

HOMETOWN PREAKNESS HOPE: HAPPY DAYS HERE AGAIN?



Alwaysmining | MJC photo

by Chris McGrath

Maybe we're just paying a price for two such flawless, processional Triple Crown campaigns, so close to one another. Maybe we just needed reminding that Thoroughbreds, most of the time, obstruct rather than serve the neat, coherent destinies we try to shape for ourselves.

This time round, admittedly, the cruelty of fate has been given a name and a face, as it were, by a panel of Churchill stewards--albeit doing their best under extreme pressure. Now that lawyers are getting involved, the one thing everyone can surely agree is that the second leg of the Triple Crown series could do us all a big favor if coming up with a redemptive narrative of some kind. Not, obviously, for either of the key Derby protagonists, whose absence leaves an expressive void at the heart of the Preakness; but for the whole sport.

The cue, perhaps, for a hometown hero. After all, whatever peril to the sport's future may lurk in a legal battle for the Derby--a prize, you fear, that may eventually come to seem as impossible to savour as a blanket of withered roses--then how much more literally existential is the threat to Pimlico, clinging by its fingertips to its defining legacy? **Cont. p3**

STREET SENSE COLT QUICKEST AT MIDLANTIC SHOW TUESDAY

by Jessica Martini

TIMONIUM, MD - The three-session under tack show ahead of next week's Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale began on a chilly, overcast Tuesday in Timonium with a colt by Street Sense setting the quarter-mile bullet time of :21 4/5 and four horses sharing the fastest furlong time of :10 1/5. After two days of heavy rain, the session started two hours later than originally scheduled to allow for extra time for track maintenance.

"Based on what Mother Nature had done to us the last three days, the track crew did an amazing job to get it to what we have today," Fasig-Tipton Midlantic sales director Paget Bennett said between sets Tuesday. "We have a good, safe track. The track crew needed that extra time to make sure the track was the way it needed to be before the first horse breezed over it."

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Bob Baffert pictured with Triple Crown winners American Pharoah (left) and Justify at Coolmore's Ashford Stud. | Coolmore America

Q&A: DEL MAR'S JOSH RUBINSTEIN

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Dan Ross catches up with Del Mar Thoroughbred Club president to discuss the track's upcoming summer meet amidst a tumultuous time for racing in California.

TIM CONWAY DIES

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Tim Conway, the actor, comedian and racehorse owner, has died at the age of 85.

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Alwaysmining (Stay Thirsty) is Maryland-foaled and Maryland-based. In the era of the "super-trainer," he is in the care of a former eighth grade science teacher who received her own racing education under old school horsemen Barclay Tagg and Jimmy Toner. He joined Kelly Rubley soon after his private acquisition by Gregory and Caroline Bentley's Runnymede Farm to exploit the state program here, having started out in Kentucky. Gelded in the meantime, Alwaysmining has now won half a dozen consecutive starts at Laurel, gaining an automatic berth in the Classic when winning the Federico Tesio S. by 11 1/2 lengths.

His quest to become Maryland's first winner since 1983 guarantees Alwaysmining plenty of interest, hopefully beyond the trade media too. Here, however, I'd just like to consider a

family tree that also offers to take us all back to basics, on the bottom side; and can give a boost, on the top side, to racing on the nation's opposite coast, which has lately had grave challenges of its own.

Certainly you don't get many pedigrees nowadays with Dr. Fager and Princequillo as close up as the third and fourth dams. Given that his first two dams are, conversely, by Anees and Golden Act, Alwaysmining's maternal line is an appealing mix of totally neglected seams and Kimberley diamonds.

Because that "fourth dam" is none other than Cequillo, who was of no account as a runner but instead put incredible resources into a breeding career that yielded 19 named foals between 1960 to 1982. Of these, all but one made the starting gate; one did so 109 times; and 14 were winners.

They included Grand Splendor, whose daughter Killaloe--by Dr Fager, note--became the dam of Fappiano. Another daughter produced Ogygian, damsire of Johannesburg. So between Scat Daddy, Unbridled, Tapit and company, there won't have been too many September sale-toppers in recent years without Cequillo somewhere in their pedigree.

And that's just through Grand Splendor. Loads of other elite operators emerge under Cequillo, none more interesting (especially to those of us who admire the work of his grandson Midnight Lute) than Quiet American. He is by Fappiano out of a grand-daughter (by Dr. Fager, again) of Cequillo. **Cont. p4**

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This Side Up cont.

For those of you who share a curiosity that extends that far, Cequillo traces to the French matriarch Plucky Liege, who bred four different champion sires. Significantly, for present purposes, their success was multiplied as broodmare sires, most notably in the case of Sir Gallahad III.

Nothing remotely provincial about Alwaysmining's deeper family, then. Things have admittedly been quiet over the past couple of generations. The daughter of Cequillo by Dr. Fager who appears as his third dam, Consequential, only won a couple of minor races and was cheaply culled by Tartan Farms. Her first foal did become the dam of Canadian champion juvenile Blue Finn (Empery), but her best runner—a Florida Oaks winner who ran fifth in the 1989 Kentucky Oaks—was by Golden Act, so she was sent back to that forgotten Cal-bred sire the following year.

Stretch-running Golden Act had made the podium in all three legs of the 1979 Triple Crown, including when overhauling Spectacular Bid for second in a dramatic Belmont, before achieving Grade I success on turf. He was a son of Gummo, who was named for "the fifth" Marx brother and responsible in the same crop for Flying Paster, the West's big Derby hope against Spectacular Bid. (Only fifth on the day, Flying Paster proceeded to a 14-year streak as the premier stallion in California. One of his daughters, moreover, produced American Pharoah's broodmare sire Yankee Gentleman.)

Golden Act's daughter by Consequential, Che Sara Sara, was stakes-placed four times and produced a few largely modest winners. Typical of these was What Will Be, a four-time scorer by Anees (Unbridled), the Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner whose stud career came to a tragic end halfway through only his third season.

As a grandson of Fappiano, Anees introduces Cequillo top as well as bottom in What Will Be's pedigree. And Cequillo's influence is redoubled in the mating (arranged by Avla Pitts) that produced Alwaysmining, between What Will Be and Stay Thirsty. The latter's sire Bernardini is out of a mare by Quiet American—who, as already noted, carries her 4 x 3.

Stay Thirsty had launched only two crops onto the track before leaving Ashford for Lovacres Ranch in California at the end of 2017, even though he had finished top by wins, second by winners and fifth by earnings among sires of his intake. Those who took advantage of a \$5,000 fee at his new home—and he entertained 125 mares, nearly doubling his final Kentucky book—were duly delighted to see him produce a first Grade I winner last year, in Mind Control's Hopeful S. Nor is even his first crop done yet, the 5-year Coal Front having won the G2 Godolphin Mile this spring.

Stay Thirsty, a Belmont runner-up himself and half-brother to another one, also has a copper-bottomed pedigree. His fourth dam was a half-sister to Prove Out, who not only beat Secretariat over a mile and a half but also Riva Ridge in the Jockey Club Gold Cup when it was run over two miles. Their dam, moreover, was a sister to Triple Crown winner Assault.

So there's a ton of staying power and class underpinning Alwaysmining's sire, to complement the patrician antecedents in a maternal line that has only recently receded. True, all these attributes still need to be harnessed to some benign destiny. But perhaps we can glimpse its hand in the names of his dam and grand-dam.

You may think these rather apposite—What Will Be, Che Sara Sara—as the luckless group who feel robbed of the Derby ponder their next move. I wouldn't presume to tell them how they are supposed to feel or behave. But I do know that Doris Day died this week, at her home up the coast from Stay Thirsty's ranch.

And while her "Que Sera" was Spanish, rather than Italian, perhaps she could bequeath us all a fleeting return, on the track, to the harmonious, homey world she represented on the screen. Maybe that world never really existed. But there's certainly some golden age blood behind this horse; and he's trained by the girl next door.

Will she be happy, will she be rich? Will she have rainbows day after day? Not every day; not with horses. But it might be nice, on Saturday, if the sun came out just for an afternoon.

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Grassroots Training and Sales sent out two of the four furlong bullet workers Tuesday and consignor David McKathan agreed with Bennett’s assessment of the track.

“I thought they did the best they could with all the weather they had,” McKathan said. “It was safe and that’s the most important thing. All my horses came back good and that’s very important. I wouldn’t care if it stayed slow the rest of the week, as long as it stayed safe.”

Grassroots sent the very first horse to work over the track Tuesday morning. A filly from the first crop of Grade I winner Competitive Edge (Super Saver), **hip 106** promptly set the furlong mark of **:10 1/5**. A \$13,000 OBS October yearling, the dark bay filly is the first foal out of Daddy’s Lil Saint (Scat Daddy). Grassroots’ second horse of the day was **hip 118**, a daughter of Weigelia, who also worked in **:10 1/5**. Out of the unraced Dixiewood (Dixie Union), the filly was purchased for \$23,000 by Three Diamonds Farm at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic October sale last year.

“That’s why we sent her out first and then we also had our second horse out who also went **:10 1/5**,” McKathan said. “We were thinking they would both go fast--**:10 1/5** is about as fast as you can go here, very rarely do you get a **:10** flat here.”

Also in the first set Tuesday, a colt from the first crop of Race Day, **hip 152**, worked the furlong in **:10 1/5**. Consigned by Kings Equine, as agent for breeder Spendthrift Farm, the gray is out of graded stakes winner Flashy Lassie (Flashy Bull). He RNA’d for \$27,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale.

In the day’s fourth of five sets, a colt by Itsmyluckyday (**hip 167**) was the final of the session to breeze in **:10 1/5**. The dark bay is out of Golden Gal AI (Monarchos) and is consigned by SBM Training and Sales, which purchased him for \$25,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale. **Cont. p6**



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As temperatures are predicted to warm up in the coming days and the track further dries out, McKathan is expecting a faster surface for the under-tack shows final two sessions.

"I thought the track was a tad off of what it's going to be the next two days simply because of the bad weather," McKathan explained. "They did everything they could with the track and it was safe, but maybe not quite as fast as it will be the next two days."

Asked if buyers will take Tuesday's track conditions into account when evaluating the session's workout times, he said bluntly, "No." Before adding with a laugh, "And you can quote me on that."

"Every day is a different day and that should be taken into consideration," McKathan continued. "The buyers have a tendency to say, 'Well, they weren't fast today because they can't.' But that's got nothing to do with it. Track conditions should be taken into consideration and they [buyers] don't."

The under-tack preview continues Wednesday and Thursday at the Maryland State Fairgrounds with sessions beginning at 8 a.m. The sale will be held next Monday and Tuesday with bidding beginning each day at 11 a.m.

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Q & A WITH DEL MAR'S JOSH RUBINSTEIN

by Dan Ross

Though Del Mar's annual summer meet is still two months away, preparations for it are in full-swing--preparations that are being driven in part by unfolding industry-wide changes, precipitated by events at Santa Anita this winter and spring.

Nowhere was this more evident than in the announcement that Del Mar Thoroughbred Club (DMTC) CEO Joe Harper made recently concerning a series of safety and welfare protocols the track will be instituting this summer. This includes the adoption of International Federation of Horseracing Authorities medication standards, the addition of more veterinarians to oversee morning workouts, increased out-of-competition testing, bolstered stable security, and the formation of a stakeholder advisory committee.

These measures, said Harper, will be instituted alongside the other safety measures that Del Mar has adopted in recent years to successfully reduce fatality rates. TDN recently sat down with Josh Rubinstein, DMTC president, to discuss these proposed changes, as well as his thoughts concerning the meet in general.

The following is a lightly edited version of the conversation.



Josh Rubinstein | Del Mar Thoroughbred Club

TDN: Obviously, events at Santa Anita this winter are still very much front and center within the industry here in California. How have they impacted preparations for your summer meet?

JR: The safety of our equine and human athletes continues to be our top priority. We're very proud that the last few years have been some of the safest in Del Mar's history. You've probably seen The Jockey Club's recent injury database report. Ours is one of the safest tracks in the country, but we're always striving to do better.

TDN: Can you tell me more about which International Federation of Horseracing Authorities medication standards you'll be adopting?

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Rubinstein Q&A cont.

JR: We'll be instituting many of the IFHA's medication standards, which are the strictest in the world, and these are the same protocols that are currently in place at Santa Anita. We're working with the [Thoroughbred Owners of California] on the things we need to implement as house rules. The feedback we're getting from the horsemen and the backside community is that it's taking a bit of time, but they're getting more comfortable with the new procedures. I think everybody involved feels like this will make California racing truly safer.

TDN: By how much will you be increasing out-of-competition testing?

JR: We're going to be increasing it a lot. While some of the details are confidential in order to protect the integrity of the testing process, I can tell you it will be significantly expanded this summer, and we will include morning training. We will take a percentage of horses working each morning as part of the out-of-competition testing.

TDN: Joe Harper also announced that you're developing a stakeholder advisory committee. Who will be on that committee, and what will the committee do?

JR: One of our corporate goals at Del Mar is to be inclusionary and transparent with industry stakeholders, and the advisory committee is really just an extension of that. We're still working on representatives, but we'll definitely have somebody from the trainers and jockeys. They'll meet regularly with us to discuss items such as racing surfaces and our race-day operations.

Like I've said, we'll be doing some new things this summer. We talked about the IFHA reforms, but we'll also have enhanced security on the backside, increased veterinary presence in the morning to observe the works. It's not going to be perfect, so we want to get feedback from our stakeholders. If there are things, maybe a couple weeks into the meet, that are suggested to us by the committee that makes sense, we're all about adopting it.

TDN: Del Mar recently joined with other major North American tracks calling for a partial ban of race-day administration of Lasix. That ban would start with 2-year-olds of 2020 and extend to stakes races in 2021. The Lasix debate is hardly a new one, but can you explain a little more about this decision? For example, a number of horsemen have made the observation that horses are more prone to bleed at Del Mar than certain other tracks.

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JR: We acknowledge that there are strong feelings and not complete consensus on this issue. This is our third-rail issue within the industry. But we believe the recently announced national policy, which has more consensus than prior plans, is an important step. To be perfectly candid, we hope the national plan will be a catalyst for the national adoption of California's stricter rules regarding corticosteroids, anti-inflammatories. Lasix gets all the headlines, but we believe those are the reforms that will truly ensure a safer environment for racing and training.

TDN: Who did you speak with prior to making the decision on Lasix?

JR: We had a really positive meeting with the vets at Santa Anita. About seven or eight of the top vets were represented, as well as the [California Thoroughbred Trainers]. We're in constant conversation with the CHRFB, including the California equine medical director, Rick Arthur. Lasix is a hot-button issue, and it gets all the headlines, but the things that are being put in place in California, we're hopeful that on the national side, the Lasix reform is just the first step. I'll be in some industry meetings next week in Baltimore with stakeholders to talk about that.

TDN: Field sizes have been an issue at Santa Anita recently—they're racing only three-days at the moment, for example. You've promised to race five days a week this summer. How confident are you that you'll be able to maintain the large field sizes you enjoyed last year (on average 8.7 per race)?

JR: Our racing product has been outstanding, especially the last couple of years. But, we are keenly aware of what's happening in the state. Our racing team has been actively recruiting out-of-state horsemen, and, we're in touch with local trainers, especially the guys that have shipped horses to Kentucky. The good news is, based on the feedback that we've received from the local trainers, we feel relatively confident that most of the California horses that went out of state will be returning for Del Mar this summer. As it stands now, we're planning on running five days a week.

TDN: Which out-of-state trainers have bitten?

JR: I don't want to jinx it. [Executive vice president for racing and industry relations] Tom Robbins and [racing secretary] David Jerkens have been working very hard to get some out-of-state stables here. Since 2017, when we had the Breeders' Cup, there has definitely been more interest. We've seen that more in the fall, with the Kentucky guys sending a string out here, and certainly for the stakes in the fall. Chad Brown tends to send a string out here for the final week of stakes races. We think we're making good inroads for the summer, too.

TDN: You've announced further modifications to your "ship & win" program. For example, the initial ready check for imports has been increased to \$2,500, and the first-race purse bonus has been boosted to 40 percent. Why these additions?

JR: Our ship-and-win program has yielded tremendous results. In 2018, we had 158 ship-and-win starters at Del Mar. A lot of people don't realize, those horses stay in the circuit. Those 156 ship-and-win starters at Del Mar combined for another 286 starts in California last year. The immediate impact is felt at Del Mar, but the California circuit benefits throughout the year.

It's interesting, while our racing guys definitely use ship and win as a tool to recruit out-of-state horsemen, we actually created ship-and-win as an incentive for local stables to purchase non-California horses, and it's really worked. Seventy percent of our ship-and-win starts have been from California trainers.

TDN: The CHRB is currently looking to revise the current whip rules, and perhaps ban the use of the whip for anything other than safety purposes. What's Del Mar's position on the issue?



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JR: We believe this is one where we need to look at the outside industry optics, and recognize that, while this may be a perception issue, it needs to be addressed nonetheless. We feel it's very difficult for the industry to say, 'horses love to run,' and then defend the use of the riding crop to encourage them to do that. We're hopeful common ground can be reached on riding crop reform. I think it needs to be, and I can tell you that recent stakeholder conversations on the topic have been very positive.

TDN: Del Mar has for many years had an open line of communication with animal welfare organizations like PETA. Some within the industry have criticized that policy. What do you say to that criticism?

JR: I think you need to have communication with the outside world. You can't bury your head and say we're only going to look at this through the lens of horseracing. We do have a line of communication with PETA, and the same with the Humane Society. It's a fine line—I think it's important to get outside the industry perspective. It's also helpful to us to explain to those folks there's a lot of misinformation out there, and when you're able to sit down and look somebody in the eye and explain, from our standpoint, all of the reforms and safety and welfare protocols that we have in place, you get a lot of nods of approval. You're not going to agree on everything, but I think, again, it helps both sides to keep a line of communication open.

TDN: Last year's average daily handle during the summer was up. What precipitated that, and how do you propose to maintain that trend given events this year?

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Rubinstein Q&A cont.

JR: Giving customers a good product to wager on is the single biggest factor, and that is mostly about field size and competitive racing. We've got the best in the business in Tom Robbins and David Jerkens filling our races, and the same goes for handling the racing surfaces, in Dennis Moore and Leif Dickinson. By the same token though, we recognize the narrative surrounding Santa Anita, and that may have an affect on our business. But, we're hopeful, and we're going to work hard to provide a quality racing product that in turn will continue to attract bettors.

TDN: How much of this will be down to marketing?

JR: It's interesting on the marketing side; we do quite a bit in the local community, but what people don't realize is that we are constantly in front of our core customers talking about field size, and pool liquidity, and average payouts, and that is extremely important. From Del Mar's perspective, we had a solid fall meet in 2018, which wrapped up early December, and so, we've been out-of-sight, out-of-mind for a while. It's really important that we've reinforced with our core customers field size and pay-offs and pool liquidity. Really important.

TDN: Attendances have been trending downwards in recent years, but you've mentioned before that you're more focused on revenue per-patron. Is that still a primary focus?

JR: We did make a conscious decision a few years ago to focus less on attendance for its own sake. For example, on those days where attendance might have been inflated through a giveaway, throwing a big attendance number when you don't see those folks coming back, or wagering too much...at the end of the day, it's short-term gratification.

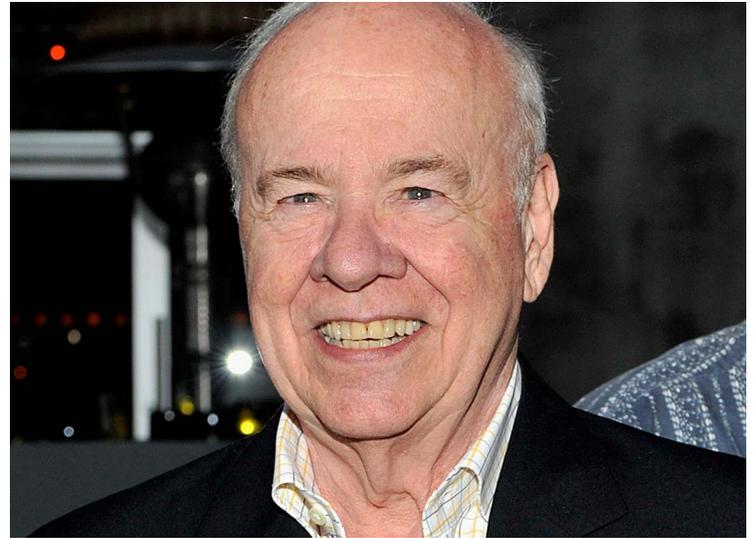
We're focusing on creating the best on-site experience for our customers. Our revenue per patrons continues to grow and we're still offering promotions to attract people to visit and enjoy the venue and atmosphere. This summer, we're really excited about some new lifestyle events focused around gourmet food festivals. And look, Del Mar is part of the fabric of the San Diego community. People are starting to get excited, and talk about us. Pre-season ticket sales have been solid, and we're ready to go for the summer.

TDN: With the meet just around the corner, how would you characterize your expectations?

JR: We're cautiously optimistic. You can't ignore what's gone on 100 miles north of here, but we're constantly in communication with horsemen and other industry stakeholders, and understand

the challenges. This is like no other time we've seen. But I think people are anxious from the horseman's perspective to get down here and reshuffle the deck a little bit, and we're excited to have them.

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ACTOR AND RACEHORSE OWNER TIM CONWAY DIES

Tim Conway | Getty Images

Tim Conway, the actor, comedian and racehorse owner, has died at the age of 85, according to CNN. Wikipedia listed the cause of death as normal-pressure hydrocephalus, a condition in which excess cerebrospinal fluid builds up in the brain. The family has asked that instead of gifts, donations be made to The Lou Ruvo Brain Center at the Cleveland Clinic in Las Vegas, Nevada, CNN reports.

Conway was one of the stars of the Carol Burnett show, and won four Emmy Awards for his work on the program, one for writing and three for acting.

A longtime fan of thoroughbred racing, Conway was a regular at the track, and owned horses as well. Along with Chris and Judy McCarron, he was the co-founder of the Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund, named for the rider who died of cancer at the age of 37, and which provided funds for injured riders. He served as vice president of the board of directors of the Fund.

Conway was born in Willoughby, Ohio and grew up in nearby Chagrin Falls.

He wrote and starred in the 1986 comedy *The Longshot* about four friends who enjoy betting on horse racing and who get involved in a scheme to cash a big bet.

His most famous racing skit was playing his long-running character **Lyle Dorf** as a jockey on the *Tonight Show* with Johnny Carson. **Cont. p10**

Conway cont.

“He was a man of pure class,” said former jockey Chris McCarron, who knew Conway for close to 40 years. “He absolutely loved the racing game and I think he loved jockeys even more. He had the utmost respect for riders and both he and his wife Charlene were huge jockey fans and that’s the biggest reason why Tim and Judy decided to start the Don MacBeth Fund back in 1987. He used to joke that when he was on tour, he would make sure his tour manager scheduled him in cities that had a racetrack. And that’s the truth. Whenever he went to a city where there was a racetrack, he would go to the races. He was a horse owner for a short period of time, and he couldn’t help but be comical there because the colors he had made had two words on the back: No Passing. He used to joke that the colors didn’t work very well, because his horses were always in last, so no one could read the back.

“He was a kind and generous and sweet man. He really was. What you saw on television was his complete personality. He always wanted to make people laugh. Even if you were just sitting around having a simple dinner or lunch, he’d always come up with something that made you laugh so hard. He put smiles on millions of faces over the years, and he will be sorely missed.”

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FLYING START Q AND A WITH DAN BLACKER

by Liza Hendriks



This interview is one of a continuing series in the TDN in which current Godolphin Flying Start students interview former ones who have gone on to work in the racing industry. U.K. native

Dan Blacker runs a stable based in Southern California. A graduate of the University of Edinburgh, he graduated from the Godolphin Flying Start program in 2007.

LH: How has the Godolphin Flying Start helped you in your career as a trainer?

DB: For me, getting to know American racing and moving around the country was extremely beneficial. I got to spend time in California working with Richard Mandella and I really felt at home here. I never would have had the chance to experience all of that had I not been on the Flying Start. When you start training, it's a huge leap of faith going from assistant trainer to trainer. It's such a massive step and no one really knows it until you do it for yourself. Looking back on it now, I think spending those two years on the Flying Start really gave me the confidence to make that leap of faith to train in America.

LH: Given the current situation in racing in California, have you had to make any adjustments in your business strategy?

DB: Yes, I am feeling the pinch along with other trainers. I'm down on numbers right now and I think certain owners back East are just a little bit wary of sending two-year-olds out this way right now. I think we really need to do our own bit of promotion for California and get behind our industry. I, for one, want to be really positive that we have a strong future here and this is just a period of change that is pretty rough, but I think when we come out on the other side it may be better in the long run. California is setting an example that safer racing is possible and we can take pride in those advances as long as the horse population thrives.

LH: How do you think the industry as a whole can try to change the public's perception of racing, especially being in California surrounded by celebrity influencers. How do we get them involved?

DB: That's a good question, and when I first came out here it's something that I always noticed. We have such a huge entertainment business and there's so much money here in southern California. Why can't we get more people interested in the sport? I think it is just so foreign for a lot of people and it is difficult to educate people to a level where they want to spend money on the sport. The main thing is to promote horseracing and educate people in a really positive way, but education is going to be an uphill battle that is going to need a lot of positive aspects. There are a lot of organizations really pushing that now like the I Am Horse Racing movement. **Cont. p11**

Blacker Q&A cont.

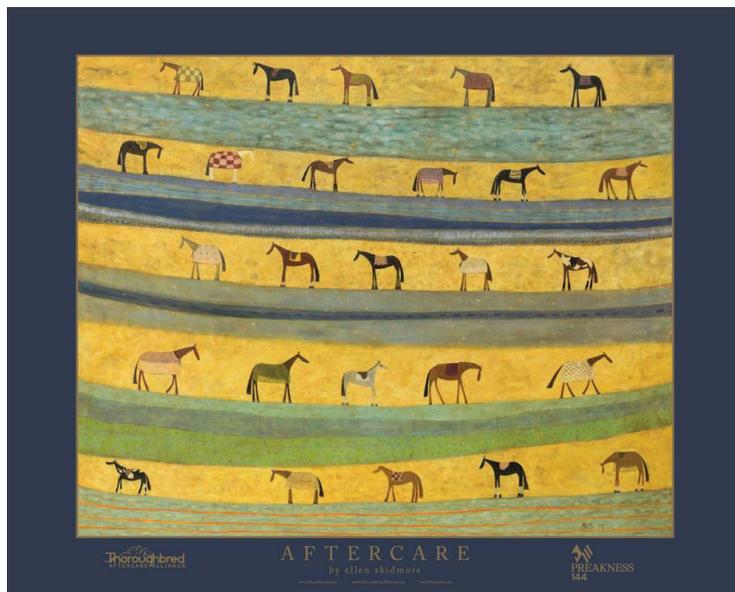
These sorts of things are going to help in the long run, but it is a lot of work ahead of us. In my opinion, the most important thing to do right now is to reduce the number of breakdowns. I think we seem to be doing that, unfortunately, at some point, it is going to happen again, but right now we are doing great. The industry as a whole, the racetrack, trainers, and vets are working together, and it seems like it is making a difference and that is the most important thing moving forward in terms of improving the public perception.

LH: In a slightly unrelated matter, having taken the Racing Official Accreditation Program while on the Flying Start, do you agree with the decision in the Derby and do you think America should shift to category 1 rules in the future?

DB: The stewarding course helped us understand the job that the stewards have to do. It's a very thankless job and a really tough position to be in to make those sorts of calls. It's super subjective as we found out in the Derby. I think American racing is different--we seem to race a little tighter. I think there are lots of things we can do within the industry as a whole to make unilateral rules around the world in a positive way. I think you need to be flexible for certain things and there are things that might not work in America that work in Europe and Australia and vice versa. I think you need to be open to changes within that. The most important thing is safety and public perception and if you have to make the rules a little stricter in order for the rules to be more effective, then I'm for that.

Liza Hendricks is from Unionville, Pa., and holds a BS degree in Business Administration from the College of Charleston. Before starting the Flying Start program, she worked in t.v. and simulcasting at the NYRA.

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The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance has partnered with Kentucky-based artist Ellen Skidmore and the Maryland Jockey Club to offer a limited-edition poster of the print above available on Black-Eyed Susan day at Pimlico, Friday, May 17. Only 1,000 posters have been made--they will be available for purchase on-site at Runway on the Rail, located on the concourse apron at Pimlico. The cost is \$25 per signed poster with proceeds benefitting the TAA.



DEL MAR ANNOUNCES CONCERT LINE-UP

Del Mar has announced the line-up for its 2019 summer concert series ([click here for schedule](#)). Additional performers and dates will be announced in the coming weeks. All concerts are 18-and-up and are free with the purchase of standard \$6 racetrack admission. Tickets are \$30 for concertgoers entering after the day's final race. An upgraded concert experience in the **South Terrace** is available for \$50. Other options and events for the upcoming meet include "Sip in Style" each Friday and "Taste of the Turf Club" each Sunday in the Turf Club and a number of food and drink festivals. [Click for more.](#)

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Maximum Security: X-rays negative after Kentucky Derby DQ; unclear when training will resume Servis was optimistic about getting getting Maximum Security, the first winner ever disqualified for interference in the 145-year history of the Run for the Roses, back on the track in the near future.
Stephen Edelson, Asbury Park Press

Friday, Pimlico, post time: 4:48 p.m. EDT

BLACK-EYED SUSAN S.-GII, \$250,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Sweet Diane 🍀	Will Take Charge	River Bend Farm	Kenneally	Ortiz	120
2	Off Topic 🍀	Street Sense	Paul P. Pompa, Jr.	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
3	Ulele	Candy Ride (Arg)	Cheyenne Stables LLC	Cox	Rosario	120
4	Cookie Dough	Brethren	Arindel	Gold	Ortiz, Jr.	124
5	Our Super Freak	Mineshaft	Jagger Inc.	Ness	McCarthy	120
6	Always Shopping	Awesome Again	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Franco	124
7	Brill	Medaglia d'Oro	OXO Equine LLC	Hollendorfer	Geroux	120
8	Point of Honor 🍀	Curlin	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Stetson Racing	Weaver	Castellano	120
9	Las Setas	Seville (Ger)	Harrison, W, Manfuso, R. and Voss, K M.	Voss	Toledo	120

Breeders: 1-Eurowest Bloodstock Services, 2-WinStar Farm, LLC, 3-Summer Wind Equine, 4-Arindel, 5-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 6-Repole Stable, Inc., 7-Southern Equine Stables, 8-Siena Farms LLC, 9-Robert T. Manfuso & Katharine M. Voss

Friday, Pimlico, post time: 4:14 p.m. EDT

PIMLICO SPECIAL S.-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	War Story 🍀	Northern Afleet	Imaginary Stables and Ellis, Glenn	Navarro	Castellano	122
2	Rally Cry 🍀	Uncle Mo	Paul P. Pompa, Jr.	Pletcher	Velazquez	122
3	Flying the Flag 🍀	Malibu Moon	West Point Tbreeds & Chester Thoroughbreds	Motion	Vargas, Jr.	122
4	Carlino 🍀	Lemon Drop Kid	Courtlandt Farms	Hennig	Franco	122
5	Heavy Roller 🍀	Malibu Moon	Carl R. Moore Management LLC	Sharp	Saez	122
6	Cordmaker	Curlin	Hillwood Stable LLC	Jenkins	Carrasco	122
7	Just Whistle 🍀	Pioneerof the Nile	Helen K. Groves	Matz	Ortiz, Jr.	122
8	Tenfold	Curlin	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	122
9	Unbridled Juan	Unbridled's Song	Stronach Stables	Corrales	Cintron	122
10	Bobby G	Awesome Again	Mohan Stable, Inc.	Corrales	McCarthy	122
11	Flameaway 🍀	Scat Daddy	John C. Oxley	Casse	Leparoux	122
12	Wait for It	Uptowncharlybrown	Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	Coletti, Jr.	Sanchez	122
13	You're to Blame 🍀	Distorted Humor	Bortolazzo Stable LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz	122
14	Clubman	Not For Love	Caonabo Stable, LLC	Sanchez-Salomon	Perez	122

Breeders: 1-Jack Swain III, 2-White Fox Farm, 3-William Peeples, 4-Courtlandt Farm, 5-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 6-Robert T. Manfuso & Katharine M. Voss, 7-Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust, 8-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC, 9-Adena Springs, 10-Liberty Road Stables, 11-Phoenix Rising Farms, 12-Fantasy Lane Stable, 13-Bryant H. Prentice III, 14-Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Quin Bowman & Rebecca Davis

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Friday, Pimlico, post time: 3:13 p.m. EDT**ADENA SPRINGS MISS PREAKNESS S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 6f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Iva	Scat Daddy	Bonne Chance Farm, LLC	Ward	-	120
2	Covfefe 🌿	Into Mischief	LNJ Foxwoods	Cox	Castellano	120
3	Brunette Princess 🌿	Bodemeister	OGMA Investments, LLC	Delgado	Velazquez	120
4	Please Flatter Me	Munnings	Heider Family Stables, Madaket Stables & Doheny Racing Stable	Reid	Ortiz	120
5	Congrats Gal	Congrats	Charles L. Biggs	Lynch	McCarthy	120
6	Never Enough Time	Munnings	R. Larry Johnson	Trombetta	Pimentel	120
7	Miss Imperial	Maclean's Music	Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables, Simon, David, Bethlehem Stables LLC and Montanye, Susan	Servis	Ortiz, Jr.	120
8	Tomlin 🌿	Distorted Humor	Fairview, LLC	Stidham	Rosario	120
9	Sue's Fortune	Jump Start	Fortune Farm	Englehart	Vargas, Jr.	122
10	Bye Bye J	Uncaptured	Lieblong, Alex and JoAnn	Moquett	Santana, Jr.	120
11	Fighting Mad	New Year's Day	West, Gary and Mary	Baffert	Geroux	120
12	Midnight Fantasy	Midnight Lute	Carl R. Moore Management LLC	Sharp	Saez	120
13	Best Kept Secret	Line of David	Tracy Hersman	Chatters	Smith	120

Breeders: 1-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC, 2-Alexander-Groves Thoroughbreds, 3-John David Zuidema Jr., 4-Mary Katherine Haire, 5-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 6-R. Larry Johnson, 7-Bob Lewis & Flying H Stables, LLC, 8-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 9-Richard Nicolai, 10-McDowell Farm, 11-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 12-J. Adcock & Hume Wornall, 13-Flying H Stables, LLC

Friday, Pimlico, post time: 5:57 p.m. EDT**ALLAIRE DUPONT DISTAFF S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Timeless Curls 🌿	Curlin	Sookdeen Pasram	Capuano	Hamilton	122
2	My Miss Lilly 🌿	Tapit	Courtlandt Farms	Hennig	Castellano	122
3	Gio Game 🌿	Gio Ponti	John C. Oxley	Casse	Leparoux	122
4	Mylady Curlin	Curlin	Sather Family LLC	Cox	Saez	122
5	Another Broad	Include	Madaket Stables, Elayne Stables and Martin, Brian	Pletcher	Franco	126
6	Golden Award	Medaglia d'Oro	Summer Wind Equine	Mott	Gaffalione	122
7	Isotope	Successful Appeal	Acqua Nova Stable	Englehart	Vargas, Jr.	122

Breeders: 1-Lantern Hill Farm LLC, 2-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, 3-H. Allen Poindexter, 4-Sather Family LLC, 5-Fitzhugh, LLC, 6-Harvey A. Clarke, 7-Jim Durlacher & Mary Durlacher

Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 6:30 p.m. EDT**LAZARO BARRERA S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mucho Gusto 🌿	Mucho Macho Man	Michael Lund Petersen	Baffert	Talamo	124
2	Sparky Ville 🌿	Candy Ride (Arg)	Del Secco DCS Racing	Bonde	Espinoza	124
3	Principe Carlo	Coil	Polanco, Marcelo and Scialanga, Carlo	Polanco	Fuentes	120
4	Vantastic K	Dialed In	Ciaglia Racing, Alesia, Sharon and Van Doren, Paul	Eurton	Prat	120
5	Manhattan Up 🌿	Street Boss	Gust, Charles and Warren, John P.	Oviedo	Pereira	120
6	Synthesis 🌿	First Samurai	Decker Racing, Kretz Racing, LLC and Selby, Jay	Papaprodromou	Bejarano	120

Breeders: 1-Teneri Farm Inc. & Bernardo Alvarez Calderon, 2-Aaron & Marie Jones LLC, 3-Richard Barton Enterprises, 4-David Berman, 5-Kathleen Mclsaac, 6-Catherine Zoc



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1	Lookin At Lucky <i>(2007) by Smart Strike Crops: 6</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	8	2,105,800	2,357,420
				<i>Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$20,000</i>						<i>Country House</i>	
2	Tapit <i>(2001) by Pulpit Crops: 12</i>	3	9	1	7	--	2	44	13	910,000	2,350,399
				<i>Stands: Gainesway Farm KY Fee: \$225,000</i>						<i>Tacitus</i>	
3	Candy Ride (Arg) <i>(1999) by Ride the Rails Crops: 12</i>	3	5	3	5	--	2	39	15	637,600	2,323,405
				<i>Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$80,000</i>						<i>Vekoma</i>	
4	Into Mischief <i>(2005) by Harlan's Holiday Crops: 8</i>	1	5	1	4	--	1	82	26	160,000	1,964,114
				<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$150,000</i>						<i>Instagrاند</i>	
5	Quality Road <i>(2006) by Elusive Quality Crops: 6</i>	2	5	2	3	2	2	37	13	634,200	1,797,104
				<i>Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$150,000</i>						<i>Roadster</i>	
6	Curlin <i>(2004) by Smart Strike Crops: 8</i>	5	6	3	3	--	1	56	17	514,550	1,716,536
				<i>Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$175,000</i>						<i>Lady Apple</i>	
7	Point of Entry <i>(2008) by Dynaformer Crops: 3</i>	2	2	1	1	--	--	20	6	1,504,000	1,612,910
				<i>Stands: Adena Springs KY Fee: \$20,000</i>						<i>Plus Que Parfait</i>	
8	War Front <i>(2002) by Danzig Crops: 10</i>	2	2	2	2	1	1	4	2	1,094,000	1,500,825
				<i>Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$250,000</i>						<i>Omaha Beach</i>	
9	Goldencents <i>(2010) by Into Mischief Crops: 2</i>	3	3	2	2	--	--	61	21	630,310	1,485,765
				<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$20,000</i>						<i>By My Standards</i>	
10	Hard Spun <i>(2004) by Danzig Crops: 9</i>	2	6	1	3	1	1	48	19	342,650	1,358,378
				<i>Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$40,000</i>						<i>Out for a Spin</i>	
11	Paynter <i>(2009) by Awesome Again Crops: 3</i>	3	4	--	--	--	--	63	23	133,800	1,127,341
				<i>Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$12,500</i>						<i>Headland</i>	
12	Noble Mission (GB) <i>(2009) by Galileo (Ire) Crops: 2</i>	1	1	1	1	--	1	21	4	932,070	1,059,861
				<i>Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$15,000</i>						<i>Code of Honor</i>	
13	Graydar <i>(2009) by Unbridled's Song Crops: 3</i>	1	2	--	1	--	--	37	8	527,140	1,043,444
				<i>Stands: Taylor Made Farm KY Fee: \$7,500</i>						<i>Gray Magician</i>	
14	Munnings <i>(2006) by Speightstown Crops: 6</i>	1	4	1	1	--	--	62	20	135,105	1,029,476
				<i>Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$20,000</i>						<i>Fancy Dress Party</i>	
15	Alternation <i>(2008) by Distorted Humor Crops: 3</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	26	9	829,250	1,027,567
				<i>Stands: Pin Oak Stud KY Fee: \$10,000</i>						<i>Serengeti Empress</i>	

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

5th-Parx Racing, \$45,000, Msw, 5-14, 3yo, 1m, 1:37.67, sy.
COMPOUND IT (c, 3, Super Saver--Tejida {MGSP, \$278,284}, by Rahy) finished fifth behind an impressive performance from Soldado (Verrazano) in his six-panel debut at Gulfstream Feb. 2 and was third over that same distance at this venue Apr. 28. Adding blinkers for this extension in trip, the 1-5 chalk contested the early pace, dueling through moderate early fractions. Gaining the advantage as he loped along comfortably on the backstretch, the bay stormed clear in the lane to don cap and gown by 12 1/4 lengths. Creative Genius (Creative Cause) was best of the rest in second, finishing six lengths clear of the third-place finisher. Tejida has produced just one foal since the winner, a 2019 filly by Vancouver (Aus). Compound It hails from a deep Helen Groves family that includes Grade I winners Serape (Fappiano), Free Drop Billy (Union Rags) and Hawkbill (Kitten's Joy). Sales history: \$280,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$32,450. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Colts Neck Stables LLC; B-Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust (KY); T-Jorge Duarte, Jr.

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7th-Indiana Grand, \$31,000, Msw, 5-14, 3, 4, 5yo, f/m, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:41.18, ft.

MORE ROSES (f, 3, Uncle Mo--Flattermewithroses {SW}, by Flatter), favored at 3-5 for this career bow, went straight to the lead, loping along through opening splits of :24.67 and :48.17. Showing the way into the lane, the bay cruised clear and was under wraps in the end as she hit the wire 5 3/4 lengths clear of runner-up Final Cut (Gemologist). The winner's dam is also responsible for the juvenile filly Merneith (American Pharoah), a yearling colt by Exaggerator and a 2019 filly by Classic Empire. Sales history: \$380,000 Wlg '16 FTKNOV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**

O-LNJ Foxwoods; B-Copper Water Thoroughbred Company, LTD. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

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IN JAPAN:

Mrs Watanabe, m, 5, Tapizar--Foxy Friend, by Crafty Friend.
 Kawasaki, 5-14, Alw, 900m. B-C Kidder, N Cole, J K & Linda Griggs (KY). *\$130,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$295,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Tap For Luck (Tapit), MGSP, \$129,565; and to dam of Jeltrin (Tapizar, GSW, \$171,088).

Alphabet, h, 5, The Factor--Oneminutetomidnite, by Street Cry (Ire). Kawasaki, 5-13, Alw, 1500m. B-Mr & Mrs Charles McGinnes (MD). *\$100,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$270,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR.

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Cairo Prince (Pioneerof the Nile), Airdrie Stud, \$25,000
 228 foals of racing age/38 winners/4 black-type winners
 2-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, SARAYA, 3-1
 \$72,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$60,000 KEE SEP yrl

Magician (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Haras de Corlay, \$4,000
 128 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, EVIL EYE, 5-2

Noble Mission (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000
 151 foals of racing age/20 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Indiana Grand, Msw 1mT, NOBLE DESCENDANT, 15-1

Strong Mandate (Tiznow), Three Chimneys Farm, \$10,000
 139 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners
 4-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, KELCIE'S MANDATE, 10-1
 \$3,000 KEE SEP yrl

Tidal Volume (Tapit), Poplar Creek Horse Center, \$2,500
 47 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, TURNDOWN DA VOLUME, 3-1



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STAKES RESULTS:

JACK COLE S., (NB) \$59,400, Sunray, 5-13, (S), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.04, ft.
 1--**BLAZING NAVARONE, 123, g, 4, Song of Navarone--Carmen's Delight, by Carmen's Glory.** O-Dominguez, Henry and Coleman, Barbara M.; B-Lucky Six Inc. (NM); T-Henry Dominguez; J-Ry Eikleberry. \$36,000. Lifetime Record: 18-9-2-3, \$447,576.
 2--**Gunners One, 123, g, 4, Diabolical--Shemoves, by Ghostly Moves.** O/B-Tommy Gunstream (NM); T-Justin R. Evans. \$12,000.
 3--**Go for a Stroll, 123, g, 5, Attila's Storm--Garter, by Bernardini.** O/B-R. D. Hubbard (NM); T-Todd Fincher. \$6,000.
 Margins: 2 3/4, 1, HF. Odds: 3.20, 10.80, 1.60.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Sunray, \$42,240, (S), 5-13, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.43, ft.
PAC SUM HEAT (g, 4, Southwestern Heat--Lullabytime, by Unbridled Time) Lifetime Record: 14-4-1-2, \$71,528.
 O-Pribble, J., Pribble, S., Fincher Racing LLC, Alexander, F. and Alexander, L.; B-Fred Alexander (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher.
 *\$22,000 Ylg '16 RUIAUG.
4th-Indiana Grand, \$34,500, (S), 5-14, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:42.94, ft.
BANDIDO DE AMORES (g, 4, Dialed In--Flor de Amelia {SP, \$129,388}, by Cape Town) Lifetime Record: 15-2-4-2, \$85,604.
 O/B-Rancho Monarca, LLC (IN); T-Antonio Duran.

3rd-Thistledown, \$32,100, (S), 5-14, (NW1Y), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.48, ft.

PANAMANIAC (m, 5, Wilko--La Gaucha, by Seattle Fitz {Arg})
 Lifetime Record: 29-11-4-4, \$219,728. O-Knights A to Z Racing LLC; B-Andy Stronach & Wally Pugh (OH); T-Valerie K. Shanyfelt.
 *\$10,000 Ylg '15 FTKFEB; \$3,700 RNA Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

IMAGINE...

6th-Presque Isle Downs, \$32,000, 5-13, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:10.61, ft.

RAPA ITI (g, 5, Discreet Cat--Extra Mousse, by Posse) Lifetime Record: 34-4-8-3, \$111,918. O/T-Wayne W. Rice; B-Animal Science Dept / U of K (KY). *\$2,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

3rd-Will Rogers Downs, \$25,080, (S), 5-14, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39.60, ft.

AIR POWER (g, 4, Liquor Cabinet {Ire}--Gold Tone, by Touch Tone) Lifetime Record: 19-2-4-0, \$56,987. O/B-Orin A. Chain Revocable Living Trust (OK); T-Larry Frazee.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Central Time, g, 3, Central Banker--Pencil Papers, by Doneraile Court. Finger Lakes, 5-14, 6f, 1:14.14. B-Seacoast Thoroughbreds of New England (NY).

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Pay the Vet, g, 3, Central Banker--Dr F Laparco, by With It. Finger Lakes, 5-14, 5f, 1:01.28. B-Ralph & Mary Ann D'Alessandro (NY).

Quiet Contender, f, 3, Strong Contender--Quiet Illusion, by Quiet American. Indiana Grand, 5-14, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06.33. B-Marvin A. Johnson (IN). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Puffer Fish, f, 3, Tale of Ekati--Yaletown, by Thunder Gulch. Presque Isle Downs, 5-13, 6f (AWT), 1:12.18. B-Ralph Kinder (KY). *\$7,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT.

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Broadway County, f, 4, Sebastian County--Broadway Baby (SP, \$146,091), by Gilded Time. Will Rogers Downs, 5-14, 1m, 1:39.90. B-Dream Walkin' Farms, Inc. (KY).

Atlantic Zing, f, 4, Zong--Firey Atlantic, by Stormy Atlantic. Louisiana Downs, 5-14, 5 1/2f, 1:05.51. B-Indian Creek Thoroughbred Farm, LLC (LA).

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DIALED IN, Bandido de Amores, g, 4, o/o Flor de Amelia, by Cape Town. ALW, 5-14, Indiana Grand

DISCREET CAT, Rapa Iti, g, 5, o/o Extra Mousse, by Posse. ALW, 5-13, Presque Isle Downs

LIQUOR CABINET (IRE), Air Power, g, 4, o/o Gold Tone, by Touch Tone. ALW, 5-14, Will Rogers

SEBASTIAN COUNTY, Broadway County, f, 4, o/o Broadway Baby, by Gilded Time. MSW, 5-14, Will Rogers

SONG OF NAVARONE, Blazing Navarone, g, 4, o/o Carmen's Delight, by Carmen's Glory. Jack Cole S., 5-13, Sunray

SOUTHWESTERN HEAT, Pac Sum Heat, g, 4, o/o Lullabytime, by Unbridled Time. ALW, 5-13, Sunray

STRONG CONTENDER, Quiet Contender, f, 3, o/o Quiet Illusion, by Quiet American. MSW, 5-14, Indiana Grand

SUPER SAVER, Compound It, c, 3, o/o Tejida, by Rahy. MSW, 5-14, Parx Racing

TALE OF EKATI, Puffer Fish, f, 3, o/o Yaletown, by Thunder Gulch. MSW, 5-13, Presque Isle Downs

UNCLE MO, More Roses, f, 3, o/o Flattermewithroses, by Flatter. MSW, 5-14, Indiana Grand

WILKO, Panamaniac, m, 5, o/o La Gaucha, by Seattle Fitz (Arg). ALW, 5-14, Thistledown

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SMULLEN: CURRAGH NEEDS CHANCE TO PUT IT RIGHT



Fran Berry & Pat Smullen after walking the York track with Abi Stock

By Pat Smullen

There have been positives and negatives that have come out of the reopening of the Curragh. The first thing to say is that it is a magnificent facility. I was very taken by the finish of the interior: it's very classy. But there are some issues, especially that the owners' and trainers' facility is quite small, and that has received a lot of negative press. It's obviously very important to look after the owners especially, and to make sure that their experience at the races is a good one. We have to make sure that they're facilitated in the right way and I'm sure there's enough scope within the facility to move it to a bigger area. There's a bit of tweaking that needs to be done but I think that a little patience from people is required to give it a chance. We've seen teething problems with Ascot when it was built, and Longchamp in recent times, so we have to give these things a little time to settle in and for people to get their bearings.

The pressure is on the management now to deliver and I'm sure they will address these issues. Guineas weekend has to go right to gain people's confidence and get people back racing. It goes without saying that without the owners we have nothing. They are the people who are putting the major investment into racing, but we also want plenty of people to come racing. With this fabulous facility it is very achievable to lay on a enjoyable day for people to watch great racing on a great race track.

TIME TO SPARKLE

With the fellow John Gosden-trained fillies Mehdaayih (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and Anapurna (GB) (Frankel {GB}) set to roll on to Epsom having won their Oaks trials last week, **Sparkle Roll (Fr)** (Kingman {GB}) and **Entitle (GB)** (Dansili {GB}) look to emphasise the strength in depth among the yard's 3-year-old middle-distance fillies in Wednesday's G3 Tattersalls Musidora S. at York. Their Clarehaven handler has six wins in this most important of all the preps for the May 31 Classic, with the first of those 26 years back and the other five during the last eight editions. Kin Hung Kei, Qatar Racing and Laurent Dassault's **TDN Rising Star Sparkle Roll** defied a penalty to win an important 10-furlong maiden at Sandown Apr. 26 and despite already being ruled out of the Oaks holds a favourite's chance. "We are very clear already that she is a filly for the [G2] Ribblesdale at Ascot," Gosden said. "We don't see her as a filly for the Oaks, because she is very tall and very leggy. If she ran well in the Musidora she would go to the Ribblesdale, because we feel she will be better at Ascot than Epsom." **Cont. p5**

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

MCGRATH ON ALWAYSMINING

In his This Side Up column, Chris McGrath takes a deep dive into the pedigree of Alwaysmining, a local hope for Saturday's G1 Preakness S.

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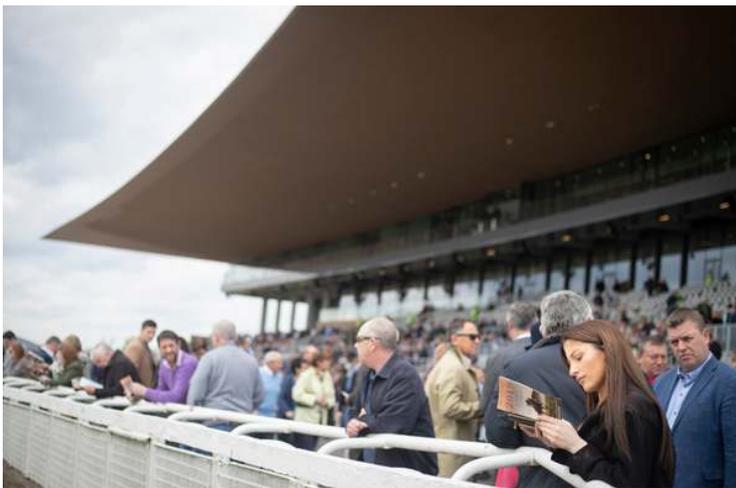


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I think it should be addressed that for the average racegoer, the pricing is too high. I don't want to see a divide between general racegoers and the corporate hospitality side. That divide seems to be growing and if that's the case, racegoers will perhaps decide they can't afford to attend. I think that point has been lost a little bit here.

We need to get people coming back to the races to create an atmosphere and to enjoy good racing. It's €25 for people to get in to the Curragh on Guineas weekend. If it's then €8 to buy a burger and €4.50 for chips, it turns out to be an expensive day for a family. It was only €6 at Longchamp on Sunday for the French Guineas and at that price it's more viable for people to bring their families. There's no point having this superb facility only for it to be empty.

I don't want to sound negative, and I do call on the public to have a little patience as well. Anything that's new will take a little time to settle down and I'm sure it will come right if the Curragh management can be given a little time to get it right.



It's important to encourage people to come racing | *Racing Post*

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Mehdaayih for Me

We've seen some very exciting horses coming through for the Derby, though it's a bit of a shame that they are all from the one stable. I think John Gosden will win the Oaks with Mehdaayih (GB) (Frankel {GB}). I was lucky enough to be there last Wednesday at Chester when she won the Cheshire Oaks and she possesses what every good horse should have, and that is an explosive turn of foot. She's bred to get the trip and I also think she's the quickest filly in the race. For a big, rangey filly she got around Chester very well, so hopefully Epsom won't pose any problems to her, and if she improves from Chester she's the one I would want to be on.

Aidan O'Brien has a very powerful stable but you have to give credit where it's due. I know he has some of the best-bred horses in the world but there are other stables that have a similar number of horses and it's not by chance that Aidan just keeps pitching up every year with multiple healthy, sound runners. That's testament to how good a trainer he is, though I have to say I would like to see some competition for him. Let's hope that Too Darn Hot (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) can put up a really good performance tomorrow and put himself into the mix and challenge the Ballydoyle squad to make a real race of it. Hamariyna (Ire) (Sea The Moon {Ger}) did very well on Sunday on Leopardstown. It probably wasn't the strongest renewal of the Guineas Trial, but that doesn't take away from her performance and she hit the line very well. On pedigree she will love going up in trip so I think she won despite the trip. She looks an improver. Whether the form of that is good enough to win a Guineas is probably debatable at the moment but I think she will come into her own going a mile and a quarter as the year goes on, and she is from a family that just keeps improving with age.

I'm pleased to see Camelot (GB) really getting some good runners now. A year ago the vibes weren't so good for him and this is one of the things that is wrong with our industry. It's very quick to write off sires. Camelot is a horse who has proved that and, to me, he's a horse who is really starting to stand out as a Classic sire. I think Australia (GB) is another who is going to do very well. There are some very good stallions coming through and two of them happen to be in Coolmore. I was lucky enough to see Camelot when he was racing as well as at the stud and I really don't think that you could see a better Thoroughbred. If you were to draw the perfect racehorse, it's him. He has real presence and is just a smashing horse. I'm glad now that he's really starting to perform as a stallion.

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Yearling Market Relationship to Fees

John Boyce discusses how rising stallion fees might affect the yearling market overall. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.](#)



Touched by the Response

The reaction to my retirement really touched me. I appreciate that I had a good career and I am content with the fact that I achieved something, but like anything in life, when it's final the reality hits you. It's been all of my working life and until 14 months ago, being a jockey was everything.

I thought I was totally prepared for it but when I made the announcement, it really hit me that it's all over, and that was a little bit of a shock. It was a little bit hard to process but I have to remind myself why I've retired and then I realise the bigger picture and I know it was the right thing to do. It's very easy to make a decision when you know it's the right thing to do. It's done now and I'm looking forward to moving on. Hopefully, in the coming weeks I will have an idea as to what I'm actually going to do and I'm excited by the future. I realised in the last few days that I don't want to rush into committing to something and then find that it's not really what I want. I want to be sure that whatever I do, I do it as much for enjoyment as for anything else.

My wife Frances has been drilling into me the fact that I need to take things a little bit easily while I'm recovering my strength from my second round of treatment. As I said last week, I want to get back to riding. I'm not prepared to stop riding horses and I'm trying to get myself fit again, but Frances keeps telling me to take my time. I can't help but get a bit excited about getting back on a horse again. The sooner that happens the better. Mentally and physically that's important for me. That's the first goal and then we'll take it from there.



Camelot | Coolmore

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I really enjoyed my day on ITV Racing at Chester despite it being a miserable day weather-wise. They are a very professional outfit and made me feel very comfortable. I think it went well but it's easy to speak about good racing and that is what we had there with two unbelievable performances from by Sir Dragonet (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) and Mehdaayih. Riding for a good cause

I went to York on Tuesday to walk the course with Abi Stock, who will be riding in the Macmillan Charity Race on June 15. Unfortunately, Abi's dad was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer around the same time as I was and just before he passed away Abi spoke to her dad about riding in the race at York and he told her to go and do it. So, she will be riding to raise awareness for pancreatic cancer and is now sponsored by SkyBet. I found out that she was doing a course walk, so I felt that it would be the right thing to do to come over and walk the track with her to lend some support. Fran Berry and I walked the track with her yesterday and gave her some advice on race riding and, hopefully, she will do it very well on the big day.

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G3 Musidora Preview cont. from p1

Entire could yet make it to Epsom, where her half-sister Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) emerged as a major force two years ago, but she has to up her game from a modest win over a mile on Lingfield's Polytrack in December. Sporting a sheepskin noseband and slowly away on that occasion, she was also keen throughout a wide trip and has the pedigree for vast improvement. "She has had a difficult spring and she has just come to herself now," Gosden explained. "When the ground has gone deep in the autumn, the all-weather is a good place to be running them."

Khalid Abdullah is also represented by the Ralph Beckett-trained **Sand Share (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}) who has the edge over the other Juddmonte representative having finished third in the G2 May Hill S. at Doncaster in September, while William Haggas runs Anthony Oppenheimer's **Frankellina (GB)** (Frankel {GB}) after the Yarmouth debut scorer was taken out of the soft-ground Listed Lingfield Oaks Trial on Saturday. "We think she's a useful filly, which is why she's in the race, but she has only won a novice race so far," her owner-breeder said. "The Lingfield race was over nearly a mile and a half on soft ground--and this is a mile and a quarter on fast ground--and I think the feeling was if we're going to go for an Oaks or [Royal] Ascot, we didn't want her to have too hard a race on her first run of the year."

The card's main event is the G2 Duke of York Clipper Logistics S., where Saeed Manana's **Invincible Army (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) looks to build on an encouraging seasonal bow when winning the Listed Cammidge Trophy at Doncaster Mar. 30. "He made a great comeback at Doncaster and this has been the plan ever since," trainer James Tate said. "He's been in great form at home so we're really looking forward to seeing what he can do, this has very much been the plan. If anything, slower rather than quicker is ideal, but we're going to be racing on the first day of the season at York so I'll be disappointed if it's not nice ground and that should be fine for him."

Shadwell have always been adept at producing top sprinters and last year's G3 Hackwood S. winner **Yafta (GB)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) is on the verge of a big performance after finishing runner-up in the G3 Abernant S. at Newmarket Apr. 17. Richard Hills, racing manager for Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, said, "He's absolutely flying and Richard's team are really, really chuffed with him. He was making a challenge between horses at Newmarket, but was stopped in his run and lost momentum. It wasn't anybody's fault, but I thought he was an unlucky loser. He was hardly out of the first two last year. He's a proper warrior, hence why we kept him as a four-year-old. Whether he can get to group one level, we don't know, but this is the next step up and he tries so hard."

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PROGRESS MADE IN FIGHT AGAINST AHS

The International Horse Sports Confederation (IHSC) has announced that progress has been made towards the identification of a new vaccine for African Horse Sickness (AHS). In conjunction with the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), an IHSC working group has identified a vaccine candidate, classified as an inactivated multivalent DIVA AHS vaccine. The preliminary view of the IHSC group is that the vaccine candidate has the potential to be safe and efficacious, and may be used in endemic situations, as well as in outbreak situations in all ages and physiological groups. The working group has also assessed the potential market for a new vaccine and prepared a roadmap for the development of a vaccine. That roadmap proposes steps for the progression of the vaccine candidate's development through to commercial production and effective future use. It is noted that the roadmap includes provision for a challenge study, which is considered as a necessary next step in order to demonstrate the ability of the vaccine candidate's effectiveness against all nine AHS serotypes, and which will support regulatory registration of the vaccine.

Upon announcing the news, Louis Romanet, chairman of the IHSC said, "The IHSC believes that the development and production of a new AHS vaccine will be a major achievement, and will deliver a far-reaching positive impact on horse sports around the world. The FEI and the IFHA have invested significant time and resources to assist with the development of an AHS vaccine to this point."



Louis Romanet | Scoop Dyga

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We now look forward to working with the industry, particularly in South Africa, in order to seek to prove up the vaccine candidate, and hopefully work through to development, production and widespread use. That will require more investment and time. However, we are confident that a new vaccine would be transformative for horse movements in and out of South Africa, which have been impacted by African Horse Sickness for too long.”

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DECRYPT ON COURSE FOR 2000 GUINEAS

Tipperary trainer Paddy Twomey is looking forward to saddling his progressive colt **Decrypt (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) for the G1 Tattersalls Irish 2000 Guineas on Saturday week. Though yet to be tested in stakes company in three outings, the 3-year-old gave the impression that he is very much a potential pattern performer when slamming his rivals in a conditions race at Cork on his seasonal reappearance last month under Billy Lee. That victory saw his rating rise to 105 and while that still leaves him well short of the market principals in the Guineas his owner/trainer is not concerned about the steep rise in class. “He’s very much on target for the Irish 2000 Guineas,” Twomey said. “I was happy with him at Cork - he did what I hoped he would do, and I’m looking forward to running him next Saturday. I don’t think the ground will really matter to him. He’s won on good to firm and good ground, so I’d not be worried about that,” he added. Paddy Twomey’s string is in fine form at the moment with **Foxtrot Liv (GB)** (Foxwedge {Aus})’s win in Killarney on Tuesday the trainer’s third winner from his last five runners.

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Lee debriefs Twomey after Decrypt won in Cork | *Racing Post*

ARQANA UPS DEAUVILLE SPONSORSHIP

Arqana are increasing their sponsorship activities during the Deauville summer meet which coincides with the sales company’s flagship yearling sale in August. As part of their commitment Arqana have partnered with France Galop to provide a €13,500 bonus to the winner of six different 2-year-old races which essentially doubles the prize-money for these events. In addition, if the winner of each race is a foal, yearling, or 2-year-old graduate of Arqana, the owner receives a €10,000 voucher to spend at Arqana’s 2019 yearling sales or 2020 Breeze Up. Arqana will also sponsor the G3 Prix Chloe at Chantilly June 29 and the G3 Prix de Lieurey on at Deauville Aug. 15.

Speaking of the increased investment Arqana’s President Eric Hoyeau, said, “This new partnership with France Galop is in line with our desire to contribute to the development of our breeding and to maintain the competitiveness of the French racing programme. The ‘voucher’ offered to the winning owners of the unraced juveniles in the six races at Deauville is also intended to congratulate and encourage our buyers before the yearling sales season. We all know how difficult these races are to win, so it is important to make a difference. We hope that these two initiatives will enhance the attractiveness of these events that are an important part of the Deauville meeting. Finally, we were keen to support the two group 3 races for 3-year-old fillies, that are key races in view to developing a quality broodmare band for French breeders.”

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16:35-YORK, 5f, DAZZLING DES (Ire)
€33,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2018

Gutafan (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud
166 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
16:35-YORK, 5f, KIDDA (GB)
43,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 2

Hot Streak (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), Tweenhills Stud
79 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
16:35-YORK, 5f, BARBARELLA (Ire)
£42,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

Night of Thunder (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud
107 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
16:35-YORK, 5f, SUN POWER (Fr)
€75,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2017 - English
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Brazen Beau (Aus) | Darley

IRELAND



GIGGINSTOWN TO WIND DOWN

Michael O'Leary's Gigginstown House Stud will not be purchasing young store horses this summer as the operation has announced plans to phase out its racing operations. Ireland's leading jumps owners, who enjoyed a marvelous 2018/19 jumps season headlined by the famous exploits of Aintree Grand National winner **Tiger Roll (Ire)** (Authorized {Ire}), have historically been major investors in both young, unbroken 3-year-olds and also form horses from the point to point circuit, but a change in emphasis will see an end to that as the owner plans to gradually work down his huge string over the next five years. O'Leary's racing interests are managed by his brother Eddie, who also runs his own very successful Lynn Lodge Stud and in a statement issued to *The Irish Field* on Tuesday Eddie O'Leary said, "Michael is a big family man and his children are now growing up and, given his extensive work commitments, he now wants to spend more time with his wife and family. As a result we are not going to be buying any more stores or young horses. We have lots of young stock to be allocated amongst our trainers over the coming weeks and each of our trainers will receive their usual allocation of young point to pointers. Each and every one of these horses will remain in the Gigginstown colours for the entirety of their career so hopefully we have many more great days to look forward to in the future."

Michael O'Leary, who is the CEO of Ryanair added, "We wish to sincerely thank all our trainers and their teams for the enormous success we've enjoyed over the past decade but, as my children are growing into teenagers I am spending more of my time at their activities and have less time for racing, a situation that will continue for the foreseeable future. I hope that by running down the string over a four or five year period it will give our trainers time to replace our horses without disruption."

Epsom Derby Winners (2006 - 2018)

Year	Winner	Sire
2018	Masar (Ire)	New Approach (Ire)
2017	Wings Of Eagles (Fr)	Pour Moi (Ire)
2016	Harzand (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)
2015	Golden Horn (GB)	Cape Cross (Ire)
2014	Australia (GB)	Galileo (Ire)
2013	Ruler of the World (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)
2012	Camelot (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)
2011	Pour Moi (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)
2010	Workforce (GB)	King's Best
2009	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)

TRM BROADENS CURRAGH INVOLVEMENT

Thoroughbred Remedies Manufacturing (TRM) are building on their current association with The Curragh Racecourse and have announced a number of new initiatives with the newly refurbished track. The Curragh based company will sponsor a €100,000 handicap on the opening day of the Guineas Festival on Friday week and will also roll out an exciting benefit for stable staff. The 'TRM Best Turned Out Winners' Draw' will see every winning groom of a Best Turned Out prize gain entry into a draw giving them a chance of winning €1,000 at the end of the season. Commenting on the new initiative Curragh CEO Derek McGrath said, "We are very pleased to have this exciting opportunity to develop and strengthen our relationship with our closest neighbour by putting together a real and meaningful partnership that will acknowledge and show appreciation for the tremendous work carried out by those people who are the life blood of our industry."

NUMBERS RISE AT TATTS MAY STORE SALE

The Tattersalls May Store Sale showed across the board increases off its initial renewal last season. The median increased by 15% to €15,000, while the average rose by 16% to €17,663. The aggregate increased 14% to €2,563,200. A quartet realized €50,000 and over, compared to one in 2018, while 25 horses made €30,000 or more against 15 last year. The day's top lot was consigned by Bay View Cottage, the gelding by the popular sire Getaway selling for €58,000 (Lot 53). He was purchased by bloodstock agent Gearoid Costello.

"He is going point-to-pointing," said Costello. "He is a lovely horse, a good-walking, good-moving sort. He is going to England."

GC Bloodstock was the day's leading purchaser by aggregate picking up six horses for €199,000, while Monbeg Stables secured eight head, leading all buyer numerically.

"This is the second year of the Tattersalls Ireland May Store Sale and in a short period the sale has established itself successfully in the store sale calendar," said Tattersalls Ireland CEO Matt Mitchell. "The key sale indicators are very positive with a 16% increase in the average and 15% increase in the median and with a solid clearance rate of 74%. Vendors who recognized the sales potential were rewarded with a strong trade where the market was prepared to pay for a quality individual. The large presence of U.K. and domestic purchasers is testament to the market responding to the improved offering."



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Tuesday's Results:

Killarney, €20,000, Cond, 5-14, 3yo, f, 8f 40yT, 1:43.39, gd. FOXTROT LIV (GB) (f, 3, Foxwedge {Aus}--Bestfootforward {GB}, by Motivator {GB}), second to Hermosa (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G3 Weld Park S. at Naas in September, had been fifth on her return in The Curragh's G3 Athasi S. over seven furlongs eight days previously and raced in third initially. Making smooth progress to take control with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the 4-7 favourite opened up to register an authoritative six-length success from Lafayette Hill (Ire) (War Command). The winner, who was also runner-up in the Listed Ingabelle S. at Leopardstown in September, is out of a half to the G3 Dee S. winner Azmeel (GB) (Azamour {Ire}) and to the listed-winning dam of the G2 Royal Lodge S. scorer Best of Days (GB) (Azamour {Ire}). Her 2-year-old colt is by Hot Streak (Ire), while she also has a yearling colt by Mukhadram (GB). Sales history: 6,000gns Wlg '16 TATFOA. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ire, 7-2-3-0, \$70,758.

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O-Martin Schwartz; B-Northmore Stud (GB); T-Paddy Twomey.

Killarney, €14,500, Mdn, 5-14, 3yo, c/g, 11f 30yT, 2:28.99, gd. EMINENT AUTHORITY (IRE) (c, 3, Frankel {GB}--L'Ancrese {Ire} {Hwt. 3yo Filly-Ire at 9 1/2-10 1/2f, SW & G1SP-Ire, GISP-US, \$398,490}, by Darshaan {GB}), a 13-2, shot, was settled behind the leading duo and ran green on the first bend before needing encouragement with over a half mile remaining. Looking beaten turning for home, the bay stayed on stoutly to gain the advantage in the last 100 metres and score by a length from Lancastria (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}). The talented dam, who was runner-up in the G1 Irish Oaks and G1 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf, is responsible for the stable's recent G3 Vintage Crop S. winner Master of Reality (Ire) also by Frankel and Chamonix (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), MSW-Ire, \$102,283. Her unraced first foal Minkova (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) is the dam of last year's G3 Henry II S. scorer Magic Circle (Ire) (Makfi {GB}). L'Ancrese's half-sister Moonstone (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}) captured the G1 Irish Oaks before producing US Army Ranger (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and Nelson (Ire) who is also by Frankel, the sire of her 2-year-old and yearling fillies. Sales history: €160,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,022. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sun Bloodstock; B-March Thoroughbreds (IRE); T-Joseph O'Brien.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Mujid (Ire), c, 4, Frankel (GB)--Bethrah (Ire) (G1SW-Ire, \$302,524), by Marju (Ire). Killarney, 5-14, 8f 40yT, 1:44.01. B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited (IRE).



BRITAIN



Tuesday's Results:

1st-Beverley, £6,400, Cond, 5-14, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.69, g/s.
AUCHTERARDER (IRE) (f, 2, Gleneagles {Ire}--Crossover {GB} {SW & MGSP-Fr, MSP-Ger, \$151,473}, by Cape Cross {Ire}) was away sharply from the inside gate and seized immediate control of this unveiling. Holding sway throughout, the 5-1 chance was driven clear entering the final furlong and ridden out in the closing stages to easily hold Quiet Place (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) by 2 1/2 lengths, becoming the second winner for her freshman sire (by Galileo {Ire}). Full to a yearling filly, she is the fourth scorer for MGSP Listed Prix Contessina victress Crossover (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), herself kin to six black-type performers headed by GSW sires Cristofori (Fappiano), Snaadee (Danzig) and Russian Bond (Danzig). Crossover is also a half-sister to the dam of G1 Deutsches Derby runner-up and G1 Grosser Dallmayr-Preis-winning sire Ransom O'War (red Ransom). Sales history: €18,000 Ylg '18 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,226.

Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Kingsley Park 11; B-Newstead Breeding (IRE); T-Mark Johnston.

2nd-Beverley, £6,400, Cond, 5-14, 2yo, 5fT, 1:05.83, g/s.
EXCLUSIVE (IRE) (f, 2, Kodiac {GB}--Miss Mariduff, by Hussonet) was slick from an outer gate and raced on the front end through halfway in this first go. Shaken up to gain an outright advantage passing the quarter-mile marker, the 13-8 favourite came under increased urging thereafter and was ridden out to score by 2 3/4 lengths from Kilig (GB) (Fountain of Youth {Ire}). She is the seventh winner from as many runners produced by an unraced daughter of GSW G1 Oaks d'Italia third Sopran Mariduff (GB) (Persian Bold {Ire}) and the bay is kin to G2 Premio Ribot victor Porsenna (Ire) (Dylan Thomas {Ire}), MSW G2 Gran Criterium second Basileus (Ire) (Dream Ahead), G3 Oh So Sharp S. runner-up Astrelle (Ire) (Makfi {GB}) and a yearling filly by Dark Angel (Ire). Sales history: 40,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,226. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Rabbah Racing; B-Azienda Agricola Gennaro Stimola (IRE); T-Archie Watson.

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3rd-Chepstow, £5,800, Cond, 5-14, 2yo, 5f 16yT, :58.69, g/f.
FLIPPA THE STRIPPA (IRE) (f, 2, Outstrip {GB}--Celsius Degre {Ire}, by Verglas {Ire}), who shaped with promise in her Apr. 30 debut over this distance at Nottingham last time, was quickly into stride and shadowed the pace in second here. Sent into a slender lead passing the quarter-mile marker, the 2-1 pick was shaken up approaching the final furlong and ridden out in the closing stages to assert by a half length from Ivatheengine (Ire) (Ivawood {Ire}), becoming the second winner for her freshman sire (by Exceed and Excel {Aus}). Half to a yearling filly by Free Eagle (Ire), the grey is the third foal and second scorer produced by dual winner Celcius Degre (Ire) (Verglas {Ire}), herself out of a half-sister to six black-type performers headed by G1 Prix Jean Romanet heroine Alpine Rose (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}) and G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud-winning sire Fragrant Mix (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}). Sales history: £10,000 Ylg '18 TASAYG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$5,607. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 O-Christopher Wright; B-Linacre House Ltd (IRE); T-Charles Hills.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Astrologer (GB), f, 3, Intello (Ger)--Starscope (GB) (MG1SP-Eng, \$251,626), by Selkirk. Beverley, 5-14, 7f 96yT, 1:34.13.
 B-Cheveley Park Stud, Ltd (GB).

Light Up Our Stars (Ire), c, 3, Rip Van Winkle (Ire)--Shine Like A Star (GB), by Fantastic Light. Chepstow, 5-14, 8f 14yT, 1:33.62.
 B-D Boocock (IRE). *30,000gns RNA Ylg '17 TAOCT. **1/2 to Light Up Our World (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}), SW & MGSP-Eng, GSP-US, \$152,484; and Light Up My Life (Ire) (Zamindar), MGSP-Eng.

FRANCE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

2nd-Marseille-Borely, €44,000, Cond, 5-14, 3yo, 10fT, 2:01.60, g/f.

VERONESI (FR) (c, 3, Kendargent {Fr}--Verone, by Dixie Union)
 Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, €63,500. O-Ecuries Serge Stempniak, Oceanic Bloodstock SARL & Jean-Claude Rouget; B-Aleyrion Bloodstock Ltd & Louis Baudron (FR); T-J-C Rouget. *50,000gns RNA Ylg '17 TAOCT; €45,000 2yo '18 OSAAPR. **1/2 to Venecia Style (Fr) (Desert Style {Ire}), SW & GSP-Fr, \$123,928.

2nd-Marseille-Borely, €20,000, Cond, 5-14, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:04.21, g/f.

SPIRIT OF NELSON (IRE) (f, 4, Mount Nelson {GB}--Spirit of Pearl {Ire} {SP-Ire}, by Invincible Spirit {Ire}) Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 11-4-1-2, €78,090. O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul (IRE); T-Jerome Reynier. *1/2 to Elusive Pearl (Fr) (Elusive City), SP-Fr; and Kanuka (Fr) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), SP-Fr.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Famiglia (Fr), f, 2, George Vancouver--Renascent Rahy (GB), by Rahy. Marseille-Borely, 5-14, 6fT, 1:11.74. B-Mme Sylvie Gesbert, Dominique Aviez & Christian Gesbert (FR).

*1ST-TIME STARTER. **€26,000 Ylg '18 AROCT.

Silberpfeil (Ire), f, 3, Clodovil (Ire)--Qenaa (GB), by Royal Applause (GB). Marseille-Borely, 5-14, 8fT, 1:42.27.
 B-William J Kennedy (IRE).

WORLDWIDE NEWS

RECORD AT YULONG SPRING SALE

The Yulong Spring Sale was held on Mainland China on May 10, with Zhang Yuesheng of Yulong Investments spending a Chinese auction record RMB 1.8-million (US\$270,000) on the sale-topping **Hui Tong Tian Xia (Chn)** (Fruits of Love) (**sale video**). The horse was China's Horse of the Year in 2018 and has won his last eight races. He is targeting the Chinese mainland's richest race, the one-mile Chairman's Cup (RMB 2-million/US\$293,000) on Sept. 7. Before the sale, the China Horse Owners Alliance announced that beginning in 2020, the RMB 3-million (US\$440,000) Golden Slipper S. for Chinese-born 2-year-olds will be staged. The CHOA said it hopes this will promote the breeding of local Thoroughbreds. The day after the sale, the Magic Millions Raceday was staged will total purses of RMB 1.37-million (US\$200,000). See *TDN AusNZ* for the results.

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Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 3.00 p.m.

DUKE OF YORK CLIPPER LOGISTICS S.-G2, £125,000, 3yo/up, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	9	Limato (Ire)	Tagula (Ire)	Bentley	Candy	137
2	6	Brando (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Eaves	K Ryan	134
3	3	El Astronaute (Ire)	Approve (Ire)	Hart	Quinn	134
4	7	George Bowen (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Hanagan	Fahey	134
5	4	Hey Jonesy (Ire)	Excelebration (Ire)	Stott	K Ryan	134
6	8	Invincible Army (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	McDonald	Tate	134
7	5	Major Jumbo (GB)	Zebedee (Ire)	J Spencer	K Ryan	134
8	2	Ormate (GB)	Bahamian Bounty (GB)	Dennis	Griffiths	134
9	10	Projection (GB)	Acclamation (GB)	J Watson	Charlton	134
10	1	Yafta (GB)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Crowley	Hannon	134

Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 3.35 p.m.

TATTERSALLS MUSIDORA S.-G3, £100,000, 3yo, f, 10f 56yT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	1	Blue Gardenia (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Gray	O'Meara	126
2	7	Dubai Blue	More Than Ready	Kirby	bin Suroor	126
3	5	Entitle (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Dettori	Gosden	126
4	8	Frankellina (GB)	Frankel (GB)	J Doyle	Haggas	126
5	3	Fresnel (GB)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Halpin	Davison	126
6	9	I'll Have Another (Ire)	Dragon Pulse (Ire)	de Sousa	Johnston	126
7	2	Nausha (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Atzeni	Varian	126
8	4	Sand Share (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Bentley	Beckett	126
9	6	Sparkle Roll (Fr)	Kingman (GB)	Murphy	Gosden	126
10	10	Swift Rose (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	J Watson	bin Suroor	126

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YEARLING MARKET RELATIONSHIP TO SERVICE FEES



Zoustar

by John Boyce

A buoyant yearling market is essential for commercial breeders to continue supplying Australia's racecourses with quality racehorses--don't forget 65% of all stakes horses are sourced from the yearling sales. But rising markets often lead to price inflation. Are service fees now getting to levels where they are likely to reduce profitability at the yearling sales in two years' time?

The bare facts show that 2019 fees are higher than the previous year. The stallions that had published fees in 2018 already announced for 2019 show an average increase from \$23,660 to \$25,600 this year. And there have been some notable hikes: **Zoustar** up to \$154,000 from \$60,500; **I Am Invincible** up to \$247,500 from 192,500 and **Dundeel** up to \$66,000 from \$27,500.

In all 24 stallions announced so far have had fee increases while 37 have reduced fees--the biggest reduction by only an \$11,000 margin--leaving 90 unchanged. There are 29 stallions listed at \$30,000 or higher, four fewer than last year, but three more than the year before. But it's very much a case of the rich getting richer at the elite end of the market: the average service fee above \$30,000 has gone from \$60,000 to \$77,000 in the past three years.

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Yearling Market Must Carry Increases

But can the yearling market carry such increases? A sire's yearling returns are the most important piece of information when setting stud fees for established sires. After Sydney's Easter sale, everyone has the necessary information on which to base next season's proposition to breeders. Naturally enough, stallion farms need to make money too, not least for future investment in new stallions. It's not surprising, therefore, that stud fees tend to track the rise and fall of the yearling market. It's also true that many sires will rise on the back of excellent results on the racecourse, in the reasonable anticipation of greater demand for nominations, crucially with better-bred mares that were not present to bolster 2019 yearling averages. Even so, the yearling market still provides the context against which service fee levels can be judged. Excluding all sires without published fees and those that had fewer than 25 yearlings sold at the sales, we can get a handle on fee movements in recent years. In 2019, the top 30 Australian sires by yearling average (25 or more sold) with published fees for the new season. ([Click here](#))

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The yearling market: the barometer for judging service fee levels

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They have a combined average fee of \$63,379, compared to \$56,510 last year. That's a high average and one that must also be viewed in context with the \$45,448 in 2017, the \$38,922 in 2016 and the \$40,847 in 2015. Moreover, mapping the number and cost of \$30k-plus stallions among this group, there is further evidence that we are in a new uncharted era in 2019. After the yearling sales in 2015, 13 fees were set higher than \$30,000. That number was stable for the next two years--11 in 2016 and 14 in 2017, but has been on the rise ever since with 17 last year and 18 this time around. And whilst the changes in the numbers of stallions may not be startling, it is again the nature of the increases that grabs our attention. The average fee for this group in 2019 is \$91,000--an all-time high.

Higher Fees a Global Phenomenon

However, it's not all bad news for commercial breeders. The comparative strength of the yearling market will cushion most of these increases. A simple index, comparing the yearling average and fee, shows that on average 2019 fees make up only 35% of individual average yearling prices.

In 2018, new fees accounted for 33% of yearling averages. In 2017, that number was 33%, and 31% in 2016 but as high as 37% in 2015. So, 2019 is not the worst year on record for yearling average/service fee ratios.

Higher fees are a global phenomenon. In Europe the top 30 commercial sires saw their fees rise from an average of £51k to £60k in 2019, whilst in America the top 30 rose from \$75k to \$85k. The current fees in America represent 33% of the sires' average yearling sale price, but in Europe, that number is as high as 42%. Of course, the trends among sires with yearlings are not the whole story and don't take into account the young stallions in the pipeline or the new intake this year. So far, there are seven new sires due to stand for more than \$20,000 in Australia--**Trapeze Artist, The Autumn Sun, Kementari, Saxon Warrior (Jpn), Written By, Brave Smash (Jpn)** and **Harry Angel (Ire)**.



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This will heap even more downward pressure on stallion books and ultimately on bloodstock prices. It will be interesting to see if the \$30k-plus group of stallions can maintain their record 144-mare average book size, set last year.

The yearling market may be thriving, but it will need to continue growing in order to make financial sense of current service fee levels in Australia. And if there is an oversupply of expensive nominations in the market this spring, you can bet that the downward pressure will first manifest itself with breeders seeking to buy discounted nominations.



IN MAINLAND CHINA:

Zhan Gong Zhuo Zhu (AUS), f, 2, **Epaulette (Aus)**--Mymy Justine (AUS), by Canny Lad (AUS). Yulong, 5-11, 1000m, Sand Track, 1:00.35. Purse: 100,000 RMB. B-MacQuarie Stud, NSW. O-Huayu Horse Industry. *A\$4,000 yrl '18 MMNAT; *RMB680,000 HRA '19 YUSPRING. **VIDEO**.

Qing Shen Yi Zhong (AUS), c, 3, **Bernardini**--Cajou (AUS) (GSP-Aus, \$181,190), by Encosta De Lago (AUS). Yulong, 5-11, 1800m, Sand Track, 1:57.84. Purse: 500,000 RMB. B-Segenhoe Thoroughbreds Australia Pty Ltd, NSW. O-HOU Xingjia. *Full to Allergic (Aus), GSW & MG1SP-Aus, \$527,652. **VIDEO**.

Dong Li Lai (AUS), f, 3, **Foxwedge (AUS)**--Marie Soleil (USA) (SW-US, \$210,982), by Louis Quatorze (USA). Yulong, 5-11, 1000m, Sand Track, :59.33. Purse: 500,000 RMB. B-Mr N Vass, NSW. O-Qisheng Horse Culture. *A\$5,000 yrl '16 INGSCON. **VIDEO**.

Dvina (AUS), f, 4, **Smart Missile (AUS)**--Tenko (NZ) (SP-NZ), by Shinko King (IRE). Wuhan, 5-11, 1200m, Sand Track, 1:16.91. Purse: 50,000 RMB. B-Sun Kingdom, Vic. O-WEI Guo. *A\$90,000 wnl '15 MMNAT. **VIDEO**.

Jue Di (AUS), c, 4, **Wicked Style (USA)**--Valued (AUS), by Bianconi (USA). Wuhan, 5-11, 1000m, Sand Track, 1:02.22. Purse: 50,000 RMB. B-Mr NC Stewart, Qld. O-QIN Lei. *A\$32,000 yrl '16 GCMAR. **VIDEO**.

Sohool (AUS), h, 6, **Street Cry (IRE)**--Rewaaya (NZ) (G1SW-Aus, \$547,194), by Singspiel (IRE). Yulong, 5-11, 1200m, Sand Track, 1:12.85. Purse: 70,000 RMB. B-Shadwell Stud Australasia Ltd, NSW. O-YAN Hongxiang. *RMB950,000 HRA '19 YUSPRING. **VIDEO**.

Kai Yuan Sheng Shi (AUS), h, 7, **Strada (AUS)**--Laila's Dream (AUS), by Clang (AUS). Wuhan, 5-11, 1700m, Sand Track, 1:54.45. Purse: 50,000 RMB. B-Widden Stud Australia Pty Ltd, NSW. O-Mr. Wang Weidong. *\$5,000 wnl '12 MMNAT. **VIDEO**.