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## SWEEP DREAMS ARE MADE OF THIS

At about T-minus 10 minutes in the countdown towards today's G1 Belmont S., the field will parade onto the main track to sounds of Frank Sinatra's 'New York, New York.' It's reasonable to assume that the human connections of G1 Kentucky Derby and



California Chrome Horsephotos

G1 Preakness S. hero **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit)--heck, maybe even the horse himself--could find certain parts of the Classic tune most appealing. Lyrics such as: "King of the hill, top of the heap." Or "A-

number one, head of the list, cream of the crop." Well, if the chestnut "can make it there," he *is* "going to make it anywhere" and will become the first winner of racing's elusive Triple Crown in 36 years.

This year marks the 13th horse since Affirmed last completed the sweep in 1978 to arrive on Long Island with a chance at history. Some have come agonizingly close; others have had things unravel fairly quickly. One--I'll Have Another--had his shot stripped from him by the injury bug. The pressures surrounding a Triple Crown bid on equine and human alike are hard to fathom. Yet California Chrome, trainer Art Sherman, assistant Alan Sherman, jockey Victor Espinoza and exercise rider Willy Delgado have remained remarkably cool, calm and collected in the three weeks leading up to this date with destiny and enter the 'Test of the Champion' with a great deal of confidence.

"I feel better about this race than I have any other race, to be honest with you, just looking at the horse and saying, 'Wow,'" 77-year-old Art Sherman said. "I see how far he's advanced. I know it'll be tougher going a mile and a half, but this horse is a good horse. I think he's the real McCoy. They better worry about me, I can tell you that."

Still, Sherman is humbled by the opportunity.

"It'd be quite an honor," he said. "If you would have said to me the first of the year that I would be on the Triple Crown trail, I would say, 'You're kidding me.' So here I am, hoping that we can get the final race. It would mean a lot to racing, I can tell you that. It's a great honor to win the Triple Crown. I would be very deeply happy if it happens."

So, now, it's up to you, Cal Chrome, Cal Chrome.

## THE TAG TEAM

Yesterday's G1 Investec Oaks, which was run in memory of Sir Henry Cecil, proved a watershed moment in the careers of John Gosden, Paul Hanagan and also Sea the Stars (Ire), as Shadwell's **Taghrooda (GB)** dominated proceedings to lead home a one-two for



Taghrooda  
Racing Post

the Stud and provide her trainer with a first renewal and her jockey and sire with a first Classic of any kind. All the rage in the ante-post market following her emphatic six-length success in Newmarket's Listed Pretty Polly S. May 4, the homebred was eventually let go at a generous 5-1 with the operation's

other contender **Tarfasha (Ire)** (Teofilo {Ire}) more favored at 9-2. Always traveling with zest behind the leading quartet, the bay tanked down to Tattenham Corner and, after being allowed to stride to the front approaching the quarter pole, opened up to comprehensively to best that rival by 3 3/4 lengths. **Investec Oaks cont. p8**

## THE VIEW FROM THE TOP

Since he annexed the G1 Racing Post Trophy at a gloomy Doncaster in late October, Paul Smith's **Kingston Hill (GB)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) has had Epsom's G1 Investec Derby as his ultimate goal, and now that it is in close range, it seems more than achievable as he heads to post the main threat to **Australia (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}) in today's strong renewal. **Invested Derby cont. p11**

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## Delicious Dozen Meet in Met

With the anticipated scratching of GII Churchill Downs S. hero Central Banker (Speightstown), a field of 12, headed by 2013 GI Belmont S. winner Palace Malice (Curlin) is set to face the starter in one of the deepest and most talented runnings of the GI Metropolitan Mile H. at Belmont Park, a "Win and You're In" event for the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. He'll have to work out a trip from the rail against a field that includes last year's Dirt Mile victor Goldencents (Into Mischief), GI Malibu S. winner Shakin It Up (Midnight Lute) and Normandy Invasion (Tapit).

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## Grayson/TRF Event a Huge Success

"The Foods of Bobby Flay," the official Belmont Stakes charity celebration benefitting the Grayson Jockey Club Research Foundation and the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation, raised approximately \$300,000 for the two charities at the event in Manhattan Thursday night.

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## TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

EST	Race	Click for	TV
9:40a	Investec Coronation Cup.-G1,EPM	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	-----
11:00a	Investec Derby.-G1, EPM	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	-----
12:40p	Brooklyn Invitational.-GII, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	TVG/HRTV
1:00p	Prix Paul de Moussac-G3, CHA	-----	-----
1:15p	Jaipur Invitational S.-GIII, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	TVG/HRTV
1:54p	Woody Stephens S.-GII, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	TVG/HRTV
2:34p	TVG Acorn S.-GI, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	NBC Sports
3:14p	Ogden Phipps S.-GI, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	NBC Sports
4:00p	Longines Just A Game S.-GI, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	NBC Sports
4:48p	Metropolitan H.-GI, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	NBC
5:05p	Early Times Mint Julep H.-GIII, CD	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	HRTV
5:45p	Knob Creek Manhattan S.-GI, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	NBC
6:52p	Belmont S.-GI, BEL	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	NBC
7:00p	Affirmed S.-GIII, SA	<a href="#">(Brisnet.com PPs)</a>	TVG/HRTV

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**Doing It the Old Fashioned Way...**

Should California Chrome manage to get the job done this afternoon, the Triple Crown will be his and he will have, as John Houseman famously said, "earned it."

Ten of his fellow sophomores will try to play the role of spoiler this afternoon, headed by GI TwinSpires.com Wood Memorial S. hero **Wicked Strong** (Hard Spun), the 6-1 second choice on Eric Donovan's morning line. Campaigned by Centennial Farms, who also raced 1993



**Wicked Strong**

*Horsephotos*

Belmont winner Colonial Affair, the \$375,000 Keeneland September acquisition rallied from 14th to finish fourth, beaten just under six lengths with some traffic trouble, behind California Chrome in the GI Kentucky

Derby five weeks ago and has done well since, according to his trainer Jimmy Jerkens.

"I'm pretty confident; as confident as I can be," Jerkens said. "I really like how he's doing. I think we're going into the race as good as we can hope. It's a big, prestigious race and people are going to take a shot, especially with the distance being a big question for everybody."

Wicked Strong supporters would be encouraged that he could stay the trip on pedigree, as his sire was runner-up in the 2007 Derby, while his broodmare sire Charismatic won the first two legs of the 1999 Triple Crown before suffering a career-ending injury when third in the Belmont.

**Ride On Curlin** (Curlin), one of just three to have danced all the dances on this year's trail, will look to go one better than his sire, who was outgamed by the filly Rags to Riches (A.P. Indy) in this race in 2007. Though winless in five starts since taking an Oaklawn sprint allowance in January, the grandson of GISW Victory Ride (Seeking the Gold) ran on once in the clear to be seventh in the Derby and shaved California Chrome's winning Preakness margin down to 1 1/2 lengths. That effort has connections believing the extra 550 yards of this test could work in his favor, though they know they're dealing with a formidable favorite. **Cont. p4**

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DATE	RACE	PURSE	AGE	DISTANCE	DATE	RACE	PURSE	AGE	DISTANCE
7/18	Schuylerville (G3)	\$150,000	F2YO	6 Furlongs (Dirt)	8/16	Alabama (G1)	\$600,000	F3YO	1 1/4 (Dirt)
7/18	Sir Cat	\$100,000	3YO	1 Mile (Turf)	8/16	Knob Creek Lake Placid (G2)	\$300,000	F3YO	1 1/8 (Turf)
7/19	TVG Diana (G1)	\$500,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/8 (Turf)	8/17	Sword Dancer Inv. (G1)	\$500,000	3&UP	1 1/2 (Turf)
7/19	Sanford (G3)	\$150,000	2YO	6 Furlongs (Dirt)	8/17	Alydar	\$100,000	4&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)
7/20	CC American Oaks (G1)	\$300,000	F3YO	1 1/8 (Dirt)	8/18	Summer Colony	\$100,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)
7/20	Lucky Coin	\$100,000	4&UP	5 1/2 Furlongs (Turf)	8/20	Better Talk Now	\$100,000	3YO	1 Mile (Turf)
7/21	Shine Again	\$100,000	F&M 3&UP	7 Furlongs (Dirt)	8/21	NY Turf Writers Cup (Stplchs)(G1)	\$150,000	4&UP	2 3/8 (Turf)
7/23	Lake George (G2)	\$200,000	F3YO	1 1/16 (Turf)	8/21	Union Avenue (NYB)	\$100,000	F&M 3&UP	6 1/2 Furlongs (Dirt)
7/24	Quick Call	\$100,000	3YO	5 1/2 (Turf)	8/22	Personal Ensign Inv. (G1)	\$500,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)
7/25	Curlin	\$100,000	3YO	1 1/8 (Dirt)	8/22	Tale of the Cat	\$100,000	3&UP	6 Furlongs (Dirt)
7/26	Jim Dandy (G2)	\$600,000	3YO	1 1/8 (Dirt)					
7/26	Amsterdam (G2)	\$200,000	3YO	6 1/2 Furlongs (Dirt)					
7/27	Shuvee Handicap (G3)	\$200,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)					
7/28	Honorable Miss H. (G2)	\$200,000	F&M 3&UP	6 Furlongs (Dirt)					
7/30	Coronation Cup	\$100,000	F3YO	5 1/2 (Turf)					
7/31	A. P. Smithwick (Stplchs) (G1)	\$100,000	4&UP	2 1/16 (Turf)					
7/31	Evan Shipman (NYB)	\$100,000	3&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)					
8/1	Smirnoff Sorbet Caress	\$100,000	F&M 3&UP	5 1/2 (Turf)					

### WHITNEY DAY - SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

8/2	Whitney (G1)	\$1,500,000	3&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)
8/2	Test (G1)	\$500,000	F3YO	7 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/2	Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. (G1)	\$350,000	3&UP	6 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/2	De La Rose	\$100,000	F&M 4&UP	1 Mile (Turf)
8/2	Lure	\$100,000	4&UP	1 1/16 (Turf)
8/3	Waya	\$100,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/2 (Turf)
8/4	NYSS Cab Calloway	\$100,000	3YO	1 Mile (Turf)
8/4	NYSS Statue of Liberty	\$100,000	F3YO	1 Mile (Turf)
8/6	John's Call	\$100,000	3&UP	1 5/8 (Turf)
8/7	Birdstone	\$100,000	3&UP	1 3/4 (Dirt)
8/8	NMR Hall Of Fame (G2)	\$200,000	3YO	1 1/16 (Turf)
8/9	Fourstardave Handicap (G2)	\$500,000	3&UP	1 Mile (Turf)
8/10	Adirondack (G2)	\$200,000	F2YO	6 1/2 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/10	Saratoga Special (G2)	\$200,000	2YO	6 1/2 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/11	Tenski	\$100,000	F3YO	1 Mile (Turf)
8/13	Troy	\$100,000	3&UP	5 1/2 (Turf)
8/14	Saratoga Dew (NYB)	\$100,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)
8/15	John Morrissey (NYB)	\$100,000	3&UP	6 1/2 Furlongs (Dirt)

### TRAVERS DAY - SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

8/23	Travers Stakes (G1)	\$1,250,000	3YO	1 1/4 (Dirt)
8/23	Ketel One King's Bishop (G1)	\$500,000	3YO	7 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/23	Ballerina (G1)	\$500,000	F&M 3&UP	7 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/23	Ballston Spa (G2)	\$250,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/16 (Dirt)

### SARATOGA SHOWCASE DAY - SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8/24	Albany (NYB)	\$250,000	3YO	1 1/8 (Dirt)
8/24	Fleet Indian (NYB)	\$200,000	F3YO	1 1/8 (Dirt)
8/24	Funny Cide (NYB)	\$200,000	2YO	6 1/2 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/24	Seeking the Ante (NYB)	\$200,000	F2YO	6 1/2 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/24	West Point (NYB)	\$150,000	3&UP	1 1/16 (Turf)
8/24	Yaddo (NYB)	\$150,000	F&M 3&UP	1 1/16 (Turf)
8/25	Smart N Fancy	\$100,000	F&M 3&UP	5 1/2 Furlongs (Turf)
8/27	P. G. Johnson	\$100,000	F2YO	1 1/16 (Turf)
8/28	With Anticipation (G2)	\$200,000	2YO	1 1/16 (Turf)
8/29	Riskaverse	\$100,000	F3YO	1 Mile (Turf)
8/30	Prioresse (G2)	\$300,000	F3YO	6 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/30	Bernard Baruch H. (G2)	\$250,000	3&UP	1 1/16 (Turf)
8/30	Woodward (G1)	\$600,000	3&UP	1 1/8 (Dirt)
8/30	Forego (G1)	\$500,000	3&UP	7 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/31	Spinaway (G1)	\$350,000	F2YO	7 Furlongs (Dirt)
8/31	Glens Falls (G3)	\$150,000	F&M 3&UP	1 3/8 (Turf)
9/1	Hopeful (G1)	\$350,000	2YO	7 Furlongs (Dirt)
9/1	Saranac (G3)	\$300,000	3YO	1 1/8 (Turf)

## 2014 SARATOGA RACE COURSE PURSE SCHEDULE

CONDITION	SHORT	LONG	CONDITION	SHORT	LONG	CONDITION	SHORT	LONG	CONDITION	SHORT	LONG
O/N Stake	\$100,000	\$100,000	CLM 62,500	\$73,000	\$73,000	CLM 50,000 NW3	\$51,000	\$51,000	STR 40,000/NW2	\$50,000	\$50,000
CL. ALW	\$95,000	\$95,000	CLM 50,000	\$67,000	\$67,000	CLM 32,000 NW3	\$45,000	\$45,000	MSW	\$83,000	\$83,000
NW3X/80,000	\$93,000	\$93,000	CLM 40,000	\$62,000	\$62,000	CLM 20,000 NW3	\$39,000	\$39,000	MSW (NY)	\$73,000	\$73,000
NW2X/62,500	\$90,000	\$90,000	CLM 32,000	\$56,000	\$56,000	CLM 14,000 NW3	\$28,000	\$28,000	MCL 75,000	\$56,000	\$56,000
NW1X	\$85,000	\$85,000	CLM 25,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	CLM 50,000 NW2	\$49,000	\$49,000	MCL 65,000	\$54,000	\$54,000
			CLM 20,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	CLM 40,000 NW2	\$47,000	\$47,000	MCL 50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
NW2X/40,000 (NY)	\$78,000	\$78,000	CLM 16,000	\$32,000	\$32,000	CLM 25,000 NW2	\$42,000	\$42,000	MCL 40,000	\$45,000	\$45,000
NW1X (NY)	\$75,000	\$75,000	CLM 12,500	\$25,000	\$25,000	CLM 16,000 NW2	\$32,000	\$32,000	MCL 30,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
						STR 20,000	\$57,000	\$57,000	MCL 20,000	\$37,000	\$37,000

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**Belmont S. cont.**

"That Chrome is going to be hard to catch," the affable trainer Billy Gowan said. "He doesn't have a lot of quit in him. I'm just happy to be here. I'm a racing fan like everybody else. I've always wanted a Triple Crown, but hopefully not this year. If we can win it and he runs second, that'd be fine."



Tonalist Horsephotos

It has been better than two decades since A.P. Indy became the last winner of the GII Peter Pan S. to double up in the Belmont. Robert S. Evans's **TDN Rising Star** ⚡ **Tonalist** (Tapit) will look to snap that dubious streak and will likely have to be ridden forward by Joel Rosario from the widest draw in post 11 this afternoon.

The handsome bay has improved in each of his four trips to the post, having broken his maiden at second asking at Gulfstream Park Jan. 18 before running second to subsequent GI Florida Derby winner Constitution (Tapit) in a stakes-quality allowance Feb. 22. Forced to miss the Wood Memorial--and therefore losing any chance at a spot in the Kentucky Derby--due to a minor illness, he dominated **Commissioner** (A.P. Indy) by four lengths in the Peter Pan four Saturdays ago.

"We missed a bit of time in Florida, but now he's doing well," Clement said. "He's training great and looks well. I'm very happy on my side." Cont. p5

**A #** will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a **@** will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a **▲** will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, a **+** will indicate first-time starters, an **(S)** will be used for state-bred races, a **(C)** will be used for maiden-claiming races and an **(R)** will be used for other restricted races.

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 6:52 p.m. EDT**

**BELMONT S.-GI, \$1,500,000, 3yo, 1 1/2m**

PP HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ML
1 <b>Medal Count</b> Ⓚ <i>(c, 3, Dynaformer--Brisquette, by Unbridled's Song)</i>	Spendthrift Farm	Stonestreet Thoroughbreds-KY	Romans Albarado	20-1
2 <b>California Chrome</b> <i>(c, 3, Lucky Pulpit--Love the Chase, by Not For Love)</i>	Steven Coburn & Perry Martin	Steven Coburn & Perry Martin-CA	Sherman Espinoza	3-5
3 <b>Matterhorn</b> Ⓚ <i>(c, 3, Tapit--Winter Garden, by Roy)</i>	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Town & Country	Town & Country Farm Corp-KY	Pletcher Bravo	30-1
4 <b>Commanding Curve</b> <i>(r, 3, Master Command--Mother, by Lion Hearted)</i>	West Point Thoroughbreds	T F VanMeter-KY	Stewart Brigmohan	15-1
5 <b>Ride On Curlin</b> Ⓚ <i>(c, 3, Curlin--Magical Ride, by Storm Cat)</i>	Daniel Dougherty	G. Watts & Louise Ireland Humphrey-KY	Gowan Velazquez	12-1
6 <b>Matuszak</b> <i>(c, 3, Bernardini--Golden Sonata, by Mr. Prospector)</i>	George Prussin	Sha-Li Leasing Associations Inc-KY	Mott Smith	30-1
7 <b>Samraat</b> <i>(c, 3, Noble Causeway--Little Indian Girl, by Indian Charlie)</i>	My Meadowview Farm	My Meadowview LLC-NY	Violette J Ortiz	20-1
8 <b>Commissioner</b> <i>(c, 3, A.P. Indy--Flaming Heart, by Touch Gold)</i>	WinStar Farm	WinStar Farm-KY	Pletcher Castellano	20-1
9 <b>Wicked Strong</b> Ⓚ <i>(c, 3, Hard Spun--Moyne Abbey, by Charismatic)</i>	Centennial Farms	William F Lynn-KY	Jerkens Maragh	6-1
10 <b>General a Rod</b> <i>(c, 3, Roman Ruler--Dynamite Eyes, by Dynaformer)</i>	Skychai Racing LLC & Starlight Racing	Hare Forest Farm-KY	Maker Napravnik	20-1
11 <b>Tonalist</b> <i>(c, 3, Tapit--Settling Mist, by Pleasant Colony)</i>	Robert S Evans	Woodslane Farm-KY	Clement Rosario	8-1

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Belmont S. cont.

**LITTLE HAS BIG SHOES TO FILL**

*By Christie DeBernardis*

Centennial Farms' president Don Little Jr. and his horse **Wicked Strong** (Hard Spun) both have big shoes to fill in today's GI Belmont S. For Little, the shoes belong to his father Don Little Sr., who founded Centennial in 1982 in an effort to give more people an opportunity to own quality racehorses.

"Partnerships were very, very popular investment vehicles for tax purposes and he thought it was an opportunity to set up Centennial, get involved in the upper echelons of horse racing and get together with some buddies from Wall Street," Little said. "He started Centennial really just as a fun side business and here it is 32 years later and it's a full-fledged company."

Little joined his father's operation part time in 1987, while continuing to pursue a career in professional polo. He became a full-time member by 1989 and took over as president in 1990 with his father as the chairman.



**Don Little Jr.**  
*Centennial Farms*

"[My father] slowly stepped back over a 10-year period," the younger Little said. "He stopped coming to the sales and stopped being directly involved with the purchase of horses. He still was involved up until the day he died [in 2012]. He stopped by the office once a week."

Just three years after Little became president, Centennial Farms captured the 1993 Belmont with 13-1 shot Colonial Affair. The colt was their first entry in a Triple Crown event and his pilot Julie Krone made history by becoming the first female jockey to win a Triple Crown race.

"We really had mapped out a plan for him strictly for the Belmont," Little remarked. "We could have tried the [GI Kentucky] Derby, but right from day one, [trainer] Scotty Schulhofer and Dr. Steve Carr, who is still with us today, mapped out a plan to get to the Belmont, which was two allowance races, the [GI] Peter Pan [S.] and the Belmont. We were second in the Peter Pan and everything was shaping up nicely. I'd never seen Scotty more confident in a horse than he was in Colonial Affair."

Little reminisced, "I got the partners seated in the boxes and I actually left, not the facility, but I left the group and went to my own corner, and slowly made my way back to the box area as [Colonial Affair] made his way down the stretch. I was standing near an exit just in case. It was great and I will never forget my father with his long hair blowing in the rain saying that the sun was shining on the Big Apple." **Cont. p6**

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**Big Shoes to Fill cont.**

Colonial Affair and Wicked Strong have several differences as far as appearance and personality, but Little feels the same confidence in Wicked Strong that he felt back in 1993.

"Colonial Affair was a bit more docile than Wicked Strong is," he commented. "He was a much bigger rangier horse. He didn't really exert any extra energy unless he needed to. Wicked Strong is a little bit smaller, more refined and a little feistier. But, I am getting that same kind of feeling being at the barn the last few days watching him train."

Little has been with his GI TwinSpires.com Wood Memorial every morning this week and is excited about their chances.

"He is very, very comfortable being back home" Little said. "I do have to say I have a little bit more confidence in the home-field advantage. We are pretty confident going into this. Its going to take a huge effort on his behalf to upset California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit), but I think if we have a shot, now would be the time to have it because of the way he is doing right now."

After losing his father two years ago, a second Belmont victory would have extra meaning for Little.

"It would be great having the sons of two men that were very successful in this business follow in their footsteps," Little said, referring to his trainer Jimmy Jerkens, son of conditioner Allen Jerkens. "Everyone says we have big shoes to fill and I think if you asked Jimmy the same question he would say this as well. We have got shoes of our own and they may not be as big, but they are pretty close to full."

Little continued, "Winning the Belmont for the second time for Centennial would be a great honor. Without my father, we wouldn't be here and I think it's a great honor to represent that, continue on his legacy and tweek it a little bit from his original plan. It will be emotional, it will definitely be emotional."

Wicked Strong was pegged as the 6-1 second choice on the morning line today and will break from post nine in this 11-horse affair. [CLICK HERE TO SHARE THIS STORY](#)

**TRACKSIDE...  
with Christie DeBernardis**

**DOWN TO THE WIRE**

With the sun shining and temperatures in the high 60's, Belmont Park was buzzing with activity yesterday as the countdown to race day dwindled down to about 36 hours. News trucks from half a dozen different organizations were stacked up behind the fence, while horsemen and members of the media lined the rail to catch a glimpse and photos of this weekend's big contenders.

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First out on the track just minutes after six (as he has been all week) was GII Peter Pan S. hero **Tonalist** (Tapit). The uniquely blazed bay never broke a sweat or batted an eye as he glided across the deep, sandy surface just as easily as he has been all week.

Dallas Stewart was on the shank as **Commanding Curve** (Master Command) emerged from the tunnel just



**Commanding Curve and trainer Dallas Stewart**

about 10 minutes later. The handsome and well-built bay has been a bit overlooked since he tends to go out around the same time as **California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit) each morning. But, if his good-looking gallops are any indication of what is to come, we may see

a repeat of his Derby performance. **Trackside cont. p7**

**TUNE IN!**

Look for the TDN's own Christina Bossinakis as she talks Belmont S. and horse racing on the FOX News Channel's 'FOX and Friends' program Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. ET! Consult your local listings for channel information.



Just after Commanding Curve galloped past the finish line, photographers swarmed along the path beside the tunnel to catch the first glimpse of Triple Crown hopeful California Chrome. The flashy chestnut sparkled as he stepped into the sunlight and stopped in the center of the path to pose for the cameras as is his daily routine. After making sure the media had captured all angles, he amicably followed assistant trainer Alan Sherman onto the track and began his clockwise jog. Many photographers rushed back to the barns after California Chrome made his first easy pass in the correct direction, but as usual, he came by a second time at a bit of a faster clip and looked every bit at home over Big Sandy.

Two-time champion **Beholder** (Henny Hughes) quietly entered the track beside her pony just after 7 a.m. The dual Eclipse Award winner posed at the rail while taking in the action before heading the wrong way down the track for her morning jog. She returned just a few minutes later at an easy canter and left as quietly as she came.



**Matuszak trainer  
Bill Mott**

**Matuszak** (Bernardini) was led onto the track 10 minutes later with an entourage of horses, which included Hall of Famer Bill Mott aboard his shining palomino pony. Flying under the radar without his Belmont saddle towel, the compact dark bay has put in some visually impressive gallops in the morning and Friday was no different. Mott

watched his charge from the rail while chatting with Billy Gowan, trainer of **Ride On Curlin** (Curlin).

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The GI Preakness S. runner-up entered the track accompanied by his pony just moments later and spent a few minutes taking in the action while receiving plenty of love from rider Bryan Beccia. Putting Beccia's strength to the test, Ride On Curlin was as eager as always during his morning gallop and Gowan exited the track with a smile on his face.

A few minutes after the break, GIII Gotham S. and GIII Withers S. victor **Samraat** (Noble Causeway) jogged by the grandstand beside his pony. Arriving from Aqueduct Wednesday afternoon and jogging three miles Thursday, the native New Yorker put in his first gallop over the Belmont track yesterday morning and looked extremely comfortable with the surface.

Last, but not least, was Spendthrift Farm's **Medal Count** (Dynaformer) who just arrived from Kentucky Thursday. The dark bay was one of the buzz horses in the morning at Churchill and, while a bit uppity his first time past the grandstand, he seemed happy and relaxed when galloping past the finish line second time around.

With a loaded Belmont field, a Triple Crown on the line and five other prestigious Grade I races on the card, tomorrow promises to be a day to remember no matter who crosses the finish line first at 6:54p.m.

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**Most Recent Finish at Belmont:** 1st w/ Sunset Glow (Exchange Rate) 6/6/14

**Total Belmont S. Mounts:** 3--A P Valentine (2001), War Emblem (2002), Sacred Light (2006), & California Chrome (2014)

**Number of Mounts for Belmont S. Day 2014:** 4--Jimmy Connors (Alw), Ever Rider (Arg) (GII Brooklyn Invitational S.), Capo Bastone (GI Metropolitan H.), California Chrome (GI Belmont S.)

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**Matuszak makes his way onto the track**



**Ride On Curlin continues to test Beccia's strength**



**Dallas Stewart leads out Commanding Curve**



**California Chrome gallops effortlessly down the stretch**



**Medal Count makes his first appearance on the track**



**Matuszak glides comfortably over Big Sandy**

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**Samraat puts in first gallop at Belmont after jogging yesterday**



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**Investec Oaks cont.**

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1--@▲**TAGHROODA (GB), 126, f, 3, by Sea the Stars (Ire)**

**1st Dam: Ezima (Ire) (MSW-Ire & GSP-Eng, \$278,008), by Sadler's Wells**

**2nd Dam: Ezilla (Ire), by Darshaan (GB)**

**3rd Dam: Ezana (Ire), by Ela-Mana-Mou (Ire)**

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd (GB). T-John

Gosden. J-Paul Hanagan. £297,727. Lifetime Record:

3-3-0-0, £324,940. **Werk Nick Rating: A+ . Click for**

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2--**Tarfasha (Ire), 126, f, 3, Teofilo (Ire)**--Grecian Bride

(Ire), by Groom Dancer. (€200,000 wlng '12

GOFNOV). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

B-Rockfield Farm (IRE). T-Dermot Weld. £112,875.

3--**Volume (GB), 126, f, 3, Mount Nelson (GB)**--Victoire

Finale (GB), by Peintre Celebre. O/B-Stuart Stuckey

(GB). T-Luca Cumani. J-Richard Hughes. £56,490.

Margins: 3 3/4, NO, NK. Odds: 5.00, 4.50, 9.00.

Also Ran: Inchila (GB), Ihtimal (Ire), Marvellous (Ire),

Palace (Ire), Momentus (Ire), Lily Rules (Ire), Madame

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**Investec Oaks cont.**

"It feels great--I'm delighted for the team and it's what I've worked hard for," commented Paul Hanagan, who was employed by Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum in 2012 before reflecting on the recent loss of one of the sport's most popular men. "We had really bad news recently with the death of John Hills, who was a big part of the team, and I'd just like to say this one is for him. I'd only ridden one group winner before I got the job, so that's why I keep saying it's nice to give



**Sheikh Hamdan leads in Taghrooda & Paul Hanagan**  
*Racing Post*

something back--they took a chance on me. It was difficult at first moving the family away from Yorkshire, where we were very settled, and I would have struggled if everyone around me hadn't been so helpful." John Hills' brother Richard Hills has played a key part in Taghrooda's

progress and was understandably emotional afterwards. "He wished me luck last week," the Shadwell stalwart said of his late sibling. "He was there with us. This is a big lift for the Hills family and is what we get up at five in the morning for. The filly had been working so well and had done everything right."

Investec Oaks cont. p9

**WHO'S HOT? PROGENY PP COUNTS**

**Sophomore - 6 Months**

Sire	Total Listings	Unique Progeny	BTWnrs   BTWins	Black-type Horses	GSWnrs   GSWins	Graded Stakes Horses	Winners   Wins	G1-G2SWnrs   G1-G2SWins
<a href="#">Sea the Stars (Ire)</a>	30	24	4   4	10	3   3	5	20   23	0   0
<a href="#">Pioneerof the Nile</a>	21	11	3   3	6	2   2	4	10   15	1   1
<a href="#">Old Fashioned</a>	19	10	2   3	3	2   3	2	10   16	1   2
<a href="#">Mastercraftsman (Ire)</a>	18	13	3   4	6	2   3	4	10   11	1   2
<a href="#">Zensational</a>	16	14	1   1	2	0   0	0	13   14	0   0
<a href="#">Colonel John</a>	15	12	2   2	2	1   1	1	12   15	0   0
<a href="#">Kodiak Kowboy</a>	15	11	1   1	3	0   0	0	10   11	0   0
<a href="#">Champs Elysees (GB)</a>	11	9	2   2	5	1   1	3	6   7	0   0
<a href="#">Thewayyouare</a>	11	6	1   1	3	1   1	2	5   6	1   1
<a href="#">Diabolical</a>	10	5	1   1	4	0   0	0	4   6	0   0

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**Investec Oaks cont.**

This renewal, which paid homage to the unequaled brilliance of Sir Henry Cecil, whose “green fingers with horses” had seen him cultivate eight winners down the years, was primed for a special performance with several in the line-up seemingly capable of it. Taghrooda arrived on the Downs with connections eschewing the kind of quiet confidence that the much-missed maestro of Warren Place was famed for after being fast-tracked via two educative winning outings on Newmarket’s Rowley Mile. The first, at 20-1 in September, ironically came at the expense of the daughter of a past Oaks winner in Casual Look (Red Ransom), but the vanquished on that occasion, Casual Smile (GB) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), is still a maiden, and those that followed her home in the Pretty Polly have since let down the form. Despite the hollow look to that aspect of her profile, the style and manner of her latest performance and her physical and mental progress and prowess suggested that this contest could serve as a catalyst for her to fully explode. Breaking well and placed towards the fore by Paul Hanagan on the dash to the first turn, she was able to take a perfect lead from four fillies as Richard Hughes took **Volume (GB)** (Mount Nelson {GB}) to the head of affairs with the field switched across to the left running rail. Set alight as Jimmy Fortune looked for a way out on **Marsh Daisy (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) to her inside at the top of Tattenham Hill, she was keen dropping down the descent as a result, much as her sire had in the Derby five years ago. Visually traveling much the best in early stretch with a harder-working Tarfasha on her rail, the bay strode to Volume under a head of steam and, after being cut loose with just over a quarter mile to race, soon extended her advantage. If there was a hard-luck story in behind, it was **Inchila (GB)** (Dylan Thomas {Ire}), who was denied a clear run and would probably have been a clear second had Jamie Spencer not been stopped at a crucial point. “Two years ago we should have won with the best filly [The Fugue], but she got almost knocked over, so it was one owing to the stable--to that extent it was a great relief,” John Gosden said. “He rode her quite beautifully and was always in a great position as Richard Hughes was in front playing with the pace a bit. He was able to go and assert and show her class and stamina. It’s great to win any Classic and it’s wonderful for the owner to win with a homebred, beating the one he bought. That’s the right way round. She’s in the G1 Irish Oaks [at The Curragh July 19], that’s the logical place to go. It’s a good, honest galloping track, we’ll go there and then after that, take a look.” Sheikh Hamdan said of the landmark occasion, “As an owner, the Oaks and the Guineas are the top races to win.

He added, “She was the most beautiful yearling, and last year I kept asking John when she was going to see the racecourse. He said ‘wait,’ and when she won, she only won by a head, which to me is not enough, but this year she is more mature. I was always satisfied with Paul [Hanagan] from the beginning and he rode her very well today, getting her cover when she pulled early on.” Angus Gold, racing manager and bloodstock advisor to Sheikh Hamdan, added, “It doesn’t get any better. We bought Taghrooda’s dam, Ezima, as a filly out of training at the December Sales, while Stephen Collins [general manager at Derrinstown Stud] bought Tarfasha as a foal, so full credit to him. I don’t want to sound clever after the race, but Tagroohda is classy and it hasn’t surprised me. I wasn’t as worried about soft ground as everyone else, because Paul had ridden her on soft and said she handled it. If the two fillies come out of it in good order, there is no reason why they can’t both run in the [G1] Irish Oaks.”

**Not Running Scared...**

Despite the probability that the winner will bid for a Classic double at The Curragh, the next three home are all set to re-oppose. Dermot Weld’s son Mark said of the runner-up Tarfasha, “We’re absolutely thrilled and the winner is obviously exceptional. We’re very happy with Tarfasha and we have a lot to look forward to with her. I think this could turn out to be a vintage renewal of the Investec Oaks. We must thank Sheikh Hamdan for allowing us to run here, because she is from a family that has done well at Epsom and she has added to the record. She could possibly go to the Irish Oaks, over the road from us, but we’ll see what Sheikh Hamdan wants to do.” Luca Cumani said of Volume, “It was a very good run and it’s very satisfying to know she belongs to this company. The winner was very impressive and we were coming back again at the finish. We’ll go to the Irish Oaks now. The Curragh will suit her, as she’s a big long-striding filly.” Peter Chapple-Hyam was not too downhearted by the ill fortune suffered by Inchila and commented, “She maybe should have been second. She fell out of the stalls and it wasn’t the plan to sit out the back. She loves fast ground and is a decent filly. I suppose she could go to the Curragh.” Sunday’s G1 Irish 1000 Guineas heroine **Marvellous (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who was sent off the 4-1 favorite after prevailing in a tussle with the Shadwell pair in the betting beforehand, never looked like matching that feat on the track and ended up sixth. Joseph O’Brien said of her, “I was flat out at the top of the hill. With six or seven to go I was struggling. She’d had a hard-enough race in the Irish Guineas, on testing enough ground at the Curragh. We’ll freshen her up now.” [CLICK HERE TO SHARE THIS STORY](#)

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## TRACKSIDE... with Emma Berry

### FIRST AMONG EQUALS

Five years ago, her sire stormed down the hill at Epsom to add the G1 Investec Derby to his G1 2000 Guineas victory, and now Taghrooda (GB) has claimed the honor of becoming Sea the Stars' first Classic winner by remaining unbeaten with an impressive 3 3/4-length victory in the G1 Investec Oaks.

It was a day of firsts. A first ride in the Oaks for Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum's number one jockey Paul



**The victorious Taghrooda**  
*Racing Post*

Hanagan--a debut which led to his first classic victory. And, almost surprisingly, it was a first Oaks success for Newmarket's foremost trainer John Gosden, who has already bagged this year's G1 Irish 2000 Guineas with Kingman (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

The mixture of delight and relief of the close-knit Shadwell team was palpable as Tarfasha (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) outgunned the brave front-running Volume (GB)--another first-crop runner, this time for Mount Nelson (GB)--to deliver the quinella for Sheikh Hamdan. Bloodstock manager Angus Gold hugged Hanagan in the press conference and was the first to admit the operation has had "a few quiet years," but that matters little now, with a homebred Classic winner headlining a resurgence for the blue-and-white silks this season.

The champion jockey in 2010 and 2011 when attached to Richard Fahey's northern stable, Paul Hanagan was handed the job as Sheikh Hamdan's retained jockey in 2012, moving his wife and two young sons south to the relatively unfamiliar territory of Newmarket. Admitting that he is likely never to be the champion jockey again, Hanagan explained that he took the job to be able to focus on riding better horses in bigger races. The gamble has paid off.

"It went like clockwork," he said of his spin around Epsom's turning, undulating camber. "I'd been planning it in my head for at least a month and it really did go just as I wanted it to, apart from at five furlongs out, when we had a bit of a bump and [Taghrooda] changed legs. It took a little while to get her balanced again."



**Paul Hanagan & Taghrooda**  
*Racing Post*

European flat racing is accustomed to jockeys of a flamboyant nature, but in Hanagan it will never see a Frankie Dettori-style flying dismount or the audacious whip-waving celebrations of Christophe Soumillon. It seems patronizing to call him a Liverpool lad, but his boyish features belie his 33 years, while his demeanor is still very

much that of a journeyman jockey who can't believe his luck.

In life, they say, we make our own luck, and it's hard to imagine a single voice in racing decrying a day in the sun for the humble, self-effacing rider.

If Hanagan won't sing his own praises, he has a more-than-able advocate in John Gosden, who is never shy of speaking up if he thinks something is wrong, and in this case was swift to point to the jockey's deft horsemanship in putting Taghrooda back on course around the notoriously tricky Tattenham Corner after she suffered the aforementioned interference.

"Coming down Tattenham Corner, a bang threw her onto her off-fore [leg] and as we all know, a horse can't come round that bend on her off-fore. Paul was very quick to get her back on the right leg and that's not easy, so full marks to him," explained the trainer. "He's a good team player who has got to know all Sheikh Hamdan's horses at home and he's an absolute pleasure to work with."

Taghrooda, too, it would seem, is easy to work with, the trainer having pointed to her "good mind" and "intelligence for racing." She becomes just the latest in a stream of Group 1 winners for her Aga Khan family, which also includes the G1 Ascot Gold Cup winners Estimate (Ire) and Enzeli (Ire), as well as G1 Irish Oaks victrix Ebadiyla (Ire) and G1 Moyglare Stud S. heroine Edabiya (Ire).

Gosden added: "She had been favourite [for the Oaks] after her win in the [Listed] Pretty Polly until Marvellous was so impressive in the Irish Guineas, and then we ended up as third favorite before the off, so Paul and I wandered out there nice and relaxed--the pressure was off."

If the pressure was off, it was only temporarily, and it will have returned with the emptying of Saturday's final glass of champagne, for in today's Investec Derby Gosden saddles Western Hymn (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}), who is co-owned by his wife, Rachel Hood. Her partner in the horse--who also heads to his Classic engagement with an unbeaten record to defend--is jump racing fan, owner and sponsor Robin Geffen of Neptune Investment Management, and the two of them have already teamed up to win the G1 St Leger with Arctic Cosmos (North Light {Ire}) in 2010.

As the staunchest supporter of Newmarket's historic status as the headquarters of British horseracing, Hood has found herself increasingly involved with local politics and has recently been appointed mayor of the town. No one will take greater pride than she for the most important British Classic to be won by a Newmarket-trained horse, just as her husband will have taken pride in receiving the Oaks trophy from Lady Cecil, the race having been run in memory of Gosden's friend and fellow Newmarket trainer, Sir Henry Cecil, who died a year ago this Wednesday. **Cont. p11**



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Trackside at Epsom cont.

Another much-loved trainer, John Hills, wasn't far from the thoughts of those closely linked to the Shadwell camp on Oaks day. One of Sheikh Hamdan's roster of trainers, Hills died last Sunday aged just 53. His twin brothers Richard and Michael rode in the Oaks-winning silks for many seasons until their retirement and Richard, who was aboard Ghanaati (Giant's Causeway) for his father Barry when Sheikh Hamdan last celebrated a British Classic win in 2009, is now employed as the operation's racing manager.

Typically, Paul Hanagan was the first to pay tribute to the trainer, saying in his immediate post-race interview: "Of course, we've had bad news this week that John Hills died and he was also an important part of the team--this one's for him." [CLICK HERE TO SHARE THIS STORY](#)

## INVESTEC DERBY

While Kingston Hill was just over four lengths adrift of Australia in the G1 2000 Guineas five weeks ago, the colt, who bids to provide his sire with a second European Derby in the space of a week, was always going to come into his own over further than Newmarket's mile. His juvenile performances, which also included a win in that track's G3 Autumn S. on Future Champions Day as well as his authoritative score in the end-of-season Doncaster feature, were marked by a strong finish, and now



**Kingston Hill**  
*Racing Post*

that the rain has kept firm out of the description, all is set fair for the race's only top-level scorer. "Kingston Hill looks very well and we haven't had a hitch with him since the Guineas," trainer Roger Varian commented. "We were initially a little disappointed with the Guineas run, but in hindsight, it was a pretty good run and an acceptable Derby prep. Nothing really went right, but he did gallop on strongly and we'd be very hopeful. I am anticipating plenty of improvement for that run. He has got a good head on him, so he should handle the excitements of Derby Day. We took him for a school around Epsom during Breakfast With the Stars and that was a worthwhile exercise. Andrea [Atzeni] rode him and he went over the undulations very smoothly. I am not doing a rain dance--we will just take the ground as it comes. But it is comforting to know that if a storm hits Epsom, we already know that Kingston Hill goes on very soft ground. The ground will not be any faster than good whatever happens, which is fine. Like the weather, the draw is out of our hands, so there is no point in worrying about him getting stall two. A mile and a half is a long way for them to sort themselves out, and we will just have to hope that he gets a slice of luck at the right time."

### Strength In Depth...

Besides having the obvious favorite in Australia, Aidan O'Brien also fields two trial winners and a colt who was an unlucky third in another. Two of Ballydoyle's four blue riband winners were not the first string, and few would be surprised if the well-supported

**Geoffrey Chaucer** (Montjeu {Ire}) emulates last year's winner Ruler of the World (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in proving Joseph O'Brien wrong and carrying Ryan Moore to glory. Always held in high regard, Susan Magnier's colorbearer signed off last term with a win in the G2 Beresford S. at The Curragh in September, and



**Geoffrey Chaucer**  
*Racing Post*

was stopped in his run at a crucial stage when third on his comeback in the G3 Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial over 10 furlongs at Leopardstown May 11. "Nothing went right for Geoffrey Chaucer in the Derrinstown at Leopardstown, as it was a very messy race with a slow pace," the Ballydoyle conditioner explained. "Joseph had to go up the inside from where he was drawn." Of **Orchestra (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who took the May 8 G3 Chester Vase won last year by Ruler of the World, and the following day's G3 Dee S. scorer **Kingfisher (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), he added. "I was very happy with the way Orchestra won at Chester. If anyone had seen him there, they'd have seen that he had a bit of a tummy on him and he'll come on for that. I wasn't sure he would get a mile and a half, even though his pedigree is very stout. I know Ryan Moore was also impressed with him at Chester and thinks he has a big chance in the Derby. Kingfisher won well at Chester and is a very straightforward horse."

### The Gosden Gang...

John Gosden has yet to add to the 1997 win of Benny the Dip (Silver Hawk), but saddles an intriguing duo today in Robin Geffen and Rachel Hood's unbeaten **Western Hymn (GB)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) and Princess Haya of Jordan's **Romsdal (GB)** (Halling). The former beat the subsequent Listed Lingfield Derby Trial winner Snow Sky (GB) (Nayef) in a 10-furlong conditions event at Newbury Apr. 11 before besting **Impulsive Moment (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) in the G3 Sandown Classic Trial again over that trip Apr. 25. Romsdal was catching Orchestra with every stride at the close of the Chester Vase and would appreciate additional rainfall. Gosden put the former through his paces at the "Breakfast With the Stars" morning, and was delighted with the way he went around Epsom's turns and ups-and-downs.



**Western Hymn**  
*Racing Post*



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“Western Hymn’s family all carry their heads as he does and he’s always been a bit of a playboy and quite a spirited horse, but he ran nice and straight there,” Gosden said at the time. “The trip is not a guarantee on pedigree, so we’ll have to see, but he belongs in the race. There is one exceptional horse in the favorite and his form is way above, so we all have our positions. The Chester Vase was a pretty good trial, and it wouldn’t surprise me to see Geoffrey Chaucer and Orchestra fight it out at the end, given the depth of Ballydoyle’s talent.”

**Three For PCH?...**

Peter Chapple-Hyam was one of the game’s major players when Dr Devious (Ire) upstaged stable companion Rodrigo de Triano back in 1992, but by the time Authorized (Ire) followed up 15 years later was performing his old magic from the fringes. Still going strong, he supplies a live contender in Qatar Racing’s **Arod (Ire)** (Teofilo {Ire}). Doing all his best work late in the May 15 G2 Dante S. at York, the unexposed colt split the subsequent G1 Prix du Jockey Club hero The Grey Gatsby (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) and Godolphin’s **True Story (GB)** (Manduro {Ger}) there, and his conditioner believes there is more to come. “Arod has been in really good form since the Dante--we are really happy with him,” he commented. “We think that he has improved and he has definitely improved physically. He should enjoy the step up to a mile and a half--we think that is what he wants even though he has got a lot of speed. But you do need speed too--a horse has to travel well around Epsom. He would not want the ground too soft, but he should handle the hullabaloo of Derby Day.”

**Fascinating Outsiders...**

While Geoffrey Chaucer was unable to show his true wares in the G3 Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial, it is debatable whether he would have beaten the two who fought out the finish in **Fascinating Rock (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and **Ebanoran (Ire)** (Oasis Dream {GB}).



**Fascinating Rock (left) and Ebanoran fight out the Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial finish** *Racing Post*

The former, who was awarded the race by the stewards to add to his prior win in Navan’s G3 Ballysax S. Apr. 12, carries the colors of Maurice and Samantha Regan’s Newtown Anner Stud Farm and is under the care of Dermot Weld. “He’s a fine, big horse, he’s done us proud this spring,” his trainer told *PA Sport*. “He’s a lovely, kind animal. He’s a smashing colt to train and he’s getting

better all the time. We don’t know if a mile and a half is up his street, that’s the unknown question. We hope he will stay. The mental attitude of the horse will help--he’s a lovely, big, relaxed horse.

He continued, “Obviously we’ve been training him to settle, he’s been doing that nicely, and there’s every chance he will get a mile and a half. He got a mile and a quarter at Navan going away--he was coming home to some tune at Leopardstown. He gives us every indication he will stay, but that is the one doubt about it. I’ve been training for nearly 40 years and I’ve saddled 22 European Classic winners and saddled an Oaks winner early in my career, and won a Newmarket 2000 Guineas. If I won the Derby it would be great. I’ve had very few runners in the race.” John Oxx scored with Sinndar (Ire) and Sea the Stars (Ire) here, and while His Highness The Aga Khan’s Ebanoran is not in that league, he is worth his place in the lineup. “Everything has been going fine. He’s a little bit like his mother [Ebadiyla] at home--he doesn’t burn up the gallops, he does what he has to do and no more but he seems in great shape, and we’re happy with the way everything has gone,” he told *PA Sport*. “He’s got to improve. He’s on 113 [pounds], so he’s got to improve seven pounds to be in the money. We’re hoping he has. He’s improved enormously from race-to-race to date, taking a big stride forward each time, but he has to do it again to be in the money. When he wandered around in the Derrinstown it was not that he became unbalanced, it was just greenness. The longer trip is a new test and Epsom is a very demanding track. You cannot be certain, but he has so much stamina on the dam’s side of his pedigree that there must be a good chance he will stay the extra distance.” Andrew Balding relies on the Sandown Classic Trial runner-up Impulsive Moment, and his part-owner Sue Johnson said, “He is lightly-raced, having only had three starts, and it was a good run behind Western Hymn last time. He is certainly bred for the job, being by Galileo out of a Danehill mare, and hopefully there is some more improvement to come.”

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**PALACE MUST HOLD OFF INVASION**

The first Saturday in June has been good to Dogwood Stable's **Palace Malice** (Curlin) so far in his career, having upset the GI Belmont S. this weekend a year ago. This time around, he hopes to add another Grade I victory in the \$1.25 million Metropolitan H., a "Win and You're In" race for the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. Following his Classic win, Palace Malice took the GI Jim Dandy S. at the Spa, but failed to win in three subsequent starts, finishing his sophomore campaign with a midpack sixth-place effort in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. However, he's been unstoppable so far this year. The bay got back into form with a win in the



**Palace Malice**  
*Horsephotos*

GI Gulfstream Park H. Mar. 8, dominated **Normandy Invasion** (Tapit) the GI New Orleans H. Mar. 29 and blew them away in the GI Winchester S. May 11. His training has been on point and he fired a four furlong bullet in :47 1/5 June 1. "You get everything [in the Met Mile]," said trainer Todd Pletcher. "You get the sprinters stretching out, the routers backing up, the true milers. It's what makes it interesting. I think he's adaptable to different pace scenarios. He can sit off a fast pace, he can prompt a slow pace. He's pretty dangerous from a number of strategies." However, the highweight will have to overcome the rail draw as well as the added pounds. "It's concerning, especially when you consider we're also carrying the top weight," said Pletcher of the post position. "At the same time, it is what it is, and, hopefully, he is good enough, seasoned enough, professional enough, and handy enough to overcome a less-than-ideal draw."

Normandy Invasion, who was fourth in the 2013 GI Kentucky Derby before suffering a setback, returned at the start of the season with a 7 3/4-length win in a one-mile optional claimer at Gulfstream Feb. 22. He was then 4 3/4 lengths second behind Palace Malice in the GI New Orleans H. over 1 1/8 miles. Getting back to perhaps his preferred distance--both of his career wins were run at a mile--he could atone for his recent loss as the 5-1 second choice on the morning-line.

Six runners exit the GI Churchill Downs S. May 3, including the superfecta. Central Banker (Speightstown), who is reportedly going to be scratched from this test, was able to just hold off **Shakin It Up** (Midnight Lute) in that seven-furlong affair, while third-place finisher **Clearly Now** (Horse Greeley) found some trouble at the start and ran admirably to round out the trifecta. **Broadway Empire** (Empire Maker) (fourth) and **Capo Bastone** (Street Boss) (sixth) round out the group of horses coming out of the GI Churchill Downs.

California invader **Goldencents** (Into Mischief) will attempt to redeem his last outing in which he came east and faltered to seventh when favored in the GI Cigar Mile Nov. 30. Although he hasn't raced since the fall, his speedy worktab suggests he's fully tuned up for this test. "He had a good series of works because there were no races for him," said Leandro Mora, assistant to trainer Doug O'Neill. "I believe he is good enough to compete with these guys, even though he has been away for quite a bit. He wasn't ready for the [San Carlos in March], and he is a fast horse, but we figure he is not a sprinter. He is a miler, and that's what his distance is."

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 4:48 p.m. EDT**

**METROPOLITAN H.-GI, \$1,250,000, 3yo/up, 1m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Palace Malice	Curlin	Velazquez	Pletcher	8-5
2	Vyjack	Into Mischief	I Ortiz Jr.	Rodriguez	30-1
3	Scarly Charly	Friends Lake	Franco	Hushion	50-1
4	Goldencents	Into Mischief	Smith	O'Neill	10-1
5	Moreno	Ghostzapper	Rosario	Guillot	10-1
6	Central Banker	Speightstown	Nakatani	Stall Jr.	8-1
7	Capo Bastone	Street Boss	Espinoza	Pletcher	30-1
8	Declan's Warrior	Majestic Warrior	Bravo	Zito	30-1
9	Normandy Invasion	Tapit	Castellano	Brown	5-1
10	Clearly Now	Horse Greeley	Lezcano	Lynch	10-1
11	Broadway Empire	Empire Maker	Stevens	Diodoro	20-1
12	Romansh	Bernardini	J Ortiz	Albertrani	15-1
13	Shakin It Up	Midnight Lute	Napravnik	Baffert	6-1

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**A 'SENSATIONAL' MANHATTAN**

The perennial lead-in race to the GI Belmont S., today's GI Manhattan S. carries a seven-figure purse for the first time in its 113-year history and has attracted the best field of turf horses assembled on these shores this year. A California 'raider' will look to take down the Triple Crown a bit later on the program, and another invader from the Golden State, Stronach Stables' **Rookie Sensation** (Unbridled's Song) looms a possible upsetter in this 10-furlong turf affair. The homebred burst onto the scene with a smart off-the-pace victory in the GII Twilight Derby on Breeders' Cup Friday last Nov. 1, but somewhat surprisingly set the fractions in the GI Hollywood Derby Dec. 1 and faded into fifth, 2 3/4 lengths behind Juddmonte Farms' **Seek Again** (Speightstown). A never-in-it eighth in the GII Strub S. over the Santa Anita main Jan. 18, Rookie Sensation was beaten a head in a Mar. 15 Arcadia allowance and is exiting a third in the GIII Last Tycoon S. Apr. 25 where he was short of room at a crucial stage, switched out and flew late to miss by a neck. He should get ample pace to run at here, given the presence of GIII Beaugay S. winner **Five Iron** (Sharp Humor) and recent GII Dixie S. third placegetter **Chamois** (Smart Strike). Seek Again, a three-quarter brother to Middle East win machine Treble Jig (Gone West), won three of his seven overseas starts for trainer John Gosden and was well supported in the Hollywood Derby, defeating Admiral Kitten (Kitten's Joy) by 1 1/2 lengths at odds of 5-1. The homebred had his first run for the Bill Mott barn in the GI Woodford Reserve Turf Classic May 3 and enjoyed a beautiful inside trip. He got through at the fence and looked to have Horse of the Year Wise Dan (Wiseman's Ferry) at his mercy, but the champ refused to go down and held on by a head. "He seems to be coming into this race as good as he was going into the [Turf Classic]," said Mott. "I thought he ran a winning race last time and couldn't have been happier with his performance. I just hope his level of fitness is the same and he feels like running [on Saturday]." Juddmonte won the 2002 Manhattan with the Bobby Frankel-trained Beat Hollow (GB) and with Cacique (Ire) in 2006. The Phipps Stable and Shug McGaughey have won three runnings of the Manhattan since 2005, including last year's victory (in partnership with Stronach Stables) with Point of Entry (Dynaformer). The barn will be represented this afternoon by **Imagining** (Giant's Causeway), who is five-for-eight over this turf course and three-for-four at this trip. The 2011 Hollywood Derby runner-up, Imagining's two most recent wins have come over slightly further in the 11-furlong GIII Red Smith H. last November and a 3/4-length defeat of last year's Manhattan third-place getter **Real Solution** (Kitten's Joy) in the GI Man o'War S. over a mile and three furlongs May 11.

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 5:42 p.m. EDT**

**KNOB CREEK MANHATTAN S.-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Imagining	Giant's Causeway	Velazquez	McGaughey	7-2
2	Hey Leroy	Any Given Saturday	Solis	Azpurua	12-1
3	Rookie Sensation	Unbridled's Song	Smith	Shirreffs	12-1
4	Grandeur (Ire)	Verglas (Ire)	Stevens	Noseda	5-1
5	<b>Boisterous</b> (K)	<b>Distorted Humor</b>	<b>Nakatani</b>	<b>Pletcher</b>	8-1
6	Seek Again	Speightstown	Rosario	Mott	3-1
7	<b>Five Iron</b> (K)	<b>Sharp Humor</b>	<b>Saez</b>	<b>Lynch</b>	15-1
8	Real Solution	Kitten's Joy	Castellano	Brown	5-1
9	Kaigun	Northern Afleet	Garcia	Casse	15-1
10	Chamois	Smart Strike	Bravo	Clement	15-1

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What the \$1 million GI Ogden Phipps S. lacks in relative depth it more than makes up for in strength at the top. The top three vote-getters for last year's champion 3-year-old filly honors are all here, led by Spendrift Farm's two-time Eclipse Award winner



**Beholder**

*Horsephotos*

**Beholder** (Henny Hughes). The 2012 champion juvenile filly was an easy winner of the GI Las Virgenes S. and GI Santa Anita Oaks leading up to the GI Kentucky Oaks, but was run down late by then rank outsider and 38-1 longshot **Princess of Sylmar** (Majestic Warrior).

Given a summer break after that, Beholder returned to annex the Torrey Pines S. at Del Mar Sept. 1 as a springboard to a victory in Santa Anita's GI Zenyatta S. Sept. 28. She still seemed up against it to wrestle the Eclipse away from Princess of Sylmar, but a sporting decision by that one's connections backfired as Beholder romped home by 4 1/2 lengths in the Nov. 1 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff as the then-divisional leader threw in a clunker and checked in last of six. Beholder tuned up for this with an easy-as-could-be 5 1/4-length paid workout in the Apr. 20 Santa Lucia S. in Arcadia, and will be making just her second trip outside of California. While King of Prussia Stable's Princess of Sylmar entered the Kentucky Oaks well under the radar off a second-place finish to **"TDN Rising Star"** **Close Hatches** (First Defence) in the GII Gazelle S. in April, she didn't remain there.



**Princess of Sylmar**  
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The Todd Pletcher pupil added the GI Coaching Club American Oaks at the Spa July 20 by a six-length margin, and proved similarly unbeatable in the GI Alabama S. the following month. She upended then-imposing older mare Royal Delta (Empire Maker) in Belmont's GI Beldame Invitational S. Sept. 28, and clearly just wasn't herself after a long campaign in the Breeders' Cup. Princess of Sylmar appeared no worse for wear in her seasonal return, however, easily downing promising GIII Comely S. winner Wedding Toast (Street Sense) in the Big A's one-mile Cat Cay S. Apr. 6. Juddmonte Farms's Close Hatches was clearly third-best among the leading sophomore fillies last season, but she could have a fitness edge over the other two major players in here. Plenty accomplished in her own right last season, Close Hatches aired by 7 1/4 lengths in the track-and-trip GI Mother Goose S. in June, and handled fellow Grade I-winning 'Rising Star' Sweet Lulu (Mr. Greeley) in Parx's GI Cotillion S. Sept. 21. Second best to Beholder in the Breeders' Cup, the dark bay hasn't been headed in two outings this term. She took the GII Azeri S. at Oaklawn Mar. 15, and doubled up in the GI Apple Blossom H. back in Hot Springs Apr. 11.

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 3:14 p.m. EDT**

**OGDEN PHIPPS S.-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Close Hatches	First Defence	Rosario	Mott	5-2
2	Antipathy	A.P. Indy	Ortiz Jr.	McLaughlin	30-1
3	Belle Gallantey (K)	After Market	J Ortiz	Rodriguez	30-1
4	Classic Point	Flatter	Solis	Jerkens	20-1
5	Beholder (K)	Henny Hughes	Stevens	Mandella	7-5
6	Princess of Sylmar	Majestic Warrior	Castellano	Pletcher	9-5

**SOPHIA CAN'T MISS**

Mathis Stable's **My Miss Sophia** (Unbridled's Song) looms the heavy favorite in the field of 13 who will line up in the GI TVG Acorn S. today. The GII Gazelle S. winner was second by 4 1/2 lengths to the sensational Untappable (Tapit) when last seen in the GI Kentucky Oaks and is given the 6-5 morning-line nod today. "I think in a 13-horse field I'm a little surprised anyone is that short of a price, but it's a very competitive race," trainer Todd Pletcher commented.



**My Miss Sophia**  
Adam Coglianese

"She's run well in every one of her starts, and she's proven versatile at different distances. She ran very well in the Oaks and was second best that day, and we trained her accordingly." Stablemate and ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ **Sweet Whiskey** (Old Fashioned) will attempt a mile for this first time off a second in the GII Beaumont. S. Apr. 13. "She's run well every time," Pletcher explained. "Stretching to a mile, it will be interesting to see how she handles it."

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Chester and Mary Broman homebred **Artemis Agrotera** (Roman Ruler) adds a bit of intrigue. After her romp against state-breds at the Spa on debut Aug. 16, she annexed the GI Frizette over this track and trip Oct. 5. Artemis Agrotera will make her first start today since a well-bet fifth-place finish in the Nov. 2 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. "She was running so good [in the mornings], I didn't think she needed a prep," trainer Mike Hushion said of the six-month layoff. She is the morning-line second choice at 5-1.

The Brett Calhoun-trained **Fiftyshadesofgold** (My Golden Song) kicked off her sophomore season with a win in Sam Houston's Two Altazano S. Feb. 15 and was second to Untappable in the Mar. 29 GII Fair Grounds Oaks. Most recently, she captured the seven-furlong GIII Eight Belles S. at Churchill May 2. "We were back and forth right up to entry day to run in the Kentucky Oaks or the Eight Belles," Calhoun said. "Going forward in the [TVG] Acorn, the mile suits us better than the seven-eighths does. We're pretty dialed in on these middle distances right here."



**Fiftyshadesofgold**  
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**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 2:32 p.m. EDT**

**TVG ACORN S.-GI, \$750,000, 3yo, f, 1m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Fashion Plate (K)	Old Fashioned	Stevens	Callaghan	12-1
2	House Rules (K)	Distorted Humor	Solis	Jerkens	12-1
3	Fiftyshadesofgold	My Golden Song	Smith	Calhoun	8-1
4	Sweet Whiskey	Old Fashioned	Velazquez	Pletcher	20-1
5	Sweet Reason (K)	Street Sense	Ortiz Jr.	Gyarmati	10-1
6	Tiz So Sweet	Tiznow	Alvarado	Mott	20-1
7	Unbridled Forever	Unbridled's Song	Rosario	Stewart	10-1
8	My Miss Sophia (K)	Unbridled's Song	Castellano	Pletcher	6-5
9	Artemis Agrotera	Roman Ruler	Ortiz	Hushion	5-1
10	Lady Paradime	Parading	Maragh	Breen	30-1
11	Risque Reality (K)	More Than Ready	Velasquez	Pugh	30-1
12	Vero Amore	Mineshaft	Pennington	Reid Jr.	20-1
13	Euphrosyne	Harlan's Holiday	Napravnik	Asmussen	20-1

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**CLEMENT HOPES TO HIT THE MARQ**

Last year's GI Longines Just a Game S. exacta of **Stephanie's Kitten** (Kitten's Joy) and **Better Lucky** (Ghostzapper) appear ready for a rematch today, while a host of competitive horses look to upset that plan.

Defending winner Stephanie's Kitten made just two starts since last year's victory, finishing third in the GI Diana S. in July and eighth in Keeneland's GI Jenny Wiley S. for her seasonal debut Apr. 12. However, Better Lucky went on to win the GI First Lady S. at Keeneland in October and closed out the season with a game third in defense of her title in the GI Matriarch S. She was second trying the Keeneland synthetic in the Apr. 12 Madison S. "We think she's a

horse whose best distance is between seven furlongs to a mile," said trainer Tom Albertrani. "We wanted to try something different [in the Madison] and we got exactly what we were looking for from her. We're looking for a good effort from her in the Just a Game."

The Christophe Clement-trained **Discreet Marq** (Discreet Cat) looms large as the 5-2 morning-line favorite. The gray hasn't finished out of the exacta since last January, with the GI Del Mar Oaks amongst her victories during that span. She battled down the stretch of the GI Jenny Wiley and finished second in her most recent outing Apr. 12. "She's a better horse today than when we ran in the Jenny Wiley," said Clement. "She looked a little wintry, which she does not look now, and she's been training very well. It's exciting."

Three horses enter off a last-out effort in Churchill's GI Distaff Turf Mile on the Kentucky Derby undercard. **Coffee Clique** (Medaglia d'Oro) outgamed both **Dame Marie** (Smart Strike), who was second and **Ready Signal** (More Than Ready), who finished fourth.

Repole Stable's multiple graded stakes winner **Unlimited Budget** (Street Sense) will make her turf debut in this spot. The recent fifth-place finisher in the GI La Troienne S. registered an impressive work over this turf course June 1, firing a half-mile bullet in :47 4/5.



**Stephanie's Kitten**  
Horsephotos



**Discreet Marq**  
Benoit Photo

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 4:00 p.m. EDT**

**LONGINES JUST A GAME S.-GI, \$750,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Ready Signal	More Than Ready	Prado	Tarrant	30-1
2	Strathnaver (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Smith	Motion	20-1
3	<b>Dame Marie</b> (K)	<b>Smart Strike</b>	<b>J Ortiz</b>	<b>Kenneally</b>	20-1
4	Somali Lemonade	Lemon Drop Kid	Saez	Matz	8-1
5	Coffee Clique	Medaglia d'Oro	Castellano	Lynch	10-1
6	Stephanie's Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Velazquez	Brown	4-1
7	Unlimited Budget	Street Sense	Napravnik	Pletcher	20-1
8	<b>Waterway Run</b> (K)	<b>Arch</b>	<b>Lezcano</b>	<b>Brown</b>	6-1
9	Discreet Marq	Discreet Cat	I Ortiz Jr.	Clement	5-2
10	Better Lucky	Ghostzapper	Rosario	Albertrani	3-1

**HARD NOT TO INCLUDE**

On an unprecedented undercard, the GI Woody Stephens might be one of the most competitive events. A solid group of sophomores will line up, including

**Social Inclusion**

(Pioneerof the Nile), whose connections opted for this spot earlier in the week rather than trying the Belmont S. After winning his first two starts--a six-panel maiden special weight Feb. 22 and a 1 1/16-mile allowance at Gulfstream Mar. 12,



**Social Inclusion**  
Lauren King

the Rontos Racing colorbearer was third when stretching out in both the GI Twinspires.com Wood Memorial Apr. 5 and GI Preakness S. Mar. 17. Although Social Inclusion has held his own at longer distances, his connections believe he will relish the shorter race and could return to his stellar early form.

Social Inclusion should have some company up front with the presence of **Bayern** (Offlee Wild), who could also return to his top form with the cutback in distance.

☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ scored both of his career victories at a mile or less and crossed the line first in the GIII Derby Trial S. Apr. 26, only to have his number taken down. His only losses came in in his two routes when third in the GI Arkansas Derby Apr. 12 and GI Preakness S., where he was essentially knocked out after being bumped at the start and finished ninth.



**Bayern**  
Benoit Photo

The Chad Brown-trained **Coup de Grace** (Tapit) has only one loss in four starts. That imperfection came two races back in the GI Holy Bull S. Jan. 25--his only attempt past a mile. The chestnut showed early speed in his first two races, but proved in the Apr. 5 GIII Bay Shore S. that he can rally from behind the pace, which could give him a tactical advantage. **Cont. p17**



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**Woody Stephens S. cont.**

GI Champagne S. winner and 🌟 **"TDN Rising Star"** 🌟 **Havana** (Dunkirk) will hope to get back on stride in this test. The gray was second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile to finish his 2-year-old year and never factored when third in the six-panel Gold Fever S. here May 4.

Stonestreet Stables and George Bolton's **Meadowood** (Harlan's Holiday) will attempt to keep his record spotless in his first graded attempt. The Derek Ryan trainee was successful in his Monmouth debut last June under the care of Todd Pletcher. Off the bench, he took a Tampa optional claimer Mar. 12 and won Pimlico's Chick Lang S. on the Preakness undercard May 17 by three authoritative lengths.

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 1:54 p.m. EDT**

**WOODY STEPHENS S.-GII, \$500,000, 3yo, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Bayern	Offlee Wild	Stevens	Baffert	5-1
2	Financial Mogul (K)	Street Boss	Ortiz	Violette Jr.	30-1
3	Havana	Dunkirk	Velazquez	Pletcher	6-1
4	Meadowood (K)	Harlan's Holiday	Napravnik	Ryan	15-1
5	Coup de Grace (K)	Tapit	Castellano	Brown	10-1
6	Embellishing Bob	Northern Afleet	Lezcano	Margolis	8-1
7	Tonito M. (K)	Rock Hard Ten	Nakatani	Hollendorfer	20-1
8	Favorite Tale	Tale of the Cat	Flores	Preciado	12-1
9	Spot	Pulpit	Saez	Zito	30-1
10	Kobe's Back	Flatter	Rosario	Sadler	15-1
11	Social Inclusion (K)	Pioneerof the Nile	Ortiz Jr	Azpuruva	7-5
12	Top Fortitude	Top Hit	Smith	Owens	20-1
13	Pure Sensation	Zensational	Velasquez	Clement	30-1

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 12:40 p.m. EDT**

**BROOKLYN INVITATIONAL S.-GII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Eriugena (Ire)	Shirocco (Ger)	Smith	Maker	10-1
2	Ground Transport (K)	Big Brown	Velazquez	Stidham	3-1
3	Micromanage (K)	Medaglia d'Oro	Castellano	Pletcher	7-2
4	Cat Burglar (K)	Unbridled's Song	Napravnik	Baffert	5-2
5	Ever Rider (Arg)	Rider Stripes (Arg)	Espinoza	Munoz	5-1
6	Golden Soul	Perfect Soul (Ire)	Bridgmohan	Stewart	15-1
7	Bigger Is Better	Grand Reward	Arroyo	Ubillo	30-1
8	Norumbega	Tiznow	Rosario	McGaughey	6-1

**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 1:16 p.m. EDT**

**JAIPUR INVITATIONAL S.-GIII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 6f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Spring to the Sky	Langfuhr	Maragh	Brown	15-1
2	Global Power (K)	Pulpit	Radosevich	Quartarolo	30-1
3	Marriedtothemusic	Disco Rico	Velasquez	Rice	12-1
4	Upgrade (K)	Saint Liam	Castellano	Brown	10-1
5	Anyriderill Do	Street Hero	Napravnik	Werner	20-1
6	Undrafted (K)	Purim	Velazquez	Ward	5-1
7	Non Stop	Successful Appeal	Lezcano	Cannizzo	50-1
8	Ben's Cat	Parker's Storm Cat	Pimentel	Leatherbury	5-2
9	Positive Side	Johar	Nakatani	Forster	8-1
10	Marchman	Sharp Humor	Albarado	Calhoun	3-1
11	Salto (Ire)	Pivotal (GB)	Ortiz Jr.	Pletcher	5-1

**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 5:05 p.m. EDT**

**EARLY TIMES MINT JULEP H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Honey Hues	Henny Hughes	Castanon	Flint	4-1
2	Tapit's World	Tapit	Rocco Jr	Calhoun	4-1
3	I'm Already Sexy	Ready's Image	Mena	Catalano	3-1
4	Hot Tempo	Heatseeker (Ire)	Hernandez Jr	Leggio	6-1
5	Miz Ida	Proud Citizen	Lanerie	Margolis	7-2
6	Embarr	Royal Academy	Davis	Cooney	12-1
7	Enchanting Lisa	War Chant	Leparoux	LoPresti	6-1
8	Maid On a Mission	Strategic Mission	Pedroza	Mills	15-1

**Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 7:00 p.m. EDT**

**AFFIRMED S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Arkenstone	Arch	Talamo	Hendricks	6-1
2	Big Tire	Candy Ride (Arg)	Perez	Glatt	7-2
3	Frensham	Square Eddie	Gutierrez	O'Neill	12-1
4	Can the Man (K)	Into Mischief	Garcia	Baffert	5-2
5	Rebranded	Tiznow	Trujillo	Evans	9-2
6	Friendswith K Mill (K)	Flashy Bull	Baze	O'Neill	3-1
7	Forever Juanito (K)	Badge of Silver	Delgadillo	Garcia	6-1
8	Lolo El Canonero	Street Cry (Ire)	Maldonado	Miller	12-1

**EUROPEAN PREVIEWS**

**BIENVENUE CIRRUS**

Today's G1 Investec Coronation Cup at Epsom, which is run in commemoration of St Nicholas Abbey, has attracted the usual small, but select field and a customary stand-out in one of the established Eurostars in **Cirrus des Aigles (Fr)** (Even Top {Ire}). Corine Barande-Barbe had no choice but to come to the circus



**Cirrus des Aigles**  
*Racing Post*

with her one-in-a-million gift from the gods in his current reinvigorated state, which has seen him plunder the Longchamp's Apr. 27 G1 Prix Ganay and May 25 G1 Prix d'Ispahan. Having dealt with the likes of So You Think (NZ) (High Chaparral {Ire}), this race's record holder St Nicholas Abbey

(Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) and Treve (Fr) (Motivator {GB}) in his glorious distant and recent past, the veteran should have nothing to fear from the brigade that tackles him this time. Perhaps the unique contours will prove his greatest obstacle to a sixth Group 1 triumph. "It will be his first time at Epsom and we will just have to see how he adapts," his trainer commented. "Christophe's confident and said that it will be no problem, as it is just Longchamp in reverse. The left-handed course should be fine as he has already won in Dubai and finished second in a Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud and the distance is clearly not an issue. All is good. He is very playful and eating his sugar--so he is just as he should be." Andre Fabre boasts six renewals and it is significant that he sends across Khalid Abdullah's **Flintshire (GB)** (Dansili {GB}), who was one of the stable's leading lights in a talent-packed 2013 campaign. **Cont. p18**

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**Coronation Cup cont.**

After his win in the G1 Grand Prix de Paris on his favored fast surface at Longchamp in July, the homebred came unstuck when the rain came and was only fourth in the G2 Prix Niel and eighth in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe back there on his last two starts. "He is a genuine horse and I hope he will run well, but obviously he will need the race having been off the track for a long time," his trainer told *PA Sport*. "He was coughing a little bit in March, so we had to give him a break and now he is ready to start his season. We were hoping for fast ground. Unfortunately it doesn't look like we will get that, which is a bit of a worry. We could have waited for the Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot, but I want to run in the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, so we decided to come to Epsom." Two smart fillies in the line-up bid to end a drought for their sex which has lasted since 1991 and they are last year's Oaks heroine **Talent (GB)** (New Approach {Ire}) and G1 Pretty Polly S. scorer **Ambivalent (Ire)** (Authorized {Ire}). The former is returning from a winter break, having signed off with a third in the G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares S. over this trip at Ascot in October while Ambivalent comes into this test on the back of a third behind Gentildonna (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) and Cirrus des Aigles in the Mar. 29 G1 Dubai Sheema Classic at Meydan and a win in York's G2 Middleton S. over an extended 10-furlong trip May 15.

**Saturday, Epsom, Britain, post time: 2:40 p.m.**

**INVESTEC CORONATION CUP-G1, £386,000, 4yo/up, 12f 10yT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	2	Battalion (Ire)	Authorized (Ire)	de Sousa	Haggas
2	7	Cirrus des Aigles (Fr)	Even Top (Ire)	Soumillon	Barande-Barbe
3	1	Empoli (Ger)	Halling	de Vries	Schiergen
4	5	Flintshire (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Guyon	Fabre
5	4	Joshua Tree (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	Moore	E Dunlop
6	6	Ambivalent (Ire)	Authorized (Ire)	Atzeni	Varian
7	3	Beacon Lady (GB)	Haafhd (GB)	Murphy	Knight
8	8	Talent (GB)	New Approach (Ire)	Crowley	Beckett

All carry 126 pounds bar Ambivalent, Beacon Lady & Talent, 123.

**CHARMED RUN**

After being competitive in the strongest race run in Europe so far in 2014, Sheikh Abdulla bin Khalifa Al Thani's **Charm Spirit (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) comes down a couple of pegs in today's G3 Prix Paul de Moussac at Chantilly. Fifth and beaten less than four lengths in the G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket May 3, the bay, who had previously won Maisons-Laffitte's G3 Prix Djebel a month earlier, meets nothing of the quality of those who surpassed him in the mile Classic. Gisela Remmert's G3 Zukunfts-Rennen winner **Abendwind (Ger)** (Wiesenfad {Fr}) was two-lengths second to **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ Sea the Moon (Ger) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) in Frankfurt's G3 Fruhjahrs-Preis des Bankhauses Metzler last time May 11, and that form was boosted on Wednesday when the sixth Guilian (Ire) (Tertullian) took the Listed Prix Matchem.

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**Saturday, Chantilly, France, post time: 7:00 p.m.**

**PRIX PAUL DE MOUSSAC-G3, €80,000, 3yo, c/g, 8fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	5	Charm Spirit (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Peslier	Head
2	2	Salai (Fr)	Myboycharlie (Ire)	Soumillon	Rouget
3	1	Army Bulletin (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Guyon	Fabre
4	4	Chameur (Fr)	Shirocco (Ger)	Badel	Bollack-Badel
5	3	Abendwind (Ger)	Wiesenfad (Fr)	Rispoli	Hickst

All carry 122 pounds bar Charm Spirit, 125.

**Sunday, Milan, Italy, post time: 5:30 p.m.**

**GRAN PREMIO DI MILANO-G1, €209,000, 3yo/up, 12fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	2	Awake My Soul (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Tudhope	O'Meara
2	6	Benvenue (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Bossa	Biondi
3	7	Biz the Nurse (Ire)	Oratorio (Ire)	Atzeni	S Botti
4	8	Demeteor (Ity)	Mujahid	Marcelli	Menichetti
5	9	Frankenstein (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Vargiu	Grizzetti
6	10	Lodovico Il Moro (Ire)	Shamardal	Perovic	Riccardi
7	11	Occhio Della Mente (Ire)	Le Vie Dei Colori (GB)	Rispoli	E Botti
8	1	Orpello (Ire)	Orpen	Branca	S Botti
9	3	Orsino (Ger)	Mamool (Ire)	M Demuro	Rohne
10	4	Steaming Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Gb Bietolini	G1 Bietolini
11	5	Wild Wolf (Ire)	Rail Link (GB)	C Demuro	S Botti

All carry 133 pounds bar Steaming Kitten, 118.

**SO. AFRICAN PREVIEWS**

**Saturday, Clairwood, South Africa, post time: 8:55 a.m. EDT**

**RISING SUN GOLD CHALLENGE-G1, R1,000,000 (US\$93,622), 3yo/up, 1600mT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	5	Yorker (SAf)	Jet Master (SAf)	Marcus	Woodruff
2	2	Capetown Noir (SAf)	Western Winter	Neisius	Kannemeyer
3	11	Rio Carnival (Aus)	Hussonet	Dillon	Laird
4	3	Whiteline Fever (SAf)	Right Approach (GB)	Strydom	Tarry
5	12	Astro News (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Yeni	Laird
6	8	Jet Explorer (SAf)	Jet Master (SAf)	Fourie	Snaith
7	4	Ice Machine (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Hatt	Kannemeyer
8	13	Run For It (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Shea	Snaith
9	10	King of Pain (SAf)	Grey's Inn	Fayd'herbe	Ramsden
10	7	Pomodoro (SAf)	Jet Master (SAf)	Marwing	Tarry
11	1	Castlethorpe (Aus)	Nt A Sngle Dbt (Aus)	v Niekerk	Bass
12	6	Silver Age (SAf)	Requiem (GB)	Sturgeon	Freedman
13	14	Beach Beauty (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Cormack	Drier
14	9	Jet Belle (SAf)	Jet Master (SAf)	Randolph	Kotzen

All carry 132 bar Beach Beauty & Jet Belle, 127.

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# JAPANESE PREVIEW

## JUST A WAY IS BACK

Tomorrow's G1 Yasuda Kinen, one of Japan's premier mile tests, has drawn a star-studded cast of 17, but all eyes will be on **Just A Way (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), as the world's highest-rated horse makes his first public appearance since smashing the G1 Dubai Duty Free record Mar. 29 when romping by 6 1/4 lengths. The 5-year-old was awarded a mark of 130 for that effort,



**Just A Way**  
Liesl King

and drops back to a mile for the first time last August, when he was second in the G3 Sekiya Kinen. Just A Way has no doubt evolved into a different horse since that effort, however. He ran away with the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) by four lengths Oct. 27, and took

the G2 Nakayama Kinen with equal ease Mar. 2 prior to his Dubai demolition. Just A Way could have an international campaign ahead, with entries in the G1 Irish Champion S. and G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. **Mikki Isle (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) is one of seven by his sire in the lineup, and the 3-year-old enjoys a nine-pound weight break from all but the mare Whale Capture (Jpn) (Kurofune) as he looks to extend his winning streak to six. Mikki Isle has raced exclusively over a mile, and he collected the G1 NHK Mile Cup May 11 in his first attempt at the highest level. He will face elders for the first time here. **World Ace (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) was plagued by a bout of tendonitis after finishing fourth in the 2012 G1 Japanese Derby, and he has made a remarkable return to the races this campaign, having won the G2 Yomiuri Milers Cup over this distance Apr. 27. The 5-year-old gets the services of leading Australian pilot Craig Williams. **Tosen Ra (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), a half-brother to Flower Alley (Distorted Humor), recorded a breakthrough victory in the G1 Mile Championship in November, and was second, beaten three-quarters of a length, in the G2 Kyoto Kinen in his lone outing of this year Feb. 16. Veteran mare **Whale Capture (Jpn)** (Kurofune) has been tangling at this level for the better part of four years, and appears to have lost none of her spark at the age of six. The grey, who won the G1 Victoria Mile here in 2012, won the G3 Tokyo Shimbun first up Feb. 17, followed by a fourth place finish in the Victoria Mile May 18. Hong Kong's **Glorious Days (Aus)** (Hussonet) lines up in the Yasuda Kinen for the third straight year, and looks to take the trophy back to Hong Kong for the first time since Bullish Luck (Royal Academy) accomplished the feat in 2006. Glorious Days finished 14th in the Yasuda Kinen in 2012 and 11th last year. He captured the G1 Hong Kong Mile off a six-month layoff from his Yasuda Kinen effort last year, and has this year finished seventh in the Stewards Cup Jan. 19, and fourth in the G1 Champions Mile May 4.

## Sunday, Tokyo, Japan, post time: 2:40 a.m. EDT

**YASUDA KINEN-G1**, ¥195,160,000 (US\$1,906,419), 3yo/up, 1600mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Grandezza (Jpn)	Agnes Tachyon (Jpn)	Ishibashi	Hirata	14-1
2	Red Spada (Jpn)	Taiki Shuttle (Jpn)	Shii	Fujisawa	40-1
3	Curren Black Hill (Jpn)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Akiyama	Hirata	12-1
4	Real Impact (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Tosaki	Hori	25-1
5	Extra End (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Yokoyama	Sumii	30-1
6	Glorious Days (Aus)	Hussonet	Moreira	Size	70-1
7	Whale Capture (Jpn)	Kurofune	Ebina	Tanaka	16-1
8	Mikki Isle (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Hamanaka	Otonashi	8-1
9	Danon Shark (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Uchida	Okubo	18-1
10	Just A Way (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Shibata	Sugai	1-1
11	Shonan Mighty (Jpn)	Manhattan Cafe (Jpn)	Kitamura	Umeda	20-1
12	Grand Prix Boss (Jpn)	Skura Bkushn Oh (Jpn)	Miura	Yahagi	60-1
13	Fiero (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Iwata	Fujiwara	10-1
14	Clarente (Jpn)	Dance in the Dark (Jpn)	Kawada	Hshigchi	50-1
15	Sadamu Patek (Jpn)	Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)	Tanaka	Nishizno	80-1
16	Tosen Ra (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Take	Fujiwara	6-1
17	World Ace (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Williams	Ikee	4-1

All carry 128 pounds bar Whale Capture, 123 and Mikki Isle, 119.

## GP Brasil

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## Sunday, Gavea, Brazil, post time: 3:45 p.m. EDT

**GP BRASIL-G1**, R897,600 (US\$396,939), 3yo/up, 2400mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Olympic Canada (Brz)	Nedawi (GB)	Blandi	Garcia	128
2	Beach Ball (Brz)	Put It Back	Gil	Neto	120
2a	Catch A Flight (Arg)	Giant's Causeway	Reis	Neto	124
3	Ferragamo (Brz)	Sulamani (Ire)	Fernandes	Nahid	128
4	Bal A Bali (Brz)	Put It Back	Borges	Guignoni	124
4a	Mojito (Brz)	Dubai Dust	Domingos	Guignoni	128
5	Arroz Branco (Brz)	Elusive Quality	Nao Corre	Souza	124
5a	Americando (Brz)	First American	Henrique	Guignoni	124
6	Beausejour (Brz)	Torrenal	Duarte	Nahid	124
7	Sandbuck (Brz)	Hard Buck (Brz)	Aparecido	Singnoret	128
8	Energia Destaque (Brz)	Sulamani (Ire)	Almeida	Duarte	128
9	Hendrix (Brz)	Honour and Glory	Ricardo	Nahid	124

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## GRADED/GROUP RESULTS

Friday, Belmont Park

**TRUE NORTH S.-GII**, \$250,000, BEL, 6-6, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:08 1/5, ft.

1--**PALACE**, 124, h, 5, by [City Zip](#)

1st Dam: **Receivership**, by **End Sweep**

2nd Dam: **Alarming Prospect**, by **Darn That Alarm**

3rd Dam: **Hasty Prospect**, by **New Prospect**

(\$160,000 2yo '11 OBSMAR). O-Antonino Miuccio;

B-The Peter J Callahan Revocable Trust Dated

2/28/02 (NY); T-Linda Rice; J-Jose L Ortiz.

\$137,500. Lifetime Record: 18-9-4-2, \$719,550.

\* 1/2 to Retriever (Golden Missile), SP, \$157,958.

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2--**Bakken**, 116, c, 4, [Distorted Humor](#)--General Jeanne, by Honour and Glory. (\$450,000 yrl '11 KEESEP).

O-Mr & Mrs William K Warren Jr; B-Hermitage Farm

LLC & WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-C Brown. \$50,000.

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3--**Salutos Amigos**, 120, g, 4, Salute the Sarge--

Sarasota (Arg), by Luhuk. O-David Jacobson &

Southern Equine Stable LLC; B-Joan Hadley

Thoroughbreds (KY); T-David Jacobson. \$30,000.

Margins: 3/4, 1, 3 1/4. Odds: 9.30, 2.15, 3.35.

Also Ran: Eastwood, Dads Caps, Marriedtothemusic, Integrity. Scratched: Royal Courier, Well Spelled.

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Following three subpar performances, each as the heavy favorite, the betting public jumped off the Palace bandwagon. But the reformed claimer treated his True North rivals with 'malice' aforethought to rediscover his winning ways at a fat mutuel. The bay needed a steep drop into a New York-bred \$20,000 maiden claimer at fourth asking and was haltered by these connections from WinStar Farm and trainer Bill Mott. He proceeded to win four of his first seven appearances in his new silks, but really sprung to life with victories over his fellow Empire-breds in Saratoga's Chowder's First S. at Saratoga last August and in the Oct. 19 Hudson H. at this venue. He continued in top form in the Gill Fall Highweight H. Nov. 28 at the Big A, but was runner-up in the Gravesend H. Dec. 21 and in the Gold and Roses S. Jan. 16 ahead of a disappointing fourth at even-money in Laurel's Gill General George H. last time out Feb. 17. Palace's stablemate Marriedtothemusic (Disco Rico) was fastest out and set the early pace from

🌟 **"TDN Rising Star"** 🌟 Bakken as Palace got a good position just behind those in third. He was shuffled back to fifth as GI Carter H. upsetter Dads Caps (Discreet Cat) and Integrity (Hard Spun) came with wide runs on the turn, but he was always traveling sweetly and came out around Bakken to challenge three abreast at the quarter pole. Palace confronted Bakken at the three-sixteenths and dueled briefly with that one before inching clear to the win.

## RACETRACK ROUND-UP

**AL KAZEEM POSSIBLE FOR KING GEORGE**

John Deer's triple Group 1 winner **Al Kazeem** (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), who returned to the yard of trainer Roger Charlton after proving sub-fertile at stud this season, could target the G1 King George & Queen Elizabeth II S. at Ascot July 26 after taking in a listed prep race.

"He goes out third lot every morning and is as good as gold--he never looks at the fillies, he just gets on with the job," Charlton told *Channel 4 Racing*. "We need to get some weight off, but I'd hope to be looking for a race somewhere for him in July. I don't really know where that would be but there are a lot of races in which he wouldn't have to carry a penalty--he could run in a listed race without a penalty, which would be handy before we look at stepping up in class. He'll be going places where there are lots of prize money so the King George would be a possibility."

Al Kazeem strung together victories in last year's G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup, G1 Prince of Wales's S. and G1 Coral Eclipse. He was last seen finishing sixth in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe Oct. 6.

## NEWS TODAY

**GRAYSON-TRF EVENT RAISES \$300,000**

"The Foods of Bobby Flay," the official Belmont Stakes charity celebration benefitting the Grayson Jockey Club Research Foundation and the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation, raised approximately \$300,000 for the two charities at the event in Manhattan Thursday night.

Over 300 people--including all of the California Chrome connections--attended the event, which featured Flay's gastronomic delights and a brief auction of unique experiences and stallion seasons.



**Flay checks out the auction items before making his bid**

Topping the list of auction items was a 2015 season to Medaglia d'Oro, which Flay took home for \$105,000. (All seasons were sold as no-guarantee with a right of return in the 2015 cover did not produce a foal who stands and nurses.) Chester Broman was the winning bidder on a season to leading second-crop sire Pioneer of the Nile, which he picked up for \$37,000. Flay also

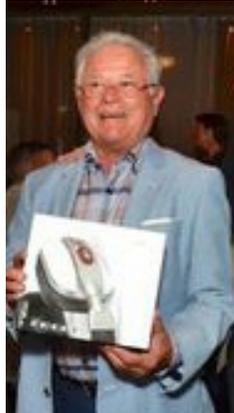
grabbed a season to Lookin At Lucky, who has been represented by three winners in his first crop, for \$25,000; while a season to the 2013 Breeders' Cup Classic winner, Mucho Macho Man, also went to Broman, for \$16,000. **Cont. p21**



**Grayson/TRF Event cont.**

Topping the list of unique experiences was a third-floor clubhouse box for 6 to the 2015 Kentucky Derby and Oaks, which went for \$15,000 to Stonestreet Farm. Martin Schwartz took home a shopping spree in New York City's meatpacking district, donated by Andrew Rosen, for \$13,000. A complete list of the experiences and seasons appears below.

The emotional highlight of the night was the presentation of the fourth annual Earle Mack Thoroughbred Champion Award, presented to leading anti-slaughter advocate Victoria McCullough.



**Art Sherman held the winning raffle ticket for a pair of Turtle Beach i30 headphones**

The chairman of the board of Chesapeake Petroleum, McCullough was recognized for her efforts and influence on safeguarding the lives of Thoroughbred racehorses through the prevention of the reinstatement of horse slaughter in the U.S. McCullough has also led the fight to stop the export of horses for slaughter across the country's borders.

Last week, she was successful in getting the House and the Senate to continue to defund the inspection of horse slaughter plants for another year, which means that there will be no horse slaughter in the U.S. for at least that long.

McCullough said she would continue to lobby to get the borders closed so that horses could not be shipped to slaughter in Mexico and Canada. "I'm not going to stop until it's done," she said.

"Through her own resources, she's lobbied and laid out her own money to buy 4,000 horses," Mack said in introducing her. "It has been nothing short of a miracle."

**EXPERIENCES** (with donor, purchase price, and purchaser)

**European Champions Weekend**, donated by Destination Europe. \$8,000, Virginia Guest Valentine.

**U.S. Open Passes**, \$7,000, Victoria McCullough.

**Three Days At Tucker's Point, Bermuda**, donated by Tucker's Point, \$7,000, Victoria McCullough

**Private Villa at Casa de Campo**, \$14,000, Patrick Moore.

**Fighter Pilot Experience**, \$7,500, John Hartig.

**Four World Series Tickets to every American League Game**, donated by Jessica Steinbrenner, \$9,500, Bruce Lunsford.

**NYC Meatpacking District Shopping Experience**, donated by Andrew Rosen, \$13,000, Martin Schwartz.

**Clubhouse Box at the Derby and Oaks**, \$15,000, Stonestreet.

**2015 SEASONS** (no guarantee, with right of return):

**Mucho Macho Man**, donated by Adena Stallions, \$16,000, Chester Broman

**Lookin At Lucky**, donated by Coolmore/Ashford Stud, \$25,000, Bobby Flay

**Pioneer of the Nile**, donated by WinStar Farm, \$37,000, Chester Broman

**Medaglia d'Oro**, donated by Richard Santulli and Barry Weisbord, \$105,000, Bobby Flay



**SHEIKH SNAPS UP ROYAL JUVENILES**

Sheikh Joaan's Al Shaqab Racing has purchased **The Wow Signal (Ire)** (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), an nine-length debut winner at Ayr May 21. The juvenile, by a Royal Ascot winner in G1 Golden Jubilee victor Starspangledbanner, is expected to head to the Royal meeting later this month. Al Shaqab also bought into the filly **Harry's Dancer (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), who crushed a Thirsk maiden by five lengths first out May 17. Both horses are trained by John Quinn, and will remain in his yard.

"It is a huge privilege to have such high-profile owners come in and invest in horses in our yard," said Quinn. "I am hopeful, but also confident, that both horses will show themselves in a positive light racing in their new colors. The Wow Signal will now head for the [G2] Coventry S. on day one of Royal Ascot, whilst Harry's Dancer will be next seen in the [G2] Queen Mary S. on the second day of the meeting."

**NEWS TODAY**

**AKEED MOFEED RETIRED**

Hong Kong Group 1 winner **Akeed Mofeed (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}--Wonder Why {Ger}, by Tiger Hill {Ire}) has been retired from racing and will enter stud at Goldin Farms, the former Lindsay Park Stud, in South Australia, according to *Racing and Sports*. The winner



**Akeed Mofeed**  
*Racing Post*

of last year's G1 Hong Kong Cup and Hong Kong Derby was withdrawn from last month's G1 QEII Cup after knocking himself in a workout, and after considering the necessary time for full recovering, owner Pan Sutong opted to retire the 5-year-old. Akeed Mofeed, who began his career in Ireland with

trainer John Oxx in the Jaber Abdullah silks, finished second in the G2 Beresford S. and fourth in the G1 Irish Derby before being exported to Hong Kong. Trainer Richard Gibson told *Racing and Sports*: "Akeed Mofeed has an outstanding physique with an excellent temperament. He finished on equal race terms with Horse of the Year Military Attack and beat the highest rated turf horse of the season in Cirrus Des Aigles."

Andrew Perryman, Stud Manager of Goldin Farms, added: "Akeed Mofeed was a top European group performer at two and three, and then went on to become a champion in Hong Kong. Being one of the highest-rated sons of Dubawi I am sure he will be well received by top Australian breeders, as few stallions will be able to match his physique and pedigree."



# Classic Corner

## EPSOM GOING UPDATED

At the end of racing yesterday, Epsom Downs Head of Racing and Clerk of the Course Andrew Cooper updated the going to read "good, good-to-firm in places." from "good."

"The forecast is for dry weather until at least 1 a.m. From then on, there is 12-hour period potentially when we could see showers, some of which could be heavy," Cooper said. "It is uncertain when the rain and if the rain will come, and how much we will get. Any rain should clear away by the afternoon. There is quite a dramatic range about what could happen rain-wise, from nothing to an inch [25 millimetres]."

## IN OTHER NEWS...

A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Other Media

**China: The Next Big Horse-Racing Center?** From the outside, there doesn't appear to be anything special about Ren Ningning's farm southeast of Beijing, tucked among plots of lotus root and other crops. **Laurie Burkitt, *The Wall Street Journal*.**

**Chasing the Triple Crown** It hangs in a corner of memory like one of those old English racing scenes whose paint has begun to crack -- an heirloom of the mind now seen in fading colors, with that sunlit horse and rider in the center of it, plunging through the lights and shadows of the late June afternoon. **William Nack, *ESPN.com*.**

**At the Belmont Stakes, California Chrome Creates Gambling History: A Sure Thing Bet** Pari-mutuel betting, for better or worse, is in my blood. **Randall Lane, *Forbes*.**

**At Belmont Park, Savoring the Other Sides of the Track** The stalwarts of Belmont Park shuffled toward the front benches some 50 minutes before post time, a procession of walking canes and tinted sunglasses, plastic bags treated as briefcases and jeans pulled high enough to make belly buttons disappear. **Matt Fleggenheimer, *New York Times*.**



## GI Belmont Stakes Picks from the Pros:

**NYRA TV Analyst and Former Jockey Richard Migliore:** "I really like California Chrome. I came out to watch him train at Belmont Park after the Preakness, looking for some weakness, some chink in his armor. I haven't been able to find it. I think he has really thrived and flourished on the workload, and he may be coming into the Belmont better than he did the Derby and the Preakness. California Chrome looks like a jockey's dream. He doesn't get rank, you can ask him to run to get position, when you put your hands down he settles, when you ask him again there's instant response. He looks like he'd be a blast to ride."

**Former Jockey Jean-Luc Samyn:** "We have to go with California Chrome. He sure looked like the best horse. It probably took a little out of him in the Preakness, but I sure think he recovered well and he sure looks like the horse who is going to do it."

**Trainer Al Stall:** "I'm not going to go against the grain. I love California Chrome. I like the way he's coming up to the race. That picture I saw this week of the size of his neck compared to a few months ago was amazing to me. That tells you the horse is in such great physical form, and obviously, his numbers are great. A clean break, and it is all over."

**Trainer John Kimmel:** "I like The Chrome coupled with Wicked Strong in a straight exacta."

**Trainer Shug McGaughey:** "[My pick is] California Chrome. He's training good here, last three races have been great. The percentages say 'no.' I think Wicked Strong has trained awfully well. That's who my picks are."

**Trainer Nick Zito:** "I want to take the superfecta: California Chrome, Samraat, Wicked Strong and Ride On Curlin. And that's a wrap. A box, of course."

**Trainer Kieran McLaughlin:** "[My pick is] Tonalist. I just think he's fresh, a very nice, talented horse."



**FOALING NEWS** *continued*  
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**FEARLESS LEADER**, 10, Suave Prospect--Truly Romantic, by Robyn Dancer  
Foal born May 13, a filly by Proud Citizen.  
Will be bred back to Istan.  
Owned by B.C. Jones.  
Boarded at Airdrie Stud.  
Accomplishments: SW & GSP, \$216,485.

**IN SECONDS**, 11, Giant's Causeway--Golden Gorse, by His Majesty  
Foal born May 17, a colt by Tapizar.  
Will be bred back to Graydar.  
Owned by DJ Stables LLC.  
Boarded at Taylor Made Sales Agency.  
Accomplishments: Dam of Carving (Any Given Saturday), MSW, \$191,566.

**New York**

**Yesterday's Results:**

**BELMONT GOLD CUP INVITATIONAL S.**, \$200,000, BEL, 6-6, 4yo/up, 2mT, 3:21 2/5, gd.

1--**CHARMING KITTEN**, 119, c, 4, [Kitten's Joy](#)--  
**Iteration**, by **Wild Again**. O/B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey(KY); T-Todd A Pletcher; J-John R Velazquez. \$110,000. Lifetime Record: GISP,19-5-5-2, \$706,250. \*Full to Queen'splatekitten, SW & MGSP, \$387,313.

 **Raised on Ramsey Farm** 

2--**Irish Mission**, 110, m, 5, Giant's Causeway--  
**Misty Mission**, by **Miswaki**. (\$375,000 yrl '10 FTSAUG). O-Robert S Evans; B-Sam-Son Farm (ON); T-Christophe Clement. \$40,000.

 **Registered Ontario-Bred** 

3--**Reflecting**, 117, h, 5, Elusive Quality--Daydreaming, by A.P. Indy. O/B-Phipps Stable (KY); T-Claude R McGaughey III. \$24,000.

Margins: 1, NO, 3 1/4. Odds: 5.50, 11.30, 26.25. Also Ran: Twilight Eclipse, Sky Blazer, Spy in the Sky, Auld Alliance (Ire), Eagle Poise, Draw Two, Comes the Dream, Mambo Man. Scratched: Wings of Fortune.

The reputation of Ken and Sarah Ramsey's superstar stallion Kitten's Joy was further bolstered here as Charming Kitten proved best over this distance rarely run in the States. A fitting winner of the Kitten's Joy S. to kick off his 3-year-old season, the homebred knocked on the door in high class races all year without ever breaking through. He was a close third in the GI Blue Grass S. in April, and completed the exacta in June's lucrative Penn Mile, July's GII Virginia Derby, and October's GIII Hawthorne Derby. He took a Hallandale optional claimer in January to begin his 4-year-old campaign, but could only manage a sixth in the GI Gulfstream Park Turf H. Feb. 9 and a fifth in the GII Pan American S. Mar. 29. Given a confidence-builder with an optional claiming win over the Keeneland Polytrack Apr. 24, he was a close fourth in Pimlico's GII Dixie S. May 17, and was stretching out some 7 1/2 panels while removing the blinkers he had sported all season. Well-covered while in and among horses and in touch throughout, Charming Kitten was shuffled back slightly entering the final of three turns. Ridden along to advance, but appearing like he needed to do more, the dark bay kept finding with the help of Johnny Velazquez's insistence to outstay the mare Irish Mission. Reflecting put in a bold run late in the game, but lost momentum when a seam between the top two closed, which likely cost him at least second. "I've got the sire, and a rising tide raises all ships, you know?" offered Ken Ramsey. "So that makes all the rest of them worth something, and it increases the distance factor--I mean, two miles, that's good advertising. We may have a grinder there today, but he got the job done. That's the first two-mile winner for the sire." [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).



**Charming Kitten**

*Horsephotos*

**8th-BEL**, \$77,000, Alw, NW1\$X, 3yo/up, a6fT, 1:09, gd. **ESCAPIST**, 119, (3, [Stroll](#)--**Bend** {MSP, \$144,946}, by **Arch**) showed off impressive early zip to don cap and gown by 4 1/4 lengths going five grassy furlongs at Gulfstream Feb. 20, and was given a 7-2 chance to remain unbeaten in what looked like a wide-open affair here. Sandwiched at the start, the dark bay tugged his way to the front midway down the backside, posting splits of :22.61 and :46.32. Challengers lined up to take runs at the leader at the head of the lane, but he dug in gamely to find the line a half-length in front of Shore Runner (More Than Ready). The winner is a half to Saturday's GI Metropolitan H. contender Clearly Now (Horse Greeley), MGSW & GSP, \$616,927. Sales history: \$31,000 yrl '12 KESEEP. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$69,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-Peter D Pugh & Cherry Knoll Farm. B-Claiborne Farm (KY). T-Peter D Pugh.

**6th-BEL**, \$60,760, Alw, NW1\$X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17 2/5, ft. **PEARLS FOR GIRLS**, (f, 4, **Greeley's Galaxy**--**Maggie's Pearle**, by **Bright Launch**) finished fourth in open company for trainer Michael Matz at Gulfstream Park in January of 2013 and improved to second when next seen off the long shelving for John Kimmel at Aqueduct in state-bred company Apr. 27. The chestnut donned cap and gown over six panels of the Belmont main track May 17, and was bet down to 3-2 favoritism in this return. Engaged in a fierce duel from the break, the chalk began to gain the upper hand as she scraped paint, and she edged clear late in determined fashion by 1 3/4 lengths from Bridgetta (Roaring Fever). Sales history: \$25,000 yrl '11 FTNAUG; \$215,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$99,900. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-Whisper Hill Farm. B-Belvedere Farm Inc (NY). T-John C Kimmel.

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**New York Report cont.**

**1st-BEL, \$75,000, Msw, 2yo, 5fT, :58 1/5, gd. SUNSET GLOW (f, 2, [Exchange Rate](#)--Perfectforthe part {SP}, by Dynaformer),** who completed a Wesley Ward exacta first up at Presque Isle May 13, was hit hard late down to 8-5 favoritism and did not disappoint. Straight to the front, the grey filly always looked like a winner, and dragged a motionless Victor Espinoza all the way to the wire to best the boys by two lengths. Stablemate Crown the Kitten (Kitten's Joy) completed the exacta ahead of Pletcher firster Spanish Armada (War Front). The winner's third dam is GISW Andestine (Native Prospector). Sales history: \$60,000 wlng '12 KEENOV; \$140,000 yrl '13 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$52,000. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).** O-Ten Broeck Farm Inc. B-Gayla Rankin/GLR Ranch (KY). T-Wesley A Ward.

**McElroy Equine Purchase**

**5th-BEL, \$60,000, Msw, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:45 1/5, gd.**

**LADY KREESA (f, 3, Stonesider--Storm's Advance {SP}, by Storm Creek),** a close second among state-breds over this course going a mile May 14, was sent off the crowd's 3-5 choice after flashing talent--and some immaturity--in her unveiling. Allowed to set a soft pace, the homebred came under pressure turning for home, but quickened away nicely from her foes to score by 2 1/2 lengths on the line. Chasing Paradise (Utopia {Jpn}) was second. The winner is a half to King Kreesa (King Cugat), GSW & GISP, \$657,370. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$48,000. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).**

O/B-Gerald & Susan Kresa (NY). T-David G Donk.

Trained at **Crupi's New Castle Farm**

**TODAY'S INSIGHTS**

**8:12p HR/TVG 13th-BEL, \$102K, Alw/OC (\$62K), 3yo/up, 7f** Godolphin Racing's 'TDN Rising Star' **PAZOLINI (Bernardini)** will look to steal a sliver of the spotlight in the nightcap of this marathon card. The \$875,000 graduate of the 2012 Fasig-Tipton Florida sale failed to land a blow in his Saratoga debut last August, but cruised to a maiden-breaking score with the addition of Lasix Aug. 13 at Gulfstream. The Kieran McLaughtlin pupil stepped forward with a 2 3/4-length first-level allowance tally here May 3, and should have no problem with an additional furlong. Team D's **In Trouble (Tiz Wonderful)** goes up against his elders, but should appreciate this cut back in distance. A winner of last year's GII Futurity S. here over six panels, the bay was a close third in Aqueduct's GIII Gotham S. Mar. 1 before finishing fourth--demoted to fifth--in the GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 29. [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

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**Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 12:07 p.m. EDT**

**EASY GOER S., \$150,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Life in Shambles	Broken Vow	Rosario	Clement	4-1
2	Souper Lucky	Giant's Causeway	J Ortiz	Albertrani	15-1
3	Effinex	Mineshaft	Montanez	David	20-1
4	Kid Cruz	Lemon Drop Kid	I Ortiz Jr	Rice	5-2
5	Misconnect	Unbridled's Song	Castellano	Pletcher	4-1
6	No Surrender	Into Mischief	Bravo	Pletcher	8-1
7	Legend	Tiznow	Saez	Bond	3-1
8	Pass the Coffee	Zito	Velasquez	Zito	12-1
9	Howl	Arch	Alvarado	Barrera III	30-1

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**Eastern U.S.**

**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-MTH, \$41,440, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.**

**DISCREETLY ELUSIVE (f, 3, [Discreet Cat](#)--Pretty Elusive, by Elusive Quality),** a non factor in her unveiling in open company, was a close second in three state-bred maiden races at Gulfstream before finally breaking through last out in a six-furlong restricted affair there Apr. 5. Off as the 2-1 second choice in this return to open company, the homebred was content to save ground off the pace. She moved out three wide on the far turn to take control, and drew away to a 6 1/2-length score. Favorite Yes I'm Sweet (Yes It's True) finished second. Lifetime Record: 6-2-3-0, \$72,700.

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O/B-E Paul Robsham Stables LLC (FL). T-Todd A Pletcher.

**6th-MTH, \$41,360, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :53 1/5, ft.**

**+ PERPETUAL NOVENA (f, 2, [Majestic Warrior](#)--Viola Blew By, by Omega Code)** showed just three unassuming local works, but was solidly backed at 7-2, and for good reason, as it turned out. The dark bay chased the pace, came off the inside while mounting her bid in upper stretch, and split horses to strike the front a sixteenth out. Odds-on choice Presto Magic (More Than Ready) came flying late, but Perpetual Novena had too much left and held sway by a length. "She seemed like a really smart filly," offered winning rider Paco Lopez. "I waited with her until the top of the stretch and then just let her go." Perpetual Novena was a \$75,000 OBSAUG and \$80,000 OBSMAR juvenile after a [:10 1/5](#) furlong breeze. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,800. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).** O-Rick Shanley. B-Albert & Teresa Davis (FL). T-Edward Plesa Jr.



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## Florida

### Wildcat Red Returns to the Worktab:

Wildcat Red, winner of the GII Besilu Stables Fountain of Youth S. and GIII Hutcheson S. on the GI Kentucky Derby trail this spring, posted a four-furlong work over the Gulfstream Park main track in :47.84 Friday morning. It was his first official move since finishing 18th in the Derby May 3. "He worked great and he did it easy. He loves this racetrack," said trainer Jose Garoffalo. "It was exactly what I was looking for. He did it very easy and the gallop-out was very good. I'm planning to run him here at the end of the month [in the Quality Road S. June 28]. I want to use that race as a prep for the [GI] Haskell [Invitational at Monmouth July 27]."



**Wildcat Red**  
*Coglianese*

### Little Mike Targeting Arlington Million:

Originally intended to start in the GI Knob Creek Manhattan S. Saturday, but delayed due to a procedural difficulty, MGISW **Little Mike** (Spanish Steps) now has a new target in his sights, the GI Arlington Million Aug. 16. "I'll take my time and wait for the Arlington Million," said trainer Carlo Vaccarezza. "We'll back off his training a little bit because he's not a horse that needs to be trained hard. He keeps himself really fit. He's a 7-year-old so we have to treat him with a lot of TLC." Little Mike captured the 2012 GI Arlington Million before adding the GI Breeders' Cup Turf to his resume and made his first start back in 2014 a winning one taking the Flying Pigeon S. at Gulfstream May 17. "He learned a lot from that race," added Vaccarezza. "He broke really well; he was in front a couple lengths, then he sustained some pressure. Turning for home, he felt the pressure and he opened up by five. Overall, it was a good race, a great experience for him. Coming back from five, six months off, I'm very proud of him."

### Yesterday's Results:

**7th-CRC, \$23,550, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19 2/5, ft.**

**REAL STEEL (c, 3, [Exchange Rate](#)--Eyes Wide Open, by Unbridled's Song)** could not recover from a slow break in his debut at Gulfstream Apr. 12 and checked in fifth, but bounced back to prevail in a seven-furlong maiden here May 17. Sent off as the 5-2 second choice, the homebred battled for control through the backstretch and took a narrow lead as he turned for home. Big Roques (Imperialism) pressured Real Steel to the wire with a late rally, but ultimately missed by a neck. Sales history: \$180,000 RNA yrl '12 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$29,450. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).**

O/B-Vegso Racing Stable (FL). T-Barry N Croft.

**6th-GPX, \$47,300, Msw, 2yo, f, 5fT, :57 3/5, fm. MISS AMALITA (f, 2, [Pomeroy](#)--Fort Carillon, by Runaway Groom),** third on debut for Horacio Barbaran over Gulfstream's main track Apr. 18, progressed to be second for trainer Terri Pompay with first-time Lasix May 2. Switched to the turf for this attempt, the dark bay was sent off as the 4-5 favorite and ranged up from the outside to press the pace entering the far turn. Urged to tackle Jersey Life (Bring the Heat) in late stretch, she gained the front in the shadow of the wire to win by a neck. Sales history: \$19,000 RNA yrl '13 OBSAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$45,310. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).**

O-Amalio Ruiz Lozano, Sostenes Ruiz & Ramiro Rosas-Medina. B-Amalio Ruiz Lozano (FL). T-Teresa M Pompay.

## Kentucky

### Yesterday's Results:

**8th-CDX, \$52,099, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 1mT, 1:34 1/5, fm.**

**GENERAL JACK (c, 3, [Giant's Causeway](#)--J'ray {MGSW, \$969,843}, by Distant View)** broke his maiden in the Shakopee Juvenile S. at Canterbury Park in August of last year and had yet to hit the board since in both graded and regular stakes company. Most recently fifth in the GII American Turf S. here May 3, the chestnut launched at 3-2 favoritism and settled in behind the leaders along the hedge into the first turn. Content to rate the length of the backstretch, he shifted out around the turn and reached contention at the head of the straight. Given several enthusiastic taps, General Jack surged away by 4 1/2 lengths at the wire from Broadway Zen (Zensational). Sales history: \$190,000 RNA yrl '12 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo '13 KEEAPR. Lifetime Record: SW, 7-2-1-0, \$118,736. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).**

O-F Thomas Conway & Michael J Maker. B-Lawrence Goichman (KY). T-Michael J Maker.

**INDIAN CREEK GRADUATE**



**NBS GRADUATE**



**2nd-CDX, \$43,540, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.**

**JUDY JUDY JUDY (f, 3, [Dunkirk](#)--Notable Legend, by Notebook)** never lifted a hoof going long at Keeneland Apr. 11, but looked like a new horse here with the addition of Lasix and an upbeat worktab in the interim. Away a bit awkwardly from her rail draw, the 9-2 shot settled into stride in fourth behind a swift pace. Clearly full of run, but with nowhere to go into the straight, Judy Judy Judy sliced into the clear and reeled in Incompatible (Broken Vow) en route to a three-length success. The winner, a \$42,000 FTKOCT yearling, is a half to Passive Income (High Yield), SW, \$145,430. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$24,712. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).**

O-Magdalena Racing (Susan McPeek). B-Sienna Farms LLC (FL). T-Kenneth G McPeek.



## Central U.S.

### Thursday Night's Results:

**8th-CBY, \$28,350, Msw, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:06 1/5, ft.**  
**+ NUESHTY (g, 3, Rock Hard Ten--Aqua, by Giant's Causeway),** a \$32,000 KEESEP yearling off at 7-2 for a solid debut barn, dictated terms up front and had 3 3/4 lengths to spare on fellow firster Financial Freedom (Corinthian) at the line. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$16,200. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-Joseph F Novogratz. B-Sanford R Robertson (KY). T-McLean Robertson.

### Yesterday's Results:

**9th-APX, \$36,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:47 3/5, gd.**  
**COLONEL JOAN (f, 3, Colonel John--Live 'n Laugh, by Dixieland Band)** was a close sixth in her debut in a sprint at Betfair Hollywood Park last year, and came back to miss by a head in an all-weather Del Mar maiden Sept. 1. She took third in the grassy Surfer Girl S. at Santa Anita Oct. 6 and was third again, behind subsequent GIII Florida Oaks winner Testa Rossi (Dr Fong), in the GI Juvenile Fillies Turf at Santa Anita Nov. 1. After a close seventh-place finish over 1 1/16 miles on the Keeneland synth Apr. 11, she was favored at 3-5 here. Content to chase the pace from the rail early, the bay moved five wide in the second turn to make her bid and began picking off foes as she charged down the stretch. Smart Flea (Lawyer Ron) advanced with a late run, but could not match strides with Colonel Joan, who closed under strong urging to win by 1 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: GISP, 6-1-1-2, \$149,044. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).  
 O-Kathy Harty & Mark DeDomenico LLC. B-Phil Owens (KY). T-Eoin G Harty.



**3rd-APX, \$42,260, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f (AWT), :52 2/5, ft.**  
**+ CREAKY CRICKET (c, 2, Yesbyjimmy--Serene Lake, by Meadowlake),** supported down to 9-5 favoritism from an 8-1 morning line, was hustled to the lead to grab a clear advantage. Posting a soft opening split of :23.54, he poured it on from there under a hands-and-heels ride to graduate by 11 1/2 lengths. Strolling Steve (Stroll) chased in vain throughout. The winner, an \$11,500 OBSOCT yearling, brought \$32,000 at this year's OBS April sale after a rare three-furlong breeze in :33 2/5. He is a half to Izzie's Halo (Halo's Image), GSP, \$290,528. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$21,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-Ballybrit Stable LLC. B-Bridlewood Farm (FL). T-Michael Dini.

### Career Victory

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**Who: Jockey Joe Johnson**  
**When: Thursday, June 5**  
**Where: 9th race, Churchill Downs**  
**With: Silver Antelope (Into Mischief)**

**3rd-IND, \$32,000, Msw, 3,4,5yo, f/m, 1m, 1:40 1/5, ft.**  
**+ PHINDA (f, 3, Officer--Ixora, by Dynaformer),** away at 7-1 in this unveiling, rated off the pace and moved up to make her bid in upper stretch. After dueling with Run Forestry Run (Forestry) into midstretch, she pulled away in the late stages to win by 2 3/4 lengths. Sales History: \$3,500 HRA '14 FTKFEB. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#).  
 O/T-Terry Phillips. B-Milsec Ltd (Ky).

### Yesterday's Results:

**4th-SAX, \$63,628, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW3\$X, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15 3/5, ft.**

**1--SEEKING THE SHERIF, 120, g, 5, Officer--Seeking Adel, by Seeking the Gold.** (\$72,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP). O-Tim Goodwin, Steven & Sabina Romo Zolotas; B-Diamond A Racing Corp (KY); T-Ronald W Ellis. Lifetime Record: 8-6-1-0, \$152,000.

**2--Midnight Transfer, 120, h, 5, Hard Spun--French Satin, by French Deputy.** (\$80,000 2yo '11 KEEAPR).

**3--Castaway, 120, h, 5, Street Sense--Priceless Storm, by Storm Cat.** (\$435,000 yrl '10 KEESEP).

Margins: 2 3/4, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 0.90, 3.50, 19.40.

Lightly raced Seeking the Sheriff has risen from the maiden claiming ranks to blossom into what appears to be a graded stakes-caliber sprinter. The bay made one start in 2011, and didn't resurface until March of 2013, when he romped home by 9 3/4 lengths in a \$20,000 maiden seller here. Off again until December, he was claimed from his breeder and trainer Gary Mandella out of a winning effort for \$12,500. He was second in a \$32,000 claimer Jan. 30, but hasn't tasted defeat since. Seeking the Sheriff made short work of a Feb. 15 starter allowance and, after a brief freshening, cruised in a first-level optional claimer Apr. 5. He entered off a second-level optional claiming win May 16 for which he earned a career-best 103 Beyer Speed Figure. In front and always looking like a winner, the odds-on choice cruised home to run out of conditions. Super Ninety Nine (Pulpit), off since a third in last year's GI Santa Anita Derby, never looked comfortable chasing the pace and faded to fourth. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

**5th-GGX, \$33,752, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f (AWT), :53 3/5, ft.**

**+ BLAZING SPICE (f, 2, Blazonry--Extreme Spice, by In Excess {Ire}),** a 31-1 outsider for a barn that rarely wins with fresh faces, was away second last. She advanced rapidly in between horses on the home turn, struck the front at the top of the stretch, and eventually worse down game pacesetter Go to the Alter (Lucky Pulpit). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,280. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-Running Horse Equine Center. B-Fred Davis & Charlene Davis & RunningHorse Equine Training Center (CA). T-William Delia.

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Jess's Dream (Curlin--Rachel Alexandra), 3f, :38.60, 2/7



# TODAY'S INSIGHTS

## Canada

**3:30p HR/TVG 2nd-SA, \$56K, Msw, 2yo, 5f**  
 Trainer Bob Baffert went to \$700,000 on behalf of Michael Lund Petersen for **HOLIDAY CAMP (Street Boss)** after the \$47,000 KEENOV weanling and \$105,000 KEESEP yearling breezed an un-blinkered quarter in :21 flat at OBS March. Peter Miller saddles **Rowdy Dylan (Sky Mesa)** for Rockingham Ranch and David Lanzman. The chestnut topped the CTBA's Northern California Sale as a \$60,000 yearling, and brought \$280,000 at Barretts March after covering a furlong in :10 flat. He is the first foal out of stakes-placed Serious Vow (Broken Vow), who took six starts to break her maiden and did her best work routing. Also exiting BARMAR is Diamond 100 Racing Club and Trussell Jr.'s **Diamond Majesty (Lookin at Lucky)**. The dark bay--a \$38,000 KEESEP yearling in his first time through a sales ring--went for \$220,000 in Pomona following a :10 1/5 breeze. He is a half-brother to MGSP Council Member (Seattle Slew) out of a half-sister to Grade II-winning juvenile Winning Pact (Alydar). This is the female family of last year's G1 Darley Prix Morny winner No Nay Never (Scat Daddy) and G1 Del Mar Futurity hero Tamarando (Bertrando). Patrick Biancone conditions fellow Diamond 100 colorbearer Diamond Bachelor (War Front), who earned the 'TDN Rising Star' distinction for a sharp turf unveiling last August and added the Oak Tree Juvenile Turf S. the following month. Previous race experience is often a potent asset in juvenile maidens, and Success Racing's **Sky Preacher (Sky Mesa)** boasts just that. Backed all the way down to 3-10 for his May 9 debut, the \$52,000 KEESEP yearling could only manage a runner-up finish behind his far less-fancied stablemate Henry's Holiday (Harlan's Holiday). The Doug O'Neill-trained son of Argentinian MGSW My Dear Lady (Arg) (Mutakddim) is a full to SW and GSP Sky High Lady. [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

**1:00p TVG 1st-WO, \$58.6K, ALW/OC (\$75K), 3yo, 7f (AWT)**  
 Patricias Hope LLC's **GOOD BYE GREG (Teuflesburg)**, who at one point was under consideration for today's GII Woody Stephens S., instead finds a drastically softer spot for his second start. The Larry Rivelli pupil could not have been more impressive crushing Arlington maidens by 13 lengths with a 95 Beyer Speed Figure May 3 ([video](#)), and looks to have this field at his mercy as a 2-5 morning line chance. The \$135,000 OBSMAR buy's dam is a full-sister to 1992 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile runner-up It'sali'lknownfact (Known Fact). [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

**Yesterday's Results:**  
**7th-WOX, \$67,272, Alw, Opt. Clm.**  
 (\$62,500-\$60,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:40 1/5, fm.

**DANCE AGAIN (f, 4, [Awesome Again](#)--Dance With Doves, by A.P. Indy)** won the restricted Carotene S. over 1 1/8 miles on the turf here last October before rallying to finish third in the GII Mrs. Revere S. over this distance at Churchill Downs Nov. 16. Fifth in a one-mile optional claimer under the Twin Spires when making her 2014 debut Apr. 30, she was favored at 3-5 here. Away slowly, the bay filly raced in traffic while off the pace and cut to the rail in the upper stretch, sliding into contention as she turned for home. The late-charging Floral Sky (Sky Mesa) took the lead midstretch, but gave way grudgingly as Dance Again closed with a persistent drive to win by 3/4 of a length. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 12-3-3-3, \$240,753.

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 O/B-Sam-Son Farm (ON). T-Malcolm Pierce.



**5th-WOX, \$46,038, Alw, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45, ft.**

**LIONS BAY (c, 3, [Sligo Bay {Ire}](#)--Lions Raw, by War Deputy)**, second on debut going seven furlongs here Dec. 8, broke through by a convincing three-length margin going six panels here May 10. Given a 4-1 chance to handle the stretch-out, the homebred was hung a bit wide into the first turn while tracking from midpack. He picked off rivals to be third hitting the top of the lane, and closed the gap on the top two nicely to win going away by 1 1/2 lengths. Snowy Legacy (Milwaukee Brew) was second. Sales history: C\$15,000 RNA yrl '12 ONTSEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$60,259. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-M, N, V & J Earle. B-Martin & Victoria Earle (ON). T-Jamie Attard.



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### Select Horses' Vet Records Available on Website:

Owners now have the voluntary option of making their horses' veterinary records public by uploading those records to a page hosted by [horseracingreform.org](http://horseracingreform.org), it was announced by The Jockey Club Friday. After account creation, owners will be able to upload records to the 'Transparency' link on the website and their name will be added to the list of owners who have chosen to make those records public.

"We wanted to provide an easy and efficient way for owners to voluntarily make their horses' veterinary records available to the public," said Matt Iuliano, executive vice president and executive director of The Jockey Club. "Increasing transparency into our sport is an important element of our continuing efforts to build customer confidence in horse racing. As a resource designed to advocate for medication reform, safety and integrity, the Horse Racing Reform website is the perfect vehicle to make this possible."

The records themselves should include the 14-day period prior to a graded stakes start and owners are encouraged to upload the records the day of the race so that the most possible information is available to the public. Trainers also have the ability to upload their charges' records if requested by the owner via email.

"We were encouraged by the response from a number of prominent Thoroughbred owners and trainers who pledged to make available to the public veterinary records of horses competing in graded stakes races in the United States and Canada," added Iuliano. "With just a few clicks, owners or their trainers may quickly upload their veterinary records. We hope to see continued growth and support of this important transparency initiative."

## ROOKIES

### First-crop starters to watch: Saturday, June 7

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2011 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

**AFLEET EXPRESS** (Afleet Alex), Gainesway, \$5K, 37/0/0

4-PID, Msw, 5f, Jiggin Witit, \$3K FTK OCT yrl, 6-1

**BLAME** (Arch), Claiborne, \$30K, 76/0/0

4-MTH, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Honest, \$240K OBS MAR 2yo, 9-2

**LOOKIN AT LUCKY** (Smart Strike), Ashford Stud, \$15K, 100/3/0

4-MTH, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Madefromlucky, \$150K OBS MAR 2yo, 4-1

2-SA, Msw, 5f, +Diamond Majesty, \$225K BAR MAR 2yo, 3-1

2-SA, Msw, 5f, Social Request, \$100K OBS APR 2yo, 10-1

**THE PAMPLEMOUSSE** (Kafwain), R San Miguel, \$3K, 19/1/0

2-GG, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Grey Moon Runner, \$60K BAR OCT yrl, 5-2

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### First/second-crop starters to watch: Saturday, June 7

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

**BIRDBIRDISTHEWORD** (Pure Prize), 8/0/0

8-AP, Msw, 6f, +Realta Ean, 20-1

**DIXIE CHATTER** (Dixie Union), Bellena Vista, \$5K, 84/21/1

4-HST, Stk, 6 1/2f, Architecture, \$29K BRC OCT yrl, 9-2

**DUNKIRK** (Unbridled's Song), Ashford, \$10K, 186/31/3

5-BEL, Stk, 7f, Havana, \$575K BAR MAR 2yo, 6-1

8-AP, Msw, 6f, +Bonita Song, 15-1

**FORT PRADO** (El Prado {Ire}), Buck Pond, \$5K, 62/12/1

9-AP, Stk, 1m, Sunshine Caris, 15-1

9-AP, Stk, 1m, Lakotadreamcatcher, 20-1

**GIANT GIZMO** (Giant's Causeway), Adena Springs Canada, 69/10/1

7-WO, Msw, 6 1/2f, +I Deliver, 20-1

7-WO, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Giant Asset, 6-1

8-WO, Stk, 7f, Splashy Gizmo, 10-1

**OLD FASHIONED** (Unbridled's Song), Taylor Made, \$8K, 156/23/3

6-BEL, Stk, 1m, Sweet Whiskey, \$300K OBS MAR 2yo, 20-1

6-BEL, Stk, 1m, Fashion Plate, \$340K OBS APR 2yo, 12-1

**PARADING** (Pulpit), Claiborne, \$4K, 100/15/0

6-BEL, Stk, 1m, Lady Paradime, 30-1

**PIONEEROF THE NILE** (Empire Maker), WinStar, \$15K, 159/23/3

6-CD, Msw, 1mT, +Cairo County, \$5K KEE NOV wnl, 20-1

5-BEL, Stk, 7f, Social Inclusion, \$60K KEE SEP yrl, 7-5

**REBELLION (GB)** (Mozart {Ire}), Norse Ridge, 30/4/0

8-WO, Stk, 7f, Bella's Rebel, \$15K CAN SEP yrl, 12-1

**SAPPHIRE CAT** (Bluegrass Cat), 5/0/0

6-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Lindante, 6-1

**SIR GALLOVIC** (Victory Gallop), Emerald Training Center, 17/3/0

3-HST, Stk, 6 1/2f, Jordan's Quest, 8-5

**SQUARE EDDIE** (Smart Strike), Vessels Stallion Farm, 62/11/1

9-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, Frensham, 12-1

**ZENSATIONAL** (Unbridled's Song), Hill 'n' Dale, \$15K, 144/24/1

5-BEL, Stk, 7f, Pure Sensation, 30-1

4-PRX, Msw, 5f, +City Cafe, \$63K FTK OCT yrl, 5-2

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### IN BRITAIN:

Idea, c, 3, **Mizzen Mast**--Discuss (SP-Eng), by Danzig.  
KMP, 6-5, 7f (AWT). B-Juddmonte Farms Inc.

Abseil, c, 4, **First Defence**. See "Britain."

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# Australasia

## NATIONAL SALES COME TO A CLOSE

The curtain came down on two weeks of selling at the Gold Coast yesterday, with a general yearling and racehorse session bringing the Magic Millions National sales to a close. Book 2 of the yearling sale kicked off proceedings, and buyers were discerning, with 52% of the youngsters through the ring failing to find new homes. The average was up 3% from this session 12 months ago at A\$6,634 and the median down four



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points, while the gross dropped to A\$384,800 from A\$574,700, with 31 fewer horses sold. The top price of the general yearling session was A\$40,000, paid by Magic Millions as agent for a leading Queensland trainer for [Lot 2083](#), a Dane Shadow (Aus) filly from the draft of Stanley River Thoroughbreds. The bay is the first foal out of the

winning A Little Smug (NZ) (Traditionally), who is out of a half-sister to talented kiwi galloper Spin 'N Grin (NZ) (Spinning World).

Hong Kong's Magus Equine got in on the action, shelling out A\$130,000 for [Lot 2020](#), a colt by Dr Green (NZ) who is a half to two winners. Queensland trainer Trevor Miller parted with A\$28,000 to secure [Lot 2016](#), a colt from the first crop of Drumbeats (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) from Lyndhurst Stud Farm.

Eighty-five racehorses took their turns through the ring thereafter, with 73 sold for A\$571,600, at a buyback rate of 14%. Last year saw a considerably larger catalogue, with 175 sold for A\$4,126,000 and a 1% buyback rate. This year's average was down 67% to A\$7,830, while the median dropped 87% to A\$2,100.

The top price of A\$35,000 was hit three times, with the Melbourne-based Malua Bloodstock signing for two of those. First through the ring was [Lot 2203](#), the dual-winning 3-year-old Teofilo (Ire) gelding Carillo (Aus) from the Darley draft. Next up was [Lot 2224](#), Dovedeen's 4-year-old gelding Generis Heart (Aus) (Show A Heart {Aus}), also a two-time winner. Trainer Cliff Bashford rounded out the trio when going to A\$35,000 for [Lot 2259](#), an unnamed and unraced 2-year-old son of Zizou (Aus) from Grandview, as agent. The bay is a full-brother to the promising Singapore galloper Rappor (Aus).

Commenting on the National Sales as a whole, Magic Millions Managing Director Vin Cox said: "It's been a very big National Sale, from start to end. We had 2100 horses in and out of the complex and we have to congratulate all the staff of the vendors and the shipping companies in getting the horses in and out of the complex with little fuss. To all the Magic Millions staff, it has been a big two weeks. There has been a lot of work go into this sale, which has culminated in two weeks of record-breaking selling. I thank everyone that participated at the sale at any level. We hope you enjoyed your time on the Gold Coast, we thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you at our upcoming sales."



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CUMULATIVE	2014	2013
Catalogued	96	254
No. Offered	85	177
No. Sold	73	175
RNAs	12	2
% RNAs	14%	1%
High Price	A\$35,000	A\$140,000
Gross	A\$571,600	A\$4,126,000
Average (% change)	A\$7,830 (-67%)	A\$23,577
Median (% change)	A\$2,100 (-87%)	A\$16,000



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SESSION TOTALS	2014	2013
Catalogued	134	172
No. Offered	120	140
No. Sold	58	89
RNAs	62	51
% RNAs	52%	36%
High Price	A\$40,000	A\$38,000
Gross	A\$384,800	A\$574,700
Average (% change)	A\$6,634 (+3%)	A\$6,457
Median (% change)	A\$3,000 (-4%)	A\$3,125

# Britain

Saturday, Epsom, post time: 2:05 p.m.

INVESTEC WOODCOTE S.-Listed, £40,000, 2yo, 6ft

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	1	Baitha Alga (Ire)	Fast Company (Ire)	Dettori	Hannon
2	8	Ballymore Castle (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Moore	Fahey
3	7	Burtonwood (GB)	Acclamation (GB)	Kirby	Fahey
4	3	Fine Prince (Ire)	Strategic Prince (GB)	Fortune	Mills
5	5	Lightning Stride (GB)	Equiano (Fr)	Spencer	Meehan
6	9	Red Icon (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Kingscote	Dascombe
7	6	Exentricity (GB)	Paco Boy (Ire)	Twstn-Davies	Channon
8	4	Mambo Paradise (GB)	Makfi (GB)	de Sousa	Johnston
9	2	Mary Ann Bugg (Ire)	Bushranger (Ire)	Kneller	McEntee

All carry 126 pounds bar Exentricity, Mambo Paradise & Mary Ann Bugg, 121.



British Report cont.

**Yesterday's Results:**

**INVESTEC SURREY S.-Listed**, £40,000, EPM, 6-6, 3yo, 7fT, 1:21.58, gd.

1--#**THAT IS THE SPIRIT (IRE)**, 126, g, 3, by **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**  
**1st Dam: Fraulein (GB) (GISW-Can, SW & GSP-Eng, \$549,033), by Acatenango (Ger)**

**2nd Dam: Francfurter (GB), by Legend of France**

**3rd Dam: A Priori (Ger), by Prince Ippi (Ger)**

(15,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT; £85,000 2yo '13 DONAPR). O-Frank Gillespie. B-Cliveden Stud Ltd (GB). T-David O'Meara. J-Daniel Tudhope. £22,684. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, £38,857. \*1/2 to Mischief Making (Lemon Drop Kid), SW & GSP-Eng.

2--**Parbold (Ire)**, 126, c, 3, Dandy Man (Ire)--Gala Style (Ire), by Elnadim. (€48,000 wnlng '11 GOFNOV; 42,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT). O-David W Armstrong & Cheveley Park Stud. £8,600.

3--**Penny Drops (GB)**, 121, f, 3, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Penny Cross (GB), by Efisio (GB). (27,000gns RNA yrl '12 TATOCT). O-Gary & Lesley Middlebrook. £4,304.

Margins: NO, 2HF, 1. Odds: 1.10, 1.62, 6.00.

Also Ran: Miracle of Medinah (GB), Silver Treasure (Fr).

Scratched: Coulsty (Ire). **Click for the [Racing Post result. VIDEO, courtesy Racing UK.](#)**

Crowning a week of weeks for The Grey Gatsby's owner Frank Gillespie, the progressive That Is the Spirit provided him with a winner at the Epsom Derby meeting and maintained his own unbeaten tally in the process. Impressive on two occasions over this trip at Doncaster Mar. 30 and in a York handicap at the Ebor meeting May 14, the bay was sent straight to the lead by Danny Tudhope and after controlling the race may have been idling as Parbold lunged late to force a photo. Burgeoning talent David O'Meara has Royal Ascot in mind for his latest stable star now. "He still looked a bit green coming down the hill and ran around a bit, but he's got plenty of natural speed and seems to like to get on with it," he said. "They have a lot to contend with here and he's come through it well. That's the quickest ground he's run on and the best race he's run in, so we can't ask for more than that. I suppose the [June 18] G3 Jersey S. is a possibility, but we'll see how he is and speak to Frank Gillespie and see what he wants to do." Tudhope added, "He didn't handle the track very well and he got unbalanced in the last furlong, but luckily we got away with it. He has been a bit keen, but his attitude was a lot better today and I was impressed with that. He's got a real high cruising speed."

**INVESTEC MILE (HCP)**, £35,000, EPM, 6-6, 4yo/up, 8f 114yT, 1:42.35, gd.

1--**ABSEIL**, 129, c, 4, **First Defence--Intercontinental (GB) (Ch. Turf Mare & MGISW-US, SW & G1SP-Fr, G1SP-Eng, \$2,052,382), by Danehill**. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Inc; T-Sir Michael Stoute; J-James Doyle. £21,787. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, £30,381.

2--**Llanarmon Lad (Ire)**, 123, g, 5, Red Clubs (Ire)--Blue Crystal (Ire), by Lure. (€25,000 yrl '10 GOFSP; 4,500gns HRA '12 TATJUL; €30,000 RNA wlng '09 GOFNOV). O-Middleham Park Racing XLIII & Partner. £6,524.

3--**Red Avenger**, 133, c, 4, War Front--Emotional Rescue, by Smart Strike. (\$105,000 yrl '11 KEESSEP; 175,000gns 2yo '12 TATAPR). O-The Hon R J Arculli. £3,262.

Margins: HF, 1 1/4, HD. Odds: 2.50, 14.00, 16.00.

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Out of one of Khalid Abdullah's finest racemares of recent times, Abseil was understandably persevered with despite not racing at two or three and was in the right hands as a member of Freemason Lodge with the famously patient Sir Michael Stoute at the helm. Introduced on Kempton's Polytrack at the beginning of April, the homebred put in an eye-catching display when staying on into third over this trip before graduating by 4 1/2 lengths also over that trip at Yarmouth Apr. 21. Done no favors by a wide draw and soft ground when second over an extended seven furlongs at Chester last time May 9, the homebred made amends with conditions in his favor here. Free early before settling behind the leading trio against the rail, the bay was switched traveling easily in early stretch and after being committed passing the quarter pole began to lean down back towards the rail. Hampering the beaten Red Avenger in the process, he was beyond reach as Llanarmon Lad was brought with his challenge down the outer. "The occasion got to him today," jockey James Doyle said. "He was very lit up with an eye on the funfair going to the start and in the race. He rolled down the camber, but is inexperienced and this will stand him in good stead. He's definitely going the right way and I'm sure he'll progress." The owner-breeder's Racing Manager Teddy Grimthorpe added, "He was a little bit gassy early on, but he's still pretty fresh. He didn't race until this season, because he had little niggles. Hopefully, the penalty for winning today should get him into the Royal Hunt Cup [at Royal Ascot June 18], but that is a very different test. He's got a Group One pedigree so we hope he can progress up, but he's still learning and we'll see how we go."



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Zenyatta	Street Cry (IRE)	Machiavellian	Mr. Prospector
Dark Bay or Brown Mare		Helen Street (GB)	Coupe De Fole
Foaled 2004		Kris S.	Troy (GB)
Vertigneux (1965)		For The Flag	Waterway (FR)
			Robert
			Sharp Queen
			"Call
			In The Offing

By **STREET CRY (IRE)** (1968). Black type winner. \$943,674. Sire of 5 crops, 428 foals, 287 starters, 41 black type winners, 160 winners, \$27,852,071. Sire of 9 producing daughters, 10 foals, 1 winner, including Tevins Song (to 2, 2010, \$20,228).

1st Dam **VERTIGNEUX**, by Kris S. Broodmare Of The Year: 2 wins at 4, \$60,480, in NAUS. Dam of 5 foals to race, 4 winners.

**ZENYATTA** (f, by Street Cry (IRE)). Champion, see records.

**BALANCE** (f, by Thunder Gulch). 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,048,491, in US. Won Santa Anita Oaks [G1], Santa Margarita Invitational Hcp [G1], Las Virgenes S. [G1], La Canada S. [G2], Sharp Cat S. [L] (HOL, \$10,000), 2nd Hollywood Starlet S. [G1], Vanity Invitational Handicap [G1], 3rd Ashland S. [G1], La Brea S. [G1], Clement L. Hirsch Handicap [G2], Milady Breeders' Cup Handicap [G2], Hidden Light S. [OR] (OSA, \$8,000).

**British Report cont.**

**2nd-GWD, £5,000, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT, 1:10.63, gd.**  
**JUNGLE CAT (IRE) (c, 2, [Iffraaj {GB}](#)--Mike's Wildcat {SW-US}, by Forest Wildcat),** who was 20 lengths adrift of the Royal Ascot-bound The Wow Signal (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) when third on debut over this trip at Ayr May 21, broke well to race near the front line throughout the early stages. Grinding his way to the lead with 100 yards remaining, the 5-1 second choice asserted to score by two lengths from Sixty (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}). The winner is a 1/2 to Texas Wildcatter (Monarchos), GSP-Can & US, \$288,740. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £3,860. [VIDEO, courtesy Racing UK.](#)  
 O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum.  
 B-Darley (IRE). T-Mark Johnston.

**3rd-BTH, £4,500, Mdn, 2yo, 5f 11yT, 1:01.83, gd.**  
**ZEB UN NISA (GB) (f, 2, [Iffraaj {GB}](#)--Tullyally {GB}, by Dansili {GB}),** fifth on debut over this trip at Windsor May 19, showed dash to lead from the outset. Stretching clear inside the final furlong, the 2-1 pick hit the line with five lengths to spare over La Cuesta (Ire) (Showcasing {GB}). The dam is a 1/2 to Footstepsinthesand (GB) (Giant's Causeway), G1SW-Eng & GSW-Ire, \$427,781; and to Pedro the Great (Henrythenavigator), G1SW-Ire, \$165,181. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £2,911. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com.](#)

O-Mr A E Oppenheimer. B-Hascombe and Valiant Studs (GB). T-Roger Charlton.

**DERBY MEETING TO AIR AT BELMONT**

Belmont Park will broadcast today's G1 Investec Derby meeting at Epsom Downs live in an agreement with GBI Racing. Patrons at Belmont Park will be able to watch and bet on all seven races on the Epsom card, featuring the Investec Derby at 11 a.m. Eastern time, and the G1 Coronation Cup at 9:40 a.m.

**Ireland****Yesterday's Results:**

**SEAMUS & ROSEMARY MCGRATH MEMORIAL SAVAL BEG S.-Listed, €47,500, LEO, 6-6, 4yo/up, 14fT, 3:02.99, gd.**

1--**MISSUNITED (IRE), 129, m, 7, Golan (Ire)--Lets Clic Together (Ire), by Don't Forget Me (Ire).** O/B-Mrs Vanessa Hutch (IRE). T-Michael Winters. J-Kevin Manning. €30,875. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Fr, 15-5-6-2, €170,075.

2--**Shu Lewis (Ire), 126, m, 8, Pyrus--Poppy Lewis (Ire), by Paris House (GB).** O-Monica Dowdall Blake. €9,500.

3--**Tarana (Ire), 129, f, 4, Cape Cross (Ire)--Tarakala (Ire), by Dr Fong.** O-H H The Aga Khan. €4,750.  
 Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 3.50, 16.00, 3.33.  
[Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com.](#)

**SAVAL BEG S. cont.**

Missunited underwent a turnaround in fortunes when winning the valuable Galway Hurdle last August and followed that with a first black-type success in the Listed Oyster S. in September. Runner-up in the Listed Loughbrown S. at The Curragh later that month and third in the G1 Prix Royal-Oak at Longchamp at the end of October, the dark bay returned to be last of three in a conditions race at Limerick Apr. 10 before improving markedly on that flop to be fourth behind the Royal-Oak hero Tac de Boistron (Fr) (Take Risks {Fr}) in Ascot's G3 Sagaro S. 20 days later. Soon in front here, she had to fend off allcomers from the final turn but showed tenacity to keep up the gallop and defy them one by one.

**KING GEORGE V CUP-Listed, €40,000, LEO, 6-6, 3yo, 12fT, 2:36.45, gd.**

1--**#ROHERYN (IRE), 124, f, 3, by Galileo (Ire)**

1st Dam: **La Chunga (MGSW-Eng, \$156,115), by More Than Ready**

2nd Dam: **Gypsy Monarch, by Wavering Monarch**

3rd Dam: **Gypsy Miss, by Raise a Bid**

(\$400,000 yrl '12 KEESEP). O-Qatar Racing Ltd. B-La Chunga Syndicate (IRE). T-Ger Lyons. J-Colin Keane. €26,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, €32,210.

**LANE'S END Sales Graduate**

2--**Streetcar to Stars (GB), 129, c, 3, Sea the Stars (Ire)--Approach (GB), by Darshaan (GB).** (250,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT). O-Christopher Tsui. €8,000.

3--**Sinkal, 129, c, 3, Smart Strike--Sindirana (Ire), by Kalanisi (Ire).** O-H H The Aga Khan. €4,000.

Margins: NO, 5, 3 3/4. Odds: 8.50, 10.00, 0.80.

Also Ran: Upper Silesian (Ire), Sundara (Ire), John Constable (Ire), Zarawi (Ire). [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com.](#)

Slow to get the hang of things, Roheryn took until his fourth start for it all to click into place and she put three unplaced efforts firmly behind her with an eight-length maiden win over an extended 11-furlong trip at Wexford May 10. Content to track the early pace, Colin Keane committed his mount with three furlongs remaining and the bay clung on as Streetcar to Stars arrived with his late show.

1st-LEO, €17,500, Mdn, 2yo, 7fT, 1:33.11, gd.

**CONVERGENCE (IRE) (c, 2, [Cape Cross {Ire}](#)--Zahoo {Ire} {SP-Eng}, by Nayef)** hit the board behind a decent sort at Naas last time Apr. 28 and led after breaking best from the gate. Comfortable in front until the straight, the 4-1 chance was scrubbed along passing the two pole and kept on bravely under a power drive to hold Vert de Grece (Ire) (Verglas {Ire}) by a half length. Gleneagles (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), a full-brother to Marvellous (Ire), was handily placed throughout, but couldn't land a telling blow under pressure in the straight and finished fourth. Sales history: €32,000 yrl '13 TATNOV. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, €14,060.

[VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com.](#)

O-Vincent Gaul. B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd (IRE). T-Ger Lyons.



**Irish Report cont.**

**3rd-LEO, €12,500, Mdn, 3yo, 8fT, 1:43.76, gd.**  
**PONFEIGH (IRE) (c, 3, [Teofilo {Ire}](#)--Water Fountain {GB}, by Mark of Esteem {Ire}),** beaten under two lengths when third to stablemate and G1 Epsom Derby hopeful Ebanoran (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}) at The Curragh in his only prior go Oct. 15, was steadied in fifth after a slick exit in this sophomore return. Swinging into contention off the home turn, the 8-11 chalk challenged Comtesse (GB) (Champs Elysees {GB}) entering the final eighth and was driven out late to best that rival by a neck. Sales history: 150,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €9,945. [VIDEO](#), [courtesy attheraces.com](#). O-Thomas Barr. B-Ennistown Stud (IRE). T-John Oxx.

**IRISH THOROUGHBREDS SHIPPED TO CHINA**

Nine Irish Thoroughbreds, the first to ship to China from the Emerald Isle under the new Health Certificate signed by the Irish Department of Agriculture Food and the Marines and their Chinese counterparts last year, have landed safely in Beijing. BBA Ireland sourced the horses and coordinated their quarantine and transport arrangements for an undisclosed client in close cooperation with officials from Ireland's Department of Agriculture and AQSIQ, and Chinese counterparts.

Micheal Donohoe of BBA Ireland commented: "The domestic market for the type of horse we have been exporting to China to date is not as strong as it once was and, although China is not the gold mine it is perceived to be by some, it is nevertheless a new emerging market that sees Ireland as the number one source for quality equines."

Elaine Hatton, General Manager of Irish Thoroughbred Marketing, said: "We are delighted to be able to facilitate Thoroughbred trade between Ireland and China. Irish Thoroughbred Marketing has invested a lot of time and effort into building relationships. For Ireland the value is not only in the bloodstock, but it is being able to welcome these high-net-worth individuals into Ireland and demonstrate the quality of what the entire industry has to offer. These clients experience the best of Irish hospitality and visit numerous tourist attractions whilst in the country."

**France**

**Saturday, Chantilly, post time: 6:30 p.m.**

**PRIX LA FLECHE-Listed, €55,000, 2yo, 5fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	5	El Suizo (Fr)	Meshaheer	Veron	Pantall
2	9	Hesat (Fr)	Country Reel	Lemaire	Boutin
3	4	Dikta Del Mar (Spa)	Diktat (GB)	Martin	Novais
4	1	Jane's Memory (Ire)	Captain Rio (GB)	Dwyer	Guest
5	3	Preciously (Fr)	Lord of England (Ger)	Soumillon	Guillemin
6	8	Lifaisforliving (Fr)	Hold That Tiger	Hamelin	Palussiere
7	6	Lostinparadise (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Peslier	Palussiere
8	2	Pierre Precieuse (Fr)	Vertigineux (Fr)	Maillot	Caroux
9	7	Country Gori (Fr)	Country Reel	Benoist	Sogorb

All carry 125 pounds bar El Suizo, 128.

**Yesterday's Results:**

**PRIX MELISANDE-Listed, €55,000, COM, 6-6, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:07.28, gd/sf.**

1--#**DOLNIYA (FR), 123, f, 3, by Azamour (Ire)**

**1st Dam: Daltama (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Daltawa (Ire), by Miswaki**

**3rd Dam: Damana (Fr), by Crystal Palace (Fr)**

O-H H The Aga Khan. B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (FR). T-Alain de Royer-Dupre. J-Christophe Soumillon. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €47,800.

2--**Felcine (Ire), 123, f, 3, [Duke of Marmalade \(Ire\)](#)--Red Rosie, by Red Ransom. O-Eledy SRL. €11,000.**

3--**Momo No Sekku (Fr), 123, f, 3, [Leroidesanimaux \(Brz\)](#)--Academic Angel, by Royal Academy. (€14,000 yrl '12 ARQOCT). O-Hiroharu Kurimoto. €8,250.**

Margins: 1HF, NO, 1HF. Odds: 1.00, 8.60, 22.00.

Also Ran: All At Sea (GB), Summer Surprice (Fr), Yonna (Fr), Mintaka (Fr), Privet Hedge. Scratched: Lutindi (Ger). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Equidia VIDEO](#).**

Unraced as a juvenile, Dolniya debuted with a one-length second to subsequent G3 Prix de Royaumont victress Savanne (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) when going 10 1/2 furlongs on the Chantilly Polytrack Apr. 28, and lined up for this stakes bow having easily shed maiden status in a 12 1/2-furlong conditions heat at Maisons-Laffitte May 17. Anchored last of the eight runners until inching closer on the home turn, she loomed large approaching the quarter-mile marker and was punched out inside the final eighth to comfortably register a career high.

**OBSERVATIONS**  
on today's European racing scene

**6.00 Chantilly, Debutantes, €25,000, 2yo, f, 5 1/2fT**

**MALICIEUSE (IRE) ([Galileo {Ire}](#))** is a surprise runner over this sprint trip, being a stoutly-bred half-sister to The Niarchos Family's stellar performer Bago (Fr) (Nashwan) and fellow Group 1 winner Maxios (GB) (Monsun {Ger}). That said, one of the homebred's other half-siblings Beta (GB) (Selkirk) did win this race seven years ago and she has obviously been showing Jonathan Pease a lot of pace in her work.

**6.05 Limerick, Mdn, €14,500, 2yo, c/g, 7f 50yT**

**SOEBROTO (IRE) ([Henrythenavigator](#))** sports the Fitri Hay silks as he makes his debut for the David Wachman stable that achieved Group 1 success with another of her runners by this sire in 2013 in Sudirman. Co-owned by Susan Magnier, the €340,000 GOFORB purchase is a half-brother to the 2010 GI La Brea S. and 2011 GI Santa Monica S. winner Switch (Quiet American).



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## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-PIM, \$48,543**, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44 4/5, ft.

**CONNEMARA COAST (g, 5, [City Zip](#)--Amazing Lady, by Dehere)** Lifetime Record: 9-2-4-2, \$103,663. O-Dumbarton Farm. B-Barbara C Graham & Joseph Keilty (MD). T-Timothy L Keefe. \*\$27,000 yrl '10 FTMOCT.

**5th-IND, \$47,520**, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5, ft.

**IN A JIF (f, 4, [Sainly Look](#)--Damie's Peanut, by Stravinsky)** Lifetime Record: 9-5-0-1, \$120,612. O-Sherri L Greenhill. B-Jeff & Sherri Greenhill (IN). T-Jeffrey L Greenhill.

**9th-PIM, \$45,866**, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000-\$20,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42 3/5, fm.

**PAGAN PRIESTESS (m, 6, [Oratory](#)--Friend's Gold, by Compadre)** Lifetime Record: SW, 30-7-5-5, \$210,118. O-Bobby G Sowder. B-B G "Bob" Sowder (VA). T-W Robert Bailes.

**5th-PIM, \$43,544**, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:36 2/5, fm.

**CORK COUNTY (g, 5, [Discreet Cat](#)--Carleaville {GSP, \$209,071}, by Carson City)** Lifetime Record: 12-4-1-0, \$98,370. O/B-Grace E Ritzenberg (VA). T-Tim Woolley.

**7th-PIM, \$42,809**, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:36, fm.

**BRICKYARD KITTEN (g, 4, [Kitten's Joy](#)--Brickyard Gal, by Proud Citizen)** Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-2, \$72,690. O-Joseph M Imbesi. B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (KY). T-John C Servis.



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**6th-APX, \$40,500**, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2\$X, 3yo/up, a1 1/8mT, 1:52 3/5, gd.

**R. GREAT ADVENTURE (c, 4, Limehouse--R. and R., by Louis Quatorze)** Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-2, \$67,608. O-Nancy A Vanier & Mike Schmitt. B-Nancy Vanier & Frank & Jennifer Allen (KY). T-Brian Williamson.

**9th-MTH, \$39,640**, Opt. Clm. (\$30,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :55 3/5, fm.

**INDIAN SPLENDOR (f, 4, [Indian Ocean](#)--Jeet, by Tactical Advantage)** Lifetime Record: SP, 12-3-3-0, \$135,952. O-Castaway Stable. B-Paul R & Mary Anne Denes (FL). T-Jason Servis. \*\$3,600 RNA wlng '10 OBSOCT; \$18,000 yrl '11 OBSAUG; \$130,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR.

**4th-APX, \$39,500**, NW2\$X, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46 3/5, ft.

**DOUG JUNIOR (g, 6, [Doug Fir](#)--Faxed Kisses, by Islefaxyou)** Lifetime Record: 43-7-5-2, \$148,520. O-Ronal Land. B-Barr Three LLC (IL). T-Steve Fridley.

**8th-CTX, \$31,000**, 6-5, C, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:25 1/5, ft. **SERVICE FOR TEN (g, 5, [Service Stripe](#)--Tenacious Cheryl, by Wild Zone)** Lifetime Record: SW & MGSP, 16-8-2-5, \$326,410. O-Mark B Lapidus LLC. B-Mr & Mrs Sidney B Cox Jr (VA). T-Emanuel J Geralis.

**4th-PEN, \$30,680**, 6-5, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:44 4/5, ft.

**AFTER THE BELL (g, 5, [Empire Maker](#)--Rings a Chime {GISW, \$606,315}, by Metfield)** Lifetime Record: 16-3-0-1, \$73,873. O-Waldorf Racing Stables LLC. B-Darley (KY). T-Marya K Montoya. \*Full to Country Star, MGISW, \$668,865.

**8th-PRM, \$30,500**, 6-5, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:44 3/5, ft.

**AMBUSH WOMAN (f, 4, [Divine Park](#)--Phu Cat, by Tabasco Cat)** Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-3, \$65,466. O/T-Don Von Hemel. B-H Steve Conboy & Divine Park Syndic (KY). \$25,000 yrl '11 FTKOCT.

**7th-GPX, \$29,900**, Opt. Clm. (\$16,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23 3/5, ft.

**CAPRICCIO BLUE (f, 4, [With Distinction](#)--Rocket Elaine, by Afleet)** Lifetime Record: SP, 24-5-2-3, \$100,617. O-Honors Stable Corp. B-John B Penn (FL). T-Jose Garoffalo. \*\$8,000 wlng '10 OBSOCT; \$14,000 yrl '11 OBSAUG.

**5th-LAD, \$28,700**, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), C, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:23, ft.

**PALMY BAY (c, 4, [Lydgate](#)--Palmetto Bay, by Broad Brush)** Lifetime Record: MSW, 17-6-2-1, \$255,780. O-Steve D & Patricia L Roe. B-J Adcock & Lon Baronne (LA). T-Patrick Mouton. \*\$15,000 yrl '11 LTBSEP. \*\*1/2 to Cherry Grove (Archers Bay), SP, \$184,309; Martin's Bay (Graeme Hall), SW, \$236,603.

**5th-CTX, \$28,100**, 6-5, NW1X, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:27, ft.

**DREAM OF SCIPIO (g, 4, [Scipion](#)--Golden Niner, by Gold Case)** Lifetime Record: 32-6-7-3, \$112,309. O-Edward M Johnson. B-Diane Krasznay (MD). T-Donald R Krone Jr.

**4th-TDN, \$21,000**, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m40y, 1:42, ft.

**ALISA'S ENGINEER (g, 6, [Imperialism](#)--Alisa's Hope {SW, \$140,417}, by Suave Prospect)** Lifetime Record: 80-5-11-8, \$113,041. O-Hoffman, Mark and Jagger Inc. B-Rose Family Stables Ltd (FL). T-Jamie Ness.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Big Top Goldcat**, g, 2, **Big Top Cat**--Goldhearted Kris, by Kris S. EVD, 6-6, (S), 4 1/2f, :52 4/5. B-Carroll Castille (LA).

**Tiz What's She Is**, f, 2, **E Dubai**--Cam Bay, by Rinka Das. CTX, 6-6, 4 1/2f, :56 1/5. B-Gillian Gordon-Moore & Carlos SE Moore (VA). \*\$8,000 yrl '13 FTMSEP.

**Highway Boss**, g, 2, **Street Boss**--Sage Mist, by Henny Hughes. SAX, 6-6, (C), 5f, :59 3/5. B-Ernest C Frohboese (KY). \*\$20,000 yrl '13 ARZOCT; \$32,000 yrl '13 KESEP.

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**Warren's Jen Fizz**, f, 3, **Affirmative**--Same Ol' Love, by Robyn Dancer. SAX, 6-6, (S), 1mT, 1:37. B-Benjamin C Warren (CA).

**Passion for Money**, f, 3, **Circular Quay**--Avenging Passion (SP, \$335,300), by Petersburg. CTX, 6-5, 7f, 1:28 3/5. B-Jolane McAlister & Joseph Arboritanz (FL). \$15,000 2yo '13 OBSAPR.

**City Slammer**, g, 3, **City Weekend**--Spend Away, by Skip Away. TDN, 6-6, (S), 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC (OH).

**Silent Lust**, f, 3, **Da Stoops**--Silent Rapids, by Unbridled. LAD, 6-6, a7 1/2fT, 1:35 1/5. B-4 M Ranch (LA). \*\$3,000 yrl '12 ESLSEP; \$5,500 HRA '14 ESLAPR.

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**Pass 'Em Up**, g, 3, **Ford Every Stream**--Isabella's Crown (Jpn), by Forty Niner. EVD, 6-5, 1m, 1:39 3/5. B-Stanley Seelig (LA). \*\$25,000 yrl '12 LTBSEP.

**Eagle of Delight**, f, 3, **Heart of the Storm**--Waquoit's Love (SW & MGSP, \$267,037), by Not for Love. CBY, 6-5, 7 1/2fT, 1:32 2/5. B-B A Man Inc & Richard Maynard (KY).

**Emblem's Estate**, g, 3, **Real Estate**--Cedar Run's Emblem (SW, \$211,808), by Our Emblem. CTX, 6-5, (S), 7f, 1:28 1/5. B-Cleil W Albrite Jr (WV).

**Charlie's Answer**, c, 3, **Too Much Bling**--Miss Spot Club, by Tejano. LSX, 6-5, (S), 1m, 1:39 4/5. B-Stewart M Madison (TX).

**True Yolo**, f, 3, **Yes It's True**--Yolo, by Dixieland Band. PRM, 6-6, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-William Pacella & Joseph Rizza (KY).

**Daddy in the Dark**, g, 4, **Bernardini**--Appealing Zophie (GISW, \$497,898), by Successful Appeal. PIM, 6-6, 1mT, 1:38 4/5. B-My Meadowview LLC (KY).

**Iwantthat**, f, 4, **Hard Spun**--Rezister, by Deputy Minister. CDX, 6-6, 1 1/8mT, 1:50. B-George M Veloudis Jr (KY). \*\$57,000 RNA wnlng '10 KEENOV.

**Ganzumacher**, g, 4, **Kafwain**--Spotted Feather, by Meadowlake. PRM, 6-5, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:48 3/5. B-Jeff Hartz (IA). \*1/2 to Grease Monkey (Go For Gin), SP, \$161,661.

**Wine Burglar**, f, 4, **Rock Hard Ten**--Bluegrass Sara (MSW, \$153,052), by Tabasco Cat. BEL, 6-6, 1mT, 1:35 3/5. B-Hubert Vester (KY). \*\$95,000 yrl '11 KEESEP.

**Blandford Stud Sales Grad**

**Atomic**, g, 4, **Unbridled Energy**--Feistier, by Sir Naskra. CBY, 6-5, 6f, 1:12 2/5. B-Barr Inman (KY).

**The Grans**, m, 6, **Good Journey**--A Tip of the Coin, by Tossofthecoin. CBY, 6-5, 7 1/2fT, 1:32 1/5. B-Mel & Lori Mellick (CA). \*\$10,000 RNA yrl '09 WASSEP.

**BREEDERS' EDITION  
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**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

7th-EPM, £25,000, 6-6, 3yo, 7fT, 1:20.77, gd.  
**ALMARGO (IRE)** (c, 3, **Invincible Spirit {Ire}**--**Alexander Youth {Ire} {GSP-Ire}**, by **Exceed and Excel {Aus}**) Lifetime Record: 10-4-0-1, £26,596. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum. B-Mountarmstrong Stud (IRE). T-Mark Johnston. \*350,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT.

2nd-EPM, £50,000, 6-6, 4yo/up, 10f 18yT, 2:04.35, gd.

**FARRAAJ (IRE)** (g, 5, **Dubai Destination--Pastorale {GB}**, by **Nureyev**) Lifetime Record: GISP-US, GSW-Eng & GSP-Ity, 13-5-2-2, £201,322. O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum. B-Darley (IRE). T-Roger Varian. \*1/2 to Kareymah (GB) (Zafonic), GSW-Fr & SW-Eng; and to Ifraaj (GB) (Zafonic), MGSW & G1SP-Eng, \$695,623.

8th-MBY, €20,000, 6-5, 4yo/up, 7f 165yT, 1:29.57, gd.

**VAUNOISE (IRE)** (f, 4, **Teofilo {Ire}**--**Tipperary Honor {Fr}**, by **Highest Honor {Fr}**) Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 9 starts, 4 wins, 3 places, €70,300. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand. B-Team Hogdala AB (IRE). T-Jean-Claude Rouget. \*€240,000 yrl '11 ATQAUG. \*\*1/2 to Beauvoir (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), GSP-Fr.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

+ **Ameenah (Fr)**, f, 2, **American Post (GB)**--**Miximaa (GB)** (SP-Fr), by **Anabaa**. MBY, 6-5, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.80. B-Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani (FR). \*€75,000 yrl '13 ARQOCT.

**Welcome in Paris (Fr)**, f, 2, **Azamour (Ire)**--**Caipirinia (Fr)** (SP-Fr), by **Hawk Wing**. TAR, 6-6, 5 1/2fT, 1:08. B-Gilles & Aliette Forien (FR). \*€70,000 RNA yrl '13 ARQAUG.

**Pearl's Azinger (Ire)**, f, 2, **Zebedee (GB)**--**Pearly Brooks (GB)**, by **Efio** (GB). CAT, 6-6, 5fT, 1:01.80. B-G Flannery Developments (IRE). \*€9,500 wlng '12 GOFNOV. \*\*8th winner for freshman sire (by **Invincible Spirit {Ire}**).

**Ruwasi (GB)**, c, 3, **Authorized (Ire)**--**Circle of Love (GB)**, by **Sakhee**. CAT, 6-6, 11f 214yT, 2:41.45. B-Highbury Terrace Owners Club (GB). \*20,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT.

**Prince Nomad (Fr)**, c, 3, **Galileo (Ire)**--**En Public (Fr)**, by **Rainbow Quest**. TAR, 6-6, 11 1/2fT, TIME. B-Frederic Bianco (FR). \*€210,000 yrl '12 ARQOCT. \*\*1/2 to **Kreem (GB)** (**Hurricane Run {Ire}**), GSW-Fr, \$148,129; **Sardaukar (GB)** (**Royal Academy**), SW & GISP-US, SP & G1SP-Fr, \$476,055; **Kindjhal (Fr)** (**Ashkalani {Ire}**), SW & GSP-Fr, MGSW-Aus, \$380,761; **Rostrum (Fr)** (**Shamardal**), SW & GSP-Fr, \$136,279; **Alta Stima (Ire)** (**Raven's Pass**), SW-Fr; **Cielago (Ire)** (**Anabaa**), GSP-Fr, \$103,017; and **Alta Lena (Fr)** (**Alzao**), GSP-Fr.

**Force Aliee (Fr)**, g, 3, **Muhtathir (GB)**--**Forces Sweetheart (GB)**, by **Allied Forces**. COM, 6-6, 7fT, 1:27.88. B-Mme Erika Gilliar. \*€25,000 RNA yrl '12 ARQAUG.

**Lady Chitchat (Fr)**, f, 3, **Seattle Fitz (Atg)**--**Let's Shmooz**, by **French Deputy**. COM, 6-6, 7fT, 1:25.16. B-Philip Mahler. \*€7,500 yrl '12 ARQNOV. \*\*1/2 to **Carson's Castle (Slew City Slew)**, SW-US; and **Shmooz Talker (Bernstein)**, SP-US.

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