, 3, o/o Bahati, by Horse Chestnut (Saf). WA Cup Sophomore S., 8-26, Emerald Downs

INTO MISCHIEF, Just Right, c, 2, o/o Perfect Package, by Tiznow. MSW, 8-27, Saratoga

KANTHAROS, Surge of Pride, f, 2, o/o Solar Surge, by Bernardini. MSW, 8-27, Saratoga

NEW YEAR'S DAY, Stolen Pistol, g, 3, o/o Pistolpackinsenora, by Closing Argument. ALW, 8-27, Saratoga

OVERANALYZE, Primo Extremo, f, 3, o/o Diamondesque, by Any Given Saturday. ALW, 8-27, Thistledown

SMART STRIKE, Wolf Strike, g, 4, o/o Silver Wolf, by Silver Deputy. MSW, 8-27, Thistledown

THE FACTOR, Supercommittee, f, 3, o/o Cry Hallelujah, by Street Cry (Ire). MCL, 8-27, Saratoga

UNION RAGS, Winter Union, g, 4, o/o Winter View, by Thunder Gulch. MSW, 8-27, Saratoga

VIOLENCE, Midnight Karma, f, 2, o/o In From the Cold, by American Chance. MSW, 8-27, Delaware

WITH DISTINCTION, Distinctive B, g, 7, o/o Anythingispossible, by Songandaprayer. AOC, 8-26, Del Mar



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Lot 175 is one of three colts by Oasis Dream in Goffs UK | Emma Berry

by Emma Berry

DONCASTER, UK-The reputation of the 'Donny' yearling has long been cast in physique over pedigree: an up-and-at-'em type beloved of breeze-up pinhookers and a certain brand of trainer. To an extent that still holds true but as the popularity and success of the sale has grown-fairly significantly over the last five years-it's now fair to say that the type of yearling on offer has morphed into a 'Donny-Plus' model.

Of course not all graduates of the sale will go on to win a Classic but if Laurens (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) is the straight-A student few can match strides with, she is also a terrific example of the kind of horse to which Goffs UK now aspires for its headline yearling sale. No late developer, John Dance's filly was the most expensive of her sex two years ago at £220,000 and made a winning debut the following July. Just one horse got the better of her in three subsequent juvenile starts in group company, culminating in victory in the G1 Fillies' Mile. This year, she found only Billesdon Brook (GB) (Champs Elysees {GB}) too good in the 1000 Guineas before annexing the G1 Prix Saint-Alary and G1 Prix de Diane.

The next crop of Goffs UK graduates has been led by the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. winner Advertise (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), sold for £60,000 to Dermot Farrington a year ago and now as short as 12-1 for next year's 2000 Guineas. **Cont. p2**

THE WEEKLY WRAP: THANKS A MILLION

by Emma Berry

It's been a week of landmark achievements, most of them having taken place at one of England's finest racecourses, York.

Mark Johnston's assault on Richard Hannon, Sr.'s record of 4,193 winners may have seemed hesitant in the week leading up to the momentous achievement, but once out in front, Johnston has kept pulling away in typical fashion, with another four winners in the bag since then. Plenty of tributes have been paid to the trainer, and rightly so, but I'm sure he'd be the first to acknowledge the part played by his wife and assistant trainer Deirdre, whose attributes stretch beyond her excellent riding ability on a racehorse, eventer or hunter to seemingly endless good humour and a superb singing voice.

When members of the racing community gathered in the Jockey Club Rooms with a gaggle of the Fourth Estate for the launch of the Weatherbys Hamilton Stayers' Million, an exit poll would likely have returned the verdict: nice idea but unwinnable. **Cont. p4**

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Premier Feel For Goffs UK Flagship Cont. from p1

"This sale has been progressing and we saw it last year take another big step," said Goffs UK Managing Director Tony Williams at the sales ground on Monday.

"Our top price has been £280,000 over the last few years and I think we have horses here who could eclipse that. We had 42 yearlings sell for over £100,000 and I think there's a lot of stock out there that could easily be at that level or better. Support from breeders has been exceptional. When you go and look around the grounds there are real highlight horses that we've had in the past but not in the same numbers. I think the level of stock has definitely elevated and the intensity of buyers is developing. A lot of top-end buyers are now properly targeting the sale. It's not an after-thought to come here."

Indeed, the yards on Monday were a hive of activity, with plenty of trainers in situ along with the buying teams from the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Shadwell, Godolphin and Phoenix Thoroughbred to name but a handful. So the buyers are in place but one problem that has made this year's cataloguing process an extra painful one across the sales companies is an increase in demand for places from breeders.

"It was difficult this year and I'm sure we can still refine the selection process further," Williams conceded. "We have 501 boxes and we've catalogued 501 lots. That's how tight it was this year. We have 174 catalogued for our Silver Sale and that was difficult to keep to that level this year. In the past the uptake hasn't been as good but this year the uptake for both sales has been really good. Breeders are really giving us the opportunity with high-end horses."

He added, "This sale was built around the early 2-year-old type, and that focus can't be taken off the sale, but there's a development through that of higher-end horses who could be sprinter-milers and that broadens the spectrum through the sale. I think the type of horse here is very much evolving."



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It would be a sad day if Goffs Group Chief Executive Henry Beeby ever lost his Tigger-like bounce and the Goffs UK team as a whole should certainly retain a degree of optimism ahead of the next two days of the Premier Sale. Here's why.

Last year for the first time the sale posted an average just above £50,000, that figure having risen gradually from £32,464 five years ago. While the number of yearlings sold in that time has hovered annually just above or below 400, an extra £4 million was added to turnover from that 2013 mark, with last year's final count standing at £19,767,750.

This encouraging progression in all sectors may stall this year but a personal belief is that this sale is one which could well fare better than many of its rivals in an increasingly packed calendar.

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Williams said, "We're fortunate that we've been in a rising market and having had good success out of the sale has given people further confidence. This industry is all about confidence and perception and the perception is that this sale can now produce a wider range of horses and there's confidence from the vendors to put them in the sale and from buyers to come and buy. I'm always hopeful but I think we'll be taking another step this year."

Anna Sundstrom's Coulonces Sales has a solid reputation in France and the profile of the Swedish-born consignor has also risen pretty quickly in the UK after she brought with her the French-bred Laurens among a debut draft of three in 2016. This year Coulonces has six Premier yearlings to sell (following one withdrawal) and they include a grey colt by Starspangledbanner (Aus) (lot 477), a sire with which Sundstrom has already enjoyed success as breeder and vendor courtesy of dual Group 3 winner Home Of The Brave (Ire).

At £280,000, last month's G3 Hackwood S. winner Yafta (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}) topped the 2016 sale, offered by Highclere Stud on behalf of breeder Lordship Stud. The same partnership returns to Doncaster with lot 267, a filly bred along very similar lines, by Acclamation (GB) out of Swiss Kiss (GB) (Dansili {GB}), a winning half-sister to Yafta's dam Swiss Dream (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) from Lordship's flagship family of Swiss Lake (Indian Ridge {GB}).

Plenty of stallions go from hot to cold but Oasis Dream has been simmering away nicely again this season with two new Group 1 winners, including the top-rated 2-year-old filly in training, Pretty Pollyanna (GB). The Juddmonte stallion has topped this sale in the past when the colt that would become G3 Jersey S. winner and Irish 2000 Guineas runner-up Gale Force Ten (GB) was bought for £280,000, and he has three colts catalogued this year. They include lot 175, a brother to the 99-rated multiple winner Silent Echo (GB) from the family of



Laurens | *Racing Post*

Twice Over (GB) (Observatory {GB}) consigned by Norris Bloodstock.

Siyouni, the sire of Laurens, remained all the rage at Europe's first yearling sale of the year in Deauville and three of his

offspring can be found in the Premier catalogue, including Ashbrittle Stud's colt out of a half-sister to G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud winner Plumania (GB) (Anabaa), who sells as lot 230. Showcasing is among one of the best represented sires in the catalogue with 18 yearlings to be sold. Two years ago, bloodstock agent Matt Coleman and his father Roger enjoyed a decent return when selling an Acclamation colt out of their homebred listed winner Melbourne Memories (GB)

(Sleeping Indian {GB}) for £230,000 to the Hong Kong Jockey Club and this time they offer the mare's Showcasing filly through Brightwalton Stud (lot 72).

Jeffrey and Phoebe Hobby of Brightwalton Stud enjoyed success in their own right as owner-breeders on Saturday with the G3 March S. victory of Maid Up (GB) (Mastercraftsman{Ire}) and their four-strong draft also contains that filly's half-brother by Kodiak (GB) (lot 396). Kodiak is also the sire of the first foal of GIII Senorita S. winner Charlie Em (GB) (Kheleyf) whose half-sister Mabs Cross (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}) came within a pixel of winning the G1 Coolmore Nunthorpe S. last week at York. The January-born filly is offered by Manor Farm as lot 381.

No Nay Never is way out in front in the first-season sires' table by earnings and another exciting member of his first crop, Ten Sovereigns, was unleashed at The Curragh over the weekend, his seven-length victory earning his 'TDN Rising Star' status. Sixteen of his yearlings are set to come under the hammer in the next two days including lot 114, a half-sister to multiple Group 3 winner Mac Love (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}).

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The Weekly Wrap Cont. from p1

That was March, but come the morning of Aug. 24, the outcome was as good a thing as there's been in a long time. The mighty **Stradivarius (Ire)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}) arrived on the Knavesmire as 4-11F to take his place in the history books as the inaugural winner of the £1-million bonus.

Over lunch at York a day earlier, racecourse chairman Teddy Grimthorpe had joked that Charles Hamilton was about to lose his no claims' bonus and it's doubtful that any man has ever looked happier to lose £1 million than the Weatherbys Hamilton Chief Executive. Hamilton was instrumental in devising the incentive to give a boost to the stayers' division, receiving full backing from the BHA and was duly rewarded for his enterprise with a first-rate superstar in year one.

Hats off to Weatherbys Hamilton and a resounding congratulations to owner-breeder Bjorn Nielsen. Much has been made of the fact that Nielsen had Epsom in his sights when the bonny chestnut colt was born. A Derby winner he is not, but Stradivarius is now one of most celebrated horses in training. Here's hoping we see him back to bank another bonus next year.



Stradivarius & his owner Bjorn Nielsen | *Racingfotos.com*

Deauville Dream Run...

In what seems like the blink of an eye, the Deauville season has drawn to a close and Charlie Appleby has certainly notched plenty of frequent flyer points to and from the Normandy coast throughout August, returning on plenty of occasions with a shiny, new trophy.

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Sunday's G2 Grand Prix de Deauville winner **Loxley (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}) clearly thrived on the sea air as he also won the Prix Nureyev during his stay to take his lifetime record to four wins and a Group 3 second from just six starts. His dam Lady Marian (Ger) (Nayef) had her finest hour at Longchamp when winning the G1 Prix de l'Opera and Loxley would not look out of place in Paris himself during the first weekend of October.

Appleby's good month at Deauville and Clairefontaine also included two important group wins for **Beyond Reason (Ire)**—a first-crop daughter of Australia (GB)—a Group 3 strike for former Book 1 sale-topper **Glorious Journey (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), listed victories for more of Dubawi's offspring, **Al Hilalee (GB)** and **Brundtland (Ire)**, while **Salsabeel (Ire)** was beaten just a short-head in the G3 Prix Quincey on Sunday by Andre Fabre's Godolphin trainee **Graphite (Ire)** (Shamardal).

Another Appleby has taken a prominent position in Godolphin's worldwide operation as Charlie's sister, Victoria, widely known as 'Dizzy', has recently been appointed assistant trainer to James Cummings in Sydney. The former apprentice jockey worked for a number of British trainers including Susan Piggott, David Loder and Lynda Ramsden, and is now in her 10th year in Australia.

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Dizzy & Charlie Appleby | Emma Berry

The Weekly Wrap Cont.

Godolphin's Australian wing has also recently welcomed back another British ex-pat, Kate Grimwade, who had been running Godolphin's pre-training operation in Newmarket for a number of years after stints Down Under with Gai Waterhouse and at Darley's stud in the Hunter Valley. Grimwade is also assisting Cummings but is based in his Melbourne stable.

Lady's Golden Season...

After Doncaster, the sales action moves on to Germany's BBAG Sale on Friday, but the racing is already underway in Baden-Baden where Sunday's G2 Goldene Peitsche fell to an Italian and a Frenchman. A hallmark of Marco Botti's training career has been his willingness to travel his horses and **Raven's Lady (GB)** (Raven's Pass) is his latest globetrotting flagbearer.

The 4-year-old, bred by Rabbah Bloodstock and selected inexpensively by the trainer from Tattersalls October Book 1 for 38,000gns, has now earned in excess of £140,000 for the owners in the Heart of the South Racing partnership, but more importantly she has increased her future broodmare value significantly with back-to-back wins at group level, both of which have come in the hands of Gerald Mosse.

Raven's Lady also seals another good week for Pivotal (GB) as a broodmare sire after **Glorious Empire (Ire)** (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) landed the GI Sword Dancer S. at Saratoga and **Fairyland (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}) won the G2 Lowther S.

Furthermore, **Mabs Cross (GB)** (Dutch Art {GB}), out of the Pivotal mare Miss Meggy (GB), was just beaten in the tightest of photo-finishes for the G1 Coolmore Nunthorpe S.

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Nell's Lucky Nine...

It was a big day for small breeder Nell Kent, who celebrated her ninth birthday on Friday by watching the debut of her homebred filly **Holy Macaroni (GB)** (Heeraat {Ire})—a half-sister to juvenile winner Pastamakesufaster (GB) (Muiltplex {GB})—at Ffos Las.

As one can tell from the sires of the siblings, Nell is a loyal supporter of Mickley Stud stallions, but then she probably has had some coercion from her father Richard, who owns the farm.

The day turned into a celebration for all the family when Mickley's long-term resident Captain Gerrard (GB) recorded his first Group 1 winner with **Alpha Delphini (GB)**'s last-gasp victory in the Nunthorpe S.

"Captain Gerrard was the leading first-season sire in the country in his day but he covered only eight mares this year," said Richard Kent at Doncaster on Monday. "Mick Channon has six foals by him this year from only 17 mares covered last year. He's such a lovely, kind horse and we could probably sell him to stand at stud abroad but I don't think any of us could bear to say goodbye to him."

The 13-year-old sprinting son of Oasis Dream (GB) was trained, like Alpha Delphini, by Bryan Smart and won six of his 27 races including a pair of Group 3 contests. He has now been at Mickley Stud for nine seasons and has never stood for more than £4,000. **Cont. p6**



Fraser & Nell Kent with Frankie Dettori | Clare Lloyd

An equally durable but less talented member of the family finally got off the mark on his 71st start on Saturday. **Xpo Universal (Fr)** (Poliglote {GB}), a son of Kasbah Bliss's half-sister Xanadu Bliss (Fr) (Xaar {GB}), was also bred by de Pracomtal and the Doumens' Haras d'Ecouves and despite being highly tried in France and placed on a number of occasions, went a long time without troubling the judge.

Now trained in the UK by Rebecca Menzies, he won a 'hands and heels' hurdle race under amateur rider Aaron Anderson at one of Britain's quirkiest tracks, Cartmel. Ears pricked throughout, Xpo Universal rallied gamely when challenged after the final hurdle to become a winner at last at the age of nine.

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Not to be outdone by his younger sister, Fraser Kent will be selling his first yearling from the Mickley Stud draft on Thursday at the Goffs UK Silver Sale. The 11-year-old pinhooked **lot 615**, a son of Casamento (Ire) from the family of Breeders' Cup winner Outstrip (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), at Tattersalls last year for 4,000gns.

If At First...

Francois Doumen was on the buyers' sheet at last week's Arqana V.2 Sale when taking home the second top lot of the sale, a daughter of Siyouni (Fr) for €115,000. The filly was bought with his long-term associate Henri de Pracomtal.

The partnership of Doumen and de Pracomtal proved most fruitful via their wonderful homebred dual-purpose campaigner Kasbah Bliss (Fr) (Kahyasi {Ire}), whose 16 victories from 68 starts were split equally between the Flat and hurdles, and included the G1 Prix du Cadran and back-to-back wins in the G3 Prix Gladiateur.



Henri de Pracomtal (centre) on the gallops with Fabrice Chappet
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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



LOPE DE VEGA'S 2-YEAR-OLDS

Although Storm Cat's superstar son Giant's Causeway spent only one season in Ireland, when he launched his stallion career at Coolmore at a fee of

IR100,000gns, his efforts that year have left a substantial and hopefully long-lasting legacy in Europe. His impact was seen in three of last week's 2-year-old group winners. The link to Giant's Causeway was provided by Shamardal, who ranked alongside Footstepsinthesand as one of two Classic winners from that outstanding Irish crop, which produced a total of five Group 1 winners. In proving himself the champion European 2-year-old of 2004, Shamardal was largely responsible for Giant's Causeway beating Montjeu to the title of champion first-crop sire in 2004. Remarkably, Shamardal was to emulate Giant's Causeway by becoming the champion first-crop sire of 2009, and five years later it was the turn of his of one of his own first-crop sons, **Lope de Vega**, to continue the family tradition by taking the same title.

This wasn't the first time that Lope de Vega had emulated his sire, as he too had won both the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains and G1 Prix du Jockey-Club.

It was these two--Shamardal and Lope de Vega--who supplied those 2-year-old group winners last week. While Shamardal could by no means be described as a specialist sire of 2-year-olds, he has sired winners of the G1 Cheveley Park S. and G1 Racing Post Trophy and last Friday he added another important juvenile event to his tally when his son Emaraty Ana landed the G2 Gimcrack S. over six furlongs.

Bearing in mind that Shamardal won the Prix du Jockey-Club over an extended mile and a quarter and that Emaraty Ana's

dam Spirit of Dubai gained her wins at around a mile and a half, it was surely highly encouraging that the Rabbah Bloodstock-bred colt possesses enough speed to lead all the way in a Group 2 over six furlongs. The fact that he does makes me question whether he will match his parents' middle-distance exploits, but a mile should eventually suit him well.

Two days earlier it had been Lope de Vega's turn in the spotlight, as he was responsible for Phoenix of Spain, a



Lope De Vega | Ballylinch Stud

220,000gns yearling who quickened well to take the G3 Acomb S. Described by trainer Charlie Hills as "a big, heavy horse" Phoenix of Spain is another who can be expected to continue progressing.

The same applies to Antonia de Vega, who kept her unbeaten record intact last Saturday when she surged through to take the G3 Prestige S. at Goodwood. In the process she became the third stakes winner from Lope de Vega's 2-year-old crop, as Natalie's Joy had set the ball

rolling last month when she won the Rose Bowl S. over six furlongs (in which she had Emaraty Ana back in third place).

Antonia de Vega's group win rounded off a spectacular couple of weeks for the Ballylinch stallion's juveniles. On Aug. 19, at Saratoga, his 200,000-guinea daughter Newspaperofrecord made her debut in a maiden special weight over 1 1/16 miles on turf. A member of the family which has also done well this year

with Latrobe and Classical Times, Newspaperofrecord strolled home well clear to earn **'TDN Rising Star'** status.

The same accolade was granted two days later at Deauville, when Lone Peak, another Lope de Vega newcomer, was similarly impressive in a mile maiden. The George Strawbridge home-bred is the latest to advertise Lope de Vega's potential with Galileo's broodmare daughters.



Lone Peak | Scoop Dyga

The colt is the ninth winner from 17 starters bred this way and he has the potential to become the cross's fifth black-type winner. **Cont. p8**

Pedigree Insights Cont.

The four which have already attained that status are the French listed winners Sassella, Mojo Risin and Parviz and the French Group 3 winner Soustraction, who has been G1 placed. Of these four, only Sassella has a black-type-winning dam (as does Lone Peak). There are quite a few unraced 2-year-olds bred this way, along with 14 yearlings, so this potentially valuable nick is very much one to keep an eye on over the next couple of years.

A crystal ball was hardly needed to predict that 2018 was going to be a big year for Lope de Vega's 2-year-olds. For a start, his 2016 crop numbers 148 foals, whereas his four earlier crops contained 101, 78, 84 and 73. And it was sired at a fee of €40,000, whereas his first three crops had been sired at €15,000 and his fourth at €12,500.

Lope de Vega's achievement of becoming leading first-crop sire in 2014 is the simple explanation for this surge in his popularity. This first crop added to its achievements at three years and the high quality of his early runners was highlighted by John Boyce's insightful analysis, in which he compares second-crop stallions by the average Timeform rating of their 10 highest-rated performers. With an average of 115.4, Lope de Vega made it into the top 10 of the last 25 years, rubbing shoulders with the likes of Montjeu, Galileo, Dubawi, Shamardal, Sea The Stars and Frankel.

We had a reminder of the talent of his first crop in the race after Antonia de Vega's group win, with the 6-year-old Flaming Spear carrying 9st 10lb to victory in a £100,000 handicap. That first crop, numbering 101, contained at least 23 black-type earners, headed by the group winners Belardo (G1 Dewhurst S. and G1 Lockinge S.), The Right Man, Very Special, Hero Look, Burnt Sugar, Ride Like The Wind and Royal Razalma, plus seven listed winners. That's virtually 14% black-type winners.

One criticism I've heard levelled at Lope de Vega's progeny is that some of them aren't pretty, but the stallion himself would never be described as handsome. His head is distinctly plain, but this is a familial trait, as Shamardal doesn't have a classically handsome head and neither did Street Cry, a brother to Shamardal's dam. Judging by the photograph of Newspaperofrecord published in the *TDN*, this exciting filly has

inherited Lope de Vega's plainish head (but more importantly an ample measure of his talent).

Of course, everyone prefers to see a horse with a handsome head, but a racehorse runs on its legs, not its head, and there are plenty of examples of high-class performers whose heads lack the classic definition which can make a Thoroughbred so beautiful. I remember one of Danehill's high-class Australian sons being described as having a head like a bucket, but the best example could be Workforce, winner of the Derby and Arc. He was so plain as a yearling that he was nicknamed Sefton, because he resembled the Household Cavalry horse which famously survived the Hyde Park bombing in 1982. Sefton was the product of a mating between an Irish Draught mare and a Thoroughbred stallion.

With Lope de Vega--and Shamardal--we seem to have examples of the proverb that handsome is as handsome does, meaning that actions count for far more than outward appeal.



Soustraction | Scoop Dyga

There certainly seems to be no problem in the sales ring. Lope de Vega's current crop of 2-year-olds, conceived at €40,000, averaged more than 140,000gns, with a top price of 600,000gns, and the signs are excellent for his 2018 yearlings, which were conceived at €45,000. They were very much in demand at Arqana earlier this month, with individuals selling for €900,000, €600,000 and €475,000.

One of the most distinctive aspects of Lope de Vega's pedigree is his 3 x 3 inbreeding to the champion 2-year-old Machiavellian. Breeders have tried adding a third line with some success. Burnt Sugar, a Group 3 2-year-old winner who had since won some of Britain's richest handicaps, is out of a mare by Titus Livius and is therefore inbred 4 x 4 x 3 to Machiavellian. Antonia de Vega also has a third line, as her second dam Macheera is a daughter of Machiavellian (and the Prix de Diane winner Caerlina). She also has four lines of Mr. Prospector in the first five generations.

It is worth adding that Antonia de Vega, Newspaperofrecord and the fast Australian Group 1 winner Santa Ana Lane are all out of granddaughters of Danehill, who also ranks as the broodmare sire of the Group 1 winner Belardo and Group 2 winner Very Special.

EUROPEAN NEWS

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IRISH CHAMPION OPTION FOR SAXON

Aidan O'Brien plans to wait for another 10 days before making a decision on whether **Saxon Warrior (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) will tackle the G1 QIPCO Irish Champion S. at Leopardstown on Sept. 15. The colt has not won since impressing in the G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket in May and was one of a number of horses that got affected by a virus in Ballydoyle this summer. He had his first start since that setback when fourth in the G1 Juddmonte International over 10 furlongs at York last week.

"He was very sick after [the Eclipse at] Sandown. We had it in our mind if we got him back he'd go to York and then come back to Leopardstown and then we might go back to a mile [for the Queen Elizabeth II S.] at Ascot," said O'Brien. "The thing is now whether we give him another go at a mile and a quarter, because he was very sick and you'd have to say that he could come on a good bit from it. We'll decide in the next 10 days."

O'Brien is also undecided what route to take up with '**TDN Rising Star**' **Goddess** (Galileo {Ire}) following that filly's below par effort in the G3 Silver Flash S. at Leopardstown last month. The previously impressive 10-length maiden winner is entered in the G1 Moyglare Stud S. at The Curragh Sept. 16 but O'Brien is playing it cautious with her so far.

"She was a little bit under the weather after the last day and we won't rush her back. I was looking at her on Sunday morning and was thinking 'would we run her anymore this year or not'," he said. "We won't be in any panic as she's had the three runs."

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DEWHURST NEXT FOR ADVERTISE

When **Advertise (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}) broke Aidan O'Brien's stranglehold on the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. at The Curragh just over two weeks ago, he vindicated trainer Martyn Meade's high opinion of the colt and the Manton trainer is now planning the important next step with the Phoenix Thoroughbred-owned juvenile. That top-level win came over six furlongs and Meade is keen to test Advertise next over an extra furlong but will wait until the G1 Darley Dewhurst S. at Newmarket on Oct. 13 to do so, rather than taking up an entry in the G1 Goffs Vincent O'Brien National S. at The Curragh in three weeks' time.



Advertise after winning the Phoenix S. | *Racing Post*

"We will put him away and come back for the Dewhurst," he said. "We won't go to Ireland next month as I think the Dewhurst is the natural progression for him. We want to step him up to seven furlongs, so that is the plan."

Advertise has only raced on ground described as good or faster but Meade thinks the colt is adaptable regards ground with the burning question being whether a step up in trip will be to his liking, especially with one eye on a 2019 campaign.

"If there is a bit of cut in the ground, I don't think that will inconvenience him at all," he said. "If we could win that it would be fantastic. It will just be interesting to see how he gets that bit extra distance, whether he will be able to step up to a mile next year, which would be the icing on the cake."

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TATTERSALLS IRELAND LAUNCH ASCOT BONUS

Any 2-year-old graduate of the Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Breeze Up Sale that goes on to win at the same year's Royal Ascot meeting will receive a bonus of £100,000, the sales company announced on Monday. The £100,000 bonus would be divided 80/20 between the owner of the Royal Ascot winning juvenile and vendor of the horse sold from the Tattersalls Ascot Breeze Up Sale.

"We are delighted to be launching a £100,000 Bonus for any 2-year-old winner at the Royal Meeting sold at our Ascot Breeze Up in April," said Tattersalls Ireland CEO Matt Mitchell. [Cont. p10](#)

Tattersalls Ireland Launch Ascot Bonus Cont.

He added, "The success of the Ascot Breeze Up Sales graduates has been well documented in recent years, and has already sold a Coventry S. winner at the Royal Meeting with The Wow Signal (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), having been sold only two months previously. There has been a significant number of Breeze Up graduates that have won as 2-year-olds at the Royal meeting and we felt it was worth rewarding connections with this bonus in the event it happens."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Tuesday, August 28:

UNITED KINGDOM:

Alhebayeb (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Tara Stud

128 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners

14:10-EPSON DOWNS, 7f, CALL HIM AL (IRE)

€23,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2016; 26,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 2

14:10-EPSON DOWNS, 7f, CRACKING SPEED (IRE)

€18,000 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2017; €70,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2017

Australia (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud

125 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner

14:45-EPSON DOWNS, 8f, WAR EAGLE (IRE)

350,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2017 - Book 2

Bungle Inthejungle (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Rathasker Stud

95 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners

16:50-CHELMSFORD CITY, 5f, NORTH KOREA (IRE)

€5,500 Goffs Open Yearlings HIT Sale 2017

Gale Force Ten (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Irish National Stud

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

13:55-RIPON, 5f, HAPPY HANNAH (IRE)

?4,500 RNA Goffs November Foals Sale 2016; €3,500 Goffs Open Yearlings HIT Sale 2017; 8,000gns Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale 2018

Heeraat (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Mickley Stud

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

13:55-RIPON, 5f, ANNIE'S BOW (GB)

13:55-RIPON, 5f, NEWGATE ANGEL (GB)

16:50-CHELMSFORD CITY, 5f, NOT SO SHY (GB)

€5,000 Goffs UK Autumn HIT & Yearling Sale 2017



Slade Power seeks winner number nine on Tuesday | Darley

Kingman (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Banstead Manor Stud

116 foals of racing age/9 winners/2 black-type winners

13:55-RIPON, 5f, GOLDEN CIRCLE (IRE)

Morpheus (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud

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

14:45-EPSON DOWNS, 8f, HYPNOS (IRE)

£29,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2017; £60,000 Goffs UK Doncaster 2yo Breeze-Up Sale 2018

13:55-RIPON, 5f, MAGICAL DUCHESS (GB)

Slade Power (Ire) (Dutch Art {GB}), Kildangan Stud

99 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners

13:55-RIPON, 5f, HEARTSTRING (GB)

14:45-EPSON DOWNS, 8f, SLADE KING (IRE)

62,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2016; €60,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2017

FRANCE:

Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Haras de Bonneval

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

5-DAX, 1200m, ZAAHIR (FR)

Gregorian (Ire) (Clodovil {Ire}), National Stud

85 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners

5-DAX, 1200m, UNAMUNO (IRE)

€1,800 Tattersalls Ireland Flat Breeding Stock Sale 2016

Lucayan (FR) (Turtle Bowl {Ire}), Haras de Saint Vincent

22 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

5-DAX, 1200m,



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2015 G1 Dubai World Cup winner Prince Bishop (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) was just one of several equine stars taking part in the Au-Dela des Pistes' Retrained Racehorse Day, held for the third consecutive year at Deauville Racecourse last Saturday.
Zuzanna Lupa

FRANCE



Monday's Result:

8th-Clairefontaine, €25,000, Mdn, 8-27, 3yo, f, 12fT, 2:38.10, sf.

LUMINOSA (FR) (f, 3, Makfi {GB}--Katchagua {Fr}, by Anabaa), fourth on debut over this course and distance Aug. 2, was settled behind the leading trio early. Getting to the front on the stand's rail with 300 metres remaining, the 15-1 shot asserted to win by two lengths from Maria's Legacy (Fr) (Reliable Man {GB}). The dam, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Motivator (GB) named Aguana (Fr) and a yearling colt by Wootton Bassett (GB) carrying the title of Megustas (Fr), is a granddaughter of Chilean triple Group 1 winner Miss Brio (Chi) (Semenenko) who also captured the GII Santa Maria H. and GII Santa Monica H. Stateside. The latter is a half-sister to Chilean champion and MG1SW Maria Candela (Chi) (Balconaje {Arg}) and GI Ashland S. third Private Status (Alydar). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €15,000.

Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Alain Louis-Dreyfus (FR); T-David Smaga.

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Luminosa, (green cap), forges to the lead at Clairefontaine on Monday. | Scoop Dyga

BRITAIN

**Monday's Result:**

BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF RIPON CHAMPION TWO YRS OLD TROPHY, 2018 S.-Listed, £30,000, Ripon, 8-27, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.48, g/s.

1--SPORTING CHANCE (GB), 129, c, 2, by Kodiak (GB)

1st Dam: Elpida, by Giant's Causeway

2nd Dam: Swan Nebula, by Seeking the Gold

3rd Dam: Bright Tiara, by Chief's Crown

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. (41,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT; £88,000 2yo '18 TATABR). O-Mr Abdulla Al Mansoori; B-Ropsley Bloodstock & St Albans Bloodstock (GB); T-Simon Crisford; J-Silvestre De Sousa. £17,013. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$33,356.

2--Gypsy Spirit (GB), 124, f, 2, Gregorian (Ire)--Romany Gypsy (GB), by Indesatchel (Ire). (6,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT). O-The Gypsy Spirit Partnership; B-Bearstone Stud Ltd (GB); T-Tom Clover. £6,450.

3--Sunsprite (Ire), 129, c, 2, Kodiak (GB)--Dutch Rose (Ire), by Dutch Art (GB). (£40,000 Ylg '17 GOUKPR; £125,000 2yo '18 GOFBRE). O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Diomed Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Richard Hughes. £3,228.

Margins: HD, 1 1/4, NK. Odds: 6.00, 20.00, 10.00.

Also Ran: Life of Riley (GB), Barbill (Ire), Kessaar (Ire), Neverland Rock (GB). Scratched: No Lippy (Ire).

Successful on debut at Wolverhampton May 29 and second under a six-pound penalty in a novice contest at Kempton June 27, Sporting Chance was tried in the G2 July S. and was not disgraced when fifth in that July 12 Newmarket contest before finishing seventh in the G2 Richmond S. at Goodwood Aug. 2. On both the latter occasions, there were grounds for thinking he could have finished closer without an awkward start in the former and tendency to race too keenly in Sussex. At work here after two furlongs, the bay ground his way to the lead with a furlong remaining and held on grimly as Gypsy Spirit finished off strongly.

"It took him time to get going, but I was always happy with how he was picking up," jockey Silvestre de Sousa commented. "He's still a big baby and was easing up in front, so has physical and mental improvement to make."

Sporting Chance is the first foal out of an unraced daughter of Swan Nebula (Seeking the Gold) who is a full-sister to the Mile Championship winner Gold Tiara and a half to the recently-deceased G1 Queen Elizabeth II S.-winning sire Poet's Voice (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). Among the third dam Bright Tiara's other descendants are the G3 Saudi Arabia Royal Cup Fuji S. winner and G1 Tenno Sho Autumn, G1 Osaka Hai and G1 Audemars

Piguet QEII Cup runner-up Staphanos (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), the GIII Old Hat S. scorer and GI Frizette S. third Gemswick Park (Speightstown), the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup heroine Mozu Katchan (Jpn) (Harbinger {GB}) and Blair House (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), who captured this year's G1 Jebel Hatta. Also connected to the sires Chief Honcho (Chief's Crown) and American Chance (Cure the Blues), the dam's yearling colt is by Champs Elysees (GB). **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

5th-Epsom, £15,000, 8-27, 3yo/up, 10f 17yT, 2:11.62, sf.

GABRIAL (IRE) (g, 9, Dark Angel {Ire}--Guajira {Fr}, by Mtoto {GB}) Lifetime Record: MSW & MG1SP-Eng, SP-Qat, 84-9-10-18, \$1,238,424. O-Dr Marwan Koukash; B-B. Kennedy (IRE); T-Richard Fahey. *25,000gns Wlg '09 TATDEC; £46,000 Ylg '10 DONPRE. **Willie John (GB) (Dansili {GB}) was scratched due to the ground.

1st-Epsom, £7,500, 8-27, 2yo, 7f 3yT, 1:26.95, sf.

INDIAN VICEROY (GB) (c, 2, Kodiak {GB}--Broadlands {GB}, by Kheleyf) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$21,307. O-Mr & Mrs S Malcolm & Mr & Mrs H Parkes; B-The Lavington Stud (GB); T-Hugh Morrison. *30,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT.

**IN JAPAN:**

Burringurrah (Ire), c, 4, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Sweet Dreams Baby (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). Sapporo, 8-25, Shakotan Tokubetsu, 13fT. Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-1, \$348,273. O-Carrot Farm; B-Barronstown Stud; T-Noriyuki Hori. *€85,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV.

JAPANESE GROUP 1 RACES - 2018

Date	Race	Track
Sept. 30	Sprinters' S.	Nakayama
Oct. 14	Shuka Sho	Kyoto
Oct. 21	Kikuka Sho (St Leger)	Kyoto
Oct. 28	Tenno Sho (Autumn)	Tokyo
Nov. 11	Queen Elizabeth II Cup	Kyoto
Nov. 18	Mile Championship S.	Kyoto
Nov. 25	Japan Cup	Tokyo
Dec. 2	Champions Cup	Chukyo

Leading General Sires by YTD Earnings

for stallions standing in Europe through Sunday, Aug. 26

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Galileo (Ire) <i>(1998) by Sadler's Wells FYR: 2003 Crops: 14</i>	26	42	20	35	4	10	199	75	451,628	4,901,752
					<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: Private</i>					<i>Kew Gardens (Ire)</i>	
2	Dubawi (Ire) <i>(2002) by Dubai Millennium (GB) FYR: 2007 Crops: 10</i>	24	37	18	27	3	8	156	70	520,106	3,489,201
					<i>Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £250,000</i>					<i>Wild Illusion (GB)</i>	
3	Frankel (GB) <i>(2008) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2014 Crops: 3</i>	13	30	8	21	3	5	101	55	701,158	3,143,665
					<i>Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £175,000</i>					<i>Cracksman (GB)</i>	
4	Sea the Stars (Ire) <i>(2006) by Cape Cross (Ire) FYR: 2011 Crops: 6</i>	6	14	5	11	2	5	123	48	788,270	3,142,328
					<i>Stands: Gilltown Stud Ire Fee: €135,000</i>					<i>Stradivarius (Ire)</i>	
5	Mastercraftsman (Ire) <i>(2006) by Danehill Dancer (Ire) FYR: 2011 Crops: 6</i>	11	22	7	11	2	5	208	80	1,133,517	3,116,493
					<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €25,000</i>					<i>Alpha Centauri (Ire)</i>	
6	Pivotal (GB) <i>(1993) by Polar Falcon FYR: 1998 Crops: 19</i>	8	15	6	10	2	4	119	44	738,313	1,955,571
					<i>Stands: Cheveley Park Stud Eng Fee: £40,000</i>					<i>Lightning Spear (GB)</i>	
7	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire) <i>(2004) by Danehill FYR: 2008 Crops: 9</i>	6	10	6	8	3	4	188	70	316,899	1,635,806
					<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €15,000</i>					<i>Well Timed (Ger)</i>	
8	Dark Angel (Ire) <i>(2005) by Acclamation (GB) FYR: 2009 Crops: 8</i>	8	19	6	13	1	3	269	93	368,236	2,387,530
					<i>Stands: Yeomanstown Stud Ire Fee: €85,000</i>					<i>Battaash (Ire)</i>	
9	New Approach (Ire) <i>(2005) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2010 Crops: 7</i>	6	14	3	9	1	3	123	45	938,476	2,186,276
					<i>Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £30,000</i>					<i>Masar (Ire)</i>	
10	Camelot (GB) <i>(2009) by Montjeu (Ire) FYR: 2015 Crops: 2</i>	8	15	5	11	2	3	118	53	776,941	2,081,581
					<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €30,000</i>					<i>Latrobe (Ire)</i>	
11	Dansili (GB) <i>(1996) by Danehill FYR: 2002 Crops: 15</i>	5	15	2	9	1	3	138	54	332,731	1,972,523
					<i>Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £65,000</i>					<i>Muntahaa (Ire)</i>	
12	Exceed and Excel (Aus) <i>(2000) by Danehill FYR: 2006 Crops: 11</i>	9	20	5	15	--	3	188	76	150,927	1,682,006
					<i>Stands: Kildangan Stud Ire Fee: €50,000</i>					<i>Threading (Ire)</i>	
13	Champs Elysees (GB) <i>(2003) by Danehill FYR: 2011 Crops: 6</i>	7	10	4	7	2	3	141	50	374,740	1,313,298
					<i>Stands: Castle Hyde Stud Ire Fee: €6,500</i>					<i>Billesdon Brook (GB)</i>	
14	Invincible Spirit (Ire) <i>(1997) by Green Desert FYR: 2004 Crops: 13</i>	14	25	6	12	1	2	219	89	304,502	2,522,917
					<i>Stands: Irish National Stud Ire Fee: €120,000</i>					<i>Eqtidaar (Ire)</i>	
15	Siyouni (Fr) <i>(2007) by Pivotal (GB) FYR: 2012 Crops: 5</i>	9	20	5	15	1	2	156	58	746,995	2,510,608
					<i>Stands: Haras de Bonneval Fr Fee: €75,000</i>					<i>Laurens (Fr)</i>	

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2	f	Hot Streak x Joshua's Princess	15,000	TATDEC	Hill Farm
5	c	Kheleyf x Kadiania	40,000	ARQDEC	Hennessy BS (P.S.)
10	c	Ivawood x Khyber Knight	50,000	TATDEC	Castlehyde Stud
11	c	Cable Bay x Kibara	23,000	TATDEC	Norris Cole
14	c	Kodiac x La Grande Zoa	100,000	TATDEC	Margaret O'Toole
15	c	Bated Breath x Laber Ildut	40,000	ARQDEC	LDA BS
22	c	Swiss Spirit x Lady Lube Rye	12,000	TATDEC	Emerald BS
24	c	Hot Streak x Lady Suesanne	38,000	GOFNOV	Manister House Stud
26	c	Hot Streak x Lahqa	28,000	TATDEC	Howson & Houldsworth BS
29	c	Gutaifan x Lathaat	17,000	GOFFEB	M Bozzi BS
32	c	Tamayuz x Lemon Rock	35,000	TATDEC	W H BS
33	c	Lawman x Leopard Creek	28,000	TATDEC	Robert Allcock
34	c	Delegator x Letizia	38,000	GOFNOV	D Myerscough
37	f	Equiano x Linda	13,000	TATDEC	GHS BS
39	c	Morpheus x Little Red Minx	20,000	GOFNOV	Lynn Lodge Stud
41	f	Bated Breath x Lolita Lebron	20,000	TATDEC	Bolton Grange
42	c	Fountain of Youth x Lone Angel	13,000	TATDEC	James Sheehan
43	c	Gutaifan x Lost Shilling	31,000	GOFFEB	Catridge Farm Stud
45	c	Dandy Man x Loud Applause	22,000	GOFNOV	Howson & Houldsworth BS
49	f	Acclamation x Luxuria	28,000	TATDEC	John Troy
51	c	Mayson x Lydiate	15,000	TATDEC	Grangemore Stud
54	c	Footstepsinthesand x Mahaazen	14,000	GOFFEB	M O'Toole
57	c	Havana Gold x Make Me Blush	46,000	TATDEC	Jeremy Brummitt
58	c	Due Diligence x Malelane	28,000	GOFNOV	Grove Stud
62	f	Night of Thunder x Many Colours	26,000	GOFNOV	H Dutfield
63	c	Gutaifan x Margarita	67,000	GOFNOV	Yeomanstown Stud
65	f	Anjaal x Masela	21,000	GOFNOV	Tally Ho Stud
66	c	Hallowed Crown x Mataji	7,000	GOFNOV	Buckley BS
67	c	Toronado x Match Point	13,500	GOFNOV	P Flannery
73	f	Ivawood x Melhor Ainda	8,000	GOFNOV	Longacre
75	c	Clodovil x Michael's Song	14,000	GOFNOV	Danesrath Stables
79	f	Bated Breath x Midnight Sky	20,000	TATDEC	ITA Equine
81	c	Cable Bay x Mill Point	40,000	GOFNOV	J R BS
82	f	Showcasing x Million Faces	68,000	TATDEC	Powerstown Stud
86	f	No Nay Never x Minnie Hazel	5,000	GOFNOV	Weir View
87	c	Ivawood x Mirror Image	10,000	GOFNOV	MS Bloodstock
88	f	Gutaifan x Miskin Diamond	30,000	TATDEC	Kieron Lennon
92	c	Acclamation x Miss Gibraltar	150,000	GOFNOV	R B S
94	f	Make Believe x Miss Lucy Jane	24,000	GOFNOV	R Grace

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96	c	Zebedee x Miss Moody	40,000	GOFNOV	Lynn Lodge Stud
97	f	Cable Bay x Miss Moses	14,000	TATDEC	John & Jake Warren
99	f	Anjaal x Miss Prim	8,000	GOFNOV	Vendor
102	c	Kodiac x Mitre Peak	50,000	TATDEC	J R BS
103	f	Holy Roman Emperor x Modern Art	14,000	TATDEC	Not Sold
107	c	Brazen Beau x Moonlight Mystery	25,000	TATDEC	Foyle Farm
109	c	Bated Breath x Movementneverlies	34,000	TATDEC	Oaks Farm Stables
110	c	Pivotal x Music And Dance	60,000	TATDEC	Pattern BS
116	c	No Nay Never x My Sweet Georgia	70,000	GOFNOV	J Railton
117	c	Epaulette x My Uptown Girl	11,000	GOFNOV	Loughmore Stables
119	c	Sir Prancealot x Mystic Dream	37,000	GOFNOV	M Flanagan
121	c	Dandy Man x Nancy Astor	40,000	GOFNOV	Pier House Stud
125	c	Outstrip x Navajo Chant	18,000	TATDEC	Paula Flannery
128	c	Society Rock x Neutrina	34,000	GOFNOV	Loughmore Stables
129	f	Dandy Man x New Magic	21,000	GOFNOV	Bobby O'Ryan
130	c	Camacho x New Music	16,000	GOFFEB	Kilcloon Park Stud
132	f	Dandy Man x New Romantic	7,000	TATDEC	Khubler Khan
133	c	Lethal Force x Nickels And Dimes	38,000	GOFNOV	McKeever Ferguson Bloodstock
135	c	Garswood x Nihal	12,000	TATDEC	Egmont Stud
139	c	Brazen Beau Oilinda	26,000	TATDEC	David Myerscough
140	c	Footstepsinthesand x Omanome	26,000	GOFNOV	P Flannery
144	c	Due Diligence x Our Faye	30,000	TATDEC	Richard Knight BS Agent
145	c	Olympic Glory x Parisian Princess	34,000	ARQDEC	BBA (Ireland)
146	c	Hot Streak x Park Law	14,000	TATDEC	Overlord BS (P.S.)
147	c	Dandy Man x Park Twilight	38,000	GOFNOV	J Mactaggart
150	c	Rio de La Plata x Pax Americana	9,000	ARQDEC	Vendor
151	f	Kodiac x Peace Palace	60,000	GOFNOV	Highbank Stud
152	c	Anjaal x Pearly Brooks	18,000	GOFNOV	Aughamore Stud
154	c	Camacho x Penolva	19,000	GOFNOV	Tally Ho Stud
156	c	Australia x Petit Trianon	40,000	TATDEC	Emerald BS
158	f	Holy Roman Emperor x Piece of Cake	14,000	TATDEC	BBA Ireland
159	c	War Command x Pink Moon	31,000	GOFNOV	Manister House Stud
162	f	Requinto x Positive Step	31,000	GOFNOV	Joe Canty
164	c	Brazen Beau x Precious Secret	38,000	TATDEC	Powerstown Stud
167	c	Gutaifan x Princess of Troy	22,000	TATDEC	Juddmonte Farms (P.S.)
169	c	Havana Gold x Prospera	40,000	GOFNOV	Hillwood BS
170	c	Make Believe x Purple Tigress	12,000	TATDEC	Buckley BS
171	c	No Nay Never x Queen Grace	45,000	GOFNOV	Ballymaloe BS
179	c	Slade Power x Ramamara	10,000	TATDEC	Moanmore Stables

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189	c	Due Diligence x Red Mischief	34,000	TATDEC	Blandford BS
196	c	Due Diligence x Rise A Look	20,000	GOFNOV	Mick Flanagan, Agent
199	c	Havana Gold x Rock Cake	18,000	TATDEC	Matt Coleman
204	c	Fulbright x Royal Interlude	9,000	GOFNOV	JC BS
207	c	Dandy Man x Saffian	28,000	GOFNOV	Five Star Bloodstock
220	f	Dandy Man x Sheer Indulgence	26,000	TATDEC	Emerald BS
222	c	Due Diligence x Shifting Moon	5,000	TATDEC	Fernham Farm
231	c	French Navy x Siphon Melody	13,000	TATDEC	Manister House Stud
232	c	Iffraaj x Sister Ship	42,000	TATDEC	Redpender Stud
235	c	Society Rock x Skeleton	50,000	TATDEC	Oaks Farm Stables
239	c	Ivawood x Sleeping Princess	29,000	TATDEC	Hillwood BS
241	c	Slade Power x Sloane Square	17,000	TATDEC	John Walsh
242	c	Due Diligence x Small Fortune	19,000	TATDEC	Not Sold
244	f	Ivawood x Song To The Moon	17,000	GOFFEB	Tower House BS
246	c	Gutaifan x Soxy Doxy	35,000	GOFNOV	P Phelan
248	c	Gutaifan x Spirited Acclaim	25,000	GOFNOV	Five Star BS
251	c	Swiss Spirit x Starlight Walk	19,000	TATDEC	Not Sold
252	c	Shanghai Bobby x Starship Scarlett	30,000	TATDEC	A T BS
253	c	Make Believe x Stella River	27,000	TATDEC	Mick Flanagan, Agent
257	c	Dandy Man x Strawberry Queen	30,000	GOFNOV	Peter & Ross Doyle B/S
258	c	Make Believe x Stylish One	15,000	TATDEC	Vendor
261	c	Footstepsinthesand x Super Supreme	20,000	GOFNOV	Springfield House
263	c	Mayson x Surprise	24,000	TATDEC	BBA Ireland
264	f	Kodiac x Surrey Storm	68,000	GOFNOV	High Valley Equine

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STAR BORN FROM FAITH IN WITNESS



Graff | Racing And Sports

by Bren O'Brien

Owner Alan Bell has every reason to be a huge fan of Star Witness (Aus) (Starcraft {NZ}). Twice in three years, Bell has won the G3 San Domenico S. with a Star Witness (Aus) colt, with **Graff (Aus)**'s dominant win on Saturday following up from Star Turn (Aus)'s success in the race two years ago. *TDN AusNZ*'s Bren O'Brien spoke to Bell about buying the exciting colt.

Graff is the horse on everyone's lips after his impressive victory with the G1 Golden Rose and possibly the G1 Caulfield Guineas on his agenda in the coming months. Having one of the most promising 3-year-olds in the land for the second time in three years is a reward for Bell believing in what Star Witness can produce.

"I think he [Star Witness] has been tremendously under-rated, firstly by broodmare owners and secondly by the market," Bell told *TDN AusNZ*. "If you look at his profile, he won the [G1] Blue Diamond and the [G1] Coolmore [Stud S.]. If you win the Blue Diamond and the Coolmore these days, you are worth tens of millions of dollars."

Star Witness' physical qualities as a racehorse are what appeals to Bell in terms of his ability as a stallion.

"When you look at him, in my mind's eye, he's the ideal Australian 2-year-old type. The way he is muscled and coupled up and beautifully boned and balanced, his physicality says top Australian 2-year-old and that's what he was," he said. "He

trained on at three. I think he's got everything, yet he stands at 30 grand! It amazes me when you look at the fees of some other horses who I don't think can get a horse of that calibre."

Bell was a fan of Graff as soon as he saw the Widden-bred colt ahead of the 2017 Magic Millions Yearling Sales, where he bought him for A\$200,000.

"He was just a great individual, he was just very powerful. He was very correct, and he was great boned horse. He moved very well and I liked his pedigree," Bell said.

Same Sire, Different Colts...

The San Domenico wins of Graff and now Vinery stallion Star Turn both impressed Bell greatly. But while both have the qualities of their sire, he said that they were different types of racehorses.

"Star Turn was a pure sprinter, and John Hawkes ran him in the Run to the Rose and he just got touched off by Astern (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro), and they gapped the rest," he said. "Most people would have pressed on to the Golden Rose, but John said I'm not going to take him up to 1400m, I'm going to freshen him and run him in Melbourne and that turned out very, very well for us. He really towelled the older horses in the Schillaci S. at 1100m."

"This bloke (Graff), we are just itching to get him up in trip. If he can carry that speed and that powerful finish to a mile, he'll be pretty effective won't he?"

Bell feels that pedigree from the dam side was a key point of difference between Star Turn and Graff racing distances.

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Star Born From Faith in Witness Cont. from p1

"I like the way [Graff] is bred on the dam side. He's got some influences there that are coming out in the horse. Particularly the Sunday Silence, Sir Tristram (Ire) influence, there's no distance limitation to those horses," he said.

Stars Born From the Farm...

Bell also loves the work of Widden, who have produced both Star Turn and Graff. "The rearing there is fantastic," he said. "They've got 8000 acres. It's been going for 150 years so they must be doing something right!"

He said the emergence of Graff as a potential stallion was also a tribute to Widden's foresight.

"They bought the mare with the specific intention of breed her to Star Witness. They've got two beauties. The filly out of the mare was magnificent this year at the Gold Coast, they made A\$320,000 with her." he said. "Obviously that's a mating that has worked for them. That's what you have to do to make stallions. You have to go and buy good racemares and breed them to your horses."

As for Star Witness, Bell will continue to look for the right yearlings, backing the success his faith in the sire has yielded.

"What I have found is that when I have found one of his I want to buy in the ring, they haven't been cheap," he said. "That tells you that he can get that elite yearling, who can turn into an elite racehorse. That's what I go shopping for."

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