



CURLIN REIGNS SUPREME AT SARATOGA



Hip 174 was one of two sons of Curlin to bring \$1.5 million at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale | Fasig-Tipton

By Christie DeBernardis & Jessica Martini

SARATOGA SPRINGS N.Y.--While Tapit ran the ring during Monday's session with the two top-priced yearlings, it was Curlin day at Fasig-Tipton's Saratoga Selected Yearlings Sale Tuesday with a trio of colts by the Hill 'n' Dale stallion reaching seven figures. Hips **174** and **153** topped the session and the sale at \$1.5 million and **Hip 159** tied Monday's Tapit topper, **Hip 80**, at a cool \$1 million.

"It's really pretty simple: quality sells," said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning. "We had a remarkable group of horses on offer tonight and the buyers responded very favorably. You thank the consignors and the owners and breeders who provided us with the opportunity to sell a great collection of horses tonight and over the last two nights."

A total of 135 yearlings changed hands over the two-day auction for a gross of \$55,547,000 with the average hitting a record \$411,459 and a record median of \$350,000. Forty-seven horses failed to find new homes for an RNA rate of 25.82%. Last year, 170 yearlings sold for \$62,794,000 with an average of \$369,376 and a median of \$300,000.

Tuesday's session saw 74 horses summon \$32,772,000 with the average reaching \$442,865 and the median at \$360,000. Twenty-three horses were led from the ring unsold. **Cont. p3**

DOWN AND POSSIBLY OUT, BRICKS AND MORTAR HAS CLIMBED TO THE TOP

By Mike Kane

At this time last year **Bricks and Mortar** (Giant's Causeway) was starting over, re-learning the lessons that had enabled him to become a standout 3-year-old turf runner in 2017. Though he was nine months removed from career-saving surgery performed by Dr. Larry Bramlage at Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Ky., there was no guarantee that he would be able to regain the brilliance.

While sport is littered with tales of athletes who never could make a full comeback from injury, Bricks and Mortar is an unqualified success story. In this second chapter he has won all five of his starts--three of them in Grade I races this year--is top-ranked in the NTRA poll and is the 8-5 morning-line favorite in the Saturday's GI Arlington Million at Arlington Park. **Cont. p16**

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COOLMORE STRIKES FOR PHAROAH COLT

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“I would not have dared this morning to say we would average \$442,000,” said Browning. “We are thrilled overall with the results of 2019 and we will try for 2020 to recruit an even better group of horses. We think this is the greatest place in the world to sell a nice yearling. Next year we will really be busting our tails because it is the 100th anniversary of Saratoga.”

He continued, “I think we live in a very realistic market, where

buyers are willing to pay what they consider to be a fair price and probably a little bit more. There is tremendous competition at the upper end of the market place. People are craving to have horses to run at Saratoga next summer or run in the Classics two years from now and they are willing to pay for them, but they have limits.”

Bloodstock agent David Ingordo, who selected one of the co-toppers, Hip 174, was one of many buyers to agree with Browning on the state of the Saratoga marketplace.

“If you have the right horse, people are paying for it,” Ingordo said. “They have high expectations here for the buyers. They have to jump through all the hoops like they always do. Fasig did a great job with their first sale here without Bill Graves helping to get good horses here like they always do.”

Conrad Bendoroff of Denali Stud, who sold two of the seven-figure Curlin colts (Hips 153 and 159), expressed similar sentiments from the seller’s point of view.

“Saratoga can be tough because people have a lot of time to view horses and they almost overthink sometimes,” Bendoroff said. “But, if you bring the right horses that can withstand the scrutiny, you will be duly rewarded.”



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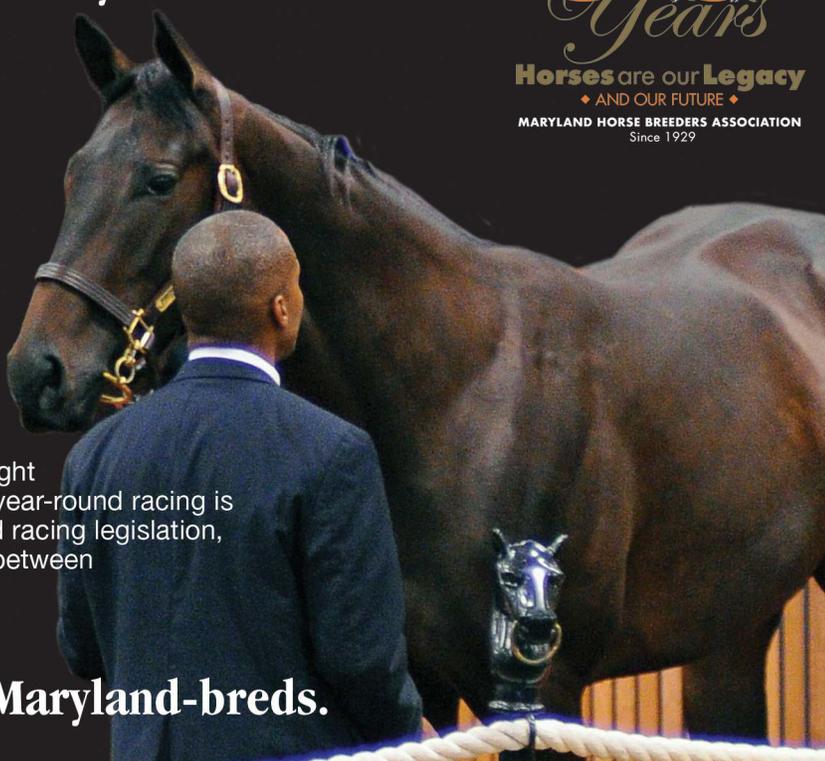
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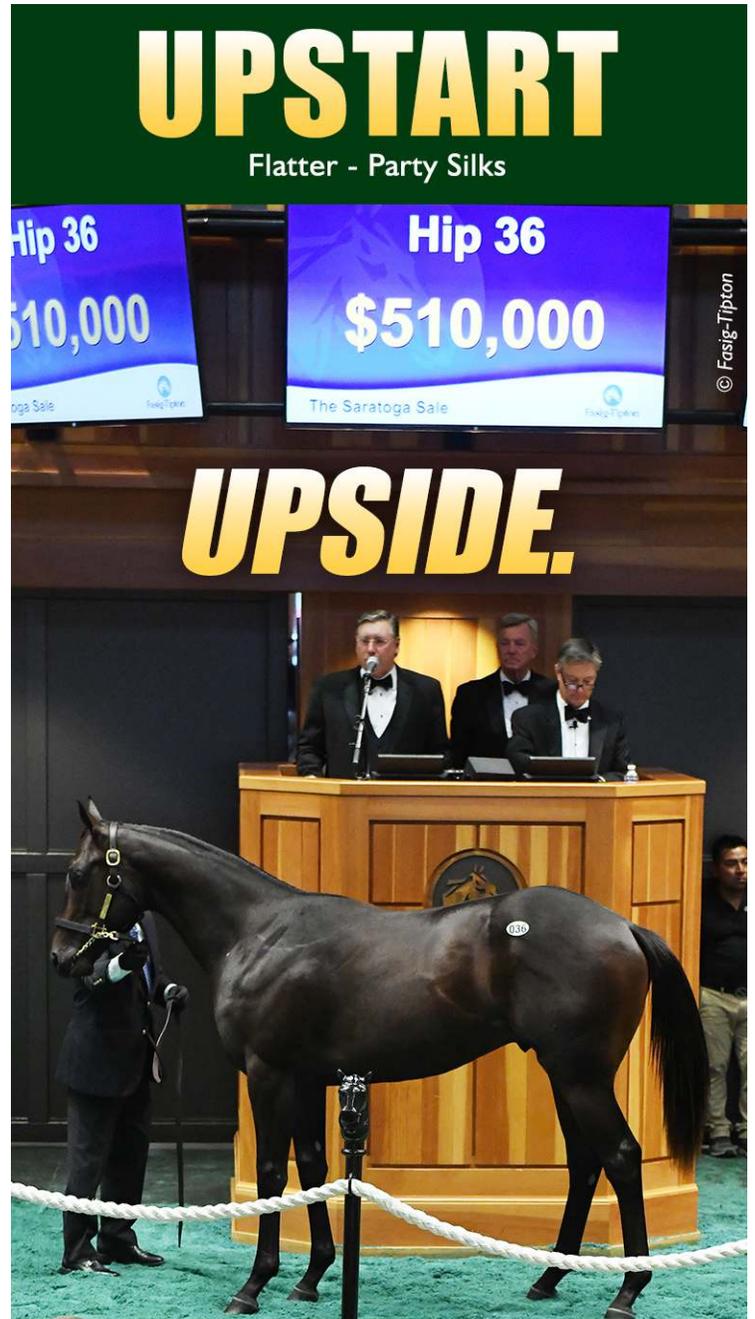


Curlin the Color of the Day

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The results continued a big year in the sales ring for the 15-year-old stallion, who topped the Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Sale with a \$3.65-million juvenile. His winners on the racetrack this season include Grade I winner Vino Rosso and graded winners Gladiator King, Lady Apple, Campaign, Electric Forest, Global Campaign, Tenfold, Point of Honor, and Mylady Curlin.

"It's very rewarding to watch Curlin emerge as a great sire and be justly rewarded in the sales ring," Sikura said. "The quality of his book has increased exponentially each year. I am sure the best is yet to come on the racetrack and in the sales ring. Our association with Stonestreet and the shared success of Curlin has been one of the highlights of my career." --@JessMartiniTDN



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SESSION TOTALS	2018	2019
• Catalogued	127	111
• No. Offered	109	97
• No. Sold	87	74
• RNAs	22	23
• % RNAs	20.2%	23.7%
• No. \$500K+	19	25
• High Price	\$1,350,000	\$1,500,000 (2x)
• Gross	\$33,829,000	\$32,772,000
• Average (% change)	\$388,839	\$442,865 (+13.9%)
• Median (% change)	\$350,000	\$360,000 (+2.9%)
CUMULATIVE	2018	2019
• Catalogued	255	223
• No. Offered	216	182
• No. Sold	170	135
• RNAs	46	47
• % RNAs	21.3%	25.8%
• No. \$500K+	35	41
• High Price	\$1,350,000	\$1,500,000 (2x)
• Gross	\$62,794,000	\$55,547,000
• Average (% change)	\$369,376	\$411,459 (+11.4%)
• Median (% change)	\$300,000	\$350,000 (+16.7%)

Partnership Hits High Note for Curlin Colt



Demi O'Byrne | *Fasig-Tipton*

Shane McGrath, chief executive officer of the Fung family's Australian-based Aquis Farm, came to Saratoga with a directive to find the best yearling he could. McGrath teamed with veteran bloodstock agent Demi O'Byrne and midway through Tuesday's second session of the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale, he partnered up with Let's Go Stable and Crawford Farm and struck to secure a colt by Curlin for a co-sale-topping \$1.5 million. McGrath, along with O'Byrne, trainer Todd Pletcher, and James Scatuorchio did his bidding while standing along the back row of seats in the pavilion.

"We've had Demi on board for a while and we came up here and looked at 25 colts and he said this was the one," McGrath said. "I came up and looked at him and I agreed with him. And fortunately, Todd Pletcher loved him as well. At the end of the day, when you have the colt of the sale, you're going to have to step up and you're going to have to bat up. We're a big operation down in Australia and we want to get global."

Based in Hong Kong, Tony Fung is in the global financial services and investment industry. Aquis assets in Australia include a \$400-million luxury hotel on The Esplanade in Surfers Paradise and the Casino Canberra in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT). Fung's son Justin manages the family's Australian interests.

Of the Aquis's presence in the Australian Thoroughbred industry, McGrath said, "We have farms in Queensland, farms in New South Wales and we just opened a new farm in Victoria. It's a big operation in Australia. And what they'd like to do is experience world racing. We ran a horse in Dubai last year. We had a horse run really well at Goodwood last week. Justin, Tony's son, really wants to get involved in the American side of things and hopefully this horse is the catalyst."



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O'Byrne added, "I just really liked him and I love Curlin as a stallion. He'll be trained by Todd."

The yearling (**hip 153**) is out of Chilean champion Wapi (Chi) (Scat Daddy). The chestnut was consigned by Denali Stud on behalf of breeders Don Alberto Corporation and Three Chimneys Farm, who teamed to purchased the mare with the Curlin colt in utero for \$1.05 million at the 2017 Keeneland November sale.

"Our expectations were high," admitted Three Chimneys' Chris Baker. "We really liked the colt. That was well beyond the reserve, but when two people who really want the horse hook up and have the resources to go, there is no telling where it will go. So to a certain extent, it's not surprising but it certainly exceeded our expectations and was well beyond the reserve."

Don Alberto's Fabricio Buffolo added of the yearling, "We always liked him from day one. Since he was born, he was a fantastic colt. We were kind of not surprised about the price, because we always thought he was a fantastic colt who could bring a lot of money. That's why we thought bringing him to Saratoga would be a great place for him."

The Chilean super mare, who was named champion 3-year-old filly in her native country in 2015, appealed to the South American-based principals of both partners, according to Baker.

"There was certainly an affinity for Don Alberto for her being Chilean and an Oaks and Derby winner and she was a tremendous race mare over there," Baker said. "Scat Daddy, you don't have to say much. It's well known what he is. And the Scat Daddy bringing the speed to the cross of Curlin, the mating was very attractive as well. It was an easy thing to get excited about with two South American owners who had a great appreciation for that Chilean form."

Wapi produced a colt by Three Chimneys' champion Gun Runner in 2019, but passed away after a recent bout with colic.

"She colicked 2 1/2 weeks ago, so she is no longer with us, but she does have a Gun Runner colt who is an exceptional colt as well," Baker said. "So, a lot of remorse in having lost her and now we'll need to find a mare to go out and replace her. But she was on her way to being an important broodmare and maybe, through the two offspring she does have, she'll prove to be one." --@JessMartiniTDN

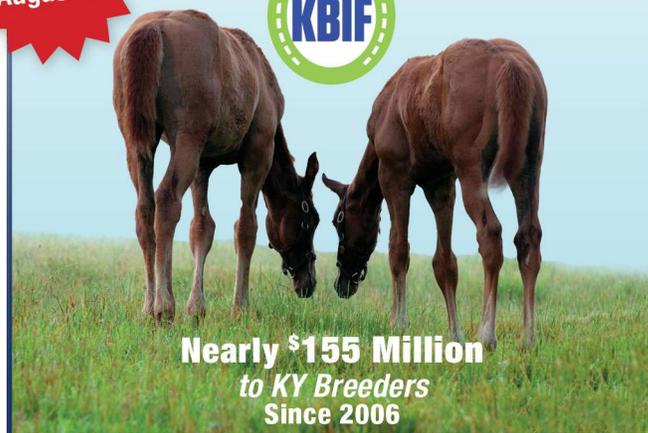
Yet Another Curlin Colt Brings Seven Figures

Curlin was the talk of the town in Saratoga Springs the past few days and he did not disappoint with three seven-figure colts. Bloodstock agent David Ingordo snapped up the last of that trio of coveted colts (**Hip 174**) for a co-topping \$1.5 million on behalf of a partnership led by West Point Thoroughbreds' Terry Finley, who signed the ticket as West Point, Siena, Woodford, Valdes Singleton, Sandbrook and Freeman. The other co-topper was also a son of Curlin, **Hip 153**.

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"We got a really good colt for the West Coast last night, so this one will probably stay on the East Coast," said Ingordo, referring to Monday's session-topping Tapit colt (**Hip 80**). "That is what we were expecting, between \$1 million and \$2 million. Those kind of horses are always going to be expensive. We got fortunate that they did not go crazy on the price."

Ingordo compared the chestnut to another successful offspring of Curlin he purchased, champion filly Stellar Wind.

“He is the image of Stellar Wind in the head and the body, except in colt form,” said Ingordo, who heads Lane’s End’s bloodstock division. “We have obviously seen a lot of Curlins because we had him at Lane’s End and got him started. A lot of his success came off our breedings and this is what the good foals look like.”

He continued, “He is what you want in a racehorse. He is real classic. He looks like the oil paintings they have upstairs.”

The colt was consigned by Arthur Hancock’s Stone Farm on behalf of breeder Bobby Flay. Finley credited Hancock with selling him on the yearling.

“As you grow up in the business, you really appreciate the wisdom Arthur Hancock offers and he really liked this colt, so that really sold me,” Finley said. “Siena Farm and other people jumped in. It all just came together.”

Hip 174 is a second-generation Flay homebred and the first foal out of GSW & GISP America (A.P. Indy). The celebrity chef privately purchased his second dam, SP Lacadena (Fasliyev), and sold her for \$1.3 million in foal to Bernardini at the 2015 Keeneland November Sale. Flay raced America after she RNA’d for \$725,000 at Keeneland September and she won the GIII Turnback the Alarm H., closing out her career with earnings of \$580,532. The mares hail from the family of GSW and blue hen Better Than Honour, who produced a pair of GI Belmont S.

winners in Jazil (Seeking the Gold) and champion filly Rags to Riches (A.P. Indy).

“I don’t think you ever expect something that good, but I was hoping the horse would sell well,” Flay said. “He has had a lot of interest over the past week.”

Curlin has been quite good to Flay over the past year. He sold his Grade I winner Dame Dorothy (Bernardini)’s first foal, a filly by the Hill ‘n’ Dale stallion, for \$1.05 million at the Keeneland September Sale. The now 2-year-old named Spice Is Nice was purchased by Jacob West on behalf of Robert and Lawana Low.

“I breed to proven stallions,” Flay said. “With the kind of families that I own, I am only going to use the top families in the stud book. Curlin has proven himself to be a fantastic stallion in the past few years and people want to own his progeny, so that is the kind of stallion I am going to always use.”

--@CDeBernardisTDN

LaPenta, Bridlewood Team For Curlin Colt

Four years ago, Bob LaPenta and John and Leslie Malone’s Bridlewood Farm teamed up to buy future GI Belmont S. winner Tapwrit (Tapit) for \$1.2 million at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale. The partners were back in action Tuesday, going to \$1 million to secure one of the sessions’ three seven-figure Curlin ([hip 159](#)) colts.

BOSS IT!

Street Boss’s son Totally Boss sets a new course record in the 5½-furlong Kentucky Downs Preview Turf Sprint at Ellis Park over the weekend **earning a 97 Beyer.**



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“Bridlewood Farm and Mr. LaPenta teamed up before,” LaPenta’s racing manager John Panagot said. “We had Tapwrit, who we bought from this same sale, and we have a few current 2-year-olds together.”

The chestnut colt is out of Yes Liz (Yes It’s True) and was consigned to the Saratoga sale by Denali Stud on behalf of breeder Stonestreet Thoroughbreds Holdings. Stonestreet purchased the mare as a 2-year-old for \$200,000 at the 2013 OBS April sale and she was second in the farm’s gold and burgundy colors in that year’s Sorority S.

Yes Liz’s first foal, a colt by Into Mischief, sold for \$500,000 at the 2017 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale. She produced a colt by Maclean’s Music this year.

“Any time you get a chance to buy a Stonestreet-raised yearling, it’s an extra incentive to buy,” Panagot said. “We thought he was the most well-balanced horse in the sale. We are looking for colts, but if a filly comes up, she comes up. But we were here looking for colts and we thought this was the best athlete here and by possibly the best dirt stallion in the country.”

Panagot said a trainer had not yet been picked out for the yearling.

Denali Stud consigned two of the three seven-figure yearlings to sell at Saratoga Tuesday. In all, Denali sold eight horses during the Saratoga sale for a total of \$5,825,000 and an average of \$728,125.

“We’ve been coming to Saratoga for a long time,” Conrad Bandoroff said. “We love selling here. We came into this sale thinking and hoping that we had a good group. We got some really nice feedback and compliments throughout the pre-sale inspections. I have to admit, I think this is the best group we ever brought up here. We were never not busy, which was nice. We get to work for really good people. At the end of the day,



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Bandoroff credited the late Bill Graves, who, as a senior vice president at Fasig-Tipton, was instrumental in the evolution of the Saratoga sale, with some of Denali’s success this week.

“We missed the million-dollar mark just barely last year, so this year was for Bill Graves,” Bandoroff said. “He meant a lot to our operation and we were lucky to have him smiling down. The stars aligned and that’s what you need sometimes.” --

@JessMartiniTDN

A Curlin for Fireman

On an evening with a seemingly endless parade of dazzling Curlins, it was somehow fitting that the initial salvo for the stallion’s offspring was fired by trainer Ken McPeek, who purchased a colt by the Hill ‘n’ Dale stallion for \$950,000 early in Tuesday’s second session of the Saratoga sale. McPeek signed the ticket on the future champion at \$57,000 at the 2005 Keeneland September sale.

“I bought him for Paul Fireman, the founder of Reebok,” McPeek said after signing the ticket on **hip 134** out back. “He partnered in on [Grade I winner] Restless Rider (Distorted Humor) and a lot of other horses and he wants top, top quality. Paul likes playing at the high level. Of course, I bought Curlin for



Hip 134 | *Fasig-Tipton*

a little bit less, but he was a similar type horse.”

Hip 134 is out of Grade I winner Taris (Flatter) and was consigned by Hill ‘n’ Dale Sales Agency on behalf of his breeder, Heider Family Stables.

Of the final price on the yearling, McPeck admitted, “I expected to go higher. I thought it was going to be a lot stronger than even that. I feel kind of lucky that we got him for even that number.” --@JessMartiniTDN

A Pharoah for Coolmore

Coolmore’s M.V. Magnier added another yearling by the farm’s Triple Crown-winning stallion American Pharoah to its roster late in Tuesday’s session of the Saratoga sale when the team went to \$950,000 to acquire **hip 191**. Out of Grade I-placed Bon Jovi Girl (Malibu Moon), the yearling was consigned by St George Sales on behalf of breeder Bryant Prentice’s Pursuit of Success.

“He’s a lovely horse, very well prepared,” said Coolmore’s Adrian Wallace. “He came up here and jumped through all the hoops. We loved him from the moment we saw him. We are very happy to buy a horse from Archie [St George]—he always does a great job.”

American Pharoah’s fast start in the sales ring has been matched by the early success of his progeny on the racetrack. The first-crop stallion has seven winners to date, including group stakes winner Maven and group-placed Monarch of Egypt.

“Obviously, it’s very gratifying to see how the American Pharoahs are doing,” Wallace said. “And it’s great to see how well they are running on dirt and turf. The best is hopefully yet to come. But if you had told us by the end of July, beginning of August, that he already would have had seven winners and a few stakes horses here and in Europe, I think it’s fair to say it’s very gratifying for the breeders who bred to him and for us who

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stand him. Obviously we supported him heavily ourselves, but we're looking to hopefully pick up a few more both here and in September."

Bon Jovi Girl, who is a half-sister to champion Gio Ponti (Tale of the Cat), has already produced graded winner You're to Blame (Distorted Humor). She was purchased by Prentice for \$950,000 at the 2010 Keeneland January sale.

"We had a lot of interest, he was a very nice horse and he was very well received," said St George. "Congratulations to Mr. Prentice and his whole team. I'd like to thank Coolmore and everyone else who was interested in him. We've had him on the farm since November and he's a really special horse."

St George added of Prentice, "He has eight mares on the farm and they are really nice mares. They breed to some good horses and we're just happy to be part of it." --@JessMartiniTDN

Medaglia d'Oro Proves To Be The Gift That Keeps on Giving for Edwards

One of Bob Edwards' earliest racing successes was MGISW New Money Honey, a Medaglia d'Oro filly out of a Distorted Humor mare. He returned to that well when choosing a mate for his own Distorted Humor mare Veracity and the resulting filly summoned \$1 million from Lael Stables at this auction last year. The Darley stalwart and Veracity provided another home run for Edwards in Saratoga Tuesday when her latest Medaglia d'Oro filly (**Hip 150**) summoned \$900,000 from Claiborne Farm. The operation's Bernie Sams signed the ticket on behalf of a new client.

"We bought her for a client to race, who is starting in the business," Sams said. "She fits the mold and we own the family. She is a nice filly. We sold her dam as a yearling."

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Bernie Sams | *Fasig-Tipton*

Edwards, who races as e Five Racing, but breeds as Fifth Avenue Bloodstock, was all smiles after shaking hands with Sams and Claiborne’s Walker Hancock.

“This is the second baby I have out of the mare, both by Medaglia d’Oro, and I have a third on the farm now,” he said. “I got \$1 million last year and now \$900,000, so I will probably keep the one next year.”

Edwards continued, “We loved her. She has a really nice page

and it is a live page thanks to Claiborne. She looked really good. She is a little different body type than her sister last year and her sister on the farm. We are excited to sell her. It is a lot of money.”

Bloodstock agent Mike Ryan purchased Veracity on Edwards’ behalf for \$460,000 at the 2016 Keeneland January Sale. Her 2017 Medaglia d’Oro filly, now named Correctness, was her first foal. Hailing from a deep Claiborne family, Veracity is out of MGSW & MGISP Yell (A.P. Indy), making her a full-sister to SW Cheery, who is the dam of MGSW Elate (Medaglia d’Oro). Veracity is also a full-sister to MSP Shrill and a half to GISP Chide (Blame) and the dam of GII Jim Dandy S. victor Tax (Arch).

“Medaglia d’Oro is a great cross with a Distorted Humor mare,” said Edwards, who consigns his horses with Indian Creek. “It worked well with New Money Honey. I met Walker [Hancock] a while back when I was looking at horses and he put me on the mare [Veracity] and they bought the horse today, so it was great.” --@CDeBernardisTDN

Best Buys Most Expensive Frosted to Date

Larry Best of OXO Equine made his presence known early in Tuesday’s session when going to \$850,000 for a filly from the first crop of MGSW Frosted (**Hip 130**), making her the most expensive progeny to date for her young sire by Tapit.

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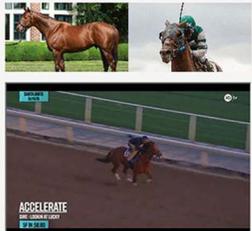
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Larry Best | Fasig-Tipton

“She is just a beautiful filly,” Best said after signing the ticket out back beside bloodstock advisor John Dowd. “I like the cross with Victory Gallop. She looks the part. I don’t think you can lose on her long term. She is a good buy at \$850,000.”

As for the price, Best said, “I expected to go in this range. She was never in her stall. I am surprised she is still standing. I am surprised I am still standing!”

The gray was bred by Bayne and Christina Welker in partnership with consignor Denali Stud. The Welkers purchased Hip 130’s MSW dam Swingit (Victory Gallop) for \$50,000 at the 2016 Keeneland November Sale, carrying a foal by Bodemeister. The resulting colt brought \$310,000 from Robert LaPenta’s Whitehorse Stables at this auction last year and the Welkers bred to Frosted for \$50,000. Swingit is also the dam of MGISP millionaire Neolithic (Harlan’s Holiday). --@CDeBernardisTDN

Casse Returns to the Well

Bloodstock agent Justin Casse picked out last term’s GI La Troienne S. heroine Salty (Quality Road), so it was no surprise to find him signing the \$850,000 ticket for her half-sister by Into Mischief (Hip 140) in the initial stages of the second session. He signed the ticket on behalf of Team Casse and when asked to the name the client, said, “You might be able to figure it out.”

“As soon as I saw this filly, I was kind of blown away,” Casse said. “She stands over a lot of ground for an Into Mischief. The family has been good to us. I thought she was a superb athlete. Even if she wasn’t a half-sibling to Salty, she stands on her own physically.”

Salty was campaigned by longtime Casse client Gary Barber in partnership with her co-breeder Chester Prince and Chris Baccari, who bred and consigned this filly. In addition to her top-level success at Churchill Downs, the bay captured the 2017 GI Gulfstream Park Oaks and summoned \$3 million from Don

Alberto at last term’s Fasig-Tipton November Sale.

When asked if this yearling reminded him of her sister, Casse said, “A little bit. Salty had that stretch. Into Mischief usually doesn’t get you that, so it must have come from the momma.”

Chester and Anne Prince bred Hip 140 in partnership with Seclusive Farm. Baccari purchased the bay filly’s dam, SP Theycallmeladyluck (Dixie Union), for \$60,000 at the 2009 Keeneland September Sale. She is a daughter of GSW Vegas Prospector (Crafty Prospector). --@CDeBernardisTDN

Young Keeps Busy at Saratoga



Steve Young | Fasig-Tipton

Bloodstock agent Steve Young flew under the radar during Monday’s opening session, but he came out swinging Tuesday, snapping up a trio of pricey yearlings. Just a few hips into the evening, the former trainer signed the ticket on a \$450,000 colt by first-crop sire Runhappy (Hip 116). A \$650,000 daughter of American Pharoah (Hip 151) was next on Young’s list and he saved the best for last, concluding his shopping with a \$850,000 colt by Medaglia d’Oro (Hip 157), who had been one of the week’s buzz horses.

“He is a terrific horse,” Young said of the Medaglia d’Oro colt. “We vetted him and bid on him as a weanling and did not buy him. The nine months have done him good and he is a super nice horse. If we want to find a fault with him, I don’t know what it would be.”

As for the price, Young said, “He stands on his own merit. He is a stallion if he hits, so that is what he is supposed to cost.”

Gainesway’s Brian Graves purchased Hip 157 for \$470,000 at the Keeneland November Sale on behalf of his Clear Ridge pinhooking partnership. Bred by Team Valor International, the bay is out of the unraced Mineshaft mare Wide Range, who is a daughter of GSW Ivanavalot (West Acre) and a half-sister to two-time champion Songbird (Medaglia d’Oro). Wide Range also

produced GSW Mico Margarita (Run Away and Hide).

--@CDeBernardisTDN

Baoma Breeding Off to Quick Start



Bob Baffert & Susan Chu | Fasig-Tipton

Susan and Charlie Chu's Baoma Corporation has enjoyed standout success on the racetrack, most notably with sprint champion Drefong (Gio Ponti), but two years ago the couple decided to give breeding a try and the program was quick out of the gate with a son of American Pharoah selling for \$800,000 Tuesday in Saratoga. The yearling, purchased by White Birch Farm and M.V. Magnier, is the first foal out of graded winner Super Majesty (Super Saver), who was purchased by the Chus for \$475,000 at the 2017 Fasig-Tipton February sale.

"We were very proud," Susan Chu said of the results. "A few years ago, I decided to expand into breeding. I tried to buy very good broodmares and I started to get into that so much more. It is such a joy when you see the babies be born and see them with the momma in the field. We always fly to Kentucky to see our babies. And that's a totally different experience than racing. It's totally different. It is not just the passion for the sport, when you see the breeding part, I think I really like that."

Chu continued, "This is the first baby that we had. We bought Super Majesty just because we wanted to breed to American Pharoah."

Chu currently has 25 broodmares and plans to sell all of the resulting foals. Chu and her husband also purchased a yearling at the two-day Saratoga sale, going to \$750,000 for a daughter of Into Mischief ([hip 89](#)).

"Pretty much yes, because of my husband," Chu said of that purchase. "Charlie loves the racing. He has such passion for it—it's his dream. We hope to add her to the broodmare band. She has a very good pedigree, very good physical."

--@JessMartiniTDN

Frosted Colt Rewards Facklers



Frosted | Darley

Thomas and Lori Fackler traditionally sell their Best a Luck Farm homebreds as 2-year-olds, but decided to strike while the iron was hot with a yearling from the first crop of Grade I winner Frosted and the Ocala couple were rewarded handsomely Monday evening in Saratoga. Just the sixth horse through the ring at the opening session of the Fasig-Tipton sale, the yearling ([hip 7](#)) sold for \$500,000 to Spendthrift Farm.

"That was awesome for a homebred," Lori Fackler said of the transaction. "He is an extremely athletic, very, very intelligent colt and he was that way from within a few days. He's really a special colt and we have really high hopes for him. We understand he's going to a great place, so hopefully it's a win-win for everybody."

Of the decision to send the colt through the ring as a yearling, rather than as part of one of Best a Luck's consignments to the OBS juvenile sales next spring, Fackler explained, "It was just because it was Frosted and Saratoga--we actually watched Frosted a couple of years ago and really loved him--and we thought this might be the special place for him. It was hard to let him go, but to be able to sell one like that as a yearling, it's hard to duplicate it as a 2-year-old. A lot of stuff has to go right, even though he was one of our favorites."

The dark bay colt is out of Flirting with Fate (Saint Ballado), a mare the Facklers purchased for \$28,000 at the 2007 Keeneland November sale. The mare is the dam of GI Toyota Blue Grass S. winner Dance with Fate (Two Step Salsa).

"I just liked her look, the way she walked, and that she was by Saint Ballado," Fackler recalled of the mare's appeal.

Flirting with Fate had another big score at the Saratoga sale three years ago when her colt by Uncle Mo sold for \$650,000.

Best a Luck, which partners on some 12 mares, owns just three or four mares on its own. The Facklers picked up another of the

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Curlin colt o/o Wapi (CHI)

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HIP 159

SECOND-HIGHEST PRICE

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farm's stalwart mares at that same 2007 November sale, going to \$35,000 to acquire Slew's Quality (Elusive Quality). That mare went on to produce champion female sprinter Shamrock Rose (First Dude).

"Both mares were bought at the same time, which is kind of really, really lucky," Fackler said with a smile. --@JessMartiniTDN

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FASIG-TIPTON SARATOGA SELECTED YEARLING SALE

TUESDAY'S TOP LOTS

HIP	SEX	SIRE DAM	PRICE (\$)
153	colt	Curlin–Wapi (Chi), by Scat Daddy (\$1,050,000 i/u '17 KEENOV) Breeder: Don Alberto Corporation and Three Chimneys Farm (KY) Consignor: Denali Stud, Agent V Purchaser: Aquis Farm Aus, Let's Go Stable & Crawford Farm Racing	1,500,000
174	colt	Curlin–America, by A.P. Indy Breeder: B. Flay Thoroughbreds (KY) Consignor: Stone Farm, Agent Purchaser: West Point, Woodford, Siena, Valdes, Singleton, Sandbrook & Freeman	1,500,000
159	colt	Curlin–Yes Liz, by Yes It's True Breeder: Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings (KY) Consignor: Denali Stud, Agent for Stonestreet Bred & Raised Purchaser: Whitehorse & Bridlewood Farm	1,000,000
134	colt	Curlin–Taris, by Flatter Breeder: Heider Family Stables (KY) Consignor: Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency, Agent Purchaser: Kenneth McPeek, Agent for Fern Circle (Paul Fireman)	950,000
191	colt	American Pharoah–Bon Jovi Girl, by Malibu Moor 950,000 Breeder: Pursuit of Success (KY) Consignor: St George Sales, Agent V Purchaser: M.V. Magnier	950,000
150	filly	Medaglia d'Oro–Veracity, by Distorted Humor 900,000 Breeder: Fifth Avenue Bloodstock (KY) Consignor: Indian Creek, Agent Purchaser: Claiborne Farm, Agent	900,000
130	filly	Frosted–Swingit, by Victory Gallop 850,000 Breeder: Mr. & Mrs. Bayne Welker, Jr. and Denali Stud (KY) Consignor: Denali Stud, Agent for Bayne & Christina	850,000

Welker, et al

Purchaser: OXO Equine LLC

140	filly	Into Mischief–Theycallmeladyluck, by Dixie Union 850,000 Breeder: Seclusive Farm, Chester Prince and Anne Prince (KY) Consignor: Baccari Bloodstock LLC, Agent III Purchaser: Team Casse, Agent	850,000
157	colt	Medaglia d'Oro--Wide Range, by Mineshaft 850,000 (\$470,000 wnlg '18 KEENOV) Breeder: Team Valor International (KY) Consignor: Gainesway, Agent VII Purchaser: Steven W. Young, Agent	850,000
129	colt	American Pharoah–Super Majesty, by Super Saver 800,000 Breeder: Baoma Corp. (KY) Consignor: Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency, Agent Purchaser: White Birch Farm & M.V. Magnier	800,000
192	colt	Medaglia d'Oro–Bryan's Jewel, by Rockport Harbor 775,000 Breeder: Timber Town Stable and Jane Winegardner (KY) Consignor: Timber Town (Mr. & Mrs. T. Wayne Swezey), Agent II Purchaser: Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	775,000
218	filly	Pioneer of the Nile–Embellish the Lace, by Super Saver 700,000 Breeder: China Horse Club International (KY) Consignor: Bluewater Sales LLC, Agent VII Purchaser: Ben McElroy, Agent for KSI	700,000
132	colt	Curlin–Tapas, by Tapit 650,000 Breeder: China Horse Club International (KY) Consignor: Bluewater Sales LLC, Agent VII Purchaser: Maverick Racing	650,000
151	filly	American Pharoah–Visual Mind, by Kingmambo 650,000 Breeder: Flaxman Holdings, Ted Folkert, Double K, Jack Swain III, and Fred Seitz (KY) Consignor: Brookdale Sales, Agent Purchaser: Steven W. Young, Agent	650,000
160	colt	Candy Ride (Arg)–Zermatt, by Tiznow 650,000 (\$185,000 wnlg '18 KEENOV) Breeder: Blue Heaven Farm (KY) Consignor: Paramount Sales, Agent VII Purchaser: China Horse Club/Maverick Racing	650,000
172	colt	Runhappy–Always in My Heart, by Hennessy 650,000 Breeder: Pin Oak Stud (KY) Consignor: Denali Stud, Agent III Purchaser: Cromwell Bloodstock	650,000
124	colt	Tiznow–Stormin Maggy, by Storm Cat 600,000 Breeder: Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings (KY) Consignor: Warrendale Sales, Agent for Stonestreet Bred & Raised Purchaser: Juddmonte Farms, Inc.	600,000



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.



Torie Gladwell | Fasig-Tipton

Hip 123: f, War Front–Storm Dixie, by Catienus
Buyer: Bach Stables LLC. Price: \$500,000

Torie Gladwell: "There were a lot of quality horses today, but I feel the buy of the day was Hip #123--\$500,000 is steal for a filly of that quality. She's already a half to a multiple Grade I winner. For someone looking for a top physical to race and have residual as a broodmare prospect, she was my pick."



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<u>Hip</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>Dam</u>	<u>Price (\$)</u>
116	c	Runhappy	Sky America	450,000

B-Elm Tree Farm, Curt Leake, Time Will Tell & Warren Harang (KY)

Consigned by Dromoland Farm, Inc. (Gerry Dilger), Agent II
 Purchased by Steven W. Young, agent

Hailing from the first crop of champion sprinter Runhappy, this bay colt was previously picked up by Sky America Bloodstock for \$180,000 as a KEENOV weanling. Another son of Runhappy (**Hip 172**) later brought \$650,000 from Cromwell Bloodstock.

129	c	American Pharoah	Super Majesty	800,000
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B-Baoma Corp (KY)

Consigned by Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency, agent
 Purchased by White Birch Farm Inc. & M.V. Magnier
 Charles and Susan Chu's Baoma Corp went to \$475,000 at the 2017 FTKFEB Sale to acquire GIII Dogwood S. victress Super Majesty (Super Saver). Her first foal bred by the couple, a son of 2015 Triple Crown hero American Pharoah, proved very popular in the ring Tuesday evening.

156	f	Hard Spun	Wembley	360,000
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B-Blackstone Farm (PA)

Consigned by South Point Sales Agency, Agent II
 Purchased by Coffee Pot Stables
 Blackstone Farm went to \$65,000 to purchase Wembley, carrying Hip 156 in utero, at the 2017 KEENOV Sale. This filly's second dam is 2009 GI Princess Rooney H. heroine Game Face (Menifee).

157	c	Medaglia d'Oro	Wide Range	850,000
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B-Team Valor International (KY)

Consigned by Gainesway, Agent VII
 Purchased by Steven W. Young, agent
 Clear Ridge Stables went to \$470,000 to pick up this colt as a KEENOV weanling. Hip 157 was produced by an unraced half-sister to the brilliant Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro).

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160 c Candy Ride (Arg) Zermatt 650,000
B-Blue Heaven Farm (KY)
 Consigned by Paramount Sales, Agent VII
 Purchased by China Horse Club/Maverick Racing
 Hip 160, a \$185,000 KEENOV weanling purchase by Rascal Bloodstock, was a hot commodity in the ring Tuesday evening. This is the extended female family of female turf star Rushing Fall.

165 f Liam's Map Agatha 300,000
B-Saintsbury Farms (ON)
 Consigned by Cara Bloodstock, agent for Saintsbury Farms, Inc. (Christine & Jay Hayden)
 Purchased by Taproot Bloodstock
 Chad Schumer picked up the unraced Agatha, carrying Hip 165 in utero, for just \$45,000 at the 2017 KEENOV Sale. Agatha is a half-sister to Japanese standouts Agnes World and Hishi Akebono. This is also the same female family as GI Breeders' Cup Mile winner Tourist and Dubai Destination.

202 c Into Mischief Coy Cat 525,000
B-SF Bloodstock (KY)
 Consigned by Hunter Valley Farm, agent
 Purchased by Cromwell Bloodstock
 Carrying this colt by the red-hot Into Mischief at last year's FTKFEB Sale, Coy Cat brought \$150,000 from SF Bloodstock.

Bricks and Mortar cont. from p1

"It's gratifying to see a horse come back and do well, that you help them get to their potential," Bramlage said. "We always joke about the fact that veterinarians that work on racehorses don't retire. They try to retire and then you end up seeing them back part-time or seeing them as consultants. I think the reason is because it's reinforcing to test your work continuously. And it keeps it interesting."

Bricks and Mortar has been anything but boring. Following a troubled third by three-quarters of a length in the GIII Hill Prince S. in October 2017, he was diagnosed with stringhalt, a neuro-muscular condition, in his right hind leg. Preakness winner War of Will (War Front) has a mild case of stringhalt, but Bricks and Mortar was far more severely affected, to the point where he could not gallop and needed surgery. During the lengthy recovery and re-training period he had to overcome another problem. Trainer Chad Brown acknowledged that during the 14 months between starts he feared that Bricks and Mortar, owned by Klaravich Stables and William Lawrence, might not make it back to competition. Brown said that even if he was able to return, Bramlage told him there was a 50-50 chance Bricks and Mortar would be capable at the same level.



Bricks and Mortar | Horsephotos

"Dr. Bramlage worked his magic. Again," Brown said. "He's operated on so many high-profile horses for us and got them back. This is probably one of his best pieces of work. This horse took a long time and he then had some other issues, some bone remodeling. We tried him back and he needed some more time. When he finally made it back he was better than ever."

The gap between the Hill Prince and an optional claimer at Gulfstream Park on Dec. 22, 2018 was 440 days. He won that first race by a half-length, has since won the GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational, the GII Muniz Memorial H., the GI Old Forester Turf Classic S. and the GI Manhattan S. and is once again a bright star in Brown's talent-deep stable.

"I'm pleasantly surprised," Brown said. "I'm not surprised at his potential; I'm surprised he reached it, given his long break and the surgery and such. I always thought he had the potential to be this good. He was a remarkable 3-year-old, winning the [GII] Hall of Fame. He really never should have lost a race, this horse. In his two losses, he really was in a lot of trouble."

Brown said he believes that an important reason why Bricks and Mortar had a better chance to recover was that the injury and resulting lameness did not appear to involve any pain.

While uncommon in Thoroughbreds, Bramlage said that stringhalt is an old lameness more commonly seen in draft horses. It involves tendon-muscle junctions, usually one muscle, the lateral digital extensor.

"We believe that it happens when a horse somehow overextends the hind leg," Bramlage said. "The reason we believe that is draft horses will get it when they are pulling a load and their feet break out from under them and they go down on their belly with their legs extended straight out backwards. A horse rarely does that, but the draft horse people have noticed that when that happens the horses sometimes develop stringhalt the next day or within a few days."



Dr. Larry Bramlage | *Horsephotos*

Bramlage described stringhalt as a disruption in the normal coordination of motion in the hind leg.

"Horses are about two-thirds or more spinal reflex," he said. "What that means is that when they start galloping it happens automatically. They don't have to think about it with their brain. It happens just in the local reflex arcs. That actually is one of the things you try to train when you're training a horse, is you develop that reflex arc so that it works efficiently. Now if a horse strains the muscle tendon junction and damages the connection of the nerve to the muscle and tendon, that reflex arc gets mixed up and instead of flexing at the correct time it flexes abnormally, it will over-flex compared to what it should be."

The surgery involves removing the muscle-tendon junction that is providing the wrong neurological information to the body and the one muscle. Due to the severity of the situation, surgery--performed on Nov. 10, 2017--was the only option for Bricks and Mortar.

"The question mark always is," Bramlage said, "is there more than one muscle involved? This one, the lateral extensor, is one of two extensors that the horse has in their hind legs. Two muscles that lift the toe, and it's actually the least-important one, fortunately. You can take that thing out and it doesn't affect the horse's ability at all. The real question mark is if it involves some other muscle-tendon junction as well, you can't take out the rest of them, like the flexors of the stifle and the big muscles of the hip. You can't take those muscle-tendon junctions out, but you can the lateral extensor. We were fortunate with Bricks and Mortar that it involved only that one muscle for him."

Bramlage said it was rare for a race horse to have the level of stringhalt that threatened Bricks and Mortar's career. He estimated that Rood and Riddle sees two to four cases a year. The surgery can be termed a success by analyzing the horse's

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action a few days after the procedure, but it takes six months or more for the horse to regain full coordination. Bramlage said he could not recall another patient who has had as much success as Bricks and Mortar. With his explosive stalk-and-pounce tactics, he is 9-0-2 in 11 starts and has earned \$4.3 million in purses.

"He's a really great, good-looking horse," Bramlage said. "I think what's impressive is his style of running because not very many horses run like that anymore. They tend to go at or on the lead. He just sits off the back of the pack and passes them all."

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FOR COVFEFE, IT PAID TO STICK WITH THE PLAN

By Bill Finley

"Inside the Winner's Circle, Presented by Keeneland" is a series showcasing graduates of the Keeneland September sale who have gone on to achieve success on racing's biggest stages.

When **Covfefe** (Into Mischief) arrived at Brad Cox's barn at the Fair Grounds to begin training for her 2019 campaign, the trainer could have circled just about any race on his calendar. He

had a talented, fast, well-bred filly and might have entertained thoughts of trying the GI Kentucky Oaks. But what makes Cox one of the fastest rising stars in his profession is that he knows his horses, their strengths, their weaknesses, and which races to point for. Way back on Feb. 17, Covfefe had her first work of the year, a three-furlong breeze at the Fair Grounds, and Cox soon thereafter circled August 3 on his

calendar. His plan was to do whatever it took to win the GI Longines Test S. at Saratoga.

"From day one, when she came to New Orleans, the goal was to get her to the Test," he said. "It's a tremendous, important race and we really wanted to win it. The idea was to have her as good as she could possibly be on that day."

It's not often that things work out that way in the roller-coaster world that is horse racing, but for Cox and the owners, LNJ Foxwoods, the 2017 Keeneland September graduate acted like she was in on the plan. Winning her first Grade I race, she outgamed GI Kentucky Oaks winner Serengeti Empress in the stretch to win by a half-length under Joel Rosario. Bellafina (Quality Road) was third. All three were

entered in the 2017 Keeneland September sale.

Covfefe was consigned by Gainesway Farm, was bred Helen Alexander and sold for \$150,000.

When she entered the sale, the Gainesway team was confident they might be selling a future star.

"All I can say is Helen Alexander breeds some of the best race horses year after year, year in and year out, including Grade I winners," said Gainesway's director of sales Brian Graves. "We're just fortunate to sell them for her. She gets all the credit. She was a medium-sized filly, perfectly balanced, and she looked like she would be razor sharp."

Cox was already impressed before Covfefe ran her first race, an easy maiden win in September at Churchill Downs.

"This filly, from day one, from the first time we breezed her it was like, 'Wow, she is special.'" Cox said. "I can't say I knew she'd win a Grade I win but I knew this was an extremely fast filly. The McKathans broke her and thought a lot of her. There have always been a lot of expectations with her. She has a tremendous

pedigree. She's just freaky fast, and that's the bottom line."

After the maiden win, Cox tried the GI Frizette S. at Belmont, which is run at a mile. Though he's not convinced Covfefe is just a sprinter, he found out that day that maybe he had asked too much of her distance-wise as she finished fourth. The connections put her away for the winter and didn't bring her back until an April 6 allowance race at Keeneland, which she won by a half-length. But it was in her next start, the GIII Ms. Preakness S. that she first served notice that she was among the fastest three-year-old fillies in training. She won the May 17 race by 8 ½ lengths and recorded a 107 Beyer figure.

Yet, as always seems to happen in horse racing, there was a bump in the road.



Covfefe wins the Test | Horsephotos



LNJ Foxwood's happy connections in the Test winner's circle
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In her last prep for the Test, Covfefe was entered against older horses in the Roxelana Stakes at Churchill Downs. Sent off at 2-5, she got hooked up in a speed duel with Mia Mischief (Into Mischief), a Grade I winner, and lost the battle. She finished third and her Beyer number tumbled to an 84.

Cox wasn't worried.

"The Roxelana was a very tough set up for her," he said. "She was down on the inside and pressed by a very nice filly who she sat right on the outside of her. The track was kind of drying out that day. I don't want to use that as an excuse, but they went extremely fast early, there's that long stretch at Churchill and she was beaten by an older filly who is a Grade I winner. In the end, everything still worked out."

If Cox had any reservations about the Roxelana loss, they were erased when Covfefe had two outstanding workouts at Churchill Downs in preparation for the race. He came to Saratoga glowing with confidence. He had done his job. Covfefe was peaking at the exact time he wanted her to peak.

The biggest problem this time would be the level of competition. Serengeti is a Grade I winner, Bellafina is a three-time Grade I winner and Chad Brown had an undefeated filly in Royal Charlotte (Cairo Prince) who looked like she had yet to reach her potential. There was also the matter of another possible pace meltdown. Serengeti Express has as much early foot as Covfefe has and drew the rail.

"The public made Bellfina the favorite and Royal Charlotte the second choice, and I think that's because

they figured my filly and Serengeti Express would get caught up in a speed duel," Cox said.

Serengeti Express did get the lead, but Rosario was in no hurry to go after her. He sat a length off the pace, which went in 22, 44 1/5 and got by her rival inside the final furlong.

The main goal from her will be the GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint, and Cox said he has not picked out Covfefe's next race. But it's not out of the question that some day we might find out what she can do beyond seven furlongs. Her second dam is Aurora, who has produced GI Juddmonte Spinster S. winner Acoma, GI Super Derby winner Arch and GIII Godolphin Mile winner Festival of Light. The first dam is Antics (Unbridled), whose best offspring prior to Covfefe was Albiano (Harlan's Holiday), a Grade III winner at nine furlongs in Japan.

"It wouldn't surprise me if this filly were able to win at longer distances," Graves said. "But neither am I surprised she's so good sprinting. Basing this on her second dam, when they come from a family like that and are a good physical specimen like she is, they usually can get it done."

But that's nothing Cox needs to worry about for now. He had one race in mind all along that he wanted to win and he got the job done. For his clients, he has developed a very good horse, who has made a lot of money and will someday be a very valuable broodmare.

The game isn't always that easy.

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Covfefe and Serengeti Express | Sarah K. Andrew

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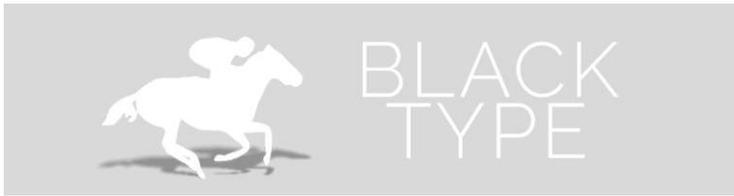
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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Jimmy Creed (2009) by Distorted Humor	1	8	--	2	--	--	85	43	166,104 Jasper Win	2,244,083
2	Flat Out (2006) by Flatter	3	7	--	1	--	--	135	69	122,100 Pacific Gale	2,685,313
3	Violence (2010) by Medaglia d'Oro	2	6	1	3	--	--	123	51	178,860 Denver Tesoro	2,444,725
4	Smiling Tiger (2007) by Hold That Tiger	3	6	1	1	1	1	55	30	254,500 Spiced Perfection	899,631
5	Graydar (2009) by Unbridled's Song	1	5	--	1	--	--	109	44	621,140 Gray Magician	2,351,649
6	Overanalyze (2010) by Dixie Union	2	5	1	1	1	1	115	44	358,800 Hog Creek Hustle	1,864,688
7	Oxbow (2010) by Awesome Again	--	5	--	1	--	--	66	25	150,070 The Circle Game	1,084,295
8	Paynter (2009) by Awesome Again	3	4	--	--	--	--	127	52	211,916 Headland	2,289,059
9	Justin Phillip (2008) by First Samurai	--	4	--	1	--	--	65	32	91,174 Unprovoked	1,184,600
10	Morning Line (2007) by Tiznow	2	4	--	1	--	--	58	23	110,000 Stubbins	942,969
11	Brethren (2008) by Distorted Humor	1	3	--	1	--	--	83	30	131,950 Cookie Dough	1,276,284
12	Poseidon's Warrior (2008) by Speightstown	1	3	--	--	--	--	63	27	158,500 Firenze Fire	766,935
13	Point of Entry (2008) by Dynaformer	2	2	1	1	--	--	56	15	1,554,000 Plus Que Parfait	2,045,346
14	Soldat (2008) by War Front	--	2	--	--	--	--	69	26	48,600 Russian Roulette	715,385
15	Fort Larned (2008) by E Dubai	1	2	--	--	--	--	38	17	53,740 Mary Costa	362,056

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MAHONY S., \$100,000, 3yo, 5 1/2fT

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Uncle Benny	Declaration of War	I Ortiz Jr	Servis	5-2
2 Elektronik	City Zip	Lezcano	Rice	6-1
3 Dunph	Temple City	Saez	Maker	15-1
4 Neverland Rock (GB)	No Nay Never	Rosario	Asmussen	8-1
5 The Black Album (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	J Ortiz	Brisset	5-1
6 Mount Travers	Speightstown	Franco	Rice	12-1
7 Archidust	Verrazano	Castellano	Navarro	2-1
8 Releasethethunder*	More Than Ready	No Rider	Clement	3-1
9 Fully Loaded	Two Step Salsa	Gaffalione	Nicks	30-1
10 Pyron	Candy Ride (Arg)	Santana Jr	Asmussen	12-1

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Wednesday, Saratoga, post time: 5:06 p.m. EDT

EVAN SHIPMAN S., (S), \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Vincenzo	Include	J Ortiz	Rice	10-1
2 Mr. Buff	Friend Or Foe	J Alvarado	Kimmel	6-5
3 Sea Foam	Medaglia d'Oro	Rosario	Clement	6-1
4 Dynamax Prime	Bluegrass Cat	Franco	Atras	5-1
5 Evaluator	Overanalyze	Castellano	Bond	12-1
6 Twisted Tom	Creative Cause	Lezcano	Cannizzo	15-1
7 Gio d'Oro	Gio Ponti	Carmouche	Cox	8-1
8 Winston's Chance	Roaring Fever	N Alvarado	Breed	15-1
9 Control Group	Posse	Saez	Rodriguez	8-1

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

1st-Parx Racing, \$46,000, Msw, 8-6, 2yo, 5f, :59.68, ft.

STILL ALIVE (f, 2, Midshipman--Officer Pepper, by Officer), a \$35,000 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic buy after breezing a furlong in **:10 1/5**, flashed speed for this debut with a local half-mile gate work in **:47 1/5 (1/17)** July 17 and followed that up with a five-panel move in **1:02 flat (6/22)** 10 days later, also from the blocks. Punched down to 9-10 favoritism as part of an entry while taking on males, the bay broke on top and quickly opened up to show the way through a **:22.26** quarter. Widening further past the eighth pole, she cruised under the wire **5 1/4** lengths to the good of Richie's Edge (Competitive Edge), who held for the place after chasing the winner throughout. Sales History: \$31,000 Wlg '17 EASDEC; \$10,000 RNA Ylg '18 FTKOCT; \$35,000 2yo '19 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Nicholas Cammarano, Jr.; B-Daybreak Stables, Inc. (VA); T-Guadalupe Preciado.



5th-Indiana Grand, \$31,000, Msw, 8-6, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:39.78, gd.

GINSENG (f, 2, Tiznow--Muy Muy, by Dixie Union), picked up for \$185,000 at OBS April following a **:10 1/5** furlong breeze, showed a steady series of half-mile works for this unveiling, capped by a **:49 3/5 (25/55)** spin Aug. 3 at Churchill. Given a 3-1 chance, the dark bay broke inwardly before settling in third at the fence behind splits of **:23.20** and **:48.34**. Inheriting the lead a quarter-mile from home, she drew clear entering the final furlong and went unthreatened from there for a **2 1/2**-length success over favored firster and stablemate Across (City Zip). Sales History: \$185,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Selective, LLC; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.



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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$15,000
 94 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, CLASSIFIED INFO, 12-1
 \$45,000 KEE SEP yrl
 5-Saratoga, Msw 6 1/2f, THEA'S THEME, 3-1
 \$90,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$145,000 SAR AUG yrl
 5-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, WILD UNION, 4-1
 \$95,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$225,000 OBS MAR yrl

Carpe Diem (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, \$25,000
 124 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Del Mar, Msw 5fT, TOMORROW KNOWS, 3-1
 \$170,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$185,000 OBS MAR yrl

Competitive Edge (Super Saver), Ashford Stud, \$7,500
 111 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner
 1-Del Mar, Msw 5fT, K P INDY, 7-2
 \$40,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$170,000 OBS MAR yrl

Cryptolight (Fantastic Light), R.C. Cline Thoroughbred Farm
 4 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, CRISTALINDA, 6-1
 5-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, CRYPTONIC CATWALK, 6-1

Daredevil (More Than Ready), WinStar Farm, \$7,500
 80 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, SECRET FORMULA, 7-2

Dramedy (Distorted Humor), River Oaks Farm, \$2,000
 20 foals of racing age/1 winner/1 black-type winner
 5-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, MAGIC MICHAEL, 30-1
 \$5,000 FTK OCT yrl

Global Power (Pulpit)
 3 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, DIVA POWER, 6-1

Liam's Map (Unbridled's Song), Lane's End Farm, \$20,000
 114 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
 1-Del Mar, Msw 5fT, IMPOSSIBLE TASK, 6-1
 \$27,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$90,000 OBS APR yrl

Mr Speaker (Pulpit), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000
 79 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, SPEAK LIGHTLY, 10-1

Normandy Invasion (Tapit), Spendthrift Farm, \$3,500
 52 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
 5-Saratoga, Msw 6 1/2f, BELLA INVASION, 30-1
 \$4,700 KEE JAN wnl; \$15,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$9,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Palace (City Zip), Spendthrift Farm, \$6,000
 87 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, DREAM PALACE, 6-1
 \$34,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Palace Malice (Curlin), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000
 123 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Saratoga, Msw 6 1/2f, GRAPHITE DUTCHESS, 8-1
 \$95,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$165,000 OBS APR yrl

Pataky Kid (Rockport Harbor), Swifty Farms, \$1,500
 3 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 2-Indiana Grand, Msw 5f, HELP ME OUT, 30-1
 \$9,000 FTK OCT yrl

Summer Front (War Front), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000
 97 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, BAYTOWN CHAPEL, 30-1
 \$1,500 KEE SEP yrl

Tom's Tribute (Lion Heart), Rancho San Miguel, \$2,000
 15 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Del Mar, Msw 5fT, WHISPERING FLAME, 20-1

Tonalist (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000
 96 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, HIGH TONE, 6-1
 \$40,000 KEE SEP yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

Alpha (Bernardini), Darley/Sequel, \$5,000
 95 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Saratoga, Msw 6 1/2f, A D'ORO, 9-2
 3-Finger Lakes, Msw 5 1/2f, MISSALPHA, 5-1

Itsmyluckyday (Lawyer Ron), Spendthrift Farm, \$3,500
 136 foals of racing age/39 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Indiana Grand, \$150K Indiana First Lady S., 1m,
 DRINKATTHECREEK, 30-1

No Nay Never (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Stud, \$100,000
 221 foals of racing age/61 winners/13 black-type winners
 6-Saratoga, \$100K Mahony S., 5 1/2fT, NEVERLAND ROCK (GB), 8-1
 €480,000 ARA UG yrl

Shakin It Up (Midnight Lute), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000
 117 foals of racing age/21 winners/1 black-type winner
 3-Finger Lakes, Msw 5 1/2f, HARRISON KNOWS, 3-1
 \$37,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl

Verrazano (More Than Ready), Ashford Stud, \$15,000
 268 foals of racing age/46 winners/3 black-type winners
 6-Saratoga, \$100K Mahony S., 5 1/2fT, ARCHIDUST, 2-1
 \$85,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$85,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$300,000 OBS MAR yrl

Willcox Inn (Harlan's Holiday), Saratoga Stud
 16 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Finger Lakes, Msw 5 1/2f, WILL YA WIN SUM, 8-1



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STAKES RESULTS:

BRITISH COLUMBIA CUP HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB H.,
 C\$75,000, Hastings Racecourse, 8-5, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:44.64, ft.
 1--**SUNBURST, 119, f, 3, by Sungold--Tierra Del Feugo (MSW, \$157,862), by Finality. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Russell J. & Lois Bennett; B-R. J. Bennett (BC); T-Barbara Heads; J-Antonio Ambrosio Reyes. C\$54,500. Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0, \$70,325.
 2--**Amazonian, 120, f, 3, Malibu Moon--Fly the Flag, by Giant's Causeway.** (\$50,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP). O-North American Thoroughbred Horse Company, Inc.; B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC & Besilu Stables, LLC (KY); T-Glen Todd. C\$10,000.
 3--**Northern Graystar, 114, f, 3, Graydar--Fancy Vintage, by Hennessy.** (C\$100,000 Ylg '17 BRCSEP). O-North American Thoroughbred Horse Company, Inc.; B-David H Pihl (BC); T-Glen Todd. C\$5,000.
 Margins: 7 3/4, 5HF, 3 3/4. Odds: 7.65, 10.40, 7.05.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CUP SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL DERBY TRIAL H., C\$50,000, Hastings Racecourse, 8-5, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44.24, ft.

1--**FIVE STAR GENERAL, 122, c, 3, Distorted Humor--Party of Interest, by Bernardini.** (\$235,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$180,000 3yo '19 FTKHRA). O-North American Thoroughbred Horse Company, Inc.; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Glen Todd; J-Mario Gutierrez. C\$28,500. Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, \$129,343.

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 2--**Stay Fantastic, 117, g, 3, Stay Thirsty--Fantastic City, by Carson City.** O/B-Tod Mountain Thoroughbreds (BC); T-Christine Ammann. C\$10,000.
 3--**Whiskey Bound, 117, g, 3, Afleet Alex--La Grange, by Curlin.** (\$9,000 RNA Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$9,500 Ylg '17 FTKFEB; C\$2,000 Ylg '17 BRCSEP). O-M. Kim Peacock & Lance Giesbrecht; B-R. S. Evans (KY); T-Keith Pedersen. C\$5,000.

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 Margins: 2 1/4, 2, 10HF. Odds: 0.90, 32.65, 4.75.

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DERBY BAR AND GRILL BRITISH COLUMBIA CUP CLASSIC H., C\$50,000, Hastings Racecourse, 8-5, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50.69, ft. 1--**CALGARY CAPER, 118, g, 8, El Corredor--Cowgirl Lucky, by Stephen Got Even.** (\$105,000 2yo '13 OBSOPN). O-K. Peacock, Philip Hall & Lance Giesbrecht; B-Robert J. & Mary Harris (KY); T-Philip Hall; J-Sahin Civaci. C\$28,500. Lifetime Record: GSW, 44-11-11-4, \$326,681.

Selected as a 2yo by Marette Farrell

2--**He's the Reason, 121, g, 4, The Factor--Sandra's Rose, by Old Trieste.** (\$50,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP). O-North American Thoroughbred Horse Company, Inc.; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Glen Todd. C\$10,000.

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3--**Trooper John, 120, g, 5, Colonel John--Shouldn't We All, by Woodman.** (\$3,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$21,000 Ylg '15 EASOCT). O-Riversedge Racing Stables, Ltd.; B-Smart Angle, LLP (PA); T-Tim Rycroft. C\$5,000.

Margins: 3 1/4, HF, HD. Odds: 2.75, 1.85, 5.95.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-Parx Racing, \$47,500, 8-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24.41, ft. MONTELEONE (g, 4, Super Saver--Classy Charm {MSW & MGSP, \$295,551}, by Silver Charm) Lifetime Record: 18-5-3-3, \$193,249. O-Preferred Pals Stable; B-Catherine Parke & Oakbrook Farm (KY); T-Linda Rice. *\$170,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV; \$240,000 Ylg '16 FTSAUG.

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10th-Parx Racing, \$47,250, 8-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.62, ft.

KRISSYS MANICURE (f, 4, Twirling Candy--Crafty Atlantic, by Crafty Prospector) Lifetime Record: 24-5-6-3, \$150,607. O-Geina M Lopez; B-Jason A. Litt & Alex Solis (KY); T-Melecio Saldana Guerrero. *\$57,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP. **1/2 to Atlantic Paws (Cat Thief), SW, \$189,860; and Isn't She Grand (Grand Reward), SP, \$242,410.

1st-Indiana Grand, \$34,500, (S), 8-6, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.56, my.

APRON STRINGS (f, 4, Kodiak Cowboy--A Special Toast, by Glitterman) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$47,445. O-Spiess Stable LLC & Randy Klopp; B-Mari George Racing LLC (IN); T-Randy L. Klopp. *\$1,200 Ylg '16 KEEJAN.

7th-Indiana Grand, \$34,500, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 8-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :57.96, gd.

SUGARSUGARSUGAR (m, 5, Archarcharch--Cherokee Caucus, by Cherokee Run) Lifetime Record: 38-7-7-6, \$153,923.

O-Andrew Knapczyk; B-Nolan Creek Farm, Sergio De Sousa & Karen Wolfsdorf (KY); T-Cipriano Contreras. *\$19,000 RNA Ylg '15 FTKOCT; \$20,000 2yo '16 OBSOPN.

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7th-Presque Isle Downs, \$33,600, 8-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.45, ft.

SILENT SOFIA (m, 5, Silent Name {Jpn}--Reggae Rose, by Touch Gold) Lifetime Record: 26-4-6-5, \$78,311. O/T-Glenn S. Wismer; B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY). *\$24,000 RNA Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$1,000 RNA Ylg '15 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Shakhimat (Lonhro {Aus}), MGSW, \$469,358.

1st-Presque Isle Downs, \$31,200, (S), 8-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:10.25, ft.

PURE SPRING (g, 6, Pure Prize--Warm Springs Girl, by City Zip) Lifetime Record: 51-3-3-5, \$110,462. O/T-David J. Boyer, Jr.; B-Arlene London (PA).

2nd-Louisiana Downs, \$21,200, 8-6, (NW4L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18.84, ft.

ALL ABOUT CLARA (f, 3, Jonesboro--Orange Street, by Storm Boot) Lifetime Record: SP, 12-4-1-3, \$75,981. O/B-Jess D. George (AR); T-Tim Dixon. *Full to Brooke's a Bookin, SW, \$139,335.

8th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$19,998, (S), 8-5, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.68, ft.

FANCY FIERCE (m, 5, Limehouse--Mt Langfuhr, by Langfuhr) Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-4, \$49,543. O/B-Lorie Jewell (WV); T-Eric R. Reed.

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2nd-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$19,392, 8-5, (NW3LX),
3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:41.40, ft.

YIELD (f, 3, Cross Traffic--Dance Team, by Dynaformer) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$37,465. O-Shawhan Place LLC.; B-Shawhan Place LLC & Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-William R. Connelly. *\$23,000 RNA Ylg '17 FTKOCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dixie Street, g, 2, New Year's Day--Scotles, by Macho Uno. Louisiana Downs, 8-6, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.35. B-J. Adcock & Neal McFadden (LA). *\$5,500 Ylg '18 ESLMIX. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

May Hour, g, 3, Half Ours--May Ide, by Ide. Louisiana Downs, 8-5, 5fT, :57.26. B-Lee Young Farm (LA). *\$1,100 Ylg '17 ESLMIX; \$7,000 2yo '18 EQL2YO.

Aleutian Harbour, g, 3, Harbor the Gold--Shadow of Mine, by Belong to Me. Hastings Racecourse, 8-5, 6 1/2f, 1:19.08. B-Peter Redekop BC Ltd (BC). *C\$39,900 RNA Ylg '17 BRCSEP.

English Channical, g, 4, English Channel--Classical Fashion, by Native Regent. Finger Lakes, 8-6, 1m 40y, 1:45.22. B-Linda & Bruce McConnell (NY).



ARCHARCHARCH, Sugarsugarsugar, m, 5, o/o Cherokee Caucus,
by Cherokee Run. AOC, 8-6, Indiana Grand

CROSS TRAFFIC, Yield, f, 3, o/o Dance Team, by Dynaformer.
ALW, 8-5, Mountaineer

DISTORTED HUMOR, Five Star General, c, 3, o/o Party of Interest,
by Bernardini. British Columbia Cup Sir Winston Churchill Derby Trial H., 8-5, Hastings

EL CORREDOR, Calgary Caper, g, 8, o/o Cowgirl Lucky, by Stephen Got Even. Derby Bar and Grill British Columbia Cup Classic H., 8-5, Hastings

ENGLISH CHANNEL, English Channical, g, 4, o/o Classical Fashion,
by Native Regent. MSW, 8-6, Finger Lakes

HALF OURS, May Hour, g, 3, o/o May Ide, by Ide. MSW, 8-5, Louisiana Downs

HARBOR THE GOLD, Aleutian Harbour, g, 3, o/o Shadow of Mine,
by Belong to Me. MSW, 8-5, Hastings

JONESBORO, All About Clara, f, 3, o/o Orange Street, by Storm Boot. ALW, 8-6, Louisiana Downs

KODIAK KOWBOY, Apron Strings, f, 4, o/o A Special Toast, by Glitterman. ALW, 8-6, Indiana Grand

LANTANA MOB, King Justice, g, 4, o/o Future Answer, by Copelan. MSW, 8-6, Indiana Grand

LIMEHOUSE, Fancy Fierce, m, 5, o/o Mt Langfuhr, by Langfuhr.
ALW, 8-5, Mountaineer

MIDSHIPMAN, Still Alive, f, 2, o/o Officer Pepper, by Officer.
MSW, 8-6, Parx Racing

NEW YEAR'S DAY, Dixie Street, g, 2, o/o Scotles, by Macho Uno. MSW, 8-6, Louisiana Downs

PURE PRIZE, Pure Spring, g, 6, o/o Warm Springs Girl, by City Zip. ALW, 8-6, Presque Isle Downs

SILENT NAME (JPN), Silent Sofia, m, 5, o/o Reggae Rose, by Touch Gold. ALW, 8-5, Presque Isle Downs

SUPER SAVER, Monteleone, g, 4, o/o Classy Charm, by Silver Charm. ALW, 8-6, Parx Racing

TIZNOW, Ginseng, f, 2, o/o Muy Muy, by Dixie Union. MSW, 8-6, Indiana Grand

TWIRLING CANDY, Krissys Manicure, f, 4, o/o Crafty Atlantic, by Crafty Prospector. ALW, 8-6, Parx Racing



Ginseng scores at first asking Tuesday at Indiana | Coady

SMULLEN: MARVELLOUS MULLINS FAMILY



Trainer Emmet Mullins, right, with cousin David Mullins after Zero Ten's win at Galway for Zara and Annette Mee | *Racing Post*

by Pat Smullen

We've had two really good festivals over the last week and the quality of racing at Goodwood was superb. Again, John Gosden and Frankie Dettori took centre stage but I think the highlight was really Deirdre (Jpn) (Harbinger {GB}) winning the Nassau S. Japan is such a great racing nation and I think we'll see more and more Japanese horses coming in this direction to race and that's only good for the sport and for international racing.

I hope that the connections of those Japanese horses racing in this part of the world would look at a race like the G1 Irish Champion S. en route to the Arc. We all know that the Arc is the race they want to win, but it would be amazing if we could attract them to come to race at one of the premier races in Ireland, and it is very exciting to hear that it's a race under consideration for Deirdre.

Galway is a long week of racing and obviously it's a bit different to Goodwood with its mixture of Flat and National Hunt racing. I think it works very well and gives lots of people an opportunity to be competitive at such a good festival.

Last week was dominated by the Mullins family. In Ireland we've always been fortunate to have some great racing families but I think it's quite remarkable what the Mullins family is achieving at the moment. [Cont. p2](#)

O'BRIEN NOMINATES 11 TO COX PLATE

Aidan O'Brien has set his sights on winning the G1 Ladbrokes Cox Plate for a second time, with Derby hero **Anthony Van Dyck (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and Royal Ascot victor **Circus Maximus (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) among his 11 initial entries for the Australian feature. O'Brien sent **Adelaide (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) to win the 2014 renewal, with the Moonee Valley Group 1 subsequently dominated by Chris Waller's superstar Winx (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}), a record four-times winner before her retirement earlier this year. No stranger to competing in Australia, O'Brien has the likes of **Japan (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}), **Hermosa (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Fleeting (Ire)** (Zoffany) also in the mix.

"To win a Cox Plate, you need a horse with plenty of tactical speed that gets a mile and a quarter well," said O'Brien. "We have entered 11 horses that we think might suit the race, but of course some of them don't always progress as well as we were hoping." [Cont. p3](#)

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

CURTAIN FALLS ON FASIG-TIPTON SARATOGA

The Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale of Selected Yearlings ended in Saratoga Springs, NY on Tuesday. Jessica Martini and Christie DeBernardis have all the details. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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Marvellous Mullins Family Cont. from p1

At Galway, we had two brothers and a nephew winning as trainers and then three cousins riding winners. Willie of course needs no introduction but his brother Tom trained two winners and their nephew Emmet had three winners during the week.

Their success all comes from their father and grandfather Paddy, who set up a unique training operation where Tom trains from now. Back in the day it was a simple, circular gallop and he trained lots of really good horses to win big races.

Willie has a huge number for horses in training but is very relaxed about life. He's obviously a very intelligent man and has a great asset and his wife Jackie, who is an integral part of the business. Willie has been clever in surrounding himself by a good team of people and I think he'd be the first to admit that the whole operation wouldn't work without that team.

Emmet is earning a reputation as a target trainer. He's a young man and he wouldn't have a huge string of horses but he targeted Galway this year and two of his three winners were for one of his main patrons, the Mee family. They love to have success at the Galway Festival and Emmet delivered again. He surely has a great career ahead of him.

Moving on to the riders, David Danny and Patrick Mullins rode winners through the week. David is a Grand National-winning jockey, Danny has been very successful on the Flat before turning to National Hunt, and what can we say about Patrick? His association with his mum Jackie and dad Willie has seen him break records as an amateur. There's no doubt that Paddy Mullins established a remarkable dynasty.

I think because Ireland is such a small country, to make a living out of training racecourses you have to be able to adapt, and for the majority that means taking any horse to train to try to win races, whether that's 2-year-olds or 4-year-old bumper horses. I rode a lot of winners for Paddy Mullins, then Willie, Tom and Tony, and though the main core of their business is National Hunt, they've always had a lot of Flat horses. That's more the nature of Ireland, and it also comes down to the fact that they are simply very good horsemen.

Are Jockeys Team Players?

I'm really looking forward to the Shergar Cup this weekend. I've ridden in it in the past and won it one year with Richard Hughes and Fran Berry. It's a unique day and it's a great way to attract riders from all over the world and see the different riding styles and different personalities.

However, I'm not really sure that the format of teams is the right thing to do. When a competition is based on a points basis for teams, obviously you're going out to try why to win as many points as you possibly can, so don't tell me that if a jockey is dropping back and your team mate is inside and going well you're not going to insure he gets the run to try to get through and win. That's only human nature and it's how you're going to win the competition.

It's a day when the focus is really on the jockeys and on occasion that is nice, but every jockey knows we can't do it without the horse. That said, it is nice to have the attention on

the riders and great to have those international riders here and showcasing what an amazing racecourse Ascot is. It has been a successful competition from the outset and what the organisers are doing has been correct in the main, but I just wonder if it would be better to have an individual winner rather than a team competition.

I've been fortunate to ride in quite a few of the jockeys' championships around the

world, and in Japan and Hong Kong it's all about the individual winner, which is probably the correct way to do it. I think every individual should be encouraged to go out there thinking they are the best rather than thinking about the team. You don't survive in this industry if you think that you're second best or third best. If you've earned your place in the competition then obviously people think that you are one of the best riders in the world. So I think it should be encouraged that jockeys compete to see who is the best on the day. It might just make it a little bit more exciting if there was an individual winner.

Once again there is a fantastic international line-up for the day and it is particularly interesting to see Nanako Fujita on the girls' team. She has broken new ground in Japan as the only female licenced jockey in the JRA and isn't that brilliant to see? We know that Japan is a very competitive environment for riders and for her to be riding on the JRA circuit is a fantastic achievement. **Cont. p3**



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Nanako also recently won the women jockeys' championship in Sweden, so she is a lady with a lot of talent and I'm really looking forward to seeing her ride at Ascot.

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O'Brien Nominates 11 to Cox Plate Cont. from p1

He added, "But Anthony Van Dyck and Circus Maximus are two very hardy colts with good tactical speed, and both should handle nice ground. It's probably too early at this stage to say who our number one seed is, we usually nominate a number of horses and then we will see how they progress from now."

A total of 27 overseas entries include David Menuisier's German Group 1 victor **Danceteria (Fr)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), Andrew Balding's John Smith's Cup hero **Pivoine (Ire)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) and the Mark Johnston-trained **Communique (Ire)** (Casamento {Ire}), a dual Group 2 scorer. Joseph O'Brien, who already has a G1 Melbourne Cup triumph on his CV, has Irish Derby winner **Latrobe (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}), **Master Of Reality (Ire)** (Frankel {GB}), **Buckhurst (Ire)** (Australia {GB}) and **Iridessa (Ire)** (Ruler of the World {Ire}) entered.

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CALIBURN TO REPRESENT TE AKAU IN CARNIVAL

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Lot 21

c. Fastnet Rock x Starlet's Sister
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A half-brother to Group winner MY SISTER NAT and recent Group 1 winners SISTERCHARLIE and SOTTSASS.

Lot 48

f. Shalaa x Angel Falls
Offered from Écurie des Monceaux



Her half-brother NATIONAL DEFENSE won the Gr.1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardère and was Champion at 2 in France.

Lot 52

f. Frankel x Ascot Family
Offered from Haras des Capucines



A half-sister to Gr.2 Prix Robert Papin and Gr.3 Prix du Bois winner NORDIC ONE ex FAMILY ONE.

Lot 54

f. Olympic Glory x Azafata
Offered from Haras d'Ombreville



Her half-sister FLEETING won the Gr.2 May Hill Stakes and finished a close 2nd in the Gr.1 Kerrygold Irish Oaks.

Lot 91

c. Invincible Spirit x Green Minstrel
Offered from Grove Stud



A brother to Gr.1 Cheveley Park Stakes winner ROSDHU QUEEN.

Lot 108

f. Frankel x L'Ancrese
Offered from La Motteraye Consignment



A sister to two black-type performers including recent Gr.1 placed MASTER OF REALITY.

Lot 112

c. The Gurkha x Larceny
Offered from Haras de la Louvière



His half-sister THE BLACK PRINCESS landed the Gr.2 Lancashire Oaks and the Gr.3 Prix Allez France.

Lot 148

f. Dubawi x Prudenzia
Offered from Écurie des Monceaux



A half-sister to Group 1 winner CHICQUITA, Group winner MAGIC WAND and Group placed JE NE REGRETTERIEN.

Lot 157

c. Intello x Rumored
Offered from Haras de Grandcamp



A half-brother to Champion Two-Year-Old DABIRSIM from the close family of Gr.2 Coventry Stakes winner ARIZONA.

2020 BRITISH FIXTURE LIST RELEASED

The 2020 fixture list was published by the British Horseracing Authority on Tuesday. Policies governing the compilation of the list were announced [here](#) last month. There are a number of new measures introduced after agreement was reached by the cross-industry Fixtures and Funding Group including:

- no race starting later than 9 p.m. at summer evening fixtures
- no race starting later than 8:30 p.m. the rest of the year
- extending the Christmas and summer Jump racing breaks to four and 12 days, respectively
- ensuring that the days's first race starts by 2 p.m.

These measures aim to take into consideration the well-being of industry participants, the competitiveness of the racing produce and the commercial need for the list to work for the sport's customers. Twenty BHA-allocated fixtures were removed from the list and 10 other fixtures staged at Towcester were withheld from the list as the future of that racecourse is being discussed with the new ownership group. It is likely that those 10 fixtures will be added to the list and take place either at Towcester or other venues.

As it stands, the 2020 fixture list is as follows:

- 1481 fixtures (2019 had 1511)
- 2020 fixture surface ratios are Jump: 39.1%, Flat Turf 37.8%, All Weather 23.1% (2019: Jump: 39.4%, Flat Turf 37.3%, All Weather 23.2%)
- 902 Flat fixtures scheduled (13 fewer than in 2019). Of these fixtures, 560 are Flat Turf fixtures (four fewer than 2019) while 342 are All Weather fixtures (nine fewer than originally scheduled in 2019)
- 579 Jump fixtures scheduled (17 fewer than 2019)
- 1,070 afternoon fixtures (11 fewer than 2019) and 411 evening (or floodlit) fixtures (19 fewer than 2019).

In addition, Portas Consulting, appointed by the sport's executive committee, is developing an independent analysis of the financial and economic state of British racing, which will begin in August and will assist in the size and shape of the 2021 fixture list.

"The 2020 fixture list and the policies governing it aim to balance the impact of the size of the fixture list on the thousands of people that work tirelessly to service it; the need to support the industry's revenues and prize money levels; and the importance of promoting the longer-term interests of the sport by delivering more competitive and compelling racing," said BHA Chief Operating Officer Richard Wayman in a statement. "Production of the fixture list is rarely straightforward with sometimes conflicting objectives amongst

the different parties within racing. In the current climate it is more important than ever that all the parties involved continue to work together to create a fixture list that delivers the best overall outcome for the sport.

"Looking to the future, it is very encouraging that all involved in the process are supportive of the external analysis of the financial and economic state of the sport that is about to commence. This is an important piece of work as it will provide a basis of agreed facts from which to develop fixture strategy for the future."

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MIRAGE DANCER SOLD TO RACE IN OZ

Mirage Dancer (GB) (Frankel {GB}) has been sold to race in Australia, with new connections already eyeing outings in the G1 Caulfield and G1 Melbourne Cups. Trained by Sir Michael Stoute in Britain, Mirage Dancer won four of his 16 starts and was last seen when finishing 2 1/4 lengths second in the G3 Glorious S. at Goodwood last week. The 5-year-old will join the yard of training partners Trent Busuttin and Natalie Young after he jets out of Newmarket next month.

Busuttin told [www.racing.com](#), "He's been bought for Caulfield and Melbourne Cup berths. He raced in the Group 3 mile-and-a-half race the other night and ran second and he seems to have the right credentials for the Cups. We chanced upon him with [bloodstock agent] Mark Pilkington and he's put a group together including Seymour Bloodstock and Mark Casey to race him and obviously we are very lucky that he's going to end up in our stable. We'll get out of quarantine in time for a Caulfield Cup start and so it will be very exciting for the owners and for the stable." [Cont. p5](#)



Mirage Dancer | [Racing Post](#)

Mirage Dancer Cont.

While the Caulfield Cup is the initial target, Busuttin also confirmed the Cox Plate could be on Mirage Dancer's radar.

He added, "We have been looking for a Cups horse and he is qualified for both races and would get in with a competitive weight. The Caulfield Cup would be an immediate goal and from there, on to a Melbourne Cup. It [the Caulfield Cup] seems a nice race for him but we've also got him in the Cox Plate and I'm sure he wouldn't be out of place in a Cox Plate if he ended up going there."

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Wednesday, Aug. 7:

UNITED KINGDOM

Cable Bay (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Highclere Stud
114 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner
14:40-BATH, 5.75f, MODERN BRITISH ART (Ire)
€14,000 RNA Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; 72,000gns
Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale 2019

Due Diligence (War Front), Whitsbury Manor Stud
85 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner
18:30-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, DOGGED (GB)
26,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; 26,000gns RNA
Tattersalls December Yearlings Sale 2018; 60,000gns Tattersalls
Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale 2019

Gleneagles (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud
110 foals of racing age/8 winners/2 black-type winners
18:30-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, OSLO (GB)

Hallowed Crown (Aus) (Street Sense), Kildangan Stud
77 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
14:40-BATH, 5.75f, BUTTERFLY POSE (Ire)
€7,000 RNA Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2018

Muhaarar (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Nunnery Stud
106 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
14:50-PONTEFRACT, 6f, CUSTODIAN (Ire)
260,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017
14:30-BRIGHTON, 7f, SLAVONIC DANCE (Ire)
95,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 1

Night of Thunder (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud
108 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner
18:30-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, PERFECTED (GB)
£74,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

FRANCE

Anjaal (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}), Rathasker Stud
149 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
3-LA TESTE BUCH, 1400m, GRILLO (Ire)
€24,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; £10,000 RNA Goffs
UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018; 2,500gns Tattersalls
Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale 2019

IRELAND

Anjaal (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}), Rathasker Stud
149 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
3-SLIGO, 5.75f, MYRCELLA (Ire)
£3,000 RNA Goffs UK Autumn HIT & Yearling Sale 2018

Cappella Sansevero (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Bridge House Stud
60 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
2-SLIGO, 5.75f, CAPELLI ROSSI (Ire)
€1,000 Goffs Open Yearling Sale 2018

Gutaifan (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud
166 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
2-SLIGO, 5.75f, MISS ADVENTUROUS (Ire)
€27,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2018

Ivawood (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}), Coolmore Stud
100 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
2-SLIGO, 5.75f, FOR THE TREES (Ire)
€21,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2018

Make Believe (GB) (Makfi {GB}), Ballylinch Stud
87 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
2-SLIGO, 5.75f, BELIEVE IN BEAUTY (Ire)
14,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3;
€40,000 Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up Sale 2019



Due Diligence sired his 11th winner at Catterick Bridge on Tuesday.
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5.45 Yarmouth, Novice, £14,000, 2yo, 7f 3yT

SUN CUISINE (Medaglia d'Oro) was a \$1.3-million purchase by Godolphin at the Keeneland September Sale who debuts for the Charlie Appleby stable. The February-foaled bay is the first foal out of the GII John C Mabee S. winner Moulin de Mouglin (Curlin), who is a half-sister to the GII Royal Heroine Mile scorer Schiaparelli (Ghostzapper) and the dam of Roaring Lion (Kitten's Joy).

6.0 Kempton, Novice, £10,000, 3yo/up, 8f (AWT)

DUBAI WARRIOR (GB) (Dansili {GB}) makes his eagerly-awaited 3-year-old bow for the John Gosden stable, having prompted Derby talk after his debut win at Chelmsford in November. Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Maktoum's homebred son of his G1 Golden Slipper winner Mahbooba (Aus) (Galileo {Ire}) gives weight away all round, including a huge 11 pounds to Shadwell's Roger Varian-trained unraced filly **Khabeerah (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})**, the first foal out of the operation's G1 Prix de l'Opera third Hadaatha (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}).

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BRITAIN



Tuesday's Results:

3rd-Newbury, £5,300, Cond, 8-6, 2yo, 7fT, 1:28.12, gd.

SESAME BIRAH (IRE) (f, 2, Gregorian {Ire})--Limousine {GB}, by Beat Hollow {GB}, was penalised six pounds for annexing a June 28 seven-furlong Chester heat and was let go as the even-money pick returning off a fourth over the same trip in Deauville's July 27 G3 Prix Six Perfections. The bay found a smooth rhythm trapped wide in a handy fourth after an alert getaway from the outside stall. Challenging on the bridle passing the quarter-mile marker, she was shaken up to lead soon after and came under a late drive to hold the closing burst of Mr Poy (GB) (Sepoy {Aus}) by a half-length. Kin to a yearling colt by Coulsty (Ire) and a 2019 colt by Champs Elysees (GB), she is the first foal and scorer out of a winning half-sister to G3 Premio Verziere victress Distain (GB) (Champs Elysees {GB}), from a family featuring G1 Racing Post Trophy-winning sire Armiger (GB) (Rainbow Quest) and G1 Gran Criterium hero Law Enforcement (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}). Sales history: £15,000 Ylg '18 GOUKPR. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$22,328. **Video, sponsored**

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O-Middleham Park Racing XXIV; B-Rathasker Stud (IRE); T-Richard Hannon.

4th-Newbury, £5,300, Cond, 8-6, 2yo, 7fT, 1:28.34, gd.

D DAY (IRE) (c, 2, War Command--Outshine {GB}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who finished off the radar when 12th of 13 tackling this trip in his July 13 debut at Salisbury last time, was quickly into stride and led racing in the centre of the track from flagfall here. Coming under pressure when threatened approaching the two pole, the 11-2 chance was driven clear inside the final furlong to account for Lost Empire (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) by 3 1/4 lengths. Half-brother to a yearling filly by Ruler of the World (Ire), he is the third foal and first winner produced by a half-sister to Listed Nickes Minnesloping victor Warming Trends (GB) (Warning {GB}) and to the dam of Listed Lingfield derby Trial third Pasaka Boy (GB) (Haafhd {GB}). Descendants of the bay's GSW fourth dam Kittiwake (Sea-Bird {Fr}) include six-time Grade I heroine Miss Oceana (Alydar), G1SW sire Kitwood (Nureyev) and G1 Coronation S. victress Magic of Life (Seattle Slew). Sales history: €7,500 RNA Wlg '17 GOFNOV; €14,500 Ylg '18 GOFFEB; 15,000gns RNA Ylg '18 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,163.

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O-Mrs Julie Wood; B-Exors of the Late Mrs I L Sneath (IRE); T-Richard Hannon.

1st-Nottingham, £6,000, Novice, 8-6, 2yo, 6f 18yT, 1:17.55, sf.

SIR BORIS (IRE) (c, 2, Due Diligence--Queens Park {Fr}, by King's Best), carrying a seven-pound penalty for his impressive six-length success over this course and distance on Thursday, was again sent to the front to dictate from the outset. Never in any danger, the 5-6 favourite hit the line with 4 1/2 lengths to spare over Order of St John (GB) (Coach House {Ire}). The winner is the first foal out of a half-sister to the G3 Minstrel S. runner-up Singing Bird (Ire) (Excellent Art {GB}) whose family includes the G3 Prix Penelope scorer and G1 Prix de Diane runner-up Abbatiale (Fr) (Kaldoun {Fr}) and her four-times Group 3-winning daughter Bewitched (Ire) (Dansili {GB}). Also connected to last year's G1 St Leger third Southern France (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), the dam has a yearling filly by Australia (GB) and a colt foal by Ulysses (Ire). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$9,947. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Mr & Mrs R Scott; B-Parks Farm Stud (IRE); T-Tom Dascombe.

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4th-Nottingham, £6,000, Novice, 8-6, 3yo/up, 10f 50yT, 2:14.65, sf.

LAST LOOK (IRE) (f, 3, Pivotal {GB}--Gonbarda {Ger} {MG1SW-Ger, \$527,057}, by Lando {Ger}), who scored by five lengths on debut over this trip at Chelmsford July 6, stalked the leader Narynkol (GB) (Declaration of War) until taking over approaching the two-furlong pole. Asserting from there, the 4-7 favourite was pushed out to register a two-length success. The winner is a full-sister to the G1 Champion S. and G1 Lockinge S.-winning sire Farhh (GB), Hwt. Older Horse-Eur at 7-9f, Hwt. Older Horse-Eur at 9-11f, Hwt. Older Horse-Eng at 7-9 1/2f, Hwt. Older Horse-Eng at 9 1/2-11f, MG1SW-Eng & G1SP-Fr, \$2,114,455, the G3 Winter Hill S. scorer Racing History (Ire) who was placed twice at the top level, GSW-Eng, MG1SP-Ger & MGSP-UAE, \$427,645, and the G3 Strensall S. third Basem (GB), GSP-Eng, SP-Tur, \$244,225. The G1 Deutschland Preis and G1 Preis von Europa heroine Gonbarda, who is also related to the G1 Irish Derby hero and champion stayer Fame and Glory (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), has a yearling colt and filly foal by Dubawi (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$12,004. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor.

1st-Newbury, £6,900, Mdn, 8-6, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:14.27, gd.
WEJDAN (FR) (f, 2, Dabirsim {Fr}--War Bride {Ger}, by War Blade {Ger}) was under restraint in rear through the early stages of this first go. Angled stands' side into a clear lane approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 13-2 chance quickened smartly when stoked up with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and kept on strongly under mainly whipless rousting to oust Predictable Tully (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) by a half-length in the final strides. Half-sister to a yearling colt by Power (GB), she is the first winner for her dam and hails from a family featuring GSW G1 Grosser Erdgas Preis runner-up Wins Fiction (Ger) (Platini {Ger}). Sales history: €26,000 Ylg '18 AROYRG; €80,000 2yo '19 ARQMA. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,420. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Mohamed Saeed Al Shahi; B-SAS Ecurie Normandie Pur Sang (FR); T-William Haggas.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mischief Star (GB), c, 2, Due Diligence--Red Mischief (Ire), by Red Clubs (Ire). Catterick Bridge, 8-6, 7f 6yT, 1:28.83. B-The Red Mischief Partnership (GB). *11th winner for freshman sire (by War Front). **34,000gns Wlg '17 TATFOA; £30,000 Ylg '18 GOUKPR.

Vintage Times (GB), f, 2, Firebreak (GB)--Traditionelle (GB), by Indesatchel (Ire). Ripon, 8-6, 5fT, :59.74.
 B-Mrs D O'Brien (GB). *£6,000 Ylg '18 GOUKPR. **1/2 to Vintage Brut (GB) (Dick Turpin {Ire}), MSW-Eng.



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FRANCE



Tuesday's Results:

3rd-Deauville, €27,000, Mdn, 8-6, unraced 2yo, c/g, 7 1/2fT, 1:36.89, g/s.

HOPEFUL (FR) (g, 2, Motivator {GB}--Monst {Ire}, by Monsun {Ger}) found an ideal slot stalking the leading duo in third after breaking on the lead from the outside box. Rowed along off the home turn, the 18-1 outsider seized control with 300 metres remaining and was pushed out late to hold fellow Wertheimer representative Pao Alto (Fr) (Intello {Ger}) by a half-length. He is the third scorer from as many runners produced by a winning daughter of Argentina's G1 Maipu heroine First One (Arg) (Southern Halo), herself a full-sister to G1SP G3 Manuel J Guiraldes victress Fontal (Arg). The homebred bay's fourth dam is MG1SW Argentinian champion Fontana (Arg) (Farnesio {Arg}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (FR); T-Carlos Laffon-Parias.



Savarin, out of European champion 3-year-old filly and three-time Group 1 winner Sarafina, en route to a 1 1/2-length victory at Deauville on Tuesday. | *Scoop Dyga*

2nd-Deauville, €27,000, Mdn, 8-6, unraced 2yo, f, 7 1/2ft, 1:37.05, g/s.

SAVARIN (JPN) (f, 2, Deep Impact {Jpn}--Sarafina {Fr} {Ch. 3yo Filly-Eur, Hw. Older Mare-Fr at 11-14f, MG1SW-Fr, \$2,241,282}, by Refuse to Bend {Ire}) broke well from an inside gate to track the leaders in fifth through halfway in this debut. Improving into third when nudged along off the home turn, the 5-1 chance kept on relentlessly under mild coaxing inside the final quarter mile to deny Dream and Do (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}) by 1 1/2 lengths nearing the line. Becoming the fourth winner from as many foals out of MG1SW European champion Sarafina (Fr) (Refuse To Bend {Ire}), she is a full-sister to G3 Prix Messidor victor Geniale (Jpn) and G3 Radio Nikkei Sho third Go Timing (Jpn). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Masaaki Matsushima; B-Shadai Farm (JPN); T-Andre Fabre.

CONDITIONS RESULT:

8th-Deauville, €28,000, 8-6, 4yo/up, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:55.70, st.

PALAVAS (FR) (g, 4, Redoute's Choice {Aus}--Peinted Song {MSP-Fr}, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 14-4-3-1, €83,600. O-Ecurie Des Mouettes; B-J P J Dubois (FR); T-Cedric Rossi. *€200,000 RNA Ylg '16 ARAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Donizzeta, f, 3, Motivator (GB)--Soldata, by Maria's Mon. Dax, 8-6, 11 1/2ft, 2:24.70, B-Wertheimer et Frere (KY). *1/2 to Alignment (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), GSW-Fr & SP-Qat, \$392,902.
Krunch (GB), f, 3, Sea the Stars (Ire)--Spinacre (Ire) (SW-Ire & GSP-Fr), by Verglas (Ire). Dax, 8-6, 10 1/2ft, 2:16.40. B-Lordship Stud Limited (GB). *€310,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG.

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CALIBURN TO REPRESENT TE AKAU IN CARNIVAL



Caliburn | Te Akau Racing

David Ellis has made his first foray into the European tried horse market with the private purchase of a 4-year-old who will represent a New Zealand ownership group during the Melbourne spring carnival.

Caliburn (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) has been bought on behalf of the Te Akau chief and his wife Karyn by bloodstock agent Paul Moroney and the couple will race him with company clients. Matamata trainer Jamie Richards will take charge of the entire, who will make his Australian debut next month.

However, the 4-year-old will firstly require a name change as Warrnambool trainer Symon Wilde is currently having success with another Caliburn, a recent winner at Murtoa who is, coincidentally, also a son of Camelot.

"I think our horse will be called Te Akau Caliburn," Ellis said. "Paul was the agent that bought the horse for Karyn and myself and we'll race him with some good clients of Te Akau.

"It's pretty exciting, I've bought a yearling in Europe before and this is the first proven horse I've bought," Ellis said.

In 2013, he purchased **Torcedor (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock), who is out of a sister to former champion European stayer Yeats (Ire), for €70,000 at the Arqana Deauville Yearling Sale and he won the G3 Sagaro S. and the G3 Vintage Crop S.

He also finished runner-up in the G1 Goodwood Cup and the G1 Irish St Leger and finished third in the G1 Ascot Gold Cup before his sale last year to German interests.

Moroney's brief was to secure a staying prospect to chase the lucrative prize-money in Australia and filled it with the former Andrew Balding-trained entire, who has won twice up to 2400 metres and has three placings from his nine appearances.

"I told Paul that I wanted a horse who could measure up at Group 1 level in Australia, whether it was this spring or a horse that had the potential to improve and be competitive in the big races next year," said Ellis. "Whether we get to the Caulfield Cup or the Melbourne Cup this year who knows, but I'm pretty confident the following year we can run in all the big cups."

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At his most recent appearance last month, he finished runner-up at Newmarket over 2800 metres behind King's Advice (GB) (Frankel {GB}), who is the current favourite for England's richest handicap – the £1-million Ebor H. at York.

"He went into quarantine in Newmarket last Friday and he'll be there for two weeks and then he goes to Werribee and has two more weeks in quarantine," Ellis said.

A programme has already been locked in for the entire with his early performances to decide if he continues on a spring cups' path this preparation.

"We're thinking that he'll run over 2500 metres at Flemington on Sept. 14 as a nice lead-in to the Bart Cummings," Ellis said.

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David Ellis on Caliburn



Te Akau Shark trials well | Trish Dunell

Tattersalls Graduate

Sold for 155,000gns at the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale in 2016, Te Akau Caliburn is a son of the Listed Knockaire S. winner Enchanted Evening (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), whose four foals to race are all winners and includes the stakes performer Taexali (Ire) (Raven's Pass {USA}). Out of the multiple North American Group 3 winner Glen Kate (Ire) (Glenstal {USA}), Enchanted Evening is a half-sister to the group winners King Jock (USA) (Ghazi {USA}) and Perfect Touch (USA) (Miswaki {USA}) and the family of the three-time Group 2 winner Katdogawn (GB) (Bahhare {USA}).

Te Akau Caliburn will likely be joined in Melbourne by stablemates and G1 Cox Plate hopefuls **Melody Belle (NZ)** (Commands) and **Te Akau Shark (NZ)** (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) while **Avantage** (Fastnet Rock), **In A Twinkling** (Fastnet Rock) and **Probabeel (NZ)** (Savabeel) are also in line to make the travelling party.

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