



## 'SMART MONEY' BULLISH ON SPORTS BETTING



Oral arguments in the landmark sports betting case will be held before the Supreme Court Monday | Getty Images

### The Week In Review, by T.D. Thornton

The so-called smart money is robustly bullish about the near-term prospect of legal sports betting in America.

That point was made resoundingly clear by a panel of gaming industry attorneys, strategists, and executives who spoke at a National Press Club media briefing Friday in advance of Monday's oral arguments before the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) to decide *Christie v. National Collegiate Athletic Association*.

The landmark case will have far-reaching reverberations within the Thoroughbred industry because the showdown in the nation's highest court between the state of New Jersey and America's collegiate and professional sports leagues will either affirm or reject the constitutionality of the Professional and Amateur Sports Protection Act of 1992 (PASPA), which currently prohibits most state-sponsored sports gambling.

"My prediction is a New Jersey victory. I'm just still struggling with how sweeping the victory will be," said Daniel Wallach, a Florida-based gaming and sports attorney who has been following the case closely as it has wound through the court system for the better part of eight years.

"I believe New Jersey will end up with sports betting at Monmouth Park Racetrack and any other participating casinos that want to have it by week one of the NFL season in 2018," Wallach told the National Press Club audience. **Cont. p3**

## PRAT AIMING HIGH IN HONG KONG

by Alan Carasso

California-based jockey Flavien Prat has already achieved much in what is still a tender career in the saddle. The 25-year-old registered the first Group 1 success of his career aboard Wertheimer et Frere's *Indonesienne (Ire)* (Muhtathir {GB}) in the 2013 Prix Marcel Boussac and since his permanent relocation to the U.S. in 2014, has notched 16 Grade I wins. Those include a maiden Breeders' Cup victory atop Obviously (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}) in the 2016 Turf Sprint, and he most recently put a tactically flawless ride on 'TDN Rising Star' *Battle of Midway (Smart Strike)* to upset the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile at Del Mar. Prat will look to pad his CV when he represents the red, white and blue in Wednesday's Longines International Jockeys' Championship (IJC) at one of the world's most unique circuits, Hong Kong's Happy Valley Racecourse.

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Several horses competing in Saturday's Clasico del Caribe, including the 3-year-old filly La De Horacio from Venezuela, schooled in Gulfstream Park's paddock Sunday afternoon. "The quarantine was rough for her, but at this time she's doing very good and her attitude is very good," said trainer Carlos Arteaga. "I hope she will run well and give us a good show." | A. Coglianese

### 'WIND' JOINS BROWN, POSSIBLE FOR PEGASUS **3**

Stellar Wind (Curlin), who topped last month's KEENOV sale when selling to Coolmore for \$6 million, remains in training and has joined the South Florida barn of Chad Brown with an eye towards the Jan. 27 GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S.

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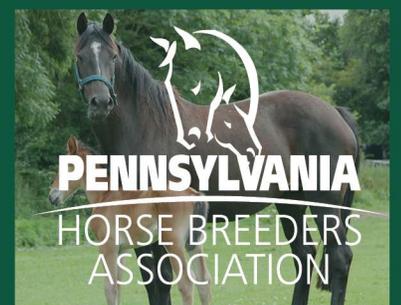
Sharp Azteca (Freud) eyes a potential start in the GI Pegasus World Cup in the aftermath of his win in the GI Cigar Mile H. Saturday. Meanwhile, NYRA posted strong gains in handle on the newly positioned card, which was run a week later this year.

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## STELLAR WIND POSSIBLE FOR PEGASUS

by Jessica Martini



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**Stellar Wind** (Curlin), who topped last month's Keeneland November Sale when selling to Coolmore's M.V. Magnier for \$6 million, remains in training and has joined the south Florida barn of trainer Chad Brown with an eye towards the Jan. 27 GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S.

"Stellar Wind is under consideration for the Pegasus, but the plan is still for her to be bred in the spring," Coolmore's Scott Calder confirmed Sunday.

In her first work for Brown, Stellar Wind went four furlongs in :50.00 (19/22) at Palm Meadows Sunday.

The 5-year-old mare, Eclipse champion sophomore filly of 2015, has won six Grade I races during her career. She scored in this year's GI Clement L Hirsch S., GI Beholder Mile S. and GI Apple Blossom H. for Hronis Racing and trainer John Sadler and was most recently eighth in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff.

She is expected to be bred to Triple Crown winner American Pharoah next spring.

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## Week In Review (cont. from p1)

"And according to most predictions or historical results as to how fast [Supreme Court] decisions are turned around, we could be looking at sports betting in New Jersey by the [NCAA basketball] Final Four [in March]."

Wallach said he believes New Jersey will enjoy "first to market status east of Nevada for the time being." But, he added, it's not quite as clear how SCOTUS will tackle the "ultimate question" about whether or not PASPA is constitutional and how it affects other states.

The panelists largely agreed that the SCOTUS decision, which is expected within three or four months of Monday's oral arguments, boils down to four likely outcomes: 1) PASPA is found unconstitutional; 2) PASPA is upheld; 3) A ruling is issued that applies to New Jersey only; 4) An extreme outside possibility that sports gambling is banned everywhere in America, including Nevada, so that all states are treated equally (this has been described by some gaming experts as the "nuclear option.")



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So, Wallach postulated, will the ruling be “one that will largely only benefit New Jersey [and other states that might decriminalize existing gambling statutes], or will it be floodgates wide open?”

Regardless of what the ruling means elsewhere in the country, Monmouth Park is primed to pounce into action immediately on the heels of any favorable SCOTUS ruling.

Daniel Shapiro, the vice president of strategy and business development for William Hill US, the largest operator sports books in Nevada with locations at over 100 gaming properties, said at the press briefing that his firm already has a deal signed to operate a sports bookmaking business at Monmouth “as soon as it’s legal under state and federal law there.”

Shapiro (who, coincidentally, has a Thoroughbred background that includes several seasons working in the Monmouth press box about 15 years ago), added that “we built out a sports bar there that can be converted to a ‘book’ easily within weeks of any positive decision out of the Supreme Court.”

And even though Friday’s National Press Club discussion was not geared to a racing-specific audience, the talk yielded subtle clues about where and how gaming industry experts see racetracks fitting into the legalized sports wagering equation. To me, these were the three biggest takeaways:

1) If racetracks are granted sports betting on the basis that they are existing, licensed gambling facilities, it would be a mistake to try and hoard that status and keep in from expanding beyond the racetrack’s physical property.

“Not everybody lives within five miles of a casino or a racetrack. And I suspect that if sports gambling is rolled out and confined to brick-and-mortar [venues] only, at best you will see maybe 40% of the illegal market migrate over to legal, regulated markets,” Wallach explained. “I think from day one, it is absolutely essential that there be online and mobile gambling.... It could be in partnership with existing license holders, maybe it could be without them. [But] I think we need to go all the way here.”

2) If sports gambling is legalized, the first-to-market rush shouldn’t happen at the expense of having well-thought-out infrastructure in place to accommodate emerging, “next big thing” concepts, like in-game or in-race wagering.

Jake Williams, an Australian attorney who is the legal director Sportradar US, a global leader in sports data and technology, was asked by a National Press Club moderator to give one example of a foreign gaming industry mistake that he would recommend that U.S. entities avoid. He cited how in Australia, in-play betting is legal, but only for telephone betting. Yet because a typical phone betting transaction takes at least 90



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**LADY ELI (USA)** (f. by Divine Park (USA)), won 10 races at 2 to 5 years, 2017 in U.S.A. and £2,017,373 including Diana Stakes, Saratoga, **Gr.1**, Flower Bowl Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**, Gamely Stakes, Santa Anita, **Gr.1**, Belmont Oaks Invitational Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**, Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf, Santa Anita, **Gr.1**, Woodford Reserve Ballston Spa Stakes, Saratoga, **Gr.2**, Miss Grillo Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.3**, Appalachian Stakes, Keeneland, **Gr.3** and Wonder Again Stakes, Belmont Park, placed second in Jenny Wiley Stakes, Keeneland, **Gr.1**, Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf, Santa Anita, **Gr.1** and Woodford Reserve Ballston Spa Stakes, Saratoga, **Gr.2**.

Equibase 122 8 1/2 fur - Chad C. Brown

**BIZZY CAROLINE (USA)** (f. by Afleet Alex (USA)), won 4 races at 3 and 4 years in U.S.A. and £223,544 including Early Times Mint Julep Handicap, Churchill Downs, **Gr.3** and Regret Stakes, Churchill Downs, **Gr.3**, placed 6 times including second in Mrs Revere Stakes, Churchill Downs, **Gr.2**, Glens Falls Stakes, Saratoga, **Gr.3**, Pin Oak Valley View Stakes, Keeneland, **Gr.3** and third in Richmor Aviation Waya Stakes, Saratoga, **L**.

Equibase 105 8 1/2 fur - Kenneth G. McPeek; dam of a winner

Ciaran (2015 g. by Malibu Moon (USA)), 1 race at 2 years, 2017 in USA. Equibase 81 6 1/2 fur - Thomas Morley

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KAZADANCOA (FR), won 1 race at 3 years in France; Own sister to **THE DANCER (FR)**; dam of **seven winners** from 11 runners and 14 foals of racing age including-

**CHANGING WAYS (USA)** (f. by Time For A Change (USA)), won 2 races at 2 years in U.S.A. and £70,410 including Schuylerville Stakes, Saratoga, **Gr.2**, placed once viz second in Adirondack Stakes, Saratoga, **Gr.2**; dam of winners.

**PAYS TO DREAM (USA)**, won Dixie Stakes, Pimlico, **Gr.2** and third in Woodford Reserve Manhattan Handicap, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**.

**PUMPKIN SHELL (USA)**, won Busanda Stakes, Aqueduct.

**Hot Attraction (USA)**, winner, third in Santa Ynez Stakes, Santa Anita, **Gr.2**.

**JACODRA'S DEVIL (USA)** (f. by Devil's Bag (USA)), won 5 races at 2 to 4 years in U.S.A. and £177,093 including Budweiser Santa Anita Breeders' Cup Handicap, Santa Anita, **Gr.3**; placed second in Buena Vista Stakes, Santa Anita, **Gr.2**; dam of winners.

**JACODRA (USA)** (c. by Highland Park (USA)), won 4 races at 2 to 4 years in U.S.A. and £95,766 including Potrero Grande Handicap, Santa Anita, **Gr.3**; sire.

**Captain Arthur (USA)** (c. by River Knight (FR)), won 7 races in U.S.A. and £93,220, placed third in Cozzene Stakes, Monmouth Park, Summing Stakes, Meadowlands; sire.

**AFLEET FRANCAIS (USA)**, won 1 race at 3 years in U.S.A., placed once; dam of winners.

**Bold Feat (USA)**, winner, third in Anoakia Stakes, Santa Anita, **L**; grandam of **SPICED PERFECTION (USA)**, won Generous Portion Stakes, Del Mar, **R**.

Afleet Change (USA), ran in U.S.A.; dam of **UP AN OCTAVE (USA)**, won Forerunner Stakes, Keeneland, **L**, and second in Palm Beach Stakes, Gulfstream Park, **Gr.3**.

Royal Run (USA), unraced; dam of winners.

**TEJANO RUN (USA)**, won Breeders' Futurity, Keeneland, **Gr.2**, second in Kentucky Derby, Churchill Downs, **Gr.1**, third in Gulfstream Park Handicap, Gulfstream Park, **Gr.1** and Breeders' Cup Juvenile, Churchill Downs, **Gr.1**; sire.

**MORE ROYAL (USA)**, won Jersey Derby, Garden State, **Gr.2**; sire.

Unbridled Run (USA), ran in U.S.A.; dam of **SPRING IN THE AIR (CAN)**, Champion 2yr old filly in Canada in 2012, won Darley Alcibiades Stakes, Keeneland, **Gr.1**;

**ITHINKISAWAPUDYCAT (USA)**

Ermine Fever (USA), ran in U.S.A. at 2 years; dam of **MARKS MINE (USA)**, won California State Fair Sprint Handicap, Sacramento, **L**.

Palace Weekend (USA), unraced; dam of **PALACE EPISODE (USA)**, won Racing Post Trophy, Doncaster, **Gr.1**; sire; grandam of **LAUGHING LASHES (USA)**, 1 race at 2 years and £144,268 viz Debutante Stakes, Curragh, **Gr.2**, second in Moyglare Stud Stakes, Curragh, **Gr.1**, third in Irish 1000 Guineas, Curragh, **Gr.1**.

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seconds, Williams said that lag makes it unfeasible for customers to place time-sensitive in-game or in-race bets.

“The trajectory toward sports betting is going toward in-play; it’s going to micro-bets in real time. So I think that’s an important component,” Williams emphasized. “It’s one of those things that’s growing and growing and growing.”

3) The sports leagues that are defendants in the Supreme Court case--especially the NFL--have been largely silent about how they would be willing to partner and cross-market with bet-takers should sports wagering become legal. But it would be a mistake to think that means the leagues don’t actually have plans in the works for rolling out their own versions of sports betting.

“They’ve got to be ready for whatever decision comes through here. I can’t believe they’re just sort of sitting back. I would think some effort is going into either a state model or a federal model, and certainly a league model,” said Andrew Brandt, a former vice president for the NFL’s Green Bay Packers and the current executive director of the sports law center at Villanova University.

Similar to how the NFL has a “chief officer” for nearly every aspect of its business, Brandt said, “What about a ‘chief gambling officer’? Because they have to be prepared, and I’d be

surprised if that’s not in the works. Maybe not under that heading, but someone very fluent in that area, and maybe from the [gambling] industry itself.”

For deeper background on the pros, cons, and unknowns about what America’s future sports betting landscape might look like if it’s entwined with the racing industry, check out Bill Finley’s *TDN* series from last week (parts **one**, **two** and **three**).

And in the spirit of a seasoned gambler looking for a “tell” to predict a final outcome, Wallach offered this parting advice: Within the first hour of Monday’s oral arguments, the types of questions that come from the Supreme Court justices will be the truest indicator of “how vulnerable PASPA really is.” **Cont. p6**

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**Early Key Race On Derby Trail?**

Predicting the winner of the GI Kentucky Derby based on results through the first Saturday in December is pure folly. But prognosticating which particular preps might wind up as key races is a bit more realistic. A good case could be made for Saturday's GII Remsen S. at Aqueduct being one of the deeper and stronger 2-year-old graded stakes we have seen so far in 2017.

**Catholic Boy** (More Than Ready), whose only loss was a fourth-place finish just 1 1/2 lengths off the winner of the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf, aced his grass-to-dirt transition in the Remsen 4 3/4 lengths clear of the competition. He rated commendably mid-pack in mild traffic early on, remained engaged but not overly keen while edging closer to the frontrunners, launched into a measured three-wide bid three furlongs out, and responded gamely when finally set down for the drive turning for home.



**Catholic Boy** | Sarah K. Andrew

The second- and third-place finishers in the Remsen will also bear watching: Runner-up **Avery Island** (Street Sense) got a bit of a learning experience, taking dirt in his face down near the inside while on hold and surrounded by rivals. He lacked an explosive finish as the 2.2-1 favorite, but stayed on well enough to believe he belongs with the upper crust of the division at this early juncture of the Triple Crown chase.

**Vouch** (Yes It's True) ran a sensible, seasoned race in only his second career start, getting hung out four wide into the clubhouse bend before willingly settling into stalk mode and taking the first run at the dueling pacemakers midway through the far turn. He lasted for third.

Farther back in the pack, fifth-place **Tap Rap Strike** (Tapit) ran a much-better-than-it-looks effort in his second lifetime outing. He stumbled to his nose exiting the outermost post, settled toward the back of the pack, then made a prolonged run from the half-mile pole to the top of the

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stretch while four wide through the turn before tiring from his arduous journey.

I have always ascribed an elevated sort of old-school status to the nine-furlong Remsen, which once upon a time (before the advent of the Breeders' Cup) carried a bit more clout as the traditional, final distance stakes of the year for top-level 2-year-olds on the East Coast.

Unfortunately, my gut feeling is not backed by statistical evidence in terms of producing Derby winners: Only three horses in the last 54 years--Thunder Gulch, Go For Gin and Pleasant Colony--have successfully parlayed the Remsen into a win at Churchill Downs on the first Saturday in May.

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Prat and Battle of Midway winning the Dirt Mile Breeders' Cup/Eclipse Sportswire

**Prat Aiming High in Hong Kong (cont. from p1)**

"I am very pleased and honored to be able to represent the United States," Prat said last week. "I have heard a lot of good things about Hong Kong. Everybody that I know that has been there has really enjoyed it and said it was a great experience."

Year in and year out, the IJC attracts eight of the top riders from all corners of the globe who square off against four of the best local jockeys.

Prat will attempt to accumulate the most points over the course of the four races of the IJC and will face a field that includes the record-setting Joao Moreira, Ryan Moore and Hugh Bowman, to name but a few.

"That's the goal, to ride at the very top level against the very best jockeys and ride the best horses," Prat said. "I rode against Ryan Moore in the Breeders' Cup, but it's fantastic to ride

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against the best jockeys from different parts of the world like Hugh and Joao. I am sure I can learn from watching them and I look forward to that.”

In the three years on American soil, Prat has earned the respect of Hall of Fame horsemen such as Battle of Midway’s trainer Jerry Hollendorfer and Richard Mandella. It was for the latter conditioner that Prat rode ‘TDN Rising Star’ Paradise Woods (Union Rags) and Avenge (War Front) to Grade I wins on the Sept. 30 program at Santa Anita.

“Sure, it means a lot,” Prat said. “I’ve worked hard for that, but sometimes you work hard and you don’t have what you expect. It’s great to work with fantastic horsemen like them. It’s always better to ride for them than against them.”

Prat’s stateside agent is Derek Lawson and he believes his client is prepared for this and the many other challenges that may lie ahead.

“He is ready to take the next step up in his professional career, so riding with such an elite group will make him understand that he is just on the doorsteps of being an international jockey,” Lawson said.

While American-based jockeys Victor Espinoza (2nd in 2003) and Cornelio Velasquez (T3 in 2008) have ‘hit the board’ in the IJC, no U.S. rider has won the event. The difficulty of the task at hand isn’t lost on Prat, but he’s definitely in it to win it.

“I plan on making the most of the experience--that’s how you learn and that’s how you improve,” Prat said. “If I can win the Championship, that would be the cream on top, but I am there to try to win races, that’s the goal.”

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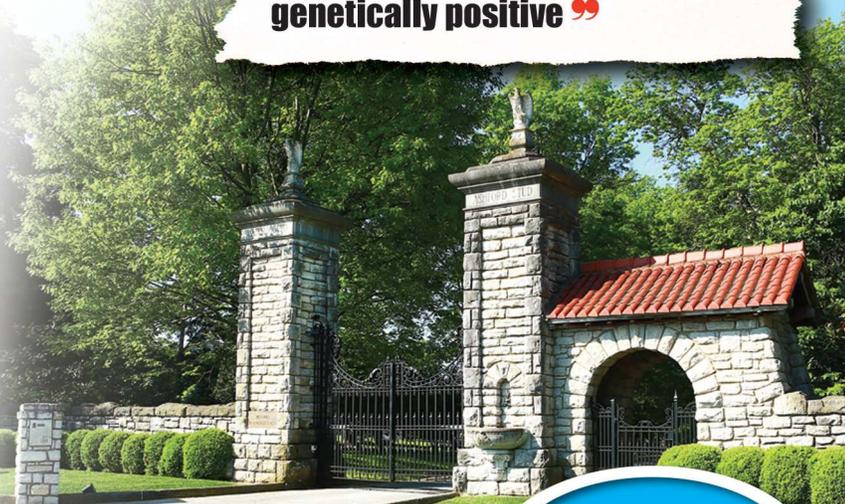


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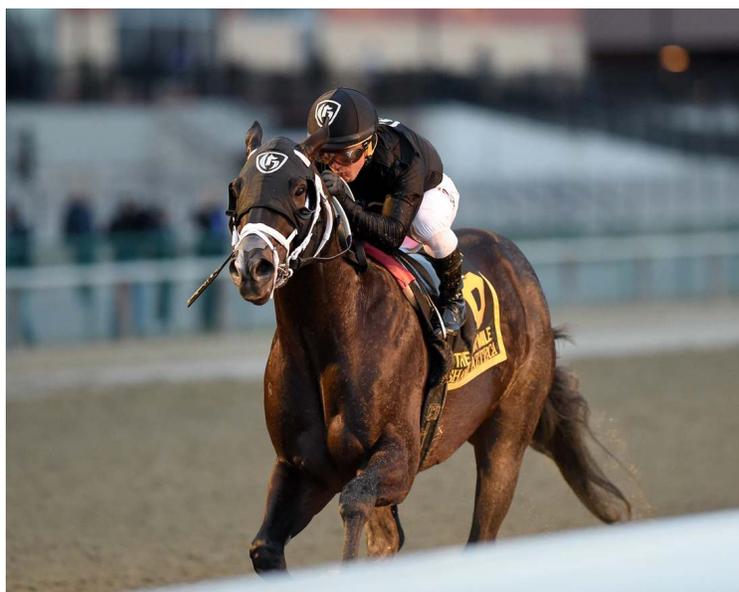
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## SHARP AZTECA IN FINE CONDITION, “95%” LIKELY FOR PEGASUS

Ivan Rodriguez’s **Sharp Azteca** (Freud) emerged from his first career Grade I win in Saturday’s GI Cigar Mile H. in fine condition, trainer Jorge Navarro reported via phone from his Florida training base. Navarro said the 4-year-old suffered a superficial laceration on a back leg, but was otherwise no worse for the wear following the 5 1/4-length triumph.

"It's nothing serious," Navarro said of the minor injury. "I guess coming out of the gate, a horse cut him in the back, but everything is good. I had to jump on a plane last night, so I only got to see him for a little while after the race, but I spoke to my guy out there and I spoke to my vet. He looks very bright, alert. I'm pretty pleased with how he's come out of the race so far. He was begging for his mints and carrots."



Sharp Azteca | NYRA/Chelsea Durand

While Navarro said he was “wowed” by Sharp Azteca’s performance, he was also quick to credit the ride given by Javier Castellano, who was aboard the colt for the first time in his career. Immediate plans call for Sharp Azteca to return to his Gulfstream Park West base Tuesday, where he will begin to train for a likely start in the GI Pegasus World Cup Jan. 27. Navarro said he was “95%” sure that Sharp Azteca would be pointed to the world’s richest race.

"He's going to fly home and we're going to regroup," Navarro said. "I'm going to give him probably a week off to see how he comes out of this and we'll go from there. He's going to let us know. With him, he lets us know where he's at."

Trainer Chad Summers said Cigar Mile runner-up **Mind Your Biscuits** (Posse) will also ship to Florida with a yet-to-be-determined goal in mind. Among the possibilities for the New York-bred are the Pegasus and a return to Dubai to defend his title in the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen in March.

GII Remsen S. winner **Catholic Boy** (More Than Ready) was also scheduled to return to trainer Jonathan Thomas’s Florida base at Bridlewood in Ocala early in the coming week. The dual-Grade II winner will be given a brief freshening before resuming training ahead of his sophomore campaign.

"We'll let the dust settle," Thomas said. "It's a good time of year to get a few weeks to freshen up, so we'll allow him to do that. As the spring comes around, we won't have the same opportunity."

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## AQUEDUCT POSTS HANDLE GAINS ON NEWLY POSITIONED CIGAR MILE CARD

Aqueduct’s Saturday card, featuring the GI Cigar Mile H. and three other graded stakes, generated all-sources handle of \$13,545,188, marking an 11.8% increase over 2016’s Cigar Mile Day, which was contested one week earlier. For the first time, the New York Racing Association (NYRA) moved the Cigar Mile back one week from its traditional date on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, scheduling the signature race of the Aqueduct Fall meet four weeks after the Breeders’ Cup. The purse was also increased from \$500,000 to \$750,000.

Three Breeders’ Cup competitors--Sharp Azteca (Freud; second in Dirt Mile), Mind Your Biscuits (Posse; third in Sprint) and Practical Joke (Into Mischief; third in Dirt Mile)--finished first, second and third, respectively, in Saturday’s Cigar Mile. The GII Remsen S. was won by GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf fourth-place finisher Catholic Boy (More Than Ready), while GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies sixth-place finisher Wonder Gadot (Medaglia d’Oro) captured the GII Demoiselle S.

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## GUN RUNNER WORKS IN NOLA



Gun Runner | Lou Hodges

Winchell Thoroughbreds and Three Chimneys Farm's GI Breeders' Cup Classic hero and likely 2017 Horse of the Year **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) posted his first work since his win at the World Championships Sunday morning, breezing four furlongs in :51.40 at the Fair Grounds for trainer Steve Asmussen. The drill marked the first in a series of preparations for his expected final career start in the GI Pegasus World Cup at Gulfstream Park Jan. 27.

"I wanted him to not overdo it off of how hard and how fast he was working in California," Asmussen said. "I just wanted him to be patient. I had considered just skipping an easy half-mile coming back with him. But I thought he was pretty aggressive in his gallops for more than we'd done and just wanted him to settle in and relax and get back into the routine he's had so much success with."

Asmussen said that Gun Runner will continue his preparations at Fair Grounds before shipping to Gulfstream Park in time to have a work over the track on the Monday prior to the Pegasus. The chestnut put forth a remarkable 2017 campaign, winning five times from six starts--including wins in the GI Stephen Foster H., GI Whitney S. and GI Woodward S. prior to his score in the Breeders' Cup Classic.

"He is everything you want one to be in the fact that he was extremely talented always," Asmussen said. "But he's incrementally gotten better and more professional and accepted a tremendous amount of pressure from the circumstances and the races and what was expected of him."

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### Sunday, Los Alamitos

**BAYAKOA S.-GII**, \$201,035, LRC, 12-3, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:42.15, ft.

1--**MAJESTIC HEAT**, 119, m, 5, by Unusual Heat

1st Dam: Chi Chi Nette, by Ole'

2nd Dam: Rhodilite, by Cee's Tizzy

3rd Dam: Fleur de Lune, by Raise a Native

**1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.** O-M. Auerbach LLC, Bardy Farm & Ron McCauley; B-Madeline Auerbach & Barry Abrams (CA); T-Richard E. Mandella; J-Mike E. Smith. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 16-7-1-0, \$530,329. \*Full to Mensa Heat, MSW & GISP, \$544,838; Real Heat (Unusual Heat), SP, \$244,589. **Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Champagne Room**, 121, f, 3, **Broken Vow**--Lucky to Be Me, by Bernstein. (\$70,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$55,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$310,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR). O-Alesia, Christensen, Ciaglia Racing LLC, Exline-Border Racing LLC, Gulliver Racing LLC; B-Respite Farm (KY); T-Peter Eurton. \$40,000.

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3--**Madame Stripes (Arg)**, 119, m, 5, Equal Stripes (Arg)--Courtisane (Arg), by Silver Finder. O-Gainesway Stable; B-Gustavo Javier Alvarez (ARG); T-Neil D. Drysdale. \$24,000. Margins: 2HF, 3 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 3.00, 2.80, 9.80. Also Ran: Bernina Star, Pacific Wind, Street Surrender, Shenandoah Queen, Constellation. **Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Majestic Heat carried the banner for the Cal-breds, notching her first graded stakes win in Sunday's GII Bayakoa H. at Los Alamitos. The 5-year-old Richard Mandella trainee bided her time and mounted a prolonged rally to earn her seventh win from 16 career starts.



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**Majestic Heat** | *Benoit photo*

Racing well off the pace as slightly favored Champagne Room (Broken Vow) cut out punishing fractions of :22.86 and :46.73 on the front end. Given her cue entering the far turn, the dark bay circled the field and spun into the stretch on even terms with the pacesetter. Champagne Room showed grit and found more along the inside, but Majestic Heat’s rally proved to be too much, and the mare gradually edged clear to claim the victory.

“The plan was to let her run out of there and see what everybody else did,” jockey Mike Smith said. “When several of them went, that was good for us. She settled nicely and when I tipped her out she did everything on her own in the stretch.”

Majestic Heat competed exclusively on turf in her first 14 career starts, winning Del Mar’s Solana Beach S. for Golden State-breds in 2016 and again Aug. 11 of this year. Sixth in the 10-furlong GI Rodeo Drive S. over the Santa Anita turf, she was given a chance on dirt following an even sixth-place effort in the grassy GII Goldikova S. in Arcadia Nov. 4. She made the most of the surface switch, rallying to easily annex the Betty Grable S. for state-breds Nov. 12, setting her up for this return to open company.

“I’ve always had it in my mind to try her on dirt,” said Mandella. “I mentioned it to [Madeline Auerbach] but just never quite did it. I thought she didn’t run at all the last time I ran her



**Majestic Heat and Mike Smith**  
*Benoit photo*

on grass and she came back the next day and looked like a horse who hadn’t run. I had nominated her to the [Betty Grable], so I decided to put her in there and see what happens. We do that a lot and sometimes it doesn’t work, so we can’t brag too much. I thought she ran very well today. It gives us a lot of options for next year.”

**Pedigree Notes:**

A Madeline Auerbach homebred owned in partnership with Ron McCauley and Bardy Farm, Majestic Heat is a full-sister to multiple stakes winner and Grade I stakes-placed Mensa Heat, as well as multiple stakes-placed Real Heat. Chi Chi Nette produced a colt by Unusual Heat in 2016 and was bred to Tamarando this spring.

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## 'RISING STAR' BOW A 'DREAM' FOR TAPIT FILLY

Stonestreet Stable's homebred **Dream Pauline** (Tapit) sailed home a geared-down six-length winner of her debut at Aqueduct Sunday. The chestnut filly, a daughter of multiple Grade I winner Dream Rush (Wild Rush), was sent off at 2-1. Outfooted early, she gradually improved her position and ranged up three wide into the stretch after a half in :46.60 and grabbed the lead with ease despite racing greenly. She strode clear with Martin Garcia wrapping up on the filly in the final sixteenth. Warrior of Light (Warrior's Reward) was second.

Dream Rush won the 2007 GI Prioress S. and GI Test S. for West Point Thoroughbreds before selling for \$3.3 million at that year's Fasig-Tipton November Sale to Halsey Minor. Barbara Banke's Stonestreet purchased the mare privately while in foal to A.P. Indy in 2009. Her first foal was 2012 GI Frizette S. winner Dreaming of Julia, who joined her dam in the Stonestreet broodmare band and produced a colt by Ghostzapper in 2016 and a filly by Medaglia d'Oro in 2017. Dream Rush produced a filly by Curlin in 2016 and, with no reported foal in 2017, was bred back to Medaglia d'Oro. Her Curlin yearling RNA'd for \$875,000 at this year's Keeneland September sale.



**Dream Pauline** | A Coglianesse

3rd-AQU, \$60,000, Msw, 12-3, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.88, ft.

**DREAM PAULINE, f, 2, by Tapit**

**1st Dam: Dream Rush (MGISW, \$779,364), by Wild Rush**

**2nd Dam: Turbo Dream, by Unbridled**

**3rd Dam: Reve de Fee, by Mr. Prospector**

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,000. O-Stonestreet Stables LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Kiaran P. McLaughlin. \*1/2 to Dreaming of Julia (A.P. Indy), GISW, \$874,500; Atreides (Medaglia d'Oro), SW, \$120,176.

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## DIVINING ROD TO STUD AT COUNTRY LIFE



**Divining Rod** | MJC photo

Tapit's graded-stakes-winning son **Divining Rod** (Tapit--Precious Kitten, by Catienus), third in the 2015 GI Preakness S. behind Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) and runner-up in the 2016 GI Cigar Mile, has been retired from racing and will stand the 2018 season at Country Life Farm in Bel Air, Maryland, in a partnership between Country Life, Roy and Gretchen Jackson, and Gainesway Farm. Campaigned by the Jacksons' Lael Stables, Divining Rod earned a total of \$882,604 with a record of 5-4-5 from 17 lifetime starts.

Divining Rod's dam Precious Kitten is a half-sister to leading sire Kitten's Joy and an earner of \$1,912,543.

Divining Rod will stand for a fee of \$5,000, live foal. The 5-year-old bay is currently at WinStar Farm in Lexington, Kentucky, where he was sent after straining an ankle in the GIII Bold Ruler S. at Belmont Park in his final start Oct. 28. He is due to arrive at Country Life within the next week.

"Divining Rod gave us many thrills at the track, especially when he almost won the Cigar Mile," said a statement from Roy and Gretchen Jackson. "With his physical, pedigree, and performance on the track, we believe in him as a stallion, and will support him in the breeding shed, as well as in the sales ring."

In purchasing an interest in Divining Rod, Gainesway owner Antony Beck said, "I saw him win the GIII Coolmore Lexington, and I've had my eyes on him ever since. I'm breeding 10 of my own mares to him for each of the next four years to help launch him. I'm looking for the next Tapit."

Country Life Farm co-owner Mike Pons added, "This horse has the speed, pedigree--and attitude--to make a terrific sire. He's 16.1 hands and beautifully balanced. And his dam Precious Kitten is the best racemare to have a son of Tapit at stud. She's the kind who can produce a leading sire."

Divining Rod captured the GIII Coolmore Lexington S. in 2015 and Laurel's Polynesian S. earlier this year.

"This is a top recruit for the vibrant Maryland breeding scene," said Country Life's Josh Pons. "He lost a Grade I by a head-bob. He placed in a Classic to a Triple Crown winner. He ran a 105 Beyer and a 1 Ragozin in the Cigar--huge numbers in a stallion-making mile race. All the partners are supporting him at stud, and we are breeding at least a dozen of our own. And he's modestly priced for access for our regional breeders."

Country Life launched the career of leading Kentucky sire Malibu Moon, and currently stands his son Freedom Child, the leading sire in the Mid-Atlantic region.

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## NEW YORK

### Sunday's Results:

**8th-AQU, \$69,000, Alw (C)/Opt.** Clm (\$62,500), 12-3, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, :00.00, fm.

**IN THE LEE (f, 3, Tapit--Quiet Harbor {GSW, \$274,670}, by Silver Deputy)** narrowly graduated in her unveiling on the turf at Laurel Park June 30. After running third in an off-the-turf event Aug. 13, the homebred got back to the grass and into the winner's circle against allowance company at Laurel Sept. 15. She was coming off a fourth-place finish in the

GIII Commonwealth Oaks at Laurel Sept. 30. The chestnut hit the gate at the break as the 4-5 favorite and settled in midpack entering the clubhouse turn. In the Lee swung out four wide on the far turn, took the lead at the three-sixteenths pole and pulled away for the 2 3/4-length victory. Al Hayyah (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) rallied for second. The winner's second dam, Meghan's Joy (A.P. Indy), has produced the likes of Ironicus (Distorted Humor), MGSW, \$1,148,790; On Leave (War Front), GSW, \$742,300; and Norumbega (Tiznow), GSW, \$521,645. Quiet Harbor has a yearling colt named Bar Harbor (Orb), a weanling filly by Speightstown and was bred back to Orb this year. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-1, \$101,310. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC (KY); T-Claude R. McGaughey III.

**6th-AQU, \$67,000, Alw, 12-3, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:07.75, fm.**

**POCKET CHANGE (c, 3, Unbridled's Song--Island School {MGSP, \$142,678}, by A.P. Indy),** a \$290,000 Keeneland September graduate, took the field gate-to-wire in his debut on the main track Oct. 16 at Parx. Switching to the turf and keeping Irad Ortiz Jr. aboard, the 7-2 shot broke on top once again and quickly opened up a 1 1/2 lengths on the field through an opening quarter in :21.87. He cut the corner and was put to a drive inside the eighth pole, holding off favored Yummy Bear (Sidney's Candy) in the final stages for length victory to stay unbeaten. Pocket Change stopped the clock in 1:07.75 for the six furlongs, establishing a course record for the newly installed outer turf course. This is the first foal out of Island School, who hit the board in graded stakes on both dirt and turf. She currently has a yearling colt by City Zip and was bred to Candy Ride (Arg) this season. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$67,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Gary & Mary West; B-Sarah S. Farish (KY); T-Jason Servis.



LANE'S END BRED, RAISED & SOLD



**2nd-AQU, \$60,000, Msw, 12-3, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:37.44, fm.**

**COFFEE CRUSH (f, 2, Medaglia d'Oro--Wasted Tears {MGSW & GISP, \$941,463}, by Najran),** a \$360,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase, rushed up to take the early lead and set the pace through fractions of :24.37 and :48.95. The 2-1 shot began to widen her advantage while riding the rail on the far turn and kicked clear in the stretch to post an impressive 3 1/4-length score. The favorite Brattata (More Than Ready) closed late to complete the exacta. Coffee Crush was making her second career appearance after finishing fifth in a one-mile turf affair at Belmont Sept. 27. She comes from a long line of success. Not only were both her second dam, Wishes and Roses (Greinton {GB}), and third dam, Anniversary Wish (Beau's Eagle), stakes

winners, but they each produced three stakes winners, as well. This is the third foal out of Wasted Tears, who is also represented by a yearling colt by Candy Ride (Arg) and a weanling filly by Hard Spun. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$38,250.

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## IN SHARPER FOCUS

### IT'S A NEW FLAY IN THE WINNER'S CIRCLE

by Jessica Martini

New Yorkers have grown accustomed to having a Flay in the winner's circle, with celebrity chef Bobby Flay counting last year's GI Belmont S. among his high-profile Empire State victories, but it was a different member of the family celebrating when **Coffee Crush** (Medaglia d'Oro) cruised home to her maiden-breaking score at Aqueduct Sunday. The juvenile filly is the first, and currently the only, horse in the racing stable of Flay's daughter Sophie.

"This is the first horse to run in my name, so it was very exciting for me and my family," Sophie Flay said Sunday afternoon.

Flay, a college student in California majoring in broadcast and digital journalism, wasn't able to make it to Aqueduct for the race, but was impressed by what she saw of the performance.

"This was only her second race and she broke her maiden," Flay said. "As far as I'm concerned, she looked amazing. I am really happy with the outcome."



**Coffee Crush** | A Coglianesse

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**COFFEE CRUSH** dominated rivals breaking her maiden at Aqueduct for Sophie Flay.

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Explaining how Coffee Crush came to be running in her name, the 21-year-old said, "My dad had the filly and he just said to me, 'Sophie I want to put your name on Coffee Crush.'"

Bobby Flay's colors have been carried to victory by Grade I winners Dame Dorothy (Bernardini) and Her Smile (Include) and he teamed with WinStar Farm to win the 2016 Belmont with Creator (Tapit). His passion for racing has clearly been passed on to his daughter.

"I've grown up around racing and I've definitely developed a love of racing from him," Sophie Flay said. "It only grows the more I end up at the track."

Asked if she expects to become more involved in the sport, Flay said, "I would definitely love to get more involved, but when you start out you don't want to be overwhelmed. I'm learning new things every day and I would definitely love to be more involved, but you've got to take it slow."

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## 'Toys for Tots' Raises Thousands and Collects Hundreds of Toys at Aqueduct:

The New York Racing Association (NYRA) and Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation partnered to raise thousands of dollars and collect hundreds of toys during its weekend of giving at Aqueduct Racetrack, it was announced Sunday. The toys will be distributed as holiday gifts to less fortunate children in New York City and on Long Island. An annual tradition at Aqueduct Racetrack, Toys for Tots collected new, unwrapped toys, as well as donations on Saturday, Dec. 2 and Sunday, Dec. 3.

"New York Racing Association was proud to once again host the U.S. Marines and help support their great cause of delivering toys to local families in need this holiday season," said Lynn LaRocca, NYRA Sr. Vice President and Chief Experience Officer. "We look forward to partnering with Toys for Tots for years to come."

## EASTERN U.S.

### Saturday Night's Results:

**ELEANOR CASEY MEMORIAL S.**, \$51,000, CT, 12-2, (S), 2yo, f, 7f, 1:27.63, ft.

1--**BOUND TO WINDSOR, 121, f, 2, Windsor Castle--Bound To, by Boundary.**

O-Taylor Mountain Farm LLC; B/T-James W. Casey (WV); J-Christian Hiraldo. \$30,600. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-0, \$118,601.

2--**B's Wild Cork**, 121, f, 2, Denis of Cork--B's Wild Rush, by Wild Rush. O/B-Taylor Mountain Farm (WV); T-James W. Casey. \$10,200.

3--**Imagoodchatterbug**, 121, f, 2, Charitable Man--Stefani's Surprise, by Stephen Got Even. O/B-Kristy Petty (WV); T-John A. Casey. \$5,610.

Margins: 5, NK, 2 3/4. Odds: 0.30, 32.50, 40.70.

Also Ran: Flashy Dragon Girl, Nellysford, At the Half, See Ya Manana, Wolfblade.

Bound to Windsor broke her maiden at first asking here Aug. 25 before a fifth-place finish in the Rachel's Turn S. Sept. 23. She answered that poor performance with consecutive stakes wins in the West Virginia Triple Crown Nutrition Breeders' Classic S. Oct. 14 and the West Virginia Futurity Nov. 4.

The homebred broke on top and was challenged by Nellysford (During) to her outside heading into the first turn. Still under a firm hold, Bound to Windsor saved all the ground on the far turn and kicked away in the last sixteenth to score going away.

The winner's dam has a yearling colt by Charitable Man, a weanling full-sister to Bound to Windsor and was bred back to Windsor Castle this year. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

### Sunday's Results:

**4th-LRL, \$42,520, Msw**, 12-3, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.69, ft.

**CAPTAIN SCOTTY (c, 3, Quality Road--She Is Raging {MSP, \$286,863}, by Aggressive Chief)** has been working consistently at Delaware Park for a trainer that has been successful with first-time runners this year. The \$75,000 EASOCT buy broke alertly at 4-1 and traveled just to the outside of pacesetter Took Over (Congrats). The two of them were three lengths clear of the rest of the field entering the stretch before Captain Scotty was sent down for the drive by Andrew Wolfson and stormed clear, widening the gap all the way to the wire for a 6 3/4-length victorious debut. Fellow firster Saratoga Bob (Friesan Fire) ran on for second. This is the third foal out of She Is Raging that has graduated as a juvenile. She has a yearling filly by Quality Road, who was recently sold for \$220,000 at the Keeneland September sale, and was bred to Upstart this season. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,800. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Tim F. Ritchey Racing Stables, Inc.; B-John R. & Martha Jane Mulholland (KY); T-Timothy F. Ritchey.

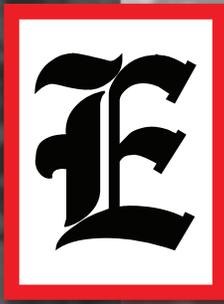


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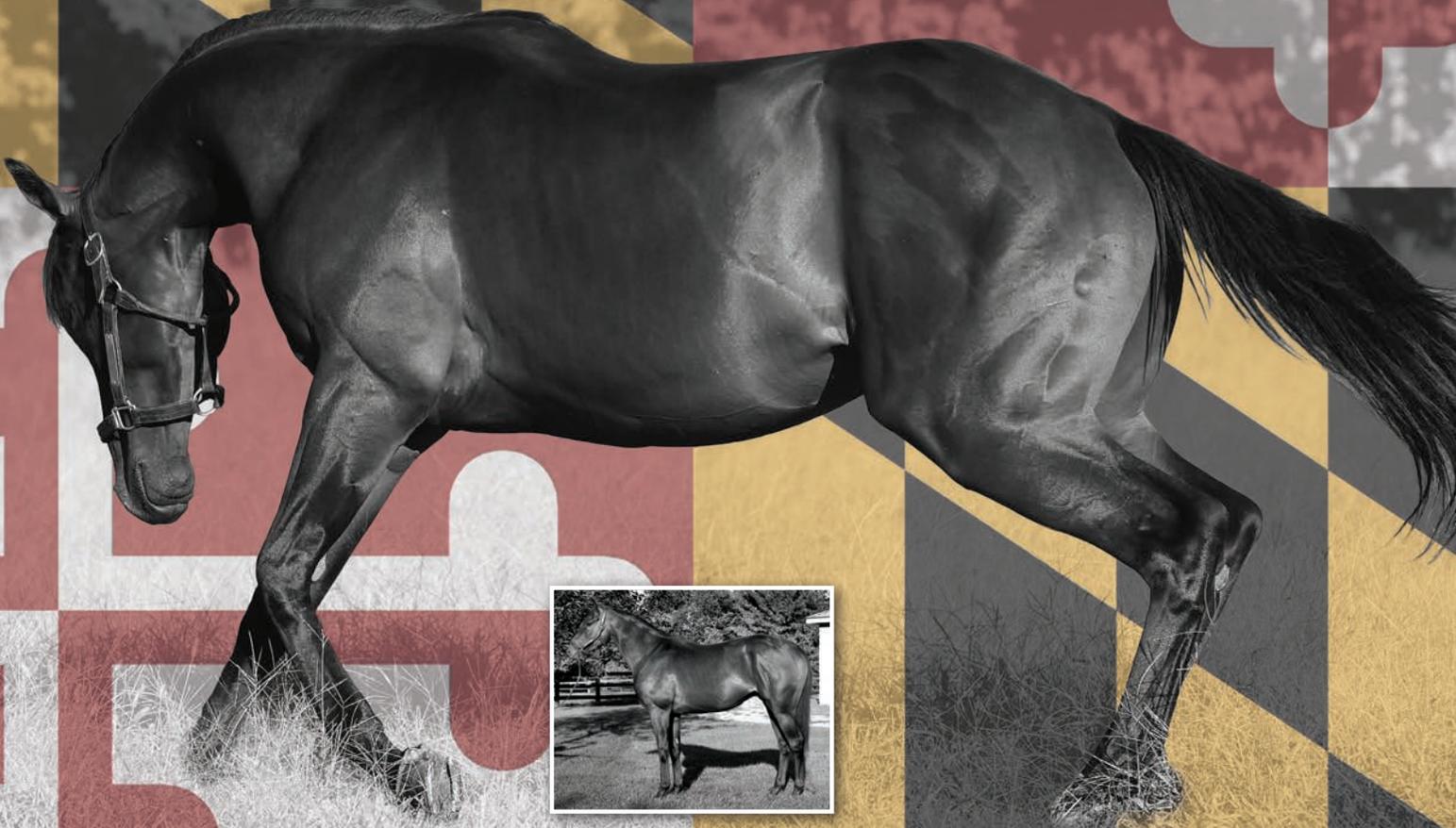
### Sunday's Results:

**9th-GP, \$43,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000)**, 12-3, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.96, fm.

**LITTLE CHESNEY (g, 3, City Zip--Liberty Flag, by Kingmambo)** finished first in his Mar. 25 debut over the Gulfstream lawn, but was disqualified and placed second. He returned with a maiden-breaking score in an off-the-turfer at Gulfstream Park West Oct. 4. The 9-2 shot couldn't keep pace with the early speed and settled into a stalking fourth through a quarter in :21.33. Five wide at the top of the lane, the bay gelding forged to the lead in deep stretch and outgamed The Zip Zip Man (City Zip) in a ding-dong battle to the wire. Little Chesney RNA'd for \$70,000 at the 2014 Keeneland November sale and for \$85,000 at the 2015 Keeneland September sale before selling for \$40,000 as an EASOCT yearling and again for \$75,000 as an OBSMAR juvenile. Breeder Caldara Farm purchased Liberty Flag, in foal to Malibu Moon, for \$160,000 at the 2008 Keeneland November sale. The



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mare sold in foal to Noble Mission (GB) for \$17,000 at this year's Keeneland January sale and then produced a filly by that stallion. She sold again, this time in foal to Flat Out, for \$5,000 at last month's Keeneland November sale. Her Noble Mission filly sold at the same auction for \$20,000. **Click for the**

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Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$55,380.

O-Nicholas Vaccarezza; B-Caldara Farm Inc. (KY); T-Carlo Vaccarezza.



**6th-GP, \$42,000, Msw, 12-3, 2yo, 7f, 1:22.15, ft.**

**NOBLE INDY (c, 2, Take Charge Indy--Noble Maz {MSW, \$327,340}, by Storm Boot),** the 3-2 favorite, was fractious behind the gate, but was all business once the race started. He jumped out to the early lead and set the pace through fractions of :23.37 and :46.20. Asked for more nearing the stretch, the bay colt shrugged off the challenge of Pete Marwick (Soldat) and sailed home an 8 3/4-length winner. "That's a nice horse," winning rider Tyler Gaffalione said. "He is still a little green. He's still learning. It's all coming together. Once it does, I think he's going to be a very talented horse." Noble Indy, the 21st winner for his freshman sire, RNA'd for \$45,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale. He is the second foal out of stakes-winning Noble Maz, whose filly by Revolutionary sold for \$10,000 at this year's September sale. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,200.

O/B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.



# CANADA

**Sunday's Results:**

**ONTARIO LASSIE S.,** C\$125,000, WO, 12-3, (S), 2yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45.43, ft.

1--**DIXIE MOON, 123, f, 2, by Curlin**

**1st Dam: Dixie Chicken (SP, \$201,004), by Rahy**

**2nd Dam: Minnie's Meadow, by Affirmed**

**3rd Dam: Stormy Bend, by Storm Bird**

(\$150,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP). O/B-Sean & Dorothy Fitzhenry (ON); T-Catherine Day Phillips; J-Eurico Rosa Da Silva. C\$75,000. Lifetime Record: GISP, 5-3-1-0, \$260,850. \*1/2 to Guy Caballero (Quality Road), SW & GSP, \$125,249.



2--**Queen's Fate, 118, f, 2, Artie Schiller--Shukriya, by Grand Reward.** (\$15,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$32,000 2yo '17 EASMAY). O-Maxis Stable & Michael J Maker; B-Josham Farms Limited & Yvonne Schwabe Thoroughbreds (ON); T-Michael J. Maker. C\$25,000.



3--**Loopety Loo, 118, f, 2, Afleet Alex--Roving Angel, by Cape Canaveral.** (C\$50,000 Ylg '16 CANSEP). O-Conrad Farms; B-Keith & Rachel McClelland (ON); T-Mark E. Casse. C\$13,750. Margins: NO, 3, 3HF. Odds: 0.50, 4.85, 15.05.



Also Ran: Gosudarina, Lunar Garden, Safe to Say, Fairy Hill.

Dixie Moon, a debut winner over Woodbine's synthetic surface in August, was second after setting the pace over the lawn in the Sept. 17 GI Natalma S. After winning the Cup and Saucer S. Oct. 8, she shipped to Del Mar for a troubled sixth-place effort in the Nov. 3 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf. Heavily favored here, the chestnut filly was away alertly and was well in hand while stalking pacesetter Fairy Hill (Sligo Bay {Ire}) through fractions of :25.84 and :51.04. She took charge as the pacesetter faltered entering the final bend and turned back a stubborn Loopety Loo in midstretch only to have just enough left to hold off the late-charging Queen's Fate.

"She's a tremendous filly," said winning trainer Catherine Day Phillips. "She came back from the Breeders' Cup in really good order and I'm just glad she got the chance to show everybody how nice she actually is. She's had a long campaign and I think that maybe showed on her a little bit today, but she's had a long campaign and she showed up every time."

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Sire: Tapit (Pulpit) \$300,000  
Dam: Precious Kitten (Catienus)  
Br: Mr. & Mrs. M. Roy Jackson (Ky)  
Tr: Delacour Arnaud

Life	17	5	4	5	\$882,604	105	D.Fst	13	4	4	2	\$616,400	105
2017	4	1	1	0	\$151,000	104	Wet(397)	3	1	0	2	\$264,204	104
2016	4	2	2	0	\$203,600	105	Synth	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
							Turf(304)	1	0	0	1	\$2,000	67

28Oct17-9Bel fst 7f	C 22	:44 <sup>3</sup> 1:09	1:22	3+	BoldRIRH-G3	103	9/9	6	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	Centeno DE	L118fb	*2.20	87-11	Tom's Ready118 <sup>3</sup> Stallwalkin' Dude122 <sup>no</sup> Beasley116 <sup>1</sup>	Brush gate, outkicked	
23Sep17-9Bel fst 1	232	:46 <sup>2</sup> 1:10	1:34	3+	KelsoH-G2	104	4/6	4	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	Centeno DE	L117fb	4.30	89-07	SharpAzteca124 <sup>4</sup> DiviningRod117 <sup>5</sup> Tom's Ready118 <sup>nd</sup>	5w upper, second best	
26Aug17-9Sar fst 7f	22 <sup>4</sup>	:45 <sup>2</sup> 1:08	1:21	3+	Forego-G1	96	4/10	9	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	Castellano J J	L118b	4.40	91-06	Drefong124 <sup>4</sup> Awesome Slew120 <sup>1</sup> Tom's Ready118 <sup>nd</sup>	2w & btwn, 4w upr, flat	
12Aug17-8Lrl my <sup>5</sup> 7f	232	:47	1:10	2:22	3+	PolynsianB74K	104	4/5	1	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>6</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Centeno DE	L118fb	*.50	99-16	DiviningRod118 <sup>3</sup> Vorticity118 <sup>2</sup> RocknnOnBy118 <sup>nd</sup>	When ready 3w, handily	
26Nov16-10Aqu fst 1	231	:46 <sup>2</sup> 1:11	1:35	3+	CigarMiH-G1	105	10/10	4	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Centeno DE	L119b	5.90	95-17	Connect118 <sup>nd</sup> Divining Rod119 <sup>5</sup> Realm115 <sup>nk</sup>	3w, brushes late, game	
29Oct16-9Kee fst 1 1/8	C 46 <sup>3</sup>	1:10	2:1:35	1:47 <sup>3</sup>	3+	Fayette-G2	101	8/8	3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Geroux F	L121f	4.10	95-04	Noble Bird123 <sup>5</sup> Divining Rod121 <sup>5</sup> Hawaakom121 <sup>4</sup>	Drifted about stretch	
27Sep16-7Prx fst 1	S 25	:48 <sup>4</sup> 1:13	1:38	2+	OC 40k/W3X-N	86	6/7	3 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1nk	Centeno DE	L124	*.70	80-31	DiviningRod124 <sup>nk</sup> GourmtDlght124 <sup>9</sup> ElGrndRojo120 <sup>2</sup>	Reserved, long drive	
5Sep16-4Prx fst 1	S 24 <sup>3</sup>	:48 <sup>3</sup> 1:12	1:37	3+	OC 25k/W2X-N	87	1/7	4	1 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Centeno DE	L120	*.90	86-13	Divining Rod120 <sup>1</sup> Nauset Beach120 <sup>4</sup> Noble Kent120 <sup>1</sup>	4 path, driving	
29Aug15-10Prx fst 170	233	:47 <sup>3</sup> 1:12	1:44		SmrtyJns-G3	77	5/6	5	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>11</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Cintron A	L124	*.90	67-24	IslandTown124 <sup>5</sup> SouperColossal124 <sup>3</sup> BattleMidwy118 <sup>3</sup>	Drifted out, faded	
18Jly15-9Ind sly <sup>5</sup> 1 1/8	S 24 <sup>1</sup>	:48 <sup>1</sup> 1:12	1:43		IndnaDby-G2	90	2/8	4	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Cintron A	L124	*1.40	93-09	Tiz Shea D117 <sup>1</sup> Mr. Z124 <sup>nd</sup> Divining Rod124 <sup>3</sup>	Btw, bid 1/4, lugged out	
20Jun15-8Tdn fst 1 1/8	S 23 <sup>4</sup>	:48	1:11	3:43	OhioDerby500K	98	4/8	4	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>nd</sup>	Leparoux J R	L120f	*2.30	96-15	Mr. Z118 <sup>no</sup> Tencendur118 <sup>nd</sup> Divining Rod120 <sup>4</sup>	Inside bid, outfinished
16May15-13Pim sly 1 1/8	46 <sup>2</sup>	1:11	2:1:37	1:58	Prknss-G1	90	7/8	4	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>8</sup>	Castellano J J	L126	12.60	74-17	AmericanPhroh126 <sup>7</sup> TleofVerve126 <sup>1</sup> DiviningRod126 <sup>7</sup>	Drifted out 1/16, tired
11Apr15-10Kee fst 1 1/8	24	:47	1:12	3:1:43	LexingtN-G3	98	1/7	3	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Leparoux J R	L118	2.90	96-08	DiviningRod118 <sup>3</sup> Donworth118 <sup>no</sup> FmendPower118 <sup>1</sup>	Rated, won going away	
7Mar15-11Tam fst 1 1/8	23	:46	3:1:11	1:43	TamDby-G2	85	1/8	1 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Garcia Luis	L116	9.40	88-04	Carpe Diem122 <sup>5</sup> Ami's Flatter116 <sup>2</sup> Divining Rod116 <sup>5</sup>	Bumped st, vied inside	
31Jan15-11Tam fst 1 1/8	24 <sup>1</sup>	:48	3:1:12	1:43	SFDavis-G3	93	5/12	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>nk</sup>	Garcia Luis	L116	28.50	96-13	OcnKght116 <sup>nk</sup> DvngRod116 <sup>5</sup> MyJohnnyBGood116 <sup>1</sup>	Vied 2w, led, gamely	
26Dec14-4Tam fm 1 1/8	22 <sup>3</sup>	:48	2:1:13	1:43	OC 75k/W1X-N	67	4/8	4	3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Garcia Luis	L118	3.20	80-14	Crittenden118 <sup>2</sup> Night Out118 <sup>nk</sup> Divining Rod118 <sup>3</sup>	Inside trip, waited 1/4
21Nov14-5Lrl fst 1	24	:48	1:13	2:1:39	Md Sp Wt 40k	71	7/10	1	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Acosta J D	L122	5.70	82-21	DiviningRod122 <sup>3</sup> TodysAgnd122 <sup>7</sup> StrkEmDown122 <sup>nk</sup>	Driving, drifted out, in	

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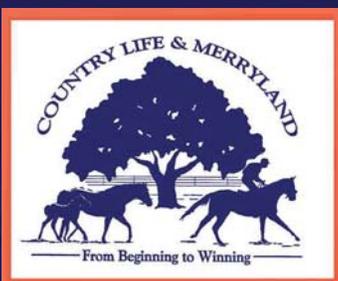
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Dixie Moon holds off Queen's Fate | Michael Burns photo

**1st-WO, C\$65,320, Msw, 12-3, 2yo, 6f (AWT), 1:10.78, ft. DISTINCT PASSION (g, 2, With Distinction--Chado, by Montbrook),** an \$18,000 OBSMAR juvenile, overcame a troubled trip to be third in an off-the-turfer at this track and trip in his Nov. 11 debut. The 9-5 favorite pressed the pace through an opening quarter in :23.11. He skipped clear on the turn and was two in front after a half in :46.51 before sailing home an easy 2 1/2-length winner. Sandy Bay (Animal Kingdom) was second. Chado, in foal to Shakin It Up, sold for \$6,000 at last month's Keeneland November sale. Her weanling by that sire sold for \$14,000 at the same auction. The half-sister to graded stakes winner Lovely Lil (Tiznow) also has a yearling colt by Liaison. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$34,146. O-Ryan Shane Kerbel & Howard Rubin, Howard; B-Lynne & Chris Boutte (FL); T-Denyse McClachrie.

## CENTRAL U.S.

### Sunday's Results:

**6th-FG, \$38,000, Msw, 12-3, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:38.40, fm. RIVER EVANGELIST (g, 3, Tapit--River's Prayer {GISW, \$921,958}, by Devon Lane)** shipped from Churchill Downs to Fair Grounds at the beginning of November and has had three works over the track, including his latest five-furlong breeze from the gate in 1:01 1/5 (2/31) Nov. 25. The \$240,000 Keeneland September pickup, who RNA'd for \$190,000 as an OBS June juvenile, got squeezed at the break and was shuffled back to the rear of the field into the first turn at 7-1. At the half-mile pole, the chestnut was almost 19 lengths behind the leaders. He began to pick up a head of steam traveling three wide on the far turn and moved into the five path for clear running room. River Evangelist kept his momentum going down the center of the track and went on for the 3/4-length graduation. Teletap (Tapit) had the lead midway down the stretch, but had to settle for second. The winner's dam is GI Princess Rooney H. heroine River's Prayer, who sold to Stonestreet for \$1.5 million at the 2007 Keeneland November sale. She is also represented by a yearling colt by Curlin, who sold to Eric Fein for at \$1 million at this year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Select Yearling sale, a weanling colt by Maclean's Music and was bred back to Maclean's Music this year. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,800. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).** O-Safari Bloodstock, Susan & Rick Moulton; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Wayne M. Catalano.

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### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**6th-WO, C\$77,560**, 12-3, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT),  
 1:43.78, ft.

**ROYAL INTRIGUE (g, 7, Silent Name {Jpn}--Royal Dalliance {MSW, \$603,898}, by Tejabo)** Lifetime Record: 48-5-3-7, \$258,180. O-Joe Chircop; B-Joanna Marie Iglar (ON); T-Steven Chircop.

**7th-AQU, \$57,000**, (S), 12-3, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT,  
 1:44.18, fm.

**OUT OF TROUBLE (f, 3, Into Mischief--Take Me Home Too {SW}, by Came Home)** Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-1, \$108,332. O-Zilla Racing Stables; B-JRita Young Thoroughbreds, LLC (NY); T-Brad H. Cox. \*\$75,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. \*\*1/2 to Bird of Trey (Birdstone), SW, \$215,629.

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**7th-LRC, \$55,560**, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 12-3, 3yo/up,  
 1m, 1:36.45, ft.

**SENATOR ROBERT (g, 4, Sierra Sunset--Sharoana {SW}, by Lord Carson)** Lifetime Record: 33-5-7-2, \$180,330. O-Battle Born Racing Stable & Nick Ferrara; B-George & Mary Clare Schmitt (CA); T-Genaro Vallejo.

**5th-RP, \$44,600**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 12-2, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f,  
 1:10.31, ft.

**OKIE DIVA (f, 3, Chitoz--Dana Okie, by Prospector's Music)**  
 Lifetime Record: SW, 9-4-4-0, \$192,906. O/B-Richter Family Trust (OK); T-Donnie K. Von Hemel.

**7th-FG, \$43,560**, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$17,500), 12-3, 3yo/up, 1m  
 70y, 1:43.81, ft.

**CASSES STORY (g, 3, Bernardini--Mary's Follies {MGSW, \$338,889}, by More Than Ready)** Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-1, \$115,141. O-Live Oak Plantation; B-Paul Pompa Jr. & Darley, LLC (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. \*\$120,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$250,000 2yo '16 FTFMAR. \*\*1/2 to Night Prowler (Giant's Causeway), MGSW, \$426,632.

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**8th-RP, \$39,295**, 12-2, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:42.53, ft.  
**CU RAHY (c, 3, Curlin--Richetta {MSW, \$296,848}, by Polish Numbers)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 14-3-0-3, \$85,806.

O-HFT-Xpress Racing Stables; B-Huckleberry Farm LLC (MD); T-Danele Durham. \*\$120,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL. \*\*1/2 to Concealed Identity (Smarty Jones), MSW & GSP, \$461,140.

**5th-ZIA, \$29,500**, (S), 12-3, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.41, ft.  
**HE'S ANOTHER WHO (g, 3, Quinton's Gold--Mysterious Bandit, by Time Bandit)** Lifetime Record: 15-3-2-5, \$126,926.

O-Champion Racing Stable; B-Sam E Stevens & Sammy L Stevens (NM); T-Casey T. Lambert.

**7th-ZIA, \$28,500**, (S), 12-3, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f,  
 1:03.84, ft.

**KARISSA BALLERINA (f, 3, Holmes--Moon Maid, by Apollo)**  
 Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-2, \$56,993. O/T-Lonnie Vaughn; B-Verona G Vaughn (NM);

**4th-CT, \$24,500**, (S), 12-2, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:20.33, ft.  
**FIT BUT FAT (g, 4, Peak Dancer--Lil Baldie, by Rugby)** Lifetime Record: 16-3-1-5, \$63,200. O/T-Donald C. Barber; B-Donna J. Swaim (WV).

**3rd-CT, \$24,000**, (S), 12-2, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :53.20, ft.  
**ROLLING BROOK (g, 3, Fiber Sonde--Candlebrook, by Saint Ballado)** Lifetime Record: 10-2-4-1, \$50,010. O/B/T-John D. McKee (WV);

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Bolt Brotherhood**, g, 2, **El Padrino--Tactical Warning**, by Tactical Cat. PEN, 12-2, (S), 6f, 1:12.67. B-Ronald DeWolf (PA). \*10th winner by freshman sire (by Pulpit).

**Old Fashion Amour**, f, 2, **Old Fashioned--Sweet Ruston** (SW, \$235,696), by Lydgate. DED, 12-2, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:22.94. B-David N. Meche & Judice Farm Inc. (LA). \*\$15,000 RNA Ylg '16 ESLYRL; \$19,000 RNA 2yo '17 EQL2YO.

**Time to Flirt**, f, 3, **Flutter--Love Cove** (MSW, \$396,739), by Not For Love. FG, 12-3, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.70. B-Brant Laue (KY). \*\$145,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$180,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSAPR; \$65,000 3yo '17 FTKHRA. \*1/2 to Bibby (Stormy Atlantic), SW, \$143,163.

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**Avalanche**, c, 3, **Mizzen Mast--Pearls**, by Black Tie Affair (Ire). GG, 12-3, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.85. B-Morgan's Ford Farm (VA). \*\$90,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Ring Knocker (Birdstone), MSP, \$408,510.



## CONSIGNING IN A DIFFERENT LEAGUE FOR MARNANE



**Different League** | *Conor Norris*

By *Emma Berry*

For the Marnane family, the story of **Different League (Fr)** started almost exactly two years ago, when Con Marnane bought a weanling daughter of Dabirsim (Fr) at the Arqana December Sale for €8,000.

The script went a little awry at the following season's yearling sales when the filly failed to find a buyer at the Goffs UK Premier Sale and was retained at £14,000. That may well have been the best non-result the pinhookers will ever have as, less than a year later, in the colours of Theresa Marnane, Different League was blazing a trail down the Royal Ascot straight to win the G3 Albany S. and spark a summer of celebrations.

Unbeaten in her first three starts and then placed in both the G1 Darley Prix Morny and G1 Cheveley Park S., the star of Dabirsim's first crop has now touched down in Newmarket for her next appearance in the limelight, though this time it will be in the amphitheatre of the Tattersalls sales ring rather than a racecourse.

Selling 10 lots after Ballymacoll Stud's superstar racemare Islington (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) as **lot 1836**, Different League is the sole horse in Amy Marnane's draft at the December Sale but she is of course one very close to the 23-year-old consignor's heart.

"She's been a huge horse for our family. We bought her as a foal, couldn't sell her as a yearling, dad broke her in and did everything with her and she runs in mum's colours--she's been the horse of a lifetime," said Marnane on Sunday evening after watching her filly go through more than 300 shows for potential buyers at Park Paddocks. "It will be very emotional if she changes hands. If she goes to new connections we wish them all the best as she's very special but if she comes home we'll be proud to have her running in mum's colours again. We think she's a proper 1000 Guineas contender. We're confident that she'll stay a mile, she's never keen in her races."

Trained at Maisons-Laffitte on the outskirts of Paris by Matthieu Palussiere, Different League is a half-sister to two winners and is out of the four-time winner Danseuse Corse (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). She has been back in Ireland since her most recent start on Sept. 30.

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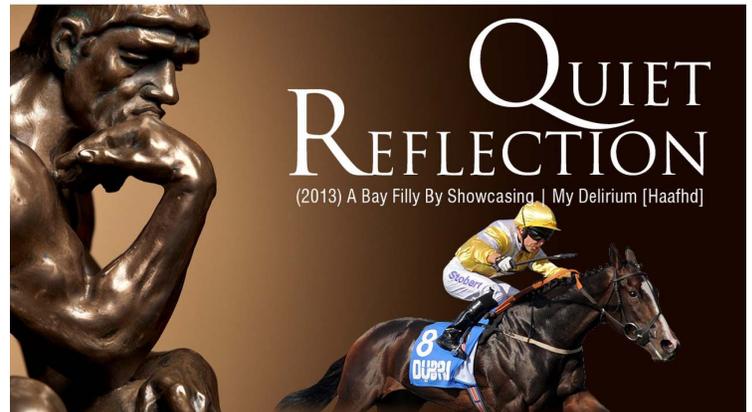
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**Consigning in a Different League for Marnane Cont. from p1**

"She came back to Bانشa after the Cheveley Park and she's been really good through prep, really straightforward," said Marnane. "She arrived at Tattersalls on Friday morning and she's just taken everything in her stride. She's so easy to deal with."

"For a filly to have 300 shows in a day as she has had today is phenomenal. She's a big, powerful filly--I could watch her walking up and down all day. She's just incredibly straightforward and there are no issues with her--the vet's happy and I'm happy. Tattersalls have done a great job promoting her and getting the international buyers in."

For a young consignor, having one of the star names of the biggest breeding stock catalogue in Europe could be a little overwhelming, but Marnane was almost born into the sales scene and avers that there was no question of her ever following any other path.

She said, "I never wanted to do anything else. I couldn't wait to get out of school and to get into horses. From a very early age I was going to the breeze-up sales and the yearling sales and for the past few years I've been buying breeze-up horses at Keeneland. It's a passion that I don't think will be leaving me any time soon."

"I'm very grateful to mum and dad for giving me the chance. Last year at this foal sale I consigned a Frankel (GB) colt that sold to Darley Japan for 280,000gns and I've sold horses in training. This consignment is obviously only one horse but it has to top them all. Whatever price she makes, she's the one that makes the dream a reality."

Different League's Royal Ascot victory prompted some emotional scenes in the winner's enclosure from Marnane's famously enthusiastic father and she is hoping that he'll be able to cope with the excitement of the filly's appearance in the ring on Tuesday evening.

She said, "Different League will cope well with it all--she won't need any sedative but my dad just might."

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Adaay (Ire)	Whitsbury Manor Stud	2018	£7,000	\$7,018	1	10	11
Ajaya (GB)	Rathbarry Stud	2018	€10,000	\$1,348	2	8	10
Awtaad (Ire)	Derrinstown Stud	2018	€15,000	N/A	2	8	10
Belardo (Ire)	Kildangan Stud	2018	€15,000	\$141,723	5	4	9
Bobby's Kitten	Lanwades Stud	2018	£12,500	\$21,250	3	7	10
Buratino (Ire)	Kildangan Stud	2018	€5,000	N/A	6	0	6
Cannock Chase	Worsall Grange Stud	2018	£3,000	N/A	0	3	3
Charming Thought (GB)	Dalham Hall Stud	2018	£8,000	\$63,096	0	9	9
Coulsty (Ire)	Rathasker Stud	2018	€5,000	\$1,185	2	0	2
Estidhkaar (Ire)	Tara Stud	2018	€5,000	\$9,975	9	1	10
Fascinating Rock (Ire)	Ballylinch Stud	2018	€10,000	\$34,999	11	4	15
Harzand (Ire)	Gilltown Stud	2018	€15,000	\$29,407	8	3	11
Ito (Ger)	Gestut Ammerland	2018	€5,000	N/A	0	1	1
Kodi Bear (Ire)	Rathbarry Stud	2018	€10,000	\$26,415	5	2	7
Marcel (Ire)	National Stud	2018	£5,000	\$23,283	4	1	5
Markaz (Ire)	Derrinstown Stud	2018	€6,000	\$24,730	7	3	10
Mehmas (Ire)	Tally-Ho Stud	2018	€12,500	\$11,824	7	5	12
New Bay (GB)	Ballylinch Stud	2018	€20,000	\$81,933	2	5	7
Parish Hall (Ire)	N/A	2018	N/A	N/A	1	0	1
Pearl Secret (GB)	Bucklands Farm & Stud	2018	£4,000	\$2,697	0	6	6
Pride of Dubai (Aus)	Coolmore Stud	2018	€15,000	\$52,616	6	8	14
Prince of Lir (Ire)	Ballyhane Stud	2018	€5,000	\$6,517	3	0	3
Proconsul (GB)	Mickley Stud	2018	£3,500	\$4,046	0	2	2
Protectionist (Ger)	Gestut Rottgen	2018	€6,500	N/A	0	1	1
Scissor Kick (Aus)	Haras d'Etreham	2018	€10,000	\$51,357	1	0	1
Shalaa (Ire)	Haras de Bouquetot	2018	€27,500	N/A	0	5	5
Strath Burn (GB)	Bridge House Stud	2018	€5,500	\$6,743	1	0	1
Territories (Ire)	Dalham Hall Stud	2018	£12,000	N/A	0	14	14
Tha'ir (Ire)	Lilling Hall Farm	2018	£3,500	N/A	0	1	1
The Gurkha (Ire)	Coolmore Stud	2018	€25,000	\$67,002	5	6	11
The Last Lion (Ire)	Kildangan Stud	2018	€12,000	\$35,105	6	3	9
Twilight Son (GB)	Cheveley Park Stud	2018	£10,000	\$54,682	3	17	20
Vadamos (Fr)	Tally-Ho Stud	2018	€10,000	\$37,860	6	4	10

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## STALLION STUDS WELCOME BREEDERS IN NEWMARKET THIS WEEK *by Emma Berry*



**Paddy Meehan & Aclaim** | *Emma Berry*

A Sunday of no action in the ring at Tattersalls offered breeders the chance for a spot of stallion-viewing as final decisions are made on next year's matings.

Unlike France and Ireland, Britain has no formal stallion weekend, but plenty of studs make the most of the fact that breeders from around the world are in town for the sales and throw open their doors through the week.

The National Stud is likely to be extra busy this covering season with four new stallions on the books alongside **Marcel (Ire)** and **Gregorian (Ire)**. The two Southern Hemisphere recruits **Tivaci (NZ)** and **Spill The Beans (Aus)** won't arrive in Newmarket until Dec. 20, but the stallion yard is already receiving plenty of visitors thanks to the arrival of **Aclaim (Ire)**, who bowed out from a 15-race career with a perfect final victory in the G1 Prix de la Foret in October, becoming in the process the first Group 1 winner for his trainer Martyn Meade.

The laidback 4-year-old, who offers breeders another option to tap into the sireline which has given us Acclamation (GB) and Dark Angel (Ire) in recent years, has been at the National Stud for the last month and is already letting down well. Last week it was announced that **Phoenix Thoroughbreds have bought into Aclaim** in his second career and it will be interesting to see what level of support they give him through mare purchases this week.

The former Roger Charlton trainee and Royal Ascot track-record breaker **Time Test (GB)** has recently returned from a stint in America with Chad Brown and only arrived at the National Stud on Wednesday but has already taken to the role of posing for breeders. **Cont. p4**

**Stallion Studs Welcome Breeders Cont.**

"He's settled in really well and is certainly taking it all in his stride. It's great finally to have him here and to be able to show him off," said National Stud manager Tim Lane, who was formerly involved with Time Test's old stablemate Al Kazeem (GB) at Oakgrove Stud. "I remember Time Test very well from his days at Beckhampton and I know Roger Charlton thought the world of him."

Time Test was just one of four sons of Dubawi (Ire) on show on Sunday morning, along with the great sire himself, who is now 15 and, as usual, has made sure to grow a great winter coat for himself despite the heat lamps in his stable at the luxury stallion spa that is Dalham Hall Stud.



Time Test in Mill Reef's old box at the National Stud | Emma Berry

Darley always save the best until last at any stallion parade and Dubawi concluded a decent line-up at the farm which included the new boys **Postponed (Ire), Profitable (Ire), Barney**

**Roy (Ire) and Ribchester (Ire).** Postponed is the latest son of Dubawi to retire to Darley and is already looking the part at Dalham Hall, where he was shown with another two of Dubawi's Group 1 winners, **Poet's Voice (GB) and Night Of Thunder (Ire).** The latter has had his first foals on sale in the last few weeks, as has Golden Horn (GB), whose six foals sold at Tattersalls through the week returned an average of 203,333gns.

Shadwell have brought their Nunnery Stud residents **Mukhadram (GB) and Muhaarar (GB)** to their Newmarket wing at Beech House Stud for the week.

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They have been joined there by **Adaay (Ire)**, the Shadwell-owned son of Kodiak (GB) who stands at Whitsbury Manor Stud.

Shadwell's Tom Pennington reported that their stallions' books would be capped at 120 mares in keeping with Sheikh Hamdan's wishes and Ed Harper added that this is a similar case for Adaay, who covered his first book of mares in 2017.

"We limited him to 125 and that's exactly the number he covered this year," Harper said. "Shadwell and Whitsbury have the same ethos when it comes to stallions. Adaay had the best book of mares and support from breeders that we've ever had for a first-season sire, even Showcasing (GB). We couldn't have a better partner than Shadwell."

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Shadwell's head stallion man Ron Lott is a very familiar face to anyone who has visited the stallion yard there over the last few decades. When pushed, he'll admit that Nashwan was his favourite, but he may well soon have a new favourite in champion sprinter Muhaarar, a grandson of Nunnery stalwart Green Desert, whom Lott looked after for many years.

He said, "I've never done it before but I'll definitely be having a bet on Muhaarar to be leading first-season sire. He's such a lovely horse to look after."

It would seem that plenty of foal buyers at Goffs and Tattersalls over the last fortnight would agree with Lott, as Muhaarar's 11 foals sold in Britain and Ireland to date have changed hands at an average of 210,909gns.

Adaay may have been the first son of Kodiak to stand in Britain but from next season he will be joined by another as the G2 Flying Childers S. winner **Ardad (Ire)** has recently retired to Overbury Stud but has returned to Newmarket for this week to be show at Crockfords Stud, which is opposite the back gate of Tattersalls.

As we called in on him, the stallion man had just taken a lunch break but Overbury's multi-talented deputy manager Jo Brown stepped into the breach to show Ardad.

"It proves how easy he is if I can show him," she laughed. "He's been absolutely lovely to deal with so far and breeders have been quick to show interest in him. We're delighted to have him."

The dual-purpose Overbury Stud is best known as the home of Britain's champion National Hunt sire Kayf Tara (GB) and it has added another new stallion to its ranks for next season who should appeal to flat and jumps breeders alike.

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**Stallion Studs Welcome Breeders Cont.**

The G1 Irish Derby and G1 Dubai Sheema Classic winner Jack Hobbs (GB) is not in Newmarket this week but his name has been in the news again as his Dubawi half-sister topped the Tattersalls Foal Sale at 750,000gns for her breeders Willie and Elaine Carson of Minster Stud.

Another of Ardad's stablemates has made the trip from Gloucestershire, however. The Melbourne Cup and Caulfield Cup winner **Dunaden (Fr)**, who will have his first runners next season, can be viewed until Wednesday at Longholes Stud with one of the leading freshmen of this season, **Havana Gold (GB)**, and **Hot Streak (GB)**, another whose first foals have been finding favours with buyers over the last fortnight.

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**DARLEY MARES BOUND FOR GALILEO**

Darley will be sending some mares to be covered by Coolmore's Galileo (Ire) in 2018, Godolphin group chief executive Joe Osborne confirmed to *The Irish Field* this weekend. The announcement marks a continuation of the policy change enacted since **Osborne took over in June**, as Godolphin has purchased several yearlings sired by Coolmore stallions at both Keeneland in Kentucky and also **at the Goffs Orby Sale**, following 15 years of avoiding stock sired by Coolmore's roster at the sales or sending mares to the Coolmore breeding shed.

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**Darley Mares Bound for Galileo Cont.**

Asked by *The Irish Field* this week if Sheikh Mohammed would be sending mares to Galileo, Osborne, "I'd say we will, yes. That would be the next step. Because Dubawi (Ire) has been a great stallion for us, we've got a lot of nice Dubawi fillies. Maybe some of them going to Galileo is a good fit from a pedigree point of view and would present good possibilities for the future."

A Coolmore spokesperson has indicated to *The Irish Field* that this is likely to happen in 2018.

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"The Grey Gatsby was a wonderful racehorse with good conformation and temperament, just a very well balanced individual," Haras du Petit Tellier's Patrick Chedeville told *Racing Post*. "He will be a valuable new stallion in France from the Danehill line, which is not seen in France as much as in the rest of Europe, especially in Ireland."

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**'GATSBY' TO STAND AT PETIT TELLIER**

**The Grey Gatsby (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}--Marie Vison {Ire}, by Entrepreneur {GB}), a MG1SW, has been purchased by Haras du Petit Tellier for stallion duty in France, reported *Racing Post*. The deal was brokered by Richard Venn. Syndication of the 6-year-old is underway, with around 20-25 shares being sold for €18,000 each, giving the shareholder two nominations in the first three seasons, with further incentives given for keep and insurance. The Grey Gatsby will stand for €7,000.

A four-time highweight in England (2), France (1) and Ireland (1) and thrice as a sophomore, The Grey Gatsby raced for Frank Gillespie and trainer Dermot Weld. A winner of both the 2014 G1 Prix du Jockey Club and G1 QIPCO Irish Champion S., the grey was placed an additional five times at the highest level, retiring with four wins from 28 starts and earnings of \$4, 290,448.

Bred by M. Parrish in Ireland, The Grey Gatsby, out of listed-placed Marie Vison, was an €120,000 Arqana Breeze-Up Sale purchase by Stephen Hillen for Gillespie. He counts G1 Prix de la Salamandre heroine Maximova (Fr) (Green Dancer) as his third dam. This is also the family of Group 1 winners Septieme Ciel (Seattle Slew) and Macoumba (Mr. Prospector). Macoumba is the dam of successful U.S. sire Malibu Moon (A.P. Indy).



The Grey Gatsby | *Racing Post*

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**WITH RICHARD FITZSIMONS**

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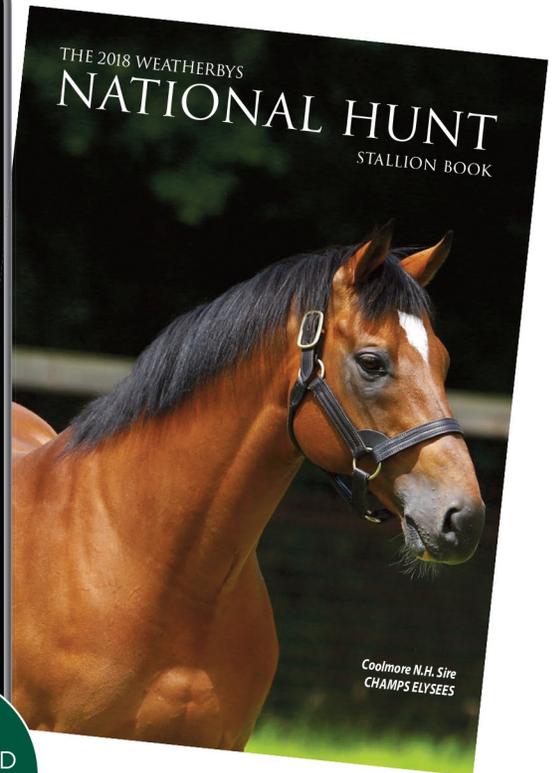
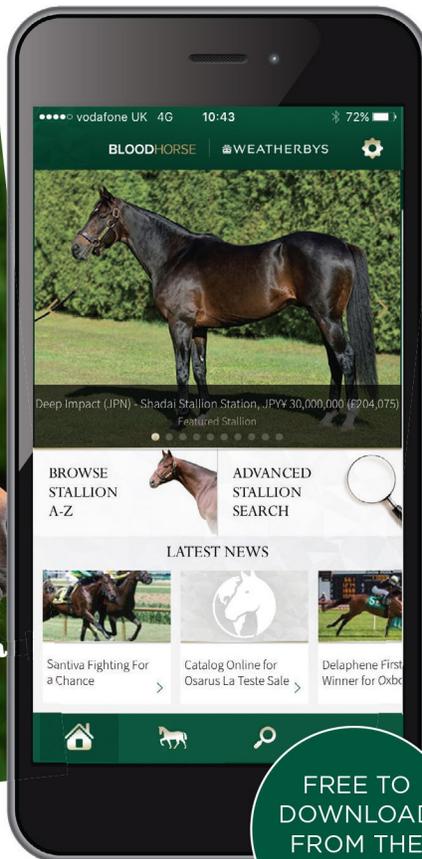
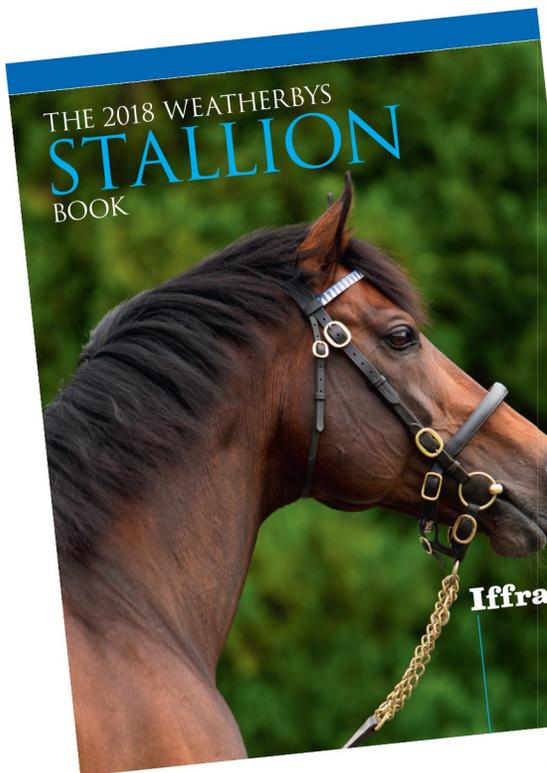
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**Ringside With Richard Fitzsimons Cont.**

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**3) What horse springs to mind as your favourite purchase?**

Mattymolls Gaga (Ire), a Dragon Pulse (Ire) colt that won a 2-year-old maiden at Leopardstown that got listed placed this year. Simply for the reason that he is a very honest horse and tries every day for you and is a gent to deal with.

**4) And finally, if you had to select one other agent to buy a horse for you, who would it be and why?**

My good pal Matt Holsworth is a shrewd cookie and is very efficient and easy to deal with. He is a good man for finding a few hidden gems at the sales and knows where the good hotels and horses are.

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**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Above the Clouds (Fr)**, f, 3, **High Chaparral (Ire)**--Airline, by Woodman. LMN, 2-3, 11 1/2fT, 2:30.56. B-Dayton Investments Ltd (FR). \*1/2 to **Argentina (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells), SW & MG1SP-Fr, MGISP-US, \$674,819.

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**Rock'n Chick (Fr)**, f, 3, **Kendargent (Fr)**--Rock Chick (GB), by Halling. LMN, 2-3, 7ft, 1:27.85. B-EARL Bois Hue (FR). \*€18,000 Ylg '15 OSASEP.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

**'DREAM' EARNS CHAMPIONS CUP GLORY**

G1 February S. hero **Gold Dream (Jpn)** (Gold Allure {Jpn}) salvaged his up-and-down season with a neck victory in the G1 Champions Cup over favoured **T M Jinsoku (Jpn)** (Kurofune) at Chukyo Sunday. Under capable handling from Ryan Moore, the 4-year-old secured an ideal position glued to the rails near the tail of the strung out field as dual February S. scorer **Copano Rickey (Jpn)** (Gold Allure {Jpn}) showed the way and T M Jinsoku sat second in the vanguard. Shifted one off the fence as the first 1000 metres was covered in 1:01.5, the colt relaxed well, and was content to bide his time until the final straightaway. Moore gunned the bay to the attack out in the center of the track and the 12-1 eighth choice produced a strong finishing kick, bursting past a game Copano Rickey and T M Jinsoku to win narrowly in the shadow of the wire.



**Gold Dream (9) en route to victory | Horsephotos**

The latter bested Copano Rickey by a neck for second. "It was a pleasure to ride the horse," Moore commented, as Gold Dream became just the third horse to capture the JRA's two dirt Group 1 races and equaled last year's victor Sound True (Jpn) (French Deputy)'s stakes record. "He was a Group 1 winner already and he showed class. He's won both the two main Group 1 races on dirt in Japan, so he's rightly a champion. He was a little bit upset in the stall, but he landed in a good spot, the race was very smooth for him and he showed good acceleration at the end." **Cont. p11**

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UNBELIEVABLE (IRE), unraced, own sister to CRIMSON ROCK (USA);  
 Dam of:  
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**1st Dam**  
**Maryinsky (IRE)**, won 1 race at 2 years and £57,897 and placed 4 times including second in Meon Valley Stud Fillies' Mile Stakes, Ascot, **Gr.1**, dam of **three winners** from 5 runners and 8 foals of racing age viz-  
**PEEPING FAWN (USA)** (f. by Danehill (USA)), Champion 3yr old filly in England and Ireland in 2007, JI Champion 3yr old filly in Europe in 2007, won 5 races at 3 years and £289,626 including Irish Oaks, Curragh, **Gr.1**, Nassau Stakes, Goodwood, **Gr.1**, Pretty Polly Stakes, Curragh, **Gr.1** and Yorkshire Oaks, York, **Gr.1**, placed second in Oaks Stakes, Epsom, **Gr.1** and third in Irish 1000 Guineas, Curragh, **Gr.1**, dam of 4 winners.  
**SEPTEMBER (IRE)** (f. by Deep Impact (JPN)), 2 races at 2 years, 2017 and £85,437 including Chesham Stakes, Ascot, **L.**, placed twice including third in Moyglare Stud Stakes, Curragh, **Gr.1**, all her starts.  
**Sir John Hawkins (USA)** (c. by Henrythenavigator (USA)), winner, third in Coventry Stakes, Ascot, **Gr.2** and Tyros Stakes, Leopardstown, **Gr.3**.  
**WISCONSIN (JPN)**, 1 race at 3 years, 2017 and £11,807 and placed once.  
**THEWAYYOUARE (USA)** (c. by Kingmambo (USA)), won 4 races at 2 years in France and £164,841 including Criterion International, Saint-Cloud, **Gr.1**, Prix Thomas Bryon, Saint-Cloud, **Gr.3** and Critérium de Lyon, Lyon-Parilly, **L.**, placed once; sire.  
**CRIMSON ROCK (USA)**, won 1 race at 2 years, 2016, her only start.

**2nd Dam**  
**BLUSH WITH PRIDE (USA)**, won 6 races at 2 and 3 years in U.S.A. and £277,522 including Kentucky Oaks, Churchill Downs, **Gr.1**, Santa Susana Stakes, Santa Anita, **Gr.3**, Ashland Stakes, Keeneland, **Gr.2** and Golden Harvest Handicap, Louisiana Downs, **Gr.3**, second in Spinster Stakes, Keeneland, **Gr.1**, third in Mother Goose Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**, dam of nine winners from 11 runners and 15 foals of racing age including  
**SMOLENSK (USA)** (f. by Danzig (USA)), won 3 races at 2 and 3 years in France including Prix d'Astarte, Deauville, **Gr.2** and Prix de Sandringham, Chantilly, **Gr.3**, placed second in Coronation Stakes, Royal Ascot, **Gr.1** and Prix Imprudence, Evry, **L.**; dam of winners.  
**CAN THE MAN (USA)**, won Affirmed Handicap, Santa Anita, **Gr.3** and third in Del Mar Futurity, Del Mar, **Gr.1**.  
**BETTER THAN HONOUR (USA)** (f. by Deputy Minister (CAN)), won 2 races at 2 years in U.S.A. including Demoiselle Stakes, Aqueduct, **Gr.2**, placed second in Acorn Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**, third in Mother Goose Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**; dam of winners.  
**RAGS TO RICHES (USA)**, Champion 3yr old filly in U.S.A. in 2007, won Belmont Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**, Kentucky Oaks, Churchill Downs, **Gr.1**, Santa Anita Oaks, Santa Anita, **Gr.1**, Las Virgenes Stakes, Santa Anita, **Gr.1**.  
**JAZIL (USA)**, won Belmont Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1** and second in Wood Memorial Stakes, Aqueduct, **Gr.1**, sire.  
**CASINO DRIVE (USA)**, won Peter Pan Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.2** and second in February Stakes, Tokyo, **Gr.1**, sire.  
**MAN OF IRON (USA)**, won Breeders' Cup Marathon, Santa Anita, **L.**, sire.  
**TEEMING (USA)**, winner, dam of **STREAMING (USA)**, won Hollywood Starlet Stakes, Hollywood Park, **Gr.1** and second in Las Virgenes Stakes, Santa Anita, **Gr.1**; grandam of **ARABIAN HOPE (USA)**, won International Istanbul Trophy, Vellefied, **Gr.3** and third in Tattersalls Falmouth Stakes, Newmarket, **Gr.1**.  
**TURNBERRY ISLE (IRE)** (c. by Deputy Minister (CAN)), won 3 races at 2 years including Beresford Stakes, Curragh, **Gr.3**, placed second in Royal Lodge Stakes, Ascot, **Gr.2**.  
**BUTTERFLY BLAZE (IRE)**, won 1 race at 3 years and placed 3 times; dam of winners.  
**Lacadena (USA)**, winner in Canada, second in Victoria Stakes, Woodbine, **L.**, dam of **AMERICA (USA)**, won Turnback The Alarm Handicap, Belmont Park, **Gr.3**, third in Delaware Handicap, Delaware, **Gr.1**, Mother Goose Stakes, Belmont Park, **Gr.1**.

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Gold Dream and his happy connections | Horsephotos

**'Dream' Earns Champions Cup Glory Cont.**

"It's a hard thing to do [to win both Group 1 dirt races in the same year] and hopefully, he can improve and win some more," he continued.

A winner of the Listed Hyacinth S. and G3 Unicorn S. early in 2016, Gold Dream ended his sophomore season with a runner-up performance in the G3 Musashino S. last November and a 12th place run in last year's G1 Champions Cup on Dec. 4. He resumed with a career best when taking the Feb. 19 G1 February S., but was unplaced in Arrogate (Unbridled's Song)'s G1 Dubai World Cup at Meydan in March. Given over three months off, Gold Dream trailed in seventh over sloppy going in the Listed Teio Sho at Ohi June 28 and he was fifth most recently in the Listed Mile Championship Nambu Hai cut back to 1600 metres at Morioka on Oct. 9.

**Pedigree Notes...**

Kanto Oaks third-place finisher Mon Vert (Jpn) has produced four winners from four foals, with her third foal, Gold Dream, her lone black-type winner. He is followed by the winning 3-year-old Pelerin Vert (Jpn) (Smart Falcon {Jpn}). Mon Vert is a half-sister to New Zealand SW and Group 3-placed Tucanchoo (NZ) (Pentire {GB}) and SPs Northern Rock (Jpn) (Northern Taste) and Jungle Boots (NZ) (Jungle Pocket {Jpn}). His fourth dam is the impeccably bred MGSW Number (Nijinsky II), responsible for Grade I winner Jade Robbery (Mr. Prospector), GSWs Numerous (Mr. Prospector) and Chequer (Mr. Prospector) and SP Add (Spectacular Bid).

**Sunday, Chukyo, Japan**

**CHAMPIONS CUP-G1, ¥189,500,000**

(US\$1,689,443/£1,254,068/€1,419,916), Chukyo, 12-3, 3yo/up, 1800m, 1:50.10, gd.

1--**GOLD DREAM (JPN), 126, c, 4 by Gold Allure (Jpn)**

**1st Dam: Mon Vert (Jpn) (SP-Jpn, \$575,280),**

**by French Deputy**

**2nd Dam: Special Jade, by Cox's Ridge**

**3rd Dam: Statistic, by Mr. Prospector**

O-Katsumi Yoshida; B-Northern Farm; T-Osamu Hirata; J-Ryan Moore; ¥100,360,000. Lifetime Record: 13-6-2-1, ¥302,134,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++.** \*Triple Plus\*. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**T M Jinsoku (Jpn), 126, h, 5, Kurofune--My Discovery (Jpn), by Forty Niner.** O-Masatsugu Takezono; B-Hidaka T. M. Farm (Jpn); ¥39,960,000.

3--**Copano Rickey (Jpn), 126, h, 7, by Gold Allure (Jpn)--Copano Nikita (Jpn), by Timber Country.** O-Sachiaki Kobayashi; B-Yanagawa Farm (Jpn); ¥24,480,000.

Margins: NK, NK, 1 1/4; Odds: 12.00, 3.80, 12.20.

Also Ran: K T Brave (Jpn), Awardee, Mitsuba (Jpn), Kafuji Take (Jpn), King's Guard (Jpn), Nonkono Yume (Jpn), Glanzend (Jpn), Sound True (Jpn), Rose Princedom (Jpn), Molto Bene (Jpn), Meisho Sumitomo (Jpn), London Town (Jpn). Scratched: Apollo Kentucky.

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ASIA

**Sunday, Kranji, Singapore**

**COLONIAL CHIEF S., S\$175,000 (£96,474/€109,234/A\$170,590/US\$129,967),** Kranji, 12-3, 3yo/up, 1700m (AWT), 1:42.87, gd.

1--**NOVA STRIKE (NZ), 121, g, 5, Red Giant--La Panthere (NZ), by Generous (Ire).** (NZ\$60,000 2yo '14 NZBRTR). \*1ST STAKES WIN.

O-Nova Racing Stable; B-J G Simpson; T-Alwin Tan; J-Manoel Nunes; S\$104,125. Lifetime Record: 35-8-8-5, S\$864,614.

2--**Magstock (NZ), 114, g, 5, Tavistock (NZ)--Magravine (Aus), by Last Tycoon (Ire).** (NZ\$20,000 Ylg '14 NZBSEL; NZ\$50,000 2yo '14 NZBRTR). O-Magstock Stable. S\$37,188.

3--**Lim's Archer (Aus), 114, g, 5, Authorized (Ire)--Miss Paris (NZ), by Flying Spur (Aus).** O-Lim's Stable. S\$18,813.

Margins: 4HF, HF, HD. Odds: 3.80, 4.80, 27.20.

## HOT KING PRAWN RACKS UP ANOTHER

by Alan Carasso

With the Longines Hong Kong International Races meeting now just a week away, it was a fairly low-key program Sunday at Sha Tin, with just three races on the turf. But one of those was a Class 3 up the 1000m straight course in which **Hot King Prawn (Aus) (Denman {Aus})** ran his record to a perfect four-from-four with a bloodless 2 1/4-length victory as the 1.40 (2-5) favourite. The final time was a smart :56.03.

Drawn 14 on the stands' side rails, the diminutive gray hopped away nicely and held his spot at the fence while outsprinted by Encore Boy (Aus) (Smart Missile {Aus}) through the first half of the race. But Zac Purton gave his mount the slightest bit of rein entering the final 400m and Hot King Prawn took care of the rest, kicking away to score without taking a deep breath ([video](#)).

"He was actually better today going flat out the whole way than he is if you sit up on him," Purton told the Hong Kong Jockey Club's Andrew Hawkins. "I was surprised that Encore Boy served it up to me as much as he did, but all it did was that it showed my fellow has more left in the tank. He had to keep rolling early to maintain his position and he was getting crowded for room, but once Encore Boy dropped off, he just picked the bit up and surged and clicked himself into another gear."

Though the valuable Griffin Trophy (1400m) is there for the taking in three weeks' time, Hot King Prawn is more likely to get a break with an eye on the final couple months of the season.

"I think he'd probably win the Griffin Trophy, but I'm not going to go against my usual training patterns just to win one race," Size said. "I'm a bit too conservative for that. There's no point extending him out in distance just because the race is there."



Hot King Prawn makes it four in a row | HKJC photo

Hot King Prawn is untried past the straight five furlongs, but Purton believes at least a slightly longer trip is well within his scope.

"He's such a relaxed horse that I don't think the 1200m is going to be a problem," the Australian rider said. "John's a master at picking out the right race, so I'll leave the race planning up to him."

A gelded son of De Chorus (Aus) (Unbridled's Song) and A\$90,000 graduate of the 2016 Inglis Sydney Classic Yearling Sale, Hot King Prawn is a half-brother to SP Siren's Fury (Aus) (Myboycharlie {Ire}). The dam of the unraced 2-year-old filly The Soloist (Aus) (Smart Missile {Aus}), De Chorus foaled a colt by Your Song (Aus) in 2016 and a filly by The Factor this breeding season.

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## HKIR FLASHBACK

*Over the next week or so as this year's event approaches Dec. 10, Alan Carasso will take a look back at his top six moments in the history of the Hong Kong International Races. It was Falbrav v. Rakti in the 2003 Cup, but in the end, it was a one-horse affair.*

### #3 FALBRAV – 2003 Hong Kong Cup

The 2003 Cup featured a mouth-watering clash between two of the world's top-rated horses over 2000m, each--ironically--a winner of the G1 Derby Italiano. **Falbrav (Ire)** (Fairy King) arrived at Sha Tin off an excruciating third to the dead-heating High Chaparral (Ire) and Johar (Gone West) in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf, while **Rakti (GB)** (Polish Precedent) was exiting a convincing victory in the G1 Champions S. at Newmarket. The first HKIR starter for legendary trainer Luca Cumani, Falbrav was sent off the 1.7 (7-10) favorite while racing in the Yoshida yellow-and-black. Midfield early and a spot or two ahead of Rakti for the opening five furlongs, Falbrav always traveled beneath Frankie Dettori, but Rakti crept closer to the chalk and the two kept close company for the next 700 metres. Each fired their best shot approaching the ultimate furlong, but, in the words of commentator David Raphael, Falbrav 'sprouted wings' and kicked hardest to score by two lengths ([video](#)) in his career finale.

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Falbrav sails clear in the 2003 Cup | *Racing Post photo*

## MIDDLE EAST

### Sunday's Results:

#### NATIONAL DAY CUP-Listed, AED380,000

(US\$103,465/£76,869/€87,191), Abu Dhabi, 12-3, NH/SH  
3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:35.14, gd.

1--**HAWKESBURY (GB), 126, g, 5, Shamardal--Nahoodh (Ire)**  
**(G1SW-Eng, G1SP-Ire, \$443,612), by Clodovil (Ire).**

**1st BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Mohd Khalifa Al Basti; B-Darley (GB);  
T-Satish Seemar; J-Pat Cosgrave. AED228,000. Lifetime Record:  
SP-Eng, 15-4-5-2, \$200,651.

2--**Sharpalo (Fr), 126, g, 5, Shamardal--Pony Girl (Ire), by**  
Darshaan (GB). (€38,000 HRA '16 ARQJUL). O-Badr Abdulla  
Ismail Al Mutawa; B-Wertheimer Et Frere (Fr); T-Ahmad bin  
Harmash. AED76,000.

3--**Forjatt (Ire), 126, g, 9, Iffraaj (GB)--Graceful Air (Ire), by**  
Danzero (Aus). (€28,000 Wlg '08 GONNOV; 60,000gns Ylg '09  
TATOCT). O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Michael  
Downey & Roalso Ltd. (Ire); T-Gopi Selvaratnam.  
AED38,000.

Margins: 2 1/4, 1, NK.

Also Ran: Carbon Dating (Ire), Shamaal Nibras, Zamaam (GB),  
Montataire (Ire), Basateen (Ire), Vin Chaud (Fr)< Haalick (Ire),  
Tannaaf (Ire), Eavesdropper (GB), Munaaser (GB), Aljuljalah,  
Mubtaghaa (Ire), Zarwaan (GB).

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### AUSTRALIAN GROUP 1 RACES – 2017/2018

Date	Race	Track
Dec. 9	Kingston Town Classic	Ascot
Feb. 10	C. F. Orr S.	Caulfield
Feb. 17	Lightning S.	Flemington
Feb. 24	Blue Diamond S.	Caulfield
	Futurity S.	Caulfield
	Oakleigh Plate	Caulfield
Mar. 3	Chipping Norton S.	Warwick Farm
	Surround S.	Warwick Farm
	Australian Guineas	Flemington
Mar. 10	Randwick Guineas	Randwick
	Canterbury S.	Randwick
	Australian Cup	Flemington
	Newmarket H.	Flemington
Mar. 17	Coolmore Classic	Rosehill
Mar. 23	William Reid S.	Moonee Valley
Mar. 24	Golden Slipper S.	Rosehill
	George Ryder S.	Rosehill
	Ranvet S.	Rosehill
	The Galaxy	Rosehill
	Rosehill Guineas	Rosehill
Mar. 31	The BMW	Rosehill
	Vinery Stud S.	Rosehill

### THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Apr. 7	Doncaster H.	Randwick
	T J Smith S.	Randwick
	ATC Australian Derby	Randwick
	ATC Sires' Produce S.	Randwick
Apr. 14	Queen Elizabeth S.	Randwick
	Sydney Cup	Randwick
	ATC Oaks	Randwick
Apr. 21	All Aged S.	Randwick
	Champagne S.	Randwick
	Queen of the Turf S.	Randwick
May 5	Schweppes Oaks	Morphettville
	UBET Classic	Morphettville
May 12	Doomben 10,000 S.	Doomben
	SA Derby	Morphettville
May 19	Doomben Cup	Doomben
	The Goodwood	Morphettville
May 26	Kingsford-Smith Cup	Eagle Farm
June 2	Queensland Oaks	Eagle Farm