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## PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: AVERY ISLAND



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by Andrew Caulfield

Although the 20-year-old **Speightstown** got into the act, thanks to **Strike Power** in the **GIII Swale S.**, it was largely the younger division of Kentucky stallions which dominated last weekend's graded stakes action for 3-year-olds.

Two 9-year-olds--**Declaration of War** and **Graydar**--were, respectively, responsible for **Speed Franco** (**GIII Dania Beach S.**) and **Lombo** (**GIII Robert B. Lewis S.**). Another 9-year-old, **Take Charge Indy**, enjoyed his first graded stakes success when **Take Charge Paula** took the **GIII Forward Gal S.**, but this success came just over a year after the 2012 GI Florida Derby winner had left WinStar Farm for South Korea.

**Uncle Mo** has been having such a sensational run over the last few years that it is easy to forget that he is still only 10 years old. He owes his three graded successes of 2018 to his daughters, the most exciting being **Dream Tree**, a Grade I winner who kept her unbeaten record intact in the **GII Las Virgenes S.**

Two other in-form stallions, **Into Mischief** and **Street Sense**, were represented by **Audible**, an impressive winner of the **GII Holy Bull S.**, and **Avery Island**, a progressive winner of the **GIII Withers S.** While neither of these two strictly qualifies as young, the 13-year-old Into Mischief is arguably entering the most exciting phase of his career. He sired his current 2-, 3- and 4-year-olds at the higher fees he earned with his bright start in 2012. *(Cont. p3)*

## CHASE BANK ACCEPTING TRANSACTIONS WITH ADWs by Ben Massam

JPMorgan Chase & Co., the largest bank and largest credit card issuer in the United States with more than 80 million active credit cardholder accounts, has begun approving credit card deposit transactions with licensed and regulated advance deposit wagering companies (ADWs) within the country. Because many banks do not accept transactions that involve gambling, potential ADW customers have experienced difficulties funding their accounts. As such, the decision by a bank of Chase's size to accept ADW transactions has widespread positive implications for the Thoroughbred industry, according to Alex Waldrop, President and CEO of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA).

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**Watch her strut.** Money My Honey (Red Bullet), and her New-York-bred filly, the first reported foal by Nyquist, walk outside after selling at Tuesday's Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale in Lexington, KY. Sales coverage continues on page 6. | Fasig-Tipton

## NUMBERS HOLD STEADY AT FASIG

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The Fasig-Tipton Winter Mixed sale concluded its two-day run in Lexington Tuesday with figures on par with the 2017 renewal of the auction and the final horse through the ring bringing a sale-topping \$310,000.

## JORGE RICARDO TIES BAZE WIN MARK

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# PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



## Avery Island (cont. from p1)

Although Street Sense is a year older, the best years could still be ahead of him, as he is no longer in competition with his sire, the highly accomplished Street Cry (Ire), who died in

September 2014. Not that Street Sense's crop conceived in 2014 is doing badly. The opposite is true, as it includes, not only Avery Island, but also **McKinzie** (and he also sired the dams of Speed Franco, the GIII Lecomte S. runner-up **Principe Guilherme** {Tapit} and the European Classic contender **Roaring Lion** {Kitten's Joy}, so he is making a fast start as a broodmare sire).

Of the potential Triple Crown horses among these winners, Avery Island appeals as the one least likely to have stamina problems.



Street Sense | Darley photo

The basic facts are that he is by a horse who demonstrated his appreciation of a mile and a quarter with his victories in the GI Kentucky Derby and the GI Travers S. Avery Island also has a dam by the GI Belmont S. and GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner A.P. Indy and his second dam, Isola Piu Bella, was a triple Grade I winner at up to 1 3/8 miles in her native Chile. Isola Piu Bella then became a dual Grade III winner over 1 1/8 miles in the U.S.

Another encouraging aspect of Avery Island's background is that this Godolphin homebred was following in the footsteps of some other Godolphin/Darley color-bearers when he won the Withers. Back in 2006 (when the Withers was contested at the end of April), the winner was Bernardini, who went on to win the GI Preakness S. and Travers.

The Withers has been in its new calendar position of late-January/early February only since 2012, when it was the turn of Bernardini's son Alpha, who also

went on to win the Travers.

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The 2014 Withers winner Samraat (Noble Causeway) took fifth place in the Kentucky Derby, while Revolutionary (War Pass), winner of the 2013 Withers, finished third. Avery Island therefore has plenty to live up to.

Although his dam Kinda Spicy managed only two starts, she won both of these dirt routes. As I mentioned earlier, she is a daughter of A.P. Indy, who is also the broodmare sire of Kentucky Derby hopeful **Bolt d'Oro** (as well as the dams of 2010 Kentucky Derby winner Super Saver and the 2017 Preakness winner Cloud Computing).

Although Avery Island's second dam Isola Piu Bella was bred in Chile, both her sire--Rich Man's Gold--and broodmare sire--Inchwood--were bred in the U.S. If Rich Man's Gold's name rings a bell it is probably because one of his champion Chilean sons, Lido Palace, was transferred to the U.S., via Dubai, with great success.



**Avery Island** | Sarah K. Andrew

A champion at two, Lido Palace became Chile's Horse of the Year as a 3-year-old, when he won the equivalents of the 2,000 Guineas and St Leger. He was seen to even better effect in the U.S., clocking up Grade I victories in the Whitney H. and two editions of the Woodward S.

He stayed pretty well but his high-class son Vineyard Haven gained his Grade I successes over six, seven and eight furlongs.

Rich Man's Gold was only a minor winner, his best effort being his second to Mystery Storm in the GIII Rebel S. in 1995. It was in his favour, though, that he was by Forty Niner, a noted sire of sires.

Inchwood, the sire of Avery Island's third dam, was also by a noted sire of sires in In Reality. Inchwood's racing record amounted to two starts, in which he finished fifth and seventh, so you might ask why he was given his chance as a stallion. The answer is that this \$475,000 yearling was a half-brother to Bold Reasoning, the 1971 Withers S. and Jersey Derby winner who was to find fame as the sire of the great Seattle Slew. With Avery Island's dam Kinda Spicy having a son of Seattle Slew as her sire, Kinda Spicy is inbred 4 x 4 to Hail To Reason's daughter Reason To Earn.

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## Chase Bank Accepting Transactions with ADWs (cont. from p1)

"Credit cards are used primarily to fund new accounts, and it's been the experience of most ADWs that when a potential new customer tries to open an account and is unable to do so because of a credit card decline, they lose that new customer," Waldrop said. "They give up and may never place a bet on the business--either they're discouraged, or they think there is something illegal about the activity. Making sure that as many credit cards as possible are accepting transactions is important to building that customer base."

Waldrop, who credited Representative Andy Barr (R-KY) with spearheading the issue, noted that ADWs approved under the industry's 7802 merchant category code report a higher number of credit card declines on major racing days such as the Breeders' Cup or Triple Crown races, leading to a negative impact on overall handle.

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“You’re talking about another 30% of the credit card market that’s out there, potentially,” Waldrop said. “We intend to keep working until we can convince them that the process is safe and the due diligence that goes into approving our ADWs--which is substantial--will protect them. Those transactions are legal, predictable and have a low decline rate.”

Waldrop said it is possible that Chase’s decision leads to a domino effect where other leading credit card-issuing banks follow suit.

“We are optimistic,” Waldrop said. “Chase is a leader in the credit card industry, and they had to be convinced of the due diligence process. They inspected the process, and we came out with flying colors.”

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## NUMBERS HOLD STEADY AT FTKFEB

by *Christie DeBernardis*

LEXINGTON, KY.--The overall numbers held steady at the Fasig-Tipton Winter Mixed Sale after a strong second session at Newtown Paddocks Tuesday that concluded with the very last horse to go through the ring, **Girl Talk** (Medaglia d'Oro), topping the sale at \$310,000.

Overall, 364 horses sold for a gross of \$10,436,800, compared to 2017 when 351 horses summoned \$9,501,800. The average was up 5.69% from \$27,071 last term to \$28,613 and median also increased slightly, from \$9,000 to \$10,500. With 107 horses reported not sold, the buy-back rate was 22.7%, down from 25.5% a year ago. A total of 24 horses brought six figures this year, compared to 23 in the 2017 renewal, which was topped by the \$700,000 mare Cinnamon Spice (Candy Ride {Arg}).

"It's the same old story," Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning, Jr. said. "There was significant demand for the quality offerings--there was really spirited bidding. The way the catalogue fell, I thought we had a stronger group of horses going into today. It is always kind of nice to end with a bang with the sales-topper being the last horse through the ring, but she deserved it, being by Medaglia d'Oro out of a legitimate family and a stakes performer."

Browning continued, "There weren't really any surprises. Most of us would have predicted the same trends continuing. There was really no reason for any changes in the marketplace. You can really sell a good horse right now. There is a lot of demand. The one thing that continues to be encouraging is the number of bidders on both the foals and the mares, especially on the horses that sold well. There is some depth in the marketplace for quality offerings. It is not fun for horses that miss the mark."

Tuesday's session saw 183 horses sell for \$6,302,600, compared to the corresponding 2017 session when 187 horses brought \$4,799,500. The median increased 62.5%, from \$8,000 to \$13,000, and average rose 34.2%, from \$25,666 to \$34,440. Forty-two horses failed to meet their reserves for a buy-back rate of 18.7%, compared to the 2017 figure of 19.7%.

The concluding session, and the sale, was topped by the 5-year-old racing or broodmare prospect **Girl Talk**, who summoned \$310,000 from Codee Guffey of Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds. The mare was consigned by Denali Stud's Conrad Bandoroff, who was running his family's consignment solo for the first time. Bandoroff agreed with Browning's comments from Monday that the market was still the same.

"As Boyd said yesterday, it is kind of the status quo," Bandoroff said. "If you have one of these offerings with a good race record, a little bit of pedigree and a quality physical, you don't have a problem selling those horses."

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Bandoroff continued, “It is towards the bottom of the market where it is sticky, where, if a mare has some age or some gaps in her produce record, she is harder to move. It’s kind of been that way, so it is no surprise. You kind of know going to the ring if you are going to be feeling lonely or have company.”

Michael Hernon of Gainesway, which consigned the second highest-priced offering of the day, the 4-year-old mare **Tricky One** (Unbridled’s Song), felt the value fell in the mare market.

“Fillies like [Tricky One] are bringing a real premium,” Hernon said. “Mares in foal are of real value in my opinion. It’s almost like people have forgotten mares are having these foals.

Everyone wants to buy the weanling that’s good and there is a real divergence then, but that is the market we are operating in and we have to adjust our reserves accordingly. We sold every horse we brought here, some very well and some at a lower level. You just have to be realistic about what you have. The name of the game is to sell the horses.”

The highest-priced yearling of both the day and the sale was a Tiznow colt, who was purchased for \$260,000 by Glen Brock, buying on behalf of pinhooking partnership. Ron Blake, whose Blake-Albina Thoroughbred Services consigned the colt, echoed the sentiments of most consignors about the continued demand for quality in the market.

“It is the same as it’s been,” Blake said. “All the good horses, everybody gets on them and you get a result like this. If you have what they don’t like is when it gets problematic.”



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• No. Sold	183	187
• RNAs	42	46
• % RNAs	18.7%	19.7%
• No. \$100K+	15	11
• High Price	\$310,000	\$700,000
• Gross	\$6,302,600	\$4,799,500
• Average (% change)	\$34,440 (+34.2%)	\$25,666
• Median (% change)	\$13,000 (+62.5%)	\$8,000
CUMULATIVE	2018	2017
• Catalogued	574	640
• No. Offered	471	471
• No. Sold	364	351
• RNAs	107	120
• % RNAs	22.7%	25.5%
• No. \$100K+	24	23
• High Price	\$310,000	\$700,000
• Gross	\$10,436,800	\$9,501,800
• Average (% change)	\$28,673 (+5.9%)	\$27,071
• Median (% change)	\$10,500 (+16.7%)	\$9,000

### Medaglia Mare is ‘Talk’ of the Town at Fasig

Fasig-Tipton saved the best for last during its Winter Mixed Sale as the very last horse through the ring during Tuesday’s final session, the 5-year-old racing or broodmare prospect **Girl Talk** (Medaglia d’Oro), topped the sale, when bringing a final bid of \$310,000 from Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds’ Codee Guffey. A late addition to the sale, **Hip 574** was consigned by Denali Stud for owners Ramona Bass and Cheyenne Stables.

“We really liked the filly,” said Guffey, who added that he came to Fasig specifically to buy Girl Talk. “I think our plan right now is to let Dallas Stewart try to continue racing her this year and then we will retire her to our farm. We don’t have many mares, but this definitely stepped up our quality, so we are excited.”

Guffey added, “They have given her dam every chance in the world. She has a lot of upcoming offspring that we are excited about, so that page could really improve. I think there is only one way to go with that filly.”

Guffey is the managing partner for Carrie and Joe Smith’s Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds. The Smiths purchased the old Classic Star property in Versailles, in 2013. They currently have eight pregnant mares on the farm and one horse in training with Stewart.

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“We obviously would have liked to have gotten her a little cheaper, but the good ones seem to cost a little more money,” Guffey said. “We are just glad to have her. We are trying to add quality to our broodmare band.”

Daughters of Medaglia d’Oro are in high demand due to the exploits of Hall of Famer Rachel Alexandra, two-time champion Songbird, and MGSWs Elate, Plum Pretty and New Money Honey. Guffey said Girl Talk’s sire was certainly a factor in the purchase.



Codee Guffey | Fasig-Tipton photo

“We don’t have any mares by him, so that was a big selling feature for sure,” Guffey confirmed.

Campaigned by Bass and Everett Dobson’s Cheyenne Stables, the \$390,000 KEESEP yearling’s record currently stands at 7-2-2-1 with earnings of \$117,545 while under the care of Kiaran McLaughlin. The bay finished second in the Ladies H. at Aqueduct when last seen Jan. 21.

“We tossed around a few [stallion] ideas, Curlin, maybe Gun Runner,” Guffey said. “But, the plan right now is to race her this year and try to add to her race record. Obviously, that will help in the long run. We will probably take her home and give her a couple of days. This was a lot to take in for her. We will give her four or five days and then she will go down to the Dallas Stewart at the Fair Grounds.”

Bred by G. Watts Humphrey, Jr., and Louise Ireland Humphrey Revocable Trust, Girl Talk is out of MGSW One Caroline (Unbridled’s Song), who is also the dam of GSP Improv (Distorted Humor). One Caroline, a daughter of SW Powder (Broad Brush), has a 2-year-old filly by Bernardini and a yearling colt by Candy Ride (Arg).

“I kind of had her in that range being a Medaglia d’Oro out of an Unbridled’s Song mare,” said Conrad Bandoroff.

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# The **Hard** truth

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“She was a hell of a racemare,” Bandoroff continued. “We were kind of thinking in that ballpark. She was a pretty filly who showed herself pretty well the entire time she was here. We were lucky to have the opportunity to represent her for Mr. Dobson and Ramona Bass. You can run her a few more times or send her to the shed. There are a lot of options. When you have those mares who give you that flexibility, they should give you a premium.”



Denali's Conrad Bandoroff and sale-topping Girl Talk | F-T photo

As for why Girl Talk was such a late addition to the catalogue, Bandoroff said, “She had her second in a stakes at Aqueduct at the end of January and the owners felt this was a great time to capitalize on her and cash in. With her pedigree and her physical, picking up that black-type allowed her to get to that level today. A lot of the fillies on the grounds here that made the money were the stakes performers with the quality physicals.”

### Sumaya Strikes For Tricky One

Oussama Aoughazale's Sumaya US has been on a buying spree at the Fasig-Tipton Winter Mixed Sale for the last two years and made headlines later in Tuesday's session when going to \$275,000 for the 4-year-old filly **Tricky One** (Unbridled's Song), who sold as a broodmare prospect.

“I've had two or three people come up to me and say they thought she was one of the prettiest mares in this sale,” said Sumaya US farm manager Jody Alexander, who signed the ticket on the attractive bay. “She had a nice walk to her. Mr. Aoughazale was here Saturday and saw this mare prior to leaving and he liked her. He's got a pretty keen eye.”

Tricky One will be bred to Sumaya's MGSW and MGISP Protonico (Giant's Causeway), who was moved to Darby Dan Farm for this season after having previously stood at Taylor Made.

“He has everything you want in a foal. I'd love to own him!”

Paul Shanahan



*Pictured at Coolmore last week at just 12 hours old, a colt ex. Dream The Blues (dam of G1-winning 2YO in 2017 Sioux Nation) bred by John Halley*

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“We moved Protonico to Darby Dan, so we are focusing now on the Protonico mares,” Alexander explained. “We don’t mind spending a little money to get some nice mares to Protonico. He thinks very highly of the stallion. He said he was very courageous and had a lot of heart. We are trying to get good mares to him so people can see the runners he produces.”

Bred and campaigned by Winchell Thoroughbreds, **Hip 498** is out of SW and GSP Simplify (Pulpit) and is a half-sister to SW Simple Surprise (Cowboy Cal). Trained by Steve Asmussen, Tricky One won two of her nine starts and earned \$73,683.

“She was really a top filly,” said Michael Herson of Gainesway, which consigned the filly. “A lot of people liked her. The mare is back in foal to American Pharaoh. [Tricky One] had a lot of ability. She won her debut impressively. She just looked the part and that price far exceeded our expectations. She was here to sell and had a low reserve on her of \$40,000 just to get her off the mark. She had a strong following. My feeling was she would probably bring \$150,000. This was a very strong premium. But it is indicative of this market for the quality young broodmares.”

Unbridled’s Song died in July of 2013, but his remaining progeny have been performing well both on the track and in the sales ring. He is the sire of champion Arrogate and newly crowned champion older mare Forever Unbridled, as well as her Grade I-winning sister Unbridled Forever. He has also proven to

be a top broodmare sire with 2016 GI Breeders’ Cup Mile hero Tourist (Tiznow) as a prime example.

“No question he is the leading broodmare sire,” Herson said. “She gets her size and scope from him. He has had significant success as broodmare sire and this filly has a good family behind her and is by him with that physique. We are very appreciative of both [the buyer and seller], especially the buyer, and wish them the very best.”



Tricky One | Fasig-Tipton photo

“She’s well put together and looks like a runner”

Richard Kent of Kaizen Sales



*Pictured at Jason and Ashley Schappert’s Leading Edge Farm, a filly out of the Tiznow mare Haveseen*

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### Brok Wins Out On Tiznow Colt

Glenn Brok came out on top of a spirited round of bidding to secure a Tiznow colt for \$260,000 on behalf of a pinhooking partnership Tuesday.

"I bought this horse for a group of pinhookers who would like to remain anonymous," Brok said. "He is going to go to Ocala on Brook Ledge [Horse Transportation]."

Brok, who is Vice President of Sales for Brook Ledge, continued, "I loved him from the minute I saw him walk in the ring. He was a little more expensive than we expected, but we were sure willing."

Hip 419 is out of the Tapit mare See Rock City, who also produced stakes-placed runners One More (Holy Bull) and Big Red Rocket (Summer Bird).

"He's a beautiful colt, great walk, very easy to handle," said Ron Blake, of Blake-Albina Thoroughbred Services, which consigned the colt. "He looks like he could be any kind. They are going to

breed the mare back to Tiznow. She has already had two stakes horses. We are very happy with him and very happy with what he sold for."

The bay was bred by Fredericka Caldwell and Mitchel Skolnick, who were also represented by a City Zip colt (hip 342) that RNA'd for \$140,000.

"He is owned by the Caldwells in partnership with one of their clients," Blake said. "The Caldwells are mainly in the Standardbred business. They have won the Hambeltonian Oaks four times. They own two Thoroughbred mares and they would just as soon not fool with the yearlings later in the year if they don't have to. They would rather bring them here, hope they stand out and get the money and they are happy to move on. We had two in here to sell for them and we had one RNA, the City Zip, but we love the horse, so we will sell him later in the year. We think he will do very well. There are only about 40 City Zip yearlings left."



Hip 419 | Fasig-Tipton photo

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## De Meric & Klaravich Get Into More 'Mischief'

Two-year-old consignor Nick de Meric broke and trained the recently retired Practical Joke, a multiple Grade I-winning son of Into Mischief, for Klaravich Stables and William Lawrence. The Ocala-based horseman called in to Fasig-Tipton February to secure another colt by that top Spendthrift sire on behalf of Klaravich for \$220,000 Tuesday.

Bred by Mark Toothaker, David Meche, Tonya Jergens and Perry Judice, **Hip 368** is the third foal out of Princess Kate (Orientate). The bay hails from the family of Grade I winner Free Drop Billy (Union Rags) and English Highweight and Group 1 winner Hawkbill (Kitten's Joy).

"Lovely horse," said consignor Stuart Morris. "I really appreciate Mark Toothaker and his partners giving me the opportunity to sell him for them. I've been watching the horse since early November and he has really evolved and progressed very well physically. He handled everything out here fantastically and is a really top quality colt. He has a 2-year-old half-brother by Goldencents that is training very forwardly down in Florida right now. I feel very fortunate to have a colt that nice and be trusted by those folks. I am very happy with the result."

Into Mischief was the leading sire of 3-year-olds in North America last year by earnings and winners with his top earner being Practical Joke. His other top performers in 2017 include graded stakes winners Miss Sunset, Engage and One Liner.

The half-brother to four-time Eclipse winner Beholder is off to a good start this year with impressive GII Holy Bull S. winner Audible and third-place finisher Tiz Mischief.

## Moana Proves Popular at Fasig

The 4-year-old mare **Moana** (Uncle Mo) was expected to be popular at the February sale and she did not disappoint, hammering for \$200,000 to Roderick Wachman. Coolmore was the underbidder.



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“She’s a very good-looking filly,” Wachman said after signing the ticket out back. “She’s by possibly the best sire in the country. She will be bred and resold, I imagine. We will decide who to go to.” As for the price, he said, “I was hoping to get her a little more reasonably than that, but that is the market. I think these quality individuals by proper stallions with a race record are bringing an absolute premium. I am hoping the market will remain strong for some time to come. I know the stock market is looking a little shaky, but I wouldn’t worry about that. I think it will be a very strong November this year and September.”

A \$150,000 KEESSEP yearling, Moana was purchased by Eclipse Thoroughbreds and Bridlewood Farm for \$300,000 the following year at OBS April. Trained by Todd Pletcher, she retires with a record of 7-1-1-2 and earnings of \$91,850. The dark bay finished third in the GII Mother Goose S. last term and made her final start at Tampa in December.

Moana is out of the MSP Dixietwostepper (More Than Ready), who sold to Newtown Anner Stud for \$35,000 carrying a foal by Orb at the 2017 Keeneland November sale. Hip 319 hails from the family of GISW Cotton Blossom and GSW Vicarage.

“I had hoped that she might bring in that range,” consignor Meg Levy of Bluewater Sales said. “You never know what is going to happen. It seemed the broodmare prospects were selling quite well yesterday. This morning when I saw that Midnight Lute sell for \$200,000, I thought we might be there. Her reserve was reasonable. She was on the market. Eclipse and Bridlewood offered her fairly for sale and that is what she brought. I am really happy with her home. She is going to Claiborne and I think she will have a really good shot there. She is a very classy filly.”

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Hip 561

(c, yrl, Street Sense--Mahkama, by Bernardini)

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**FASIG-TIPTON KENTUCKY WINTER MIXED SALE**

**TUESDAY'S TOP FIVE YEARLINGS**

<u>Hip</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>Dam</u>	<u>Price (\$)</u>
<b>419</b>	c	<b>Tiznow</b>	<b>See Rock City</b>	<b>260,000</b>
<i>B-Fredricka V Caldwell &amp; Mitchel Skolnick (KY)</i>				
Consigned by Blake-Albina Thoroughbred Services, Agent for C & S				
Purchased by Jack Johnston				
<b>368</b>	c	<b>Into Mischief</b>	<b>Princess Kate</b>	<b>220,000</b>
<i>B-David Meche, Tonya Jergens, Mark Toothaker &amp; Perry Justice (KY)</i>				
Consigned by Stuart Morris, Agent V				
Purchased by De Meric Stables, Agent				
<b>426</b>	c	<b>Union Rags</b>	<b>She Be Keene</b>	<b>175,000</b>
<i>B-Nancy Mazzoni (KY)</i>				
Consigned by Bluewater Sales LLC, Agent VI				
Purchased by Blue Sky Stables				
<b>561</b>	c	<b>Street Sense</b>	<b>Mahkama</b>	<b>140,000</b>
<b>(\$190,000 RNA in utero '16 KEENOV)</b>				
<i>B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA)</i>				
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXXI				
Purchased by Artic Bloodstock				
<b>560</b>	c	<b>Super Saver</b>	<b>Return the Jewel</b>	<b>90,000</b>
<i>B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA)</i>				
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXXI				
Purchased by Stonehaven Steadings				

**TUESDAY'S TOP FIVE BROODMARES**

<u>Hip</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Price (\$)</u>
<b>574</b>	<b>Girl Talk</b>	<b>Rcg/b' mare prospect</b>	<b>310,000</b>
<i>(5, Medaglia d'Oro--One Caroline, by Unbridled's Song)</i>			
Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig & Holly Bandorof), Agent for Ramona Bass LLC & Cheyenne Stables LLC			
Purchased by Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds			
<b>498</b>	<b>Tricky One</b>	<b>Broodmare prospect</b>	<b>275,000</b>
<i>(4, Unbridled's Song--Simplify, by Pulpit)</i>			
Consigned by Gainesway, Agent VII			
Purchased by International Equities Holding			
<b>319</b>	<b>Moana</b>	<b>Rcg/b' mare prospect</b>	<b>220,000</b>
<i>(4, Uncle Mo--Dixietwostepper, by More Than Ready)</i>			
Consigned by Bluewater Sales LLC, Agent XIII			
Purchased by Roderick Wachman Bloodstock			

<b>309</b>	<b>Midnight on Oconee</b>	<b>Broodmare prospect</b>	<b>200,000</b>
<i>(5, Midnight Lute--Just Fabulous, by Include)</i>			
Consigned by Brookdale Sales, Agent for Cottonwood Stables			
Purchased by Fred Allor			
<b>541</b>	<b>Restless Spirit</b>	<b>Rcg/b' mare prospect</b>	<b>175,000</b>
<i>(3, Street Cry {Ire}--Egyptian Queen, by Storm Cat)</i>			
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent for Fox Hill Farms			
Purchased by Flintshire Partnership			

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**FASIG-TIPTON WINTER MIXED – YEARLINGS**

<u>Hip</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>Dam</u>	<u>Price (\$)</u>
<b>368</b>	c	<b>Into Mischief</b>	<b>Princess Kate</b>	<b>220,000</b>
<i>B-David Meche, Tonya Jergens, Mark Toothaker &amp; Perry Justice (KY)</i>				
Consigned by Stuart Morris, Agent V				
Purchased by De Meric Stables, Agent				
M.T.B.S. acquired Princess Kate (Orientate) for \$40K in foal to Into Mischief at KEENOV in 2014 and sold the mare's first two produce as weanlings for a combined \$67K in 2015 and 2016. The female family includes last Saturday's GII Holy Bull S. runner-up Free Drop Billy (Union Rags).				
<b>561</b>	c	<b>Street Sense</b>	<b>Mahkama</b>	<b>140,000</b>
<i>B-Blackstone Farm (PA)</i>				
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXXI				
Purchased by Artic Bloodstock				

A year after paying \$60K for Mahkama (Bernardini) in foal to Noble Mission (GB) at FTKNOV, Blackstone Farm elected to retain the mare on a bid of \$190K carrying this foal in utero at KEENOV. The yearling's close relation Yulong Warrior (Street Cry {Ire}) broke his maiden in Dubai Feb. 3 and could be headed to the G3 UAE 2000 Guineas Feb. 15.

**BROODMARES**

<u>Hip</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Price (\$)</u>
<b>391</b>	<b>Resilient Humor</b>	<b>Rcg/b' mare prospect</b>	<b>130,000</b>
<i>(4, Distorted Humor--Sassy Image, by Broken Vow)</i>			
Consigned by Royal Bloodstock, Agent IV			
Purchased by Baoma Corp., Donato Lanni agent			
A daughter of Grade I winner Sassy Image, this chestnut filly was claimed by Oakhart Racing for \$40K out of a third-place effort at Los Alamitos Dec. 7. She was placed in one of two appearances for new connections prior to her sale Tuesday.			

**569 Mollyball Broodmare prospect 120,000**

(3, Take Charge Indy--Gold Canyon, by Mr. Prospector)

Consigned by Paramount Sales, Agent IV

Purchased by Morris Bloodstock Services, Agent for Pine Ridge Mollyball was haltered by trainer Brendan Walsh for \$20K out of her second career start Dec. 31 and is out of a dam whose daughter Gold d'Oro (Medaglia d'Oro) is responsible for Courtlandt Farms' **'TDN Rising Star'** Strike Power (Speightstown), who made it two-for-two with a victory in the Feb. 3 GIII Swale S. at Gulfstream Park.

**CLARIFICATION:** In the "TDN Derby Top 12" which appeared in Tuesday's TDN, Robert V. LaPenta and Madaket Stables LLC's **Catholic Boy** (More Than Ready) was listed as a \$170,000 RNA at the 2016 Keeneland January sale. In fact, he was sold to trainer Jonathan Thomas privately after the RNA at the January Sale. His accurate sales history reads "\$170,000 PS '16 KEEJAN."

**2018 Kentucky Derby Future Wager Pool 2**

Friday, Feb. 9-Sunday, Feb. 11

#	Horse	Morning Line Odds
1	Audible (Into Mischief)	50-1
2	Avery Island (Street Sense)	20-1
3	Bolt d'Oro (Medaglia d'Oro)	10-1
4	Catholic Boy (More Than Ready)	20-1
5	Combatant (Scat Daddy)	50-1
6	Copper Bullet (More Than Ready)	50-1
7	Enticed (Medaglia d'Oro)	30-1
8	Firenze Fire (Poseidon's Warrior)	30-1
9	Free Drop Billy (Union Rags)	20-1
10	Good Magic (Curlin)	10-1
11	Instilled Regard (Arch)	30-1
12	Mask (Tapit)	12-1
13	McKinzie (Street Sense)	8-1
14	Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy)	30-1
15	Montauk (Medaglia d'Oro)	20-1
16	Mourinho (Super Saver)	12-1
17	Principe Guilherme (Tapit)	30-1
18	Retirement Fund (Eskendereya)	30-1
19	Solomini (Curlin)	20-1
20	Sporting Chance (Tiznow)	50-1
21	Strike Power (Speightstown)	20-1
22	Tiz Mischief (Into Mischief)	30-1
23	Untamed Domain (Animal Kingdom)	30-1
24	All Others	7-2

SOUTH AMERICA

**JORGE RICARDO TIES RUSSELL BAZE WIN RECORD** by Diego Mitagstein



Brazilian jockey Jorge Ricardo tied retired North American-based Russell Baze as the jockey with the most all-time wins in history Monday evening at Hipodromo da Gavea in Rio de Janeiro. In his sixth ride of the day, the 56-year-old veteran rode **Jubileia (Brz)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire})) to a wire-to-wire win in a maiden special event to earn his 12,844th victory.

Spending the majority of his time riding in Argentina, "Ricardinho" said he intends to return home to attempt to eclipse the record in Buenos Aires. He returned to Argentina via plane Monday and will resume riding Wednesday at San Isidro.

Ricardo and Baze engaged in a well-publicized battle for the world record as their careers overlapped. Ricardo almost retired after a bout with cancer in 2009 and Baze ultimately retired from riding in 2016. Ricardo defeated cancer, returned to the races and recommitted himself to again set a new record. He is now very close to achieving that goal.

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## 2018 Leading Fifth-Crop Sires by Earnings

for stallions standing in North America through Monday, February 5

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Quality Road</b> <i>(2006) by Elusive Quality</i>	1	2	1	2	--	--	76	19	\$70,000 <i>Great Stuff</i>	\$663,146
											<i>Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$70,000</i>
2	<b>Kantharos</b> <i>(2008) by Lion Heart</i>	2	3	--	--	--	--	61	10	\$105,000 <i>World of Trouble</i>	\$446,831
											<i>Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$15,000</i>
3	<b>Munnings</b> <i>(2006) by Speightstown</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	59	17	\$45,600 <i>Infinity Squared</i>	\$419,302
											<i>Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$25,000</i>
4	<b>Blame</b> <i>(2006) by Arch</i>	1	3	--	--	--	--	66	11	\$46,200 <i>Torrent</i>	\$417,950
											<i>Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$12,500</i>
5	<b>Super Saver</b> <i>(2007) by Maria's Mon</i>	2	3	--	--	--	--	72	11	\$90,000 <i>Mourinho</i>	\$384,981
											<i>Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$35,000</i>
6	<b>Warrior's Reward</b> <i>(2006) by Medaglia d'Oro</i>	2	2	--	--	--	--	74	15	\$45,000 <i>Georgia's Reward</i>	\$337,126
											<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$5,000</i>
7	<b>Midshipman</b> <i>(2006) by Unbridled's Song</i>	1	3	--	1	--	--	54	7	\$85,650 <i>In the Navy Now</i>	\$332,349
											<i>Stands: Jonabell Farm KY Fee: \$8,500</i>
8	<b>Lookin At Lucky</b> <i>(2007) by Smart Strike</i>	1	1	1	1	--	--	62	10	\$120,000 <i>Accelerate</i>	\$316,040
											<i>Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$17,500</i>
9	<b>Discreetly Mine</b> <i>(2007) by Mineshaft</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	57	8	\$40,200 <i>Full House</i>	\$226,544
											<i>Stands: Lane's End Farm USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>
10	<b>Majesticperfection</b> <i>(2006) by Harlan's Holiday</i>	--	1	--	--	--	--	39	7	\$46,200 <i>Our Majesty</i>	\$208,131
											<i>Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: \$10,000</i>
11	<b>Desert Party</b> <i>(2006) by Street Cry (Ire)</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	49	7	\$29,700 <i>Lake Party</i>	\$207,955
											<i>Stands: Irish Hill &amp; Dutchess Views Stallions NY Fee: \$2,500</i>
12	<b>Tale of Ekati</b> <i>(2005) by Tale of the Cat</i>	--	1	--	1	--	--	51	7	\$78,810 <i>Anna Perenna</i>	\$205,861
											<i>Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: \$7,500</i>
13	<b>Concord Point</b> <i>(2007) by Tapit</i>	--	2	--	2	--	--	19	4	\$45,000 <i>Exclamation Point</i>	\$197,931
											<i>Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: Private</i>
14	<b>Temple City</b> <i>(2005) by Dynaformer</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	46	6	\$102,000 <i>Kimbear</i>	\$196,384
											<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$15,000</i>
15	<b>Hold Me Back</b> <i>(2006) by Giant's Causeway</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	45	11	\$29,430 <i>Blacktieandtux</i>	\$185,758
											<i>Stands: Irish Hill Century Farm NY Fee: \$5,000</i>

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### HBPA Convention Set for Mar. 13-17 in New Orleans:

Sports betting, stemming the dearth of backside employees, inadvertent equine exposure to recreational and prescription medications, aftercare and many other issues of concern to trainers and horsemen will be on the agenda at the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA) Convention to be held Mar. 13-17 at the Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel in New Orleans.

Prominent owner-breeder Clay Whitham of Whitham Family Thoroughbreds will deliver the keynote address the afternoon of Mar. 14. The convention features panels and presentations Mar. 14 and 15, along with the morning of Mar. 16, followed by an afternoon of racing at the Fair Grounds. Convention registration opens Mar. 13, with the HBPA board meeting the morning of Mar. 17.

"The HBPA Convention's mission is to provide insight, information and a variety of perspectives to keep our horsemen up to date in a rapidly-changing world, to let our membership and their HBPA representatives know how owners and trainers are impacted by regulatory changes, technology advances and business trends and how they might better their operations and our sport," said Eric Hamelback, the National HBPA's chief executive officer.

Other topics on the agenda include equine law, drug testing, workers' compensation, workforce issues and marketing. The roster of speakers appearing at the convention includes Greg Benschel, senior vice president for communications for the New Orleans Saints and New Orleans Pelicans; Joe Asher, CEO of William Hill U.S.; and Ted Shults, an international drug-testing expert.

The National HBPA Claiming Horse of the Year also will be recognized with a presentation to the owners of Mended (Broken Vow), Mr. and Mrs. Troy Onorato.

Details on registration, hotel reservations and the full agenda are available [here](#).

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**Silchester, c, 3, Bellamy Road.** See "Britain."

### IN SOUTH KOREA:

**Moonhak Chief, c, 3, Pioneer of the Nile**--Talullah Lula (GSP), by Old Trieste. Seoul, 2-4, Hcp. (\$83k), 1800m. B-White Fox Farm (KY). \*Trying two turns for the first time, Moonhak Chief scored by two lengths as the even-money favorite to take his record to five wins and a second from seven starts. \*\*\$37,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP.

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**Cheongdam Jewang, c, 3, Shackleford**--Seek Easy, by Seeking the Gold. Seoul, 2-3, Hcp. (\$56k), 1000m. B-Runnymede Farm Inc & Catesby W Clay Investment 2 LLC (KY). \*1/2 to Ordination (Ire) (Fantastic Light), SP, \$220,198; and Dancing David (Ire) (Danhill Dancer {Ire}), MGSP-Eng. \*\*\$52,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP.

**Gio Star, g, 4, Gio Ponti**--Two Step Trudy, by Capote. Seoul, 2-4, Hcp. (\$69k), 1200m. B-David E Hager II & Graeme Lang (KY). \*\$3,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$16,000 2yo '16 OBSJUN. **Cont. p2**

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**Birdie Queen**, f, 3, **First Samurai**--Singitnsignit (GB), by Singspiel (Ire). Monterrico, 2-4, Maiden, 1000m, :59.18. B-Teneri Farm Inc (KY). \*\$10,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. **VIDEO**

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**IN PANAMA:**

**Hightown**, f, 3, **Jersey Town**--Glorious Cat, by Tabasco Cat. Presidente Remon, 2-4, Clasico Alfredo Prieto, 1400m, 1:27. B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY). \*1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. \*\*\$30,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. \*\*\*2nd SW for sire (by Speightstown). **VIDEO**



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4-TAM, Msw 1m, JIMMY IDONTKNOWYA, 8-1  
\$60,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Oxbow** (Awesome Again), Calumet Farm, \$20,000  
167 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners  
4-TAM, Msw 1m, FREEDONIA, 3-1  
\$220,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$30,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**Passion for Gold** (Medaglia d'Oro), dead/retired/exported USA,  
\$5,000  
20 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-TAM, Aoc 1mT, PASSION PLUS, 7-2  
\$11,000 OBS AUG yrl

**Paynter** (Awesome Again), WinStar Farm, \$25,000  
218 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
7-TAM, Aoc 1mT, CLEARWATER, 10-1  
7-TAM, Aoc 1mT, LENAMARIE, 3-1  
\$335,000 FTS AUG yrl

**Soldat** (War Front), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$5,000  
158 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners  
3-TAM, Aoc 1mT, SELLING OUT, 12-1  
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3-TAM, Aoc 1mT, THE X, 3-1  
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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-SUN, \$34,000, (C)/Opt.** Clm (\$35,000), 2-6, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:34.97, ft.

**BLUE AZUL (g, 4, Tizway--Ladymedaglia d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro)** Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-2, \$81,497. O-Paul Miller; B-P & G Stables LLC (FL); T-Justin R. Evans. \*\$22,000 RNA Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$62,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR; \$38,000 3yo '17 FTKHRA.

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**6th-MVR, \$23,500, 2-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.51, ft.**

**TRAPPINGSOFSILVER (f, 4, Trappe Shot--Be Silver {SP}, by Silver Buck)** Lifetime Record: 14-3-3-3, \$59,347. O-David A. Bernsen; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-D. Kelly Ackerman. \*\$22,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Heir Kitty (Wildcat Heir), GISW, \$421,272.

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**Diabolical Diva**, f, 3, **Diabolical**--Treading Water (SP, \$118,242), by Premeditation. SUN, 2-6, (S), 6f, 1:11.47. B-Roger K Beasley (NM). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**She's Flat Out**, f, 3, **Flat Out**--West Pointer, by Military. MVR, 2-6, (S), 1m, 1:45.96. B-Preston Stables LLC (OH). \*\$4,500 Ylg '16 FTKOCT.

**Paste**, f, 4, **Eskendereya**--Diamond Tags, by Seeking the Gold. SUN, 2-6, 5f, :57.82. B-Bob Baffert & D & E Racing Stable (KY). \*\$9,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEEJAN.

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## BRADLEY MAKING RACING A NUMBERS GAME



Nick Bradley is excelling in the racing business | Tattersalls

By Tom Peacock

Attempting to make an impact in the bloodstock industry without any form of early equine education would surely be considered a disadvantage. Fortunately for Nick Bradley, he appears to have been blessed with the sort of restless and analytical mind which would be the envy of most dyed-in-the-wool horse folk.

A former primary school teacher, and a professional gambler for 15 years, the 40-year-old has not only established the burgeoning Nick Bradley Racing syndicate but has investors in 30 broodmares under the banner of Glebe Farm in Lincolnshire.

His racing branch began after a parting of the ways with Middleham Park, for whom he bought the likes of G1 Sprint Cup winner G Force (Ire) (Tamayuz {GB}) and the dependable Penitent (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}).

An early Royal Ascot winner in the Queen Alexandra S. with Commissioned (Ire) (Authorized {Ire}) arrived before the white and black silks were carried to victory 41 times in their second season. There were several more near-misses with Raising Sand (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), who is likely to be kept on ice for the Royal Hunt Cup.

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## KODIAC FILLY TOPS GOFFS OPENER

By Daithi Harvey

Goffs began its 2018 sale year with the February Sale on Tuesday, and the three-day auction kicked off with a mixture of 2-year-olds, older horses, horses in training and the first wave of over 300 catalogued yearlings. It was from this batch of just over 100 offered yearlings that the session topper emerged when legendary pinhooker, consignor and breeder Timmy Hyde fought off all challengers for a daughter of Kodiak (GB), eventually signing the docket at €130,000.

As one would expect for a sale of this nature, trade took a while to find its feet with the first 50 lots or so not contributing hugely to the day's aggregate. However, at the close of business, day one returns stacked up very favourably when compared to the corresponding day of 2017. From a smaller number offered the aggregate comfortably surpassed last year's corresponding figure of €898,000 when settling at €1,366,900.

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## IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

### PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: AVERY ISLAND

Andrew Caulfield investigates the pedigree of Avery Island (Street Sense), recent winner of the GIII Withers S. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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**Bradley Making Racing A Numbers Game Cont. from p1**

“I’m a bit overwhelmed by how much backing I’ve received from people,” he said. “I think I spent north of £2 million at the sales last year and we’ve got less than 10% of the stock left to sell. The nature of the sales system is you spend it all in one go, then you’ve got three or four months to sell all the shares as the yearlings turn two. We jumped in both feet first, started off with about a dozen yearlings that ran at two; this year we’re up to about 40. The supporters are really investors, not people wanting a day out and I couldn’t be happier, to be honest.”

The string is split between 17 trainers in Britain and Ireland, including such wise heads as Roger Charlton, Gordon Elliott, David O’Meara and Joseph O’Brien. However, it is transparent that Bradley’s input is part of the deal.

“I was always gifted at maths and that sort of helped me select and manage horses; I think it gives me an edge,” he explained. “When the hammer goes down, 99 times out of 100 I own that horse so I have to make sure I’m happy owning it at that price. I have to make sure I’ve made zero errors--if you buy the wrong horse it could sink a company like mine.”

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“With every horse of interest, I watch all its races so when I get to the sales I’ve not got a list of two horses, I’ve probably got 5% of the catalogue at the right price,” he continued. “I’ll place them with the trainer I think will get the best out of them and place them where I think they’ll do their best, so when they line up they’re not 33-1, 50-1 chances. We had a 14% strike-rate last year, I think that’s pretty good considering the amount we spend on the horses.”

Bradley uses a similar train of thought when it comes to recruiting yearlings, which invariably remain in the five-figure bracket.

“If I’m keen to buy a horse, I try to find a trainer who was also keen on it,” he explained. “I don’t have to bid against them in the sales ring, and that strategy adds up in the long run.”

“I bought an Iffraaj (GB) (Zafonic) filly at Book 1 for 67,000gns but Richard Fahey probably had 80,000 to get her. By teaming up, we saved the man in the street money straight away and improved my odds in getting a return on what I spent,” he said.

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### **Bradley Making Racing A Numbers Game Cont.**

“I’m not from a horse background at all but I find that the best judge of a horse is the person that goes around and looks at the most. After comparing hundreds and hundreds, your eye improves. People like Richard Fahey, Robin and Mouse O’Ryan and David O’Meara kind of guided me at the beginning and I’ve learned and gone and done my own thing.”

Sometimes, though, Bradley’s processes seem to belong to a different intellectual plane altogether, as he bandies around a few more examples.

“Tattersalls Book 1 fillies only need to win a Class 5 race to win the £25,000 bonus whereas a colt would need to win a Class 4 race. So if I bought a filly in Book 1 I’d try to send that to a trainer in the north because there are a lot more Class 5 maidens or novices now in the north. For a colt, Class 4 races tend to be in the south, so I’d position it there.”



**Nick Bradley at Tattersalls | Alayna Cullen**

“Lots goes through my head,” he added. “We have a filly called Bungee Jump (Ire) (Canford Cliffs {Ire}), who won at Kempton the other night. I’d have probably been telling the owners to move her on at the end of her 2-year-old career but I’ve noticed through the last couple of winters that 3-year-old races on the all-weather are very lowly subscribed. It’s very fixture book oriented, and whenever I place horses, I try to find weak races.”

Even the best laid plans go awry. Bradley bought Line House (GB) (Kheleyf) for 27,000gns in November specifically to send to Dubai for what he considered winnable 3-year-old fillies’ events. Unfortunately, she was in season after a disappointing effort behind Winter Lightning (Ire) (Shamardal) in the UAE 1000 Guineas Trial and may go on the recovery trail in the main event on Thursday.

“I thought she ticked every box, hopefully she’ll do better this week,” he rued. **Cont. p4**

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**Bradley Making Racing A Numbers Game Cont.**

Bradley also has mixed emotions about Thunderbolt Rocks (GB), a Hugo Palmer-trained son of Farhh (GB) who is tackling the colts' division.

"I actually bought (G3 Acomb S. winner) Wells Farhh Go (Ire) as a foal and sold him as a yearling, and at the same time bought this one, so I kind of got it half right," he explained. "Thunderbolt Rocks ran very green first time and then won easily at Wolverhampton.

Unfortunately there are loads of 3-year-old colts in Dubai and ideally we'd run in the Guineas if we don't get balloted out, or there's another turf race.

Sometimes when you take them back from Dubai they have an edge on the ones who have wintered over here, particularly if we have a harsh winter, so hopefully we can take him somewhere like the Craven meeting."

The stud is expecting 20 foals this season, from the likes of Kodiak (GB), Exceed And Excel (Aus), Belardo (Ire) and The Gurkha (Ire), taking a commercial stance with a view to sell, but one of the wisest decisions taken so far was to keep the homebred Cribbs Causeway (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}) to race.

She won five times through the campaign and was listed placed at Lingfield.

"She was out of a Dansili mare, Bristol Fashion, the first mare I've ever bought, and the best pedigree I've ever bought. Cribbs Causeway was her first foal and I'd be surprised if she didn't win a group race this year. We resisted a couple of offers through the winter and she's likely to start in a new race at York for older fillies at the May meeting."

Despite showing an ability to adapt, Bradley is clearly not immune to frustrations with the industry.

"Everyone is going to say prize money but I do think trainers are taking advantage of the situation a little bit," he said. "This year nearly all of

mine put their training fees up, a lot of them blamed rises in wages but when I go to the yards a lot seem to be understaffed and are having problems recruiting. It just annoys me a bit because the margins they operate at appear to be excessive, for me. I can understand it, a lot of them are successful, but it does make it difficult for people like me and my investors to get involved."

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### Bradley Making Racing A Numbers Game Cont.

"The paperwork I find excessive as well," he added. "You get charged £350 to set up an account to race a horse, then there's the running costs. I won a listed race in France last year and when I checked the statement I'd been credited prize-money on one exchange rate and debited jockey and trainers' percentages on a different one, and both were against the owner's interest. There's no need for that in my eye."

"Some of the race planning is a bit ambiguous and poorly thought out, too," Bradley said. "When I hear all the trainers complaining about the same thing, I think they should pay a bit more notice and apply a bit of common sense."

If a few others in authority shared the cerebral capacity of this particular individual, then one imagines that creative solutions would quickly be found.

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### Kodiac Filly Tops Goffs Opener Cont. from p1

In total 119 of the 176 offered lots changed hands for a clearance rate of 67%. Last year's average of €7,546 increased to €11,487 while the median also rose from €4,000 to €6,000.

The aforementioned session topper was consigned by Jacqui Norris's Jockey Hall Stud as **lot 145**, and is out of the dual winning mare Sindjara (Include), who achieved a career high rating of 93 when trained by John Oxx for the Aga Khan. The mare was purchased from the Aga Khan's draft at the 2013 Goffs November Sale by Emerald Bloodstock for €61,000 and this was the second significant auction result for her following the sale of her Dark Angel (Ire) yearling son for €90,000 at Arqana last year.



Session-topping Kodiac filly | Goffs photo

After fending off a late bid from the Tally-Ho Stud team Hyde, the master of Camas Park Stud, commented, "She is a lovely filly, the dam was quite highly rated and she has been bought for resale as a yearling."

Soon after the short yearlings began coming into the ring, the pinhookers came out of the woodwork and trade took a considerable step forward. **lot 87** from the Castlebridge Consignment was the first to capture the attention of some shrewd operators and it was Guy O'Callaghan of Grangemore Stud who eventually won the battle for the son of Fastnet Rock (Aus) when the hammer dropped at €62,000. The good-moving first foal of the winning Montjeu (Ire) mare On A Pedestal (Ire), from the family of MG1SW and sire Bigstone (Ire) (Last Tycoon {GB}), will no doubt make his presence felt at one of the premier yearling sales later in the autumn. That price of €62,000 was matched not long after when Marc Antoine Berghgracht purchased **lot 102**, a Kodiac (GB) filly offered by Tullamaine Castle Stud. The April-born filly is a half-sister to the stakes performer Signposted (Ire) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}), and after signing for the bay Berghgracht said, "She is a lovely filly by an excellent stallion and the dam is a proven producer. She has been bought for resale either here or in the UK."



Timmy Hyde | Goffs photo

The highest priced colt of the day was a son of Juddmonte stallion Bated Breath (GB), offered by Ridge Manor Stud as **lot 164** and knocked down to Goodwill Bloodstock for €70,000. The first foal of the dual winner Starlight Symphony (Ire) (Oratorio {Ire}) will likely be aimed at Book 2 at Tattersalls in October according to co-purchaser Michael Fitzpatrick, who commented, "He is a lovely horse, one of the best individuals here today in my opinion and let's hope he's lucky." [Cont. p6](#)

**Kodiak Filly Tops Goffs Opener Cont.**

John Banahan's Ridge Manor Stud followed up soon after with another good sale when **lot 177**, a son of Gutaifan (Ire), was knocked down to Matt Houldsworth for €40,000.

Another yearling likely to be seen either back in Goffs at the Orby Sale or possibly Book 2 at Tattersalls is **lot 97**. The colt by Hallowed Crown (Aus), offered by Ballybin Stud went the way of Jamie Railton and the €55,000 purchase boasts a smart pedigree, being a half-brother to the very useful Archie Watson-trained filly Absolute Blast (Ire) (Kodiak {GB}).

Australian multiple Group 1 winner Brazen Beau (Aus) will have his first runners this year and the first of his two yearlings catalogued (**Lot 192**) found favour when selling to Gaelic Bloodstock for €40,000. Offered by The Premier Consignment, the colt is a half-brother to the very accomplished Group 1 placed runner The Cheka (Ire) (Xaar {GB}).

The Aga Khan drafts can always be relied upon to provide popular sorts in the ring, and the stud provided one of the early pacesetters when Karakour (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}) was knocked down to bloodstock agent Barry Lynch for €45,000. The 3-year-old was trained by Michael Halford to make a winning debut last month at Dundalk and according to Lynch, **lot 67** will be plying his trade soon in Singapore.

"He will be trained by Cliff Brown. He's a nice horse and looks the type to do well in Singapore," Lynch said. "He overcame a bad draw to win at Dundalk and he came well recommended by his former trainer."

Trade continues today with a full day of yearlings and the sale will commence at the earlier time of 10 a.m. ([Click for p1](#))

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# SESSION TOPPERS

## GOFFS FEBRUARY SALE: DAY 1 TOP LOTS

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (€)
145	f	Kodiak (GB)	Sindjara <i>B-Sindjara Partnership (Ire)</i> Consigned by Jockey Hall Stud Purchased by T Hyde	130,000
164	c	Bated Breath (GB)	Starlight Symphony (Ire) <i>(€30,000 RNA i/u '16 GOFNOV)</i> <i>B-Mr Brian Canning (Ire)</i> Consigned by Ridge Manor Stud Purchased by Goodwill Bloodstock	70,000
87	c	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	On A Pedestal (Ire) <i>B-Mrs Ann Marie O'Brien (Ire)</i> Consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment Purchased by Grangemore Stud	62,000
102	f	Kodiak (GB)	Portentous (GB) <i>B-Tullamaine Castle Stud &amp; Partners (Ire)</i> Consigned by Tullamaine Castle Stud Purchased by MAB Agency	62,000

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## IRELAND'S RACING UK SWITCH RATIFIED

Racing from all 26 Irish racecourses, plus Chelmsford City, will be shown on Racing UK from 2019 after the Association of Irish Racecourses on Tuesday ratified an agreement between Racecourse Media Group and Sports Information Services. SIS holds the rights to all Irish racecourses, and its rights will be added to Racing UK's television and digital platforms, streaming services for online bookmakers and international offerings. In adding 93 new evenings and 12 new afternoons of live racing to its lineup, Racing UK will now broadcast 92% of all pattern races in the UK and Ireland on one HD channel.

Brian Kavanagh, Chief Executive of Horse Racing Ireland, said, "This deal is a very positive one and is in the best commercial interests of Irish racing. It secures income streams for media rights for the next six years and aligns all of our rights across all platforms with the same strong partners."

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### GOFFS FEBRUARY SALE DAY 1

SESSION TOTALS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	202	254
• No. Offered	176	201
• No. Sold	119	119
• RNAs	57	82
• % RNAs	33%	40.8%
• High Price	€130,000	€75,000
• Gross	€1,366,900	€898,000
• Average (% change)	€11,487 (+52.2%)	€7,546
• Median (% change)	€6,000 (+50%)	€4,000

### Ireland's Racing UK Switch Ratified Cont.

“The bulk of those income streams will go to racecourses with the balance going to Horse Racing Ireland, but all of the income will go back into Irish racing. The benefits of this deal will be seen across the entire industry. This deal means we have moved from a situation of uncertainty in relation to direct to home, streaming and international rights, to arrangements that now have been agreed and locked down until the end of 2023.”

Irish racing has historically been broadcast on *At The Races*, and there has much concerned expressed industry-wide since SIS and RMG **announced their new partnership** last week, including the movement of Irish racing broadcasts to a subscription-based channel and overcrowding of fixtures.

“We are conscious of the concerns that have been raised, but are confident that this arrangement is in the overall best interests of the Irish racing industry,” Kavanagh said. “We look forward to working with RMG and SIS to address any concerns and to ensure that the coverage of Irish racing is of the highest possible standard. I would like to thank *At The Races* for their positive contribution to Irish racing and wish them every success going forward.”

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### GARDINER-HILL PROMOTED AT BHA

Dominic Gardiner-Hill has been promoted to the position of head of handicapping at the British Horseracing Authority. Gardiner-Hill, previously deputy head of handicapping for 11 years, in May will replace Phil Smith, who retires from the BHA after 22 years of service.

Gardiner-Hill said, “I am absolutely delighted to have been given the chance to do one of the biggest jobs in world handicapping and lead such a talented and dedicated team. I have big boots to fill but it’s a challenge I am going to relish.”

One of those challenges will be implementing recommendations from an internal handicapping review approved by the board last year. The recommendations include that more should be done to explain and publish handicapping methodologies; carrying out more statistically rigorous analysis of handicapping data; enhanced communication with trainers including an improved process for trainers to appeal against handicapping decisions to an independent panel; and increasing the synergy between the BHA’s handicapping, stewarding and integrity departments.

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Nezwaah, winner of the 2017 Pretty Polly S. | *Racing Post*

The G1 Pretty Polly S. will be sponsored by Juddmonte Farms for the next three years, The Curragh Racecourse announced on Tuesday. Worth €250,000, the 10-furlong contest is slated to be held on July 1, 2018, the feature race on the third day of the Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby Festival. Juddmonte has been the sponsor of The Curragh’s G2 Beresford S. since 1988 and many Juddmonte runners have found success at the highest level at the Irish racecourse, including the likes of Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}), who landed the G1 Darley Irish Oaks in 2017.

Douglas Erskine Crum CEO Juddmonte Group said, “Juddmonte is delighted to sponsor the Pretty Polly at The Curragh. The addition of this race completes our current sponsorship portfolio, with Juddmonte now sponsoring Group/Grade 1 races in the UK, Ireland, France and the USA.”

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**Monday's Late Result:**

**6th-WOL, £5,800, Cond, 2-5, 3yo, 9f 104y (AWT), 2:00.85, st.**  
**GALACTIC SPIRIT (GB) (c, 3, Dutch Art {GB}--Gino's Spirits {GB} {GSW-US, SW & GSP-Eng, \$415,562}, by Perugino),** a Dec. 9 debut runner-up going an extended mile at this track in his only prior start, raced against the rail in third after an alert getaway. Nudged along with three furlongs remaining, the 13-8 second choice came under sterner urging on the home turn and kept on well for continued rousting in the straight to best 6-4 market rival Natch (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) by a half-length. The chestnut is a son of GIII Noble Damsel H. victress and G2 Sun Chariot S. runner-up Gino's Spirits (GB) (Perugino) and is thus kin to G1 Goodwood S. and G1 Singapore Airlines International Cup-winning sire Gitano Hernando (GB) (Hernando {Fr}) and a 2-year-old colt by Nathaniel (Ire). His third dam is G1 1000 Guineas heroine Mrs McArdy (GB) (Tribal Chief {GB}), whose descendants also include multiple Japanese champion and sire Admire Cozzene (Jpn) (Cozzene). Sales history: 40,000gns RNA Ylg '16 TATDEY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$6,843. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Newsells Park Stud & Partner; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB); T-Marco Botti.

**Tuesday's Result:**

**1st-SOU, £5,800, Cond, 2-6, 3yo/up, 8f 13y (AWT), 1:42.49, st.**  
**SILCHESTER (c, 3, Bellamy Road--Looks Like Rain {GB}, by Medicean {GB})** tracked the leaders in sixth after the initial exchanges of this first go. Taking closer order at the top of the straight, the 4-1 chance eased to the fore approaching the final eighth and ran on strongly under whipless cajoling in the latter stages to score by three lengths from Dawn Dancer (GB) (Dawn Approach {Ire}). He is the first foal and scorer produced by a winning daughter of Listed Miss America H. victress Hippogator (Dixieland Band), who in turn is out of MGISP GIII Eatontown S. winner Gastronomical (Sunshine Forever). He is a half-brother to the 2-year-old colt Escape the Rain (Magician {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Frac Daddy, and his dam was bred to Frac Daddy once again last year. Sales history: €23,000 Ylg '16 TIRSEP; €78,000 2yo '17 GBMBR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,236.

**Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

**1ST-TIME STARTER.** O-Never Say Die Partnership; B-Looks Like Rain Partners (KY); T-David Simcock.

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**4th-WOL, £19,000, Cond, 2-5, 4yo/up, 8f 142y (AWT), 1:47.44, st.**

**ARCANADA (IRE) (g, 5, Arcano {Ire}--Bond Deal {Ire} {SW-US & GSP-Ity, \$257,489}, by Pivotal {GB})** Lifetime Record: 18-7-1-2, \$161,002. O-The Arcanada Partnership; B-C J Foy (IRE); T-Tom Dascombe. \*5,000gns Wlg '13 TATFOA; £42,000 Ylg '14 DNPRM.

## FRANCE

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Give Me The Best (Fr), f, 3, Dabirsim (Fr)--Mahradeva (Ger),** by Medicean (GB). PAU, 2-6, 9f 165y (AWT), 2:04.50. B-Hugues Rousseau (FR). \*€22,000 Wlg '15 ARQDEC.

**Stonebridge (Fr), c, 3, Silver Frost (Ire)--Vingt Six (Fr),** by Octagonal (NZ). PAU, 2-6, 9f 165y (AWT), 2:06.40. B-Mme Danielle de la Heronniere (FR). \*€7,000 Ylg '16 ARQNOV.

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

**WINX TO WAIT FOR BOWMAN**

With jockey Hugh Bowman having **failed in his appeal** to have a careless riding banned overturned, trainer Chris Waller announced that **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}) will bypass the Feb. 17 G2 Apollo S. and instead start her campaign in the Mar. 3 G1 Chipping Norton S. Bowman picked up consecutive bans at Warwick Farm and in New Zealand that would have forced him to sit out the Apollo. Bowman has ridden Winx in her last 19 starts. **Cont. p9**



Winx and Hugh Bowman after the 2016 Cox Plate | Bronwen Healy

### Winx to Wait for Bowman Cont.

“Following consultation between the owners of Winx and I, the decision has been made for Winx to resume her racing preparation on Mar. 3 in the G1 Chipping Norton S. over 1600m,” read a statement from Waller. “Hugh Bowman is a very important part of Winx and we feel that we can go straight into the Chipping Norton first up without the need to resume in the Apollo S. as originally planned. She races well fresh and we are well ahead of schedule with her, so I will simply give her a third trial to ensure her fitness levels are high enough to compete at her best in this race. Should Hugh have been suspended in the middle or late in the preparation closer to her significant targets we would have opted to use a suitable replacement rider for Winx; however we are in the fortunate position that we can alter her starting point without affecting her main targets this preparation.”

Winx has won the Apollo, the Chipping Norton and the G1 George Ryder S. the last two seasons en route to victories at The Championships, last year in the G1 Queen Elizabeth S. and in 2016 the G1 Doncaster H.

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### DUBAI WORLD CUP NOMS RELEASED



Cracksman is nominated for the Dubai Sheema Classic | *Racing Post*

American champions **West Coast** (Flatter) and **Forever Unbridled** (Unbridled's Song), as well as GI Breeders' Cup Turf winner **Talismanic** (Medaglia d'Oro), are among the 136 nominations for the \$10-million G1 Dubai World Cup on Mar. 31.

Nominations were released for all eight group races for Thoroughbreds on the card, and others of note include

**Cracksman (GB)** (Frankel {GB}), G1 Japan Cup winner **Cheval Grand (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) and **Cloth of Stars (Ire)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}) in the G1 Sheema Classic; **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}), **World Approval** (Northern Afleet) and defending winner **Vivlos (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in the G1 Dubai Turf; and reigning winner **Mind Your Biscuits** (Posse) and American champion sprinter **Roy H** (More Than Ready) in the G1 Sheema Classic. Another who could defend his crown is last year's G1 Al Quoz Sprint winner **The Right Man (GB)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}).

[Click here](#) for the full list of nominations.

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### NATIONAL DEFENSE TO SHUTTLE



Group 1-winning 2-year-old National Defense | *Scoop Dyga*

Invincible Spirit (Ire)'s Group 1-winning 2-year-old **National Defense (GB)** will shuttle this year to Sun Stud in Australia. The news was first reported by ANZ and *Racing Post* and confirmed by *TDN* on Tuesday.

National Defense, a son of the unraced Angel Falls (GB) (Kingmambo) from the extended family of Australian Group 1 winners and sires Helmet (Aus) and Epaulette (Aus), was bought by Sun Bloodstock for €280,000 at Arqana's August yearling sale. Racing for that entity and trainer Criquelette Head-Maarek, he won the 2016 G1 Prix Jean Luc Lagardere in his third start at two. National Defense was second to eventual Group 1 winner Al Wukair (Ire) (Dream Ahead) in the G3 Prix Djebel on Apr. 10 but was not seen again after finishing last in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches. He is preparing to stand his first Northern Hemisphere season at the Irish National Stud alongside his sire.

Invincible Spirit sons have enjoyed a surge of popularity Down Under thanks to the exploits of his son I Am Invincible (Aus), who currently sits third on the sire premiership and led all sires by average with three or more sold at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale at A\$478,649. [Cont. p10](#)

## National Defense to Shuttle Cont.

Other young shuttlers to Australia by Invincible Spirit include Shalaa (Ire), Cable Bay (Ire), Territories (Ire) and Ajaya (GB).

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## ASIA

### PAKISTAN STAR PASSES ANOTHER TEST

by Alan Carasso

**Pakistan Star (Ger)** (Shamardal), the ‘**TDN Rising Star**’ who is perhaps better known for his single-mindedness than for his considerable talent, won a 1600-metre barrier trial Tuesday morning at Sha Tin and is one step away from being allowed to race again, perhaps as soon as the G1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup Feb. 25.

But first things first.

Runner-up in the 2017 Hong Kong Derby and again in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup, the 5-year-old pulled himself up when favoured at 1-5 in the G3 Premier Plate last June ([video](#)) and demonstrated similar behaviour in an October barrier trial, balking each time at the same spot at about the 1400m point. He was given a ban by Hong Kong Jockey Club stewards, ruling him out of December’s Longines Hong Kong International Races meeting, and prior to any clearance to return to action, he would be required to complete two racecourse gallops and two barrier trials. Owner Kern Dim went so far as to fly noted horse behaviourist Monty Roberts into Hong Kong for his input.

Having passed the initial two hurdles, Pakistan Star was partnered in Tuesday’s trial by Joao Moreira, who was also in the boot for the Premier Plate. Pakistan Star, who overcame slow starts to record improbable wins in the first two starts of his career, was away without incident, stalked his stablemate Romantic Touch (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}) and edged past late ([video](#)).

“I gave him some love, that’s the way they have been working with him and it worked again today,” Moreira told South China *Morning Post*. “I was just gentle and he did everything perfectly.”

*SCMP* reports that the pair galloped out around the turn and past the 1400m once more.

“That was the plan to keep going through that spot, we didn’t want to be giving him any reasons to think stopping near there was a good idea again,” Moreira told the *Post*.

Though there are no regularly scheduled grass trials between Tuesday and the Gold Cup, HKJC Chief Steward Kim Kelly told *SCMP* that trainer Tony Cruz could apply for one to be arranged.

An €180,000 purchase by the Hong Kong Jockey Club at the Arqana August yearling sale in 2014, Pakistan Star was purchased by Dim for HK\$6 million out of the 2016 Hong Kong International Sale. From just 11 starts to date, Pakistan Star has three wins and five runner-up efforts for earnings of HK\$15.3 million.

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Pakistan Star | HKJC photo

#### Tuesday’s Result:

**SAGA KINEN-Listed**, ¥34,500,000, Saga, 2-6, 4yo/up, 2000m, 2:07.80, yg.

1--**LEUR SAUVEUR (Jpn)**, 123, g, 6, French Deputy--Kyoei Truth (Jpn), by Fuji Kiseki (Jpn). **1ST STAKES WIN.** O-Normandy Thoroughbred Racing; B-Okada Stud; T-Noboru Takagi; J-Hideaki Miyuki; ¥23,000,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Jpn, 23-7-6-0. \*Full to Sound True (Jpn), Ch. Dirt Horse & MG1SW-Jpn, \$5,458,141.

2--**Top Divo (Jpn)**, 123, h, 6, King Kamehameha (Jpn)--Sexy Zamurai, by Deputy Minister. O-Koro Inc; B-Hosokawa Farm; ¥6,900,000.

3--**Meiner Basara (Jpn)**, 128, h, 5, Sinister Minister--Southern Ray Star (Jpn), by Southern Halo. O-Thoroughbred Club Ruffian; B-Hamaguchi Farm; ¥2,300,000.

Margins: 4, 1 1/4, 6. Odds: 1.80, 2.40, 2.80. **VIDEO.**

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**Thursday, Meydan, United Arab Emirates, post time: 7:40 p.m. (10:40 a.m. EST/3:40 p.m. BST)**

**AL SHINDAGHA SPRINT-G3, \$200,000, NH/SH 3yo/up, 1200m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	My Catch (Ire)	Camacho (Ire)	Watson	Dobbs	126
2	Comicas	Distorted Humor	Appleby	Buick	128
3	Wonder of Qatar (Ire)	Exceed And Excel (Aus)	Bouesly	Mosse	126
4	Muarrab (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Al Rayhi	Crowley	126
5	Taamol (Ire)	Helmet (Aus)	Al Rayhi	De Sousa	126
6	Reynaldothewizard 	Speightstown	Seemar	Mullen	126
7	Scrutineer (Ire)	Intense Focus	Al Rayhi	O'Shea	126

**Thursday, Meydan, United Arab Emirates, post time: 8:50 p.m. (11:50 a.m. EST/4:40 p.m. BST)**

**AL MAKTUUM CHALLENGE R2 SPONSORED BY GULF NEWS-G2, \$250,000, NH 4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 1900m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Second Summer 	Summer Bird	Watson	Dobbs	126
2	Eragon (Arg)	Offlee Wild	Murphy	Egan	126
3	Grendisar (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Bouesly	Mosse	126
4	North America (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Seemar	Mullen	126
5	Furia Cruzada (Chi)	Newfoundland	Charpy	Fresu	121
6	Heavy Metal (GB)	Exceed And Excel (GB)	bin Ghadayer	Barzalona	126
7	Cosmo Charlie	Stay Thirsty	SCR	SCR	125
8	Thunder Snow (Ire)	Helmet (Aus)	bin Suroor	Soumillon	125

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