



RETOOLED VERSION OF INTEGRITY ACT IN WORKS FOR 2019



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The Week in Review, by T.D. Thornton

When the 115th United States Congress ended Jan. 3, the federal bill that would have established an authority to create and implement a national uniform medication program for the sport expired along with the legislative session.

The Horseracing Integrity Act of 2017 never advanced past the Congressional subcommittee level. But at least that was a step further than the similar Thoroughbred Horseracing Integrity Act of 2015 ever made it.

In the end--like 21,806 other pieces of legislation that were introduced but never came up for a vote in the last two Congressional sessions--both racing bills met the same fate: legislative death.

With Capitol Hill even more gridlocked and partisan than usual considering the ongoing partial governmental shutdown, you'd think that Thoroughbred reform legislation would be a low priority right now.

However, staffers from the offices of the co-sponsors of the previous versions of the two racing bills--Congressman Andy Barr (R-KY) and Congressman Paul Tonko (D-NY)--confirmed to *TDN* last week that a retooled 2019 bill is in the works and likely to be introduced early this year.

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PROVEN STRATEGIES: NO HORSING AROUND WITH INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

by Len Green, John Wollenberg & Agnieszka Kagan

"Proven Strategies" is a new regular series in the TDN, presented by Keeneland. It is written by Len Green of The Green Group and DJ Stables, who won the 2018 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies with Jaywalk (Cross Traffic).

It is not uncommon for pinhookers or trainers to employ seasonal workers at sales or around the racetrack. Some of these employees may be considered as independent contractors.

The perception that employers are attempting to circumvent paying payroll taxes by classifying workers as independent contractors has caused the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to step up its efforts in analyzing this controversial topic more closely. **Cont. p10 (click here)**

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Millionaire graded stakes winner *Something Awesome* (*Awesome Again*) continued preparation for the January 26 GI Pegasus World Cup with a work over Gulfstream Park's main track Sunday morning. The Stronach homebred breezed five furlongs in 1:02.33 under his regular rider, Hall of Fame jockey Edgar Prado. "I liked his work. He worked very steady, the way I expected," trainer Jose Corrales said Sunday. "I feel like the horse really already acclimatized into this weather. When we first came here, not even fast galloping he'd come back blowing so hard, and now he goes all the way around no problem and finishes like I want him to." | Lauren King

CALIFORNIA MARES NO MATCH FOR INVADER

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Bill Finley chats with trainer Don Schnell, who shipped in his prized mare *Escape Clause* (*Going Commando*) to capture Saturday's *GIII La Canada S.* at Santa Anita. Once a bargain yearling purchase for the owner/trainer, *Escape Clause* raced primarily at lower-level Canadian tracks before making the jump to the big time.



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When queried as to what might be different in the 2019 version of the integrity act or what the legislators learned from previous go-rounds to improve the bill's chances of passage, both Congressional camps were light on details other than to say they are currently working through the text, deciding who will be the primary sponsor of the bill, and figuring out the best time to launch it.

"As the representative of the horse capital of the world, this legislation has been and will continue to be a priority for me," Barr said in an emailed statement. "I continue to believe the future prosperity of Kentucky's signature horse racing industry depends on national uniform medication standards and testing procedures. My colleague, Congressman Paul Tonko, and I plan to re-introduce this legislation early in the 116th Congress with

the objective of holding another hearing and mark-up in the committee of jurisdiction. Last Congress, we secured over 100 cosponsors and I look forward to continue to build upon this bipartisan work to ensure the safety and integrity of this great American sport."



Turf Paradise | Coady photo

Action louder than words in Arizona?

"Integrity" has been a big buzz word in the sport for the last decade or so. But how often do you see a regulator taking a strong stand in the name of safety the way the vice chairman of the Arizona Racing Commission did last Thursday when he abruptly stormed out of a meeting just as the vote came up for the three-year license renewal for Turf Paradise?

According to a story first reported by AZCentral.com, commissioner Rory Goree toured the backstretch of the Phoenix

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track earlier this month after a fire burned through two tack rooms. At the Jan. 10 meeting, he said he was appalled at finding “glaring safety problems” that included missing, outdated, and non-functional fire extinguishers and smoke detectors. He added that Turf Paradise has a history of safety issues, and that there's a lack of accountability in resolving them.

“If we're not as a collective group giving a s**t about security, how are we giving a s**t about racing?” Goree asked his fellow commissioners, punctuating his impassioned points with profanity. “We have people’s lives--and horses’ lives--at risk.”

Despite Goree’s concerns, state racing division director Rudy Casillas later urged commissioners to grant the three-year license renewal for the track. Commissioner Tom Lawless moved for approval. According to AZCentral, Goree then stunned his colleagues by standing to announce, “At this time, I am leaving, and there will be no quorum” before marching out of the room.

Jerry Simms, the majority owner of Turf Paradise, denied the commissioner’s assertion that the track has chronic problems with safety. “Safety is the most important thing to us,” he told AZCentral.

According to the article, the Arizona commission is supposed to consist of five members, but has been operating with just three because of unfilled vacancies that were caused by resignations, one of which dates back over a year.

AZCentral also reported that alleged fraternization among the track’s owner, commissioner Lawless, and commission chairman Jay McClintock has contributed to perceptions of insider dealings. The story said, “Critics contend Jerry Simms has undue influence with the Racing Commission through personal friendships with Lawless and McClintock, who regularly socialize with the Turf Paradise boss.”

Reached outside after leaving the meeting, Goree told AZCentral that, “I just couldn't let a vote go forward without [safety] assurances....There have been times I've been ready to quit. I just feel there are things going on behind the scenes--directions coming from somewhere.”

Heating Up in Hot Springs

With light rain, fog, and chilly temperatures that barely cracked 40F degrees in Hot Springs over the weekend, Oaklawn Park already looks like it made a winning move by pushing back its traditional opening date two weeks to Jan. 25.

On the back end, the boutique meet at Oaklawn will extend through May 4 for the first time this season, running a full three weeks beyond the track’s traditional mid-April closing date. Over the past decade, Oaklawn has lost 14 January race dates to weather cancellations, and it was a no-brainer last spring when the track announced that its 2019 schedule switch would

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It will be interesting to see how the schedule switch affects the national balance of power, especially with respect to what the new overlap will mean for horse populations at Keeneland and Churchill Downs.

The impact will probably be minimal in 2019. But keep in mind that Oaklawn announced this schedule switch more than six months before Arkansas voters in November approved both full casino gaming and sports betting at the Hot Springs track. As those additional forms of gaming come online (and presumably bolster purses even further), speculation will naturally turn to whether or not Oaklawn wants to continue slicing early winter race dates in favor of expanding its footprint deeper into the better weather of the spring.



Nick Zito will stable at Oaklawn Park in 2019. | Coady photo

For years Oaklawn management has held firm in not adding a turf course, the cost of which couldn't be justified under a January-to-April racing schedule. But Hot Springs "greens up" significantly by mid March, and what if the racing season started even later and got extended deeper into the spring? As it stands right now, Oaklawn is the highest-profile track in the country without a turf course. Might that change in the future?

And what about 2-year-old racing? Would top outfits be incentivized to stick around a little later at Oaklawn for a longer spring meet if a few juvenile races popped up in the April/May condition book? (MSW races for older horses in 2019 will be carded for \$77,000, escalating up to \$87,000 on the track's three premier race days).

In the meantime, as the track readies for its 2019 opening, it seems as if every week the Oaklawn press office is announcing new faces that will be "following the money" to Hot Springs for

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the upcoming meet. Trainer Nick Zito will have a division at Oaklawn for the first time this winter/spring. And just last week, jockeys Joe Bravo and Stewart Elliott declared they'll be based at Oaklawn.

"You put up the money and everybody shows up, right?" Bravo said in advance of riding his first full meet in Arkansas. "Looks like you guys [Oaklawn] are putting it up pretty juicy this year."

Elliott rocketed to stardom at Oaklawn in 2004 by sweeping the track's Triple Crown prep race series about eventual dual-Classical winner Smarty Jones. He last rode regularly at Oaklawn in 2007.

"It's always been a fun meet, a good meet," Elliott said. "The people are so into it and everything. Like the first night I pulled in here, I went into the restaurant and the lady, I guess with my size, she figured I was a jockey. People are just so into the racing. It's kind of like a different place, really."

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CALIFORNIA MARES NO MATCH FOR THE ASSINIBOIA ASSASSIN *by Bill Finley*



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For much of her career, **Escape Clause** (Going Commando) has spent her time at Assiniboia Downs in Winnipeg, Manitoba, beating up on the outclassed rivals that dared to face her in small stakes on the Western Canadian circuit. Then, after her eighth straight win, one of which was in a two-horse field, trainer Don Schnell had a thought: why not see what she can do against stakes-quality mares in the U.S.?

Schnell sensed his mare had progressed so much last year that she was ready for a new challenge. He ought to know. He is her owner, trainer, groom, hotwalker, farrier and van driver.

"You're right, you won't see Bob Baffert driving the van when he ships a horse, but Bob Baffert has a lot more money than me," Schnell said.

The first time Schnell tried her in a stakes race in Southern California, the betting public didn't take her too seriously. They sent her off at 18-1 in the restricted Kathryn Crosby S. at Del Mar and she won via disqualification after crossing the wire second, a half-length behind Excellent Sunset (Ire) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}).

Schnell had his answer: Escape Clause belonged.

His mare next ran third, beaten a length, in the GIII Red Carpet H. and then fourth in the Dec. 29 GIII Robert J Frankel S. All three starts were on turf. After running in a stakes race, most trainers on the Southern California circuit would probably look to give their horses five or six weeks off. But that's not how they do things at the places Schnell competes at--Assiniboia, Northlands Park and Century Downs. Cheaper horses need to run to have any chance of making a profit for their owners, and Schnell is not used to babying his stock. Escape Clause ran 13 times in 2018 and once ran three times in a span of 20 days.

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"I never dreamed I'd ever run in a graded stakes race, let alone win one," said the 66-year-old trainer, who splits his time between Assiniboia and Turf Paradise in the winter. "Every time she runs, she never lets us down. She just keeps getting better. I am really proud of her--she's quite a star."



Don Schnell | Santa Anita photo

At Assiniboia, she is such a star that, Schnell said, after her victory Sunday they lowered drinks to happy hour prices and offered chicken wings at half price for those who were there to watch the La Canada simulcast.

When you've been toiling at cheap tracks in Western Canada since the early seventies, you have no expectations that a horse like this will ever come your way. Before Escape Clause came around, Schnell's claim to fame was that he was a two-time winner of the \$100,000 Alberta Derby.

Schnell discovered Escape Clause at the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society's 2015 Manitoba Yearling Sale and paid \$3,500 (Canadian) for the Manitoba-bred.

"At the sale, she kind of looked out of place," Schnell said. "She wasn't a super good-looking, mature horse. She was--I wouldn't say an ugly duckling--but she wasn't filled out because she was young. When you look at those kind of horses as a trainer, you like to look ahead and imagine what they're going to look like in a year or so. She looked like she was going to put on weight, muscle and mature. Of course, I had no idea she was going to be this good. She's just special. She has extreme heart; she tries every time."

Schnell won 50 races in 2018 and has plenty of help. He doesn't need to be the jack-of-all-trades that he is with Escape Clause, but she's so important to him that he won't trust her care to anyone else.

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"I do what I do with her because she is special," he said. "She is a little bit different to handle. She won't let anybody else put a bridle on her. I have to do that. She knows me and trusts me. Like a lot of good horses, she has quirks and I know her inside out, and she respects me. I would not feel comfortable having someone else do all those things."

Schnell was speaking from the van while driving back to Turf Paradise. Turf Paradise to Santa Anita isn't that bad a trip, but there's also been the drive from Assiniboia to Del Mar. Schnell estimates that was about 2,000 miles. He better keep the van in tip-top condition. Schnell says there's no longer any point running in the races in Canada and will stick to U.S. graded stakes. He wants to stay on the dirt for now, and Escape Clause has run some of her best races around one turn, so the Feb. 16 GII Santa Monica S. at seven furlongs could be an option.

At this point, Schnell isn't afraid to run against anybody.

"Tyler said yesterday after the race that this filly will win a Grade I, that it was remarkable how much horse he had left," Schnell said. "When he got the lead halfway down the lane, she stopped running, was just galloping and looking around. He said if he had to do it again, he would have waited and made his move later because once she blows by them she almost thinks the race is over and just gallops along."

Maybe Escape Clause has reached the limits of what she can accomplish, maybe she hasn't. Just take her lightly at your own risk.

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UNDER THE RADAR

In this new series we ask agents and others who book a lot of mares for their clients which sires might be flying slightly under the radar in this breeding season. Who might be getting overlooked in the rush for the new, hot thing? Read on.

Phil Hager

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My business is pretty diversified between racing clients and commercial clients, and I love stallions that can accomplish a lot of goals without breaking the bank. In my opinion, Munnings is a horse that you can use in a lot of different situations, whether you are breeding to him or buying one at the sales.

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Not to be too biased, but I would like to give an honorable mention to Get Stormy (\$6,500) who is a horse I have worked really closely with at Crestwood. He was the co-second third crop sire in 2018 by both cumulative graded stakes winners (4) and year-to-date graded stakes winners (3). He has done it all the hard way and trainers, owners, breeders and agents are beginning to notice.

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This article provides an overview of the factors examined by the IRS and offers insight into how to better secure independent contractor status.

The Advantages of Employing an Independent Contractor

Traditionally, many employers have classified workers as self-employed or as independent contractors. There are various benefits to this classification:

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Below are some of the more relevant factors to consider when evaluating whether an individual is an employee or self-employed/independent contractor.

Employee Factors

Instructions: A worker who is required to comply with another's set of instructions is ordinarily considered an employee.

Training: Formal or informal training at an employer's expense is indicative of an employer relationship.

Integration: Integrating the worker's services into the business operations generally shows that the worker is subject to control.

Services rendered personally: If the services have to be personally rendered, the employer probably controls the means as well as the results.

Hiring, supervising and paying assistants: Unless workers hire, supervise and pay their own assistants, if any, they are likely an employee.

Continuing relationship: The longer the liaison, the more likely an employee.

Full-time required: A full-time position is indicative of an employer-employee relationship, whereas independent workers choose their own hours.

Oral or written reports: Regular accountability of progress is usually a sign of control.

Payment of expenses: Reimbursement tends to support an employer-employee relationship.



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Multiple assignments: Workers who perform more than one job at a time for multiple different businesses are likely an independent contractor. Exercise riders at tracks tend to fall into this category especially if they rotate among barns or farms.

Payment by hour, week or month: Independent contractors are typically paid by the job, not in regular pattern.

Tools and materials: Independent contractors provide their own tools and materials.

Economic loss: A worker who is subject to the risk of economic loss due to a liability for expenses is an independent contractor.

Right to discharge: An independent contractor generally cannot be fired if the contractual specifications are met.

Right to terminate: Employees have the right to terminate their job without incurring liability.

Safeguards to Withstand IRS Scrutiny

Since an IRS audit can result in an assessment of penalties and interest, in addition to the employer/employee payroll taxes that will be due, it becomes incumbent to take measures to preserve the intended working relationship.

Suggestions from The Green Group

1) Apply for an advanced ruling, Form SS-8, entitled "Determination of Worker Status for Purposes of Federal Employment Taxes and Income Tax Withholding." The advantage to this filing is to get clarity as to whether a worker is an employee. The form focuses on behavioral control, financial control and relationship of the worker.

2) Enter into a written consulting agreement with language coordinated to the 20-factor control test. The contract should specify the nature of the work to be performed, discuss the terms and conditions and state the responsibilities of the independent contractor.

3) Utilize practices that are consistent with recognized practices in the horse industry, specifically with farm owners, pinhookers and trainers.



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State Interpretations

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Sarah K. Andrew photo

Department of Labor Audits (DOL)

As if a trainer's life isn't difficult enough, the DOL has started extensive audits at racetracks to make sure workers are being properly paid for their hours. Since many trainers do not traditionally use "time clocks" to keep track of hours worked, this becomes an expensive issue.

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- The colt is out of the stakes-producing El Prado (Ire) mare Miss Prado.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Jan. 19	GII Palos Verdes S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Lecomte S.	Fair Grounds
	GIII Toboggan S.	Aqueduct
	Silverbulletday S.	Fair Grounds
Jan. 20	GIII Astra S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 21	GIII Megahertz S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 25	Smarty Jones S.	Oaklawn
Jan. 26	GI Pegasus World Cup	Gulfstream
	GI Pegasus World Cup Turf	Gulfstream
	GIII La Prevoyante H.	Gulfstream
	GIII Fred W. Hooper S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Hurricane Bertie S.	Gulfstream
	GIII W.L. McKnight H.	Gulfstream
	GIII Houston Ladies Classic	Sam Houston
Jan. 27	GIII John B. Connally Turf Cup	Sam Houston
	Feb. 2	GII Holy Bull S.
Feb. 2	GII San Pasqual S.	Santa Anita
	GII San Marcos S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Robert B. Lewis S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Forward Gal S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Swale S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Withers S.	Aqueduct
Feb. 9	GII Las Virgenes S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Suwanee River S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Thunder Road S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Endeavour S.	Tampa
	GIII Sam F. Davis S.	Tampa
	GIII Tampa Bay S.	Tampa



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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

REGO PARK S., \$101,300, Aqueduct, 1-13, (S), 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:18.99, ft.

1--**BLINDWILLIE MCTELL**, 124, g, 3, by Posse--Bold Child (SP), by Flatter. O/B-Jerold L. Zaro (NY); T-Linda Rice; J-Dylan Davis. \$55,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$149,900. *Full to Young Anna Lee, SP, \$165,616.

2--**Kadens Courage**, 120, c, 3, Frost Giant--Subtle Sweetness, by During. (\$35,000 RNA Ylg '17 SARAUG). O-Sunrise Stables & Celeritas Racing LLC; B-Sunrise Stables (NY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez. \$21,000.

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3--**Thorny Tale**, 120, g, 3, Forty Tales--Spirit of Rose, by City Zip. (\$10,000 Wlg '16 FTNMIX; \$21,000 Ylg '17 OBSOCT).

O-Commonwealth Stable & Randy Bradshaw; B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC & Spruce Lane Farm (NY); T-George Weaver. \$12,000.

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Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, NK. Odds: 1.10, 6.90, 3.80.

Also Ran: Show Prince, Kazmania, Tiergan, Just Right, Funny Guy, Bydawnsearlylight. Scratched: Strive for a Cure, Bustin to Be Loved.

Blindwillie McTell, a distant second debuting here Nov. 17, improved markedly to capture the New York Stallion Series S. in the local slop Dec. 16, and was made a heavy chalk to double up in this Empire-bred spot. Stumbling at the start, the dark bay recovered quickly under Dylan Davis and dueled with a longshot through a sharp :22.63 quarter. Turning back another pace rival on the turn, he sped clear past mid-stretch. Getting a bit leg-weary late, he nevertheless had enough to stave off the challenge of Kadens Courage on the wire.

"Fortunately, Dylan was able to stay on after the break," winning trainer Linda Rice commented. "He was very game today. It was a good effort, and thankfully after the break Dylan was able to put him in a position to get up front. Going forward, I still think he's a horse that may be able to stretch out. We're just going to enjoy this win right now and weigh our options at a distance somewhere between six furlongs to a mile."

The winner has a juvenile full-brother named Blackjack Davey and a yearling Freud half-brother named Thunderbird Cafe. His dam returned to the latter sire last spring. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

KALOOKAN QUEEN S., \$76,200, Santa Anita, 1-13, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:15.55, ft.

1--**SPRING LILY, 120, f, 4, Union Rags--Taro, by Bertrando.**

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (\$90,000 RNA Wlg '15 KEENOV).

O-Pam & Martin Wygod; B-Emily Wygod (KY); T-John A. Shirreffs; J-Evin A. Roman. \$45,720. Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-3, \$147,075.



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BLACKWOOD GRADUATE

2--**Selcourt**, 124, m, 5, Tiz Wonderful--Azure Spring, by Open Forum. **'TDN Rising Star'** (\$800,000 4yo '18 FTKNOV).

O-Medallion Racing & Keith Abrahams; B-Keith Abrahams (KY); T-John W. Sadler. \$15,240.



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3--**Tyfasha**, 120, f, 4, Flatter--Penny Marie, by Sky Classic.

(\$410,000 2yo '17 OBSMAR). O-3C Stables, LLC; B-Lazy Lane Farms, LLC. (VA); T-Doug F. O'Neill. \$9,144.



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Margins: 2 1/4, 3 3/4, 2 3/4. Odds: 16.40, 0.30, 16.50.

Also Ran: Lake Time, Way to Versailles. Scratched: Lady Suebee.

Spring Lily took the best shot from prohibitive favorite Selcourt and kept going to upset the Kalookan Queen S. Sunday at Santa Anita.

A second-out graduate against restricted rivals here last February, the homebred was a distant third in the GIII Santa Ysabel S. next out and finished last of nine in the GI Santa Anita Oaks Apr. 7. Annexing a Del Mar optional claimer Aug. 5, she was third in the GIII Torrey Pines S. there three weeks later before running 13th in the GIII Autumn Miss S. over the local lawn Oct. 27. Last seen completing the trifecta in a Del Mar main-track optional claimer Nov. 16, she was made the second-longest shot in this quintet by one thin dime. Traveling a close-up second through a :21.99 quarter with the 3-10 chalk to her outside, she stuck to the favorite's neck around the turn as the rail-running pacesetter dropped away. Still appearing as though she'd be discarded at any moment by Selcourt heading for home, Spring Lily dug in to counterpunch and found another gear past the eighth pole. Beginning to edge clear, she finished full of run to pull off the shocker in convincing fashion. Selcourt was clear for the place.

The victress has a juvenile half-brother by Shanghai Bobby and a yearling Congrats half-sister. Her dam returned to her sire last term. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

3rd-Santa Anita, \$67,351, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 1-13, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:35.32, gd.

BIG SCORE (h, 5, Mr. Big--Not Unusual, by Unusual Heat), an upset winner of the 2017 GIII Transylvania S., hadn't competed outside of stakes company since his successful debut at two. He'd last been seen finishing a late-running fourth in the GIII Seabiscuit H. at Del Mar Nov. 24, and was 7-5 against a field in which every participant had most recently competed at the graded level. In his usual spot at the back of the pack early, the dark bay advanced along the inside but found no running room as they entered the lane. Completely buried until mid-stretch, Joel Rosario finally worked him to the far outside and he responded with a rush to get up by a half-length over La Ken (Arg) (Easing Along). The winner's now 3-year-old half-sister Mucho Unusual (Mucho Macho Man) was second in a pair of Cal-bred stakes last season. He has a yearling full-brother and his dam was bred again to Mr. Big last term. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 17-4-4-3, \$635,372. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O/B-George Krikorian (KY); T-Tim Yakteen.

3rd-Gulfstream, \$49,720, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 1-13, 3yo, 6f, 1:11.23, ft.

TAKE COMMAND (c, 3, Field Commission--Espanola Way, by Cozzene) aired by five lengths first up against fellow Florida-breds on July 4, but had been off since finishing sixth in the Florida Sire Series Dr. Fager S. a month later. Given a 5-2 chance in this open-company spot, the grey emerged from the early scramble with a clear advantage. Heading for home after a :45.60 half, he was pursued in earnest down to the line by Ourbestfriend D L (Yes It's True), but fended off that foe by three-quarters of a length. Sales History: \$12,000 Ylg '17 OBSWIN. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$63,800. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
O-Tropic Lightning Racing LLC; B-Edward A. Seltzer (FL); T-Teresa M. Pompay.

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2nd-Fair Grounds, \$43,000, (S), Alw (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$30,000), 1-13, 3yo, 6f, 1:11.50, ft.

SHANG (c, 3, Shanghai Bobby--Humble Janet {MGSP, \$189,050}, by Humble Eleven) just missed by a neck debuting here Nov. 17 and graduated in the slop over track and trip Dec. 8. Made an 11-10 favorite to repeat in this spot, the \$90,000 Fasig-Tipton October pickup traveled in a pocketed sixth behind a :22.54 quarter, ranged into contention five deep at the three-sixteenths pole and ran down Boston Repo (Lion Tamer) despite failing to switch leads en route to a three-length success. The winner has a juvenile half-sister by Guilt Trip named Janet's Guilt and a yearling Tapiture half-brother. His dam visited El Deal last spring. Sales History: \$90,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$58,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**

O-L. William & Corinne Heiligbrodt; B-Cloyce C. Clark (LA); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Aqueduct, \$68,000, Msw, 1-13, 3yo, 1m, 1:39.32, ft.

MIDNIGHT CURFEW (c, 3, Midnight Lute--T. R. Indy, by Dixie Union) was a wide, slow-starting sixth debuting Nov. 2 at Churchill and showed much more speed before fading to finish fourth over track and trip Dec. 1. Let go at a nickel below 7-2 here, the \$150,000 Keeneland September buy broke sharply before deferring to Pickle Rick (Twirling Candy) through splits of :23.60 and :47.43. Drawing alongside the pacesetter five sixteenths from home, he gradually wore that foe down to prevail by 1 3/4 lengths. The win was the second of the day for owner/bloodstock agent Mike Ryan, who also captured Gulfstream's sixth event with Don't Make Fun (Kitten's Joy). The victor's dam produced a Hard Spun filly last term before being bred to Runhappy. Sales History: \$150,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$42,010. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Michael J. Ryan; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart.



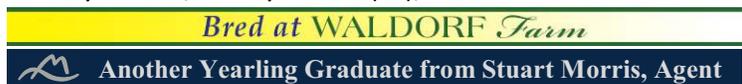
1st-Aqueduct, \$65,960, Msw, 1-13, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04.79, ft. AMERICAN MANDATE (c, 3, **Strong Mandate--Pebble Hill, by Lemon Drop Kid)** had been knocking on the door since August at Ellis, and most recently finished second by a neck here with an 85 Beyer Speed Figure. The overwhelming 1-5 choice, he set the pace off the fence and dug deep late to hold off Grumps Little Tots (Sky Mesa) by a nose. The winner, a \$50,000 KEESEP yearling, is the 11th individual winner for his sire (by Tiznow). He has a 2-year-old half-sister by Algorithms and a yearling full-sister. His dam, a daughter of SW/MGISP Fircroft (A.P. Indy), most recently visited Trappe Shot. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-1, \$80,200. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Ed & Susie Orr; B-G. Watts Humphrey (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.



8th-Gulfstream, \$44,820, Msw, 1-13, 3yo, f, 5fT, :57.28, fm. CATCH A THRILL (f, 3, **City Zip--Successfully Sweet {SW, \$104,650}, by Successful Appeal),** given a 32-5 chance in this unveiling, broke near the rear of the field before improving to sit fifth off a sharp :21.29 quarter. Following the bid of heavily-favored stablemate Lady Grace (Kantharos) nearing the stretch, the bay overtook that one at the furlong grounds and kicked clear to a 2 1/2-length tally. Lady Grace held second. The victress is a half to Confrontation (War Pass), GSW-UAE & MGSP-US, \$558,875. Her dam was bred to Run Away and Hide last season. Sales History: \$30,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,800. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Tracy Farmer; B-Jerry Bilinski (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.



1st-Gulfstream, \$43,350, Msw, 1-13, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.68, fm. ESFERA (f, 4, **Orb--Tap Mate, by Pleasant Tap)** closed from last to be fifth debuting in a local turf sprint last February and was a distant second in an off-the-turf heat upon return here Dec. 16. Given a 21-5 chance back on the lawn here, the bay settled in fifth behind splits of :23.40 and :46.83. Revving up three wide midway around the far turn, she swept past the pacesetter at the sixteenth pole and edged clear before holding sway from Moviemaker (Curlin) by three-quarters of a length. The victress has a juvenile half-sister by Awesome Again named How Awesome Am I and a yearling Upstart half-brother. Sales History: \$47,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0,

\$35,030. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-GBW Racing LLC; B-Brookfield Stud (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes.



6th-Gulfstream, \$43,350, Msw, 1-13, 3yo, f, 5fT, :56.80, fm. DON'T MAKE FUN (f, 3, **Kitten's Joy--Makers and Me, by Good Reward)** put in a late run to be a close fourth at 23-1 on debut here over course and distance Dec. 23. Away in good order, the 3-1 shot was shuffled back slightly to fifth behind a :21.64 opening quarter. Ranging up three deep heading for home, she took over past a :44.50 half to best longshot firster Trenchtown Cat (Discreet Cat) by a length. The winner's dam is a half to GISW Pure Fun (Pure Prize). She has a 2-year-old full-daughter to the winner and sold at last week's Keeneland January sale for \$5,000 in foal to Overanalyze. Sales History: \$60,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,400. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Niall J. Brennan & Michael J. Ryan; B-Jeffrey K., Stephanie E. & William K. Ramsey (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.



4th-Fair Grounds, \$41,000, Msw, 1-13, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:45.11, ft.

TASTING THE STARS (f, 3, **Bodemeister--Pink Champagne {GSW, \$145,957}, by Awesome Again),** more or less ignored at 11-1 for this two-turn unveiling, brok in the back half of the field before inching closer out wide down the backside. Perched in third through a :48.76 half, she was given her cue on the bend and struck the front nearing the top of the lane. Sporting cheekpieces, the bay opened up at will in midstretch, but swapped back over to her incorrect lead as she continued on 5 1/4 lengths to the good. Grandezza (Scat Daddy) completed the exacta. The winner has a yearling half-sister by Munnings and her dam was bred back to Runhappy. For more on the Virginia-bred after she sold at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Yearlings Sale, see *Audley Back in Action at Timonium*. Sales History: \$140,000 Ylg '17 EASOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**

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8th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,500, Msw, 1-12, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.38, fm.

UMETUKA (f, 4, Midnight Lute--Cobbler's Reef, by A.P. Indy), third in a trio of main-track sprints at Gulfstream, went one better when switched to a turfy mile Sept. 14. Given a 5-1 first time off the trainer change from Ralph Nicks, the bay tracked a runaway pacesetter from second and took over in upper stretch en route to a 1 1/4-length victory. The winner has a 2-year-old half-sister by Uncle Mo and a yearling half-sister by Verrazano. Red Curls (Curlin) was second. Sales history: \$55,000 2yo '17 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-3, \$33,230. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Gelfenstein Farm; B-CESA Farm (KY); T-Bernardo G. Lopez.

9th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,000, Msw, 1-13, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:36.12, fm.

REGAL IMAGE (g, 4, Medaglia d'Oro--Issaqueena, by Mr. Prospector) was runner-up debuting in a local dirt sprint Dec. 22 and broke as the 7-5 public's choice getting on the green here. Dictating terms through a quick :22.90 quarter and more moderate :47 flat half, the homebred was confronted by Hardest Part (GB) (Hard Spun) approaching the lane before finding more in the final furlong and drawing away to a four-length graduation over that rival. The winner is a full to New Trails, SP-UAE, \$174,192; and a half to Tizaqueena (Tiznow), MGSW & GISP, \$654,698. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$16,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Godolphin LLC (KY); T-Michael Stidham.



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Golden Spark, g, 5, Munnings--Shes Her Own Posse, by Posse. Kranji, 1-13, Hcp. (\$22k), 1000m (AWT), 1:01.83. B-Stoneview Farm Inc (KY). *\$40,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; \$45,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSAPR. **VIDEO**

Eve Harrington, f, 3, Flatter. See "Britain".

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2nd-Aqueduct, \$78,638, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-13, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:51.44, ft.

STAN THE MAN (g, 5, Broken Vow--Nite in Rome {GSP}, by Harlan's Holiday) Lifetime Record: 15-4-5-2, \$236,549. O-Long Lake Stable LLC; B-Emma & Dermot Quinn & Scott & Debbie Pierce (KY); T-John P. Terranova II. *\$82,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$150,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL.

9th-Gulfstream, \$44,300, 1-13, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:37.01, fm.

PAGLIACCI (g, 5, Pioneerof the Nile--Clever Feline, by Officer) Lifetime Record: 14-2-2-3, \$113,835. O/B-Harvey A. Clarke (KY); T-William I. Mott. *\$185,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP.

6th-Fair Grounds, \$43,240, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 1-13, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:44.72, ft.

STREET BAND (f, 3, Istan--Street Minstrel, by Street Cry {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-2, \$62,325. O/B-J. Larry & Cindy Jones & Ray Francis (KY); T-J. Larry Jones.

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8th-Delta Downs, \$42,000, (S), 1-12, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 5f, :59.20, ft.

AZTEC DELITE (g, 5, Tight Grip--Deliteful Snoop, by Afternoon Deelites) Lifetime Record: 20-5-2-4, \$69,240. O-Terrell Jarrett Jr.; B-I. Lee Lange (LA); T-Jorge Lara. *\$700 RNA Ylg '15 ESLMIX; \$5,000 2yo '16 EQL2YO.

7th-Sunland, \$29,100, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$17,500), 1-13, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.31, ft.

THE INCIDENT (m, 5, Unbridled's Song--Fee Fi Fo Fum {GSP}, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: SP, 13-3-2-1, \$97,075. O-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Smart Angle, LLP (PA); T-Henry Dominguez. *\$155,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV.

3rd-Sunland, \$25,500, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$12,500), 1-13, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:35.27, ft.

PENDLETON (g, 5, Giant's Causeway--Distorted Passion {MSW & MGSP, \$294,271}, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$52,494. O-William & Susan Tomasic; B-Aaron & Marie Jones (KY); T-Justin R. Evans. *\$600,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$15,000 4yo '18 KEEJAN. **1/2 to Mrs McDougal (Medaglia d'Oro), MGSW & GISP, \$496,736.



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8th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,000, 1-13, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.92, fm.

TERRABYTE (f, 4, Data Link--Starship Cruiser {SP, \$191,602}, by Golden Missile) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$77,913. O-Curragh Stables, Gatsas Stables & Ken Geren; B-Don M. Robinson (KY); T-John P. Terranova II. *\$7,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$110,000 2yo '17 OBSAPR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Trust N Prayer, g, 3, **Abstraction**--Gods Lil Angel, by Desert God. Sunland, 1-13, (S), 1m, 1:39.64. B-Michael C. Stinson (NM).

Diamond Blitz, c, 3, **Munnings**--Morediamondsplease, by More Than Ready. Santa Anita, 1-13, (C), 1mT, 1:37.03. B-BHMFRL, LLC (KY). *\$20,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$40,000 RNA 2yo '18 OBSOPN.

Figure, f, 3, **Overanalyze**--Armathwaite, by Sky Classic. Sunland, 1-13, 6f, 1:09.57. B-Douglas S. Arnold & Douglas S. Arnold Jr. (KY). *\$27,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **1/2 to Ben's Duchess (Munnings), GSW, \$265,311.

Kick It Deep, f, 3, **Sky Mesa**--Look Deep (SW, \$168,104), by Petionville. Penn National, 1-12, 5 1/2f, 1:05.03. B-Arrowwood Farm (PA).



ABSTRACTION, Trust N Prayer, g, 3, o/o Gods Lil Angel, by Desert God. MSW, 1-13, Sunland

BODEMEISTER, Tasting the Stars, f, 3, o/o Pink Champagne, by Awesome Again. MSW, 1-13, Fair Grounds

BROKEN VOW, Stan the Man, g, 5, o/o Nite in Rome, by Harlan's Holiday. AOC, 1-13, Aqueduct

CITY ZIP, Catch a Thrill, f, 3, o/o Successfully Sweet, by Successful Appeal. MSW, 1-13, Gulfstream

DATA LINK, Terrabyte, f, 4, o/o Starship Cruiser, by Golden Missile. ALW, 1-13, Tampa Bay

FIELD COMMISSION, Take Command, c, 3, o/o Espanola Way, by Cozzene. AOC, 1-13, Gulfstream

GIANT'S CAUSEWAY, Pendleton, g, 5, o/o Distorted Passion, by Distorted Humor. AOC, 1-13, Sunland

ISTAN, Street Band, f, 3, o/o Street Minstrel, by Street Cry (Ire). AOC, 1-13, Fair Grounds

KITTEN'S JOY, Don't Make Fun, f, 3, o/o Makers and Me, by Good Reward. MSW, 1-13, Gulfstream

MEDAGLIA D'ORO, Regal Image, g, 4, o/o Issaqueena, by Mr. Prospector. MSW, 1-13, Tampa Bay

MIDNIGHT LUTE, Midnight Curfew, c, 3, o/o T. R. Indy, by Dixie Union. MSW, 1-13, Aqueduct

MIDNIGHT LUTE, Umetuka, f, 4, o/o Cobbler's Reef, by A.P. Indy. MSW, 1-12, Tampa Bay

MR. BIG, Big Score, h, 5, o/o Not Unusual, by Unusual Heat. AOC, 1-13, Santa Anita

MUNNINGS, Diamond Blitz, c, 3, o/o Morediamondsplease, by More Than Ready. MCL, 1-13, Santa Anita

ORB, Esfera, f, 4, o/o Tap Mate, by Pleasant Tap. MSW, 1-13, Gulfstream

OVERANALYZE, Figure, f, 3, o/o Armathwaite, by Sky Classic. MSW, 1-13, Sunland

PIONEER OF THE NILE, Pagliacci, g, 5, o/o Clever Feline, by Officer. ALW, 1-13, Gulfstream

POSSE, Blindwillie McTell, g, 3, o/o Bold Child, by Flatter. Rego Park S., 1-13, Aqueduct

SHANGHAI BOBBY, Shang, c, 3, o/o Humble Janet, by Humble Eleven. AOC, 1-13, Fair Grounds

SKY MESA, Kick It Deep, f, 3, o/o Look Deep, by Petionville. MSW, 1-12, Penn National

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VALUE SIRES: SECOND- AND THIRD-CROP SIRES



Ruler of the World had a Group 1 winner in his first crop | *Coolmore*

By Kelsey Riley

In the fifth installment of our value sires series, we look at the second and third-crop sires of 2019—at last, horses with runners on the board that we can draw concrete evidence from. This exercise still involves some speculation in the case of the second-season sires who have just one season behind them, but nonetheless we'll examine their racetrack results, look at who is punching above their weight and also pick out a few who could jump up and surprise us this year.

SECOND-CROP SIRES OF 2019

We know all about the leader of this sire crop, **No Nay Never**, who sees his fee quadrupled to €100,000 this year after leading all first-season sires last year by earnings, stakes winners and stakes horses, group winners and group horses, winners, and wins. The current chief heir to Scat Daddy was also one of just two first-season sires to provide a Group 1 winner last year. This year's yearlings, like last year's, were bred on his lowest-ever fee of €17,500, so he just has to keep his momentum going for the breeders of the 123 mares who supported him in 2017 to really cash in.

In an article [published in the TDN](#) in late November, John Boyce calculated the leading sires of this crop based on the average Timeform ratings of their 10 top-rated runners. [Cont. p2](#)

LADY ROTHSCHILD PASSES AWAY AT 83

Long-time Thoroughbred owner/breeder Lady Rothschild died in a London hospital on Sunday, a spokeswoman for her family said. The owner of MG1SW Nathaniel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) was 83. Lady Rothschild, born Serena Mary Dunn on Apr. 28, 1935, "fought a recent illness most valiantly," the spokeswoman added. Lady Rothschild, who was known to shy away from the public eye, was married to investment banker Lord Jacob Rothschild and ran Waddesdon Stud in Buckinghamshire. The granddaughter of Canadian financier Sir James Dunn, Lady Rothschild leaves four children and eight grandchildren.

The aforementioned Nathaniel—named after her son—gave Lady Rothschild a landmark success on the racecourse in 2011, when he saluted in the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. at Ascot for trainer John Gosden. [Cont. p6](#)

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He states that, at this point in their careers, “any sire that can surpass the 100 mark is truly exceptional.” No Nay Never achieved that feat. So too did **Kingman (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

Juddmonte’s Kingman was ‘just’ fourth by earnings on the first-season sires’ table, but it was the sheer quality of his winners that saw his fee bumped up by £20,000 to £75,000 for 2019. Like No Nay Never he sired two group winners (and five total stakes winners), and his G2 Coventry S. winner Calyx (GB) would likely have been challenging for the major juvenile Group 1s in the autumn had he not been knocked out by injury. The volume of his eye-catching early runners is best described in these pages by the fact that he had five TDN Rising Stars last year—No Nay Never had one, his Group 1 winner Ten Sovereigns (Ire). With so many of the top breeders having supported Kingman from the beginning—his five stakes winners were bred by Juddmonte (two), George Strawbridge, Lordship Stud and Dayton Investments—the verdict really looks to be in for him to develop into a top sire.

Beneath the ‘elite’ two, there are a handful of young sires still worth betting on. Alongside No Nay Never at Coolmore are Galileo’s Derby winners Australia (GB) and Ruler of the World (GB). **Australia**, the son of the excellent mare Ouija Board (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), sired one stakes winner, the dual French group winner Beyond Reason (Ire), but most interesting is the fact that his three stakes-placed horses were all placed in Group 1s, making him the leader of this crop by Group 1 horses. That

trio was Broome (Ire), second in the Jean-Luc Lagardere, Sydney Opera House (Ire), runner-up in the G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud and Western Australia (Ire), third in the Vertem Futurity Trophy S. The Epsom and Irish Derby and Juddmonte International winner is available for €35,000 this year.

Ruler of the World was dealt a serious blow very early in his career when, soon into his initial season in 2015, he was injured and knocked out the rest of the covering season. As a result his first crop yielded just 32 named foals, but those included the G1 Fillies’ Mile winner Iridessa (Ire) and the dual Italian stakes-placed The World Is Your (Ire). Ruler of the World’s two black-type horses from 19 starters resulted in a ratio of 10.5%.

Unfortunately, support for the horse hasn’t increased greatly; his new crop of juveniles this year numbers 54 and he was visited by 54 and 47 mares the last two seasons; however, a young Group 1 sire, who is a Derby-winning half-brother to established sire Duke of Marmalade (Ire) and from the family of A.P. Indy, at €8,000 seems like a bet worth rolling the dice on. At that same fee at Coolmore this year is the G1 Dewhurst S. and G2 Coventry S. winner **War Command** (War Front). He sired 23 winners in his initial season including the Listed Pat Eddery S. winner Victory



Garswood had two group winners last year | Cheveley Park Stud

Command (Ire) and the French listed-placed Dancing Warrior (GB).

Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) wound up second on the first-season sires’ table, his 27 winners one shy of No Nay Never’s tally. He provided the G3 Dick Poole S. winner Yourtimeisnow (GB), as well as the G2 July S. third Charming Kid (GB). **Cont. p3**

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The triple Group 1-winning miler has alternated his first five seasons between Tweenhills in Britain and Haras de Bonneval in France, and he returns to Tweenhills this year and gets a fee cut to £17,500—he was €20,000 last year in France and £20,000 last time he was in Britain.

As John Boyce pointed out in the aforementioned story, Dubawi (Ire), Dark Angel (Ire) and Pivotal (GB) each managed two stakes winners in their initial crops, so by that measure Anodin (Ire) (Anabaa), Bungle Inthejungle (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), Sea The Moon (Ger) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) and Garswood (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}) are ticking along just fine. For the latter two, both of their black-type winners are group winners. The G1 Deutsches Derby winner **Sea The Moon**, who stands for £15,000 at Lanwades Stud, provided the Group 3 winners Noble Moon (Ger) and Quest The Moon (Ger) in his own country of birth, and he also had the Group 3-placed Man On The Moon (Ger) and the British listed-placed Three Comets (Ger). While Sea The Moon himself won his only 2-year-old outing impressively enough to be named a TDN Rising Star, everything about his own progression and his Classic German family suggest his progeny should progress with age.

Garswood (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}) did not have numbers on his side last year, his first crop numbering just 56, but the two group winners he returned actually resulted in a 5.6% group winners to starters (36) ratio that was best among this sire crop. Garswood was a listed winner at two and beaten a head by Bungle Inthejungle in the G3 Cornwallis S., and he trained on at three to win the G2 Lennox S. over seven furlongs and at four to win the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest. Garswood's support has grown the last two seasons—he covered 81 mares in 2017 and 102 last year—and he has every right to progress as a sire. Best of all, he is available for £3,500 at Cheveley Park Stud.

Anodin (Ire) (Anabaa) was France's leading first-crop sire last year. He returned a total 21 winners, and his pair of stakes winners included the G3 Prix des Chenes victor and G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere third Anodor (Fr). He also had the listed winner Harmless (Fr) and the Chenes third Insandi (Fr).

Bungle Inthejungle (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) shot out of the gates at the start of last year, leading the winners' tally early, and he wound up with 24 winners including the G3 Molecomb S. winner and G1 Middle Park S. third Rumble Inthejungle (Ire), as well as the Italian stakes winner Sopran Artemide (Ire). His fee more than doubles this year, jumping from €5,000 to €12,000 at Rathasker Stud.

This sire crop has another Group 1-winning sprinting son of Dutch Art who wasn't at his best until later, and that is Darley Kildangan's **Slade Power (Ire)**, who won the G1 July Cup and G1 Diamond Jubilee at five. **Cont. p4**

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Nonetheless, he had 60 of his 83 first-crop foals make it to the races this year and they won at a 27% clip, with three black-type horses among them. He is down to €7,500 this year.

Haras de Bouquetot's **Toronado (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) really started to light up during the second half of the season last year, and wound up with 23 winners. While he didn't have a stakes winner he had five knocking on the door, including the G3 Acomb S. second Watan (GB) and the G3 Horris Hill S. third Almufti (GB). He was fifth in John Boyce's aforementioned rankings and stands for €12,000 this year. He stands alongside the four-time Group 1-winning miler **Olympic Glory (Ire)** (Choisir {Aus}) (€8,000), who turned out 20 winners and three black-type horses. He is a horse with a real shot, having been consistently good among the top-class milers for two campaigns.

Also without a stakes winner but with five stakes horses was the National Stud's **Gregorian (Ire)** (Clodovil {Ire}), who was himself a winner at two but really progressed with age. He was placed in the G1 St James's Palace S. and G1 Prix Jean Prat at three and won three group races at four and five. He stands for £8,000 this year.

THIRD-CROP SIRES OF 2019

Like the class that followed, this group has a clear leader that stands at Coolmore and that is **Camelot (GB)** (Montjeu {Ire}), who made a huge leap in 2018 after wrapping up 2017 fourth on the first-season sires' table. It could have been completely expected that the dual Derby winner's progeny would progress with age, and he delivered by adding 12 new stakes winners last year, headed by Group 1 winners Latrobe (Ire), Athena (Ire) and Wonderment (Ire). He also had the Royal Ascot winners Hunting Horn (GB) and Arthur Kitt (GB) among that group. **Cont. p5**

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Silvestre de Sousa, Saeed bin Suroor and Farhh after his win in the G1 Champion S. Farhh has sired some classy horses from limited numbers
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Camelot led his sire crop last year by every measure: 12 stakes winners (double that of next-best Intello), 19 stakes horses, six group winners (again, double Intello), 14 group horses, three Group 1 winners and four Group 1 horses. Camelot is up to a career-high €40,000 this year, but for a horse that is tracking along like a potential breed-shaper that, in fact, looks like tremendous value.

As Camelot's leap up the ranks indicates, this is the time when we can truly start to separate the men—who are going to provide horses with class that train on—from the boys: those whose lights burn out after a handful of early winners. **Intello (Ger)** (Galileo {Ire}) may have taken a bit of a beating in the prior paragraph, but being second to Camelot is nothing to be ashamed of, and he himself came on a ton last year. The G1 Prix du Jockey Club winner has split his time between Cheveley Park Stud and Haras du Quesnay thus far, and he is at Cheveley Park this year for £20,000. After wrapping up his initial season in eighth among first-season sires with a single stakes winner, he posted six this year, including the G1 Prix Jean Prat winner Intellogent (Fr) and the very promising G3 Chester Vase and G3

Legacy Cup winner Young Rascal (Fr). Intello comes from the same Galileo over Danehill cross that has produced excellent sires Frankel (GB) and Teofilo (Ire), and he has a very high-class Wertheimer page.

Breeders may have been biting their nails at the end of 2017 when the 2-year-old champion **Dawn Approach (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}) returned just 12 winners and zero stakes winners with his first crop of racing age, but those who showed patience were rewarded this year when the horse sired five stakes winners. One of those is the G2 Golden Fleece S. winner and 2019 Classic hopeful Madhmoon (Ire), but some of the others, like the G3 Prix de la Grotte winner and G1 Prix de Diane second Musis Amica (Ire), and the listed winner and G1 Irish Oaks third Mary Tudor (Ire), appear to be more in the mould of the Dawn Approach that won the Guineas and St James's Palace S. at three. Dawn Approach jumped from 12th among first-crop sires to fourth among second-crop sires, and he is available for €15,000 at Darley's Kildangan Stud.

Darley has another promising member of this crop at Dalham Hall Stud in the G1 Lockinge S. and G1 Champion S. winner **Farhh (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}). **Cont. p6**

Value Sires: Second- and Third-Crop Sires Cont.

Farhh was a seriously talented racehorse: he won his lone 2- and 3-year-old starts convincingly, and once he got a proper campaign underway at four he was Group 1-placed an agonizing five times behind Frankel, Nathaniel, So You Think and Moonlight Cloud. He got his redemption in those aforementioned Group 1s in his only two starts at five. Limited books have meant Farhh's numbers aren't as high as one would like, but there is no doubt he's turning out classy horses: his three stakes winners include the G2 Prix Hocquart winner Nocturnal Fox (Ire) and the dual Grade 3 winner Wells Farhh Go (Ire)--who trainer Tim Easterby was touting last year as a "proper stayer"--and Dee Ex Bee (GB) was placed last year in three Group 1s, including a second in the Epsom Derby. Farhh is priced at £10,000 this year.

The late **Society Rock (Ire)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) was the leading first-crop sire of 2017 by both winners and earnings, and his Group 1-winning son Unfortunately (Ire) enters stud this year at Cheveley Park. Although he has slipped to third in his sire crop this year, he has continued to do well, adding a pair of listed winners as well as the G1 Cheveley Park S. and G2 Lowther S. second The Mackem Bullet (Ire). Society Rock's final crop are two this year.

Havana Gold (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) showed enough promise with his first 2-year-olds in 2017 to warrant a huge book jump from 81 to 182, and both of his first-crop stakes winners added new black-type wins this year, headed by the G1 Flying Five S. winner Havana Grey (GB), who enters stud this year. He added three new listed winners last year including Headway (GB), who was second in the 2017 G2 Coventry S. and was considered a Classic contender after winning the Listed Spring Cup in March. He has since been sold to Hong Kong. Havana Gold stands at Tweenhills Stud for £15,000.

At the lower end of the fee scale, Overbury Stud's **Cityscape (GB)** (Selkirk) continues to tick along well at £5,000. Fairly unheralded at the end of 2017 after siring eight winners in his initial season, Cityscape made a huge jump this spring when his Dan's Dream (GB) won the G3 Fred Darling S. and Give And Take (GB) won the G3 Musidora S. He also had Irish listed winner The Broughie Man (GB).

In France, Style Vendome (Fr) (Anabaa) and Pedro The Great (Henrythenavigator) have made good accounts of themselves. Bouquetot's **Style Vendome**, who stands for €5,000 had zero stakes horses at the end of 2017, but the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains winner corrected that in a big way this year with the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner Lily's Candle (Fr). She wasn't his only smart filly last year, though; he had the dual listed-placed Style Presa (Fr) and the G3 Prix Imprudence third Talbah (Fr).

Pedro The Great (Henrythenavigator) turned heads last year

with two first-crop stakes-winning fillies and one of those, Fatale Bere (Fr), went on to win last year's GI Del Mar Oaks. He added two new stakes horses this year, the multiple French listed-placed Sens du Rythme (Fr) and the G2 Prix du Calvados second Lagrandecatherine (Fr). Pedro The Great stands at Haras de la Haie Neuve for €10,000. Also in France--with his fee halved to €15,000 after a big rise in 2018 at Haras de Grandcamp--is **Dabirsim (Fr)** (Hat Trick {Jpn}), who has slipped back in the rankings a bit after a very strong start with his first juveniles. Although he had just one stakes winner this year he had eight stakes horses, so perhaps there is more to come yet.

Value Sires Podium

Gold - Farhh (£10,000): a seriously good racehorse that has had some classy runners with limited opportunities.

Silver - Ruler of the World (€8,000): 10.5% black-type horses/starters, and a Group 1 winner, in his small first crop.

Bronze - Garswood (£3,500): a late bloomer himself who had two group winners in his first crop.

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Having previously claimed the G2 King Edward VII S. at the Royal meeting, Nathaniel stepped up to beat 2010 Derby winner Workforce (GB) (King's Best) before winning the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. at Sandown the following season for Lady Rothschild and Newsells Park Stud, who had bought into the horse prior to his 4-year-old year. [Cont. p7](#)



John Gosden, William Buick, Nathaniel & Lady Rothschild after the Coral-Eclipse. | Racingfotos.com

Lady Rothschild Passes Away at 83 Cont.

Prior to going to stud at Newsells Park, Nathaniel ran third to Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) in his swansong, the 2012 G1 Champion S. He has already sired Classic victress Enable (GB), a two-time G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner, who was also successful in the 2018 GI Breeders' Cup Turf and 2018 G1 Premio Lydia Tesio winner God Given (GB).

"This is very sad news and we offer our deepest condolences to Lady Rothschild's family and friends," Newsells Park Stud Racing Manager Gary Coffey told *Racing Post*. "We enjoyed some great days together on the racecourse with Nathaniel. Lady Rothschild was a passionate horsewoman and breeder who cared deeply about our industry. She will be greatly missed. The continued success of her homebreds will leave a lasting legacy."

Other successes in the blue and yellow colours included 2012 G1 Irish Oaks winner Great Heavens (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), a full-sister to Nathaniel, as well as Thistle Bird (GB) (Selkirk)'s victory in the 2014 G1 Pretty Polly S. Lady Rothschild was also represented Stateside at the Breeders' Cup when Pounced (Rahy) won the GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf in 2009.

Active at the bloodstock sales, Lady Rothschild paid a then record 4.6 million guineas for a broodmare when purchasing G1 Cheveley Park S. heroine Magical Romance (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}) carrying to Pivotal (GB) at Tattersalls in 2006. Later in her breeding career she later foaled Australian SW & GSP Tall Ship (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}).

G1 Investec Derby nominee Great Bear (GB) (Dansili {GB}), a son of Great Heavens, was the final winner for Lady Rothschild, winning a 1700-metre all-weather feature at Wolverhampton for trainer Roger Charlton on Nov. 16.

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BRITAIN



Sunday's Result:

2nd-Southwell, £5,800, Novice, 1-13, 3yo, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:29.65, st.

EVE HARRINGTON (f, 3, Flatter--Unbridled Empire, by Empire Maker), who was fourth on debut over this course and distance Dec. 11, was tardy from the gates before being roused along to race behind the leading pair. Driven to a narrow lead with two furlongs remaining, the 5-4 favourite held on grimly from Barossa Red (Ire) (Tamayuz {GB}) to prevail by a nose. The winner is a half-sister to Arklow (Arch), winner of the GII American Turf S. and GIII Calumet Farm Kentucky Turf Cup, MGSW-US, \$1,073,382, and to Maraud (Blame), who also took the American Turf S. last year, as well as the GIII Palm Beach S., MGSW-US, \$445,920. The dam, who is a half to the GI Clement L. Hirsch Memorial Turf Championship S. and GII San Luis Rey H.-winning sire Forty Niners Son (Distorted Humor) and the GI Del Mar Debutante S. scorer Cindy's Hero (Sea Hero), also has a 2-year-old colt by Will Take Charge, a yearling filly by Runhappy and was then bred to Gun Runner. Sales history: \$200,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; €190,000 RNA 2yo '18 ARQMAY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$5,167. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sir Mark Prescott; B-John R. Penn & Frank Penn (KY); T-Sir Mark Prescott.



FRANCE



CONDITIONS RESULT:

1st-Chantilly, €35,000, 1-13, 3yo, 8f (AWT), 1:39.41, st.
PIZZICATO (ITY) (g, 3, Dabirsim {Fr}--Resaca {Ger}, by Touch Down {Ger}) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 6-3-0-1, €65,000. O-Antoine Gilibert, Ecurie Vivaldi & Fabrice Chappet; B-Allevamento SI Fra. Srl (ITY); T-Fabrice Chappet. *€62,000 Ylg '17 ARV2.

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IN UAE:

Skygazer (Ire), g, 7, **Echo of Light (GB)**--Calando (GSW & G1SP-Eng, GSP-Ire & Ity, G1SP-Fr, \$163,458), by Storm Cat. Abu Dhabi, 1-13, Hcp. (AED100k), 2400mT, 2:34.47. Lifetime Record: 40-7-2-2-, \$228,014. O-Sheikh Mansoor bin Mohd Al Maktoum. B-Darley (Ire). T-Ali Rashid Al Rayhi. *1/2 to Champlain (GB) (Seeking the Gold), SW-Eng; and Calare (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), SP-Eng & Fr, SW-Ire.

IN SINGAPORE:

Einstein's Cross (Aus), g, 4, **Benefica (Aus)**--Starrystarrynight (Ire) (SP-Ire), by Sadler's Wells. Kranji, 1-13, Maiden (A\$20k), 1600m (AWT), 1:43.86. B-Mr W Chow (NSW). *1/2 to Gust of Wind (NZ) (Darci Brahma {NZ}), G1SW-Aus, A\$974,900.

VIDEO

Gingerella (Aus), f, 4, **Gingerbread Man (Aus)**--Jestervale (Aus), by Real Jester (Aus). Kranji, 1-13, Novice Race (A\$76k), 1200mT, 1:10.76. B-Cromartry Park (WA). *A\$11,000 Ylg '16 MGC FEB. **VIDEO**

Stunning Cat (Aus), g, 4, **Smart Missile (Aus)**--Fornini (Aus), by Stravinsky. Kranji, 1-13, Hcp. (A\$71k), 1200mT, 1:10.89. B-Torryburn Stud (NSW). *Formerly South of France (Aus). **A\$130,000 Ylg '16 INGEAS. **VIDEO**

Baffert (Aus), g, 5, **Exceed and Excel (Aus)**--Canyonville (NZ), by Black Minnaloushe. Kranji, 1-13, Hcp. (A\$71k), 1200mT, 1:10.26. B-Mr N Moraitis (NSW). *A\$100,000 Ylg '15 INGEAS.

VIDEO

WORLDWIDE NEWS

Sunday, Kyoto, Japan

NIKKEI SHINSHUN HAI-G2, ¥109,920,000

(US\$1,013,468/£789,237/€883,658), Kyoto, 1-12, 4yo/up, 2400mT, 2:26.20, fm.

1--**GLORY VASE (JPN)**, 121, c, 4, **Deep Impact (Jpn)**

1st Dam: **Mejiro Tsubone (Jpn)**, by **Swept Overboard**

2nd Dam: **Mejiro Rubato (Jpn)**, by **Mejiro Ryan (Jpn)**

3rd Dam: **Mejiro Ramonu (Jpn)**, by **Mogami (Fr)**

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. (¥52,000,000 Ylg'16 JRHAJUL). O-Silk Racing; B-Lake Villa Farm (Jpn); T-Tomohito Ozeki; J-Mirco Demuro; ¥58,134,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-0.

Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A++.

2--**Look Twice (Jpn)**, 121, h, 5, **Stay Gold (Jpn)**--**Esyoueffcee (Ire)**, by **Alzao**. (¥32,000,000 Wlg '13 JRHAJUL). O-Tomokazu Iizuka; B-Oiwake Farm (Jpn); ¥23,324,000.

3--**Super Lumiere (Jpn)**, 121, h, 6, **Stay Gold (Jpn)**--**Hikaru Amore (Jpn)**, by **Kurofune**. O-Carrot Farm; B-Shiraoui Farm (Jpn); ¥14,162,000.

Margins: HF, HF, NK. Odds: 1.70, 6.80, 6.30.

Also Ran: **Noble Mars (Jpn)**, **A T Thunder (Jpn)**, **Muito Obrigado (Jpn)**, **Kento O (Jpn)**, **Dashing Blaze**, **Meisho Tekkon (Jpn)**, **Solace (Jpn)**, **Win Tenderness (Jpn)**, **Masahaya Dream (Jpn)**, **Lord Vent D'Or (Jpn)**, **Aithon (Jpn)**, **African Gold (Jpn)**, **Ganko (Jpn)**.

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Jan. 20	American Jockey Club Cup (G2)	Nakayama
	Tokai S. (G2)	Chukyo
Jan. 26	Aichi Hai (G3)	Chukyo
Jan. 27	Negishi S. (G3)	Tokyo
	Silk Road S. (G3)	Kyoto
Feb. 3	Tokyo Shimbun Hai (G3)	Tokyo
	Kisaragi Sho (G3)	Kyoto
Feb. 9	Queen Cup (G3)	Tokyo
Feb. 10	Kyodo News Service Hai (G3)	Tokyo
	Kyoto Kinen (G2)	Kyoto
Feb. 16	Diamond S. (G3)	Tokyo
	Kyoto Himba S. (G3)	Kyoto
Feb. 17	February S. (G1)	Tokyo
	Kokura Daishoten (G3)	Kokura
Feb. 24	Nakayama Kinen (G2)	Nakayama
	Hankyu Hai (G3)	Hanshin
Mar. 2	Ocean S. (G3)	Nakayama
	Tulip Sho (G2)	Hanshin

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FIRST WINNING BLOW FOR NEWGATE'S DISSIDENT



by Paul Vettise

Major thoroughbred players Newgate Farm and the China Horse Club have continued their successful association, this time teaming up to provide a breakthrough victory for a young stallion. The Hunter Valley nursery celebrated the first winner for resident sire **Dissident** (Sebring) when the Jamie Richards-trained **Louis Luck** nailed down a berth in the Karaka Million with his debut success at Trentham.

The 2-year-old is a result of a planned mating by the China Horse Club, who raced Dissident with Newgate, and a red letter day was completed for the global powerhouse when their colours were also carried to victory by Matt Cameron aboard **Madison County (NZ)** (Pins) in the G1 Levin Classic.

"Louis Luck was bred by the China Horse Club and he went over to New Zealand and was sold by Little Avondale Stud. We were delighted to see him win," Newgate's Bruce Slade said. "It was a terrific result and the China Horse Club are in a colts' partnership with us and they support the stallions they're in whole-heartedly. It's a big thanks to them, they are terrific partners and make a big difference. I thought it was a pretty impressive performance from Louis Luck, given he debuted on a premier day first up over 1200 metres. We're delighted.

"You could see him getting slightly tired late, but he was just a bit sharp for them. It's pretty exciting and he might join David

Ellis and Jamie's other 2-year-olds in the Karaka Million."

Richards said while they were wary of The Fugitive (Wanted), who had won his first start at Awapuni, they were confident of a bold showing from Louis Luck.

"He's always showed plenty of ability at home and he had trialed well."

Slade paid tribute to the part Richards and the Te Akau operation played in producing Dissident's first winner.

"They do a fantastic job. Jamie is obviously a very talented horseman and trainer, and to be fair, he could be successful anywhere in the world that he decided or wanted to train," he said. "Te Akau has great systems and he's been delivered a great opportunity through David at such a young age to train quality stock from a great facility and surrounded by a top team. I'm sure he's enjoying the opportunity and he's certainly making the most of it. David has developed a lot of good young people in the game."

Louis Luck was secured by Cambridge Stud principals Brendan and Jo Lindsay for NZ\$105,000 at Karaka with the youngster the first foal of the GIII Chicago H. and GIII Arlington Oaks winner My Option (USA) (Belong To Me {USA}).

"I'm a Kiwi and very proud to have grown up in New Zealand and it's so nice to see Brendan and Jo doing so well, they have made a huge investment," Slade said. "They built a big a hugely successful business in another industry and now they're doing it all over again. It's great that they have taken the Thoroughbreds on as their next big challenge. It's probably the biggest investment anyone's made in a very long time." **Cont. p2**

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Louis Luck as a yearling | TDN AusNZ

First Winning Blow for Newgate's Dissident Cont. from p1

Dissident was a listed winner and Group 3 placed as a juvenile before he went on to prove himself as a top-quality weight-for-age performer.

“It’s good to have early success with Dissident. They sold well again at the Magic Millions Sale. They’ve sold to a lot of top trainers including Chris Waller and Tony McEvoy,” Slade said. “Obviously the next 12 months will be telling for him as a sire and he’s got a lot of these nice horses coming through. Dissident improved as a young horse into his 3-year-old season so it’s exciting times with him.”

Out of the stakes performed Anabaa (USA) mare Diana’s Secret, Dissident was a A\$210,000 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale purchase for Peter Moody. He won five times at Group 1 level in the Randwick Guineas, All-Aged S., Orr S., Memsie S. and the Makybe Diva S. and was Australia’s Horse of the Year in 2014-15.

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