



SETTING THE TONE EARLY

Peter Pan winner **Tonalist** (Tapit) smoothly glided by the clubhouse turn during his good-looking gallop and things were quickly underway at 6:10 a.m. on another sun-splashed morning at beautiful Belmont Park Tuesday.

Team **Ride On Curlin** (Curlin)--including trainer Billy Gowan and exercise rider Bryan Beccia--set up shop by the rail in anticipation of dual Classic winner **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit)'s imminent training session. Billy Turner, conditioner of the legendary 1977 Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew, was all smiles while making the rounds as the GI Kentucky Derby one-two began their tour of the paddock.



California Chrome
Sherackatthetrack

Commanding

Curve (Master Command) was the first of the pair to venture out from the saddling area and was going very easy upon the end of his routine gallop. The crowd continued to grow by the minute by the clubhouse turn gap as the excitement continued to build to see the big horse in action.

With trainer Art Sherman now in attendance after his late Monday afternoon arrival and son Alan on the shank, California Chrome stood near the track immediately after exiting the tunnel. Like always, he took his sweet time to take *everything* in around the massive 1 1/2-mile oval before it was finally time to get down to business. The younger Sherman made his way over to the rail and exchanged pleasantries with Gowan and company. California Chrome finally began jogging the wrong way, then was turned around for his 2 3/8-mile gallop.

With his gorgeous chestnut coat glistening in the warm New York sun, California Chrome continued to pick up the pace during his second lap and was told by exercise rider Willie Delgado to "slow down" (this is nothing new) while attempting to pull him up around the clubhouse turn. **cont. p3**

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KID CRUZ TO PASS ON THE BELMONT

Kid Cruz (Lemon Drop Kid) will not run in Saturday's GI Belmont S., trainer Linda Rice announced Tuesday. Kid Cruz will instead be pointed to either the Easy Goer S. on the Belmont undercard or the Gill Dwyer S. July 5. "We have decided to pass on the Belmont," Rice said. "Frankly, he didn't perform at Pimlico [when eighth in the GI Preakness S.]. It was a flat effort on his part. We'll just look for an easy race for him to get him back on track. It's a long summer. I just think his last effort was a non-effort on his part. He's a nice horse, and we want to do the right thing by him. We're going to consider the Easy Goer, but we may decide to wait for the Dwyer."

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This week, Bill Oppenheim looks at the contestants for the Saturdays Classics on both sides of the pond in the GI Belmont S. and G1 Epsom Derby. He also gives an update on second-crop and freshman sires.

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Fact of the Day:

Over the past three months, Andrew Caulfield has profiled no fewer than three of the horses headed to Saturday's GI Belmont S. Get in-depth pedigree analysis of these contenders by clicking [here](#) for the TDN

columnist archives.

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At the Belmont with Steve Sherack (cont. from p1)

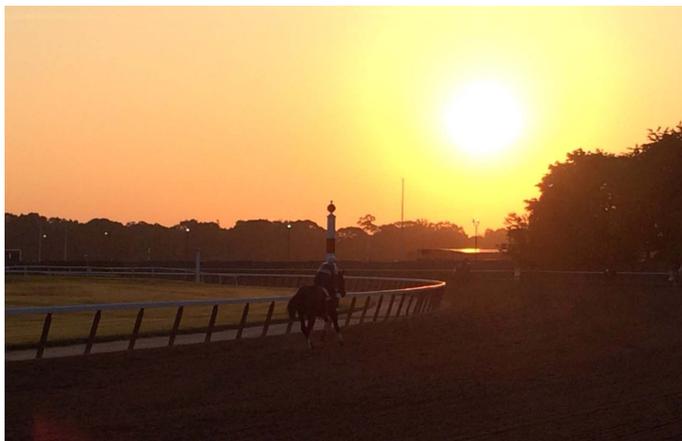
As the large crowd of media and photographers ventured back to Barn 26 (what a difference a day makes), there were still some more GI Belmont S. contenders to catch a glimpse of at the main track. A walkie talkie of a nearby cameraman warned that Ride On Curlin was headed down the horsepath.

Accompanied by a pony, the Preakness runner-up briefly stood by the rail, then began his routine while heading the wrong way. The on-the-fence **Social Inclusion** (Pioneerof the Nile), *not* sporting a Belmont S. saddle cloth (do we think that was a clue?), quickly followed and immediately headed off around the clubhouse turn.

With Gowan back and now looking on with his wife Tracy, Ride On Curlin hugged the rail nicely throughout the stretch while under a snug hold by Beccia. The consistent bay continues to serve notice that he has plenty left in the tank after competing in the first two legs of the Triple Crown.

Kid Cruz (Lemon Drop Kid), a well-beaten eighth in the Preakness, was impossible to miss with his exercise rider sporting a fluorescent greenish yellow t-shirt when rolling by at 7:15 a.m. He apparently didn't do enough to sway trainer Linda Ride to enter him in the big one, though. Kid Cruz will be now be aimed at either the Easy Goer S. on the Belmont undercard or the July 5 GIII Dwyer S.

The Shermans participated in a brief outdoor press conference on the grandstand apron as training hours began to wind down at 8:00 a.m., before the action shifted to Manhattan for the luncheon in Rockefeller Center. [CLICK HERE TO SHARE THIS STORY](#)

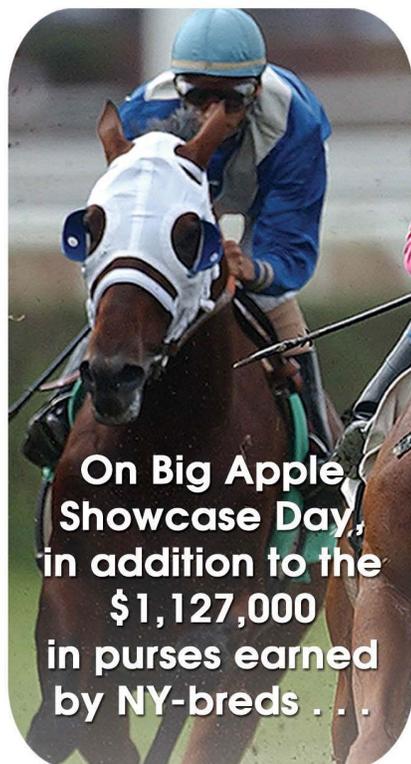


Beautiful Belmont Park Sunrise
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California Chrome out for his morning gallop



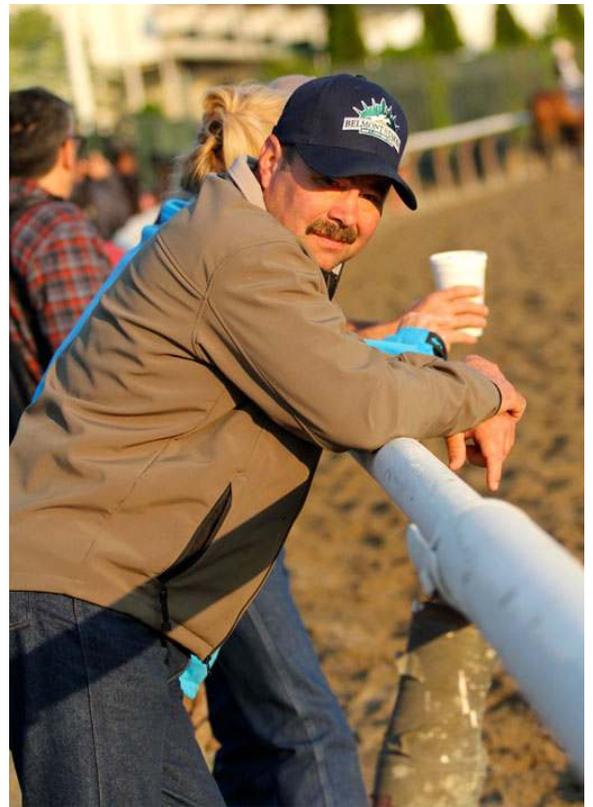
Social Inclusion was happy as could be coming around the bend



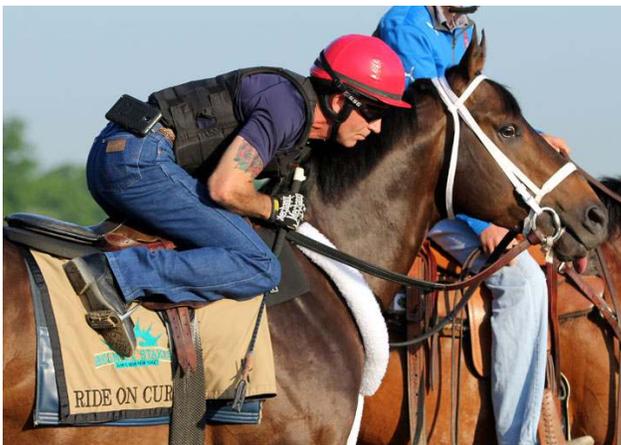
Kid Cruz was all business



Tonalist was the first of the Belmont contenders to hit the track



Billy Gowan waiting for Ride On Curlin to gallop past



Bryan Beccia has a little chat with Ride On Curlin as they watch the early morning action

Photos courtesy of Christie DeBernardis



Team Chrome gives an early morning press conference



HORSEMEN TAKE OVER FIFTH AVENUE

By *Christie DeBernardis*

High above the hustle and bustle of Fifth Avenue in Manhattan, the who's who of the Triple Crown trail and several members of the press gathered for the annual Belmont Media Luncheon overlooking Rockefeller Center yesterday.

New York Racing Association CEO and President Chris Kay got things started by describing the changes made to Belmont Stakes day, which include a 13-race card with 10 stakes, six of which are Grade I, and purses totaling \$8-million. He also thanked the connections of Triple Crown hopeful **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) for showing people that dreams really do come true.

NYRA analyst Andy Serling took over as emcee and called up West Point Thoroughbreds' COO Tom Bellhouse to discuss the group's GI Kentucky Derby runner-up **Commanding Curve** (Master Command). Bellhouse said the bay was following the plan West Point founder Terry Finley and trainer Dallas Stewart laid out in November of last year and they are confident he will relish Belmont's 1 1/2 mile distance.

Next up to the podium was the affable Bronco Billy Gowan, trainer of GI Preakness S. runner-up **Ride On Curlin** (Curlin). Dressed in his trademark Wranglers and cowboy boots, Gowan got plenty of laughs from the crowd when Serling asked how big his stable was and he replied, "Well, I am up to four now!"



Billy Gowan *Horsephotos*

Serling then posed the same question he had asked Bellhouse about how it felt being in a position to spoil a Triple Crown attempt.

"I've been trying to spoil him for the last two races," Gowan said with a chuckle, which brought another roar of laughter from the crowd. "But if we can't do it, I sure am pulling for my man Art [Sherman] over there."

Leonard Riggio, owner and breeder of Gili Withers S. and Gili Gotham S. hero **Samraat** (Noble Causeway), ascended to the stage to discuss his New York-bred star. He said the Kentucky Derby fifth-place finisher would indeed be running for his sire, who also raced under Riggio's



Leonard Riggio *Horsephotos*

My Meadowview Farm colors, and passed away just last week.

The humble Christophe Clement kept it short and sweet when asked about his impressive Gili Peter Pan S. victor **Tonalist** (Tapit).

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"I think the whole deal for me is to bring him in feeling as good as possible, as fit as possible and after that [Joel] Rosario will worry about it," the conditioner said in his heavy French accent.

Centennial Farms's Don Little, owner of GI Twinspires.com Wood Memorial winner **Wicked Strong** (Hard Spun), and jockey Rajiv Maragh were next on the microphone.

Maragh was very impressed with the bay's most recent work Sunday--a bullet five panels in :59.10--and is confident in his mount's ability to handle this distance.

Little said a win on Saturday would be very emotional for him, as it would be Centennial's first Classic since losing his father, the founder and original president of Centennial Farms, two years ago. The pair celebrated their first Belmont win when Colonial Affair (Pleasant Colony) won with Julie Krone aboard in 1993, making her the first female jockey to capture a leg of the Triple Crown.



Team Chrome *Horsephotos*

Last, but certainly not least, were the connections of California Chrome, which included part owner Steve Coburn, trainers Art and Alan Sherman and jockey Victor Espinoza. Donning his cowboy hat, the charismatic Coburn got things rolling. **cont. p5**



"I am just happy to be here," he said. "We did it the old fashioned way. We earned it."

Serling asked how Coburn was enjoying the city and if he would stick around to celebrate for a few days after the race was over.

"I have to be back at work Tuesday, so we are heading out Monday," Coburn replied with a chuckle. "I have to be at work at 6:00 a.m. and 4:45 a.m. rolls around pretty early."

Sherman, who is actually a native New Yorker, gave a non-committal shrug of his shoulders when asked if California Chrome would head to Saratoga this summer.

"Well, I don't know," Sherman said. "Del Mar might get mad at me. I am a resident of San Diego now, so I am getting a lot of pressure from that end, too."

The connections of the Belmont S. contenders will gather with the media again tomorrow at the track for the post position draw at 11:00 a.m.

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Thursday, June 5:

6:30 p.m.--Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation 2014 Belmont Stakes Charity dinner at Bar Americain, 52 W. 52nd St., New York City (TICKETS SOLD OUT) (click [here](#) for more info)

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| 2 | Colonel John Sire: Tiznow | 2005 | 2 | \$1,348,499 | 51 | 24 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 3 |
| | | | | Stands: KY [US\$17,500] | | | | | AWD (List): 7.04, AWD (Lifetime): 7.04 | |
| T3 | Dunkirk Sire: Unbridled's Song | 2006 | 2 | \$1,673,692 | 68 | 29 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 2 |
| | | | | Stands: KY [US\$15,000] | | | | | AWD (List): 6.69, AWD (Lifetime): 6.69 | |
| T3 | Old Fashioned Sire: Unbridled's Song | 2006 | 2 | \$1,522,410 | 49 | 21 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| | | | | Stands: KY [US\$8,000] | | | | | AWD (List): 6.48, AWD (Lifetime): 6.48 | |

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This coming Saturday, June 7, is the biggest day of the racing year so far, because that is the day we find out if **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) becomes the 12th Triple Crown winner, or the 12th to make the race and fail in the 36 years since Affirmed followed Secretariat and Seattle Slew as the third Triple Crown winner of the seventies. California Chrome, the 6-5 favorite on Betfair on Monday, goes into the G1 Belmont S. having won three Grade 1s in a row, including the first two legs of the Triple Crown.



California Chrome
Horsephotos

By contrast, the 7-5 favorite on Betfair for Saturday's G1 Epsom Derby, **Australia** (a 525,000gns Tattersalls October 1 yearling buy by the Coolmore team-- interestingly the same price they paid for Camelot two years earlier, and by Galileo out of Ouija Board), has never won a Group 1. He's only had four lifetime starts. In his third and final start at two, he slammed the highly regarded (since injured) **Free Eagle** (High Chaparral) in the G3 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Trial S. over a mile at Leopardstown last September. He then ran a good third to **Night of Thunder** (Dubawi) and subsequent G1 Irish 2000 Guineas winner **Kingman** (Invincible Spirit) in the G1 English 2000 Guineas.

Conventional wisdom holds that Guineas form is the best Derby form, because the Guineas mile trip four weeks before the Derby is the perfect tune-up for a horse with speed that stays, and that's exactly what the betting is on Australia.



Australia
Racing Post photo

His connections are worried about the ground being too soft, but connections of the probable second favorite (around 8-1 on Betfair), last year's soft-ground G1 Racing Post Trophy winner **Kingston Hill**, owned by Paul Smith (son of Coolmore partner Derrick Smith) and by last year's leading freshman sire

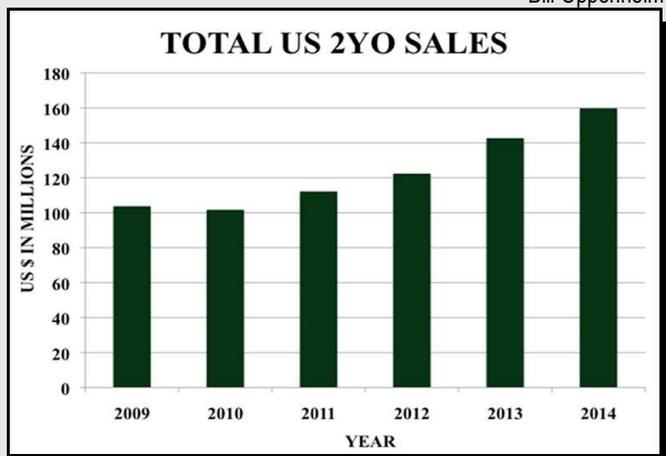
Mastercraftsman, are worried if the ground firms up too much. Kingston Hill was eighth in the Guineas, but probably simply doesn't have miler speed. **cont. p7**

Weekly Sales Ticker

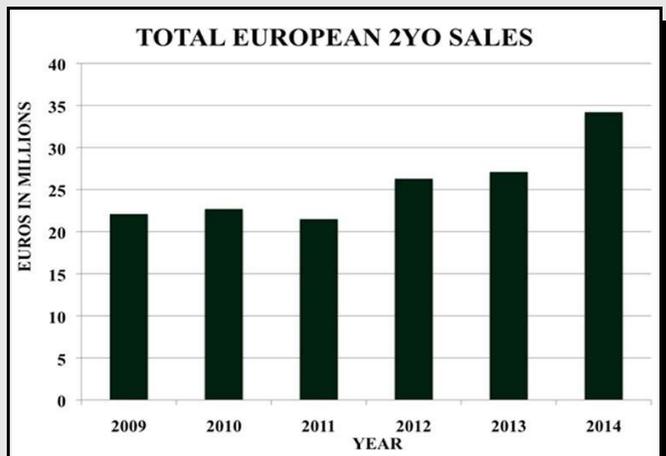
by Bill Oppenheim

"With the season's major 2-year-old sales now in the books, except for the big OBS June sale later this month (and Goffs' new small boutique sale in London on the eve of Royal Ascot), the trends are positive. The American sales have grossed just under \$160-million, an increase of 12% from last year, while the average for those sold edged up above \$100,000; the problem, of course, is the clearance rate from the catalogues, especially at the US 'boutique' sales. The European sales have been up 26% in gross and 16% in average from 2013".

- Bill Oppenheim



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|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|-----------|
| 2014 | 2,902 | 2,084 | 1,579 | 28.2% | 75.8% | 54.4% | \$159,738,200 | \$101,164 |
| 2013 | 2,648 | 1,924 | 1,534 | 27.3% | 79.7% | 57.9% | \$142,705,750 | \$93,029 |
| 2012 | 2,874 | 2,120 | 1,615 | 26.2% | 76.2% | 56.2% | \$122,442,500 | \$75,816 |
| 2011 | 3,215 | 2,347 | 1,768 | 27.0% | 75.3% | 55.0% | \$112,221,300 | \$63,474 |
| 2010 | 2,877 | 2,196 | 1,616 | 23.7% | 73.6% | 56.2% | \$101,684,800 | \$62,924 |
| 2009 | 3,385 | 2,384 | 1,689 | 29.6% | 70.8% | 49.9% | \$103,685,300 | \$61,389 |



| YEAR | CAT | RING | SOLD | %W/D | %S/R | %S/C | GROSS | AVG |
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| 2014 | 936 | 777 | 618 | 17.0% | 79.5% | 66.0% | €34,213,010 | €55,361 |
| 2013 | 877 | 741 | 570 | 15.5% | 76.9% | 65.0% | €27,114,035 | €47,568 |
| 2012 | 855 | 719 | 560 | 15.9% | 77.9% | 65.5% | €26,320,587 | €47,001 |
| 2011 | 771 | 654 | 483 | 15.2% | 73.9% | 62.6% | €21,544,317 | €44,605 |
| 2010 | 791 | 694 | 523 | 12.3% | 75.4% | 66.1% | €22,659,501 | €43,326 |
| 2009 | 759 | 476 | 476 | 13.6% | 72.6% | 62.7% | €22,090,751 | €46,409 |

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



The weather forecast suggests it will probably be good-to-soft on Saturday, maybe on the good side of good-to-soft, which wouldn't unduly inconvenience anybody. The big rain is due today, so we should pretty much know after today how the ground will ride.

Six other colts, five of whom came out of one of two major 10-furlong preps, the G2 Dante at York or the G2 Derrinstown Derby Trial at Leopardstown, were trading between 10-1 and 20-1, though not in the order in which they finished in the trials. Derrinstown third **Geoffrey Chaucer** (Montjeu) and Dante third **True Story** (Manduro) were around the 12-1 mark, while the Derrinstown one-two **Fascinating Rock** (Fastnet Rock) and **Ebanoran** (Oasis Dream), and the Dante second **Arod** (Teofilo), were all around 16-1. As you may remember, Ebanoran finished first in the Derrinstown, but interfered with Geoffrey Chaucer, for which he was disqualified behind Fascinating Rock, but not behind the horse he interfered with. The Dante, of course, got a huge boost when the winner, The Grey Gatsby, became Mastercraftsman's second Group 1 winner in last weekend's G1 Prix du Jockey-Club--French Derby. The sixth contender in that price range is **Western Hymn** (High Chaparral), unbeaten in three starts, including the G3 Sandown Classic Trial last time out.

Later Saturday, California Chrome's bid for glory should depend simply on whether he can get the trip. He had both the G1 Kentucky Derby and G1 Preakness wrapped up at the eighth pole, so they will have to outstay him to beat him.

Mind you, in the last 36 years the Derby and Preakness winner has been outstayed 11 times in 11 tries, so right around even money seems a fair gamble. Either he will stay the trip, or he won't. There are only a few thousand staked on Betfair at the moment, but thus far the market identifies four main challengers, all around 7-1 or 8-1; the G1 Preakness second **Ride on Curlin** (Curlin); G1 Kentucky Derby second and fourth **Commanding Curve** (Master Command) and **Wicked Strong** (Hard Spun); and G1 Peter Pan S. winner **Tonalist** (Tapit). Derby fifth **Samraat** (by Noble Causeway, who unfortunately died before he could reap the rewards of Samraat's good form) and Derby also-rans **Medal Count** (Dynaformer) and **General a Rod** (Roman Ruler, fourth in the Preakness) are priced between 17-1 and 25-1. If California Chrome stays, he wins.

If not, I would fancy Wicked Strong, of those who have finished behind him, and Tonalist, who he hasn't faced.

But there will be an awesome supporting cast at Belmont, which is running 10 black-type races, nine graded, including six Grade I's and two Grade II's, with a total of \$7.7-million in stakes purses, in what should be a massive Super Saturday. Besides the \$1.5-million Belmont, they are running: the \$1.25-million G1 Met Mile (3yo+, 1m, dirt); the \$1-million G1 Manhattan (4yo's+, 10f, turf); the \$1 million G1 Ogden Phipps (4yo+ f/m, 1 1/16m, dirt); the \$750,000 G1 Acorn (3yo fillies, 1m, dirt); the \$750,000 G1 Just a Game (4yo+ f/m, 1m, turf); the \$500,000 G1I Brooklyn (4yos+, 1 1/2m, dirt); the \$500,000 G1I Woody Stephens (3yo, 7f, dirt); the \$300,000 G1I Jaipur (4yos+, 6f, turf); and the \$150,000 Easy Goer (3yo, 1 1/16m, dirt). That is some card, and should provide some really interesting betting opportunities. It's a great idea which hopefully will get serious fan, as well as industry, support.

The weekend's Classics kick off with Friday's G1 Epsom Oaks, run this year in honor of the late, great Sir Henry Cecil, who won it eight times. Two horses are seriously fancied. Favorite for the last month has been Sheikh Hamdan's Sea the Stars filly **Taghrooda**, who routed the field by six lengths in the listed Pretty Polly S. at Newmarket on Guineas weekend, but she has been displaced as favorite by Coolmore's impressive G1 Irish 1000 Guineas winner **Marvellous**, who is by Galileo out of a 2-year-old Group 2-winning full-sister to Giant's Causeway. Yesterday on Betfair, Marvellous was about 3-1, Taghrooda 7-2.

Third choice is Godolphin's **Ihtimal** (Shamardal), who was third in the G1 English 1000 Guineas. Sheikh Hamdan's second string, the Irish-trained **Tarfasha** (Teofilo), who beat older fillies last out in the G3 Blue Wind S., is around 10-1 fourth choice.

Trial winners **Madame Chiang** (from the first crop by Archipenko), **Marsh Daisy** (Pivotal), and **Volume** (Mount Nelson) are around 14-1 to 16-1 shots, with a couple of other Trial winners, **Anipa** (another Sea the Stars filly) and **Honor Bound** (Authorized) among the bigger outsiders.

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The sneaky outsider is Sir Robert Ogden's **Amazing Maria** (Mastercraftsman), the mount of one Frankie Dettori. She had to miss the G1 English 1000 and hasn't run this year, so has been off people's radar, but she was rapidly improving at the end of last season.

SECOND-CROP SIRE UPDATE

The **Grey Gatsby's** decisive win in Sunday's G1 Prix du Jockey Club not only validated the form of his win in the G2 Dante S. two and a half weeks previously, it also shot last year's leading NA/EU freshman sire, Coolmore's Mastercraftsman (Daneshill Dancer), straight to the top of the NA/EU year-to-date second-crop sire list ([click here](#)). You'll note that, of the six sires with over \$1 million in 2014 progeny earnings, four are European. The 2014 number two **Thewayyouare** (Kingmambo) has certainly shown enough to earn a promotion back to the main Coolmore farm, but \$1.2 million of his 2014 earnings came from Toast of New York's impressive win in the G2 UAE Derby. He was originally going to run back in the G1 Epsom Derby this weekend, but connections have had a change of heart, and instead are pointing him for the \$1.25-million G1 Belmont Derby (10f, turf) on July 5.

The other three of the top four 2014 European second-crop sires look like even more serious business.

Mastercraftsman has now sired five group winners and seven group horses in his first crop, including two Group 1 winners--Kingston Hill and The Grey Gatsby. He was a top racehorse himself, winner of four Group 1 races--the Phoenix S. and National S. at two, and the Irish 2000 Guineas and St. James's Palace S. at three, as well as twice placing behind Sea the Stars at 10 furlongs, in the G1 Juddmonte International and the G1 Irish Champion S. **Giltown's Sea the Stars** (Cape Cross) is now third among European second-crop sires by 2014



The Grey Gatsby
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progeny earnings, but he is the leader in four back-type categories this year, with five back-type winners, three of which are group stakes winners; and 11 black-type horses, of which five are group stakes horses, including two who've run Group 1 seconds for the Aga Khan in the last 10 days: the filly Vazira, second in the G1

Prix Saint-Alary; and the colt Shamkiyr, second to The Grey Gatsby in the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club last weekend. Sea the Stars now has four Group 3 winners and, as mentioned above, two contenders including virtual co-favorite Taghrooda in Friday's G1 Epsom Oaks. It is definitely happening.

BRIS Speed Ratings

Top Weekly Stakes Races

| Horse | Sire | Race | BRIS Speed |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| Clubhouse Ride | Candy Ride (ARG) | Californian S.-G2 | 105 |
| Frac Daddy | Scat Daddy | Eclipse S.-G2 | 103 |
| R Free Roll | Rockport Harbor | U Can Do It H. | 103 |
| Delaunay | Smoke Glacken | Aristides S.-G3 | 102 |
| Last Gunfighter | First Samurai | Mountainview H. | 102 |
| Captain Serious | Successful Appeal | Mike Lee S. | 101 |
| Tightend Touchdown | Pure Precision | Pennsylvania Governor's Cup S. | 100 |
| Mr. Baker | Imperialism | Ponche H. | 99 |
| Kharafa | Kitalpha | Kingston S. | 98 |
| Escaper | Exchange Rate | Connaught Cup S.-G2 | 97 |
| Pure Tactics | Pure Prize | Siren Lure S. | 97 |
| Zivo | True Direction | Commentator H. | 97 |
| Tiz'naz | Tiz Wonderful | Grover Buddy Delp Memorial S. | 95 |
| King Henry | Congrats | Penn Dash S. | 94 |
| La Verdad | Yes It's True | Critical Eye S. | 94 |
| Partyallnightlong | Put It Back | John J. Reilly H. | 94 |
| Bolita Boyz | Act of Duty | Unbridled S. | 93 |
| Regally Ready | More Than Ready | Opening Verse S. | 93 |
| Wally Van | Crafty Shaw | Arapahoe Park Sprint S. | 93 |
| Bobby's Kitten | Kitten's Joy | Penn Mile S. | 91 |
| Pinot Grigio | Unbridled Jet | Open Mind H. | 91 |
| Sugar Shock | Candy Ride (ARG) | Panthers S. | 91 |
| Isabelle | Successful Appeal | Bouwerie S. | 90 |

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Haras de la Cauveniere's 2009 G1 Prix du Jockey-Club winner **Le Havre** (Noverre) is the fourth European second-crop sire with over \$1 million in 2014 progeny earnings. He is the sire of G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (French 1000 Guineas) winner Avenir Certain, who could be favored over another French-trained filly, G1 English 1000 Guineas winner Miss France (Dansili) for their showdown in Royal Ascot's G1 Coronation S. Also, last Sunday another filly by Le Havre, dual listed winner La Hogue, ran a good second in the G2 Prix du Sandringham on the French Derby undercard. So far the *Racing Post* website lists no fewer than seven runners by Le Havre which have run *Racing Post* Ratings (RPR) of 99+; very impressive.

WinStar's **Pioneer of the Nile** (Empire Maker) continues to lead the North American second-crop sire list ([click here](#)) by progeny earnings, and, like Sea the Stars in Europe, in four key black-type categories: three BTW, six BTH, two GSW, and four GSH. These include Cairo Prince, winner of the Gil Holy Bull, and Social Inclusion, not yet a black-type winner but third in the GI Twinspires.com Wood Memorial and the GI Preakness, and running at Belmont this weekend.

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Number two in North America is Taylor Made's **Old Fashioned** (Unbridled's Song), sire of dual California Grade I winner Fashion Plate.



FRESHMAN SIRES

It's only the beginning of June, but I was surprised to find that already there are 20 NA/EU freshman sires with two or more winners. Fifteen of these, including the three freshmen with four or more winners so far, are in Europe, where there is considerably more early-season 2-year-old racing. Five are in the U.S. The three leaders are all Danzig-line sires, and all showed their best form at two. This is very early-season form, and really only shows precocity, but that does translate to 'quick return' for owners. The leader by progeny earnings so far ([click here](#)) is Whitsbury Manor Stud's **Showcasing**, one of three sons of Oasis Dream to already have two or more winners. Winner of the G2 Gimcrack (6f) at two, Showcasing has sired four winners, including Cappella Sansavero, trained by Ger Lyons in Ireland, who is three-for-three, including a win in the 5-furlong Listed Marble Hill S. a couple of weeks ago. Leader by number of winners is Tally-Ho Stud's **Zebedee**, a gray son of Invincible Spirit (like Oasis Dream, himself a son of Green Desert) who won six of his seven starts, all over five furlongs, at two. Zebedee has seven winners so far, from an impressive 37 runners.

They are sure getting them to the races. Rathasker Stud's **Fast Company** is a son of Danehill Dancer who won the seven-furlong Acomb S. at York at two for trainer Brian Meehan, and gave New Approach a scare in the 2007 G1 Dewhurst S., with Raven's Pass, Rio de la Plata, and Dark Angel among those behind him. He has five winners so far.

Among the American sires, Spendthrift's 2010 GI Carter H. winner **Warrior's Reward**, the best colt from Medaglia d'Oro's first crop, burst on to the scene with three winners on the same day last Friday to go straight to the head of the class among North American freshman sires. He's had plenty of admirers, at last year's yearling sales and this year's 2-year-old sales, and they're entitled to be encouraged by this early show of strength. Friday, May 30, 2014, may come to be remembered as "Warrior's Reward Day" around Spendthrift. Also with three winners is **Silver City**, a fast son of Unbridled's Song who stands at the late Clarence Scharbauer's Valor Farm in Texas. With two winners each are Coolmore's **Lookin at Lucky** (Smart Strike), and Darley's **Desert Party** (Street Cry {Ire}) and **Midshipman** (Unbridled's Song). Lookin at Lucky and Midshipman were both champion two-year-olds. Desert Party was a Grade II winner at two who had some yearlings sell really big last year.

REMEMBERING

Very saddened to learn of the death of John Hills, eldest of legendary trainer Barry Hills's five sons, last weekend at the age of 53. I'd like to add my name to the chorus of those who have been quoted as remembering John as "a thoroughly nice guy." I had the pleasure to work with him for a few years at the yearling sales, especially at Goffs, where he'd always find a few 'on spec' to sell on once he got back home.



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He was a very bright guy, knew plenty about pedigrees, understood the nuances of catalogue pages very well, but could converse on non-horse related topics with intelligence, understanding, and a wry sense of humor. He'll be remembered as the trainer of Wind In Her Hair, the dam of Deep Impact, but I'll remember him asking for hot milk with his coffee in the Goffs' canteen. Godspeed, John. [CLICK HERE TO SHARE THIS STORY](#)

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NEWS TODAY

NYRA EQUINE SAFETY PANEL VIDEO

Edited Press Release

In a [two-part video](#) released Tuesday and available on nyra.com, New York Racing Association President and CEO Chris Kay and two industry experts discuss the definitive steps being taken to enhance equine safety and ensure the integrity of racing in New York.

Moderated by NYRA racing analyst and champion jockey Richard Migliore, Part 1 of the 15-minute program focuses on the joint efforts of NYRA and the New York State Gaming Commission to develop a culture of safety at Belmont Park, Aqueduct Racetrack, and Saratoga Race Course.

Kay and NYS Equine Medical Director Dr. Scott Palmer, who chaired the New York State Task Force on Racehorse Health and Safety, cite the Task Force recommendations that have been put into place by the Gaming Commission and NYRA, resulting in a significant reduction in racing fatalities over the past 16 months. In 2012, racing fatalities were 2.2 per 1,000 starts, and 2013, they fell to 1.3 per 1,000 starts. With the increased level of risk management and the standardization of pre-race exam and veterinary protocols, so far this year, says Palmer, the fatality rate is the lowest it has ever been.

Kay also credits a significant part of the increase in safety to the Racing Committee and the Equine and Jockey Safety Committee of NYRA's new Board of Directors; NYRA's new executive talent, including Martin Panza, the senior vice-president of racing operations who works closely with Palmer and NYRA Chief Examining Veterinarian Dr. Anthony Verderosa, as well as NYRA Vice President of Facilities and Racing Surfaces Glen Kozak, who ensures the association's three tracks are at the highest level of safety.

As the injury rate has fallen, Kay says, standards have risen. In Part 2 of the program, Kay and NYRA Safety Steward Hugh Gallagher examine his role on the backstretch of the racetracks as he trains and supervises NYRA's security personnel in overseeing integrity missives such as the "Horse Watch" detail and monitoring the activities of private veterinarians.

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"I think my presence on the backstretch will create questions, and I am there as a source of information," says Gallagher. "I also will be a link to the stewards as they do their job during racing."

All these steps, explains Kay, are designed to ensure that guests can have confidence in NYRA and the sport of horseracing.

"This is an unprecedented time at NYRA as we, along with the governor and Gaming Commission, have put together a team of Board Members, NYRA and State employees, racing officials and veterinarians whose primary mission it is to protect our horses and jockeys, and ensure the integrity of New York racing," says Kay. "The changes we have made together have proven to be the right formula to achieve that goal."

RACETRACK ROUND-UP

Just a Way the Star Attraction for Yasuda Kinen

Already a Group 1 winner at 10 furlongs and at nine furlongs, **Just a Way (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) will try to become a winner at the highest level at the one-mile distance as he tries to continue his sire's red-hot streak in Sunday's G1 Yasuda Kinen at Tokyo Racecourse. The



Just a Way

Randi Sokoloff

5-year-old belied odds of 14-1 to best subsequent G1 Japan Cup repeater and recent G1 Dubai Sheema Classic victress Gentildonna (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) over the

metric mile and a quarter Oct. 27, then returned from a four-month absence to win the G2 Nakayama Kinen over a mile and an eighth Mar. 2. That effort served as a prelude to this year's single best performance, as Just a Way thrashed the field by 6 1/4 lengths in the G1 Dubai Duty Free S., smashing the course record in the process. In addition to Just a Way, Heart's Cry, himself winner of the 2006 Sheema Classic, has remarkably accounted for G1 Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks) winner Nuovo Record (Jpn), as well as last weekend's G1 Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby) hero One and Only (Jpn). Set to oppose Just a Way are **Shonan Mighty (Jpn)** (Manhattan Cafe {Jpn}) and **Danon Shark (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), second and third, respectively, behind Lord Kanaloa (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) in last year's Yasuda Kinen. **Glorious Days (Aus)** (Hussonet) is the lone foreign raider as he makes his third consecutive appearance in the Tokyo feature. The 2013 G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile winner, 14th in 2012 and 12th last year, was most recently fourth in the G1 Champions Mile May 4, but has settled in nicely in Japan.

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"He arrived in good shape, lost a bit of weight, which is normal but he's eating and drinking and the reports are he's ok," trainer John Size told South China *Morning Post*. Hong Kong horses have twice scooped the Yasuda Kinen--Fairy King Prawn (Aus) (Danehill) in 2000 and Bullish Luck (Royal Academy) in 2006.

Antipathy Possible for Ogden Phipps

Darley's **Antipathy** (A.P. Indy) will "most likely" be entered in the G1 Ogden Phipps Saturday. The Kiaran McLaughlin trainee was second in a Belmont allowance May 1. The Ogden Phipps will be her first taste of stakes company. "Obviously, we'll hope that things go her way and we get lucky and win it," McLaughlin said, "but if we finish third, it's a home run. In a small field, anything can happen."

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| 1967 | Damascus | Sword Dancer (1959) |
| 1952 | One Count | Count Fleet (1943) |
| 1951 | Counterpoint | Count Fleet (1943) |
| 1937 | War Admiral | Man o' War (1920) |
| 1936 | Granville | Gallant Fox (1930) |
| 1935 | Omaha | Gallant Fox (1930) |
| 1926 | Crusader | Man o' War (1920) |
| 1925 | American Flag | Man o' War (1920) |



Letters

TO THE EDITOR

Henry R. "Hank" Nothhaft

I am an avid reader of *TDN* and anxiously await its arrival in my e-mail box each day. Thank you for the great job of covering our industry on a global basis.

I am also a breeder and owner since 2006. My stable now consists of about 40 Thoroughbreds domiciled in CA, KY, PA and the U.K.

Two key debates, one ongoing, one a bit more topical, have caught my attention recently. The first, how to attract new Thoroughbred owners. The second, complaints regarding hospitality or the lack thereof at Churchill Downs during Kentucky Derby week from various constituencies.

This year I became a licensed owner in Britain. I have attended races in which I had a runner and also when I did not have a runner on several occasions this year. The superior and extensive level of hospitality extended to owners in England was a real eye opener. I can sincerely say that I was amazed by the positive treatment and reminded me why I got involved with Thoroughbreds in the first place. This contrasts to my overall experiences in the U.S., which have been generally disappointing with some exceptions like the Del Mar Turf Club which stands above the rest, in my opinion.

I entered a race this week at Nottingham. It triggered the e-mail I am forwarding to you. Keep in mind, Nottingham is not even one of the 19 tracks that have the Race Owners Association Gold seal of approval and this is just a run of the mill handicap race, not a stakes. This email was so different from what one encounters "state-side" that I felt compelled to share it with you. If we treated owners more like this in the U.S., it would go a long way in attracting new owners. If CDI took more of this approach, complaints would be converted into cheers.

Thanks for reading this. I race in the U.K. as Henry R Nothhaft and in the U.S. as HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC.

Best regards,
Henry R. "Hank" Nothhaft

Welcome to Nottingham Racecourse - we are all delighted that you have chosen to enter your horse to run with us here at Nottingham Racecourse here on Wednesday 4 June - our Totepool Raceday, featuring The totepool Home of Pool Betting Handicap Stakes.

The ground is currently Good to Soft (GoingStick: 6.3 on Sunday at 09:30). The stalls placement is as follows: 5 & 6f - stands side; 1m - centre; remainder - inside. We are using the Outer Track, and the rail has been stepped out 4m around whole course, increasing round course distances by 24 yards.

It has been dry overnight and is currently overcast. There is a chance of light and patchy showers through Monday and Tuesday, with a band of more persistent rain expected to move in during Wednesday, and temperatures are forecast to be around 17C.

As you may have seen, we have made considerable changes to the Owners & Trainers facilities for the 2014 season. An entire floor of the Grandstand is being given over to Owners and Trainers for the season, with a conversion that splits an informal restaurant and bar facility with access to external terrace to view the racing. We will have extensive signage in place to guide you to the new facility. NB If disabled viewing is required, please notify us in advance.

An extensive menu is being provided to choose from using the free food voucher that will be issued on your arrival (with alternative options available to purchase). We offer the exclusive Jockey Club Wine List in the Owners and Trainers Suite. If you would prefer, as an alternative, we offer a discount in our Premier Restaurant (subject to availability) -please ring to book a table. Complimentary tea and coffee is also being offered for the duration of their stay.

We have also invested in our equine facilities over the Winter. The stable yard has been re-surfaced, and the saddling boxes have been fitted with rubber flooring. The drainage work completed last summer has bedded in nicely in preparation for the new season, while a furlong of perimeter fencing on the back straight has been replaced. Finally, the area either side of the sand crossing has been levelled and re-turfed.

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IN OTHER NEWS...

A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Other Media

60 Minutes Sports preview Showtime's news magazine program, which airs Wednesday night at 9 p.m. ET/PT, examines drug testing in horse racing.

California Steals Kentucky's Spotlight California is hardly known as an epicenter of thoroughbred breeding. But on Saturday, the Belmont Stakes will include the first California-bred Triple Crown contender, leaving the actual industry leader, Kentucky, to pour another bourbon and dream of next year. **Pia Catton, *The Wall Street Journal***

Amid Crown chase, a battle for Racing's Soul In May 1995, when New York became the last major horse racing center in the United States to legalize the race-day use of Lasix, a diuretic that reduces bleeding in horses' respiratory systems, the decision was celebrated throughout the thoroughbred industry as a great step forward. **Jim Squires, *The New York Times***

NBC BELMONT COVERAGE:

Wednesday, June 4

CALIFORNIA CHROME: THE UNLIKELY CHAMPION-6:30 p.m. (ENCORE 10:30 p.m.), NBCSN

Thursday, June 5

BELMONT CLASSICS-7:30 p.m. NBCSN

CALIFORNIA CHROME: THE UNLIKELY CHAMPION-7:30 p.m., NBCSN

Friday, June 6

CALIFORNIA CHROME: THE UNLIKELY CHAMPION-3:30 p.m., NBCSN

BELMONT CLASSICS-4 p.m., NBCSN

BELMONT STAKES ACCESS-5 p.m. (ENCORE 10:30 p.m.), NBCSN

140th KENTUCKY DERBY REPLAY-8:30 p.m., NBCSN

139th PREAKNESS S. REPLAY-9:30 p.m., NBCSN

Saturday, June 7

BELMONT PREP-2:30 p.m., NBCSN

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Joe Hirsch Writing Award Winner Announced:

Bob Ehalf of ESPN.com and the *Daily Racing Form's* Nicole Russo were named the recipients of the Joe Hirsch Memorial Writing Award, recognizing the best coverage of the 2013 Belmont S. Ehalf was given the award for his piece "Will it be the year of the filly?" which ran June 6. Russo was given the award for "Campbell, Dogwood partnership enjoy another classic success."

Eastern U.S.

Yesterday's Results:

9th-PRX, \$45,500, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 3/5, my.
+ CLOCK STOPPER (f, 3, [Midnight Lute](#)--Clever Feline, by Officer) debuted as the even-money chalk in this first trip to the post for a barn sporting an other-worldly 7-6-1-0 record as of this start. Away in good order despite the muddy conditions, the dark bay tracked the leader down the backstretch and dueled with that rival after the first quarter mile in :22.13. Still locked up with that turning for home, she sailed into the final furlong with a daylight advantage and held on to win by a length from the rallying Maker's Mika (Lewis Michael). The winner hails from the extended family of  **"TDN Rising Stars"**  Kauai Katie (Malibu Moon) and Winding Way (Malibu Moon). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$26,400. [Click for the **brisnet.com** chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).
 O/B-Harvey A Clarke (KY). T-Chad C Brown.

 **Foaled & Raised by *Brookdale* for Harvey Clarke** 

Monday Night's Results:

5th-MNR, \$19,400, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:07 4/5, ft.
+ OUR KATHARINA (f, 4, [Spellbinder](#)--Beach Plum, by Wild Rush) went off at 2-1, second choice in the field of seven for her first trip postward. On the muscle from the bell, the bay quickly distanced herself from the field and though the margin shrank by midstretch, she fended off all comers to win by 2 3/4 lengths on the line. Sleepless Star (Political Force) was second. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,834. [Click for the **brisnet.com** chart](#).
 O/T-Noel Sanchez. B-Emilie Gerlinde Fojan (KY).

Wednesday, Delaware Park, post time: 3:57 p.m. EST

OUR MIMS S., \$50,000, 3yo, f, 1m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | ML |
|----|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|----------|------|
| 1 | Joint Return | Include | Carmouche | Servis | 5-2 |
| 2 | Southwest Lady | Sightseeing | Caraballo | Griffith | 15-1 |
| 3 | Jane Peterson | Exchange Rate | McCarthy | Motion | 6-1 |
| 4 | Charlie Renee | Any Given Saturday | Dunkelberger | Allen | 20-1 |
| 5 | Tupancy Links | Kodiak Cowboy | Carrasco | Allinson | 15-1 |
| 6 | Image of Anna | Ready's Image | Centeno | Violette | 5-1 |
| 7 | Our Epiphany | Great Notion | Whitacre | Kobiskie | 15-1 |
| 8 | Mary Rita | Distorted Humor | Clark | Jones | 9-2 |
| 9 | Brown Rice | Big Brown | Karamanos | Allen | 20-1 |
| 10 | Cry to Kat's Me | Street Cry (Ire) | Pilares | Hubley | 20-1 |
| 11 | Spunderful | Medaglia d'Oro | Pimentel | Goldberg | 7-2 |

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Congress, NTRA Push Tax Reporting Regulations:

The NTRA has released a copy of a letter from members of Congress asking the Department of Treasury to formulate more concrete regulations as to how pari-mutuel winnings are calculated for tax purposes. The bipartisan letter was co-authored by Rep. Charles Boustany (R-LA) and Rep. John Yarmuth (D-KY). The letter asks that a bettor's entire investment in a single pari-mutuel pool determine the amount reported or withheld for tax purposes (to read the entire letter [click here](#)). Currently, only the amount wagered on the correct result is calculated. "Under an archaic IRS ruling currently in place, players' winnings are being erroneously reported or withheld without regard for how much they actually wagered," said NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop. "If granted, the clarification will allow horseplayers to keep more of their winnings, reduce the administrative burden on tracks and ADWs and ultimately generate more revenue for tracks, horsemen and government. We applaud congressmen Boustany, Yarmuth and others for their leadership and their awareness of the significant economic contributions that horse racing and breeding make in their states. We look forward to working with them on this important issue." Industry members can support the effort by signing the petition [here](#).

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The Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association will hold a Thoroughbred Ownership Seminar July 5 at Arlington Park. The seminar will address retirement resources, owner/trainer relationships and business issues. For more information, visit www.toba.org.

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AQUEDUCT

Dads Caps (Discreet Cat), 4f, :50.05, 1/7

CHURCHILL DOWNS

Guilt Trip (Pulpit), 4f, :50.00, 21/40

King Cyrus (Bellamy Road), 5f, 1:01.00, 4/20

Silver Max (Badge of Silver), 5fT, 2/5

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS

Shared Belief (Candy Ride {Arg}), 4f, :50.80, 10/12

Summer Hit (Bertrando), 4f(AW), :52.20, 12/12

MONMOUTH

Just Call Kenny (Jump Start), 3f, :37.80, 7/15

SANTA ANITA

Parranda (English Channel), 4f, :49.00, 12/23

SARATOGA

We Miss Artie (Artie Schiller), 4f (tr), :48.79, 2/33

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First/second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, June 4

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2010 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

ANDIRON (A.P. Indy), Xanthus, \$3K, 17/2/0

6-ASD, Stk, 6f, A Hi Five, 7-2

FOREFATHERS (Gone West), Red River, \$2K, 81/6/0

3-EVD, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Miss Frances, \$21K EVD 2YO 2yo, 5-2

KODIAK KOWBOY (Posse), WinStar, \$7K, 97/25/1

7-DEL, Stk, 1m, Tupancy Links, \$22K EAS MAY 2yo, 15-1

MASSIVE DRAMA (Kafwain), 3/1/0

8-IND, Stk, 6f, Aziperform, 6-1

STAR CAT (Storm Cat), Breakway Farm, \$3K, 21/4/0

8-IND, Stk, 6f, Purrrpurrr, 8-1

UNBRIDLED EXPRESS (Unbridled's Song), Hidden Springs, \$1k, 12/4/1

8-IND, Stk, 6f, Express Model, 1-1

9-IND, Stk, 6f, Indiana Express, 9-5

9-IND, Stk, 6f, Union Express, 9-5

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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

4:57p HR/TVG 8th-BEL, \$77k, Alw, 3yo/up, 6f
ROCK FALL ([Speightstown](#)) reported home a stellar 9 1/4 lengths clear of his rivals--earning a 103 Beyer in the process--when breaking his maiden at second asking over track and trip in an off-the-turf May 11 for Stonestreet Stables and Todd Pletcher. The \$250,000 FTSAUG purchase is out of MSW Renda (Medaglia d'Oro) who was a two-time juvenile stakes winner and finished second in the Gil Forward Gal S. as a sophomore. [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

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Britain

Yesterday's Results:

1st-YAR, £10,000, Cond, 2yo, 6f 3yT, 1:14.36, gd/fm.
ADAA Y (IRE) (c, 2, Kodiak {GB}--Lady Lucia {Ire}, by Royal Applause {GB}), who opened up with a May 16 maiden win at Newbury, raced under a tight hold two lengths off the pace through halfway in this return. Pushed along to challenge at the quarter-mile marker, the crowd's 5-6 pick kept on well for robust rousing in the closing stages to assert by 3/4 of a length from Mind of Madness (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}). The winner is a half to Mullionmleanhour (Ire) (Mull of Kintyre), MSP-Eng. Sales history: €54,000 wng '12 GOFNOV; 240,000gns 2yo '14 TATAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £12,770. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com](#). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum. B-L Fox (IRE). T-William Haggas.

1st-RIP, £6,000, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT, 1:02.19, gd.
+ANGELIC LORD (IRE) (c, 2, Dark Angel {Ire}--Divine Design {Ire}, by Barathea {Ire}) enjoyed a prominent pitch in the front rank after a furlong in this first go. Shaken up to gain a slender advantage approaching the eighth pole, the 13-8 favorite required a couple of late flicks of the whip to repel Al Fareej (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}) by a nose, winning with something in hand. Sales history: €30,000 wng '12 GOFNOV; €52,000 yrl '13 GOFORB. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,881. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com](#). O-The Mad March Hares. B-Joe Fogarty (IRE). T-Tom Dascombe.

6th-RIP, £5,000, Mdn, 3yo, 8fT, 1:46.22, gd.
MOOHAARIB (IRE) (c, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Evita {GB}, by Selkirk), sixth at Newbury last time May 17, shadowed the leading duo from third for most of this one. Inching ever closer once angled away from the rail in the straight, the 1-2 chalk was sent to the front with a quarter-mile remaining and lengthened clear soon after, gearing down late to easily best Gang Warfare (GB) (Medicean {GB}) by 2 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, £3,716. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com](#). O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Maktoum. B-Watership Down Stud (IRE). T-Marco Botti.

5th-YAR, £4,750, Mdn, 3yo/up, 8f 3yT, 1:40.72, gd/fm.
+WISTAR (GB) (c, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Vallota {GB}, by Polish Precedent), a 260,000gns TATOCT yearling, found a modicum of cover in mid-division after breaking from the outside box. Racing greenly throughout, the 5-2 second favorite was niggled along before halfway, but kept on well under constant cajoling to deny Taqneen (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) by a neck in the dying strides. The winner is a half to lalysos (Gr) (So Factual), GSW-Eng. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,073. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com](#). O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum. B-Stilvi Compania Financiera SA (GB). T-Luca Cumani.



1st-BTN, £4,500, Mdn, 2yo, 5f 213yT, 1:12.08, gd/fm. WHEN WILL IT END (IRE) (c, 2, Kodiak {GB}--Alexander Duchess {Ire}, by Desert Prince {Ire}), who finished a distant third when trying the Kempton Polytrack first time May 21, raced in a handy fourth from the outset of this turf bow. Coming under pressure soon after halfway, the 7-2 second choice challenged four wide passing the eighth pole and swooped late to prevail by a neck from The Dapper Tapper (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}). Sales history: £37,000 yrl '13 DONAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £3,200. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com](#).

O-Michael Buckley. B-Mountarmstrong Stud (IRE). T-Richard Hannon.

France

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX DES LILAS-Listed, €55,000, LON, 6-3, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:40.56, gd/sf.

1--**#CLADOCERA (GER), 123, f, 3, by Oasis Dream (GB)**

1st Dam: Caesarine (Fr) (SW-Fr), by Pivotal (GB)

2nd Dam: Carelaine, by Woodman

3rd Dam: Annoconnor, by Nureyev

O/B-Haras de la Perelle; T-Alain de Royer-Dupre; J-Antoine Hamelin; €27,500. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €40,000.

2--**Galaxe (Fr), 123, f, 3, High Chaparral (Ire)**--Galaxie des Sables (Fr), by Marchand de Sable. (€32,000 RNA yrl '12 ARQOCT). O-Ecurie d'Haspel SARL. €11,000.

3--**Delhi (GB), 123, f, 3, High Chaparral (Ire)**--Dream Day (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). (€110,000 yrl '12 ARQAUG). O-Ecurie Skymarc Farm & Ecurie des Monceaux. €8,250.

Margins: 2, SHD, NK. Odds: 4.30, 12.00, 7.30.

Also Ran: Free Flying (Fr), So In Love (GB), Crisolles (Fr), Victoria Regina (Ire), Starflower (GB), Fetan Joa (Fr), Vehemence d'Amour (Fr).

Off the mark on debut over this trip at Chantilly Apr. 28, Cladocera followed up in professional manner here to justify her trainer's faith. Settled in a clear second early as the pace proved generous, the bay struck the front passing the quarter pole and quickly asserted to leave the closers a hopeless task. "This is a really nice filly who I nearly put in Sunday's G2 Prix de Sandringham, but I decided she was probably too tender for that at present," trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre said. "I think she will develop into a good one. The ground was slightly on the soft side here, which was better for her than the fast ground at Chantilly on Sunday, and she did it quite nicely. I don't know yet where she will go, but I would imagine it will be the G3 Prix Chloe [at Chantilly June 30] is ideal." [Click for the Racing Post result. Equidia VIDEO.](#)

5th-LON, €25,000, Mdn, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:08.52, gd/sf. DEFROST MY HEART (IRE) (f, 3, Fastnet Rock {Aus}--Perfect Hedge {GB}) {GSW & G1SP-Fr, SW-Ire, \$145,414}, by Unfuwain), fifth on debut over this trip at Chantilly May 6, was soon at the head of affairs. Stamping her authority on the contest inside the final quarter mile, the 7-2 second choice drew steadily away to score by six lengths from Limini (Ire) (Peintre Celebre). The winner is a half-sister to Stand My Ground (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), MSP-Fr & SP-Eng, \$133,731. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €13,750. [Click for Equidia VIDEO.](#)

O-Fair Salinia Ltd. B-Craigavon Agro Ltd. T-Alain de Royer-Dupre

Wednesday, Maisons-Laffitte, post time: 6:15 p.m.

PRIX MATCHEM-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, c/g, 9fT

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER |
|----|----|-----------------|---------------|------------|----------------|
| 1 | 3 | Hargam (Fr) | Sinndar (Ire) | Soumillon | de Royer-Dupre |
| 2 | 6 | Nabbaash (GB) | Aqlaam (GB) | Mendizabal | Rouget |
| 3 | 5 | King Rubi (GB) | Green Tune | Hamelin | Palussiere |
| 4 | 7 | Zuri Chop (Fr) | Muhaymin | Grosjean | de Watrigant |
| 5 | 1 | Landym (Fr) | Lando (Ger) | Veron | Pantall |
| 6 | 8 | Zenobios | Smart Strike | Boudot | Fabre |
| 7 | 2 | Guilliani (Ire) | Tertullian | Guyon | Carvalho |
| 8 | 4 | No Mood (GB) | Monsun (Ger) | Peslier | Laffon-Parias |

All carry 123 pounds.

OBSERVATIONS

on today's European racing scene

3.50 Nottingham, Hcp, £25,000, 3yo/up, 8f 75yT

REMOTE (GB) (Dansili (GB)) returns in a handicap after connections bypassed the G3 Brigadier Gerard S. at Sandown last week. Last year's G3 Tercentenary S. winner whose half-brother Kingman (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) has flown the flag for Khalid Abdullah and John Gosden so far this term has more suitable good-to-soft ground conditions here and despite having to give weight to some solid types should score en route to much bigger and better things.

BREEDERS' EDITION

AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PRX, \$49,100, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70y (off turf), 1:43 3/5, my.

SWEETS GALORE (m, 5, Rockport Harbor--Candy Ma'am, by Lemon Drop Kid) Lifetime Record: 34-6-8-7, \$144,439. O-Five C's Stable. B-A Stevens Miles Jr (KY). T-Patricia Farro.

7th-IND, \$38,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft. JOINT TENANT (g, 4, Article of Faith--Neighbors, by Mutakddim) Lifetime Record: SW, 21-3-2-1, \$177,620. O-Penny S Lauer. B-Michael E & Penny S Lauer (IN). T-Michael E Lauer.

5th-PRX, \$35,400, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:23 1/5, ft. SABA'S BOY (g, 4, Fantasticat--Maiden Stone, by Grindstone) Lifetime Record: 16-3-3-3, \$105,520. O-Andrew Sulley. B-Tim Durborow (PA). T-Patricia Farro.

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Breeders' Edition cont.

8th-FLX, \$21,000, NW1BX, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:43 2/5, ft.

WISEMAN'S FATE (m, 5, Wiseman's Ferry--Donnas Destiny, by Gold Token) Lifetime Record: 26-6-4-2, \$58,761. O-Judy Anderson. B/T-Bruce D Anderson (NY).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Shobiz Star, g, 3, Nobiz Like Shobiz--

Thereisatigerahead, by Tiger Star. IND, 6-3, 1m70y, 1:43 2/5. B-Kenneth D & Bonnie Schreiter (KY).

La Tusa, f, 3, Quick Action--Plucky Maid, by

Housebuster. IND, 6-3, (S), 6f, 1:13 2/5. B-Rancho Monarca LLC (IN). *1/2 to Summer Rainbow (Summer Squall), SW, \$246,417.

Storm Rush, f, 3, Stormy Atlantic--Indy Flash, by A.P.

Indy. IND, 6-3, (S), 1m, 1:40 3/5. B-Elm Tree Farm LLC & Mark Basinger (IN). *\$180,000 yrl '12 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Galloping Gal (Victory Gallop), MSW & GSP, \$348,269; Khalila (Elusive Quality), GSP, \$137,139.



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Urchie Guy, g, 5, Disco Rico--Touchmeifyoucan, by

Touch Gold. FLX, 6-3, (S), 6f, 1:13 3/5. B-Richard & Kay Zwirn (NY).

**BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE**

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-LON, €34,000, 3yo, 8fT, 1:41.35, gd/sf.

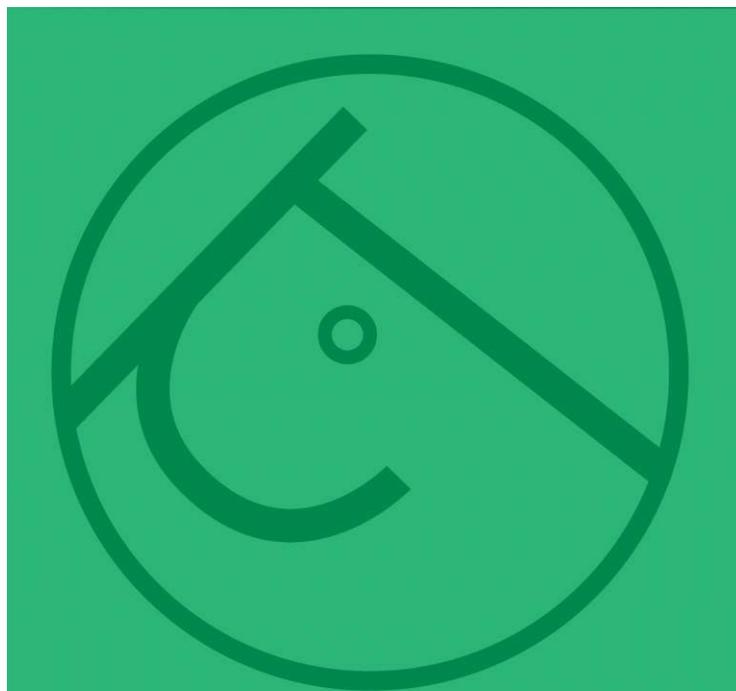
SEA FRONT (FR) (f, 3, Le Havre {Ire}--Freedom Herself {Fr}, by Freedom Cry {GB}) Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 2 places, €35,200. O/B-Mme Angela Kurth. T-Eric Libaud.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Montviron (Fr), c, 3, Le Havre (Ire)--Manita (Ire), by Peintre Celebre. LON, 6-3, 10fT, 2:12 4/5. B-Franklin Finance SA (GB).

Nadelwald (GB), c, 3, Shamardal--Nobilissima (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Bluebird. DUS, 6-2, 8 1/2fT, 1:43.42. B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GB). *GSP-Ger.

****€95,000 yrl '12 BBAAUG. ***1/2 to Nianga (Ger) (Lomitas {GB}), MSW & GSP-Ger.**



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