COALITION OF U.S. TRACKS ANNOUNCE INITIATIVE TO PHASE OUT RACE-DAY MEDICATION

A coalition of leading U.S. racetracks and racing organizations have announced a landmark initiative, phasing out the use of Furosemide (Lasix) in 2-year-old racing beginning in 2020 and eliminating the use of Lasix in black-type races held at their racetracks beginning the following year. The coalition includes all tracks owned and operated by Churchill Downs Inc., the New York Racing Association and The Stronach Group as well as Del Mar, Keeneland, Lone Star Park, Remington Park, Los Alamitos (Thoroughbred), Oaklawn Park and Tampa Bay Downs. Taken together, those tracks account for 86% of stakes races assigned listed or graded status in the United States. Breeders’ Cup Ltd., the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA), the American Graded Stakes Committee of TOBA and the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association (KTA) have also pledged their support to the initiative.

From Jan. 1, 2020, no 2-year-old will be permitted to be treated with Lasix within 24 hours of a race. The same restriction would be applied to horses entered for any stakes races at coalition tracks beginning in 2021, including the races comprising the Triple Crown.

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CHURCHILL ANNOUNCES SWEEPING SAFETY INITIATIVES AHEAD OF DERBY

Churchill Downs Incorporated has announced a series of significant initiatives to improve safety protocols and procedures as the track prepares to host the 145th running of the Grade I Kentucky Derby May 4. Churchill also signed on to a nationwide initiative to phase out race-day medication Thursday.

The initiatives include investing $8 million “to build a state-of-the-art Equine Medical Center, Quarantine Facility and related capital improvements on the backside of Churchill Downs Race Track,” according to a press release from the company. The Equine Medical Center is slated to open in March 2020 and will be used for every-day equine therapeutic purposes as well as immediate and advanced onsite care in the event of injury. Cont. p8

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Racetrack executives have expressed their nearly unanimous support for the undertaking.

"This is a progressive and unified approach to the subject of race day medication, achieving consistency with international standards for young horses and those that form the foundations of our breeding stock," said David O'Rourke, president and chief executive officer of NYRA.

"This is a huge moment that signals a collective move to evolve this legacy sport," said Belinda Stronach, chairman and president of The Stronach Group. "While there is still more work to be done, these reforms are a good start. This industry coalition has taken an important step forward toward a uniform policy and we are committed to focusing our attention and resources on how to make further improvements that directly prioritize equine health and safety. We applaud our industry partners and we look forward to continued collaboration."

Added Bill Carstanjen, chief executive officer of CDI: "Over the past several years, we have met with numerous stakeholders to drive action on many of our sport's central issues. This is a significant and meaningful step to further harmonize American racing with international standards. We will continue to work with other stakeholders, including our horsemen and regulatory agencies, to fully implement this and other important reforms."

Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason said, "This new program is an essential step as we look toward the long-term sustainability of U.S.-breds on the national and international stages. Protecting the integrity of our sport is core to our mission and is our collective responsibility to the industry. Individual tracks participating in the coalition include: Aqueduct, Arlington International Racecourse, Belmont Park, Churchill Downs, Del Mar, Fair Grounds, Gulfstream Park, Gulfstream Park West, Keeneland, Laurel Park, Lone Star Park and Remington Park, Los Alamitos (Thoroughbred), Oaklawn Park, Pimlico, Presque Isle Downs, Saratoga Race Course and Tampa Bay Downs. The Stronach Group's Golden Gate Fields and Santa Anita Park will continue to run under the previously announced limitations to race-day medication.

Notable exceptions include Monmouth Park, Delaware Park and Parx Racing. Monmouth released a statement saying it would "continue to adhere to the position of the American Association of Equine Practitioners regarding the administration of race-day furosemide as the most effective treatment and preventative approach to controlling exercise-induced pulmonary hemorrhage in racehorses."

"Until further scientific evidence proves otherwise, we believe the policy set forth by the AAEP regarding the race-day use of furosemide is in the best interest and welfare of the horses and their riders," said Dennis Drazin, Chairman and CEO of Darby Development, LLC, operators of the racetrack.

Josh Rubinstein, president of the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, said that "we believe in support to help build consensus and progress around reforms, not just in California but throughout U.S racing."
When asked if Del Mar plans to also mirror The Stronach Group's other Lasix reforms instituted at its California tracks—of halving the permitted amount of Lasix for the current crop of horses from 10 cc's to 5—Rubenstein replied that "we are still in discussions with stakeholders about that, and that includes some of the horsemen. Look, The Stronach Group was forced, just from a timing standpoint, to introduce a lot of these measures very quickly—that was just the situation at hand. We have the liberty of some more time, so, again, we're checking with stakeholders, including vets and trainers, and surveying them on how this has worked," Rubenstein said. "After consultation with the [Thoroughbred Owners of California], we'll put a plan in place this summer."

When asked the same question, Jack Liebau, vice president of the Los Alamitos Racing Association, said the matter is "up for discussion, and I'm sure it will be considered by other tracks in California, namely Los Alamitos and Del Mar and the county fairs in Northern California. There will be collaboration between those tracks and the California Horse Racing Board."

As to how swiftly that policy might be implemented, Liebau said "it may come up with the licensing of those tracks."

"I think it's a step in the right direction," said Liebau about the announced phase out nationally. "And I think a lot of the credit for bringing the people together goes to Craig Fravel of the Breeders' Cup and Martin Panza of New York. Without those two I don't think we would have have gotten where we've gotten."

From a broader perspective, The Jockey Club's Jim Gagliano offered his support for the initiative taken by the coalition while cautioning that progress will remain piecemeal without all-encompassing, nationwide medication reform.

"The Jockey Club has long held that horses should race only when they are free from the effects of medication," said Gagliano. "This ban will ultimately affect only about 13% of races in the United States, but it's a good first step, and we applaud the intent of the coalition members... But, unfortunately, this is still an incremental approach that will require concurrence of about 10 distinct racing commissions, with different rule adoption methods and constituencies. That is exactly why we continue to support the passage of the Horseracing Integrity Act, which would establish one unified system of medication regulation for the United States."

**Horsemen On Board?**

The announcement was met with mixed reactions from horsemen's groups. New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (NYTHA) president Joe Appelbaum stressed the importance of comprehensive reform to safety and horse welfare measures in the future. **Cont. p5**
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"The recent breakdown crisis at Santa Anita has rightly heightened attention to health and safety issues. In solely focusing on Furosemide policy, the industry is missing an opportunity to enact comprehensive, far-reaching reforms that would directly benefit our horses by reducing the rate of equine fatalities," Appelbaum said. "Furosemide has been a hot-button topic within horse racing for well over a decade, yet no one credibly believes that its use has an effect on breakdowns. Our trainers widely believe that Furosemide is an effective tool in combating Exercise Induced Pulmonary Hemorrhage (EIPH). While the outcome of this initiative won't be clear for many years, NYTHA represents the most talented horsemen in the world and we will work diligently to rise to the challenge of managing EIPH while maintaining the health and welfare of our horses."

Appelbaum added, "The racetrack operators have stated that this is the first step in continuing cooperation on safety and welfare issues. We hope this is just the beginning of a collaborative conversation and challenge them to immediately adopt nationwide the recommendations contained in the 2012 New York Task Force Report on Race Horse Health and Safety and to provide funding and staff for an expedited implementation of the 2019 Mid-Atlantic Strategic Plan to Reduce Equine Fatalities."

Alan Foreman, the chairman/chief executive officer of the Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Association (THA) and one of the drafters of the aforementioned Mid-Atlantic Plan, reaffirmed the THA's stance on the use of Lasix as an effective treatment for EIPH.

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"We've had a long-standing policy that absent an effective treatment for EIPH, we support and endorse the strict regulatory protocols for the use of Lasix in the horse. That has not changed," Foreman said. "The current regulatory regime that we have for the use of medications in racing is the most uniform rule we have in the industry. Everybody uses it. Everybody abides by it. The bettors like it. It's in the best interest of the horse from a health and welfare standpoint."

While Foreman said the THA is open to discussion with industry constituents about pressing issues such as medication reform, he classified the most recent sweeping changes to Lasix policy as "a diversion from what should be our primary goal, and that's determining the cause or causes of these breakdowns."

The issue of reconciling decisions made by individual racetrack ownership groups with the wishes of horsemen could become a more heated topic of discussion in the future, according to Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) president Ed Martin.

"If you wish to make a unilateral decision, the question for the regulator is 'Can a racetrack make wholesale changes to the promulgated regulatory medication policy absent an agreement with the horsemen, hence formal commission approval?' I would think not, but that may not preclude an entity from contending this," speculated Martin, who added that the logistics of racing commission-enforced drug testing for different races at a given racetrack could prove to be troublesome.

"I can't speak for the tracks for whether they've had discussions with their effective commissions...I'm not sure that this becomes even possible in Florida because the [pari-mutuel] division is governed by a statute that says their rules must be based on the ARCI model rules. And the model rules, as currently [written], just do not permit this," added Martin. **Cont. p7**
Echoing sentiments he told TDN Wednesday, National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association CEO Eric Hamelback said in a statement that a Lasix ban doesn't constitute safety reform.

"I have no doubt that everyone in horse racing has a shared goal of keeping our human and equine performers safe and healthy," Hamelback said. "However, I am disturbed and mystified by the announced initiative by the coalition of racetracks to phase out the use of the anti-bleeder medication furosemide in all 2-year-olds racing at their tracks in 2020 and all stakes races in 2021 ... Each catastrophic injury faced at the racetrack is devastating to each and every one of us in the industry. But we also know there are many varied and nuanced conditions and circumstances which cause these tragedies. But the research is clear: Lasix is not a factor. Horses will continue to have injuries without race-day administration of Lasix. However, what also will happen is more horses will experience exercise-induced pulmonary hemorrhaging, which is systemic not only in Thoroughbreds but equines in general. Lasix has been proven to be effective and preventing or reducing the severity of EIPH for well over 30 years."

**New Stakes Policies**

The question of how black-type races will be classified going forward was also of interest in the wake of the announcement. For example, the proposal raises the question as to whether or not sales catalogues might ultimately offer designations distinguishing which black-type races were run with or without Lasix. "Any changes in sales catalogues in North America would need to be considered by the North American International Catalogue Standards Committee at the appropriate time," said Carl Hamilton, chairman of the committee.

Everett Dobson, chairman of the Graded Stakes Committee, offered, "For now, we will not be treating the races any differently, whether they allow Lasix or not. Under our current rules, there is a possibility we will consider adopting a rule as the graded stakes committee that would require any graded races be run without any race-day medication. That is not the rule today, but we have come out in support of this initiative of the tracks and we will consider that rule change down the road. Right now, all we are saying is there is a possibility we will consider this in the future, without giving any time tables on it. In terms of the logistics of it, it would be an action by the committee itself. We've amended and adopted rules in the past, and that is what it takes."

**Worldwide Reach**

Thursday's announcement quickly spread across the worldwide racing industry, drawing praise from afar.

"France Galop has always been very supportive of the IFHA's efforts to harmonize the racing rules across the globe, so we can only applaud the decision taken by major U.S. racetracks to phase out the use of Lasix," said Olivier Delloye, CEO of France Galop. "It is a major and positive move—all the more so as those racetracks host the majority of Graded stakes in the U.S."

While the announcement brings the United States racing industry closer in line with standards adopted through nearly all other major worldwide jurisdictions, Martin emphasized that the implications of such a sweeping change must be carefully considered.

"We advise that any change of policy be science-based," Martin said. "And I think the burden of justification is going to be on the applicants for the policy change. I'm not saying it won't fly or it will fly. But it would have been better if there had been significant discussions with the various horsemen's groups as well as the regulatory agencies in trying to get everybody to understand what the justification is other than preferring a European standard over others."
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Churchill Downs has a heightened responsibility to implement the world’s best practices for caring for racehorses at our facilities. We also have a responsibility to educate and advocate so that others do so as well. Over the last several years, the landscape for animal welfare and safety practices has changed for the better, and we will continue to embrace this progress and move forward with advancements to improve the health and welfare of our equine as well as human athletes. Our leadership and commitment to these important issues will never waver.”

The track will also have a temporary Equine Medical Center in place for this year’s Derby and will hire an Equine Medical Director to oversee safety and care at all CDI properties.

Churchill says it will additionally work with other industry leaders to immediately form and fund a new organization dedicating to developing and sharing best practices and research in racing. An executive leader and initial membership for the national Office of Racing Integrity will be announced in the coming weeks.

Whip reform will also be addressed, as Churchill announced that, “Once Kentucky regulators update the applicable regulations, we will immediately adopt the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities (IFHA) model rules that govern the use of the low-impact riding crop worldwide.”

The release went on to announce that Churchill will expand camera surveillance across its backside operations, including the installment of 24-hour cameras in every barn, stall and common area.

CDI will also “advocate immediately with applicable regulatory authorities for increased withdrawal times for nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs and cortico-steroids so that horses can be more adequately evaluated during pre-race veterinary examinations” and is committing $100,000 of additional financial support to fund scientific research projects geared toward improving the safety and welfare of racehorses, “particularly with respect [to] improving treatment options for joint and leg injuries.”

“All of us in the industry care deeply about the safety and well-being of race horses, and we know how much they mean to the people who love and care for them,” said Bill Carstanjen, CEO of Churchill Downs Incorporated. “As the host of the Kentucky Derby and a key leader in the racing industry, Churchill
LORD KANALOA UP NEXT IN JAPAN

It's not often at my day job at Werk Thoroughbred Consultants that we get the opportunity to recommend foreign-based stallions to North American-based breeders, for the obvious reason that most breeders here aren't in the habit of shipping mares abroad to be bred. And if and when we do, the horse is usually in Europe. This spring, however, we did recommend the Japanese-based **Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)** (King Kamehameha (Jpn), by Kingmambo) to a client, and here's why: with his oldest runners only four in 2019, he's giving strong signals that he's the next budding superstar sire in his part of the world and following the path of internationally recognized standout **Deep Impact (Jpn)** (Sunday Silence, by Halo), whose own sire was the horse that ushered Japan into the upper reaches of the international arena.

Both Deep Impact and Lord Kanaloa stand at Shadai Stallion Station under the auspices of the Yoshida brothers, just as Sunday Silence did.

Deep Impact stands for a private fee that puts him among the most expensive stallions in the world; Lord Kanaloa’s fee this year was listed at JPY15,000,000, or approximately $135,000.

Both horses were champions in Japan and international performers abroad, but aptitudinally they were as different as night and day. Deep Impact won the Japanese Triple Crown over the range of distances from the 2000 meters (approximately 10 furlongs) of the G1 Japanese 2000 Guineas equivalent to the 2400 meters (approximately 12 furlongs) of G1 Derby equivalent to the 3000 meters (approximately 15 furlongs) of the G1 St. Leger equivalent. He was also third in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in France before a disqualification, and he finished his career with a record of 12 wins from 14 starts.

In contrast, Lord Kanaloa was a world-class specialist sprinter—a rarity in Japan, which puts a premium on stamina in its racing program. Lord Kanaloa won 13 of 19 starts, mostly at 1200 meters (approximately six furlongs), but did stretch out once to 1600 meters (approximately a mile) to win the G1 Yasuda Kinen in 1:31.50. The horse also went to Hong Kong twice to win the G1 Hong Kong Sprint, in times of 1:08.50 and 1:08.25, and if those clockings sound dazzling, check out these at home: 1:06.70 (record) and 1:07.20 in consecutive runnings of the G1 Sprinters S. at Nakayama.

Japanese turf courses, as these times demonstrate, tend to play on the hard side of firm, and perhaps this is one reason why the Japanese have tended to import and mix U.S. and European stock, blending the toughness and speed of the American dirt horse with the turf and stamina aptitudes of Europe. **Cont. p10**
Both Deep Impact (from the German Group 1 winner Wind in Her Hair (Ire) {Alzao}) and Lord Kanaloa (from Lady Blossom (Jpn) {Storm Cat}) are such mixtures, and it's certain that daughters of one will be bred to the other in the coming years. Deep Impact has two Group 1 winners from Kingmambo-line mares to date, while Lord Kanaloa already has two Group 1 winners from Sunday Silence-line mares and a total of five group winners (one from a Deep Impact mare) on the cross.

**Classic Winners**

As we await the Kentucky Derby here and the 1000 and 2000 Guineas and their equivalents in Europe, the first Japanese classics are already in the books. Deep Impact is a classic-siring machine and his daughter Gran Alegria (Jpn) won the G1 Oka Sho (1000 Guineas equivalent) at Hanshin Apr. 7, covering 1600 meters in 1:32.70. And last Sunday at Nakayama, Lord Kanaloa’s Saturnalia (Jpn) won the G1 Satsuki Sho (2000 Guineas equivalent) in 1:58.10 for the 2000 meters. Undefeated in four starts, Saturnalia is from the Special Week (Jpn) (Sunday Silence) mare Cesario (Jpn), the G1 Japanese Oaks winner who came to the U.S. and won the GI American Oaks over 10 furlongs on turf at Hollywood Park in 1:59.03 in 2005.

Saturnalia is from Lord Kanaloa’s second crop, and last year at two he won the G1 Hopeful S. at Nakayama over 2000 meters. He stays the classic distances and is bred for it: he descends from a strong European family, and the sire of his second dam Kirov Premiere (GB) is Sadler’s Wells.

Saturnalia is Lord Kanaloa’s second classic winner and second-best runner. Last year, his first-crop daughter Almond Eye (Jpn) zoomed to stardom by winning the Triple Crown for fillies—all Group 1 races—and the G1 Japan Cup over 2400 meters at Tokyo against older horses in the sensational record time of 2:20.60. Cont. p11
A Japanese Horse of the Year like Deep Impact and Lord Kanaloa, Almond Eye showcased her abilities against international competition on Dubai World Cup day at Meydan by winning the 1800-meter G1 Dubai Turf in the easiest of ways at a distance that was shorter than her optimum trip. She’s bred similarly to Saturnalia, too, from a daughter of Sunday Silence with a second dam by Nureyev (three-quarter brother to Sadler’s Wells).

Lord Kanaloa has another first-crop Group 1 winner in addition to Almond Eye. The colt Stelvio (Jpn) won the 1600-meter Mile Championship at Kyoto last year, and he is from a mare by Falbrav (Ire), a son of Fairy King - the full brother to Sadler's Wells. Stelvio’s second dam is by Sunday Silence, so the similarities in the pedigrees of each of Lord Kanaloa’s Group 1 winners is striking.

Also striking is the Deep Impact-like beginning to Lord Kanaloa’s stud career, with many classics yet to be run this year. For comparison, after the Derby and Oaks at this stage of Deep Impact’s career with two crops at the races, he was represented by four individual classic winners: Marcellina (Jpn), winner of the 1000 Guineas equivalent in 2011; Deep Brillante (Jpn), Japanese Derby in 2012; Gentildonna (Jpn), Japanese Oaks in 2012; and Beauty Parlour (GB), French 1000 Guineas equivalent in 2012.

The latter was bred by the Wildensteins’ Dayton Investments Ltd., and it signaled the European recognition of the quality of Deep Impact, fully evident in Europe last year with Coolmore’s G1 2000 Guineas winner Saxon Warrior (Jpn) and Flaxman’s G1 French Derby winner Study of Man (Ire).

Fipke’s Mare

Canadian owner-breeder Chuck Fipke was a longtime patron of Sadler's Wells, who sired his Grade I winner Perfect Soul (Ire) and Perfect Soul's unraced brother Not Impossible (Ire)--sire of Fipke’s homebred Queen's Plate winner Not Bourbon. Fipke was an early believer in Sunday Silence, and his homebred GISW Tale of Ekati is from the Sunday Silence mare Silence Beauty (Jpn). Fipke, in other words, will go to any stallion that he believes in, and over the years he has sent mares to be covered in South Africa (Fort Wood, by Sadler’s Wells), Australia (Redoute’s Choice {Aus}), by Danehill), and Europe (Galileo {Ire} and others since Sadler's Wells).

A few years ago, he sent his homebred mare Galileo Always (Ire) (Galileo--Always Awesome) to Katsumi Yoshida's Northern Farm to be covered by Deep Impact, and the mare produced a filly by that sire in 2018 - bred on the exact cross of 2019 classic winner Saxon Warrior.

Fipke kept the mare in Japan to be bred to Deep Impact again this year after coming up empty to the sire for 2019, but when Deep Impact became unavailable with a medical issue this spring, a new horse was needed. We recommended Lord Kanaloa, but Fipke, who has his own ideas about constructing matings, is a painstaking researcher and put in his own work looking at a variety of stallions. Ultimately he agreed with our recommendation, and here are the salient points: Sadler’s Wells (and relatives) are prominent in the pedigrees of the best offspring of Lord Kanaloa; and there are at least 14 Group 1 winners bred on the Kingmambo/Sadler’s Wells cross, including G1 Epsom Derby winner Workforce (GB), a son of the recently deceased 2000 Guineas winner King’s Best (Kingmambo).

King’s Best was produced from the mare Allegretta (GB), whose Arc-winning daughter Urban Sea produced Galileo (and Sea the Stars {Ire}). Allegretta also happens to be the third dam of Fipke’s mare Galileo Always, and because she’s by Galileo, she’s inbred 3x3 to Allegretta—a mating designed that way by Fipke.

Breeding this Sadler’s Wells-line mare with two lines to Allegretta to the Kingmambo-line Lord Kanaloa checks a lot of boxes on paper, but Fipke also liked the speed that Lord Kanaloa brings to the mating, and he, like everyone else, was impressed by Almond Eye’s exploits last year. In fact, he got a chance to see her win at Meydan while there for the Dubai World Cup, and he got the notification from Northern Farm Apr. 13 that his mare had been covered by Lord Kanaloa the day before. The day after, Saturnalia won the first Japanese colts’ classic, heralding his sire as something special and confirming to Fipke that he’d made the best possible selection outside of Deep Impact.

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AMID INTENSE SCRUTINY, CHRB ADVANCES FOUR WELFARE RULE CHANGES
by T.D. Thornton

After a nearly two-hour public commentary period that included repeated--and at times emotionally charged--appeals from animal-rights activists for the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) to end horse racing in the state, the board on Thursday advanced four rule changes pertaining to equine medication, safety, and welfare.

As expected, the Apr. 18 monthly meeting at Santa Anita Park was conducted against the tense backdrop of 23 recent equine fatalities at the track, and it led off with updates on how the CHRB is working in conjunction with the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s investigation into the deaths.

“There are four CHRB investigators working full-time on the investigations,” CHRB executive director Rick Baedeker reported. “I believe that all but one of the necropsies have been completed. The CHRB has issued more than 70 subpoenas for documents. Cooperation has been very good from all responding parties.”

As the subject segued to Thursday morning’s national announcement about the proposed Lasix phase-out by a coalition of United States tracks, CHRB chairman Chuck Winner lauded the initiative as being “very, very good” for the industry while clarifying what it meant for California at the regulatory level.

“The agreement between The Stronach Group and the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) that was voted on at our last meeting with respect to the use of Lasix in California at the current meets at Golden Gate and Santa Anita [is] not affected by this [national] agreement,” Winner explained. “Our rules go a little further with respect to same-day medication, and the reduction of the use of Lasix to 5 cc’s [from 10 cc’s], that continues.”

Summaries of the four rule changes that advanced to the 45-day public commentary period follow:

1) At the March CHRB meeting, the board voted to suspend previously allowed use of steroidal and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory (NSAID) drugs through the current Santa Anita and Golden Gate meets. On Thursday, the CHRB voted unanimously to extend that measure so it applies to all breeds and race meets in the state for a 12-month period.

“There have been no violations under the new regulation,” said CHRB equine medical director Rick Arthur, DVM. “The fact of the matter is that this has worked very well.”

2) The CHRB voted unanimously to advance a new rule that would be tested for after timed workouts. According to the CHRB’s informational packet for the meeting, “the goal of the proposed regulation would be to eliminate the use of pain-masking medications that increase the chance of injury for a horse running at full speed.”

According to Arthur, “what we’re going to be proposing here is ... setting thresholds consistent with the [Association of Racetrack Commissioners International] 48-hour stand-down requirements.”

3) Presently, a post-mortem exam is required to be performed on every horse that dies on a CHRB-licensed property. But there is no formal process for reviewing necropsies with the human connections of those horses.

“Currently, trainers and other licensees are being asked to voluntarily participate in a review of post-mortem reports of fatalities of horses in their care,” said CHRB vice chairman Madeline Auerbach. “This rule would make that review mandatory. And on top of what we’ve just all been through, I hate to put it this way, but I think it’s a no-brainer.”

This proposed rule addition advanced by a unanimous vote.

4) A rule that would make trainers responsible for keeping accurate medication treatment records for all horses under their care advanced by a 5-1 vote.

According to the CHRB packet, this rule would be similar to existing International Federation of the Horse (IFHA) and British Horseracing Authority (BHA) requirements.

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One pertinent Thursday agenda item that will be brought back for consideration at the CHRB’s May meeting involves a bisphosphonates prohibition.

The CHRB will be seeking to align restrictions on bisphosphonates with existing IFHA and BHA regulations. But the board decided on Thursday it needs to fine-tune the proposal’s language prior to voting on it.

“We were trying to figure out why [bisphosphonates usage in racehorses] is even here,” Auerbach said. “What is the legitimate purpose of that within the horse population? And the truth is, there is no legitimate purpose. There is no reason for it to be at the racetrack. And we want it gone.”

Added Arthur: “I certainly don’t see a legitimate reason. There are some veterinarians [in favor of bisphosphonates] that are going to have to defend it at the next meeting, and I told them that. I’m fine with prohibiting it. I don’t think it fits.”

Earlier in the meeting, it took less than 90 seconds for the CHRB to move past a controversial agenda item that only last week had been the sole actionable subject of an emergency meeting called for Apr. 12.

It dealt with the “possible reallocation of race dates” at Santa Anita. That Apr. 12 meeting was scrapped before it happened, and the agenda item was re-slotted for the Apr. 18 monthly meeting.

Winner said that the reallocation of dates was no longer topical because the racing at Santa Anita since its Mar. 29 reopening “has been really good ... and personally I see no reason to move the race dates ... There is no discussion. There is no action. We wish you to continue a good and safe meet.”

The colt’s bullet work was not a complete surprise to Brocklebank.

“We were expecting him to go fast,” he said. “Maybe not a :9 3/5, but we kind of had him earmarked for a :9 4/5. And he just doesn’t tire. It’s like somebody put a cold-fusion tank in him or something. He just does it so easy and gets along with himself so well, so we expected him to work fast.”
Of Freehold Farms, Brocklebank said, “They are in their first year in the pinhooking business and they asked if we could pick them up a few horses. That was a big, ‘Of course, we can.’ They have six of them [to pinhook]. The Lakerville filly (hip 1168) is part of that group that is here from California. And the Lookin at Lucky colt (hip 397) is also part of that group. And they have a half-dozen at home that are Cal-breds going to the sale with Fasig-Tipton in June.”

Brocklebank has a 16-horse consignment at the April sale and the group shipped into Florida from his Utah base nearly a month ago.

“They all just came out here about three weeks ago with Luis Mendez, who trains our horses for us,” Brocklebank said. “He’s a partner of mine for years. He’s been with me since he was 13 and I think he’s 35 now—we’re kind of joined at the hip. Luis gets all of our horses ready and he also has his trainer’s license and he’s done quite well.”

Brocklebank said his April contingent took a few days to acclimate to the humid Florida weather, but he has been pleased with how the group has performed on the track so far this week.

“We have kind of a dry heat at home and it’s taken the horses a bit to adjust to it, but they seem to have all fit right in now,” he said.

In addition to the bullet worker, he has had a pair of juveniles work in :10 flat—a colt by Quality Road (hip 424, :10) and a filly by Cairo Prince (hip 271, :10).

“The Quality Road is a neat horse and the Cairo Prince filly is a bit of a star, so I’ve been really happy with the consignment so far,” Brocklebank said.

A colt by Daddy Long Legs (hip 647) turned in Thursday’s quickest quarter-mile drill, covering the distance in :20 3/5. Consigned by Jesse Hoppel’s Coastal Equine, LLC, the chestnut is out of Snow Fashion (Old Fashioned), who is a daughter of multiple stakes winner Snow Lass (Stormy Atlantic).

With inclement weather forcing the cancellation of Friday and Saturday’s sessions of the under-tack preview, action resumes Sunday at OBS with hips 913 through 1221 scheduled to breeze beginning at 8 a.m. The April sale begins Tuesday at noon, with subsequent sessions beginning at 10:30 a.m.
WOODFORD THOROUGHBREDS’ KENTUCKY FARM SOLD TO MICK AND WENDY RUIS

The farm formerly known as Woodford Thoroughbreds just outside of Lexington, Ky. has been sold to Mick and Wendy Ruis of Ruis Racing, LLC, according to a press release from brokers Biederman Real Estate and Kirkpatrick & Co. Woodford announced last summer that it would be closing its Kentucky farm and consolidating operations at its Ocala, Fla. farm effective Jan. 1 of this year.

“We closed yesterday, so by Tuesday we'll have all of our horses over there,” Ruis told TDN about the speed with which he’ll move into the new property. Ruis said that he has about 30 mares, including 18 mares bred in Pennsylvania which foaled this year.

“They’re all coming from Pennsylvania to grow up in Kentucky,” he said. “We just want to make sure they’ve got plenty of room, and they’re on plenty of grass.”

Ruis said that he’ll have 17 yearlings this year, which will be broken at the farm. Ruis also owns a horse farm in Montana’s Columbia Falls, as well as the 169-acre Chestnut Farm in Lexington. “We're looking to get rid of both of those down the road,” said Ruis. “So, this place is big enough to consolidate everything into one. It’s over 300 acres.”

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Leading Dirt Sires of 3-Year-Olds by GSWs
for stallions standing in North America through Wednesday, Apr. 17
Earnings represent worldwide figures, stud fees listed are 2019 fees.

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**CHARLES TOWN CLASSIC S.-GII**, $1,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

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**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 6:00 p.m. EDT**

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**Saturday, Woodbine, post time: 4:51 p.m. EDT**

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FRIDAY’S RACING INSIGHTS: ‘PHAROAH’
COLT IN THE SPOTLIGHT IN BIG A OPENER

**Insights, Sponsored by Alex Nichols Agency**

1st-AQU, $100K, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, 1:30 p.m. EST

Already represented by ‘TDN Rising Star’ Monarch of Egypt at Naas in Ireland last weekend, American Pharoah looks for his first winner on these shores Friday. Boasting a pair of bullets at trainer Wesley Ward’s Keeneland base, first-time starter MAVEN (American Pharoah) has been installed as the even-money morning-line favorite. He worked four furlongs in :50 (2/14) in his final breeze at Aqueduct Apr. 14. The chestnut is the first foal out of Richies Party Girl (Any Given Saturday), a three-time stakes winner of $357,085. Tesorina, the first North American runner for the 2015 Triple Crown winner, finished third as the 4-5 favorite in the Big A opener Wednesday. TJCIS

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

Friday, Aqueduct, post time: 2:30 p.m. ET

MEMORIES OF SILVER S. $100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT

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TODAY’S FEATURED VIDEO REPLAYS

**Sam-Son Farm homebred and ‘TDN Rising Star’ Desert Ride (Candy Ride {Arg}) rallies to a KEE allowance win.**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:
5th-Keeneland, $72,229, Alw, 4-18, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:37.68, fm.

DESERT RIDE (f, 3, Candy Ride {Arg}--Fun in the Desert, by Distorted Humor), tabbed as a ‘TDN Rising Star’ off an impressive come-from-behind debut win over the Fair Grounds lawn Jan. 17, finished second in an optional claimer when last seen in NOLA Feb. 14. Overlooked at odds of 9-1 here, she trailed the field of eight through fractions of :24.00 and :49.29. The bay began to rally with a four-wide move on the turn for home and came with a sustained rally down the center of the course to get there by a neck. Ebullient (Twirling Candy) was second.

The winner’s dam Fun in the Desert is a daughter of Sam-Son’s Sovereign Award-winning 3-year-old filly Eye of the Sphynx (Smart Strike), who became the dam of 2009 Queen’s Plate hero and champion 3-year-old Eye of the Leopard (A.P. Indy), MSW & MGSP Hotep (A.P. Indy) and MGSW & GISPI Deceptive Vision (A.P. Indy). Eye of the Sphynx’s SW half-sister Quiet Cleo (No Louder) was responsible for Sam-Son’s Canadian Horse of the Year Quiet Resolve (Affirmed). Fun in the Desert is represented by the 2-year-old filly Saturday Sun (Sky Mesa), a yearling full-brother to Desert Ride and was bred to both Kitten’s Joy and Ghostzapper last breeding season. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $71,220. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Sam-Son Farm (ON); T-Neil J. Howard.

IN ORDER OF PURSE:
2nd-Keeneland, $58,720, Msw, 4-18, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52.75, ft.

JOKER ON JACK (c, 2, Declaration of War--Aventure Love {Fr} {MSP-Fr, $161,406}, by Orpen) didn’t sport any bullets on the worktab for his win-early connections and completed preparations for this debut run with a three-furlong move in :36 3/5 (6/31) in Lexington Apr. 13. Breaking from post five in this six-horse affair, the 5-2 second-choice established command as soon as they sprung the latch and enjoyed a clear lead through an opening quarter in :22.38. He hit the top of the stretch in complete command while under confident handling and stayed on down the lane while geared down late to graduate by 2 1/2 lengths over the fast-finishing 3-5 favorite from the Todd Pletcher barn Rag Tag (Union Rags). The winner is Aventure Love’s first foal. She followed with a Tale of the Cat colt in 2018 and was bred back to Hootenanny. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $36,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Ice Wine Stable; B/T-Wesley Ward (KY).

1st-Laurel, $46,640, Msw, 4-18, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :51.28, ft.

TWIRLING OWEN (f, 2, Twirling Candy--Daylight’s Coming, by Stormy Atlantic) worked a bullet three furlongs in :35 4/5 (1/17) at Laurel Apr. 7 and was backed accordingly as the 8-5 favorite. She blasted out from her inside draw, quickly enjoying a five-length advantage through an opening quarter in :22.49. It was just a question of by how much from there, as she streaked under the line a decisive 6 1/4-length winner in a very sharp final clocking. Punk Rock Princess (Bourbon Courage) was second. Twirling Owen is the first foal out of her two-time winning dam Daylight’s Coming. She had a Twirling Candy filly in 2018 and a colt by Runhappy in 2019. “This horse, she can run a little bit,” winning trainer Anthony Farrior said. “We were going to run her in New York, but I had to wait a day to work her, so we decided to go here and see what we had. Sometimes they work good in the morning and they don’t show up in the afternoon. But, she ran good like we thought. Hopefully she

Registered Ontario-Bred
keeps progressing and gets better." Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $22,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O/B-James F. Miller (WV); T-Anthony Farrior.

FIRST CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, APRIL 19

American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile), Ashford Stud, $100,000
162 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Aqueduct, Msw 4 1/2f, MAVEN, 1-1

Fast Anna (Medaglia d'Or), Three Chimneys Farm, $7,500
83 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Aqueduct, Msw 4 1/2f, WOMEN NOT EASY, 7-2
$110,000 SAR AUG yrl; $130,000 OBS MAR yrl

Imagining (Giant's Causeway), Anchor & Hope Farm, $7,500
54 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Laurel, Msw 4 1/2f, DREAMING OF LOVE, 10-1

Micromanage (Medaglia d'Or), Rockridge Stud, $4,000
37 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Aqueduct, Msw 4 1/2f, MANAGING RISK, 8-5

Tapiture (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, $7,500
122 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Aqueduct, Msw 4 1/2f, DOTDOTDASH, 12-1
$52,000 KEE JAN wnl

SECOND CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Atreides (Medaglia d'Or), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, $5,000
102 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners
6-Golden Gate Fields, Msw 5 1/2f, ROMAN RUSH, 8-1
$30,000 KEE SEP yrl

Brave Dave (Put It Back)
11 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Evangeline Downs, Msw 5f, QUEST FOR AVETTE, 12-1

Cairo Prince (Pioneerof the Nile), Airdrie Stud, $25,000
228 foals of racing age/33 winners/4 black-type winners
3-Keneland, Aoc 6f, ROYAL CHARLOTTE, 5-2
$70,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Central Banker (Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, $7,500
135 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners
9-Aqueduct, Msw 1 1/6MT, BANK GALA, 10-1
$23,000 RNA OCT yrl

Cross Traffic (Unbridled's Song), Spendthrift Farm, $25,000
162 foals of racing age/28 winners/6 black-type winners
6-Golden Gate Fields, Msw 5 1/2f, BOURBON TRAFFIC, 7-2
$2,500 RNA BAR SEL yrl

Fed Biz (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, $10,000
187 foals of racing age/26 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Keneland, Msw 6 1/2f, BETTER BIZ, 12-1
$55,000 KEE MAR NOV wnl

Goldencents (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, $20,000
256 foals of racing age/42 winners/4 black-type winners
3-Keneland, Aoc 6f, BINGWA, 3-1

Itsmyluckyday (Lawyer Ron), Spendthrift Farm, $3,500
136 foals of racing age/20 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Laurel, Msw 1 1/16MT, SCORESWHENHEWANTS, 9-2
$9,500 KEE NOV wnl; $30,000 FTK JUL yrl; $85,000 OBS APR yrl

Mucho Macho Man (Macho Uno), Adena Springs, $10,000
122 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners
9-Oaklawn, Aoc 6f, MUCHA MEZQUINA, 30-1

Sabercat (Bluegrass Cat), Averett Farm, $3,500
24 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Evageline Downs, Msw 5f, RUNAWAY RINGBEARER, 15-1

Strong Mandate (Tiznow), Three Chimneys Farm, $10,000
139 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Oaklawn, Aoc 6f, GET THE GOODIES, 8-5
$100,000 KEE OCT wnl; $135,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
6-Golden Gate Fields, Msw 5 1/2f, MERCY RULE, 8-1
$47,000 KEE JAN wnl; $140,000 KEE SEP yrl; $50,000 OBS OPN

Super Ninety Nine (Pulpit), Country Life Farm, $3,000
69 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Laurel, Msw 4 1/2f, FORFIFTYFIVEROCKET, 6-1
$1,500 OCT yrl

Uncaptured (Lion Heart), Ocala Stud Farm, $6,000
143 foals of racing age/12 winners/4 black-type winners
6-Golden Gate Fields, Msw 5 1/2f, CAPTURE THE SEA, 9-2
Verrazano (More Than Ready), Ashford Stud, $15,000 268 foals of racing age/29 winners/2 black-type winners 9-Aqueduct, Msw 1 1/16mT, BEARS MAFIA, 5-2 $87,000 KEE JAN wnl; $95,000 RNA KEE SEP yr; $70,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Will Take Charge (Unbridled’s Song), Three Chimneys Farm, $30,000 207 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner 10-Keeneland, Msw 1mT, NEPAL UP, 20-1

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In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses of interest for this weekend running Fukushima, Kyoto and Tokyo Racecourses, including the seasonal debut of a Group 1-winning son of Frankel (GB):

Saturday, April 20, 2019
4th-TOK, ¥9,550,000 (¥85k), Maiden, 3yo, 1600m
MAQUIS (c, 3, Pioneerof the Nile--Live Well Lived, by Tiznow) was a $350K Keeneland September acquisition a handful of months after his half-brother American Patriot (War Front) took out the GI Maker’s 46 Mile up the hill at the racetrack. Also a half to SW Well Humored (Distorted Humor) and to MGSP Muqtaser (Distorted Humor), the bay is out of a winning full-sister to G1 Dubai World Cup hero Well Armed and a half to GSW Witty (Distorted Humor). Maquis is twice placed from five runs, including a course-and-distance second last November (video, gate 10). B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY)

11th-FKS, Fukushima Himba S.-G3, ¥72m ($644k), 4/up, f/m, 9fT RANDONNEE (f, 4, Blame--Loure, by A.P. Indy) is one of a half-dozen winners from as many to race for her sire in Japan, having annexed three of her 10 starts, including a listed success over this trip last April (video, gate 11). A respectable sixth and not beaten far behind Horse of the Year Almond Eye (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)) in last year’s G1 Shuka Sho, the granddaughter of French G3 winner Loving Pride (Quiet American) also has a pair of Group 3 placings to her credit and gets leading rider Keita Tosaki for this try. B-Winchester Farm (KY)

Sunday, April 21, 2019
6th-TOK, ¥13,720,000 (¥123k), Allowance, 3yo, 1600m
CAFE CROWN (c, 3, Mineshaft--Two Trail Sioux, by Indian Charlie) was smashed at the windows to be off as the 1-5 chalk on his debut over this track and trip Jan. 27 and the $300K OBS April breezer made no mistakes, running up the score to the tune of 10 very impressive lengths (video, gate 12). The bay colt is the most accomplished foal for his dam, winner of the GII Fleur de Lis H. and third in the GI Personal Ensign H. in 2005, who was sold for $30K with this foal in utero at KEEJAN in 2016. B-Jason Litt, Litt Family Horse Trust & Alex Solis II (KY)

11th-KYO, Yomiuri Milers’ Cup-G2, ¥113m ($1.01m), 4/up, 1mT MOZU ASCOT (h, 5, Frankel (GB)--India, by Hennessy) gets his season started and looks to improve on his close runner-up effort a year ago. Subsequently victorious in the G1 Yasuda Kinen (video, gate 10), the $275K KEESEP buyback was a troubled 13th in the G1 Mile Championship and was last seen finishing seventh to the world’s top-rated racehorse Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road to Rock (Aus)) in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile in December. A half to ‘TDN Rising Star’ Kareena (Medaglia d’Oro), Mozu Ascot is out of a half-sister to the dam of MGISW To Honor and Serve (Bernardini), GISW Angela Renee (Bernardini) and SW & GISP Elnaawi (Street Sense). B-Summer Wind Farm (KY)

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Keeneland, $80,953, 4-18, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.35, fm.
LEINSTER (c, 4, Majestic Warrior--Vassar, by Royal Academy)
Lifetime Record: 14-1-3-3, $132,943. O-Amy E. Dunne; B-Gryphon Investments, LLC (KY); T-George R. Arnold, II. *$85,000 Ylg '16 FTKJUL; $75,000 RNA 2yo '17 EASMAY. **1/2 to Garifine (Belong to Me), SP, $177,811; Coast Guard (Stormy Atlantic), GISP, $164,545; Stormy Liberal (Stormy Atlantic), Ch. Turf Male, MGISW, MG1SP-UAE, $2,152,330.

3rd-Keeneland, $79,300, 4-18, (NW2$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT, 2:30.51, fm.
VEVINA (f, 4, More Than Ready--My Sugar Bear, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-0, $96,441. O-Matthew Schera; B-Robert & Lawana Low (KY); T-Philip D'Amato. *$500,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; $70,000 3yo '18 KEENOV.

7th-Aqueduct, $72,750, (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 4-18, 4yo/up, 6 1/2fT, 1:17.29, ft.
BON RAISON (c, 4, Raison d'Etat--Padmore, by French Deputy) Lifetime Record: 14-5-2-5, $294,048. O-Empire State Thoroughbreds; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Carlos F. Martin. *1/2 to Flying Scotsman (English Channel), GSW; Star Hill (Elusive Quality), MGSP, $246,393; Leigh Court (Grand Slam), Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, MGISW, $778,797; Barracks Road (Elusive Quality), MSW, $369,645; King of Sidney (Diesis {GB}), GSW-Ger, GSP-Fr, $182,371.

8th-Aqueduct, $66,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 4-18, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:41.67, my.
DICTATOR (c, 3, Mineshaft--Brave as a Lion {SP, $107,482}, by Lion Hearted) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, $27,890. O/T-Louie J. Roussel III; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Prado’s Encore, f, 3, Fort Prado--Excellent Idea, by General Meeting. Hawthorne, 4-18, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:46.96. B-Brommer T-bred Racing, LLC (KY). *1/2 to With a Twist (Cashel Castle), SP, $287,183; full to Prado=s Sweet Ride, MGISW, $559,414.

BON RAISON (c, 4, Raison d'Etat--Padmore, by French Deputy) Lifetime Record: 21-7-2-3, $686,441. O-Empire State Thoroughbreds; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Carlos F. Martin. *1/2 to Flying Scotsman (English Channel), GSW; Star Hill (Elusive Quality), MGSP, $246,393; Leigh Court (Grand Slam), Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, MGISW, $778,797; Barracks Road (Elusive Quality), MSW, $369,645; King of Sidney (Diesis {GB}), GSW-Ger, GSP-Fr, $182,371.

8th-Aqueduct, $51,828, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 4-18, 3yo, f, 5 1/2fT, 1:01.77, fm.
BINKSTER (g, 4, Bluegrass Cat--La Femme Galante {SP}, by Grand Slam) Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-0, $126,026. O-Randall Manor Racing, Dark Horse Racing Stable & Taste Of Victory Stables LLC; B-Philip Birsh (NY); T-Raymond Handal.

NIGHTLIFE (f, 3, Into Mischief--Fame and Fashion, by Petionville) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-2, $78,722. O/B-Everest Stables Inc. (MD); T-Edward J. Coletti, Jr.

9th-Gulfstream, $41,050, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($25,000), 4-18, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:04.55, fm.
MAR VISTA MIGUEL (g, 5, Majesticperfection--Debbie’s Assault {MSP}, by Belong to Me) Lifetime Record: 15-7-1-2, $164,748. O-Dennis G. Smith & Lawson Racing Stables; B-Hidden Lake Farm, LLC & Richard K Gallagher (NY); T-Rohan Crichton.

9th-Will Rogers Downs, $33,000, (S), 4-17, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:11.49, ft.
EUROMANDY (f, 3, Euroears--Charmant Forest, by Forestry) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, $30,061. O-Marilyn Helzer & Janie Shoppa; B-James E. Helzer (OK); T-James E. Helzer. *$10,000 RNA 2yo '18 TTAAPR.

8th-Evangeline Downs, $26,000, (S), 4-17, (NW2$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.63, ft.
DOUBLE DOWN BRITT (m, 6, Good and Tough--Bonay’s Arch, by Arch) Lifetime Record: 32-9-5-4, $165,450. O-Dale J Barras; B-Billy Fuzette (LA); T-Peter P. DeRousselle. *$4,000 Ylg '14 BSCYRL.

3rd-Hawthorne, $20,880, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 4-18, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:41.67, my.
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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Can U Handle This, f, 3, Power Broker--Ghostly Fast, by Ghostzapper. Aqueduct, 4-18, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:06.74. B-Eli Bailey (FL). *$10,000 Ylg '17 OBSOCT; $42,000 2yo '18 OBSOPEN.

Aloha Betty, f, 3, Sum of the Parts--La Salle Glory (MSP, $506,039), by Lit de Justice. Evangeline Downs, 4-17, (S), 5f, 1:08.39. B-Montgomery Equine Center (LA). *$24,000 Ylg '17 OBSOCT; $65,000 2yo '18 EQL2YO.

SELECT SALES Graduate...Exceeding Expectations
Tizgame, c, 3, Tiznow--Southern Charmer (SP, $109,615), by Dixie Union. Aqueduct, 4-18, (S), 6fT, 1:09.39. B-Thomas Mina (NY). *$250,000 Ylg '17 SARAUG; $425,000 2yo '18 EASMAY.

Secuencia, f, 4, City Sharpster--Balanza, by Lord At Law. Penn National, 4-17, (S), 6f, 1:11.17. B-Charles A. Cuprill (PA).


Written Word (GB), f, 4, Mount Nelson (GB)--Darmiana, by Lemon Drop Kid. Laurel, 4-18, 6f, 1:12.34. B-John H Prather (AR).


Letterman, g, 5, Hard Spun--Isobel Baillie (GB) (SP-Fr), by Lomitas (GB). Aqueduct, 4-18, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:43.49. B-Siena Farms LLC (KY). *$250,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. **1/2 to Alaura Michele (Arch), MSW & GSP, $229,179; Isabella Sings (Eskendereya), MGSW, $648,170; Tobacco Road (Quality Road), SW, $113,816.

BLUEGRASS CAT, Binkster, g, 4, o/o La Femme Galante, by Grand Slam. ALW, 4-18, Aqueduct
CANDY RIDE (ARG), Desert Ride, f, 3, o/o Fun in the Desert, by Distorted Humor. ALW, 4-18, Keeneland
CITY SHARPSTER, Secuencia, f, 4, o/o Balanza, by Lord At Law. MSW, 4-17, Penn National
CURLIN, Risky Risky Risky, f, 4, o/o Katys Gold Touch, by Touch Gold. MSW, 4-18, Hawthorne
DECLARATION OF WAR, Joker On Jack, c, 2, o/o Aventure Love (Fr), by Orpen. MSW, 4-18, Keeneland
EUROEARS, Euromandy, f, 3, o/o Charmant Forest, by Forestry. ALW, 4-17, Will Rogers
FORT PRADO, Prado's Encore, f, 3, o/o Excellent Idea, by General Meeting. MSW, 4-18, Hawthorne

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GOOD AND TOUGH, Double Down Britt, m, 6, o/o Bonay’s Arch, by Arch. ALW, 4-17, Evangeline
HARD SPUN, Letterman, g, 5, o/o Isobel Baillie (GB), by Lomitas (GB). MCL, 4-18, Aqueduct
INTO MISCHIEF, Nightlife, f, 3, o/o Fame and Fashion, by Petionville. AOC, 4-18, Laurel
MAGICIAN (IRE), Awesome Ammo, g, 3, o/o One Gun, by Malibu Moon. MSW, 4-18, Aqueduct
MAJESTIC WARRIOR, Leinster, c, 4, o/o Vassar, by Royal Academy. ALW, 4-18, Keeneland
MAJESTICPERFECTION, Mar Vista Miguel, g, 5, o/o Debbie’s Assault, by Belong to Me. AOC, 4-18, Gulfstream
MINE SHAFT, Dictator, c, 3, o/o Brave as a Lion, by Lion Hearted. AOC, 4-18, Hawthorne
MORE THAN READY, Vevina, f, 4, o/o My Sugar Bear, by Giant’s Causeway. ALW, 4-18, Keeneland
MOUNT NELSON (GB), Written Word (GB), f, 4, o/o Darmiana, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 4-18, Laurel
OLD FASHIONED, Savedbyanangel, f, 4, o/o Threelittleangels, by Bluegrass Cat. MSW, 4-18, Oaklawn
POWER BROKER, Can U Handle This, f, 3, o/o Ghostly Fast, by Ghostzapper. MCL, 4-18, Aqueduct
RAISON D’ETAT, Bon Raison, c, 4, o/o Padmore, by French Deputy. AOC, 4-18, Aqueduct
STREET SENSE, Urban Insight, f, 4, o/o Beautiful East, by Wolf Power (Saf). MCL, 4-18, Keeneland
SUM OF THE PARTS, Aloha Betty, f, 3, o/o La Salle Glory, by Lit de Justice. MSW, 4-17, Evangeline
TIZNOW, Tizgame, c, 3, o/o Southern Charmer, by Dixie Union. MSW, 4-18, Aqueduct
TWIRLING CANDY, Twirling Owen, f, 2, o/o Daylight’s Coming, by Stormy Atlantic. MSW, 4-18, Laurel
CAREY TURNS TO SERIOUS BUSINESS

Sonny Carey (centre) is building a pre-training business

By Amy Lynam

It’s often said that who you know is the key to success, but it must be said that being liked by who you know is all the more important. Sonny Carey is arguably one of the most well-liked people in Irish racing circles, the one-time amateur jockey and all-round funny man having carved himself a reputation for entertaining singing performances, often wittily written himself.

Now, the Kildare native is proving that there is serious ambition behind the jokes and laughs, having quickly built a successful pre-training operation within the past two years. Now based at the yard of Arthur Moore outside of Naas, he explains how it began: "I began pre-training part-time; I’d ride out for Willie Mullins in the mornings and work on my own horses in the afternoons. When I went full-time this season, I needed a bigger place and, luckily, it suited both myself and Arthur Moore to share the facilities. I’d worked for Arthur as a kid and his facilities are top-class."

Setting up a pre-training operation was a natural path for Carey, who says, "I’ve always broken and pre-trained horses on the side since I began race riding; whether it was horses of my own or belonging to family or friends. When I was riding in point-to-points, I broke store horses and picked up a plenty along the way."

ZABEEL PRINCE COMES GOOD IN THE EARL OF SEFTON

Lightly-raced despite being a 6-year-old, Zabeel Prince (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) repaid the patience of connections with a dominant display in Thursday’s G3 bet365 Earl of Sefton S. at Newmarket. Having lost his way after a win in the Listed Doncaster Mile last March, Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum’s chestnut had signed off his truncated 2018 campaign with a second to Mustashry (GB) (Tamayuz {GB}) in the G2 Joel S. also over a mile here in September. Always travelling easily with more in front than behind, the 9-2 co-favourite was delivered by Andrea Atzeni to swamp last year’s winner Forest Ranger (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}) a furlong out and powered away to score by 2 3/4 lengths, with Mustashry a length behind in a creditable third under a five-pound penalty.

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Sonny Carey cont. from p1

His knowledge of young horses, in fact, dates back to his childhood, as he explains, "I was very lucky in that my dad broke probably thousands of horses and I'd been watching him do it since a young age. I suppose. He's a genius with young horses and I've been learning from him all my life."

His father, Paddy Carey, is best known for working for legendary trainer Mick O'Toole before moving to the Aga Khan's operation, where he broke the majority of their homebred yearlings for over 20 years. Sonny was immersed in racing from a young age and his love for the sport is something his siblings share, with sister Rosie working in Newmarket, while brother Jim is a stud manager at Coolmore Australia. For Sonny, there was never any doubt that he would continue the family trend.

He says, "There was never a time I wasn't going to work in racing. Racing is a great way of life and I was always going to do something in the industry."

"Willie and Jackie Mullins have been very good to me," says Carey. "They started me off with my first two horses when I started full-time. I don't really know how it grew. I got a lot of business through word of mouth, really."

And grew it did, as Carey elaborates, "I'm very lucky to have some very good clients, including Harry Fry, Michael Donohoe, Yulong Investments, Tinnakill House, Sheila Lavery, Johnny Murtagh, Kilcarn Stud, Sarah Lynam and I had a yearling for the Irish National Stud this year."

Carey's people skills have most definitely stood him in good stead in his new operation, with many clients stemming from previous encounters. "It's amazing the people you meet along the way, from working in yards or race riding--it always comes full circle."

He adds, "I've met them again in what I'm doing now and I'm doing business with friends I made working for Willie Mullins, or when riding in point-to-points. For such a big industry, it's very small in some ways."

One of Carey's clients is his good friend Emmet Mullins, a past colleague at his uncle Willie Mullins's yard, and who is also enjoying success in his new role as a trainer. When quizzed on the yearlings who impressed him most this season, Carey was quick to highlight those the young trainer sent to him, saying, "I had a gorgeous Karakontie (Jpn) filly for Emmet Mullins, and he's bringing her to the Goresbridge Breeze-up Sale. I've broken a lot of yearlings for Emmet and he has a smashing bunch of horses this year. There was a lovely colt by Hard Spun and he also has a Kitten's Joy colt who really impressed me--he sells at the Arqana Breeze-up Sale."

It is nice to see two young friends enjoying simultaneous success and supporting each other's new businesses. Of Carey, Mullins says, "Sonny broke a lot of yearlings for me this season and he did a fantastic job with them. All of them were ready to go when I got them and that's a huge help to me. I've known Sonny since I started riding as an amateur jockey when I was about 18. We've always been very friendly, but it was when he came to work for Willie Mullins that we became the best of pals."

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GETTING AHEAD OF THE FIELD
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Sonny Carey cont.
Carey was also taken with a yearling put into his care by Zhang's Yulong Investments. He says, "I had a nice No Nay Never colt for Yulong Investments, who is now in training with Archie Watson. We had Indigo Balance (Ire) for Mr Zhang last season and he went on to win a listed race, while another three or four we had for him went on to win their maidens nicely."

Winning is the most important aspect of racing, even in the pre-training business. Carey says, "Seeing them go on to win is definitely the best part of what I do. We've been lucky in that the horses we've had go on to very good trainers, so we're fortunate to see a lot of our stock go on to win, which makes our job a lot easier."

The business has grown to breaking approximately 45 yearlings this season and Carey says he has no ambition to start training.

"It's developing as it is," he says. "I'm happy with how it's going. Wherever it goes, it goes. We're enjoying it; we work for very good people and I've a great team around me. It's important to have a good team and we're enjoying it, so if it keeps going the way it's going, I'm happy out."

Earl of Sefton S. cont. from p1

"Roger [Varian] said if he switches off, he'll run a big race and he travelled beautifully and picked up really well," his rider said. "He's a horse to look forward to and could get ten furlongs, the way he won today."

Zabeel Prince is a half-brother to the G2 Blamey S. and G2 Back to Caulfield P. B. Lawrence J. J. Liston S. winner and G1 Turnbull S. and G1 Makybe Diva S. runner-up Puissance de Lune (Ire) (Shamardal) and the useful fellow Australian runner Majesty (Ire) (Shamardal). Cont. p4

IN TDN AUS/NZ TODAY

MAGICAL LINE-UP ON THE GOLD COAST

Dual Group 1 winner Global Glamour (Aus) (Star Witness (Aus)) will be one of the star turns at next month’s Magic Millions Gold Coast National Broodmare Sale. Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.
Earl of Sefton S. cont.
The dam’s first live foal Serena’s Storm (Ire) (Statue of Liberty) went on to produce Rizeena (Ire) (Iffraaj (GB)) who took the G1 Coronation S., G1 Moyglare Stud S. and G2 Queen Mary S. and was runner-up in the G1 Falmouth S., G1 Matron S. and G1 Fillies’ Mile. The second dam Serena’s Sister (Rahy), a full-sibling of the magnificent Serena’s Song, was responsible for Doubles Partner (Rock Hard Ten) who captured the GII American Turf S., GII Canadian Turf S. and GIII Tampa Bay S. and was also placed in the G1 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic S. and GI Maker’s 46 Mile S. Princess Serena’s 3-year-old filly Queen Power (Ire), by Puissance de Lune and Majesty’s sire Shamardal, cost SackvilleDonald 500,000gns at Tattersalls in October 2017 and is a highly-regarded Newmarket winner in the Sir Michael Stoute stable. Her 2018 filly is by Gleneagles (Ire).

Thursday, Newmarket, Britain
BET365 EARL OF SEFTON S.-G3, £60,000, Newmarket, 4-18, 4yo/up, 9fT, 1:52.43, g/f.
1--ZABEEL PRINCE (IRE), 126, g, 6, by Lope de Vega (Ire) 1st Dam: Princess Serena, by Unbridled’s Song 2nd Dam: Serena’s Sister, by Rahy 3rd Dam: Imagining, by Northfields
1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. (325,000gns Ylg ’14 TATYEA). O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-Round Hill Stud (IRE); T-Roger Varian; J-Andrea Atzeni. £34,026. Lifetime Record: 9-5-2-0, $139,267. *1/2 to Puissance de Lune (Ire) (Shamardal), MGSW & MG1SP-Aus, $877,536, & to Majesty (Ire) (Shamardal), MSP-Aus, $205,736. Werk Nick Rating: A++++ *Triple Plus*. Click for the enNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Forest Ranger (Ire), 126, g, 5, Lawman (Fr)--Alava (Ire), by Anabaa. (26,000gns Ylg ’15 TAOC0T). O-Mrs H. Steel; B-Yeguada de Milagro Sa (IRE); T-Richard Fahey. £12,900.

3--Mustashry (GB), 131, g, 6, Tamayuz (GB)--Safwa (Ire), by Green Desert. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute. £6,456.
Margins: 2 3/4, 1, 2. Odds: 4.50, 6.50, 10.00.
Also Ran: Elarqam (GB), First Nation (GB), First Contact (Ire), Robin of Navan (Fr), Circus Couture (Ire), Vintager (GB), Fajjaj (Ire). Scratched: Chilean (GB). Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

EIGHT WILD CARDS ADDED TO ARQANA BREEZE-UP
With just over three weeks to the Arqana May Breeze-Up Sale, to be held Saturday, May 11, officials at Arqana have announced the addition of eight wild-card entries into the single-session auction.
The newest additions to the catalog include:

- **Lot 50**, a Mocklershill-consigned son of boom sire No Nay Never from the family of MG1SP Arch Swing (Arch) and whose fourth dam Pattern Step (Nureyev) won the GI Hollywood Oaks;

- **Lot 100**, a son of Shamardal from the SW Jira (GB) (Medicean (GB)), a granddaughter of 4x G1SW Time Charter consigned by Star Bloodstock;

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Horses cataloged for the sale will breeze Friday, May 10, at 12pm with the sale set to begin at 1pm Saturday. For further information, visit www.arqana.com.
British Report cont.

“He was a breeze-up, but only half-grown last year so we settled him down and got him sound, gave him the winter and we’ve been excited all spring. The plan was to ride him like a piece of work and don’t hit him. He hasn’t got any big entries next to his name, but he is about to. Races like the [G3] Jersey [at Royal Ascot] you dream of and the seven-furlong Listed [King Charles II S.] back here would be a nice stepping stone.” The bay is the only living foal produced by a winning granddaughter of MGSW G1 Epsom Oaks, G1 Irish Oaks and GI Flower Bowl Invitational placegetter Bahr (GB) (Generous {IRE}), whose descendants also include G1 Prix de l’Opera and GI Flower Bowl Invitational heroine Nahrain (GB) (Selkirk) and the latter’s MG1SW son Benbatl (GB) (Dubawi {IRE}). Sales history: 18,000gns Ylg ’17 TAOCT; 105,000gns 2yo ’18 TATHIT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $8,437. 1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Sheikh Rashid Dalmoalk Al Maktoum; B-Mohamed Abdul Malik (IRE); T-James Tate.

3rd-Newmarket, £15,000, Novice, 4-18, 3yo, 7fT, 1:27.60, g/f. FOX CHAMPION (IRE) (c, 3, Kodiak {GB}--Folegandros Island (Fr), by Red Rocks {IRE}), who scored over this trip at Doncaster at the end of last month, was again sent straight to the front heading the group racing towards the far rail. Applying the pressure from before the two-furlong pole, the 5-2 second favourite had 1 1/4 lengths to spare over Double Kodiak (IRE) (Kodiak {GB}) at the line. The 11-8 market-leader Almashriq favourite had 1 1/4 lengths to spare over Double Kodiac (IRE) but he came home strong and at the end of the day his pedigree suggests he wants a bit further,” explained Charlie Appleby. “Stepping up to six [furlongs] will be the most logical way forward and he will want another run before we look at Royal Ascot. The [June 18 G2] Coventry would be the obvious race there.” He becomes the fifth scorer produced by a winning daughter of MG1SP G3 Prix de Cabourg victress Tereshkova (Mr. Prospector) and the homebred bay is a half-brother to last month’s G1 Ranvet S. and G1 H E Tancred S. hero Avilius (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), MGSW G1 Prix du Jockey Club and G1 Grand Prix de Paris placegetter Saint Baudolino (IRE) (Pivotal {GB}), MGSP Listed Prix de Suresnes victor Army Bulletin (IRE) (Invincible Spirit {IRE}) and a yearling colt by Dubawi (IRE). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $6,749. 1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby.

HANDICAP RESULTS:
4th-Newmarket, £25,000, 4-18, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:39.88, g/f. BERINGER (GB) (g, 4, Sea the Stars {IRE}--Edaraat, by Rahy) Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-3, £70.415. O-L Field, B Cognet, N Farrell & J Spack; B-Aiden Murphy (GB); T-Alan King. *55,000gns Wlg ’15 TATFOA; 60,000gns Ylg ’16 TAOCT.

6th-Newmarket, £25,000, 4-18, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:26.67, g/f. MUBTASIM (IRE) (h, 5, Arcano {IRE}--Start the Music {IRE}, by King’s Best) Lifetime Record: MGSP-Eng, 21-5-2-4, £303,844. O-Godolphin; B-Mrs Natasha Drennan (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby. *€22,000 Wlg ’14 GOFNOV; 38,000gns Ylg ’15 TATTOC; 140,000gns HRA ’18 TATAUT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Great Dame (IRE), f, 2, Dandy Man (IRE)--Dame Hester (IRE) (SP-Fr), by Diktat (GB). Ripon, 4-18, 5fT, 1:00.33. B-Mark Salmon (IRE). *€48,000 RNA Wlg ’17 GOFNOV; £30,000 Ylg ’18 GOUKPR. **Full to De Boss Man (IRE), GSP-Ire; and 1/2 to Donnerschlag (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}), Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 5-7f & MGSW-Ger, $162,665; and Izzy Bizu (IRE) (Kodiak {GB}), SW-Fr & SP-Eng.

Copacabana Dancer (IRE), g, 2, Zebedee (GB)--Tipperary Boutique (IRE), by Danehill Dancer (IRE). Chelmsford City, 4-18, 2yo, 5f (AWT), 1:01.28. B-Mount Coote Estates (IRE). *£8,000 RNA Ylg ’18 TASYAY. **1/2 to Identity Run Fast (ITY) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), GSP-ITY.

Sir Ron Priestley (GB), c, 3, Australia (GB)--Reckoning (IRE) (MSP-Eng), by Danehill Dancer (IRE). Ripon, 4-18, 12f 10yT, 2:34.49. B-Mascalls Stud (GB). *70,000gns Ylg ’17 TAOCT.

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**Friday, Newcastle, post time: 3.20 p.m.**

**LADROBES BURRADON S.-Listed, £100,000, 3yo, 8f 5y (AWT)**

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**OBSERVATIONS**

on the European racing scene

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4.15 Lingfield, Cond, £200,000, 4yo/up, 10f (AWT)

**WISSAHICKON (Tapit)** is hot property for this “Easter Classic” which serves as the highlight of the Good Friday All-Weather Championships card. George Strawbridge’s son of No Matter What (Nureyev) is surely just bidding his time before joining his half-siblings Just As Well (A. P. Indy) and Rainbow View (Dynaformer) in becoming a top-level performer and already has a rating in excess of their best. John Gosden was talking of the Dubai Sheema Classic after winning the G3 Winter Derby over this course and distance last month, but has opted to stay at Deauville with a second over this course and distance in the Mar. 10 Listed Prix Rose de Mai last time, employed patient tactics at the tail of the nine-strong field for the most part here. Angled outside for her bid passing the quarter-mile marker, the 5-2 second choice was ridden along approaching the final eighth and kept on relentlessly under whipless cajoling to deny Tilda (IRE) Motivator (GB) by 1 1/4 lengths nearing the line. Half-sister to a 2-year-old colt by Toronado (IRE), the June 16 G1 Prix de Diane entry is one of three winners out of a half-sister to GII Canadian S. victress Minakshi (Fr) (Footstepsinthesand (GB)), from a family featuring G1 Crown Oaks heroine Arapaho Miss (AUS) (Danehill Dancer (IRE)) and GSW sire Alzao (Lyphard). Sales history: £18,000 Ylg ‘17 AROCT. Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 3-2-1-0, £27,500. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Albert Frassetto, John d’Amato & Mike Pietrangelo; B-Elevage Haras de Bourgeauville (GB); T-Gianluca Bietolini.

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2nd-Saint-Cloud, €28,000, Cond, 4-18, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:11.65, g/s.

**GRAND GLORY (GB) (f, 3, Olympic Glory (IRE)—Madonna Lily (IRE), by Daylami (IRE)), who followed up a Dec. 16 debut win at Deauville with a second over this course and distance in the Mar. 10 Listed Prix Rose de Mai last time, employed patient tactics at the tail of the nine-strong field for the most part here. Angled outside for her bid passing the quarter-mile marker, the 5-2 second choice was ridden along approaching the final eighth and kept on relentlessly under whipless cajoling to deny Tilda (IRE) Motivator (GB) by 1 1/4 lengths nearing the line. Half-sister to a 2-year-old colt by Toronado (IRE), the June 16 G1 Prix de Diane entry is one of three winners out of a half-sister to GII Canadian S. victress Minakshi (Fr) (Footstepsinthesand (GB)), from a family featuring G1 Crown Oaks heroine Arapaho Miss (AUS) (Danehill Dancer (IRE)) and GSW sire Alzao (Lyphard). Sales history: £18,000 Ylg ‘17 AROCT. Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 3-2-1-0, £27,500. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

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2nd-Cholet, €16,000, Mdn, 4-18, unraced 3yo, 10 1/2fT, 2:19.31, gd.

**AL MARROUNA (GB) (f, 3, Olympic Glory (IRE)—Seeharn (IRE) (SW & GSP-Ire, $105,487), by Pivotal (GB))** was well away and set the tone from flagfall in this debut. Maintaining control throughout, the 23-5 second choice fanned wide off the home turn and kept on strongly under mainly whipless rousting inside the final 300 metres to hold Voliya (Fr) (Sea the Stars (IRE)) by 3/4-of-a-length. Half-sister to a 2-year-old colt by Toronado (IRE) and from a family featuring G1 Golden Jubilee S.-winning sire Malhub (Kingmambo), the homebred bay becomes the second scorer for stakes-winning G3 Athasi S. third Seeharn (IRE) (Pivotal (GB)), herself a half-sister to G3 Derrinstown Stud 1000 Guineas Trial and G3 Concorde S. victress Yellow Rosebud (IRE) (Jeremy) and Listed Criterium de Vitesse third Megan Lily (IRE). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £8,000. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Al Shaqab Racing (GB); T-F Chappet.

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**FRANCE**

Thursday’s Results:

**4th-Saint-Cloud, €28,000, Cond, 4-18, 3yo, c/g, 10fT, 2:13.15, g/s.**

**KASAMAN (FR) (c, 3, Charm Spirit (IRE)—Kasatana (IRE), by Hernando (Fr)), who posted an Oct. 25 debut third going one mile at Deauville in his only prior start, found cover along the fence and raced off the tempo in seventh for most of this one. Inching closer on the home turn, the 19-2 chance navigated a passage through traffic in the straight to challenge approaching the final furlong and stayed on well under a late drive to prevail by 1 1/4 lengths from Incitatus (Fr) (Anodin (IRE)). He is the fifth winner from six runners out of Kasatana (IRE) (Hernando (Fr)), herself out of a winning half to MG1SW sire Kahyasi (Ile de Bourbon), and the homebred bay is a half-brother to G2 Prix Greffulhe victor Kesampour (Fr) (King’s Best) and a 2-year-old colt by Siyouni (Fr). Kasatana, is a half-sister to G2 Prix Kergolay winner Kassani (IRE) (Alleged) and G3 Prix Minerve victress Kassana (IRE) (Shernazar (IRE)), who in turn is the dam of G1 Irish St Leger heroine Kastoria (IRE) (Selkirk). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €18,050. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan’s Studs SC (FR); T-Mikel Delzangles.**
French Report cont.

CONDITIONS RESULT:
6th-Saint-Cloud, €28,000, 4-18, 4yo/up, 15 1/2fT, 3:29.30, g/s.
BOULEVARD (IRE) (c, 4, Galileo {Ire})--Walzerkoenigin {Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 7-9.5f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ger at 9.5-11f, GSW-Fr, Ger & Ity, GISP-US & GSP-Eng, $417,565), by Kingmambo) Lifetime Record: 10-5-1-2, i $59,920. O-Valentin Bukhtoyarov, Vartan Vartanov & Evgeny Kappushev; B-Gestut Schlenderhan (IRE); T-Charley Rossi.

ARQARC. **Full to Port Douglas (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), GSW-Ire & GSP-Eng, $185,538; & 1/2 to Wiener Walzer (Ger) (Dynaformer), Hwt. 3yo-Ger at 11-14f, MG1SW-Ger & G1SP-Fr, $785,837; Walzertakt (Ger) (Montjeu {Ire}), Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 14f+, MGSW-Fr & GSP-Ger, $204,584; Walzertraum (Rahy), GSW-Ger & SP-Swe, $154,586.

1st-Cholet, €20,000, Cond, 4-18, 3yo, 6f 165yT, 1:21.85, gd.
ARIFUSHI (FR) (c, 3, Epaulette {Aus})--Tejaara, by Kingmambo) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, i $21,200. O/T-Henri-Alex Pantall; B-Henri-Alex Pantall & Mme Yvette Pantall (FR). *1/2 to Rangali (GB) (Namid {GB}), Hwt. 3yo-Fr at 5-7f, GSW & MG1SP-Fr, $454,823; and Dhevanafushi (GB) (Kendargent {Fr}), MSP-Fr, $181,089.

6th-Cholet, €16,000, Cond, 4-18, 4yo, 10 1/2fT, 2:10.46, gd.
SENSAZIONE POY (GB) (g, 4, Sepoy {Aus})--Queen Sensazione (Ire) (SW-Ity), by King Charlemagne) Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, €21,209. O-Giulio Spozio; B-Scuderia Blueberry SRL (GB); T-Alessandro & Giuseppe Botti. *1/2 to Kyllachy Queen (Ire) (Kyllachy {GB}), MSW-Ity, SW-Eng & SP-US, $169,443.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Rayon de Lune (Fr), g, 3, Enrique (GB)--Polychrome (Fr), by Bering (GB). Cholet, 4-18, 9 1/2fT, 1:58.71. B-Hyperion SARL & Kais Mbarek (FR).
Spiritis (Ire), f, 3, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Abys (Fr) (SP-Fr & Ger), by Montjeu (Ire). Cholet, 4-18, 9 1/2fT, 2:00.84. B-Wertheimer & Frere (IRE).

Thursday’s Results:
Clonmel, €19,500, Mdn, 4-18, 3/4yo, 9f 162yT, 2:10.97, y/s.
KASTASA (IRE) (f, 3, Rock of Gibraltar (IRE)--Kasanka (IRE), by Galileo (IRE)), fourth in a mile maiden on debut at Thurles in October, was sent off the 3-1 second favourite and soon worked her way into fifth. Coming into her own as stamina became the main issue, the homebred caught Very Excellent ( Ire) (Casamento {Ire}) in the final 100 yards before asserting for a neck verdict. The dam is a half to the G1 Irish St Leger heroine Kastoria (Ire) (Selkirk) from the family of the similarly strong-staying G2 Prix Kergorlay winner Kassani (IRE) (Alleged). Her 2-year-old filly Kassaba (IRE) is by Charm Spirit (Ire), while she also has a yearling colt by Fast Company (IRE). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $14,127. O-H.H. Aga Khan; B-His Highness the Aga Khan’s Studs S.C. (IRE); T-Dermot Weld.

Clonmel, €12,000, Mdn, 4-18, 3yo/up, 9f 162yT, 2:09.54, y/s.
ENCAPSULATION (IRE) (f, 3, Zoffany (IRE)--Supercharged (IRE), by Ifraaj (GB)), fourth on debut in a 10-furlong Leopardstown maiden Apr. 3, raced behind the leading trio early. Sent to the front with two furlongs remaining, the 11-4 favourite stayed on to record a 4 3/4-length success from Granularity (GB) (Aussie Rules). The dam, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Kingston Hill (GB) and a yearling filly by Ivawood (IRE), hails from the Moyglare Stud family of the Hong Kong luminary Designs on Rome (IRE) (Holy Roman Emperor (IRE)), Sights on Gold (IRE) (Indian Ridge (IRE)) who was runner-up in the G1 Hong Kong Vase and the G1 American Derby hero Simple Exchange (IRE) (Danehill). Sales history: 21,000gns Wlg > 16 TATFOA; 26,000 RNA Ylg > 17 GOUKPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $9,083. O-Eoin Banville; B-D. J. Maher (IRE); T-Noel Meade.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:
Pearlman (GB), c, 3, Nathaniel (IRE)--Lurina (IRE) (GSP-Fr), by Lure. Dundalk, 4-17, 10f 150y (AWT), 2:17.59. B-Godolphin (GB). *1/2 to Centennial (IRE) (Dalakhani {IRE}), MGSW-Eng & MGSP-Fr, $298,061; and Siren’s Song (IRE) (Azamour {IRE}), SW-Ire.

War Diary (GB), g, 4, Declaration of War--Titivation (GB), by Montjeu (IRE). Clonmel, 4-18, 9f 162yT, 2:10.72. B-Floors Farming (GB). *40,000gns Ylg ’16 TAOCT. **1/2 to Titi Makfi (GB) (Makfi {GB}), SW-Eng & GSP-Eng, $164,932.

WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES

IN QATAR:
Black Pearl (QA), g, 3, Footstepsinthesand (GB)--Ella (GB), by Pivotal (GB). Al Rayyan, 4-18, Cond., 1200mT, 1:14.31. B-n/a. *1ST TIME STARTER. *14,000gns in utero ’15 TATDEM. VIDEO
FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

UNITED KINGDOM

**Cable Bay (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit (Ire)), Highclere Stud
114 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
13:40-NEWCASTLE, 5f, SIENA BAY (GB)
£5,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

**G Force (Ire)** (Tamayuz (GB)), Tally-Ho Stud
8 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
14:20-BATH, 5f, CONTRACT KID (Ire)
€6,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; £18,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

**Make Believe (GB)** (Makfi (GB)), Ballylinch Stud
87 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
14:20-BATH, 5f, QUEENS ROAD (Ire)
20,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; 5,239gns Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Sept. Yearling Sale 2018

FRANCE:

**Sidestep (Aus)** (Exceed And Excel (Aus)), Fr
70 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-NANTES, 1100m, KIATESTP (Fr)

**THREE-TIME JAPANESE CHAMP HISHI AMAZON DIES**

Masaichiro Abe’s **Hishi Amazon** (Theatrical (Ire)--Katies (Ire), by Nonoalco), a champion at ages two, three and four in Japan, passed away peacefully in her paddock Apr. 15, according to a tweet from Polo Green Stable. She officially turned 28 this past Mar. 26.

A daughter of Katies, winner of the 1984 G1 Goffs Irish One Thousand Guineas and the G2 Coronation S. en route to being named champion filly in England that season, Hishi Amazon left half of her four starts as a juvenile, clinching her championship in the Hanshin Sansai Himba S. She went on a six-race winning streak the following season, capped by a narrow success in the Queen Elizabeth II Commemorative Cup. Runner-up in the year-ending Arima Kinen, she remained in training at four and posted two black-type wins from five outings and a strong second-place finish to European raider Lando (Ger) (Acatenango (Ger)) in the 1995 G1 Japan Cup (video, gate 12). She retired with 10 wins from 20 starts, including nine stakes, for earnings just shy of $7 million.

A number of Hishi Amazon’s foals were offered at the Keeneland September sale, including a colt by Thunder Gulch who fetched $675,000 in 2004. The mare’s final live produce was Hishi Hamza (War Pass), a foal of 2011 who was exported to Japan, but was unraced.

**WORLDWIDE NEWS**

**ASIA**

**Wednesday’s Results:**
**MARINE CUP-Listed, ¥42,500,000, Funabashi, 4-17, 3yo/up f/m, 1600mD, 1:40.60, yl.
1--LAGO BLU (JPN), 121, m, 5, Heart's Cry (Jpn) Venenciador (Jpn), by King Kamehameha(Jpn). *1ST STAKES WIN. O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Northern Farm; T-Katsuyoshi Uchida; J-Norifumi Mikamoto; ¥25,000,000. Lifetime Record: 18-9-3-1, ¥82,590,000. *1/2 to Denim and Ruby (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)), MGSW & MG1SP-Jpn, $3,645,013; and Kitano Commandeur (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)), SW-Jpn, $344,005.
2--Iron Tailor (Jpn), 123, m, 5, Gold Allure (Jpn)--Autumn Breeze (Jpn), by Timber Country. O-Koichi Nakanishi; B-Hashimoto Farm; ¥8,750,000.
3--Rieno Tesoro, 123, m, 5, Speightstown--Akilina, by Langfuhr. ($250,000 Ylg ’15 FTSAUG). O-Kenji Ryotokuji Holdings; B-Oak Bluff Stables LLC (NY); ¥5,000,000.

Margins: 1HF, 2HF, 10. Odds : 3.80, 0.70, 1.70.
A glittering array of Australia’s elite level breeding propositions and top-quality racing prospects will go under the hammer next month at the Magic Millions Gold Coast National Broodmare Sale.

The catalogue release for the May 28-31 Gold Coast National Broodmare Sale features 1070 lots including a host of stakes winners and producers.

Highlights include the G1 Thousand Guineas and G1 Flight S. winner Global Glamour (Star Witness), who has been served by Zoustar; G1 TJ Smith S. winner Linky Dink (Keeper), served by Snitzel; G1 Tatts Tiara winner Miss Cover Girl (Monashee Mountain (USA)), served by I Am Invincible; G1 NZ Thoroughbred Breeders’ S. winner Miss Wilson (Stratum), served by Zoustar and GI Matriarch S. winner Stormy Lucy (USA) (Stormy Atlantic (USA), who has been served by Fastnet Rock.

“To exceed last year’s numbers and to have the quality of stock, both mares in foal and race mares is enormously rewarding, Magic Millions Managing Director Barry Bowditch said.

“It’s a reflection of where the sale has evolved to in the last six or seven years.

“The dams of stars including Winx, Trapeze Artist, Angel Of Truth, Levendi, Microphone, Sunlight, Shoals and Hiyaam were all purchased here providing buyers with immediate returns on investment.

“It’s the place to be and the epicentre of breeding stock sales here in the Southern Hemisphere.”

The mouth-watering catalogue is also a reflection of the hard work behind the scenes of Bowditch and his staff.

“The bloodstock team has worked day and night to acquire these quality mares. The vendors have given this sale enormous support as well in recent years and it’s no different this year.

“Our mandate to ensure we’ve got a market to represent the vendors as best as is possible.”

Similarly, efforts are ongoing to ensure the deepest of buying benches, both domestically and internationally.

“Now we’ve got the catalogue out our job is to canvass all buyers here and all over the world and give the vendors best opportunity to maximise their prices for these mares.

“We are incredibly grateful for the support the vendors of Australasia have again given the sale this year.”

While excited by the proven prospects entered in the sale, Bowditch was equally effusive about the younger stock on offer.

“To have a race fillies and maiden mares’ day, there’s around 200 lots, to have them all on one day and to be able to give them their day in the sun is fantastic,” he said.

“You don’t see that anywhere else in the world, to have an elite race fillies’ day is great. There’s Group 1 winners, Group 2 winners and Group 3 winners and very well-bred mares all the way through.

“It’s exceptional and we look forward to having that day.”

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Magical Line-Up On the Gold Coast cont.

Among the seven Group 1 winning producers on offer are Lipari (Redoute's Choice), who has been served by I Am Invincible and is the dam of the Australian Derby winner Levendi (Pierro); Fionn Fenena (Lion Hunter), who has left the Centenary Sprint Cup winner Beat The Clock (Hinchinbrook) and has been served by Smart Missile; Erato (Street Cry {Ire}), mother of this season’s Blue Diamond S. winner Lyre (Lonhro) and served by Russian Revolution; and Golden Eagle (NZ) (Zabeel (NZ)), who has produced the Caulfield Cup winner Southern Speed (Southern Image {USA}) and served by Invader. Cont. p2

“Lipari is a beautiful mare and she’s done as much as any broodmare can,” said Olly Tait, whose Twin Hills Stud will offer her.

“Her first three foals were very good horses and she’s left a Derby winner. We’re delighted to offer her.”

Lipari’s first foal Wu Gok (Sebring) was successful on four occasions, then followed Levendi, who also won the G2 Tulloch S. and the G3 Carbine Club S., and Marcel From Madrid (Sepoy) has a victory in the G3 National S. to his credit.

“The industry is in such good shape so this will be a very strong sale,” Tait said.

Twin Hills will also offer Sweetest Melody (Encosta de Lago), the dam of the G2 Thousand Guineas Prelude winner Smart Melody (Smart Missile), who is in foal again to Smart Missile; and Firebird Flyer (NZ) (Stravinsky {USA}). A half-sister to the G1 Waikato International S. winner Veloce Bella (NZ) (Volksraad {GB}, she too has been served by Smart Missile.

The G1 Myer Classic and multiple Group 2 winner I Am A Star (I Am Invincible) is another top quality mare catalogued for sale, as is the dam of Houtzen (I Am Invincible), who is in Newmarket preparing for the Royal Ascot meeting.

Set To Unleash (Reset) is back in foal to I Am Invincible, while mares in foal to the G1 Diamond Jubilee S. winner Merchant Navy include G1 Coolmore Stud S. runner-up Invincible Star (I Am Invincible) and Dee Nine Elle (Duporth), a half-sister to the G2 Todman S. winner Yes Yes Yes (Rubick).

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Magical Line-Up on the Gold Coast cont.

“There’s going to be plenty of highlights. There’s any number of outstanding mares, producers of Group 1 or Group performers or Group 1 winners themselves,” Bowditch said.

“There will be endless opportunities for buyers across all levels of the market. This sale has produced so many elite results for vendors and buyers.

“The Gold Coast will be the place to be in late May and June and we look forward to welcoming buyers from across Australia and the globe for a truly outstanding offering of bloodstock.”