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LION TAMING SHOWS EVEN STALLIONS CAN START OVER

Click above to watch video of American Lion in his new career.

by Chris McGrath

He wasn't just any horse. In 2010, he finished midfield in the GI Kentucky Derby. To those who have taken American Lion in hand now, however, that's the whole point: no horse is just any horse. Because they believe every retired Thoroughbred needs treating like a champion. Each one is bred on the same premise: in the hope that they, too, can become graded stakes winners and maybe even go to stud, as did this son of Tiznow at Darby Dan seven years ago. But it's not as though a horse can ever let us down. It was our idea, and the consequences--for richer, for poorer--are our responsibility.

All that said, the niche American Lion carved in public attention during his racing days qualifies him as something of a beacon to help light the racing community's path out of the aftercare darkness. Moreover, the relative class that set him apart from the herd, in his first career, is also serving him well in his moment of redemption.

It is barely two months since American Lion was fighting for his life in a Lexington clinic. After leaving Darby Dan, he had served a stint in Oklahoma but had entered Four Star's consignment for the Keeneland November Sale when falling sick.

"He came in with a little bit of a temperature, which is not unusual for horses shipping a distance, but very soon he was going downhill very rapidly," recalls Tony Lacy of Four Star. "We called Hagyard [Equine Medical Institute], and Luke Fallon and his staff came out." ***Cont. p3***

MICROCHIPPING A SUPERIOR FORM OF IDENTIFICATION *by Jen Roytz*

Microchipping is quickly becoming the global industry standard for equine identification, especially those being used for competition purposes. The FEI (the International Equestrian Federation--the international governing body of equestrian sports) began integrating microchips into the registration and identification process of horses competing internationally in 2013, and countries such as Australia, Germany, France, Great Britain, Ireland and New Zealand have been using microchips in Thoroughbreds for years. This past year, the U.S. Equestrian Federation and U.S. Hunter Jumper Association began requiring horses be microchipped in order to compete in sanctioned competitions beginning Dec. 1, 2018.

It was in 2017 that The Jockey Club began requiring microchipping and digital registration of Thoroughbreds in the U.S., and that crop will begin racing later this year.

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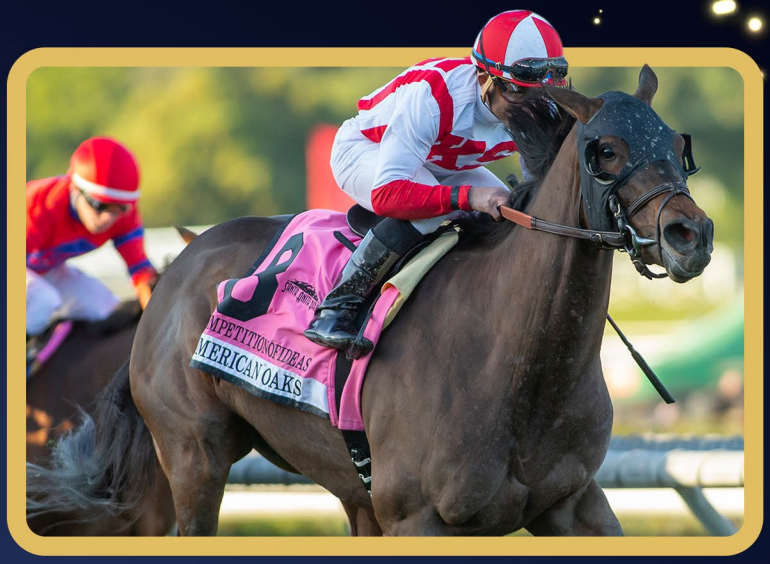

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Who's in the TDN stall? *Devil Fish (Atreides) is a three-year-old filly who made one start for her owner/breeders at Churchill Downs last summer. She arrived in the TDN stall Tuesday, January 8, and will be fully vetted by the New Vocations team before a decision is made as to what discipline she'll be best suited. She's a sweet, medium-sized filly and easily settled into her new home. For more information about Devil Fish, or to sponsor your own stall, click here.* | *Sue Finley*

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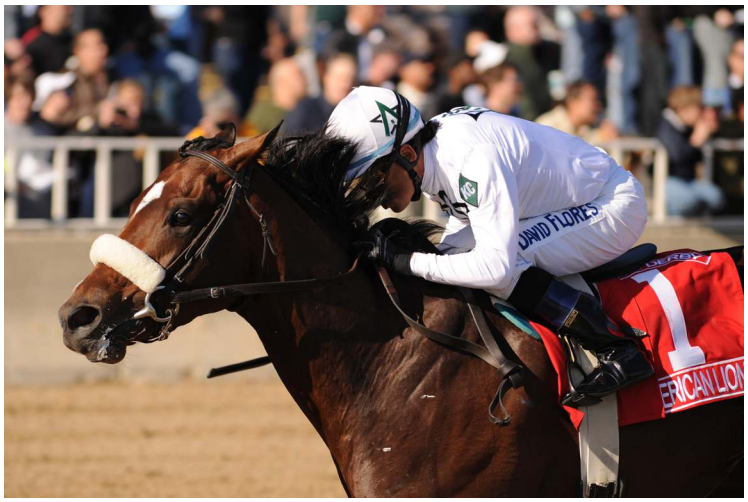
Lacy continued, “The horse had severe pneumonia, with some really significant side-effects. We knew, at that point, we had to get the horse into the hospital. He was very ill, very quickly. The conversation was no longer will the horse be able to return to the sale. It was basically will he make it?"

Since entering their barn, however, American Lion had so enchanted the Four Star team that Lacy and Kerry Cauthen assured his vendor that he need not worry about the accumulating bills.

"You could see that the horse was really looking for help," Lacy says. "It's sort of weird to say it like that, but he was just reaching out. All our staff at the barn were really concerned about him. You could see the kindness in the horse's eye, could see that he was a gentleman. So this became a team effort from all the crew. Hagyard rallied around as well: Dr. Barry David, who was taking care of him, was very supportive; Luke also. It became a group mission."



American Lion winning the 2010 GIII Illinois Derby | *Horsephotos*

Happily, American Lion was brought back from the brink. WinStar took him aboard for his recuperation, and Lacy emphasizes his debt to the work of Natanya Nieman and her team there. But the question was: what next? As he has previously been owned by a major supporter of Old Friends, in Bill Casner, it was made plain that there would ultimately be a home for the horse there, if required. But he was still so sprightly, at 12, so full of vigor and character. Surely there was still scope for a new lease on life?

Lacy, who sits on the board of New Vocations, contacted the retraining facility's manager Anna Ford. "For such a cool horse, we thought it a perfect scenario," he says. "A way of giving him a chance to flourish at something different."

American Lion was gelded just before Christmas and it was remarkable, last week, to watch him jog around the indoor school, snorting cheerfully as he obediently switched directions or stepped over a pole with insouciance.

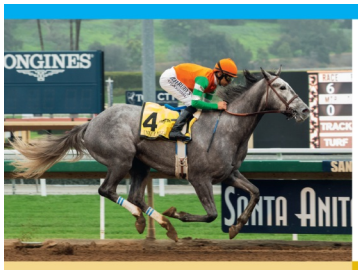
"First day he walks in our barn, you could just see the class all over," Ford says. "Working with him under saddle is exactly what we see when we get a horse that's very well bred and has a great race record. Horses able to make it to that top level, they have a little bit of a different mind. And a lot of them obviously have been handled very well throughout their lifetime."

It helped that he had been ridden off-season through his time at Darby Dan. As a result, there was no traumatic confusion that he was rolling back the clock nine years, to his training days. Ford says that within three or four mornings under tack, he was more tuned into the regimen than many recruits more or less straight from the track.

American Lion | *Matt Goins*

Nonetheless, in posting him for adoption, New Vocations will be applying all their usual rigor to the screening process. He will require fairly seasoned management, in terms of monitoring his reaction to females and so on.

Even so, a stallion will always be a special case. Ford says that their responses are too individual to permit any guarantees. Last year, however, New Vocations had success with Grade II winner Overdriven (Tale Of The Cat), since adopted as a showhorse. And American Lion's behavior hitherto has been most auspicious, bonding affectionately with the farm's resident "babysitting" gelding Ranger, who is very much built to teach manners in the paddock.



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Nonetheless, American Lion remains a pretty uncommon challenge. One of his own foals, after all, is already on a New Vocations program. Yet with his bone and soundness, his balance and size, and above all that exceptionally flexible outlook, Ford envisions him in disciplines such as hunting or eventing or even dressage.

"We do feel like he needs to go on and be very productive," she says. "He acts like a horse that really wants to have a job, not just to sit in a backyard and be trail-ridden. With his movement and style, I would say jumping would be his best suit. Horses of his calibre don't tend to be easily spooked or worried. To compete at that level, to do all the things they're asked to do, they have to have confidence.

"And the thing that stands out is his awareness of what's going on, his ability to stay calm and cool. He's like, 'Just tell me what to do, I'll do it.' We haven't seen him ask: 'Why do you want me to do this?' He's got that nice, easy disposition. Whatever you throw at him, he's an athlete. It's like, 'Yeah, I can do this.' If he doesn't know how to do it, you tell him how and he just picks it up and goes."

His unusual assets as a racehorse, then, have also made American Lion unusually adept at transition. His personality, also, evidently helped inspire the goodwill and generosity of those in whose hands he happened to be, when overtaken by crisis. But the key message is that the moral challenge set by this very special horse is actually a universal one, no less pertinent to Thoroughbreds of less or even zero distinction.

"In the industry, we gain a good lifestyle and a good livelihood from horses," Lacy says. "I think it's our moral duty to get behind them in situations [like this]. Economics is obviously a huge factor, but we felt in our gut we just had to do it. He was just such a cool, kind horse, everybody had an affiliation with him. It'll be fun to watch him going on to the next level. It's not fun paying vet bills on a horse you're going to give away, but it has its own reward: it almost feels selfish, really, it makes you feel so good. I'm excited to see where he might end up, because I know Anna and her team do such a great job. Again, I could not thank the crew at Hagyards and WinStar enough. There's a lot of good karma around this."

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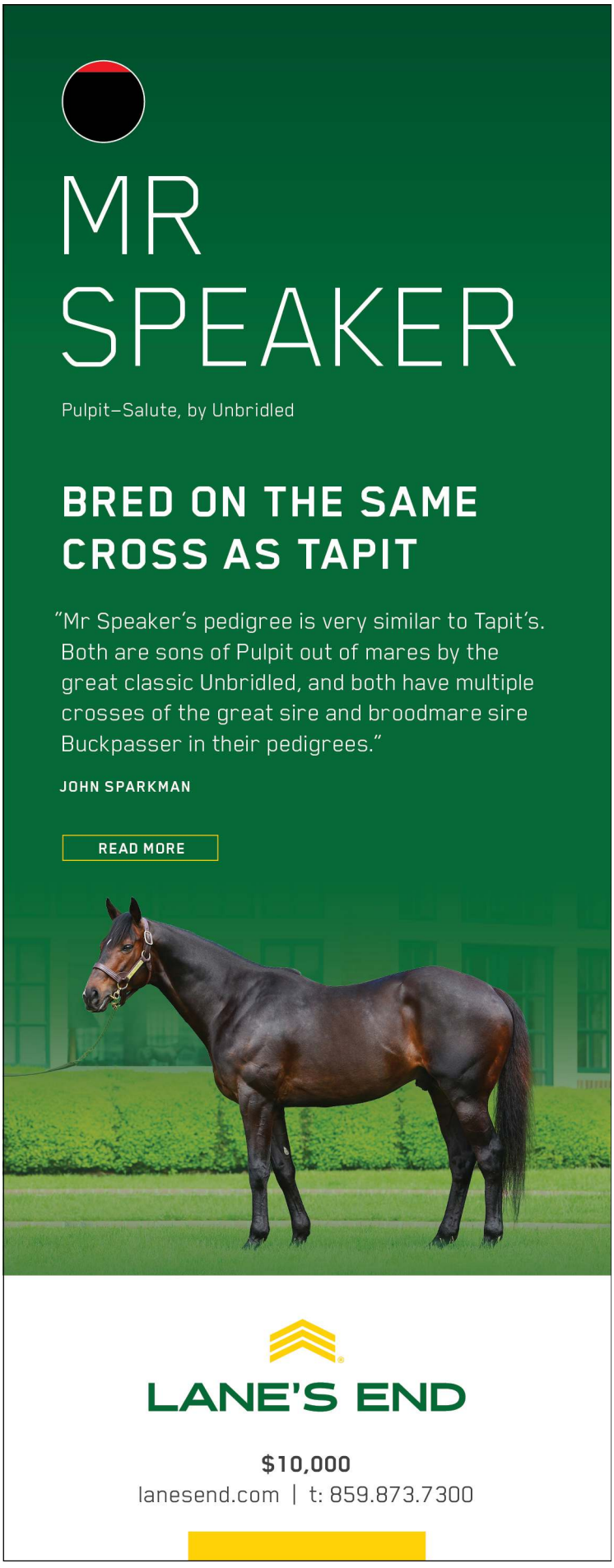

HORSE HEALTH
by Jen Roytz

Microchipping a Superior Form of Identification *(cont. from p1)*

Following suit, the Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau (TRPB) announced this past December that in 2020, any Thoroughbred making its first lifetime start will require a digital tattoo in order to race, as traditional lip tattoos are phased out.

The digital tattoo is a digital certification of a horse's identity that is accessible through The Jockey Club. To receive a digital tattoo, a horse will have its microchip scanned by a TRPB technician, who will authenticate the horse's identity through comparing the foal photos and markings on file to a visual inspection. Once the horse's identity is confirmed, the technician will take and upload updated photos of the horse to the breed registry.

"We had some concerns that solely depending on microchipping might not be as robust as the current system with the lip tattoos," said J. Curtis Linnell, Executive VP of the TRPB. "We took a look at what was being done internationally, and we also looked at the downsides of tattoos. They can get harder to read as they get older, they can be difficult to read prior to race time. We have so many more tools in the modern age that make things easier and more reliable for all involved."

The scanning of a foal using the microchip | *The Jockey Club*

Digital tattoos can also aid in biosecurity practices and the prevention of disease spread, as the horse identifier will no longer be required to come in contact with each horse's saliva in order to identify all horses in a race.

While using microchips for registration and identification purposes will streamline many processes and provide many benefits to horsemen, officials, horses and even the racing public, in an industry spanning multiple generations, economic levels and digital savviness, adoption of new, more modern technology by some may be slow and met with some resistance.

Preparing for a microchip implantation
Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society

Dr. Bart Barber, DVM, a shareholder with Rood and Riddle, says the benefits of microchipping versus traditional registration paperwork and tattooing are many.

"This is a superior technology for identifying horses," said Barber. "Tattoos can fade or become difficult to read over time and verifying markings is not failsafe. Horses in the paddock on race day can be fractious and resistant to having their tattoo read, which can put them and others around them at risk. From the farm to the auctions to the races, this provides a permeant, dependable, easy way to identify horses, and I think over the years we'll have advances in the technology of the chip and how people use the information."

The microchip, which is similar to a grain of rice in size, is implanted into the nuchal ligament in the middle third of a horse's neck on the left side and will last the duration of the horse's life. It is recommended that the microchip be implanted by a licensed veterinarian. It should be implanted at the same time the DNA hair sample is collected and photos are taken for registration.

Microchips have been used for years in small animals, and one of the most common issues that arises is the migration of the microchip from the implant site to other parts of the body.

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"This is a real issue and it has happened in some cases," said Barber. "There are different brands of chips now that are addressing that issue and putting features on the microchip that prevent them from migrating. We are in a new generation of chips that very rarely migrate."

Andrew Chesser, Manager of Registration Services agrees that issues involving the malfunction of microchips are rare and that such concerns are far outweighed by the safety and integrity benefits of using digital technology for Thoroughbred identification.

"We anticipate the transition from lip tattoos to verification of a microchip number will modernize the identification process, minimize the risk of disease and open up additional resources to support identification of Thoroughbreds, such as review of photographs," said Chesser. "Over time, it's reasonable to assume that owners, breeders and industry participants will adjust accordingly to realize these benefits."

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UNDER THE RADAR

In this new series we ask agents and others who book a lot of mares for their clients which sires might be flying slightly under the radar in this breeding season. Who might be getting overlooked in the rush for the new, hot thing? Read on.

John Greathouse, III

LOOKIN AT LUCKY, Ashford Stud, $20,000

I love Lookin At Lucky. Although I'm not really sure he should be under the radar any more after having the GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner in Accelerate. Not too many stallions in Kentucky have sired, or will ever sire, a horse like that.

I think first and foremost, he's able to produce a nice horse. Every time you look up, one of his progeny is running in a top race, and in the end that's what we are all trying to produce. They typically age well and stay sound. If you bring a pretty one to the market, you'll get rewarded.

People are starting to look at his results on the track and realizing he's great value. If you're trying to get a young mare off to a good start and produce a racehorse, I think he's a great option. Stallions like Lookin At Lucky, Munnings, and Mineshaft, are all great for mares like this.

We have supported him over the years and will be sending two more this year. He's extremely good value at $20,000.

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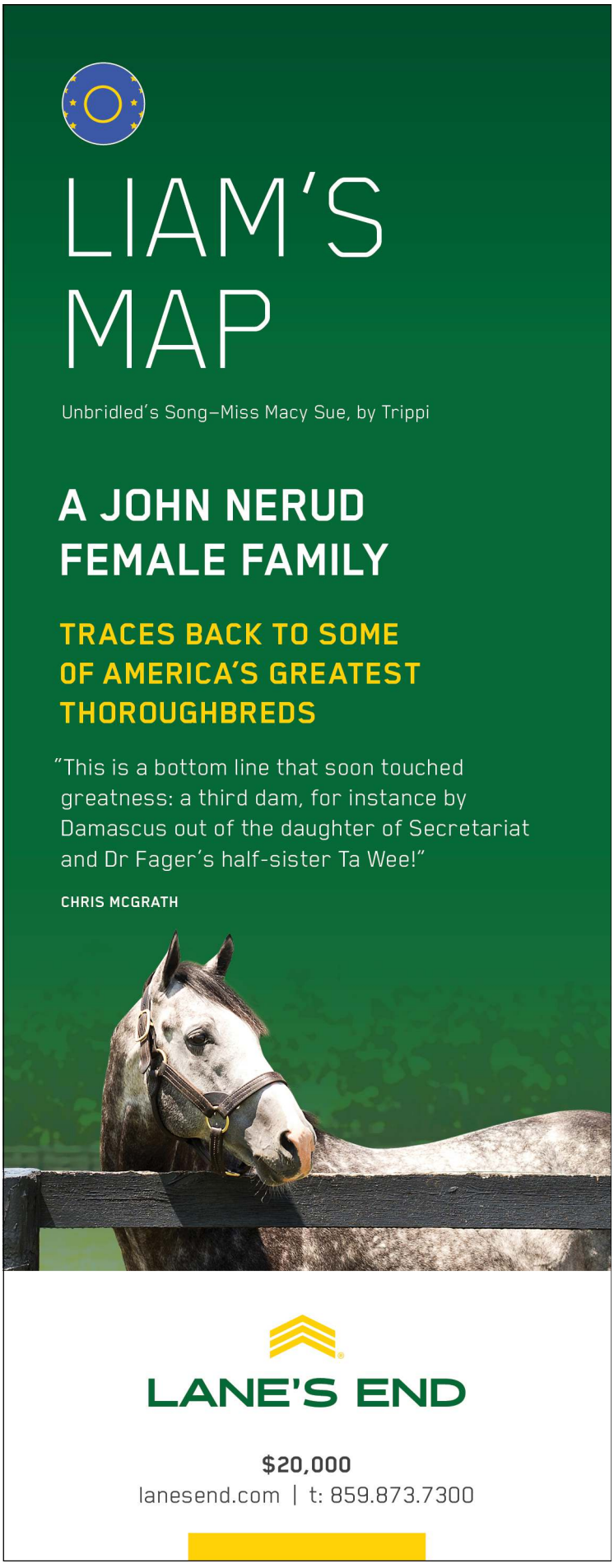

CTBA STEPS UP TO HOST JANUARY MIXED SALE WEDNESDAY

by Jessica Martini

The California Thoroughbred Breeders Association, stepping up to fill a void left in the state's winter sales calendar, will hold a one-session January Mixed Sale Wednesday at the Hinds Pavilion at Fairplex in Pomona. A total of 154 horses have been catalogued for the auction, which will begin at noon.

The CTBA sale is taking the place of the previous January auction held by Barretts and is designed to bridge the gap between that now-defunct sales company and Fasig-Tipton, which hosts its first sale at Santa Anita in June.

"We're pretty resilient out here, we've seen some ups and downs," said Adrian Gonzalez, whose Checkmate Thoroughbreds consigned the sale topper at last year's final Barretts January sale. "You have to show up with the right horses and you'll do okay. We've scaled back the size of our consignment to just a couple quality mares and a couple of quality babies and that's about it."

Gonzalez said he was appreciative of the CTBA's efforts to hold a January sale this year.

"They really kind of filled a void because there is certainly a need to move some of these mares and some people want to replace their mares," Gonzalez said. "If you don't provide that service to these breeders here, a lot of stuff could come to a halt. So I am personally appreciative of them stepping up and doing this. I am sure that, from a small catalogue standpoint, there probably isn't a big potential financial gain in this for them. It's probably just a service provided and it's amazing that they did this for us."

While heavy rain in the area might keep foot traffic down at the sales barns, Gonzalez said he is still seeing plenty of interest in his January offerings.

"For the last couple of weeks, we've had quite a few people from out of state calling and asking about our mares and asking for photos and videos of our babies walking. So, I feel like we have quite a bit of interest on the horses that we have. It seems like some of the horses in our consignment stand out in the catalogue. I think we're going to have plenty of action, although it might just be in people bidding over the phone, because I don't know how many people will show up with the weather the way it is."

In addition to short yearlings and broodmares, the catalogue features a large number of newly turned 2-year-olds. Selling an early 2-year-old worked for Gonzalez a year ago when he sold a sale-topping son of Quality Road for $120,000.

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"We tried it last year because the [Barretts] 2-year-olds in training sale schedule was consolidated into one sale," Gonzalez explained. "We felt like it would be a little tough pointing all our eggs to one date because sometimes they don't all make it at the right time. So to cover ourselves, we put some in the January sale. And, it was funny, we sold our January horses for more than our 2-year-olds in training sale horses. I don't know what the reason for that was, but I think you can kind of see from the entries at this sale this year that a lot more people are trying to pull off what we did last year."

At its final January sale last year, Barretts sold 112 horses for a total of $1,226,400. The average was $10,950 and the median was $5,750.

Fasig-Tipton will host its first Santa Anita 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale June 5 and Gonzalez said he is optimistic about the transition.

"I've done a lot of business with Fasig-Tipton in the past, selling through them out in Kentucky and buying at their sales," Gonzalez said. "I love working with them. Whatever it is they do, it has always been pretty smooth and seamless. I know there are going to be some growing pains, trying to pull off a new venue and new sales dates, but if anybody can do it, it's Fasig."

To view the complete CTBA January catalogue, visit www.ctba.com.

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STALLIONS' FIRST FOALS

AMERICAN FREEDOM

• The first foal by Airdrie Stud and Gary and Mary West Stables' stallion American Freedom (Pulpit--Gottcha Last, by Pleasant Tap) is a filly born Jan. 12 at Hillyard Stables in Corydon, Kentucky. Bred by Ashley and Josh Hillyard, the filly is the first foal out of the stakes-placed One Minute (Run Away and Hide).

• "This is an absolutely beautiful filly. She's got a lot of leg, a lot of length and all the substance you'd want. She acts like she's got the athleticism as well because she jumped up in no time and knew just what the world was all about", said John Hancock, Ashley Hillyard's father and trainer of One Minute.

• A $500,000 Keeneland September purchase in 2014, American Freedom won the 2016 GIII Iowa Derby and was second in that year's GI Travers S. and GI Haskell Invitational.

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ASTERN

• The first reported North American foal by Astern (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro--Essaouira {Aus}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}) was born Jan. 10 at Lyn Burleson's Burleson Farm. Bred by Jack Sims (McKenzie Bloodstock), the filly is out of 6-year-old Desperate Chick (Tribal Rule).

• "We are very excited about our Astern filly," said Burleson. "She has Medaglia d'Oro written all over her."

• Darley nominations manager Darren Fox said, "We were already delighted with the early preview we received with Astern's first Australian foals last fall, and if this first foal is any indication, we will be very pleased with his crop here as well."

• A Group 1 winner in Godolphin's colors, Astern shuttles from Darley's Kelvinside Farm in New South Wales, Australia. He will be standing his second year in 2019 at Darley's Jonabell farm in Lexington, Kentucky.

Desperate Chick and her Astern filly

MIDNIGHT STORM

• Taylor Made Stallions' Midnight Storm (Pioneerof the Nile--My Tina, by Bertrando), winner of the 2016 GI Shoemaker Mile, sired his first reported foal Jan. 13. Bred by Bob Liewald, the filly is the first foal out of Like a Hurricane (Street Boss).

• "This is a really nice foal and she looks a lot like Midnight Storm," said Travis White, stallion nominations manager at Taylor Made. "We are very excited for her owner Bob Liewald who was actually a part of the Little Red Feather syndicate group that raced Midnight Storm along with Alex Venneri.

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Phillips's winning submission was snapped in the aftermath of Justify's stirring 2 1/2-length victory in the GI Kentucky Derby over a rain-soaked Churchill Downs track last May.

"We are thrilled the winner of this contest is a horse racing fan who clearly follows the sport," said EquiLottery Games CEO Brad Cummings. "Our goals with Kentucky's Win Place Show, as it pertains to horse racing, are to expand the fan base and increase racetrack and purse revenue. If we can create more fans like Mr. Phillips with our mainstream lottery game approach, we will realize these goals."

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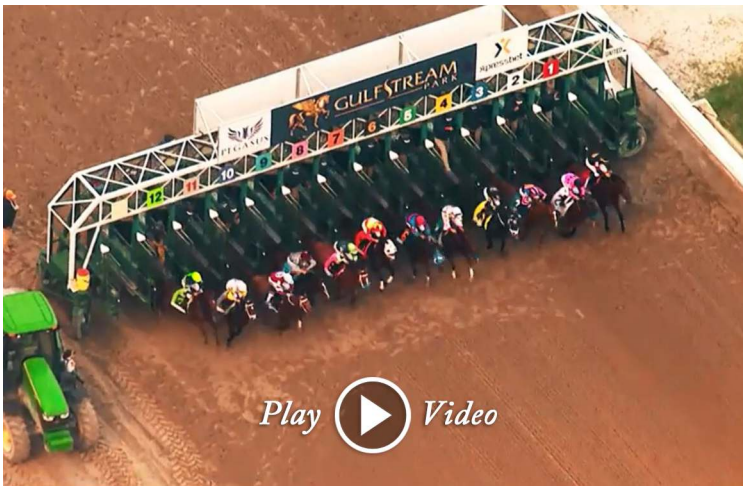

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NORTH AMERICAN MAIDENS

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

9th-Santa Anita, $56,404, (S), Msw, 1-13, 3yo, 6f, 1:09.46, ft.
LIEUTENANT DAN (g, 3, Grazen--Excusabull, by Indian Charlie) finished fast to be third on debut Dec. 8 at Los Alamitos and was given a 23-5 chance to go two better here. First to break the line, the homebred settled in a tracking fourth past a :21.73 quarter, ranged up alongside the leaders four deep passing a :44.88 half and drew off despite failing to switch leads in an eight-length romp. Grandpa Louie (Coil) completed the exacta. The victor has a juvenile full-sister named Gray Lives Matter. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, $37,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O/B-Nicholas B. Alexander (CA); T-Steven Miyadi.

ADDITIONAL RACING

STAKES RESULTS:

WINSHAM LAD H., $65,000, Sunland, 1-13, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:35.21, ft.

1--**RAAGHEB, 121, g, 7, Street Cry (Ire)--Mostaqeleh (GSP-Fr), by Rahy. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**. O-Paul Miller & Bill Tomasic; B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY); T-Justin R. Evans; J-Luis Contreras. $39,000. Lifetime Record: 32-5-5-5, $290,466. *1/2 to Matera Sky (Speightstown), GSW-Jpn, $1,399,274; and Nawwaar (Distorted Humor), MSW-UAE, $330,994.

2--**Deputy's Echo**, 122, g, 6, Badge of Silver--Distorted Echo, by Distorted Humor. ($30,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP). O-Margaret V. Bloss; B-Andreas Bezzola (KY); T-Nancy Summers. $13,000.

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3--**American Dubai**, 120, h, 6, E Dubai--Smash Review, by Bates Motel. ($13,000 Wlg '13 EASDEC; $35,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; $50,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR). O/T-Rodney C. Richards; B-C. Oliver Iselin (VA). $6,500.

Margins: 2, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 5.80, 4.20, 2.10.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

1st-Mahoning Valley, $31,300, (S), 1-14, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:45.35, ft.
GOLDEN AFLEET (g, 4, Northern Afleet--Mongoose Gold {SW, $265,643}, by Mongoose) Lifetime Record: 14-2-3-1, $57,213. O-Mark D. Kuntz & Michael P. Jamison; B-Donnybrook Stables & Wynn Blanton (OH); T-Larry E. Smith. *$55,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP.

3rd-Mahoning Valley, $31,300, (S), 1-14, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:46.04, ft.
MANGA MAN (g, 3, Kingship--Sligo Knows, by Sligo Bay {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-2, $73,065. O/B/T-Joshua C. Faulkner (OH).

6th-Mahoning Valley, $24,000, 1-14, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.09, ft.
GLENNWOOD (c, 4, Paynter--Enchanted Woods {GSP, $108,005}, by Woodman) Lifetime Record: SP, 10-3-1-2, $65,997. O-Jak Racing LLC.; B-Zayat Stables, LLC (KY); T-Bart A. Barnes. *1/2 to Insta Erma (Pioneerof the Nile), GSW & GISP, $572,242; Mordi's Miracle (Lawyer Ron), SW & GSP, $361,859; and Emmajestic (Zensational), GSP, $173,325.

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GRAZEN, Lieutenant Dan, g, 3, o/o Excusabull, by Indian Charlie. MSW, 1-13, Santa Anita
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NORTHERN AFLEET, Golden Afleet, g, 4, o/o Mongoose Gold, by Mongoose. ALW, 1-14, Mahoning Valley
PAYNTER, Glennwood, c, 4, o/o Enchanted Woods, by Woodman. ALW, 1-14, Mahoning Valley
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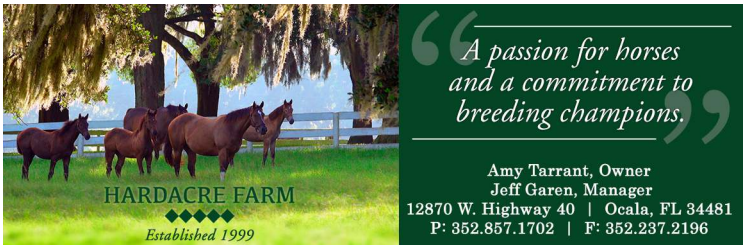

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THE WELL RUNS DEEP AT COOLMORE

Galileo | *Coolmore*

by Emma Berry

For breeders, hope springs eternal, and at Coolmore spring appears to be springing early. Less than halfway into January the snowdrops are already nodding their optimistic heads while the daffodil bulbs appear to be eager to join in. Meanwhile in the deluxe stables there are new blooms of a different kind to be found, as top-class gallopers of recent years are now the budding stallions of tomorrow.

Before we address the recent intake at the most famous of Ireland's stud farms, due praise must be given to Coolmore's hardiest of perennials, **Galileo (Ire)**, seemingly in rude health at 21 and standing at the farm which has been his home since 2002 alongside five of his sons—Australia (GB), Churchill (Ire), Gleneagles (Ire), Highland Reel (Ire) and The Gurkha (Ire)—while nearby at Castlehyde Stud stand **Gustav Klimt (Ire)** and **Ruler Of The World (Ire)**. Furthermore, Order Of St George (Ire), Sans Frontieres (Ire) and Soldier Of Fortune (Ire) can be found on Coolmore's National Hunt roster.

"We're drilling for oil," says Coolmore's Director of Sales David O'Loughlin as he ponders the quest for the youngblood who will eventually wrest the baton from his father.

Despite the fact that 14 of Galileo's sons have already sired a Group 1 winner, it seems hard to imagine that even one of them will go on to match his own formidable record, but then it also seemed unlikely that Sadler's Wells's towering career would ever be surpassed. However, in October 2018, son usurped father when Galileo, now a nine-time champion sire, was represented by his 74th Group/Grade 1 winner, Magical (Ire).

"Coolmore is involved on three continents, we've got an interest in America, Australia, and Europe," says O'Loughlin. "The world has got much smaller, there's so much more international racing, and that's all reflected in our roster. But most of them come back to Galileo in some shape or form—the Galileo mares, the sons of Galileo.

"Many of the stallions were bred here in Coolmore, so we've a lot of faith in these horses. They've come through our farms, comes through the best of our bloodlines, they're sirelines we can all believe in. Sire families, top-class racing families that produce lots of Group 1 horses." **Cont. p2**

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

LION TAMING SHOWS EVEN STALLIONS CAN START OVER

Former stallion **American Lion** (Tiznow) has joined the New Vocations retraining program and will soon be up for adoption. Chris McGrath has the scoop. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.**

Sioux Nation | *Racing Post*

The Well at Coolmore Runs Deep Cont. from p1

Among the new intake on the Flat roster this year, Gustav Klimt is the sole son of Galileo, but **U S Navy Flag** represents the increasingly successful cross of Claiborne's War Front with mares by Galileo, while **Saxon Warrior (Jpn)** is a result of the broader international search for other lines to use with daughters of the champion, and is by Japan's leading sire, Deep Impact (Jpn). **Sioux Nation** (Scat Daddy) is the only newcomer free of Galileo blood as the dual-hemisphere Group 1 winner Merchant Navy (Aus) has not joined his sire Fastnet Rock (Aus) on the shuttle north this season.

Through his exotic sireline and familiar female family, it is Saxon Warrior who perhaps best represents the vision of Coolmore's founding fathers John Magnier, Robert Sangster and Vincent O'Brien, with a number of his forebears having played their parts in the early years of the breeding empire. It is a family rippled with Classic distinction: his fourth dam Rose Of Jericho (Alleged) produced Derby winner Dr Devious (Ire) (Ahonoora {GB}), while third dam Rain Flower (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}) is the dam of Oaks winner Dancing Rain (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}).

Dancing Rain's half-sister Sumora (Ire) (Danehill) proved an altogether speedier and more precocious package. Bred by Sangster with King Bloodstock, the listed-winning sprinter returned to the fold in 2011, when MV Magnier bought her from Croom House Stud for 2.4 million gns at the end of the year in which her daughter Maybe (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) had sailed through an unbeaten juvenile season, culminating in victory in the G1 Moyglare Stud S. Maybe went on to run third to Homecoming Queen (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) in the 1000 Guineas but that she never returned to her imperious best is of no consequence now that she has produced an unbeaten champion 2-year-old who became a 2000 Guineas winner.

O'Loughlin says, "Saxon Warrior was never beaten at a mile. He's got such a great pedigree. He's by Deep Impact, one of the best stallions in the world. He's out of a Galileo mare who was a champion 2-year-old herself. It's a great sire-producing family and an international family. The commercial world in particular at the moment is all about the international horse. The international buyers, they are the mainstays, the most important people at the sales." **Cont. p3**

U S Navy Flag | *Eclipse Sportswire*

The Well at Coolmore Runs Deep Cont.

During the year in which Maybe was notching her string of five juvenile wins, the year-older Misty For Me (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), already a dual Group 1 winner at two, added the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Pretty Polly S., to her list of achievements. Extra glory was to come in her follow-up career with her second foal Roly Poly (War Front) landing three Group 1 wins, a feat matched by her full-brother U S Navy Flag. In an age in which speed and precocity are such requisites for the commercial market, it's hard to see how this son of War Front will not be given every chance to succeed.

David O'Loughlin & Demi O'Byrne | *Tattersalls*

"He was a very quick horse," says O'Loughlin of U S Navy Flag. "The first horse since Diesis to do the Middle Park and Dewhurst double, and he had the class to go on and win the July Cup at three. His dam was one of the best Galileo fillies Aidan [O'Brien] ever had. She has already bred a Group 1 winner by War Front in Roly Poly, so it's a very fast family. Again it's a family we have a lot of faith in. He's a very tough horse, very genuine, as was his dam, as was his sister. So I think you have all the qualities there: speed, soundness, class."

That Galileo has been an equally successful producer of top-class colts and fillies creates its own problem in finding outcrosses for his daughters in the broodmare band but this is being alleviated to a degree by the stallion whose name has never been far from the bloodstock news in recent years despite the fact that he died in December 2015. Scat Daddy was not perhaps fully appreciated during his eight-year tenure at Coolmore's Ashford Stud, but posthumously his legacy is gathering pace. **Cont. p4**

Saxon Warrior (Deep Impact) is standing his first year at Coolmore, Ireland for €30,000. | *racingfotos.com*

Australia | *Coolmore*

The Well at Coolmore Runs Deep Cont.

In Kentucky, he is succeeded at Ashford by last year's Triple Crown winner Justify as well as Mendelssohn, while Coolmore's Irish division appears, at this nascent stage of his stud career, to have an exciting heir in No Nay Never. The Scat Daddy line is reinforced in Ireland by Caravaggio, whose first foals are expected imminently, and the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. winner Sioux Nation.

"I think it's going to be a big part of the future for us now that we have so many of these good racemares by Galileo and we've covered them with War Front, we've covered them with Deep Impact, and we're also trying Dubawi (Ire)," notes O'Loughlin. "What's very exciting for us as well is that we now have a horse like No Nay Never and the other good Scat Daddys, and they are going to be made for the Galileo mares, too. So we've lots of options. Galileo has been working with so many lines, particularly the Danzig line, but there are so many options out there. He's becoming tremendously influential as a broodmare sire."

He continues, "We had Scat Daddy's sire, Johannesburg, who was trained out of Ballydoyle. They all compliment each other: with a horse like Churchill (Ire), who's Galileo over Storm Cat, and Misty For Me is Galileo over Storm Cat, it's very encouraging for the Scat Daddy over Galileo [cross]. It gives us great hope for Gleneagles (Ire), another son of Galileo who's out of a Storm Cat mare, who has his first runners this year."

A year ahead of Gleneagles are two of his paternal half-brothers who delivered the Coolmore partners that most cherished prize on the first Saturday of June in consecutive years. The Derby winners Ruler Of The World and **Australia (GB)** each made a notable start with their first 2-year-olds last season, the latter with far greater ammunition, and hopes will be high that their early stakes winners will progress as would be expected of their parentage.

Gleneagles, so physically reminiscent of his sire and who achieved what to stallion masters must be the holy trinity of 'stallion-making' races when romping from the English Guineas to Irish Guineas to St James's Palace S., is the next to be tested. He has his own rather charming foible in that he dislikes wearing rugs, so breeders viewing him this winter will find him woollier than his stud mates, but he already oozes that calm poise so well mastered by his sire and grandsire before him. It's as if he's already become accustomed to being admired by onlookers, and for a horse of his pedigree, with its abundant sprinkling of Group 1 winners and his close relationship to Giant's Causeway, that is perhaps no surprise.

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Gleneagles | *Coolmore*

The Well at Coolmore Runs Deep Cont.

After Highland Reel (Ire) last year, who has been well supported at Coolmore as well as at Adam Sangster's Swettenham Stud in Australia, the latest of Galileo's sons to join the fray is Gustav Klimt. Against some of those aforementioned luminaries, he could be found wanting on race record—the G2 Superlative S. at Newmarket was the pinnacle of his success but he was third in the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas and was only half a length behind Without Parole (GB) (Frankel {GB}) when second in the G1 St James's Palace S. Gustav Klimt's neat stature may also be held against him by some, though we don't have to look too far beyond even his own sireline to remind ourselves that when it comes to stallions, size isn't everything.

Gustav Klimt | *Racing Post*

What this small horse with a big walk does have going for him in bundles is his pedigree, as O'Loughlin explains. "He's out of Massarra (GB), who's a full sister to Kodiac (GB) and a half sister to Invincible Spirit (Ire). I know a lot of Irish breeders who made a lot of money along the way out of Kodiac and Invincible Spirit, and they are horses who upgrade their mares. This is a great chance to get in at a lower level, particularly in these tougher times, to breed to a horse with such a pedigree, who had the ability to be placed in the Guineas, the Sprint Cup, most of the good races through the year, and he was a Group 2 winner as a 2-year-old. He was a much better racehorse at two than Kodiac or Invincible Spirit. But to have that racing ability, the really good looks, and that pedigree backing him up, he has a great chance."

To have sons of Galileo, War Front, Scat Daddy and Deep Impact retiring together in one year may on one hand reflect the increasing internationalisation of the bloodstock business, but they also trace back to those glory days in North America, particularly in Kentucky, which both inspired the launch of Coolmore and in turn were boosted by the big-spending triumvirate of Magnier, O'Brien and Sangster. Cont. p6

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The blending of bloodlines on different continents is nothing new, but it is a practice which is being quite forcefully reinvigorated of late.

O'Loughlin says, "There are Australians breeding in Europe, there are Europeans breeding in Australia, the Americans are back in Europe, selling and buying—there was a very strong presence at Book 1 last year from all over the world, but particularly from America. To reiterate, it's a small world, but the bloodlines traditionally have intermingled, and that's what breeding is all about, the international mix."

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield

BELVOIR BAY

Comparing turf racing in the U.S. to the European variety isn't always straightforward. Whereas Europeans horses occasionally have to plough through very soft ground in Britain, Ireland, France, Germany and Italy, their American counterparts rarely tackle such conditions, with racecourses opting to switch races to their dirt tracks when the going becomes deep.

When graded stakes are switched from turf to dirt, they are automatically moved down a grade, but there is an option for the original grading to be restored if the form is considered worthy. Consequently, the GIII Las Cienegas S. became just a listed race--at least temporarily--when it was switched to Santa Anita's main track three days ago.

No fewer than five of the nine entrants were scratched but the connections of the ex-British mare **Belvoir Bay** were happy to let her take her chance. Although 21 of her previous 22 appearances had been on turf, her one start on dirt had resulted in victory in the GIII Torrey Pines S. at Del Mar in 2016. Belvoir Bay duly kept her unbeaten record on dirt, defeating the five-time dirt winner Lady Suebee.

In the process, the daughter of **Equiano** boosted her career totals to 10 wins from 23 starts and her earnings to more than $640,000--a figure not too different from the $625,000 it had cost owner Gary Barber to buy out co-owner Team Valor at Fasig-Tipton last November. Needless to say, Belvoir Bay's current value is far removed from the 20,000gns she cost as a yearling, before winning at Windsor and Goodwood and going very close to being placed at Group 3 level for Richard Hannon.

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Spare a thought for her sire Equiano, the Newsells Park stallion who is now in the difficult position of being in competition in the Newmarket area with two other Group 1-winning sons of Acclamation, a stallion best known as the sire of Dark Angel. Aclaim arrived at the National Stud after winning the G1 Prix de la Foret in 2017 and reportedly covered 160 mares at a fee of £12,500 last year. While Equiano was far from friendless, his 2018 book amounted to 93 mares at £8,000. Now both are up against Expert Eye, the GI Breeders' Cup Mile winner, who has been much in demand since his retirement to Banstead Manor at a fee of £20,000.

Aclaim and Equiano have both had their fees reduced, Aclaim to £9,500 and Equiano to £6,000. Equiano surely represents value at that price--the lowest charged for his services during his nine-year stallion career. That's a modest price for a stallion whose first crop contained three group winners, headed by The Tin Man, a Group 1 winner of the Diamond Jubilee, British Champions Sprint and 32Red Sprint Cup, and the Group 3 winner Strath Burn, a short-head second in the G1 Betfred Sprint Cup.

Equiano's second crop has also done very well at group/graded level, with American successes from Belvoir Bay (GII Monrovia S., etc) and Baciami Piccola (GIII Florida Oaks) and French successes from Fly On The Night (G3 Prix du Bois) and Lady Macapa (G3 Prix du Petit Couvert).

Crop number three boosted Equiano's total of group/graded winners to eight, thanks to Medicine Jack's victory in the G2 Railway S. While crops number four and five haven't so far been able to follow suit, it must be remembered that the fifth crop–3-year-olds this year--numbers only 54 foals and there are only 70 foals in this year's yearling crop. **Cont. p8**

Equiano | *Newsells Park Stud*

Pedigree Insights: Belvoir Bay Cont.

It is worth adding that speed has been the main feature of Equiano's group performers, the only two to have won over a distance as long as a mile being the American-raced fillies Belvoir Bay and Baciami Piccola.

Equiano himself was a sprinter, pure and simple, although not as a 2-year-old when he was trained in Spain. Despite his victories over 6 1/2 and seven furlongs at two, he never tackled more than six furlongs in subsequent years, While his finest hours came over five, when he landed the G1 King's Stand S. in 2008 and 2010, there wasn't much wrong with his effort in the G1 July Cup of 2010, when he failed by only a neck to hold off Starspangledbanner.

Belvoir Bay's excellent career is another tribute to her breeder, Mrs. Lennie Peacock, who died last year at the age of 97. Her Manor House Stud produced a string of notable performers, including the 2000 Guineas winner Tirol and the top Australian sprinter Redkirk Warrior. However, the one which most relates to Belvoir Bay is Bold Arrangement, a brother to Belvoir Bay's second dam, Persian Song.

Bold Arrangement's trainer Clive Brittain exploited the colt's toughness, asking him to race nine times as a 2-year-old. Bold Arrangement won four of them, including the Solario S., and was narrowly beaten in the G2 Grand Criterium. Bold Arrangement then had the unusual record of having contested both the Kentucky Derby and the Epsom Derby, putting up his better effort at Churchill Downs, where he finished second to Ferdinand, with Broad Brush in third. It therefore isn't so surprising that Belvoir Bay has had no problems on her rare appearances on dirt.

Persian Song showed little of her brother's talent, but made amends by producing Please Sing, winner of the G2 Cherry Hinton S. It was this filly who no doubt provided the motivation for sending Belvoir Bay's dam Path of Peace to Equiano, who is a grandson of Please Sing's sire Royal Applause.

Belvoir Bay ranks alongside the listed winner Alicante Dawn as one of two black-type winners among the first seven starters sired by Equiano from daughters of the top-class miler Rock of Gibraltar. Now 20, Rock of Gibraltar is also the broodmare sire of Galileo's Group 1 winners Photo Call and Line of Duty. The latter landed the 2018 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf to become one of three 2018 2-year-old group winners with a dam by Rock of Gibraltar, so Rock of Gibraltar looks well placed to add to his status as a talented broodmare sire.

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TATTERSALLS FEBRUARY CATALOGUE FEATURES ROYAL ASCOT VICTOR

The catalogue for the two-day Tattersalls February Sale is now available online. A total of 464 lots–consisting of 176 fillies in/out of training, 41 broodmares, 174 colts/gelding in/out of training, 53 yearlings and 20 2-year-olds–will go under the hammer at Park Paddocks in Newmarket on Jan. 31-Feb. 1. The February Sale will start immediately after the TBA Stallion Parade, which begins at 11 a.m. on Jan. 31 and selling commences at 10 a.m. on Feb. 1.

Large consignments from Godolphin, Juddmonte and Shadwell feature, with 59 lots split between the trio. Godolphin fields the largest draft, with 43 lots, and it is 2017 Royal Ascot hero **Atty Perse (Ire)** (Frankel {GB}) (lot 375) and listed winner **Ambassadorial** (Elusive Quality) (lot 315), who anchor the consignment. **Cont. p9**

Forever Together's dam sold at the 2005 Tattersalls February Sale
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Other lots of note including 2018 Italian 1000 Guineas heroine **Act of War (Ity)** (Mujahid) (lot 160) from Marco Botti's Prestige Place; SW and Classic placed **Sladina (GB)** (Nathaniel {Ire}) (lot 148) hails from The Castlebridge Consignment; while East Everleigh Stables' **Graceful (Ire)** (Zoffany {Ire}) (lot 398), **Northeast Moon (Ire)** (Sea The Moon {Ger}) (lot 46) from Barton Stud, and Lower Coombe Stables' **Queen of Paris (GB)** (Champs Elysees {GB}) (lot 415)–all half-sisters to G1SWs Gilt Edge Girl (GB) (Monsieur Bond {Ire}), Prince Bishop (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) and Dariana (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), respectively, also feature.

Baroda and Colbinstown Studs offer the group-producing mare **Kalandara (Ire)** (Rainbow Quest) as lot 69 in foal to Lope de Vega (Ire), as well as lot 68, **Art of Dance (GB)** (Medicean {GB}) carrying to first-crop champion sire No Nay Never; and The National Stud has **Hestia (Fr)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) (lot 66), also in foal to the Coolmore sire.

"The Tattersalls February Sale goes from strength to strength and this year's catalogue has plenty of quality," said Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony. "The dam of last year's Oaks winner Forever Together is a fine example of the outstanding quality to be found at the Tattersalls February Sale and there is no shortage of high-class breeding stock in this year's catalogue, as well as horses in training, 2-year-olds and yearlings to appeal to the usual diverse mix of domestic and international buyers who have made the Tattersalls February Sale Europe's premier midwinter fixture."

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FRONTIERSMAN RETIRED TO OVERBURY

Frontiersman (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}–Ouija Board {GB}, by Cape Cross {Ire}), a half-brother to G1 Investec Derby hero Australia (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), has been retired to Overbury Stud in England, the stud announced on Monday. The Listed Godolphin S. hero will cover both Flat and National Hunt mares and his fee is available upon request. Interested breeders may inspect him during the TBA Stallion Showcase at Goffs UK on Jan. 22.

Bred by Lord Derby's Stanley Estate and Stud Company, the dark bay was purchased privately by Godolphin as a yearling, but an eye injury kept him front the racecourse until his 3-year-old year. Sent to trainer Charlie Appleby, the colt was a dual winner at three. Frontiersman saved his best for his 4-year-old season, finishing a good second to Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in Epsom's G1 Coronation Cup S. in 2017, as well as runner-up in the G2 Princess of Wales's S. and third in the G3 Geoffrey Freer S. He saluted in the Godolphin S. at Newbury and in 2018 also placed second in the G2 Dubai City Of Gold at Meydan. He retires with a record of 16-4-3-3 and $349,300 in earnings.

The fifth foal out of two-time European Horse of the Year Ouija Board, who won seven Group 1 races, Frontiersman is also a half-brother to Australian Group 3 winner Voodoo Prince (GB) (Kingmambo). His second dam is a full-sister to GI Arlington Million hero Teleprompter (GB) (Welsh Pageant {Fr}) and this is the same family as German/Italian champion Ibn Bey (GB) (Mill Reef), G1 Yorkshire Oaks heroine Roseate Tern (GB) (Blakeney {GB}) and G1 Meon Valley Stud Fillies' Mile victress Red Bloom (GB) (Selkirk).

"Frontiersman was a favourite at Godolphin, possessing great speed and a wonderful temperament," said trainer Charlie Appleby. "He was quite capable of competing with the best and his second in the Coronation Cup came in a very fast time."

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New Overbury Stud recruit Frontiersman | *Darley*

Frontiersman Retired Cont.

Added Overbury Stud Manager Simon Sweeting, "He's an intriguing stallion prospect--he's well-made and very eye-catching, plenty talented enough and with that amazing pedigree. I'm looking forward to showing him to breeders at Goffs. The history books say that a stallion this well-bred doesn't have to be a Group 1 winner to excel at stud: Kodiac (GB) and Fairy King spring to mind, and Dubawi himself is out of a mare by Deploy (GB): like Frontiersman, he was a Group 1 runner-up who was a half-brother to a Derby winner out of a great racemare."

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STALLIONS' FIRST FOALS

CHURCHILL (IRE)

- Coolmore Stud's Churchill (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), a MG1SW at two and three, as well as a five-time highweight and dual Guineas victor, sired his first reported foal over the weekend.
- Out of the MSW Trip To Glory (Fr) (Where Or When {Ire}), the colt was born at Wadacre Stud in England.
- "He's a smashing colt, we are so pleased with him that we booked the mare back to Churchill straight away," said Jeanette Matthews-Griffiths. "He's all quality."
- Churchill will stand for €35,000 this year.

HIGHLAND REEL (IRE)

- The globe-trotting Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who was named a triple Irish highweight amidst seven Group/Grade 1 wins, sired his first reported foal over the weekend.
- The filly, the first produce of Sundene (Fr) (Zafeen {Fr}), was foaled at Haras de Saint Julien in Normandy, France.
- "It's a very nice filly foal indeed," said Haras de Saint Julien's Antoinette Tamagni-Bodmer. "We are thrilled it's the first foal by Highland Reel and the first of the season on my farm. We will be supporting Highland Reel again this year."
- Highland Reel will command €17,500 at Coolmore Stud in Ireland this term.

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CONDITIONS RESULT:

4th-Wolverhampton, £19,000, 1-14, 4yo/up, 16f 120y (AWT), 3:31.18, st.
AIRCRAFT CARRIER (IRE) (c, 4, Declaration of War--Strategy {GB}, by Machiavellian) Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-0, $72,654. O-Mr John Stocker; B-Lynch Bages LTD (IRE); T-John Ryan. *$350,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; 27,000gns 3yo '18 TATAHI. **1/2 to Justaroundmidnight (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), GSW-US, $161,948, & to Boris Grigoriev (Ire) (Excellent Art {GB}), GSP-Ire.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Cosmic Landscape (GB), c, 4, **Lawman (Fr)**--Dancingintheclouds (Ire), by Rainbow Quest. Wolverhampton, 1-14, 9f 104y (AWT), 1:58.27. B-Mehmet Kurt (GB). *1/2 to Tenerife Song (GB) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), Ch. 3-y-o Filly-Tur, $260,029.

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Monday's Results:
2nd-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €23,000, Mdn, 1-14, 3yo, c/g, 10f (AWT), 2:09.00, st.
BALRANALD (FR) (c, 3, Mastercraftsman {Ire}--Shining Glory {Ger} {SW-Ger}, by Konigstiger {Ger}), who was well-beaten when 12th on debut at Deauville on Dec. 15, raced under restraint early behind the leader. Travelling strongly entering the straight, the 22-1 shot ground his way to the front with 100 metres remaining and stayed on to beat Goldstone (Fr) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) by a length. The listed-winning dam, whose 2-year-old colt is by Dabirsim (Fr) and who also has a yearling filly by Manatee (GB), is a half-sister to the Japanese stakes performers X Mark (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) and Immortal (Jpn) (Manhattan Cafe {Jpn}). The third dam So Sedulous (The Minstrel) produced the G1 Deutsches Derby, GI Breeders' Cup Turf and G1 Coronation Cup-winning sire Shirocco (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and two other smart runners by Monsun in Storm Trooper (Ger) and Subiaco (Ger). Sales history: €38,000 Ylg '17 AROCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €11,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-Peter Maher & John Baxter; B-Ecurie Des Monceaux (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

5th-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €23,000, Mdn, 1-14, 3yo, f, 10f (AWT), 2:06.82, st.
BELLARIVA (FR) (f, 3, Myboycharlie {Ire}--Lady Millon {Ire}, by Kheleyf), sixth on her racecourse bow at Deauville Dec. 16, was full of enthusiasm early as she stalked the leading trio. Delivered wide in the straight, the 5-2 favourite hit the front a furlong out and had a head to spare over Marylin (Fr) (Motivator {GB}) at the line. The unraced dam, whose only other representative is the listed-placed Rovigo (Fr) (Deportivo {GB}), also has a yearling filly by Pearl Secret (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €11,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton**.
O-LG Bloodstock; B-G Laboureau (FR); T-Christophe Ferland.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:
3rd-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €28,000, 1-14, 4yo, 12fT, 2:43.10, vs.
GOOD QUESTION (FR) (g, 4, Manduro {Ger}--Question of Time {Fr}, by Olden Times {GB}) Lifetime Record: 13-5-2-2, €78,180. O-Georges Duca & Mme Laurence Samoun; B-Mme M Bryant (FR); T-Christophe Escuder. *€3,000 Ylg '16 AROCT.

1st-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €26,000, 1-14, 3yo, 2150mT, 2:23.27, vs.
CAPITOLE (FR) (c, 3, Born To Sea {Ire}--Capitale {Fr}, by Pivotal {GB}) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 8-2-3-0, €42,880. O-Ecurie Des Mouettes; B-Scuderia Bolgher (FR); T-Richard Chotard.

French/Irish highweight and MG1SW Almanzor (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) sired his first reported foal, a filly out of Quara (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), last week. The bay miss was bred by Etreham/Riviera Equine/Mr. Marinopoulos. "She is a well-balanced filly and full of quality," said Haras d'Etreham's Nicolas de Chambure. "She seems pretty stamped by her sire." Almanzor covered a quality first book of 140 mares last year, including 25 Group 1 performers or producers and will stand for €35,000 at Haras d'Etreham in 2019. | *Haras d'Etreham*

The first reported foal for MGSW & MG1SP Cotai Glory (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) is a chestnut filly out of French SP Strange Magic (Ire) (Diamond Green {Fr}). "I'm very pleased, she has loads of bone and is a lovely shape," said the filly's breeder John Foley. Cotai Glory stands at Tally-Ho Stud in Ireland for €5,000 in 2019. | *John Foley*

IRELAND

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RECORD ATTENDANCE AT ITM IRISH STALLION TRAIL

A total of 28 stallion farms opened their doors for the fifth annual Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Irish Stallion Trail on Jan. 11-12, with record attendance reported, Horse Racing Ireland announced on Monday. Breeders, racing professionals and racing fans attended the two-day event, with over 2,500 individual registrations recorded via the ITM website.

"The ITM Irish Stallion Trail has become an annual pilgrimage for breeders and racing fans," said ITM Marketing Executive Alex Cairns. "There was great momentum behind the event in 2019 and the positive feedback we have received has been a huge source of satisfaction. ITM would like to thank all breeders, racing professionals, media, and fans who joined the ITM Irish Stallion Trail in 2019. We also owe a huge debt of gratitude to the 28 farms that so generously opened their doors to showcase Irish thoroughbred breeding. Plans for 2020 are already underway."

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Last Draft and his happy connections | *Horsephotos*

Monday, Nakayama, Japan

KEISEI HAI-G3, ¥72,610,000 *(US$671,048/£520,598/€584,819)*, Nakayama, 1-14, 3yo, 2000mT, 2:01.20, fm.

1---**LAST DRAFT (JPN), 123, c, 3, Novellist (Ire)**
1st Dam: Marcellina (Jpn) (G1SW-Jpn, $3,172,700), by Deep Impact (Jpn)
2nd Dam: Marbye (Ire), by Marju (Ire)
3rd Dam: Hambye (GB), by Distant Relative (Ire)
1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); T-Hirofumi Toda; J- Christophe Lemaire. ¥38,427,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0. *1st SW & 1st GSW for his sire (by Monsun {Ger}). **Werk Nick Rating: F. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Run for the Roses (Jpn)**, 123, c, 3, King Kamehameha (Jpn)--Last Groove (Jpn), by Deep Impact (Jpn). (¥125,000,000 Ylg '17 JRHAJUL). O-Yoshiro Kubota; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥15,122,000.

3--**Hindu Times (Jpn)**, 123, c, 3, Harbinger (GB)--Mahabharata (Jpn), by Deep Impact (Jpn). O-Silk Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥9,561,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 4.10, 2.70, 22.60.

Also Ran: Secret Run (Jpn), Regal Mane (Jpn), Naimama (Jpn), Madre Voice (Jpn), Crystal Barows (Jpn), Kafuji Jupiter (Jpn), Keiser's Kroon (Jpn), Catedral (Jpn), Danon Luster (Jpn).

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Last Draft maintained his perfect record with a first group score in the G3 Keiei Hai at Nakayama on Monday. Tracking leader Catedral (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) to his inside from the bell, the 5-1 shot kept tabs on that foe for most of the backstretch run. He challenged 650 metres from the line and Run for the Roses made it a line of three on the far turn. As Catedral faded, Christophe Lemaire asked the first foal of G1 Oka Sho heroine Marcellina, and Last Draft opened up by about two lengths in the stretch. Despite the persistent presence of Run for the Roses, the winning margin was 1 1/4 lengths. Hindu Times was a neck back in third, 1 1/4 lengths to the good of the favoured Secret Run (Jpn) (Dunkirk).

A winner on debut going 1800 metres at Tokyo on Nov. 25, Last Draft is the first black-type and group winner for four-time Group 1 winner Novellist (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}). His dam is out of Italian highweight and G1 Prix d'Astarte heroine Marbye (Ire) (Marju {Ire}), herself also responsible for Japanese MGSW and G1SP Grandezza (Jpn) (Agnes Tachyon {Jpn}).

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Leading Second-Crop Sires by Cumulative GSWs

for stallions standing in Europe through Sunday, Jan. 13

Earnings represent worldwide figures, stud fees listed are 2019 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	**No Nay Never**	6	14	2	5	1	2	60	33	258,868	1,506,025
	(2011) by Scat Daddy FYR: 2016			*Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €100,000*						*Ten Sovereigns (Ire)*	
2	**Kingman (GB)**	5	6	2	3	--	--	61	24	149,151	893,877
	(2011) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £75,000*						*Danon Justice (Jpn)*	
3	**Sea the Moon (Ger)**	2	4	2	3	--	--	42	15	104,392	494,437
	(2011) by Sea the Stars (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Lanwades Stud Eng Fee: £15,000*						*Quest the Moon (Ger)*	
4	**Garswood (GB)**	2	2	2	2	--	--	36	6	85,109	264,161
	(2010) by Dutch Art (GB) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Cheveley Park Stud Eng Fee: £3,500*						*Cala Tarida (GB)*	
5	**Charm Spirit (Ire)**	1	2	1	2	--	--	74	28	51,630	669,223
	(2011) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Tweenhills Stud Eng Fee: £17,500*						*Chicago May (Ire)*	
6	**Australia (GB)**	1	4	1	4	--	3	65	17	153,338	642,544
	(2011) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €35,000*						*Broome (Ire)*	
7	**Anodin (Ire)**	2	3	1	2	--	1	47	20	114,494	556,756
	(2010) by Anabaa FYR: 2016			*Stands: Haras du Quesnay Fr Fee: €15,000*						*Anodor (Fr)*	
8	**Bungle Inthejungle (GB)**	2	2	1	2	--	1	61	28	108,345	515,493
	(2010) by Exceed and Excel (Aus) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Rathasker Stud Ire Fee: €12,000*						*Rumble Inthejungle (Ire)*	
9	**Ruler of the World (Ire)**	1	2	1	1	1	1	19	4	402,840	453,019
	(2010) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €8,000*						*Iridessa (Ire)*	
10	**Toronado (Ire)**	--	5	--	3	--	--	56	25	58,466	513,660
	(2010) by High Chaparral (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Haras de Bouquetot Fr Fee: €12,000*						*Watan (GB)*	
11	**Olympic Glory (Ire)**	1	3	--	--	--	--	62	21	38,674	475,304
	(2010) by Choisir (Aus) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Haras de Bouquetot Fr Fee: €8,000*						*Watch Me (Fr)*	
12	**War Command**	1	2	--	--	--	--	55	27	62,216	449,601
	(2011) by War Front FYR: 2016			*Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €8,000*						*Victory Command (Ire)*	
13	**Magician (Ire)**	--	2	--	1	--	--	38	9	86,481	418,924
	(2010) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Haras de Corlay Fr Fee: €4,000*						*Voice of Joy*	
14	**Gregorian (Ire)**	--	5	--	3	--	--	47	13	88,719	388,542
	(2009) by Clodovil (Ire) FYR: 2016			*Stands: National Stud Eng Fee: £8,000*						*Irish Trilogy (Ire)*	
15	**Slade Power (Ire)**	--	3	--	1	--	--	60	16	73,276	366,785
	(2009) by Dutch Art (GB) FYR: 2016			*Stands: Kildangan Stud Ire Fee: €7,500*						*Princess Power (Ire)*	

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CURRENT SUCCESS BUILT ON A BEDROCK OF QUALITY

I Am Invincible | *Yarraman Park Stud*

by John Berry

Much has changed over the decades since Major James Mitchell, a retired British Army officer who had a distinguished service record to his name, purchased Yarraman Park Stud in 1968 from the great jockey George Moore, who had ridden the Derby winner in England only the previous year. Major Mitchell brought his wife Bunty and their young sons Harry, Arthur and Bill out from England to make a new life for the family, breeding racehorses in New South Wales. Since then, what was still in those days largely a gentleman's pastime has developed into 'the breeding industry'. Yarraman Park has seamlessly handled the transition from one era to another, as the results from Book One of the 2019 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale illustrate.

Trade was buoyant throughout the four days of Book One, with Yarraman Park leading the way. The stud sold 27 of the 28 yearlings which it offered for an aggregate of A$11,595,000, at an average of A$429,444. This draft featured the sale-topping lot 869, an I Am Invincible colt ex Oakleigh Girl who fetched A$1,700,000. It also included lot 204, a son of I Am Invincible ex Tai Tai Tess who was sold for A$1,300,000, and lot 72, a daughter of I Am Invincible ex Rose Of Choice for whom the bidding stopped at a million dollars. The common dominator between those three yearlings, beyond being consigned (as agent) by Yarraman Park Stud, was that each is by the stud's resident stallion I Am Invincible (Invincible Spirit {Aus}) who has gone from strength to strength since retiring to the stud in 2010 at a fee of A$11,000 as a Group 3-winning, Group 1-placed sprinter. Merely eight years later, I Am Invincible last season commanded a fee 17.5 times higher (i.e. A$192,500), having finished the 2017/'18 campaign in second place behind Snitzel (Redoute's Choice) in the General Sires' Premiership.

While the success of I Am Invincible is obviously crucial to Yarraman Park's current eminence, this is merely the latest of many happy chapters in its story under the Mitchells' stewardship. Nowadays, Arthur and Harry Mitchell run the stud, and they have clearly inherited their father's ability to unearth a high-class stallion. There have been good stallions at Yarraman Park for years, with the excellent sprinting sire County (Vain) a stalwart for a time. The stud was also in the vanguard of the shuttling boom when 1988 British champion two-year-old High Estate (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}) shuttled from Coolmore in Ireland to Yarraman Park in 1990, the same year that his contemporary Danehill (USA) (Danzig {USA}) had his first season of shuttling from Coolmore to Arrowfield. In Europe High Estate sired the 1998 Derby winner High-Rise (Ire), but he produced nothing of that class in Australia, and more recently Yarraman Park has been synonymous with locally-bred stallions.

I Am Invincible has not provided Yarraman Park's only stallion success-story during the current century. Like I Am Invincible, Magic Albert (Zeditave) was a very fast horse but just short of top-class, but he too graduated into an extremely good stallion, siring many fast horses. **Cont. p2**

The late Hinchinbrook | *Yarraman Park Stud*

Arthur Mitchell | *TDN AusNZ*

Current Success Built on a Bedrock of Quality Cont. from p1

He stood on the Yarraman Park roster alongside 1999 G1 Golden Slipper S. hero Catbird (Danehill {USA}), who was also a prolific source of good winners before his premature death. The magnificent Foreplay (Danehill {USA}) was another inspired recruit who got some very smart horses despite poor fertility; while more recently Hinchinbrook (Fastnet Rock), who had been foaled and raised at Yarraman Park, was showing similar promise to I Am Invincible before dying shortly before the start of the past breeding season, aged only 10.

The Magic Millions race-day has been a great one for Yarraman Park stallions in recent years, most notably with Houtzen (I Am Invincible) winning the MM 2YO Classic in 2017. The same day saw Flying Jess (Hinchinbrook) take the MM 3YO Guineas. I Am Invincible sired the winner of the MM Fillies and Mares in both 2016 (I Am Zelady) and 2018 (Invincibella), while Hinchinbrook sired the winner of the MM Maiden Plate in 2018 (Problem Solver). One of I Am Invincible's seven (so far!) Group 1 winners, Viddora, landed last year's MM Snippets, while this year it was his six-time group-winning daughter Invincibella who got her father on the score-sheet by taking the MM Fillies and Mares for the second year running.

The first great Magic Millions result for the Mitchell family, of course, came not from a horse bred at Yarraman Park, but from one trained by Bill Mitchell, who ran very successful stables in both Sydney and Brisbane for years before giving the training game away to become a bloodstock agent. One of the several top-class horses whom he trained was General Nediym (Nediym {Ire}) who was bought at the 1996 MM Gold Coast January Yearling Sale for merely A$20,000 before taking the MM 2YO Classic 12 months later and then going on to complete the G1 Lightning S./G1 Newmarket H. double in Melbourne as a 3-year-old. Further glory followed when he won the inaugural MM Cup as a 4-year-old in 1999.

Overall, I Am Invincible had 55 yearlings sold in the sale for an aggregate of A$24,345,000, at an average of A$442,636. As Magic Millions Managing Director Barry Bowditch observed in his post-sale statement, this is believed to represent "the record for the gross at any sale". Sixteen of these were offered by Yarraman Park; all 16 changed hands for a total of A$8,820,000, at an average of A$551,250. The stud did similarly well with the three Hinchinbrook yearlings which it offered, who grossed A$1,590,000 at an average of A$530,000. Overall, Yarraman Park was leading vendor by both aggregate (A$11,595,000 for the 27 yearlings which it sold) and average (A$429,444).

Sadly, of course, there will be no more Hinchinbrooks after the ones who were born during the past season. I Am Invincible, however, looks sure to continue to go from strength to strength, making it even more likely that the next few decades should be as successful for Yarraman Park Stud as the past few have been.

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Date	Race	Track
Feb. 9	C. F. Orr S.	Caulfield
Feb. 16	Lightning S.	Flemington
Feb. 23	Blue Diamond S.	Caulfield
	Futurity S.	Caulfield
	Oakleigh Plate	Caulfield
Mar. 2	Chipping Norton S.	Warwick Farm
	Surround S.	Warwick Farm
	Australian Guineas	Flemington
Mar. 9	Randwick Guineas	Randwick
	Canterbury S.	Randwick
	Australian Cup	Flemington
	Newmarket H.	Flemington
Mar. 16	Coolmore Classic	Rosehill