STEADY RESULTS AT F-T JULY

Lexington, KY - The Fasig-Tipton July Selected Yearlings Sale produced results largely in line with 2018 figures Tuesday in Lexington as a broad buying bench of pinhookers and end-users purchased 202 yearlings for a total of $18,621,000. The average dipped 8.6% to $92,183 and the median remained constant at $75,000.

WinStar Farm and the China Horse Club partnered to take home the day's top-priced lot, paying $440,000 for a son of Flatter from the Indian Creek consignment.

"All in all, it was about as expected," Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning, Jr. said at the close of business Tuesday. "It was a fair and balanced marketplace and, statistically, it was remarkably similar to 2018 levels, which had a pretty good jump from 2017. I think it was kind of what everybody expected."

The 2018 July sale saw a 7.7% jump in average and a 7.1% increase in median from the auction's 2017 renewal.

From a catalogue of 364 yearlings, 300 went through the ring and, with 98 failing to sell, the buy-back rate was 32.7%. That figure was 30.5% in 2018. Tuesday's $440,000 topper was one of 14 to sell for $200,000 or over, while 24 hit that mark a year ago.

"It's not an easy market, but it's not an impossible market," Browning said.

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AT DEL MAR, THE DOOR MIGHT BE OPEN A CRACK TO ALLOW HOLLENDORFER TO RACE

by Bill Finley

With opening day at Del Mar only a week away, the status of Hall of Fame trainer Jerry Hollendorfer still remains up in the air as officials at the San Diego-area track have yet to make any official announcement regarding whether or not he will be allowed to race there.

Whether or not Hollendorfer will be able to compete at Del Mar became an issue after he was banned at Santa Anita and told to take all of his horses off the grounds after a fourth horse under his care had to be euthanized during the meet that concluded June 23. Santa Anita's decision fell under the category of "house rules." The California Horse Racing Board did not take any action against Hollendorfer and he is currently not serving any suspension.

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A son of Flatter sparked early fireworks at Newtown Paddocks Tuesday morning with the powerhouse team of WinStar and the China Horse Club bidding from the left side of the pavilion and top bloodstock agent Steve Young countering from the right side. When the dust settled, it was the China Horse Club’s Michael Wallace left signing the $440,000 ticket.

FRESHMAN SIRES IN SPOTLIGHT AT FASIG JULY

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Browning continued, “I think if you asked the buyers what their experience was today, it was pretty tough to buy the horses they wanted to buy, with very, very competitive bidding. And I think if you ask the sellers about the market today, they would say it was ok, it was pretty good, but it was a little tougher than we hoped it would be on some of the horses in our consignment. Buyers always want it easier and the sellers always want it better.”

Bloodstock agent Jacob West recognized that there are plenty of yearlings still to be offered this summer and fall.

“The right ones are bringing the money,” West said. “I know some people might argue there are a couple of soft spots, but, at the end of the day, it is the first [yearling] sale of the year. Everybody knows that there are a plethora horses coming up in the next months, so they are being selective and I think it is showing up in the market. I think if you lead one here that everybody loves, you get paid for it.”

Consignor Duncan Taylor saw familiar trends at the July sale.

“I think it is the same old thing,” he said. “If you have something that vets good and is the horse everybody wants, you can get a lot of money. The horses that are fairly nice horses, but still aren’t making the grade, are not getting sold.”

WinStar & China Horse Club Strike for Flatter Colt

A son of Flatter (Hip 22) sparked early fireworks at Newtown Paddocks Tuesday morning with the powerhouse team of WinStar and the China Horse Club bidding from the left side of the pavilion and top bloodstock agent Steve Young countering from the right side. When the dust settled, it was the China
Horse Club’s Michael Wallace left signing the $440,000 ticket on the colt surrounded by WinStar’s Kenny Troutt, Elliott Walden and David Hanley.

“We thought he was the best horse here from a proven sire and he ticked what we liked for our racing program,” said Walden. “He has great balance. I think he will look good in the stud barn if he can win a Grade I.”

WinStar and China Horse Club have teamed up over the past few years with a focus on buying Classic-type colts. The partnership, along with SF Racing, Starlight Racing and Madaket Stables, has campaigned the likes of Triple Crown hero Justify (Scat Daddy) and GI Florida Derby victor Audible (Into Mischief).

As for the price on the Flatter yearling, Walden said, “He was right where we thought he would be. That is where the market should be on a colt like that.”

Consignor Indian Creek’s Shack Parrish was pleased, but not surprised by the colt’s price tag.

“I’d say we are happy,” Parrish said. “It might have been a little above, but not much. We knew if the end users stayed in, we could go there. If it was pinhookers, it would be another number, but the end users stayed in. The owner [Susan King], or ex-owner, is down at the barn hugging on him.”

He continued, “The level of interest has been overwhelming. He was foaled at our farm, went back to Susan’s farm in Ohio, was weaned and came back. We knew he was nice, but in the last month and a half, he really did well. Susan raises these wonderful horses and our staff did an outstanding job getting him ready.” — @CDeBernardisTDN

Small Breeder Makes Big Profit at F-T July

Susan King keeps just 10 mares at her farm located 50 miles north of Cincinnati, Ohio, and she had her biggest sales success to date Tuesday when a Flatter colt she bred summoned $440,000 from WinStar’s Maverick Racing and the China Horse Club.

“It was a surprise,” said King, whose husband Alan was shaking his head, adding he was not surprised by the final price. “I felt like he was well received, but I did not think that at all. It is very exciting. This is my best sale to date.”

Hip 22 is out of King-bred and MSP Ruth and Neva, who is a half-sister to GSW Sassy Sienna (Midshipman), who was purchased by Maverick Racing for $775,000 at last term’s Keeneland November Sale. The mare’s now-3-year-old filly Paynterbynumbers (Paynter) was a $95,000 FTKOCT yearling turned $200,000 BARAPR 2-year-old purchased by Michael Dubb. Ruth and Neva produced a Classic Empire colt Mar. 7 of this year.

When asked why she chose Flatter for the 11-year-old mare, who has only produced five foals, with two to race thus far, King...
Hip 134 – colt (shown)

$300,000

**Buyer:**
Kenneth McPeek, Agent
for Walking L Thoroughbreds

**Breeder:**
Jose Luis Espinoza

**Consignor:**
Taylor Made Sales Agency

Hip 150 – filly

$160,000

**Buyer:**
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**Consignor:**
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Hip 142 – colt

$160,000

**Buyer:**
SGV Thoroughbreds

**Breeder:**
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**Consignor:**
Darby Dan Farm
said, “I think Flatter is a consistent stallion and gets runners. I was trying to breed something that would be a runner for her, something more proven.”

Hip 22 proved himself to be one to watch from the start, according to King, whose program is half Kentucky-breds and half Ohio-breds.

“He always seemed to be very forward,” the breeder said. “He is a very friendly and kind colt, easy to be around. He always looked good. When people came to the farm, they always asked, ‘Who’s that?’ I always had a good feeling, but being such a small farm with six to seven foals per year, it is kind of hard to know where something really stacks up. I sent him to Kentucky to prep with Indian Creek and the rest is history. I had no idea he was that much of a standout. It is just so exciting.”

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Freshman Sires Continue to Standout at July

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● FROSTED

Foals from the first crop of three-time Grade I winner Frosted
were very popular at the weanling sales last year and the demand for his offspring continued during 2019's first yearling auction. His top-priced yearling Tuesday was a $330,000 filly (Hip 246), signed for by Danielle Bricker on behalf of Let’s Go Stables. Bred by H. Allen Poindexter, the gray daughter of SP Humble Street (Street Sense) was consigned by Wynnstay Sales.

“I really loved the Frosted as weanlings,” said Bricker, who works for trainer Todd Pletcher and his clients. “I think he is going to be a good sire for racing. She just looked very athletic, had a huge walk to her, good angles. Overall, I just think she is the perfect size. As soon as she grows a little bit and fills out, she is going to be what we want to see on the racetrack.”

Frosted’s most expensive weanling last year was a $310,000 colt and he had a filly sell for $300,000 with his weanlings averaging at $184,230. Due to his success in 2018, Bricker was not surprised that Hip 246 brought the price she did.

“We expected it,” said Bricker. “With the way the market has been showing and the way the Frosted sold as yearlings, I expected she would be a bit pricey.”

Justin Casse also supported Frosted, going to $275,000 for a colt (Hip 158) consigned by Lane’s End on behalf of breeder G. Watts Humphrey, Jr. The bay is out of Candy Crush (Candy Ride {Arg}), who is a half-sister to GSW English Affair (English Channel), SW & MGSP Seruni (Saint Liam) and SW Roman Emperor (Empire Maker).

“I think Frosted’s performance in Saratoga and in the [GI] Met Mile is very memorable, so he was a dynamic racehorse,” said Casse, who was buying on behalf of an undisclosed client of both him and his brother, trainer Mark Casse. “I would say he is a very appealing first-year season, especially here, and this was one of the better pedigreed, first-year sired horses in the sale. He was really a smooth colt, good angles, athleticism, good walk. He looks like he will [go] two turns.”

Four of the five Frosted yearlings in the catalogue sold with one RNA. The group average was $228,750 with a median of $217,500. Frosted’s first crop was bred on a $50,000 stud fee, which has remained steady in his two subsequent seasons.

“There is no doubt that from the get-go he was producing very strong physicals,” said Darley’s Darren Fox. “Frequently, mare owners said, his were the mare’s best foal. We saw early on that they tended to hit you in the face with their physique and they stayed that way. He has some very nice ones for Saratoga and for the rest of the year. We are very pleased with how they have developed and he certainly looks primed to make his mark, so we are very excited.”

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Not to be outdone by his stablemate at Jonabell, champion juvenile and GI Kentucky Derby hero Nyquist tied Frosted for highest-priced yearling by a first-crop sire with a $330,000 colt (Hip 333) purchased by bloodstock agent Ben McElroy.

“It is for the same partnership that owns ‘TDN Rising Star’ Nayibeth (Carpe Diem),” said McElroy, who was acting on behalf of Meribelle Stables and Dr. Ramon Tallaj. “I liked [the Nyquists] when I saw them as foals. This horse was a really nice horse with a top physical. I liked his brother when he sold a few years ago with Ciaran Dunne.”

He continued, “I thought he was one of the nicest horses in the sale. Nyquist was a phenomenal racehorse, champion 2-year-old, who won the Kentucky Derby, what’s not to like?”

The colt, who is a half to SW & MGISP Red Vine (Candy Ride {Arg}), was bred by Highclere and Springtown Show Stables and was consigned by Stuart Morris.

“I think it is hard to expect any horse to be received that well,” said Morris. “We had high hopes that he could and we are very excited to see him in Wesley Ward’s barn. He is a homebred for my father and a longtime partner of ours named Tim Wicks.”

The horseman continued, “My impressions [of Nyquist’s first crop] are limited because that is one of the only ones I have been around and he is pretty nice, so my impression of Nyquist is pretty high. I think he is a very exciting young stallion and he has a bright future.”

Darley’s Darren Fox, who has much more experience with Nyquist’s first crop, expressed similar sentiments.

“He is a stallion who has been replicating himself pretty consistently,” said Fox. “He tends to stamp them. They are very nice, well-balanced horses and a lot of them are solid bays like he is. They seem to have good temperaments and just be very
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straightforward and very nice horses. Given what he achieved as an unbeaten 2-year-old through the [GI Kentucky] Derby, he definitely caught a lot of people’s imagination. I think the market is primed for his progeny.”

Hip 333 was the highest-priced of three Nyquist yearlings to sell during Tuesday’s sale. The bay, who has stood for $40,000 in each of his three seasons at stud, was also represented by Hip 70, who sold to Jacob West for $70,000, and Hip 315, who brought $10,000 from Webb Carroll Training Center.

● OUTWORK

This GI Wood Memorial S.-winning son of Uncle Mo had 10 six-figure yearlings during Tuesday’s auction, topped by a $300,000 colt (Hip 134). The WinStar stallion had 12 yearlings in this auction; 10 sold after one out and one RNA for an average of $107,500. This group was bred on a $15,000 stud fee, which Outwork also stood for in 2018 and 2019.

“They look like Uncle Mos and I think people can see that,” said WinStar’s Elliott Walden. “With him being a horse that was 17 hands and could win at 4 1/2 furlongs and being the first winner for Uncle Mo is extremely impressive and he comes from a beautiful family. There is a lot to like about him and we felt like that when we stood him. He was received extremely well.”

He continued, “They are big, good-looking horses. Physically, they are well developed, which bodes well for them being 2-year-olds.”

Taylor Made Sales consigned the top-priced Outwork colt, who they purchased as a weanling for just $50,000. They also sold a filly by the stallion (hip 84), who was a $150,000 post-sale purchased by Crow-Sharp Ventures.

“From what I’ve seen go through, I think he is doing a great job,” said Taylor Made’s Duncan Taylor. “We had a filly that was bought back, but was sold after the sale, so I think he is doing exceptional.”

● SPEIGHTSTER

Standing alongside Outwork at WinStar is another promising freshman sire in Gill Dywer S. victor Speightster, whose sire Speightstown also resides in Kenny Troutt’s stallion barn. Jacob West went to $285,000 to secure a colt from the young stallion’s first crop (hip 169) on behalf of owners Robert and Lawana Low.

“Speightster only got to show his brilliance a handful of times during his race career, but he was a brilliant horse,” West said. “He is very well-bred and has a license to become a brilliant stallion.”

The bloodstock agent continued, “This colt in particular is from a very fast family with [Grade I winner] Capo Bastone (Street Boss) under the second dam. I have a lot of respect for him. We
Just thought he looked like a fast horse with a fast pedigree. Mr. and Mrs. Low got in behind and we got the horse.

West was not surprised by the colt’s price tag despite the fact his sire is still unproven.

“From the second I saw him, I knew he was going to be expensive,” West said. “I loved him. We were prepared to spend that much. We had an idea he would be very popular.”

Consigned by Denali Stud, Hip 169 was bred by WinStar out of the Mizzen Mast mare Cheap Perfume, a half-sister to the aforementioned Capo Bastone, winner of the GI King’s Bishop S. and a ‘TDN Rising Star.’

“We really liked him and thought he was one of the top five colts in the sale,” Walden said. “[WinStar’s] David [Hanley] put him in here to showcase the stallion.”

Speightster stood his first season in 2017 for a fee of just $10,000 and he was offered at the same price in both 2018 and 2019. His six yearlings sold Tuesday averaged $140,833 with a median of $122,500.

“We have liked all the Outworks and the Speightsters,” said Walden. “We really liked an Exaggerator, Hip 9, earlier in the sale as well [who brought $170,000 from Ciaran Dunne’s North London Bloodstock]. So we are happy with all of the stallions, Tourist (Tiznow) as well.”

Dunne was also quite pleased with his purchase of Hip 9, saying, “Exaggerator could run and the colt we bought was smooth and an easy mover. I think we very lucky with the Exaggerator colt because we got in there early and we bought him. I’ll tell you next year how lucky we were.”

--@CDeBernardisTDN

Fasig-Tipton July yearlings bring $330,000, $275,000, etc. His $229K average is the highest for a first-crop sire at this sale in 10 years!
McPeek, Leeds Make it Work

Two years ago at the Fasig July sale, Ken McPeek acquired a colt from the first crop of Cairo Prince for Scott Leeds’s Walking L Thoroughbreds. The yearling turned into graded stakes-winning juvenile Cairo Cat. McPeek was back in action on behalf of the owner Tuesday in Lexington, going to $300,000 to purchase a colt from the first crop of GI Wood Memorial winner Outwork (Uncle Mo) from the Taylor Made Sales Agency consignment.

“There was a lot of Uncle Mo coming out in this colt,” McPeek said. “I was fortunate enough to be around him a bit when he was young and he looked a lot like him. He might even be a better-looking horse than Uncle Mo himself. It looks like he’ll grow into himself.”

The yearling (hip 134) is out of graded stakes-placed Back Spin (Successful Appeal). Bred by Jose Luis Espinoza, the colt was purchased by D W Partners for $50,000 at last year’s Keeneland November sale.

“We bought him to pinhook,” said Taylor Made’s Duncan Taylor. “You never expect $300,000, but he was a very nice horse. We had a lot of interest, a lot of activity and he looked very good. It exceeded our expectations.”

McPeek purchased 11 horses Tuesday for a total of $1.4 million. He also purchased a filly by Runhappy (hip 202) for $225,000 and a colt by Summer Front (hip 360) for $200,000.

@JessMartiniTDN
Young Strikes for Empire Maker Colt

A colt from Empire Maker’s second crop since being repatriated to Gainesway from Japan sold for $300,000 to bloodstock agent Steve Young Tuesday at Fasig-Tipton. The yearling (hip 320) was consigned by Shawhan Place as agent for his breeders, Austin and Brenda Paul.

“I liked the Empire Maker of Gainesway’s,” Young said, referring to the Gainesway-consigned hip 263, a granddaughter of MGISP Resort (Pleasant Colony), who RNA’d for $245,000 earlier in the session. “I always thought that Phipps family, especially coming through Resort, would throw a terrific horse, but when we went and looked at this horse, this is a faster, quicker, athletic horse, to me, plus he comes from [GISW] Materiality’s family. So, if he’s as good as that horse is, we’ll be all right.”

Austin and Brenda Paul purchased the yearling’s unraced dam Miss Patchouli (Bernardini) for $160,000 at the 2013 Keeneland November sale. She is a half-sister to Grade I winner Snow Ridge (Tobasco Cat) and stakes winner Pavarotti (A.P. Indy). Materiality, winner of the GI Florida Derby, appears under the yearling’s third dam.

“He was a rockstar for us up here from day one,” said Shawhan Place Farm Manager Gus Koch. “He’s a nice big colt and very classy. He did everything we asked of him. We brought him here hoping he’d be the standout of the sale and we feel he was. So our plan paid out perfectly.” @JessMartiniTDN

Munnings Colt to Cox

A colt by Munnings will be joining the barn of trainer Brad Cox after the partnership of Rick Keuber and Ten Strike Racing purchased the yearling for $265,000 Tuesday at Fasig-Tipton. Bloodstock agent Liz Crow, standing alongside Cox in the pavilion, signed the ticket on the bay (hip 105), who is the first foal out of the unraced Walking Miracle (Into Mischief).

“Brad loved the horse and I loved the horse,” Crow said. “The Munnings side on top looks quick, you could see that physically, and the Into Mischief showed a lot through his physical as well.”

The bay colt, consigned by Eaton Sales, is from the family of Grade I winner Mast Track. Bred by McCauley Farms and Nathan McCauley, the youngster sold to Bloodstock Management Services for $55,000 at last year’s Keeneland November sale.

Crow was busy during Tuesday’s first yearling sale of the season, ultimately purchasing five yearlings. In addition to hip 105, she purchased another Munnings colt (hip 144) for $120,000, an Outwork filly (hip 84) for $150,000 and a Point of Entry filly (hip 229) for $130,000.

“We liked a lot of the physicals here,” she said. “[Keeneland] September is always strong and there are a lot of agents who aren’t here at this sale. I always find if you don’t strike now, you end up regretting it in September.” @JessMartiniTDN

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Campion Strikes Early at Fasig July

Padraig Campion’s Blandford Stud had just one yearling to send through the sales ring at Fasig-Tipton, and the colt went through in the opening stages of Tuesday auction, but it was a good one. Hip 9, a colt from the first crop of GI Preakness S. winner Exaggerator, sold for $170,000 to pinhooker Ciaran Dunne, who signed the ticket as North London Bloodstock. Blandford Stud had purchased Radiant Ruby (Tale of the Cat), with the colt in utero, for $42,000 at the 2017 Keeneland November sale, and the yearling was co-bred by the operation and Brian O’Rourke.

“He didn’t bring as much as I wanted, but he brought more than I was expecting,” Campion said with a laugh.

He continued, “I think he’s a very special colt and we’ll be hearing about him.”

Radiant Ruby is a daughter of Throw to Home (Grand Slam) and her second dam is Slide (Smarten), who produced graded stakes winner Santiva. Campion had plenty of experience with the family when the mare went through the ring at Keeneland.

“I had sold a bunch of horses out of Slide, so I knew the pedigree very well,” Campion said. “And we actually claimed Throw to Home. She died after having two foals, so that explains the pedigree being a little bit light there. When we saw her in the sale, we decided we’d have a crack.”

But Campion’s knowledge of the pedigree wasn’t the only reason to add the broodmare to his band.

“Plus, she was hip number 2346 and that was [part of] our phone number,” he said jokingly. “So I thought that was a sign. And then the colt came out looking like that.”

Blandford Stud has a broodmare band of four head and Campion said, “Radiant Ruby is the number one now.”

While the 8-year-old mare’s 2019 foal died, she is currently in foal to Midnight Lute.

Hip 9 was Exaggerator’s first yearling to go through the sales ring. Campion sees plenty to be optimistic about the stallion who won the 2016 Preakness, GI Haskell Invitational and GI Santa Anita Derby.

“You can’t go wrong--it’s the first year and they haven’t done anything wrong yet,” he said. “Exaggerator was a racehorse. You win three Grade Is, that’s quite a good thing. And he’s by Curlin. He has every chance to make it, especially if they all look like this one.”

Blandford Stud eased into the yearling sales season with the one-horse consignment, but Campion is gearing up for a busy fall of selling.

“I have to thank Gerry Dilger at Dromoland [Farm], he got him ready for us because we only had the one horse,” Campion said. “So Gerry did his usual outstanding job.” @JessMartiniTDN
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Breeder: Ballysax Bloodstcok Agent IV
Purchased by De Meric Stables, Agent for Backstretch Farms
A $40,000 Keeneland January purchase while in foal to Midnight Lute in 2015, Ride Me Fast failed to find any takers for $30,000 at that venue the following season while carrying a colt by Cairo Prince. Returned to the Keeneland sales’ ring in January of 2018, Ride Me Fast realized an $11,000 final bid while carrying this colt.

Breeder: B-Alching Bloodstock Holdings (KY)
Consignor: By War Horse Place LLC Agent
Purchased by De Merv Sales
Ridingwiththedevil was picked up for a mere $6,000 by Gerry Aschinger at Keeneland in January of 2016, and was subsequently bred to graded winner Upstart, who stood for $10,000 at time of conception.

Breeder: B-Ben & John T. Colebrook & Distorted Humor Syndicate (KY)
Consignor: Terrazas Thoroughbreds Agent
Purchased by Six Column Stables LLC
Al Bell and Wayne Scherr went to $90,000 to secure this colt at last November’s Keeneland breeding stock sale.

Breeder: B-Dennis Crooks & Terry Young (KY)
Consignor: Paramount Sales Agent XIII
Purchased by East Hickman Bloodstock
The Feb. 6 foal was a $47,000 weanling purchase for Rascal Bloodstock at last season’s Keeneland November sale.

105 colt Munnings Walking Miracle 265,000
B-McCauley Farms & Nathan McCauley (KY)
Consigned by Eaton Sales Agent
Purchased by Kueber Racing/Ten Strike, Liz Crow Agent
See Story p11

134 colt Outwork Back Spin 300,000
B-Jose Luis Espinoza (KY)
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency XXVI
Purchased by Kenneth McPeek, Agent for Walking L Tbreds
See Story p10

170 filly Mineshaft--Cheers for Foxes 190,000
B-J.B Lane Orem & Michael Orem
Consigned by Gainesway Agent IV
Purchased by JCM
En Fuego Stables bid $70,000 for this Apr. 20 foal at last fall’s Keeneland November sale before returning the chestnut to the ring in eight months time.

Each sales day, we ask one buyer to look at the day’s results, and choose the horse he or she thinks was the Buy of the Day.

Hip 49, f, Kantharos--Songandashinyband, by Songandaprayer
Consigned by Summerfield (Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck), agent
Purchased by Scanlon Training/Marty Shapiro
Price: $110,000
“She was a beautifully made filly and a great mover. She looks like she’ll win early. She has a full-sister who is stakes placed and a half-sister who won at two. So she looks like an excellent buy. She looks like she could be a Royal Ascot filly.”

Hollendorfer cont. from p1

Many of his horses were relocated to Los Alamitos, where he was allowed to stable and race.

In the meantime, Hollendorfer, his lawyer Drew Couto and Del Mar officials have been very careful about what they will and will not say about the situation. However, with time running out before the first race is run at Del Mar and with the New York Racing Association’s apparent decision to also ban Hollendorfer, there was speculation Del Mar would join Santa Anita and NYRA in their decision not to allow Hollendorfer to compete.

That may still be the case, but when the TDN asked Del Mar CEO Joe Harper whether or not Hollendorfer will be able to race at the meet, he replied, “Never say never.”

“We’ve had a couple of meetings and the ball is in Jerry’s court,” Harper said. “We are still looking to come up with an agreement that both Jerry Hollendorfer and Del Mar can agree to.”

Harper declined to elaborate on what might be going on behind closed doors and what it would take for Del Mar to allow Hollendorfer to race. He also declined to elaborate on why the “ball” might be in Hollendorfer’s “court,” when it would seem that the decision rests solely with Del Mar.

Couto told the TDN that while Del Mar has yet to tell him definitively that his client will not be given stalls for the meet, they have yet to allocate any stalls to him as of Tuesday.

“I don’t know that anything official has been said,” Couto said. “We have had a lot of candid discussions with Del Mar, which
we appreciate. So far they have not been able to get over this ‘PR risk hurdle.’ We know that they are exceedingly uncomfortable and that’s where it’s at.

“Have they given him stalls? No. Have they made any announcements? No. But the discussions we have had with them is that they are exceedingly uncomfortable with doing so (allocating stalls to Hollendorfer) because of the PR risks.

“Del Mar feels it is a PR risk they don’t feel they can take despite the fact there’s no suspension, there’s no action against him and that over the past three years Del Mar has great numbers when it comes to horse safety and Jerry has been a big part of that. He has never been a problem as far as Del Mar is concerned. In fact, they think very highly of him. But our understanding is they don’t want to manage the possible PR problems that would come with giving him stalls.”

Though Couto did not sound confident regarding Hollendorfer’s situation at Del Mar, he, too, was not ready to give up hope that his client will be able to race at the meet.

“Everybody has been trying to explore pragmatic solutions to the problem and no one has completely given up hope on that prospect yet,” he said. “But if we are unable to come up with a pragmatic solution, then there are contractual provisions between Del Mar and the horsemen’s groups, in particular the CTT (California Thoroughbred Trainers), that provide for processes to deal with these types of situations. I know the CTT is active in suggesting that this process need to be followed on Jerry’s behalf. If Del Mar is not motivated to do that, one would then have to consider what other options there are for Jerry to protect his interests. At this point, everything is on the table and we are considering everything.”

One possibility is that Hollendorfer could be denied stalls at Del Mar yet still be allowed to race there. According to Couto, whether or not an entry is denied falls under the duties of the stewards and not racetrack management. All three stewards at Del Mar are employed by the California Horse Racing Board.

“This is my position, the entries are controlled by the stewards,” he said. “If the stewards deny him entries, that’s an action by the California Horse Racing Board. The Horse Racing Board has taken no action against him and they cannot arbitrarily decline somebody’s entries because a racetrack says they have PR concerns. State actions involve due process and state actions are held to different standards than one might argue a private association can do. If the stewards decline to take his entries, then we have a whole different ball game that involves a state action and it becomes a monumental mess for everyone.”

Further complicating the Hollendorfer-Del Mar situation is the fact that the state of California owns the property that is home to the racetrack. Couto said that means Del Mar is not a private business, like Santa Anita is, and does not have the same rights that private businesses have to ban someone.

SARATOGA LIVE RETURNS THURSDAY

More eyes will be on Saratoga's prized summer meet than ever before following a landmark agreement between the New York Racing Association, Inc. and FOX Sports.

As part of the most expansive television programming deal in horse racing history, the critically acclaimed Saratoga Live will
appear on FOX, FS1 and FS2 for an unprecedented 192.5 combined show hours, with 190.5 of those hours on FS2.

In addition to daily national coverage on FS2, Saratoga Live can be seen on regional sports networks including MSG Networks, which will air 105 hours of coverage, in addition to FOX Sports Prime Ticket, FOX Sports San Diego and Altitude Sports.

"We realize that, in order for the sport to grow, we have to find a way to reach a new audience. There never was any sport that was hurt by being on television," said Tony Allevato, president of NYRA Bets and executive producer of NYRA TV, adding, "It really speaks volumes to FOX's commitment and the success we've had with our shows."

Saratoga Live kicks off Thursday for the 40-day meet that runs from July 11-Sept. 2. Greg Wolf and Laffit Pincay III will call on an array of experts such as retired Hall of Fame jockey Gary Stevens, Kentucky Oaks-winning trainer Tom Amoss, Eclipse Award-winning jockey Richard Migliore, professional handicapper Jonathon Kinchen and retired All-Star catcher Paul LoDuca. The program will also include insights from Andy Serling, Maggie Wolfendale and Acacia Courtney.

**WOMEN IN RACING EXHIBITION OPENS JULY 20**

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame’s newest exhibition, Women in Racing, opens to the public Saturday, July 20. The Museum acknowledges the support of the Edward P. Evans Foundation in underwriting this special exhibit, which details the role women have played in the sport of Thoroughbred racing for more than a century.

Featuring artwork, photography, and multimedia from the Museum collection and on loan, Women in Racing honors the pioneers and trailblazers of the past and the modern women who are currently thriving in the sport as owners, breeders, jockeys, trainers, executives, media, and numerous other disciplines.

Exhibition highlights include a timeline of firsts celebrating the milestone achievements of women of the sport; artifacts from the career of trailblazing jockey Wantha Davis; Frances Genter’s pillbox hat worn during Unbridled’s Kentucky Derby victory; items from Hall of Fame jockey Julie Krone’s historic Belmont S. victory aboard Colonial Affair; the inaugural Diana H. trophy won by the first licensed female trainer Mary Hirsch; and artifacts and portraits relating to every woman inducted into the Hall of Fame, including 2019 Hall of Fame Pillars of the Turf inductees Gladys Mills Phipps, Helen Hay Whitney, and Marylou Whitney. An interactive exhibit featuring race footage and short films will also be available for visitors to explore.

**KEENELAND ANNOUNCES LIBRARY LECTURE SERIES FOR REMAINDER OF 2019**

The Keeneland Library, which is celebrating its 80th anniversary this year, will spotlight new publications about Thoroughbred racing—from stories compiled by noted Central Kentucky horseman and longtime radio show host Ercel Ellis to new books about the Triple Crown, the GI Runhappy Travers at Saratoga and Racing Hall of Famer Spectacular Bid—as its popular Library Lecture Series programs continue on selected Tuesday evenings for the remainder of the year.


Each program, free and open to the public, is from 6:30-8:30 p.m. ET.
Leading Second-Crop Sires by Cumulative Earnings  

for stallions standing in North America through Monday, July 8

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

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**SCHUYLERVILLE S.-GIII, $150,000, 2yo, f, 6f**

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DIAMONDS ARE A (f, 2, Street Sense--Dr. Diamonds Prize (SW & GSP, $240,903), by Pure Prize) finished a well-beaten fifth on debut Apr. 17 at Keeneland and was runner-up over the local main track May 1. Sent off as the 27-10 second choice in this turf bow, the $120,000 Keeneland September graduate tracked from second through splits of :24.32 and :48.98. Taking control approaching the lane, the bay turned back favored Urban Diva (City Zip) at the sixteenth pole and held late to best closing longshot My Wynter Echo (Raison d'Etat) by a neck. The winner’s dam, a half to last week’s GIII Iowa Oaks victress Lady Apple (Curlin), sold to Dark Hollow Farm for $250,000 at KEENOV in 2017. She has a yearling colt by More Than Ready and foaled a Union Rags colt Apr. 5. Sales History: $120,000 Ylg ’18 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $26,600. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Castleton Lyons; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Ben Colebrook.

FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JULY 10
Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, $15,000
94 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Indiana Grand, Msw 7 1/2fT, WILD UNION, 4-1
$95,000 KEE SEP yrl; $225,000 OBS MAR yrl

Hampton Court (Aus) (Redoute’s Choice {Aus}), Spendthrift Farm
34 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Evangeline Downs, Msw 5fT, NANCY'S RESCUE, 9-5

Honor Code (A.P. Indy), Lane’s End Farm, $40,000
111 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Indiana Grand, Msw 7 1/2fT, HARD CODE, 15-1
$5,000 KEE SEP yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JULY 10
Drill (Lawyer Ron), Get Away Farm, $4,500
81 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner
2-Presque Isle Downs, Msw 5f, MUST BE A MONSTER, 6-1

Grey Swallow (Ire) (Daylami {Ire}), Calumet Farm, private
29 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Presque Isle Downs, Msw 5f, CADET CONNELLY, 3-1
$1,800 KEE SEP yrl

Laugh Track (Distorted Humor), Double Ll Farm, $2,500
68 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Albuquerque, Msw 5f, LET’S WAGER, 9-2
$1,200 RNA RUI AUG yrl
ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Parx Racing, $57,540, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 7-9, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.47, ft.

CHARLY’S CHARM (f, 3, Uptowncharlybrown--Torchwood, by Speightstown) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-3, $75,510. O-Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC & Godric LLC; B-Godric LLC (PA); T-Edward J. Coletti, Jr. *Full to Midtowncharlybrown, MSW, $400,908; and Midnightcharly, SW, $254,370.

7th-Presque Isle Downs, $35,100, (C)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 7-8, 3yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:37.52, ft.

MORE THAN GOOD (g, 5, Macho Uno--My Mancita, by Mr. Greeley) Lifetime Record: SW, 23-8-2-3, $191,324. O-Danielle Agnello; B-Charlie J. Williams, LLC (KY); T-Jeffrey Skerrett.

4th-Indiana Grand, $34,500, (S), 7-9, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.99, ft.

BLACK SAPPHIRE (f, 3, Hold Me Back--Queen’s Command, by Street Boss) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, $41,325. O-Simon Manning & Barbara I. McBride; B-Simon Manning (IN); T-Barbara I. McBride.

7th-Indiana Grand, $33,800, 7-9, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.47, fm.

IMPERIAL MISSION (g, 3, Noble Mission {GB}--Sandsarita {SP}, by Street Boss) Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-1, $36,332. O-Kenneth W. Dalton & Charred Oak Stables; B-Romar Farm LLC & BRS (KY); T-Ethan W. West. *$23,000 RNA Ylg ’17 FTKTUR.

3rd-Thistledown, $31,800, (S), 7-9, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:48.56, ft.

SHACK’S Harem (m, 5, Shackleford--Holy Harem {MSP}, by Holy Bull) Lifetime Record: 28-2-5-5, $92,058. O/B-Fairweather Farm LLC (OH); T-Jose Atala.

2nd-Presque Isle Downs, $31,200, (S), 7-8, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:44.33, ft.

MY FRIEND FRANK (g, 4, Offlee Wild--Tacky Affair {SP}, $256,889), by Mutakddim) Lifetime Record: 19-3-2-4, $114,050. O/B-Ocean Breezes Racing Stable (PA); T-Erin C. McClellan.

5th-Thistledown, $30,000, 7-9, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.40, ft.

VERTRAZZO (f, 4, Trappe Shot--She’ll Heir {SW}, by Wildcat Heir) Lifetime Record: MSP, 12-7-2-3, $146,190. O-Michael A. Foster; B-Douglas Arnold (KY); T-William D. Cowans. *$72,000 Ylg ’16 FTKOCT.

3rd-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, $25,668, 7-8, 3yo/up, 1m (off turf), 1:38.71, ft.

FRANCO (g, 5, Talent Search--Julep Tulip, by Flower Alley) Lifetime Record: 16-5-3-3, $101,138. O/T-Bryan Porter; B-J. C. Davis Farm, Inc. (KY). *$1,500 Ylg ’15 FTKOCT.

7th-Thistledown, $24,000, 7-9, (C), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.06, ft.

AWESOME GENT (g, 6, Awesome Again--Pawnee Patti {SP}, $107,901), by Sir Richard Lewis) Lifetime Record: SW, 21-9-2-2, $282,537. O-Michael A. Foster; B-Burning Sands Stable, LLC (NY); T-William D. Cowans. *1/2 to Comedero (Posse), GSW, $675,814.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Im Gonna Win, f, 3, Big Brown--Two Reigns, by Reign Road. Finger Lakes, 7-9, 1m 70y, 1:46.53. B-Mike Lecesse & Purple Haze Stables (NY).

Hypnotising, f, 3, Irish Road--Majestic Isle, by Majestic Warrior. Indiana Grand, 7-9, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.83. B-Romar LLC (IN).

Truly Stellar, g, 3, Star Guitar--Astella, by Tactical Advantage. Presque Isle Downs, 7-8, 6f (AWT), 1:10.48. B-Watershed Bloodstock LLC (KY). *$26,000 RNA Ylg ’17 OBSOCT. **1/2 to Classic Legacy (Macho Uno), GSP, $177,587.

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TALENT SEARCH, Franco, g, 5, o/o Julep Tulip, by Flower Alley. ALW, 7-8, Mountaineer
TRAPPE SHOT, Vertrazzo, f, 4, o/o She'll Heir, by Wildcat Heir. ALW, 7-9, Thistledown
UPTOWNCHARLYBROWN, Charly's Charm, f, 3, o/o Torchwood, by Speightstown. AOC, 7-9, Parx Racing
WINCHILL, Winning Knockout, f, 3, o/o Dixieland Knockout, by Two Punch. MSW, 7-9, Parx Racing
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WORLDWIDE APPEAL AT TATTERSALLS JULY

By Amy Lynam

As documented in Emma Berry's recent TDN Look feature, 'July week' sees Newmarket spring to life, as the Tattersalls July Sale and three days of top-class racing draw the crowds back. Parties and stallion parades add to visitors' social calendars and the week can usually be relied upon having beautiful summer weather, though I'm disappointed to report that may not be the case this year.

Those descending upon Park Paddocks are spoilt for choice with a customarily thick catalogue. With six wildcards added to the sale, the number of lots stands at 910, almost on par with last year's 922. After a large number of withdrawals, as is characteristic of the sale and indeed the case this week, the 2018 turnover stood at 12,074,300 guineas, averaging at 21,485gn/s per horse, with a median of 10,000gn/s. These all represented a decrease on 2017, though that week brought record highs to the July Sale.

Last year's three highest-priced lots were well-bred fillies offered by the Castlebridge Consignment, contributing to their standing as leading consignors, and there is every chance that lightning will strike twice this week.

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FLATTER COLT LEADS EARLY ACTION AT FASIG

A colt by Flatter topped the early proceedings at $440,000 of the one-day Fasig-Tipton July Sale in Lexington on Tuesday.

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JRHA SELECT SALE ENDS ON RECORD HIGH

By Emma Berry

HOKKAIDO, Japan-Though Monday's yearling session of the JRHA Select Sale broke records in most sectors it proved to be a mere warm-up act for the foal session, which followed suit in even more ebullient fashion with record turnover of ¥9.78 billion (£72 m/€80.2m/$89.8m) and average of ¥50.4 million (£371,286/€413,262/$462,765). Clearance rate had reached an all-time high last year and climbed further still to 89.8%, with 194 foals sold from the 216 put through the ring alongside a set of A-list broodmares.

The JRHA vice-chairman and Shadai Farm principal Teruya Yoshida took over the end-of-sale statement duties from his brother on Tuesday and paid tribute to Katsumi Yoshida's Northern Farm, which dominated both the catalogue and the trade on both days. On Tuesday, it was responsible for the eight top lots. Cont. p11

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Among their 68 catalogued is the wildcard At Last (Ire), lot 177A, a Galileo (Ire) half-sister to dual Group 1 winner and sire sensation Zoustar (Aus).

Castlebridge also offers Mouille Point (GB) (Motivator [GB]) as lot 178; she is a winning half-sister to Group 3 winner Turning Light, now the dam of listed winner Surrey Star. The 5-year-old is offered in foal to Kodiac (GB).

The other wildcards added to the sale are horses in training and are sure to be popular, including listed winner Apex King (Ire) (Kodiac [GB]) (lot 500A) from David Loughnane Racing, fellow listed winner Cosmelli (Ity) (Mr Vegas [Ire]) (lot 798A) from Gay Kelleway Racing and German Group 3 scorer Brian Ryan (GB) (Finjaan [GB]) (lot 798B) from Ecurie Andrea Marcialis. A last-minute addition on Tuesday is the Keith Dalgleish-trained Volatile Analyst (Distorted Humor), (lot 560A), following his debut success at Ayr on Monday.

As well as the wildcards, there are numerous eye-catching lots, among them lot 258, Jim Bolger's ultra-consistent 6-year-old Twilight Payment (Ire) (Teofilo [Ire]). Since the catalogue was printed, he produced a career-best performance to take the G2 Curragh Cup, bringing his stakes-winning tally to four.

Another making the trip over from Ireland, though this time offered by Joseph O'Brien's Carriganog Racing, is Eminent Authority (Ire) (Frankel [GB]). A winner on debut in May, he followed up with a close third at listed level before finishing fifth in the G2 Queen's Vase at Royal Ascot. From the same draft comes lot 186, King's Field (Ire) (Kodiac [GB]), a 4-year-old colt and three-time winner who progressed to gain listed placing in the Owenstown Stud S. in May.

Another benefitting from a black-type update is the 3-year-old colt Admiral Rous (Ire) (Henrythenavigator), offered as lot 281 from Eoghan O'Neill. A three-time winner, he finished third in the G3 Prix Paul de Moussac at Chantilly on his latest start. The Archie Watson-trained Barys (GB) (Kodiac [GB]) (lot 562) is also a proven stakes performer, successful in the Listed Prix de la Californie in February, while the Ger Lyons-trained Inverleigh (Ire) (Excelebration [Ire]) (lot 824) took the Listed Committed S. at Navan earlier this season.

Lot 191, Chesapeake Shores (Ire) (Camelot [GB]), is catalogued as a horse in training by the Fozzy Stack stable, but the 3-year-old filly will also appeal to breeders, being a three-parts sister to G1 Irish Derby hero Frozen Fire (Ger) (Montjeu [Ire]). A fine third since the catalogue went to print, she shares her sire with 3-year-old winner Kahina (Ire) (lot 172), a half-sister to G1 Metropolitan H. victor Magic Hurricane (Ire) (Hurricane Run [Ire]).

Another who may catch the eye of Southern Hemisphere buyers is Queen Of Paris (GB) (Champs Elysees [GB]) (lot 286), a half-sister to G1 Queensland Derby heroine Dariana (Aus) (Redoute's Choice [Aus]), whose second dam Sorbus (Busted) finished second in four Classics. Wamathaat (Speightstown) (lot 67), meanwhile, boasts a North American page, her half-sisters being G1 Santa Anita H. scorer Gift Box (Twirling Candy) and multiple graded winner Stonetastic (Mizzen Mast). Though unraced, Wamathaat is presumably an impressive physical, having cost $550,000 as a yearling.

The family of lot 175, Bubbly (GB) (Excelebration [Ire]), knows Park Paddocks well, with the Castlebridge-consigned filly being a half-sister to listed winner Marlinka (GB) (Marju [Ire]), now better known as the dam of top-class sprinter Marsha (Ire) (Acclamation [GB]), who set a new record when selling for six million guineas in this very sales ring. Cont. p3
Marlinka has also produced Group 3 winner Judicial (Ire) (Iffraaj (GB)) and is out of a half-sister to multiple Group 1 winner Soviet Song (Ire) (Marju (Ire)).

Coverings can be just as attractive as pedigrees, and the two mares offered in foal to Showcasing will, no doubt, be in demand. The first, lot 75, is proven on both the racecourse and in the breeding shed, with Syan (Ire) (Daylami (Ire)) having been placed at listed level and having produced to Stakes performer Dutch Treat (GB) (Dutch Art (GB)).

The second, lot 85, is offered by the stallion’s base of Whitsbury Manor Stud. Blanchefleur (Ire) (Camelot (GB)) won as a 3-year-old and is closely related to listed winner and Group 1 third Miss You Too (GB) (Montjeu (Ire)).

Dandy Man (Ire) continues to go from strength to strength and amongst the mares offered in foal to the Ballyhane Stud sire is lot 70 from Kirtlington Park Stud, the winning mare Al Jamal (GB) (Authorized (Ire)). She is a half-sister to Grade I heroine She’s A Julie (Elusive Quality) and to the dam of listed winner Ambassadorial.

No less exciting are the coverings by first season sires, including the Newmarket-based GI Breeders’ Cup Mile winner Expert Eye (GB), who will be doubly represented on Wednesday by lot 53, a winning half-sister to three black-type horses, and lot 78, a winning daughter of Mastercraftsman (Ire) from the family of Durtal and Roderic O’Connor (Ire).
Worldwide Appeal At Tattersalls July Cont.

Shadwell Stud consign two of the three mares offered in foal to champion sprinter Harry Angel (Ire) and they include lot 60, a half-sister to another top-class sprinter in Kingsgate Native (Ire) (Mujadil), as well as to the dam of Group 1 performer First Contact (Ire) (Dark Angel (Ire)).

One of the July Sale’s ‘cover girls’ is Seeking Solace, dam of Ten Sovereigns, who was bought by BBA Ireland for 65,000gns from Godolphin. Those returning to the source of such riches have 21 fillies and mares to choose from, after withdrawals, at the time of writing. One of those of obvious appeal is lot 135, Isobel Archer (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), who appeals on paper as a winning full-sister to G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere victor Naaqoos (GB), and is offered in foal to Saxon Warrior (Jpn).

ENABLE, GOOD FOR THE GAME
by Pat Smullen

It was great to see Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) come back and make such a great start to her season at Sandown and it’s been a while since I saw such scenes where people were running to catch a glimpse of her in the winners’ enclosure with people five and six deep around the paddock. She is a great champion and just has that wow factor and the ‘Frankie’ association then brings it to another level.

I spoke to Frankie on Saturday night and he said she’s very good for racing and you couldn’t argue with that. Frankie is one of the faces of racing and for him to be paired up with such a brilliant racehorse can only be good for the game. He’s made for a horse like Enable and you can see the fondness he has for her.

I can’t not mention John Gosden and it was a fantastic training performance to bring her back as good as ever. Some people doubted her ability to successfully drop back to 10 furlongs, but Frankie said she could have put the race to bed at the three-furlong marker, but he wanted to wait until two from home before pressing the button. Cont. p5
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She had proper racehorses flat to the boards behind her at that stage. In my opinion, she could be effective over even shorter if they wanted, though that will never happen.

That's what sets those very good horses apart, they possess so much pace and she has speed to burn as well as the stamina to get a mile and a half. She is just an exceptionally good racehorse.

Too Darn Hot Fulfills Juvenile Promise

Too Darn Hot (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) then showed what he was capable of in Deauville on Sunday in the G1 Prix Jean Prat. When I saw Too Darn Hot at The Curragh before he ran in the Irish 2000 Guineas, I must admit I thought he looked more like a sprinter/miler type than a middle distance horse. To me he looks fast and he's a compact horse in the mold of a sprinter and he showed that on Sunday.

I think John Gosden was quite self-critical over trying to stretch him out in trip, but his pedigree would suggest he would get a mile and a half and that is probably what led connections astray with that experiment. If he keeps progressing, he could still end up being the leading 3-year-old this year. Now that they have found his trip, there are plenty of exciting opportunities for him between now and the end of the year.

Falcon Eight Climbing the Stayers' Ranks

I was delighted to see Falcon Eight (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) win the Listed Coral Marathon at Sandown for Dermot Weld and Moyglare Stud. I've ridden him in a few bits of work recently, so it was good to see him go and win. I'm pleased for Moyglare to have another good stayer on their hands. Hopefully he can progress from that to something like an Irish St Leger. One day he can definitely be an Ascot Gold Cup horse, as he will go that extreme distance of two and a half miles.

He's been a bit of a slow burner--Saturday was only the fifth start of his life--and he's obviously got a brilliant pedigree. He seems to be getting it together now and he can give connections a lot of fun in all those big staying races. It's funny though, as if you asked me about him two years ago I wouldn't have been quite as enthusiastic about him. Cont. p6

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I rode him quite a few times as a 2-year-old before I got sick and I honestly thought he was very average. I even told Dermot and Eva Bucher-Haefner that in my opinion he was no good and I don’t think I was that bad a judge in the mornings. He was a very idle, lazy worker and he gave me no feel at all and he even runs like that today. But it just shows you that horses can be very deceiving and Dermot has had great patience with him.

Dermot excels with horses like this, he gave him all the time he needed to come to himself and now he is being rewarded. If you had put my neck on the line two years ago, I would have said he was of very average ability but saying that, I’d much prefer one that shows you nothing in the morning but shows up at the races in the afternoon. I’ve ridden plenty of morning wonders who then let you down on the track and I’d much prefer those lazier types who keep their best for a race.

Stall Handlers and Stalls Practice Crucial

Another topic that I am keen to focus on is the great work done by stalls handlers and how important stalls practice is in the preparation of a horse. Whether it’s a sprint or a long distance race, the start is crucial and while you may not necessarily win a race at the start, you can certainly lose a race at the start.

I really want to highlight the importance of the stall handler’s job and I don’t think they get the recognition for the work they do. It’s not just about loading the horses as quickly as possible, but it’s about being ready to act if a horse gets upset in the stalls. It’s a very enclosed environment and in mid-summer when it’s quite warm horses can get claustrophobic and agitated, especially in big runner handicaps when they can be stood in the stalls for a long time.

That’s when you need stalls handlers to be at their best, they get to know a lot of the horses and they become aware of their quirks and when things do go wrong and a horse gets upset you are totally dependent on the stalls team to react and try to calm that horse down. I’ve been in situations like that before and it can be scary.

I also think in Ireland there should be more stall handlers employed, especially on the days with bigger fields. When you look at the likes of America, Australia or Hong Kong they seem to have more personnel down at the start and I think that is something that the authorities here could look at. There is great work being done in Ireland, but I do think we could have more manpower down at the start.

On a related topic, I think a lot of trainers in this part of the world don’t do enough stalls practice with horses. I’ve ridden horses that have been quite unruly at the start and a lot of that is down to a lack of match practice. Again, in other jurisdictions, stalls work is part of the training regime and they regularly just go and stand in the starting gates for periods of time. I do think trainers over here could do even more stalls work than they currently do. It can only be for their own benefit as well, as it comes back to my previous point on how important it is to break smartly from the stalls.

In years gone past, I’ve often come back in to a trainer who was annoyed his horse didn’t get a clean break, something that may have cost the horse the race. Nine times out of 10 that is the horse’s fault not the jockey’s, and is something that could have been avoided with more schooling at home.

LEVY BOARD CUTS £5 MILLION FROM EXPENDITURE

The Horserace Betting Levy Board will reduce its expenditure for the 2019 calendar year to £94 million, cutting £5 million.

The board will end prizemoney boosts and reduce funding for its raceday services grant budget, but noted it expected those expenditures to still be higher than in 2018.

A proposed new scheme for the benefit of the British breeding industry is not expected to involve any material drawdown of Levy funds in 2019.

Projects that will still receive funding from the Levy board include sectional timing and track data; it will contribute £900,000 to support these features at every British fixture by the end of 2021. Cont. p7
Levy Board Cuts £5 Million Cont.
In addition, the board’s budget for industry recruitment and education has grown by £1 million to £3.1 million, and Great British Racing will receive £1.4 million to build its 2018 National Campaign. The Racecourse Owners’ Association’s Ownership Strategy Project will receive £790,000 from the board, and £650,000 will go to the new independent Equine Welfare Board and the Racing Futures Project.

CHAMPION AMATEUR RIDER HORNER DIES

Lucy Horner, champion lady amateur jockey in 2008/09 and runner-up for that title in 2010/11, has died aged 42.

Horner rode 28 winners under rules in Britain and retired from the saddle in 2011.

A statement from the Amateur Jockeys Association read, "It is with great sadness that the Amateur Jockeys Association learned of Lucy Horner’s untimely death last weekend, and we send our deepest condolences to her mother and family.

"With a military background in the Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Lucy was Champion Lady Amateur NH Jockey in 2008/09 with a seasonal total of 11 wins and also runner-up in 2010/11 to Gina Andrews. Lucy was a pioneer of the UK's lady jump jockeys and rode a total of 28 winners under rules at home as well as point-to-point winners. She also represented the UK abroad, riding in Ireland in 2008 and in the USA, both independently in Kentucky [three Flat and five timber wins] and as part of the Fegentri series in 2010. Lucy also won in cross-country races at Le Touquet and Dieppe.

"A serious eye problem interrupted Lucy’s riding career in 2009 and brought it to a premature end in 2011, but she will always be remembered as a talented lady jump jockey who helped to forge a path for the betterment of future female weighing room colleagues."
## FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

### Wednesday, July 10:

### FRANCE

**Evasive’s First (Fr)** (Evasive (GB))
7 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

1. **MAR.BORELY**, 1600m, **ELECTRA’S FIRST (Fr)**
2. **MAR.BORELY**, 1600m, **STAR DRACK (Ire)**

€26,000 Osarus September La Teste Yearling Sale 2018

**French Navy (GB)** (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud
43 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

2. **MAR.BORELY**, 1600m, **GET SET (Ire)**

22,858gns RNA Tattersalls Ireland Ascot 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2019

**Galiway (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}), Haras de Colleville
31 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

1. **MAR.BORELY**, 1600m, **KENWAY (Fr)**

56,000 Arqana Deauville August Yearling Sale 2018

**Ivawood (Ire)** (Zebedee (GB)), Coolmore Stud
100 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners

1. **MAR.BORELY**, 1600m, **LA MARUCA (Ire)**

€13,000 RNA Goffs February Mixed Sale 2018

### UNITED KINGDOM

**Anjaal (GB)** (Bahamian Bounty (GB)), Rathasker Stud
148 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners

16:10-**LINGFIELD PARK**, 6f, **NUMINOUS (Ire)**

14,286gns Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Sept. Yearling Sale 2018

**Cable Bay (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit (Ire)), Highclere Stud
114 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner

16:10-**LINGFIELD PARK**, 6f, **RUSHCUTTERS BAY (GB)**

£10,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

19:15-**KEMPTON PARK**, 6f, **TAMBOURINE GIRL (GB)**

55,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 2

**Cappella Sansevero (GB)** (Showcasing (GB)), Bridge House Stud
60 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

14:00-**CATTERICK BRIDGE**, 5f, **QUEEN MOYA (Ire)**

€2,500 RNA Tattersalls Ireland Flat Breeding Stock Sale 2017;
€1,000 RNA Goffs Open Yearling Sale 2018

14:00-**CATTERICK BRIDGE**, 5f, **STARFIELD SONG (Ire)**

**Daredevil** (More Than Ready), WinStar Farm
80 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

14:50-**YARMOUTH**, 5.25f, **BETTER THE DEVIL**

$14,000 Keeneland Association September Yearling Sale 2018

**Due Diligence** (War Front), Whitsbury Manor Stud
85 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner

14:50-**YARMOUTH**, 5.25f, **DARK SIDE DIVISION (GB)**

5,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; 5,000gns Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2018; 11,429gns Tattersalls Ireland Ascot 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2019

14:50-**YARMOUTH**, 5.25f, **DYNAMIGHTY (GB)**

£22,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

16:10-**LINGFIELD PARK**, 6f, **QUIMEMERICO (GB)**

26,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; 23,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 2

**Gutaifan (Ire)** (Dark Angel (Ire)), Yeomanstown Stud
166 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners

19:15-**KEMPTON PARK**, 6f, **GRACEFUL MAGIC (GB)**

£4,000 Goffs Open Yearling Sale 2018; 7,000gns RNA Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale 2019

**Hallowed Crown (Aus)** (Street Sense), Kildangan Stud
77 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners

16:10-**LINGFIELD PARK**, 6f, **HALFACROWN (Ire)**

€4,000 Goffs Open Yearling Sale 2018; 7,000gns RNA Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale 2019

**Hot Streak (Ire)** (Iffraaj (GB)), Tweenhills Stud
79 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners

19:15-**KEMPTON PARK**, 6f, **HOT TOUCH (GB)**

€100,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2018

**Ivawood (Ire)** (Zebedee (GB)), Coolmore Stud
100 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners

15:00-**CATTERICK BRIDGE**, 6f, **RUSALKA (Ire)**

€17,000 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2018; £15,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

**Make Believe (GB)** (Makfi (GB)), Ballylinch Stud
87 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners

16:40-**LINGFIELD PARK**, 5f, **PAPER STAR (GB)**

£14,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018;
5,239gns RNA Tattersalls Ireland Ascot November Sale 2018

**Muhaarar (GB)** (Oasis Dream (GB)), Nunnery Stud
106 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners

19:15-**KEMPTON PARK**, 6f, **ORIBI (GB)**

**Mustajeeb (GB)** (Nayef), Haras de Fleury
23 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners

14:50-**YARMOUTH**, 5.25f, **INTIMATE MOMENT (GB)**

10,000gns Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Sept. Yearling Sale 2018

**Night of Thunder (Ire)** (Dubawi (Ire)), Dalham Hall Stud
108 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners

14:00-**CATTERICK BRIDGE**, 5f, **FLIGHT OF THUNDER (Ire)**

€17,000 Goffs Sportman’s Yearling Sale 2018

15:00-**CATTERICK BRIDGE**, 6f, **KEEP BUSY (Ire)**

34,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3
Due Diligence has three runners on Wednesday | Whitsbury Manor Stud

**Suppliant (GB)** (Kyllachi {GB}), Haras des Trois Chapelles
7 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
15:00-CATTERICK BRIDGE, 6f, BAILEYS IN BLOOM (Fr)
€15,000 Arqana Deauville V2 Yearlings 2018

Urging to deny last term’s G1 1000 Guineas heroine Billesdon Brook in the dying strides for a career high.

Exhort is one of four winners and the leading light out of a winning half-sister to MGSW G2 International Topkapi Trophy victor Producer (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}) and the homebred chestnut is kin to the winning 2-year-old colt Golden Horde (Ire) (Lethal Force {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Mehmas {Ire}. Her second dam River Saint (Irish River {Fr}) is a half-sister to MGISW US champion Serena’s Song (Rahy), who in turn produced seven black-type performers headed by G1 Coronation S. heroine Sophisticat (Storm Cat). Click for the [Racing Post result](https://www.racingpost.com/horse-racing/results/tbt-palalong-s-listed-2019-07-17/17363898). Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

**Tuesday’s Results:**
WEATHERBYS TBA PIPALONG S.-Listed, £50,000, Pontefract, 7-9, 4yo/up, f, 8f 6yT, 1:45.39, g/f.

1--**EXHORT (GB)**, 126, f, 4, Dutch Art (GB)--Entreat (GB), by Pivotal (GB). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O/B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB); T-Richard Fahey; J-Paul Hanagan. £28,010. Lifetime Record: 18-5-5-0, $113,234.

2--**Billesdon Brook (GB)**, 129, f, 4, Champs Elysees (GB)--Coplow (GB), by Manduro (Ger). O-Pall Mall Partners & Mrs R J McCreery. £10,665.

3--**Agincourt (Ire)**, 126, f, 4, Declaration of War--El Diamante (Fr), by Royal Applause (GB). O-Sir Robert Ogden. £5,340. Margins: 3/4, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 25.00, 3.00, 8.00.

Also Ran: New Day Dawn (Ire), Clon Coulis (Ire), Wisdom Mind (Ire), Never Be Enough (GB), Threading (Ire), Pattie (GB), Dance Diva (GB), Vivialite (Ire). Scratched: Bubble and Squeak (GB).

Emerging from the handicap ranks to run second in Ayr’s May 22 Listed Rothesay S. on black-type bow, Exhort lined up for this returning off a fourth in the June 2 Listed Nottinghamshire Oaks at Nottingham. Off the pace in eighth when scrubbed along rounding the home turn, she weaved a passage into the clear with 150 yards remaining and swooped late under continued urging to deny last term’s G1 1000 Guineas heroine Billesdon Brook in the dying strides for a career high.

**GEORGE OF PUNJAB (IRE)** (c, 2, Footstepsinthesand {GB})–Simla Bibi (GB), by Indian Ridge (Ire), who scored at Chelmsford last time June 19, broke well and soon led. Challenged by Mensen Ernst (Ire) (Intello {Ger}) late on, the 9-4 favourite held on to prevail by a nose. The winner is a half-brother to Ooh Aah Camara (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), MSP-Eng & SP-Ity, and Emerald Wilderness (Ire) (Green Desert), SP-Eng, $261,652. The dam is a half to the stable’s the G1 Grosser Dallmayr-Preis winner Lady Jane Digby (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) and the triple Group 3 scorer Gateman (GB) (Owington {GB}).

Sales history: €30,000 Wlg ‘17 GOFNOV; €27,000 Ylg ‘18 TIRSEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $9,979. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Mr Rob Ferguson; B-Mrs Joan Murphy (IRE); T-Mark Johnston.

**Znd-Brighton, £5,300, Novice, 7-9, 2yo, 6f 210yT, 1:22.92, g/f.**

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6th-Wolverhampton, £5,300, Novice, 7-9, 3-4yo, f, 9f 104y (AWT), 1:59.60, st.

INCREDULOUS (GB) (f, 3, Intello (Ger)--Fantasize (GB) (SW-Eng), by Groom Dancer), runner-up over a mile at Thirsk last time June 18, was sent into an early lead after the initial yards. Always doing enough in front, the 6-4 favourite held on to win by a half-length from Orchidia (Ire) (Bated Breath (GB)). The useful dam, whose first foal was the dual listed-placed Illusion (GB) (Anabaa), is a half-sister Dazzle (GB) (Gone West) who captured the G2 Cherry Hinton S. and was third in the G1 1000 Guineas. Also connected to the G1 Cheveley Park S.-winning European champion Hooray (GB) (Invincible Spirit (Ire)), she has the unraced 2-year-old filly Creativity (GB) (Mayson (GB)) and a yearling filly by Lethal Force (Ire) named Final Fantasy (GB). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $6,102. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB); T-William Haggas.

Tuesday’s Results:

PRIX PELLEAS-Listed, €55,000, Compiègne, 7-9, 3yo, c/g, 10ft, 2:03.87, g/s.

1--SINGSTREET (FR), 126, g, 3, by Evasive (GB)
   1st Dam: Sinnderelle (Fr), Sinndar (Ire)
   2nd Dam: Summer Wave (Ire), by King Best
   3rd Dam: Asfurah, by Dayjur


Margins: 5, HF, 3/4. Odds: 3.40, 9.00, 0.80.

Also Ran: Bristano (GB), Diyani (Fr), Oak Park (Ire). 


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Simgstreet, who went untried as a juvenile, earned minor prizes at ParisLongchamp and Saint-Cloud after annexing his Mar. 14 debut at Chantilly and went postward for this black-type bow returning off a June 16 win back at ParisLongchamp in his fourth straight try over one mile last time. Holding sway throughout, he was last off the bridle in the straight and increased his margin of superiority under mild coaxing inside the final furlong to easily secure a career high by daylight.

Simgstreet, half-brother to a yearling filly by Muhtarib (GB), is the second foal and lone winner produced by a granddaughter of G2 Cherry Hinton S. victress and G1 Phoenix S. second Asfurah (Dayjur), herself a half-sister to MGSW sire Istintaj (Nureyev). Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

CONDITIONS RESULT:

3rd-Le Lion d’Angers, €35,000, 7-9, 3yo, 10ft, 2:09.25, gd.

GOYA SENORA (FR) (Anodin (Ire)--Nina Senora (My Risk) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, €63,200. O/B-Ecurie Haras Des Senora (FR); T-Yann Barberot.
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Yoshida added, “A number of foreign buyers have told me that this is the best sale in the world. Our graduates have won many Group 1 races and really shown their quality around the world.”

He continued, “Turnover was higher than last year even through the number offered for the foal session was lower than the previous year, but I think that the quality of foals offered today was really high. There are many owners dreaming of owning good horses and wanting to enjoy racing, which makes the sport even more attractive.”

For the sale as a whole, a new benchmark was posted with an aggregate of ¥20.5 billion (£151m/€168m/$188.2m), up from ¥17.9 billion in 2018. The 416 horses sold was just one more than last year and posted an average of ¥49.3 million (£363,182/€404,242/$452,665) representing an incredibly strong clearance rate of 91.4%.

At the eve-of-sale party on Sunday, Yoshida had exhorted his guests to empty their wallets at the sale and, seemingly, many yielded to his request.

Northern Exposure

The foal session at Northern Horse Park genuinely is a sale like no other. As day breaks, the mares and foals arrive from their home farms and from 8 a.m. a two-hour inspection session is held—generally a last-minute confirmation stage for those who have already seen the sale entrants a number of times at home.

Confidence had been high at Northern Farm on Saturday that their colt by champion sire Deep Impact (Jpn) out of Titan Queen (Tiznow) (lot 358) would be the foal to beat all-comers and that assessment was not misplaced as the half-brother to three graded stakes winners, including GII Santa Ynez S. victrix Renee’s Titan, brought the hammer down at ¥470 million (£3.45m/€3.85m/$4.27m).

After buying the ¥360-million Deep Impact yearling which topped the previous day’s trade, owner Riichi Kondo, who has been undergoing treatment for cancer, had warned that he was planning to strike again on Tuesday and it proved no idle boast as his name also appeared next to the most expensive foal of the session.

Kondo prefers to give his verdict at the end of the day’s session and in company with his persuasive trainer Yasuo Tomomichi, he told the assembled media, “This colt was Mr Tomomichi’s best pick. He has been inspecting the horse for two weeks and he was very eager for us to buy him. The price fell within my expectations.”

The businessman added, “I had cancer therapy two weeks ago so I am very glad to be back at this sale because I didn’t think I could be here a few weeks ago. This market represents the quality of the Japanese-bred horse. It looks expensive but I think it’s a fair price.”

Across the two days of the sale Kondo signed for five yearlings and four foals for a total of ¥1.13 billion (£8.33m/€9.27m/$10.38m).

From start to finish the foal session kept a frenetic pace. Another tradition peculiar to the JRHA Select Sale is that the first and last lots into the ring are sold without reserve. In this case, both hailed from Northern Farm and no reserve was required for either. Cont. p12
**JRHA Select Sale Ends on Record High Cont.**

Leading the way was lot 301, a Heart’s Cry (Jpn) son of Argentinean Grade I winner Malacostumbrada (Arg) (Lizard Island) which set the tone for the day by selling at ¥160 million (£1.2m/$1.45m) to Hirotsugu Inokuma.

Whipping them in was a smart Harbinger (GB) half-brother to champion 2-year-old filly Danon Fantasy (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)). He too was foaled by a smart mare from Argentina, the dual Grade 1 heroine Life For Sale (Arg) (Not For Sale (Arg)). The hammer fell for the final time in the Northern Horse Park as lot 526 exited with a ¥220 million (£1.6m/$1.8m/$2m) price tag on his head.

**Danox In Deep**

Through his Danox Co. Ltd., Masahiro Noda, whose many successful horses in training carry the Danon prefix, had signed for four yearlings during the first day of the sale and he made an even bigger splash in the foal pool when buying the second-top lot of the day (lot 400), another Deep Impact colt from Northern Farm, this one a brother to the dual Grade II winner and Japan Cup runner-up Denim And Ruby (Jpn). His unraced dam Venenciador (Jpn) (King Kamehameha (Jpn)) is a half-sister to the champion racemare To The Victory (Jpn) (Sunday Silence), whose exploits as stud have been almost as impressive, with three stakes winners to her credit. With a strong page behind him, the colt sold at ¥290 million (£2.13m/$2.38m/$2.66m) to lead the Danox list of purchases of six foals which featured yet another Deep Impact colt (lot 423) out of GIII Suwannee River S. winner Tammy The Torpedo (More Than Ready), who immediately followed another signing lot 422, the lone Frankel (GB) representative.

The Frankel colt is the first foal of American champion female sprinter Finest City (City Zip) and sold from Northern Farm for ¥100 million (£736,201/€820,040/$919,256), while the Deep Impact colt (423) who followed him into the ring brought a decent return of ¥180 million (£1.32m/€1.47m/$1.65m) for Dr. Masatake Iida’s Chiyoda Farm, one of the few to disrupt the stream of Northern Farm consignees near the top of the list.

**Good Lord**

Lord Kanaloa (Jpn), whose daughter Almond Eye (Jpn) set a new record time in the G1 Japan Cup before following up with overseas victory in the G1 Dubai Turf, is certainly the sire in favour for Yoshihisa Ozasa, who as an investment fund manager should know a thing or two about making sound financial decisions. The owner spent a total of ¥480 million (£3.5m/€3.9m/$4.4m) on a pair of colts by the Shadai stallion, the more expensive of the two being lot 382, the son of four-time winner Admire Temba (Jpn), a Kurofune half-sister to young sire Duramente (Jpn).

Ozasa repeated a refrain heard on a number of occasions at this sale when saying, "This was my trainer’s recommendation. He was very keen for me to buy him so I thought it was my duty to do so. Last year I bought many by King Kamehameha but this year I was keen to have more progeny by his son Lord Kanaloa because he was a very fast horse and he works well with Sunday Silence line mares. It was more than I expected to pay for him."

That sum was ¥270 million (£2m/€2.2m/$2.5m) and only time will tell whether or not it turns out to have been money well spent but if early judgements are anything to go by the dark grey colt looks to have a rock-solid temperament to back up his strong pedigree.

In a custom unique to this sale—as far as this correspondent is aware—the buyers of the foals and yearlings are offered the chance to be photographed with their new purchases as soon as the horses leave the ring. Cont. p13
JRHA Select Sale Ends on Record High Cont.

A bank of photographers and film crew are lined up at the ready and a team of helpers are employed by the sales company to arrange legs for conformation photos and wave toy hobby horses to ensure the horses' ears are pricked. This particular foal struck the perfect pose for at least 10 minutes, first on his own, then with an entire family, including four small children, who then broke away to crowd around the foal and pat him. If his demeanour at the racetrack is as unflinching as it was on the sales ground then he looks a surefire champion.

This colt was the third purchase of the day for Ozasa, who had earlier gone to ¥210 million (£1.5m/€1.7m/$1.9m) for lot 320, the Lord Kanaloa grandson of Japanese champion To The Victory (Jpn) (Sunday Silence), as well as signing for the following lot (321) by Lord Kanaloa's recently pensioned sire King Kamehameha. The Okada Stud-consigned colt is a son of the listed-winning Hector Protector mare Two Days Notice (Jpn) and was bought for ¥90 million (£663,892/€738,275/$826,986).

Not naming either trainer in question, Ozasa said of his other Lord Kanaloa colt, "Another trainer picked this one. He is out of Agehibari and I really like the bottom line of his pedigree. I am really looking forward to seeing how he improves in the future. I have spent all my money but hopefully I will buy one more!"

The budget indeed took a bit of a battering as the owner ended the day as the leading foal buyer with seven individuals to his name for a total of ¥922 million (£6.8m/€7.6m/$8.5m).

Drefong's Impressive Debut

The Grade I-winning sprinter Drefong (Gio Ponti) was brought from America to stand at the Shadai Stallion Station and he made his mark near the top of the leaderboard with a member from America to stand at the Shadai Stallion Station and he

Leading Ladies

Makoto Kaneko was in pursuit of a number of yearlings by his former star performer Deep Impact on Monday and he acquired the first foal (lot 373) of the rags-to-riches Australian mare Yankee Rose (Aus) (All American (Aus)) for ¥210 million (£1.5m/€1.7m/$1.9m).

A dual Group 1 winner in Australia, where she was also runner-up to Capitalist (Aus) in the Golden Slipper, Yankee Rose was initially purchased as a yearling for A$10,000 by the Darby Racing syndicate and later sold privately to Katsumi Yoshida, who consigned her filly foal through his Northern Farm.

One of the foals to have attracted the most media attention during the morning's inspection session was the half-brother to Japan's former Horse of the Year Gentildonna (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)). Consigned by his breeder Northern Farm as lot 338, the colt from the first crop of Shadai's Kitasan Black (Jpn) stood calmly alongside his Group 1-winning dam Donna Blini (GB) (Bertolini) and was later sold for ¥160 million (£1.2m/€1.3m/$1.45m) to Hiroki Company, which has recently received its JRA owner's licence.

International Involvement

Gai Waterhouse is a regular visitor to the JRHA Select Sale with her husband Rob and the trainer returned to familiar ground with her purchase of lot 337, a son of Rulership (Jpn), for ¥25 million (£184,420/€205,076/$229,714). The colt was not only by the same stallion but also from the same consignor, Chiyoda Farm, as her 2015 signing Hush Writer (Jpn), one of five foals she bought through Satomi Oka Bloodstock in Hokkaido that year. He went on to become his sire's first runner and first winner in France when trained by Francis Graffard before changing country again to join Waterhouse in Australia. Along with being placed in the G2 Prix Hocquart, Hush Writer recently won the Listed McKell Cup at Rosehill and is on target for Flemington in the Australian spring.

"We liked very much what we saw and we were able to buy him at the right price, so we thought he was good value," said Waterhouse of her latest acquisition. "Hopefully he might be able to be even more successful than Hush Writer, who is heading back to Melbourne in the hope that he will be able to qualify for with the Caulfield or Melbourne Cups." Cont. p14
JRHA Select Sale Ends on Record High Cont.

She added, “This colt will be trained here in Japan first but with anything we buy here the aim is for them to come to Australia eventually. The Japanese breeders have been able to secure the best racemares in the world over a number of decades. I know from my own stable that they only buy Group 1 winners and they have a very good product that they do incredibly well with.”

New York-based Irishman John McCormack is another JRHA regular and he stepped in to buy lot 389, a Heart’s Cry (Jpn) filly out of Princessofthestars (Ire), a winning daughter of Sea The Stars (Ire) from the Kilfrush Stud family of Mill Princess (GB). Bred in Ireland by Yasushi Rokuroda’s Taihei Stud Farm, the mare was trained for her breeder by John Gosden and later exported to Japan. Her daughter, offered through Taihei, was bought for ¥19 million (£140,153/€155,855/$174,589) on behalf of Gary Barber.

“You only need to see the quality and that’s from the high level of prize-money,” said McCormack. “Everything is reflected down from the prize-money on offer and this sale is all relative to what the horses can make on the track. You don’t have to be a really good horse to win $2 million here in Japan. The Japanese don’t miss in terms of the mares that they buy—they source good racemares from around the world and they find out very quickly what works here and then they fine-tune everything.”

MV Magnier agreed with the agent's view and added, “It’s incredible the amount of Japanese owners here to buy and the clearance rate has reflected that. But it all comes down to prize-money. Everywhere that prize-money is good they have a very good market.”

He continued, "The horses look fantastic and the hospitality here at this sale is second to none."
## TOP 10 LOTS

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**Consignor:** Northern Farm

**Purchaser:**
- Toshikazu Kondo
- Danox Corporation
- Yoshio Kojima
- Toyo Wood
- Otsuka Koichi
- Kaneko Mahito Holdings Co., Ltd.
INDUSTRY MENTORS WITH JAMES BESTER

by Paul Vettise

James Bester enjoys the richest of racing lives that has been shaped by a host of high-profile bloodstock identities across the thoroughbred world. He has learned all facets of the business from masters of their trades and continues to apply the knowledge and principles passed on to him.

The international bloodstock agent and Coolmore consultant has, at various stages of a colourful career, been guided by legendary figures of the turf. The affable Bester learned his lessons well, mixing a keen mind and sharp wit in his pursuit of thoroughbred excellence.

A start with an iconic figure in his native South Africa preceded time with bloodstock luminaries John Magnier, John Messara, the late Robert Sangster, Aidan O’Brien and Demi O’Byrne. Bester went through the usual channels that developed his early passion and love of horses and then came an academic switch that ultimately decided on the U-turn back to his first love.

“I was first put on a horse at the age of four and according to my parents I was obsessed from that day forward, but there was no family history in racing,” he said. “I’m from a family of lawyers, but an avid rider whose first loves were show-jumping, eventing and foxhunting, I dutifully spent six years studying for a BA and then an LLB degree before realising that (a) I didn’t want to be a lawyer and (b) one couldn’t really make a living in any equestrian pursuits outside of racing.

“So, after a compulsory stint fulfilling national service obligations as a detective in the South African Police force, I sought a way into racing by combining my legal, investigative and equestrian background as a Stipendiary Steward for the Jockey Club of South Africa. My first real mentor was Chairman of Stewards, the legendary Jock Sproule, who deeply impressed on me the importance, to the industry in general and to my own career in it, of absolute integrity.”

Bester said he enjoyed the role, but was soon looking to change tack.

“As a steward I enjoyed the role and learned a lot about racing, but the requirement for no closer than arm’s length interaction with trainers, jockeys and other racing professionals frustrated me,” he said. “I had learned the colours and could read a race, so I successfully applied for a role as race caller for the South African Turf Club in Cape Town.”

Style of His Own

Bester brought his own style to the commentary box, although his sense of humour wasn’t always appreciated.

“The thrill of calling races for those few years is something I’ll never forget, though I did manage to fall foul of one particular jockey by describing him during a race as fumbling for his stick like a bridegroom on opening night. Nor were my stewarding ex-colleagues amused!” he said. “The senior race caller there was Jehan Malherbe, now better known internationally as bloodstock agent for trainer Mike de Kock, breeder-owner Mary Slack and others.” Cont. p2
“Without Robert I would quite possibly still be in South Africa and I would almost certainly never have made it to Australia.

James Bester on Robert Sangster

James Bester Cont. from p1

Said Bester, “He, Robin Bruss and Charles Faull were directors of the Form Organisation, easily then the most knowledgeable and dynamic bloodstock agency in South Africa.”

When Bruss departed, Bester’s career path took another direction.

“Jehan and Charles kindly took me into their Form Organisation as a fellow agent and became my next mentors,” he said. “Charles knew more than anyone I’d met about international sire lines and Jehan’s specialities were both the assessment of race performance and the yearling sale market. Again, integrity was the catch cry of both.”

Gateway to Europe

Thereafter followed a chance meeting that opened the international gate for Bester.

“After a couple of years at Form, I had the good fortune to run into Ben Sangster, son of Robert who with John Magnier and Vincent O’Brien formed the Coolmore/Ballydoyle triumvirate,” he said. “At the time in the mid-1980s they ruled the racing world and were about, courtesy of Sadler’s Wells, to rule the breeding world—well, in European terms anyway!

“Through Ben I managed to secure a position, vacated by now-famous agent Charlie Gordon-Watson, on the Isle of Man, assisting in management of Robert Sangster’s then international racing empire. It consisted of well over 1000 horses world-wide in England, Ireland, France, America, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and even Venezuela!

“And to say that Robert, as famous for covering in both Hemispheres as his stallions, proved a major influence on my life and career would be an understatement. Robert regularly took me racing, to the best meetings in England and Ireland - in the days of Dancing Brave, and still the best horse I ever saw race; Green Desert, the grandsire of I Am Invincible, Slip Anchor, Rainbow Quest and great mares like Indian Skimmer, Oh So Sharp, Pebbles, etc. He taught me so much about life in general and racing in particular.”

Exhilarating Times

They were remarkable times and peppered with spectacular sale ring action. “They were heady days in the breeding world in the mid-1980s,” Bester said. “I had barely joined Robert when Coolmore, in July and August of 1985, paid some $13 million at Keeneland for the world record sale-topping Nijinsky yearling colt and $3.5 million at Saratoga for the top-selling Danzig yearling colt. The story of the first, Seattle Dancer, has often been told. Less known is that, in what became my first international bloodstock deal, I myself two years later bought the second, the speedy but unraced National Assembly for $100,000 and on-sold him to Graham Beck, owner of Highlands Stud in South Africa.

“National Assembly was for the next two decades a leading sire, sire of sires and broodmare sire of National Colour, for one example, whose two Redoute’s Choice yearling sons Rafeef and Mustaaqeem sold for millions at Inglis Easter and both won Group 1 races back in South Africa for Mike de Kock and Shadwell. Small world!”

It was with the support and assistance of Sangster that Bester found his way to Australia. “Without Robert I would quite possibly still be in South Africa and I would almost certainly never have made it to Australia,” he said. “Robert helped me, after three years on the Isle of Man, to secure a position with what was then Sir Tristan Antico’s Baramul Stud. After a couple of years at Baramul I found myself at Arrowfield Stud, as a replacement for Henry Plumptre, in the role of bloodstock and marketing manager. It was there that I came under the guidance and influence of one of my most significant mentors, John Messara.

“Almost Caesar-like in his mantra that Arrowfield is an industry leader and, like the government, we need to be beyond reproach, which means not only doing the right thing but also being seen to do the right thing. Again, integrity and transparency were the principles he kept drumming into us.”

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Heady Days
Timing was again very much in Bester’s favour during his Arrowfield experience.

“What a time that was. Stallions like Kenmare and Danehill, racehorses like Baryshnikov and Flying Spur and Oaks-winning mares like Mahaya and Kenbelle. As with Dancing Brave and company, I mention horses of this ilk because they too were my mentors, from observation of which at close quarters I learned as much about my craft as from any human.

“This was especially true of Baryshnikov and Kenbelle, the first two Australian Group 1 Guineas and Oaks winners that I was lucky enough to buy and part-own with Arrowfield and other friends. Living and breathing the fortunes of animals like that teaches one quickly.”

Dear Dante
While Bester has seen a host of great international thoroughbreds in action and the most influential of stallions, one of a lesser profile touched him deeply.

“One horse in particular stands out - Dante’s Paradiso, inherently more talented than any Group 1 winner I’ve ever bought,” he said. “Unfortunately unsound, he broke down en route to fulfilling his potential but I had him from a Karaka yearling through racehorse, equestrian competitor, foxhunter and companion until he was put down as a 20 year-old last month.

“I learned more from him about conformation, action, training, veterinary aspects and general horsemanship than any human ever taught me!”

He bought Dante’s Paradiso (NZ) (Danske) for NZ$50,000 in 2002 and won five races, including the Listed Tattersall’s Cup and a runner-up finish in the G2 Villiers S. from limited appearances.

Coolmore Role
The next stage of Bester’s career was determined by circumstances out of his control.

“To bring the whole process full circle, along came Coolmore,” he said. “When Arrowfield and Coolmore ‘divorced’ over the extent of Danehill’s dual-hemisphere duties, I found myself in the Coolmore camp, unable to tear myself away from Danehill, Last Tycoon, Royal Academy and their barn mates.

“I came under the influence of great horseman and judge Demi O’Byrne, who taught me more than anyone had about assessing horses, especially yearlings. Together, Demi and I had the great pleasure of buying as yearlings animals like Atlantic Jewel, Irish Lights, Hips Don’t Lie, Bull Point, War, Valentia and many others. And I still follow Demi’s advice - if you really love them, put a value on them and bid to that and then keep bidding until you get them.”

It has been during the Coolmore association that Bester has got to fully understand and appreciate the brilliance of its patriarch.

“I came under the influence, albeit remotely, of John Magnier, unquestionably the smartest and most successful man with whom I’ve ever had anything to do in both the racing and breeding industries,” Bester said. “Genius is the only appropriate description of John Magnier, as anyone who has ever had anything to do with him will attest.

“Where Demi shone in the realm of physique - not his own, mind you - following John Magnier and the Coolmore ethos taught me most of what I now know about the ‘business’ of bloodstock in general and of stallions in particular, along with the overall importance of a ‘global’ approach to pedigree and performance.

“It is a source of considerable satisfaction then that, again along with Demi O’Byrne, I was able to put to use some of what I had learned from these mentors in buying, as agent for Coolmore and friends, the yearling filly that became Piccadilly Circus, a Group 1 class filly herself and dam of none other than Coolmore’s flagship stallion Fastnet Rock.”

Coolmore’s remarkably-successful trainer has also become another major player in Bester’s racing life.

“Aidan O’Brien has also influenced me greatly - watching him, listening to him and, above all, observing his work and family ethic,” he said. “He strives for, and approaches, perfection on so many levels that he cannot but be a positive influence. There are so many others, including friends and clients Keith Biggs, Sabine Plattner, Tim Hughes, Laurie Macri, John Camilleri, Robert McClure, Ananda Krishnan, Alan Bell, my vet wife Bridget whom I admire. Cont. p4
James Bester Cont.

“They have all influenced me along the way that I no doubt do many the disservice of not mentioning them. But those I have mentioned are unquestionably my most significant influences. And, ever-mindful of how greatly all of these mentors have enriched my life in racing and breeding, it is also very satisfying that a significant part of my current role with Coolmore involves mentoring its own rising stars in all aspects of stock assessment and acquisition, of marketing and promotion and of racing management.”

Bester has been playing his trade for many, many years now and has no intention of slowing down, indeed it’s the opposite.

“I’ll be 63 this month and if ever there was a game to keep one young this is it,” he said. “There’s always something new to look forward to. A new season, a crop of new season sires, a new season crop of 2-year-olds and new foals.

“All of that I’m sure has a rejuvenating effect. My enthusiasm remains, in fact if anything it gets stronger year by year.”