

PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: AGING AWESOME AGAIN REMAINS A FORCE



Awesome Again | Sarah K Andrew

by Andrew Caulfield

If experience teaches us anything, it is that a hard-and-fast approach to Thoroughbred breeding is going to lead to missed opportunities. Two widespread prejudices (which are arguably more prevalent in Britain and Ireland) are a dislike of late foals and a reluctance to use veteran stallions.

The wisdom of these biases has been tested by the June Classics on both sides of the Atlantic. The G1 Investec Derby fell to Anthony Van Dyck, a colt born as late as May 19. This son of the now 21-year-old Galileo is the third fairly recent late-foaled Group 1 winner for his sire, following the May 25-born Forever Together, winner of last year's G1 Investec Oaks, and the May 18-born Magical, winner of the G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares S. and the G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup. The clear message is that a late foal by the world's best stallion is much better than no foal at all. Of course, the first three finishers in the Kentucky Derby--Maximum Security, Country House and Code of Honor--were respectively born on the 14th, the 8th and the 23rd of May.

Now we have seen the GI Belmont S. fall to Sir Winston, whose sire Awesome Again is a veteran of 25 and was therefore 21 when Sir Winston was conceived. Over in Europe, the evergreen Pivotal--still active at the age of 26--was recently represented by his second winner in five years of the G1 Prix Saint-Alary, this time with Siyarafina, a filly conceived when he was 22. **Cont. p3**

STRONACH GROUP, TOC, CTT RELEASE JOINT STATEMENT

The Stronach Group, the Thoroughbred Owners of California and California Thoroughbred Trainers have released a joint statement in the wake of the request from the California Horse Racing Board that Santa Anita suspend the final seven days of its meet.

The request came following the breakdown of **Formal Dude** (First Dude), who was euthanized following the running of Saturday's 10th race. The track suffered a subsequent fatality, the 29th of the meeting, when the 3-year-old filly **Truffalino** (English Channel) died of a heart attack in the third race Sunday.

"We are collectively working on behalf of everyone in the sport--grooms, hot walkers, jockeys, exercise riders, starters, trainers, owners, track managers and every horse wearing a bridle and a saddle--to reform and improve racing every day. After extensive consultation among all partners, Santa Anita Park will stay open through the end of its meet to see these reforms through.

Since wide-sweeping reforms have been instituted at Santa Anita, catastrophic injuries have dropped considerably compared to earlier this meet, decreasing by 50% in racing and by more than 84% in training. To be clear, there are no acceptable losses, and every day we work toward ending all serious injuries. But the reality is that our improvements and changes have been effective.

A detailed and serious epidemiological investigation of all track accidents is underway and will continue with the greatest urgency. Track management, owners, trainers and veterinarians, are re-doubling their vigilance and close supervision of both training and racing protocols and will consider all enhancements to the sweeping new protocols already introduced. We have great respect for Governor Newsom and the CHR, and we look forward to working closely with them as we continue to discuss these issues." **Cont. p4**

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Down the stretch they come in the Human Horse Race during Sunday's Irish Festival at Monmouth Park in Oceanport, NJ. | Anton Tikhonov/Equi-Photo

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by Andrew Caulfield



Aging Awesome Again Remains a Force *(cont. from p1)*

Another quirky aspect of last week's graded

stakes was that the GII New York S. acted as a reminder that some stallions are much more effective at siring high-class runners of one particular gender. For Exchange Rate, sire of the classy French import Homerique, it has been his daughters which have proved especially effective at the highest level. Of his six Northern Hemisphere Grade/Group 1 winners, five have been fillies, the single exception being the fast English-trained colt Reckless Abandon, who proved largely infertile after his retirement to stud. The way Homerique is



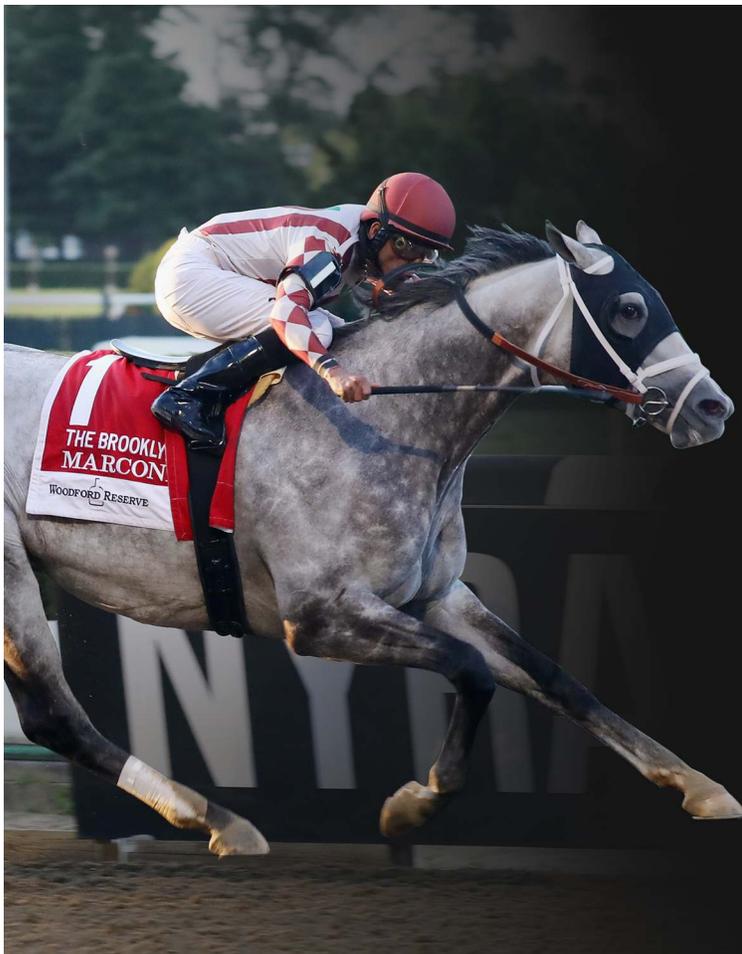
Sir Winston | Sarah K Andrew

shaping up in her new base, she looks very likely to become female Grade I winner number six. At present she is one of three fillies among her sire's five Grade II winners.

To get back to Sir Winston and Awesome Again (whose son Ghostzapper also enjoyed GI success at Belmont via the exciting

Acorn S. winner and 'TDN Rising Star' Guarana), Sir Winston is his 14th Grade I winner from a stallion career which now stretches to 17 crops aged three or over. Disparagers of old stallions would no doubt quickly point out that none of the previous 13 GI winners was born later than 2010. I could add that as many as nine of Awesome Again's Grade I winners were members of his first four crops, sired at fees of \$50,000. This represented a magnificent performance, with the 1998

Breeders' Cup Classic winner achieving a stunning 3.2% GI winners among the 281 named foals in these first four crops.



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Anyone would have been forgiven for wondering what Awesome Again might achieve after these terrific early results forced his fee up to \$125,000 and then \$150,000. However, the five years spent at these lofty fees reminded us of the unpredictability of the bloodstock world. They produced 391 named foals but only three of them--Game On Dude, Oxbow and Paynter--became Grade I winners, which is only 0.76%. This comparatively lean spell sent Awesome Again's fee crashing to \$50,000 before it revived to \$75,000.

While there has been a five-year hiatus without the emergence of any GI winners, only his 2014 crop, numbering 57, has failed to produce at least one graded winner. There were three Grade II winners in Awesome Again's 2011 crop, a Grade III winner in the crop of 2012, and GII and GIII winners among his six black-type winners from the 70 foals in his 2013 crop. His 2015 crop showed that Triple Crown potential was still there, with Bravazo running Justify to half a length in the GI Preakness S., and now the 2016 crop has produced Sir Winston and Always Shopping, winner of the GII Gazelle S. in April.

As the saying goes, there's life in the old dog yet and it will be interesting to see how the Adena Springs veteran fares with his next few crops--he has over 50 juveniles this year, as well as a similar number of yearlings. He covered 48 mares last year at the age of 24.

It could just be coincidence, but Awesome Again's sire Deputy Minister had a similar record to Awesome Again. After siring a lengthy list of GI winners, including four in his 1994 crop, Deputy Minister became champion sire at the ages of 18 and 19 in 1997 and 1998. However, his nine crops foaled after 1995 enjoyed only sporadic success. Three produced a Grade I winner, the last two being the Sword Dancer H. winner Go Deputy and the Personal Ensign S. winner Miss Shop (conceived when he was 24).

I believe one contributory factor in the decline in Deputy Minister's results was that he came into competition with a growing number of his own stallion sons, who were not only younger, but cheaper. Perhaps the same has happened to Awesome Again, who has been in direct competition with Ghostzapper at Adena Springs. Ghostzapper now has 11 Grade I winners (eight of them fillies).

There was always a good chance that Sir Winston would prove suited by the mile and a half of the Belmont S. Awesome Again won several times over a mile and a quarter and he had previously come close to siring a winner of the Belmont, when Paynter was caught in the final strides by Union Rags in 2012. There is also stamina in the bottom half of Sir Winston's pedigree, with both his dam, the Grade III winner La Gran Bailadora, and second dam, the Grade III-placed Affirmed Dancer, being daughters of Belmont S. winners (they are respectively daughters of Afleet Alex and Affirmed).

Sir Winston's first three dams were all black-type winners, his third dam being the Canadian champion Woolloomooloo, who enjoyed stakes success at up to a mile and an eighth. That adds up to a quality background for a colt who RNA'd at only \$50,000 as a yearling.

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Stronach Group, TOC, CTT Release Joint Statement *(cont. from p1)*

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals released a statement of its own Sunday. "Either the rules aren't strong enough or the rules aren't being followed, but whatever the reason for the deaths of two more horses, Santa Anita needs to listen to the California Horse Racing Board and shut down," said Kathy Guillermo, PETA's senior vice president, in a statement.

"It should not re-open until full-leg scan equipment is in place, since most pelvis injuries also show lesions in the legs, the dirt track has been replaced with a safer synthetic surface; and the district attorney's investigation into trainers and veterinarians is complete," she said.

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364 HORSES CATALOGED FOR FASIG-TIPTON KENTUCKY YEARLINGS

A total of 364 yearlings have been cataloged for the 2019 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July Sale to be held Tuesday, July 9, at the Newtown Paddocks in Lexington. The total number cataloged is a 4.2% increase from the 349 youngsters that were included in the 2018 renewal.

"July continues to produce superior results for both buyers and sellers, and as result, our numbers and quality have increased again this year," said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning. "Fifteen of the current 20 leading sires in North America are represented by yearlings in this catalogue, as well as an exciting group of entries by this season's first-crop yearling sires."

The top-ranked North American yearling sale by percentage of 2-year-old winners from horses sold, the July Sale also continues to be among the leading sales in percentage of Grade I winners, graded stakes winners and stakes winners from horses sold. The July Sale was well-represented during last week's Belmont Stakes Racing Festival.

"The focus of The July Sale has always been precocious, athletic yearlings," added Browning. "These strong physicals have translated to strong results on the race track. Significant Form (Creative Cause, \$75K '16 FTKJUL) won the GIII Intercontinental S., Maryanorginger (Strong Mandate, \$190K '18 FTKJUL) captured the Astoria S. in her career debut, and Joevia (Shanghai Bobby, \$50K '17 FTKJUL) finished a strong third in the GI Belmont S."

Fasig-Tipton is also accepting **nominations** for the July Selected Horses of All Ages Sale Monday, July 8. Nominations will be accepted through late June.

“The July Selected Horses of Racing Age Sale has quickly developed into North America's premier horses of racing age sale,” continued Browning. “Graduate success and the sale's advantageous timing ahead of the lucrative summer race meets have quickly turned this sale into of our most popular auctions. For sellers, this is an especially good venue to offer horses coming off a strong recent performance.”



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The July Sale catalogue may now be **viewed online** and will also be available via the Equineline catalogue iPad app. Print catalogues will be available beginning June 12.

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NY MEDICAL DIRECTOR: HIGHER SCRATCH RATE EVIDENCE SAFETY PROTOCOLS WORK

by T.D. Thornton

In a relatively small sample size of 22 races run with “enhanced” purse-to-claiming price ratios greater than two to one this year, the New York Racing Association (NYRA) has experienced an above-norm scratch rate of 11%.

But Scott Palmer, VMD, the equine medical director for the New York State Gaming Commission (NYSGC), told commissioners at Monday's monthly meeting that the higher scratch rate for those types of races is evidence that newly enhanced veterinary scrutiny policies designed to screen out at-risk horses have “successfully mitigated” the dangers associated with running horses for purses that are more than double the value of claiming prices.

Thus, based on Palmer's assessment that the situation is safe, there were no changes made to the system that commissioners unanimously voted in Jan. 28 to add flexibility to claiming races.

At that time, the NYSGC agreed to relax a two-to-one purse/price rule for claiming races on a case-by-case basis so NYRA could card races that are competitive with other tracks in the mid-Atlantic region whose claiming structures are not governed by commission-mandated purse ratios.

A key part of the rule change was that in order to tweak purses upward beyond that two-to-one ratio, NYRA had to agree to perform an additional level of veterinary due diligence to double-check situations that trigger greater risk, like if a horse is being entered off an extended layoff, drops precipitously in class, shows a questionable workout pattern, or has been reported to have had multiple intra-articular medications administered in its recent history.

“As the purse levels exceed the claiming price of the horse, risk is incentivized and the horse becomes a commodity,” Palmer said. “That's the challenge, and that's where we had to find this fine line, this balance if you will, between increase of the economic opportunities without the horse having to pay the price for that. That's what we're trying to do here.”

Palmer gave some historical perspective on the situation: During the 2011-12 spring meet at Aqueduct Racetrack, 21 horses suffered catastrophic injuries. Subsequent to that spike in deaths, a governor's task force on equine safety made the recommendation that (among multiple other factors) the state needed to dis-incentivize owners and trainers from entering lame or uncompetitive horses in lower-level races that feature gaming-inflated purses, which in some cases at NYRA had a purse/price ratio as high as four to one.

The NYSGC responded by setting the two to one purse/price ratio, and that mandate had been in effect for nearly seven years when NYRA requested some exceptions to it last December.

Competing racing jurisdictions around New York “were not experiencing an increased rate of fatality in this group of races in the region around us,” Palmer said when explaining his rationale for crafting the new protocols that went into effect in 2019. “It resonated with us that New York was at a disadvantage in this regard, both for the horsemen and for the racing association.

“However, as you all know, we were very reluctant to remove a protective measure that seemed to be working, and to take a risk that horses would be put at risk again. So that's why the new protective factors were required,” Palmer said.

And Palmer also noted an historical caveat: “There's some very good research that shows there's an increased amount of risk for catastrophic injury for horses in claiming races with a purse-to-price ratio greater than 1.8 to 1. This is a very sound piece of scientific information.”

With all of that in mind, NYRA was granted permission to modify some claiming purse/price ratios at this spring's race meets.

So far this year, Aqueduct and Belmont Park have each carded 11 “enhanced” claiming races, with purse/price ratios ranging from 2.25 to 1 to 3 to 1.

Those races, Palmer said, drew 142 entrants. Of them, 16 scratched prior to racing (14 veterinary scratches, one stewards’ scratch, and one trainer’s scratch). Of the horses that raced, one failed to finish and was vanned off with a non-fatal injury. There were no equine deaths in those 22 “enhanced” claiming races.

“One of the things that’s important about this is that it represents a bit of a higher [scratch rate] number than ordinary in most races,” Palmer said (he did not cite a comparative scratch rate for other races). “It’s about an 11% scratch rate here. And that’s a little high. So what that tells us is that NYRA was doing a really good job, and really had a hard eye on these horses. And they just took horses out if they had concerns.”

But commissioner Todd Snyder asked Palmer if, by allowing the higher ratios, “we’re basically creating the incentive that we didn’t want to create, and then we’re creating a regulatory scheme to intervene to protect against it.”

Palmer responded that “I think you could argue that. I don’t know that I could compare that to regular races [that don’t have enhanced claiming prices] and make a distinct comparison to say this is different. But I think the point is well made that in [11% of entrants] it was determined that they really shouldn’t run. [The] regulatory scratches were interventions, which is exactly why we had this program in place.”

Palmer also pointed to New York’s improving equine safety record over the past seven years since the Aqueduct catastrophes sparked change in 2012.

“This is [the] widespread effect of this racing quality-control program that we have in place,” Palmer said. “This is not a statistical fluke. We’ve reduced these injuries in the neighborhood of 42 to 50%, and it’s been in that range for the last seven years. That’s not an accident... This is hard work. This is something that we do every day. And it means that it works. It’s no public relations campaign. These are the numbers. It works.

“So where do we go from here?” Palmer asked rhetorically. “I expect that NYRA will continue to make requests for their condition book to modify these races. Finger Lakes has so far not done that.

“The commission staff will continue to closely monitor all these races and make adjustments to protocols as necessary to minimize risk of injury,” Palmer summed up. “I think that’s the way we’re going to [handle the situation moving forward]. I think you should feel comfortable about the decision you made in January. And I think you should also be very comfortable about the fact that you insisted that there be some extra measures put in place here.”

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DISMISS DERBY LAWSUIT, DEFENDANTS IMPLORE FEDERAL JUDGE *by T.D. Thornton*

The defendants in the lawsuit over the controversial May 4 disqualification of the GI Kentucky Derby winner have asked a federal judge to dismiss the suit on grounds that the litigation “fails to state a claim...upon which relief can be granted.”

The three stewards assigned to Churchill Downs, plus the 14 board members and the executive director of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission (KHRC), filed a 167-page “motion to dismiss” June 8 in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky (Lexington Division), citing the alleged failure by the plaintiffs, Gary and Mary West, to follow Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6).

The lawsuit, which was initiated by the owners of Maximum Security (New Year’s Day), seeks the reversal of the unprecedented Derby DQ, plus reinstatement of the original order of finish “confirming that Maximum Security is the official winner of the Derby who remains undefeated.”



Country House (outside) and Maxium Security splash under the wire at Churchill Downs | Horsephotos

The Wests are alleging that “the final order is not supported by substantial evidence on the whole record” and that the DQ “violates plaintiffs’ Fourteenth Amendment rights to procedural due process.”

But the KHRC, et al, fired back in court with this latest filing, claiming that “the same rules apply to every horse race, whether a Friday night claiming race or the Kentucky Derby. Under those rules, Maximum Security did not win the Derby, and the Wests did not win the Derby purse. And under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Wests fail to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.”

The motion to dismiss continues: “The Kentucky Derby is the most prestigious horse race in the world. And horse racing may be the ‘sport of kings,’ but it is still that--a sport.” **Cont. p7**

“As with every sport, it has rules to foster consistent, fair, and safe play, and neutral arbiters, whether called referees, umpires, judges--or in this case, stewards--who enforce those rules.

“The Wests disagree with the stewards’ call to disqualify Maximum Security,” the motion continues. “And they disagree with the Commission’s decision to make that call conclusive. Instead, the Wests want this Court to make the call and determine the winner of the Derby--a demand that threatens to transform the ‘most exciting two minutes in sports’ into tedious, protracted litigation.

“But their mere disagreement is insufficient to support a claim that their Constitutional--or any other--legal rights have been violated,” the motion states. “In fact, they allege no valid cause of action at all. The Court should therefore dismiss the Wests’ Complaint as a matter of law.”

The three stewards who officiated the Derby--chief state steward Barbara Borden, state steward Brooks “Butch” Becraft, and Churchill Downs steward Tyler Picklesimer--launched a post-Derby adjudication process that lasted 22 minutes and played out on national TV as they debated whether Maximum Security’s shifting out while leading on the far turn caused crowding that affected rivals in close pursuit and almost triggered a clipping-of-heels accident.

In the aftermath of two jockeys’ objections--but no posted stewards’ inquiry--Maximum Security was judged to have fouled Long Range Toddy (Take Charge Indy) and thus placed behind that rival in 17th place. Country House (Lookin At Lucky), who crossed the wire second, was elevated to first place and recognized as the official Derby winner.

The Wests’ May 14 suit claims that they were denied their allegedly rightful part of the \$1,860,000 share of the Derby purse “as well as a professional accomplishment that any horseman would cherish for life, plus the very substantial value that a Kentucky Derby winner has as a stallion.”

The defendants’ June 8 motion to dismiss states that, “The Wests have not sufficiently stated a cause of action entitling them to the unprecedented relief they seek because they have identified no due process deprivation and the KHRC appropriately rendered its conclusive disqualification determinations.”

The motion cites legal precedents for dismissal of this type of suit, including one that states that plaintiffs “can have no legitimate claim of entitlement to a discretionary decision.”

Another states that only after the plaintiffs demonstrate a protected property interest can a court “consider the form and nature of the process that is due.”

In summing up the motion to dismiss, the defendants’ filing states “Quite simply, the Wests fail to identify a legitimate claim

of entitlement to any property interest based upon Kentucky statute, regulation, or case law. Thus, their due process claim fails as a matter of law, and should be dismissed.”

Beyond the above-named stewards, other defendants in the suit are KHRC executive director Marc Guilfoil, chairman Franklin King, vice chair Mark Simendinger, and board members Gatewood Bell, Jr., Larry Bisig, Stuart Brown II, DVM, Kerry Cauthen, Kiki Courtelis, Pat. Day, Douglas Hendrickson, Lesley Ann May Howard, Kenneth Jackson, Bret Jones, Foster Northrop, DVM, and J. David Richardson.

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PROVEN STRATEGIES: TIPS & TECHNIQUES TO MAKE YOU MORE PROFITABLE

by Len Green, CPA, MBA and John Wollenberg, CPA, JD
The Green Group

A popular joke in the world of horse racing is, "It's easy to become a millionaire--just start out a billionaire!" However, it is obviously not that simple.

The Green Group has been working in the equine industry for over 30 years, advising people on how to successfully navigate this complicated business.

With years of experience working with many successful people in the horse industry, we have been fortunate enough to learn a thing or two.

In this article, we will focus in on general business and new tax updates.

General Business

The great thing about working with owners in the Thoroughbred industry is that the majority of them already have a proven background as a successful business professional in some form or another.

To do so, they probably had a game plan that was similar to the following:

1. They saw an existing problem and figured out a way to solve it better, faster and/or less expensively.

2. They formed a team that included individuals with specific knowledge and/or contacts in that industry.
3. They outworked their competitors.
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6. They continued to reinvent themselves.
7. They took advantage of all the special tax deductions accessible to them and paid the least amount of taxes allowable.

And yet, a large majority of people who lose money in the horse business do not follow the above.

Here, we'll focus on our strong point: #7.

New Tax Updates

First, you should ensure your accountant is aware of the various new tax updates.

1. If your horse operation is profitable, you may be eligible to reduce the income by 20%.

Under the same recent Tax Act, this new 20% Qualified Business Income (QBI) deduction is designed to extend tax relief to small business owners such as sole proprietors, shareholders of S Corporations, members of LLCs, and partners in partnerships, as the original proposed Tax Law changes only provided tax cuts to larger C Corporations.

QBI is the net amount of qualified items of income, gain, deduction, and loss from any effectively connected U.S. trade or business. REIT dividends and income from publicly traded partnerships qualify, though wages and portfolio items do not count.

This new QBI deduction allows business owners to deduct up to 20% of business income, subject to these limitations:

- a. The deduction cannot exceed 20% of a taxpayer's taxable income exclusive of capital gains.
- b. Income from specified service businesses (health, law, accounting, actuarial sciences, performing arts, consulting, athletics, financial services, or where a reputation is a principal asset) qualifies only when the owner's taxable income is less than \$315,000 for a married couple or \$157,500 for all others (then subject to a phase-out over the next \$100,000/\$50,000).
- c. For non-specified service businesses, if an owner's taxable income exceeds the \$315,000/\$157,500 thresholds, then the QBI deduction is the lesser of 20% of QBI or the greater of (i) 50% of W-2 wages paid or (ii) 25% of W-2 wages plus 2.5% of the original cost of owned property.



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2. The three-year depreciation for racehorses that expired in 2017, not allowing for a three-year write-off in 2018, has changed. You may now find it worthwhile to amend your 2018 tax return.

3. You should have someone take a look at any assets acquired in 2018, new or used, barns, fences, equipment, etc., to see whether you have maximized your depreciation and expense write-offs.

In many cases you can now write off qualified assets in one year!

4. Did you purchase any broodmares in foal? Are you maximizing the special deductions there?

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SARATOGA WAR HORSE, PART 1

Saratoga War Horse (SWH) recently celebrated 1,000 participants in its healing program using off-track Thoroughbreds to help veterans with post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Late last year, SWH began having regular programs in New York at the Rerun Thoroughbred Adoption farm in East Greenbush. Now operating in three states, New York, Maryland and South Carolina, under the guidance of Executive Director Allison Cherkosly, SWH is aiming to serve the next 1,000 veterans in three years' time. I caught up with Cherkosly just after her one-years anniversary on the job and as she plans for a busy Saratoga racing season.

DP: What is your background and how did you come to this position at SWH?

AC: I am an army veteran. I served in Afghanistan from 2009-2010. I was also a competitive equestrian and I was trained in the Monty Roberts method of horsemanship.

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DP: Did you go through the program yourself?

AC: After I started the job, I did go through both the South Carolina program and the New York program.

DP: Looking back on your first full year, what do you feel you been able to bring to the program?

AC: I am most proud of how I have poised SWH for the near and long-term future. In that, I mean the organization going from a smaller, more localized charity to a larger nationwide organization. It is my goal that when people hear the term post traumatic distress, they will automatically say: "Go to Saratoga War Horse." In order to accomplish that, I have addressed every aspect of the organization from fundraising, to financial, to our infrastructure. My work has been geared towards preparing for the future while still providing great programming. We have focused heavily on the staff and making sure that we have the best possible people to provide the program and grow the organization. Being a veteran myself, I knew the kind of changes that were necessary.

DP: Can you give me a specific instance?

AC: We want to always be sure that we are putting the veterans first. To accomplish this, we didn't change the program itself, but rather the accessibility. As of the end of this week, we will have served all 50 states. That is a huge accomplishment because many of the vets are coming from places where there are no resources to serve veterans. It is truly a team effort. I am sandwiched between a fabulous board and amazing staff.

Everyone is singularly focused on the mission and serving the most veterans in the best way.

DP: On the website, there are many upcoming classes listed. Is that a new phenomenon?

AC: The new phenomenon is that every class is full. However, that does not mean that veterans are waiting. We open up new classes wherever possible to meet the demand which is overwhelming.

DP: What constitutes a full class and how many horses do you use?

AC: Ninety-nine percent of the time, six is a full class. If we must, we can go to seven. Five works but six is optimal. We use anywhere from four to six horses per class. You can use the same horse more than once because the connections are all completely different. All horses are retired Thoroughbred racehorses.

DP: How does working with off-track Thoroughbreds contribute to the process?

AC: Other breeds of horses may be calm, more willing to stand and be rubbed on and nuzzle. They may be faster and easier at creating a bond. But just bonding is not what we are looking to accomplish at SWH. We are looking for the chemical reaction that happens with the connection between the veteran and the horse in the round pen. The Thoroughbred acts as the catalyst. The similarities between the veterans and racehorses are also important. Thoroughbreds, like veterans, are trained intensely for a single result. Thoroughbreds are trained to go fast and win. Men and women in the military are trained to complete their mission. They both enter their training at a young age and retire young and both have a full of life yet to live. They are both dealing with the after-effects of their careers and they can help each other through the transition and the changes that they are feeling.

DP: Describe how the program unfolds for a veteran in attendance.

AC: All expenses are covered by SWH. We take care of everything and that is an important part of the experience to help the veterans feel secure. On day one, we gather up the participants and transport them to the hotel. We introduce everyone and have a group dinner. Everything is geared towards creating a safe, comfortable and confidential environment.

On day two, there is a farm tour and then a two-part interactive classroom session. The first part is about equine communication, horses in general, and about the herd environment. They watch videos and learn to identify the leaders in the herd and the interactions between horses. Then, in the second part, the veterans are taught about the round pen and learn about what they will be doing in the round pen with their horse. After lunch, they learn, without horses, how to use a rope effectively and they practice their rope skills. We do a simulation of the round pen experience with a person playing the part of the horse. We teach them about all the different possible scenarios that they could face in the round pen. For instance, they learn how the horse will move away if they stand perpendicular to the horse and how to use their body to get the desired result.

DP: Can you explain how the connection with the horse in the round pen happens?

AC: The situation of being in the round pen with the horse is one that will trigger the anxiety and stress responses associated with PTSD. Unless the veteran can take down their energy level and make it through the situation with the tools we give them, they won't connect with the horse. The veteran wants to make the horse willingly come over to him or her and connect. The horses are not trained to make the connection automatically. They only react. So the veteran needs to learn how to control their energy and the flood of reactions coming from their brain and body and focus on not being a predator. It can take anywhere from three to 30 minutes.

DP: Does the connection in the round pen help veterans to manage their PTSD?

AC: What happens in the round pen is as much physiological as it is emotional. You have to get in the mind set of a veteran who comes to us. Imagine a scenario when you are driving your car and the car in front of you suddenly stops. In that one or two seconds before avoiding an accident, there are slew of physiological reactions such as having your heart rate spike, loss of breath, a pit in your stomach, and an adrenaline rush because of survival mode. For people without PTSD, if you wait a bit, the symptoms go away. Vets with PTSD are in almost constant survival mode. It's devastating. They are existing in a constant series of those one second before you crash increments of hyper-vigilance and hyper arousal so they can't focus on normal life and family matters. While the connection can take three minutes or 30 minutes, the result triggers a chemical relaxation response. That is why it is often so emotional. For the first time in a long time the veteran knows what it's like to not be living in those one second increments. It doesn't mean that their life is perfect all of a sudden but they experience the tools to learn to help themselves.

DP: In the next article, we will be speaking with some of the vets who have gone through the program. For today, let's finish up with your upcoming fundraising campaign and gala in Saratoga. Give us an overview.

AC: Last year we celebrated the milestone of serving the first 1,000 veterans in the organization's first six years of existence. My single focus is on serving the next 1,000 veterans with the same quality and impactful program in half the time. There are 500,000 veterans in this country with some sort of PTSD. The campaign will be called One Thousand More. It will include an endowment campaign to ensure that we be here for the next batch of veterans needing our help. Our gala this year, honoring Cot Campbell, is themed Celebrating a Visionary: Cot Campbell. It will be held Monday, Aug. 12 at the Hall of Springs in Saratoga. Cot and Anne have been our biggest supporters and brought SWH to the people in Thoroughbred racing who support us. For that, we are forever grateful. In addition, Cot was a WWII navy vet. He, more than anyone, understood the connection between veterans and off-track Thoroughbreds.

DP: Can we expect anything new and different at the event?

AC: The event will be unique this year. With the help of some really key partners, guests will be invited to experience an immersive 3-D interactive exhibit in which they will travel with a veteran from enlistment through training, service and deployment to the time when they come home. Guests will also follow a racehorse through training, racing and retirement. The SWH program occurs at the intersection of the two lives as they are transitioning to a new chapter. At the end, we think guests will say: "I know now what SWH does. I feel emotionally connected to it and I want to support it."

DP: How can people support the event?

AC: People can support the event by sponsoring and attending the event. It will be a big event. About 60% of the tickets are sold and the invitations have not yet gone out. The amount of support coming in to honor Cot and Anne is amazing. The event will highlight Cot's remarkable life, service and career.

To learn more about the event, go to <https://www.saratogawarhorse.org/2019-gala>.

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Sunday, Gavea, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO BRASIL-G1, Br\$673,200 (\$173,609), Gavea, 6-9, 3yo/up, 2400mT, 2:27.94, sf.

1--**GEORGE WASHINGTON (BRZ)**, 125, c, 3, by Redattore (Brz)

1st Dam: Princesa Carina (Brz) (MGSW-Arg, \$109,642), by Know Heights (Ire)

2nd Dam: Heavenly Dancer (Brz), by Fitzcarraldo (Arg)

3rd Dam: Alamak (Arg), by Cipol (Arg)

***1ST STAKES WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN.** O-Stud Happy Again; B-Stud TNT; T-L Esteves; J-M Goncalves; Br\$354,545. Lifetime Record: 13-2-3-1. *1/2 to Bonaparte (Brz) (Elusive Quality), G1SW-Brz. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

Werk Nick Rating: A.

2--**Or Noir (Brz)**, 128, c, 4, Soldier of Fortune (Ire)--Annees Dorees (Brz), by Mensageiro Alado (Brz). O/B-Haras Dolce Vale; T-V Nahid; J-W S Cardoso; Br\$106,364.

3--**Taksim (Brz)**, 125, c, 3, **Discreet Cat**--Taverne (Brz), by Torrential. O/B-Carlos dos Santos; T-C Morgado Neto; J-M S Machado; Br\$70,909.

Margins: 3HF, HF, 3 3/4. Odds: 10.10, 7.70, 8.10.

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Sunday, Gavea, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO PRESIDENTE DA REPUBLICA-G1, Br\$221,080 (\$57,025), Gavea, 6-9, 3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:35.94, sf.

1--**GLORY BOY (BRZ)**, 128, c, 3, by Put It Back

1st Dam: Tout Est Bien (Brz), by Wild Event

2nd Dam: Shanty (Arg), by Southern Halo

3rd Dam: Shangri-La (Arg), by Logical

***1ST STAKES WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN.** O-Stud Juliana e Luiz Guilherme; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-M Aurelio; J-W Blandi; Br\$108,788. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0. *1/2 to Diversione (Brz) (Signal Tap), G1SP-Brz; and full to Et La Vie Continue (Brz), GSW-Brz. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus*.** **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Grand Cru (Brz)**, 130, c, 4, First American--Just Lucky (Brz), by Spend A Buck. O-Haras Valentin; B-Haras Santa Rita da Serra; T-W G Tosta; J-N A Santos; Br\$32,636.

3--**Super Bold (Brz)**, 130, c, 4, Bold Start--Etere Blue (Brz), by Hard Buck (Brz). O/B-Stud Santa Tereza; T-E Ricardo; J-C Lavor; Br\$21,758.

Margins: 1, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 4.30, 21.00, 2.20A.

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Sunday, Gavea, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO JOCKEY CLUB BRASILEIRO-G1, Br\$217,080 (\$55,987), Gavea, 6-9, 2yo, 1600mT, 1:35.85, sf.

1--**JOLIE OLIMPICA (BRZ)**, 119, f, 2, by Drosselmeyer

1st Dam: Jolie Celina (Brz) (G1SP-Brz), by Trempolino

2nd Dam: China Empress, by Wavering Monarch

3rd Dam: Autumn Rhythm, by Slew O' Gold

***1ST GROUP 1 WIN.** O-Haras Regina; B-Stud TNT; T-R Solanes; J-W Blandi; Br\$106,364. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0. *1/2 to Rock In Bage (Brz) (Roi Normand), G1SP-Arg, \$278,073; and Domenica (Brz) (Redattore {Brz}), MGSW-Brz. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.** **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

2--**Mapa Mundi (Brz)**, 123, c, 2, Cape Town--Renania (Brz), by Redattore (Brz). O/B-Haras Figueira do Lago; T-D Guignoni; J-B Queiroz; Br\$31,909.

3--**Mondragon (Brz)**, 123, c, 2, Setembro Chove (Brz)--Ella Bird, by A.P. Indy. O/B-Haras Figueira do Lago; T-D Guignoni; J-A Domingos; Br\$17,636.

Margins: 6, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 1.20A, 2.90B, 2.90B.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

4th-Finger Lakes, \$20,600, Alw, 6-10, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.09, ft. FREUDNME (c, 3, Freud--Nobody But Me, by Trust N Luck) overcame a wide trip to pull off a 16-1 upset debuting Apr. 12 at Aqueduct and repeated in frontrunning style May 16 at Belmont. Crushed down to 1-20 to stay unblemished here, the chestnut sat third early before intently going after the pacesetter past a :22.45 quarter. Going on with it approaching the stretch, he easily shook off a brief challenge from Unflappable Max (Midnight Lute) after putting up a half in :46.17 and drew clear to a 4 1/4-length score. Unflappable Max held for second. Sales History: \$11,000 Wlg '16 FTNMIX. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$82,760. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.** O-My Purple Haze Stables; B-Blue Devil Racing, LLC (NY); T-Chris J. Englehart.



IN JAPAN:

Avance, c, 3, Uncle Mo--Above Heaven, by Mr. Greeley, Hanshin, 6-8, Alw. (\$131k), 9f, 1:52. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$168,519. O/B-Dr Masatake Iida (KY); T-Keiji Yoshimura. **\$145,000 RNA Ylg '17 FTSAUG; \$145,000 RNA 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

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Noiva, f, 3, Temple City--Malibu Pier (MGSW & GISP, \$466,200), by Malibu Moon. Hanshin, 6-9, Maiden (\$88k), 9f, 1:54.1. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-3, \$105,232. O-North Hills; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Shogo Yasuda. *1/2 to Malibu Stacy (Tizway), MGSP, \$355,560; and Coasted (Tizway), SW & GISP, \$366,066. **\$475,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

Air Almas, c, 4, Majestic Warrior--Nokaze, by Empire Maker. Hanshin, 6-9, Alw (\$322k), 7f, 1:23.3. Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-1, \$612,546. O-Lucky Field Inc; B-Sekie & Tsunebumi Yoshihara (KY); T-Manabu Ikezoe. *Won by four lengths as the 8-5 favorite while making his first start on the dirt. **VIDEO**

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Glitter Tesoro, h, 5, Into Mischief--Alike, by Grand Slam. Kochi, 6-9, Alw, 1300m. B-Steve Holliday (LA). *Won by six lengths as the 1-5 favorite. **\$32,000 RNA Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$40,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT; \$100,000 2yo '16 BARMAR.

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Pro Consul, c, 3, Freedom Child--Illusion of Speed (SP, \$188,726), by Trippi. Busan, 6-9, Hcp. (\$76k), 1600m. B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (MD). *\$20,000 Ylg '17 FTMOCT; \$32,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

Geuma Wholesome, g, 3, Gemologist--Dreamcaster (GB), by Bernardini. Seoul, 6-8, Hcp. (\$51k), 1700m. B-Westrock Stables LLC (KY). *\$35,000 2yo '18 OBSJUN.

Munhak Joy, c, 3, Kitten's Joy--Crimson Ore, by Exchange Rate. Seoul, 6-8, Hcp. (\$76k), 1400m. B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (KY). *\$19,000 RNA Ylg '17 OBSOCT.

Florida Power, f, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Sassy City (GSP, \$154,756), by Macho Uno. Seoul, 6-8, Hcp. (\$51k), 1200m. B-Eico Ventures Inc (KY). *\$30,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

Ultra Punch, g, 3, Munnings--Miss Rhonda, by Put It Back. Seoul, 6-9, Hcp. (\$76k), 1200m. B-Craig L Wheeler (FL). *\$65,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

IN PANAMA:

Crafty Bird, f, 3, Birdstone--No Blues Today, by Prospect Bay. Presidente Remon, 6-8, Alw., 1300m. B-Dede McGehee (KY). *1/2 to Big Blue Caboose (Silver Train), SW, \$103,592. **\$15,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **VIDEO**

IN PERU:

Kifak, c, 3, Fort Larned--Stay Forever (GSW, \$910,399), by Stack. Monterrico, 6-6, Maiden, 1200m. B-Santa Cruz Ranch Inc (FL). *1/2 to Stay Red (Red Bullet), SW, \$111,536. **\$30,000 Ylg '17 OBSOCT. **VIDEO**

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IN JAPAN:

Perkunas (Jpn), c, 3, **Majesticperfection**--Thundercup, by Thuder Gulch. Hanshin, 6-9, Alw. (\$131k), 9fT, 1:48.5. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$132,519. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shadai Farm; T-Yasutoshi Ikee. *Full to Lovely Maria, MGISW, \$1,003,000.

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Great Win (Kor), c, 3, **Smiling Tiger**--Indiara, by Indian Charlie. Busan, 6-9, Hcp. (\$51k), 1300m. B-Son Boing Choul.



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: TUESDAY, JUNE 11

Tapiture (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500
 122 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
 2-Indiana Grand, Msw 5f, MAGINE, 3-1
 \$26,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$28,000 OBS OCT yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: TUESDAY, JUNE 11

Vertiformer (Dynaformer), Poplar Creek Horse Center, \$2,000
 14 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Thistledown, Msw 5 1/2f, DIAMOND FORMER, 10-1
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STAKES RESULTS:

KENT S., \$50,000, Emerald Downs, 6-9, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:15.33, ft. 1--**ALITTLELESSTALK, 119, f, 3, Demon Warlock--Training at the Bar, by Valid Wager.** (\$15,000 RNA Ylg '17 WASSEP).

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Warlock Stables, Kelly Dougan & Ya Killing Me LLC; B-Warlock Stables, A. Floyd, K. Dougan, M. Hudson & Horseplayer's Racing Club (WA); T-Roddina A. Barrett; J-Lorenzo Castane Lopez. \$26,400. Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-0, \$55,225.

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2--**Mucho Amor, 122, f, 3, Mucho Macho Man**--Raucous Lady, by Rock Hard Ten. (\$135,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$260,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR). O-Ten Broeck Farm, Inc.; B-Ed Few (KY); T-Blaine D. Wright. \$9,600.

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3--**Senoradiablo, 118, f, 3, Flat Out**--Encore Belle, by Lemon Drop Kid. (\$20,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$53,000 Ylg '17 ARZNOV). O-Tim M. Bankers; B-Richard & Connie Snyder (KY); T-Manuel Ortiz, Sr. \$7,200.
 Margins: NK, 6 3/4, 1HF. Odds: 11.40, 0.30, 17.70.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-Parx Racing, \$52,920, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 6-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:44.37, wf.

STORMOLOGIST (f, 4, Gemologist--Storm Front, by A.P. Indy)
 Lifetime Record: 17-4-5-1, \$158,480. O-Stephen G. & Debbie Jackson; B-Pleasant Hill Partners (KY); T-Flint W. Stites. *\$30,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV. **1/2 to Stormy Regatta (Midshipman), MSW & GSP, \$160,320.

7th-Delaware, \$41,650, 6-10, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:43.97, sy.

FACT OF WAR (g, 3, The Factor--Abide, by Tiznow) Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$45,500.
 O-Non Stop Stable; B-George Bolton (KY); T-Gary Capuano. \$2,500 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

3rd-Parx Racing, \$41,250, (S), 6-10, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.79, wf.

STORM ADVISORY (g, 7, Weigelia--Storminthewoods, by Woodman) Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 57-11-9-8, \$519,304.
 O-Looch Racing Stables, Inc.; B-Epona Equine, LLC, Otto Draper & Wyn Oaks Farm (PA); T-Anthony T. Quartarolo.



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5th-Thistledown, \$34,200, (S), 6-10, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 1m 40y, 1:43.37, sy.

INDIAN FEVER (g, 4, Colonel John--Private Cause {MSW, \$114,365}, by Noble Causeway) Lifetime Record: SP, 10-3-1-2, \$82,483. O-Blazing Meadows Farm LLC & Michael Friedman; B-Blazing Meadows Farm (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm.

3rd-Thistledown, \$25,500, 6-10, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.66, sy.

WAKEETA (f, 3, Warrior's Reward--Waccamaw {MSP, \$370,065}, by War Chant) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-2, \$40,895. O-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Dixiana Farms LLC (KY); T-Robert M. Gorham. *\$10,500 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$12,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT.

7th-Thistledown, \$24,000, 6-10, (NW16M), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.88, sy.

IMPERATIVE (g, 9, Bernardini--Call Her, by Caller I. D.) Lifetime Record: MGSW & MGISP, 48-7-8-4, \$3,277,685. O-Ron Paolucci Racing, LLC & Imaginary Stables; B-Glencrest Farm LLC & Darley (KY); T-Anthony T. Quartarolo. *\$325,000 Ylg '11 KEESEP. **1/2 to Battle Won (Honour and Glory), GSW & MGISP, \$820,956; Nadeshiko (Honour and Glory), SW, \$255,968; and Matched (Smart Strike), SP, \$211,898.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

My Little Lily, f, 3, Cowtown Cat--Milwaukee Queen, by Milwaukee Brew. Thistledown, 6-10, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:08.88. B-Dr. George Mapleton Thoroughbreds (OH).



BERNARDINI, Imperative, g, 9, o/o Call Her, by Caller I. D.. ALW, 6-10, Thistledown

COLONEL JOHN, Indian Fever, g, 4, o/o Private Cause, by Noble Causeway. ALW, 6-10, Thistledown

COWTOWN CAT, My Little Lily, f, 3, o/o Milwaukee Queen, by Milwaukee Brew. MSW, 6-10, Thistledown

DEMON WARLOCK, Alittlelesstalk, f, 3, o/o Trainingat the Bar, by Valid Wager. Kent S., 6-9, Emerald Downs

FREUD, Freudnme, c, 3, o/o Nobody But Me, by Trust N Luck. ALW, 6-10, Finger Lakes

GEMOLOGIST, Stormologist, f, 4, o/o Storm Front, by A.P. Indy. AOC, 6-10, Parx Racing

THE FACTOR, Fact of War, g, 3, o/o Abide, by Tiznow. ALW, 6-10, Delaware

WARRIOR'S REWARD, Wakeeta, f, 3, o/o Waccamaw, by War Chant. ALW, 6-10, Thistledown

WEIGELIA, Storm Advisory, g, 7, o/o Storminthewoods, by Woodman. ALW, 6-10, Parx Racing



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Helmet (Aus) | Darley

By Emma Berry

Following consecutive weekends of Classics, a quieter Sunday with just two European group races once again brought the family of former champion German racemare Anna Paola (Ger) (Prince Ippi {Ger}) to the fore. The previous weekend had seen Anna Nerium (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) win the G3 Princess Elizabeth S. at Epsom and eights days later in the country of the family's origin, Gestut Rottgen's homebred Akribie (Ger) (Reliable Man {GB}) jumped to the head of the market for the G1 Preis der Diana when posting her third victory in the G2 Diana Trial at Hoppegarten. The first two fillies home in the race were both out of daughters of Haafhd (GB), the winner's dam being Aussicht (Ger), a grand-daughter of Anna Paola's half-sister Anstandige (Ger) (Star Appeal (Ire)). In Italy, one of the family's male representatives, Helmet (Aus), out of Anna Paola's unraced grand-daughter Accessories (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), supplied the winner of the G3 Premio Carlo Vittadini, the Thomas Hassett-bred Anda Muchacho (Ire). The 5-year-old took his tally of victories to nine from 12 starts and, along with Thunder Snow (Ire), who ran a fine third in the GI Runhappy Metropolitan H. on Saturday at Belmont Park on his first run back since winning the Dubai World Cup, he has been a consistent and durable member of Helmet's first European crop. The stallion, a brother to Group 2 winner Pearls (Aus) and half-brother to dual Group 1 winner Epaulette (Aus) (Commands {Aus}), as well as Group 3 winner Bullbars (Aus) (Elusive Quality), is just about to conclude his first season in Germany at Gestut Fahrhof, where his dam's top family will surely have been appreciated. [Cont. p2](#)

OLD PERSIAN DOUBTFUL FOR ASCOT

G1 Dubai Sheema Classic winner **Old Persian (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) will probably skip Royal Ascot this year and will likely point towards the GI Arlington Million in August. The Godolphin colt won the G2 King Edward VII S. at Ascot last year but his British debut this year proved underwhelming when he finished a well beaten seventh behind **Defoe (Ire)** (Dalakhani {Ire}) in the G1 Investec Coronation Cup at Epsom 10 days ago. "He was entitled to come forward for his run in the Coronation Cup at Epsom, but he did disappoint us the way he shut down in the last furlong," his trainer Charlie Appleby said on Monday. "He came back out of the race okay - but I just think a more conventional track will suit him, so we might look at the Arlington Million and drop him back to a mile and a quarter on that flat track there. I know he has won around Ascot - and because he was a winner at the meeting last year, you can't completely rule it out, but I think we will end up missing Ascot," he added.

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Old Persian (GB) winning the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic
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THE WEEKLY WRAP by Emma Berry

Anda Muchacho's win added to a growing list of successes for Shamardal's daughters. Sold at the Goresbridge breeze-up by Tom Whitehead's Powerstown Stud to Marco Bozzi for €26,000, he is out of Montefino (Ire) who was herself bought for just 4,500gns from Darley as an unraced 3-year-old. Her grandam Mezzogiorno (GB) (Unfuwain) was third to Lady Carla (GB) in the Oaks in 1996. Shamardal also features as the broodmare sire of G2 Sandy Lane S. winner Hello Youmzain (Fr) (Kodiac {GB}), Irish Derby winner Latrobe (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) and his sister, the Oaks runner-up Pink Dogwood (Ire), as well as G1 Prix Morny winner Pretty Pollyanna (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}).

Moon Continues To Rise

In consecutive weekends, two Preis der Diana trials have been won by the offspring of young stallions with German links. The aforementioned Akribie's sire Reliable Man stood four seasons at Gestut Rottgen before being transferred to France last year. Meanwhile Preciosa (Ger)--winner of the Kronimus Diana-Trial at Baden-Baden on June 1--is by Sea The Moon (Ger), Gestut Gorldorf's runaway winner of the Desutsches Derby in 2014, who has stood his entire career to date at Lanwades Stud in Newmarket, where he has been kept busy this covering season. The son of Sea The Stars (Ire) is also the sire of current Deutsches Derby favourite, the Gorldorf-bred Quest The Moon (Ger), who was the impressive winner of the G3 Prix du Lys for Sarah Steinberg and Stall Salzburg. Another of his runners to have caught the eye in England is Pondus (GB), who runs in the colours of Hubert Strecker and was bred by Kirsten Rausing from Diablurette (GB) (Green Desert), a three-parts sister to German Group 1 winner Lady Jane Digby (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}). The James Fanshawe-trained 3-year-old, who was bought from October Book 3 for 80,000gns by Stroud Coleman Bloodstock, has won two of his three starts this season and holds an entry for the G2 King Edward VII S. at Royal Ascot.

Quinn Hoping For Ascot Beach Party

With Royal Ascot fast approaching, those stallion masters with first-crop sires will be hoping for the kind of dream results posted by New Approach (Ire) and Zoffany (Ire), each of whom notched a trio of royal meeting winners with their debut crop of runners. Sons of Invincible Spirit (Ire) sit atop the tables for the first-crop and second-crop sires, with Juddmonte's Kingman (GB) out in front on the latter and Highclere Stud's Cable Bay (Ire) currently heading the freshman sires' table with seven winners.

His leading juvenile to date, Liberty Beach (GB), was led out unsold from the Tattersalls Ascot Yearling Sale at £16,000 when offered by Mickley Stud, where she was bred. But it's likely that her owner-breeder Philip Wilkins will field the odd enquiring phone call or two now that the filly out of sprint winner Flirtinaskirt (GB) (Avonbridge {GB}) is unbeaten in her two starts, including Saturday's Hilary Needler Trophy. Her trainer John Quinn has indicated that she will be given entries for the G2 Queen Mary S., which he won last year with the smart Signora Cabello (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), and the Windsor Castle S.

If you're lucky enough to take a stroll around the paddocks of Richard Kent's Mickley Stud you'll come across fields of stores alongside those bred for the Flat and the versatility of the stock raised there was also evident over the weekend by the hurdles victory of Mr Adjudicator in the G2 Prix La Barka at Auteuil. Now trained by Willie Mullins, the 5-year-old was bred by William Harmes in the single season that his sire Camacho (GB) stood at Mickley before returning to Yeomanstown Stud. The gelding has now won four times over hurdles, including the G1 Tattersalls Ireland Spring Juvenile Hurdle, and twice on the Flat. Another of this year's first-season sires to have made progress in the last week is the Tweenhills resident Hot Streak (Ire). He secured his first winner, the appropriately named Between Hills (Ire), at Listowel on June 2 and that was followed by wins for the Cool Silk Partnership's Flaming Princess (GB) at Nottingham three days later and Qatar Racing's Illusionist (GB) at Bath on Friday.

NEW STAKES WINNER

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Fathers And Sons

Through Hermosa (Ire) and Anthony Van Dyck (Ire), champion sire Galileo (Ire) may again be ruling the roost but it has been good to see a variety of stallions represented by European Classic winners so far this season. Frankel (GB) reinforced the Galileo sireline and claimed his first British Classic winner via Anapurna (GB) in the Oaks. Shamardal and his son Lope De Vega (Ire) have one apiece with Castle Lady (Ire) and Phoenix Of Spain (Ire), as do another father-and-son team Invincible Spirit (Ire) and Kingman (GB) through Magna Grecia (Ire) and Persian King (Ire). Siyouni (Fr) has had a breakthrough male Classic winner in Sottsass (Fr) and his sire Pivotal (GB) has featured as broodmare sire of Hermosa. The Danehill line has had a good run in Germany and Italy, with Main Edition (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) winning the German 1000 Guineas and Fox Champion (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) landing the equivalent colts' Classic, while Fullness Of Life (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) won the G3 Premio Regina Elena, otherwise known as the Italian 1000 Guineas. Another son of Galileo, Rip Van Winkle (Ire), sired the Botti-bred and -trained G2 Derby Italiano winner Keep On Fly (Ire), giving Duke Of Marmalade (Ire) his second Classic winner as broodmare sire this season after Persian King. Last but not least, another product of the Botti family's breeding empire, Out Of Time (Ity), became the second winner of an Italian Classic for his dam Calma Apparente (GB) (Rainbow Quest) when taking the G3 Premio Parioli (2000 Guineas) and the first for his sire Sakhee's Secret (GB), who has stood the last four seasons in Italy.

Father And Daughter Not Bad Either

Soffia (GB) (Kyllachy{GB}) won her second stakes race in three weeks on Friday when holding off Dan's Dream (GB) (Cityscape {GB}) by a neck in the G3 Ballyogan S. at the Curragh, once again showing the mastery of her trainer 'Fast Eddie' Lynam in the sprint division. However, it is the trainer's daughter and TDN contributor Amy Lynam who can claim some of the early credit for the filly, having pinhooked her as a foal for 16,000gns from breeder Newsells Park Stud. Lynam said that she was attracted to the filly because of her similarity to her father's former stable star Sole Power (GB), another Kyllachy speedball. By the time it came to the yearling sales, Lynam senior had clearly also been taken by the filly and bought her with Lady O'Reilly, who already had a strong connection to the filly having bred her dam, the listed-placed Rime A Rien (GB) (Amadeus Wolf {GB}).

"She was my first ever pinhook and Lady O'Reilly had actually sold her dam when she was carrying her," Amy Lynam said. "The family was doing well and at the time and [Rime A Rien's half-brother] Al Jazi (Ire) had just won a Group 3 at Goodwood, but at the same time Lady O'Reilly had lost the foal out of that mare so she decided to buy Soffia with dad and I'm delighted it has worked out so well." [Cont. p4](#)

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Soffia and Declan McDonagh & Amy Lynam | *Racing Post*

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After an easy few weeks, Soffia may be seen next in the Sapphire S. during the Irish Oaks meeting, with a longer-term aim being a tilt at the G1 Flying Five on Irish Champions Weekend. Lynam really should be drafted in for spotting duties by her partner, the bloodstock agent Matt Houldsworth, who, with Geoffrey Howson, was responsible for buying Irish 2000 Guineas winner Phoenix Of Spain as a yearling. She added, "Of course he had to go and outdo me with a Classic winner!"

Amade's International Appeal

We've become accustomed to the globetrotting antics of Marco Botti, whose international strikes have included Grade I victories in North America with Capla Tempress (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), Gitano Hernando (GB) (Hernando {FR}), Joshua Tree (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) and Euro Charline (GB) (Myboycharlie {Ire}) as well as some near-misses in the Dubai World Cup, Melbourne Cup and Caulfield Cup with Planteur (Ire) (Daneshill Dancer {Ire}), Jakkalberry (Ire) (Storming Home {GB}) and Dandino (GB) (Dansili {GB}). Now it looks as if another member of the clan, the trainer's Chantilly-based cousin Alessandro Botti, will be on the Melbourne Cup trail following the victory of Amade (Ire) (Casamento {Ire}) in the GII Belmont Gold Cup on Saturday. A five-time winner in France, the 5-year-old also struck twice in England over the winter, winning at Kempton and Chelmsford to qualify for the All Weather Championships at Lingfield on Good Friday. That first start for the partnership of OTI Racing with his original owner Laurent Dassault saw him finish a good second to Watersmeet (GB) in the All-Weather Marathon, thus sparking wider international ambitions. A tweet from OTI Racing perfectly summed up the global outlook of the Australian-based syndicate. It read, "Belmont Gold Cup winner Amade epitomises all that is global racing-bred in Ireland, a winner in USA, trained by Italian based in France, ridden by Frenchman based in USA and owned by team from UK, Italy, NZ and Australia."

Amade wasn't the only winner for OTI over the weekend, which also struck with imports Attorney (Fr) (Makfi {GB}) and Inverloch (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), each making their first start in Australia, while Grey Lion (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) was second in the G2 Brisbane Cup. OTI has also recently bought the unbeaten 3-year-old Montabot (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), who will remain in training with Pascal Bary in France.

Constanzia's Win A Welcome Boost

There will have been no more welcome a victory last week than that posted by Constanzia (GB) (Dandy Man {Ire}), who won on her third start for Jamie Osborne at Chelmsford on Saturday. Less than 12 hours earlier, the 2-year-old filly had been in one of the stables closest to the fire which broke out at the trainer's Lambourn yard, destroying a bungalow and tack room. Thankfully, the fire was thwarted before reaching neighbouring stables and no horses or people were injured in the blaze.

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LACCARIO IN THE DRIVING SEAT

Most of Germany's leading Deutsches Derby prospects were in evidence in Monday's G2 Union-Rennen at Cologne and at the end it was Gestut Ittlingen's **Laccario (Ger)** (Scalo {GB}), who emerged with the strongest credentials for that July 7 Hamburg Classic. Coming into this prestigious prize off an authoritative win in Dusseldorf's Listed Derby-Trial May 26, the homebred coasted in second throughout the early stages. Seizing the initiative passing the two-furlong power, the 12-5 second favourite was never in any danger thereafter as he saw out his task with powerful enthusiasm en route to a 2 1/2-length success from the May 1 G3 Bavarian Classic winner **Django Freeman (Ger)** (Campanologist) and Apr. 28 G3 Dr. Busch-Memorial scorer **Winterfuchs (Ger)** (Campanologist).

Pedigree Notes

Laccario, who will almost certainly head to Hamburg as favourite after two emphatic showings, is a grandson of G2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) third La Donna (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}) who is a half-sister to a pair of domestic Derby heroes in Lando (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}) and Laroche (Nebos {Ger}).



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Laccario - Pedigree Notes cont.

Other Classic winners in the family include the G2 Oaks d'Italia heroine Lovelyn (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}), the G3 German 1000 Guineas winner Licata (Ger) (Dschingis Khan {Ger}), the German 2000 Guineas hero Literat (Ger) and the German Oaks and German 1000 Guineas heroine Lis (Ger) (Masetto {Ger}). The dam Laccata (GB) (Lomitas {GB}) also has an as yet-unraced 2-year-old full-brother to Laccario named Lascalo (Ger) and a 2019 colt by Neatico (Ger). [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

Monday, Cologne, Germany

SPARKASSE KOLNBONN-UNION-RENNEN-G2, €70,000, Cologne, 6-10, 3yo, 11fT, 2:14.31, gd.

1--**LACCARIO (GER)**, 128, c, 3, by **Scalo (GB)**

1st Dam: Laccata (GB), by Lomitas (GB)

2nd Dam: La Donna (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB)

3rd Dam: Laurea (Ire), by Sharpman (Ire)

1ST GROUP WIN. O-Gestut Ittlingen; B-Gestut Hof Ittlingen (GER); T-Andreas Wohler; J-Eduardo Pedroza. €40,000.

Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, €58,200. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.**

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2--**Django Freeman (Ger)**, 128, c, 3, Campanologist--Donna Lavinia (Ger), by Acatenango (Ger). (€4,000 Wlg '16 ARQDEC; €5,000 RNA Ylg '17 BBAGS). O-Hedge, Baumgarten & Holschbach; B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GER); T-Henk Grewe. €15,500.

3--**Winterfuchs (Ger)**, 128, c, 3, Campanologist--Wunderblume (Ger), by Lomitas (GB). O/B-Gestut Ravensburg (GER); T-Carmen Bocskai. €8,000.

Margins: 2HF, 1 3/4, HF. Odds: 2.40, 2.10, 5.80.

Also Ran: Dschingis First (Ger), Sibelius (Ger), So Chivalry (Ger), Nubius (Ire), Man On the Moon (Ger), Andoro (Ger), Quian (Ger). [Click for the Racing Post result.](#)



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DANCETERIA COMES OF AGE IN LA COUPE

Those who were listening to David Menuisier before Monday's G3 La Coupe at ParisLongchamp would have been looking at a healthy return on **Danceteria (Fr)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) as he swooped to conquer for the British trainer. Successful in the Listed Prix Jacques Laffitte at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 10 before finishing third in Sandown's G3 Brigadier Gerard S. May 23, Clive Washbourn's 4-year-old who was recently bought into by Australian Bloodstock finally gave credibility to the high esteem in which he is held by his handler. Settled with one behind early, the 8-1 shot was angled wide for his effort by Jamie Spencer in the straight and swamped the Godolphin pair of **Soleil Marin (Ire)** (Kendargent {Fr}) and **Spotify (Fr)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) in the last 100 metres. At the line, he held a length verdict over the former, who had been mixing it with the likes of Ghaiyyath (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) and Waldgeist (GB) (Galileo {Ire}).

"When he won at Maisons-Laffitte, he was not fully fit and hadn't come in his coat," Menuisier explained. "He had come on a lot for that, but in between he was being sold to the syndicate from Australia and so I couldn't work him as hard as I'd have liked. When he ran so well in the Brigadier Gerard, where he definitely needed the race, I knew he would improve a lot subsequently and so it's not a surprise to see him win like that. In my opinion, he's Group 1 class and he'll probably be left in the [July 6 G1] Eclipse. At the end of July, there is the German race [the July 28 G1 Grosser Dallmayr-Preis at Munich] and then he'll be off to Australia for the second part of the season."

Pedigree Notes

Danceteria is one of five winners produced by the G3 Prix Andre Baboin winner Bal de la Rose (Ire) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), with the best being the Listed Prix Isola Bella scorer Blossomtime (GB) (Shamardal). Bal de la Rose's dam is the G3 Prix du Calvados scorer and G1 Prix Marcel Boussac third Lady Vettori (GB) (Vettori {Ire}), who was responsible for the G1 Prix du Jockey Club and G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains hero and prolific sire Lope de Vega (Ire) (Shamardal) and the G3 Prix de Lieurey scorer and G1 Prix de l'Opera third Lady Frankel (GB) (Frankel {GB}).

The third dam Lady Golconda (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}) is kin to three stakes winners headed by the GII All Along S. winner Lady Blessington (Fr) (Baillamont), who is in turn the dam of the GII Elkhorn S. winner Da Big Hoss (Lemon Drop Kid). Bal de La Rose also has an unraced 2-year-old colt and yearling colt by Siyouni (Fr). [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

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Danceteria and Jamie Spencer | Scoop Dyga

Monday, ParisLongchamp, France

LA COUPE-G3, €80,000, ParisLongchamp, 6-10, 4yo/up, 10FT, 2:09.63, gd.

1--**DANCETERIA (FR)**, 126, g, 4, by Redoute's Choice (Aus)

1st Dam: Bal de la Rose (Ire) (GSW-Fr, \$130,289), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB)

2nd Dam: Lady Vettori (GB), by Vettori (Ire)

3rd Dam: Lady Golconda (Fr), by Kendor (Fr)

1ST GROUP WIN. (90,000gns RNA Ylg '16 TAOCT). O-Australian Bloodstock & Clive Washbourn; B-Berend Van Dalfsen (FR); T-David Menuisier; J-Jamie Spencer. €40,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 14-6-0-2, €129,814. *1/2 to Blossomtime (GB) (Shamardal), SW-Fr. **Werk Nick Rating: B+**. **Click for the eNicks**

report & 5-cross pedigree.

2---**Soleil Marin (Ire)**, 128, g, 5, Kendargent (Fr)--Sousmarine (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). O-Godolphin SNC; B-Ecurie Peregrine SAS (IRE); T-Andre Fabre. €16,000.

3--**Spotify (Fr)**, 128, g, 5, Redoute's Choice (Aus)--Gwenseb (Fr), by Green Tune. (€250,000 HRA '18 ARARQ). O-Godolphin; B-Wertheimer & Frere (FR); T-Charlie Appleby. €12,000.

Margins: 1, 3/4, NK. Odds: 7.70, 1.50, 7.20.

Also Ran: Royal Julius (Ire), Success Days (Ire), Nikkei (Ger), Ligne D'Or (GB). Scratched: Golden Legend (Fr). **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



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MADHMOON SISTER ADDED TO GOFFS

The latest addition to next week's Goffs London Sale is **Simsimah (Ire)** (Poet's Voice {GB}). The unraced 4-year-old is a half-sister to G1 Investec Derby runner up **Madhmoon (Ire)** (Dawn Approach {Ire}) from the family of G1 Tattersalls Irish 2000 Guineas winner and sire Awtaad (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}). Simsimah will be offered by Barton Stud in foal to GI Breeders' Cup Mile winner Expert Eye (GB) and will have a filly foal by Divine Prophet (Aus) at foot. This pedigree could be in line for some major updates as Madhmoon may well seek compensation for his recent narrow defeat to Anthony Van Dyck (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby at The Curragh June 29. Those interested in viewing Simsimah prior to the sale can make an appointment with Barton Stud's Tom Blaine at +44 7812390877.

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FRANCE NEXT FOR THUNDERING BLUE

David Menuisier's stable star **Thundering Blue** (Exchange Rate) will step back up to Group 1 company on his next start having blown away the cobwebs with two satisfactory runs at a lower level this season. Last time out Clive Washbourn's 6-year-old finished third to 'TDN Rising Star' **Elarqam (GB)** (Frankel (GB)) in a listed race at Goodwood and despite being beaten six lengths by the winner his trainer was very satisfied with the performance. "I was delighted because I knew Goodwood wasn't his track, I knew he would come on for the run again, so I thought he ran a really good race despite a big penalty," said Menuisier. Various options including the G1 Coral Eclipse and the G2 Gran Premio Di Milaon were mooted for Thundering Blue but it seems a trip to France is now more likely for last season's G2 York S. winner.



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David Menuisier enjoyed a Group 3 winner at ParisLongchamp on Monday | *Racing Post*

"I don't think he'll go for the Eclipse, more likely it will be the [G1] Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud on June 30. My thinking is 'can he realistically win the Eclipse'? Probably not--some might say we won't win the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, either, but I'd like to give it a go and see what happens. It's very close to Ascot, so some of the big guns will go there--which, while it won't be an easy race, should give us a decent chance to cause some damage," Menuisier added.

FALCON STILL IN GOLD CUP MIX

Moyglare Stud's progressive homebred stayer **Falcon Eight (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) is still a possible participant at Royal Ascot next week. The lightly-raced 4-year-old has an entry in the G1 Ascot Gold Cup but trainer Dermot Weld will play it late with the half-brother to Free Eagle (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), with the colt still viewed as a work in progress by connections. "I don't think we've 100 percent decided either way on Royal Ascot just yet. We've still got a bit of time to decide," explained Moyglare's breeding adviser, Fiona Craig. "He's only had four runs and it does look a very good Gold Cup. You've got Stradivarius in there and the Melbourne Cup winner [Cross Counter] and I've been very impressed with Mark Johnston's horse, Dee Ex Bee." Falcon Eight was unraced as a juvenile but left a big impression in three runs last year. He resumed this year with an eye-catching display when a fast finishing second in the Listed Saval Beg S. at Leopardstown, however his rating of 105 suggests he needs to take another big leap forward to trouble the current leading stayers. "I think we're keen to go, but is it the right thing for the horse? He's quite lazy and because of that he's hard to judge.

When he starts galloping he's pretty good, but going for a Gold Cup would be a big step up and that is why Dermot [Weld] is keen to make a late decision. Dermot has plenty of experience with horses like him and I'm sure he'll do the right thing by the horse," Craig added.

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Dermot Weld and Falcon Eight | *Racing Post*

APPOINTMENTS

Arthur Serres: Technical Director, Arqana

- Arthur Serres has been appointed as Arqana's new technical director. He will join Arqana on July 1 for the Summer Sale, before taking over the technical management of Arqana from Aug. 1, succeeding Alexis Renault who has held this position since 2016
- Serres was most recently in charge of the facilities and racecourse management of Toulouse Racecourse since 2015 having held a similar role at La Teste in 2014. He is also a graduate of the engineering school of Purpan in Toulouse and during his studies he completed internships at Ballylinch Stud and the Aga Khan Studs.
- Commenting on his new role Serres said, "After two great experiences at racecourses in the South West in recent years, I am very excited to join the Arqana teams. I would like to thank the Presidents and teams of the racecourses on which I have worked. I am taking on this new challenge full of desire and I am delighted to join such a proactive structure whose members are fully committed."

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Tuesday, June 11, 2019:

UNITED KINGDOM

Brazen Beau (Aus) (I Am Invincible {Aus}), Dalham Hall Stud

78 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner

15:00-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, BRAZEN SAFA (GB)

€20,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

17:50-THIRSK, 6f, SPYGATE (GB)

€21,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

Cappella Sansevero (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Bridge House Stud

60 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

17:30-CARLISLE, 5f, STARFIELD SONG (Ire)

Due Diligence (War Front), Whitsbury Manor Stud

85 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner

13:45-SALISBURY, 6f, ABLE KANE (GB)

7,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3

17:50-THIRSK, 6f, CLAY REGAZZONI (GB)

5,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; £35,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

17:50-THIRSK, 6f, MISCHIEF STAR (GB)

34,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; £30,000 Goffs

UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

17:50-THIRSK, 6f, OUR DAVE (GB)

800gns RNA Tattersalls February Sale 2018

Fountain of Youth (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Bearstone Stud

71 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners

17:30-CARLISLE, 5f, PEARL STREAM (GB)

Gutaifan (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud

166 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners

17:30-CARLISLE, 5f, PRISSY MISSY (Ire)

€7,000 RNA Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2018

Hot Streak (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), Tweenhills Stud

79 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners

15:00-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, HOT POPPY (GB)

2,858gns Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Sept. Yearling Sale 2018;

£10,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze-Up Sale 2019

Ivawood (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}), Coolmore Stud

100 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners

17:50-THIRSK, 6f, RUSALKA (Ire)

€17,000 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2018; £15,000 RNA Goffs

UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

14:15-SALISBURY, 6f, SWORD BEACH (Ire)

29,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; £30,000 Goffs

UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2018

Make Believe (GB) (Makfi {GB}), Ballylinch Stud

87 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

17:20-THIRSK, 6f, RICH BELIEF (GB)

€40,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; 38,000gns RNA

Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 2

Muhaarar (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Nunnery Stud

106 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

15:00-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, LITTLE LULU (Ire)

€9,000 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2018; €45,000 Goffs Orby

Yearling Sale 2018

Music Master (GB) (Piccolo {GB}), Throckmorton Court Stud

15 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

17:20-THIRSK, 6f, NEWSICAL (GB)

£10,000 RNA Goffs UK Autumn HIT & Yearling Sale 2018

Night of Thunder (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud

107 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners

13:45-SALISBURY, 6f, MAX'S THUNDER (Ire)

22,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3;

£30,000 RNA Goffs UK 2yo Breeze-Up Sale 2019

FRANCE:

Amarillo (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), Gestut Helenenhof

21 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

2-NANTES, 1400m, AMAWAKI (Fr)

Anjaal (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}), Rathasker Stud

148 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners

6-DIEPPE, 1100m, CARMAGUE (Ire)

€7,500 RNA Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; €6,500 RNA

Goffs February Mixed Sale 2018; €6,500 RNA Tattersalls Ireland

September Yearlings 2018

Due Diligence (War Front), Whitsbury Manor Stud

85 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner

2-NANTES, 1400m, DIVA SPEED (GB)

€5,000 Arqana Deauville V2 Yearlings 2018

Gutaifan (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud

166 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners

6-DIEPPE, 1100m, BIRKIE QUEEN (Ire)

€1,000 RNA Goffs Open Yearling Sale 2018

Ivawood (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}), Coolmore Stud

100 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners

1-DIEPPE, 1100m, MISS TICHE (Ire)

€7,500 RNA Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; €2,000 Goffs

Open Yearling Sale 2018

Sidestep (Aus) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Fr

70 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner

2-NANTES, 1400m, KIASTEP (Fr)

BRITAIN



NEW ROYAL ASCOT HAT EMBRACES COLOUR

British menswear tailor and official licensee to Royal Ascot, Oliver Brown has announced a collaboration with award winning equine artist Freddy Paske. Paske, a former British Army officer who served in Afghanistan, has created two limited edition pieces of art on two Oliver Brown Melusine top hats in the artist's signature style depicting racehorses at Royal Ascot. Paske's love of horses stems from an early age and he has worked as an artist in residence for Tattersalls and The Jockey Club. Capturing the intricacies of the horse in motion Paske is also known for his unique approach to light and movement, using bold brush strokes and vivid colours to convey motion in his subjects. Oliver Brown proprietor, Kristian Ferner Robson said, "We are thrilled to work with equestrian artist Freddy Paske as the synergy of Freddy's style works incredibly well with Oliver Brown. I love how Freddy perfectly depicts Oliver Brown's partnership with Royal Ascot bringing colourways reflective of the new season collection into his painting of the horses racing at Ascot onto the top hats." Freddy Paske added, "I have loved the challenge of creating a contemporary art piece from such a traditional item of clothing. The top hat is synonymous with Royal Ascot and it's monotone colours have long been in stark contrast to the vibrance and colour of the week. The collaboration with Oliver Brown has broken this norm and allowed me to shake up such traditional values and attire. The painted hats capture the energy of the event whilst still observing the customs we all know and love. Homage to the modern Royal Ascot."



Freddy Paske | Bloxham PR

Monday's Results:

2nd-Royal Windsor, £7,400, Novice, 6-10, 2yo, 5f21yT, 1:02.65, sf DILIGENT DEB (IRE) (f, 2, Due Diligence--Kummel Excess {Ire}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}), a 14-1 shot, raced in rear throughout the early stages. Staying wide in the final two furlongs, the bay was delivered to overhaul Swinley (Ire) (Dragon Pulse {Ire}) in the final stride and prevail by a head. The dam, who is a granddaughter of the listed scorer and G2 Falmouth S. runner-up Girl from Ipanema (GB) (Salse), also has a yearling filly by Mehmas (Ire). Sales history: €55,000 2yo '19 TATGOR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$6,097. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Foursome Thoroughbreds; B-Hyde Park Stud (IRE); T-W Muir.

1st-Pontefract, £6,000, Novice, 6-10, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:20.46, g/s. OTI MA BOATI (GB) (f, 2, Iffraaj {GB}--Mania {Ire}, by Danehill), a 6-1 shot on this debut, raced toward the rear early and took a long time to warm into the contest. Finding her stride late, the bay was in front 50 yards from the line and scored by a cosy neck success from Hidden Spell (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}). Mania, who produced Domineer (GB) (Shamardal), SP-HK, \$1,030,723, is a half to the dam of the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud-winning sire Youmzain (Ire) (Sinndar {Ire}) who was a multiple Arc runner-up, to the G1 Lockinge S. scorer Creachadoir (Ire) (King's Best) and the G3 Denny Cordell Lavarack & Lanwades Stud Memorial Fillies' S. winner Shreyas (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}). The dam also has a yearling colt by Fountain of Youth (Ire). Sales history: 26,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,943. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/T-Richard Fahey; B-Bearstone Stud (GB).

3rd-Royal Windsor, £5,800, Novice, 6-10, 3yo/up, 6f 12yT, 1:13.93, sf.

FAR ABOVE (IRE) (c, 3, Farhh {GB}--Dorraar {Ire}, by Shamardal), fourth in the Listed King Charles II S. at Newmarket May 18, was tanking behind the early leaders until finding himself in front with over two furlongs remaining. Clear soon after, the 8-13 favourite had five lengths to spare over Crantock Bay (GB) (Havana Gold {Ire}) at the line. The winner is the sole progeny out of the dam, who is a granddaughter of the G2 Ribblesdale S. winner and G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up Bahr (GB) (Generous {Ire}). The latter is the dam of Nahrain (GB) (Selkirk), who captured the G1 Prix de l'Opera and GI Flower Bowl Invitational S. before producing the G1 Dubai Turf and G1 Caulfield S. hero Benbatl (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). Sales history: 18,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT; 105,000gns 2yo '18 TATHIT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$15,941. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum; B-Mr Mohamed Abdul Malik (IRE); T-James Tate.

1st-Leicester, £6,999, Mdn, 6-10, 2yo, 6fT, 1:14.22, g/s.
ZIM BABY (GB) (f, 2, Roderic O'Connor {Ire})--Kenyan Cat {GB}, by One Cool Cat), a 100-1 debut second over this strip last time May 28, raced in a handy fourth through halfway in this return. Coming under pressure approaching the final quarter mile, the 3-1 pick joined Flash Henry (GB) (Cable Bay {Ire}) with 150 yards remaining and was driven out to deny that rival by a head. Half-sister to a yearling colt by Lethal Force (Ire), she is second scorer from as many runners out of four-time winner Kenyan Cat (GB) (One Cool Cat). Her fourth dam is multiple Canadian champion La Voyageuse (Tentam), a half-sister to GISW sire L'Enjoleur (Buckpasser), who is the dam of three black-type performers headed by GI Hopeful S. third and MGSW sire Time Bandit (Time for a Change). Sales history: £4,000 Ylg '18 GOHITY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$7,696. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Fosnic Racing & Paul George; B-David Botterill & John Guest (GB); T-Paul George.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

3rd-Leicester, £12,500, Cond, 6-10, 3yo/up, 11f179yT, 2:36.78, g/s
GETCHAGETCHAGETCHA (GB) (c, 3, Champs Elysees {GB})--Paella {Ire}, by Oasis Dream {GB}) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, \$56,223. O-Paul & Clare Rooney; B-Mrs J Wigan (GB); T-Clive Cox. *19,000gns Wlg '16 TATFOA; €60,000 Ylg '17 TIRSEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Keep Me Company (Ire), g, 3, Fast Company (Ire)--Chirkova, by Sadler's Wells. Leicester, 6-10, 8f 53yT, 1:47.50. B-W. Maxwell Ervine (IRE). *€4,500 RNA Wlg '16 GOFNOV; 75,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT.

FRANCE



Monday's Results:

PRIX MELISANDE-Listed, €55,000, ParisLongchamp, 6-10, 3yo, f, 10 1/2fT, 2:15.46, gd.

1--**EDISA, 123, f, 3, by Kitten's Joy**

1st Dam: Ebizya (Ire) (GSW-Fr, \$272,190), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)

2nd Dam: Ebalista (Ire), by Selkirk

3rd Dam: Ebadiyla (Ire), by Sadler's Wells

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (KY); T-Alain de Royer-Dupre; J-Stephane Pasquier. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, €44,050.

2--**Golden Box, 123, f, 3, Kitten's Joy--Gold Round (Ire), by Caerleon.** O-LNJ Foxwoods LLC. €11,000.

3--**Sand Share (GB), 123, f, 3, Oasis Dream (GB)--Shared Account (GB), by Dansili (GB).** O-Khalid Abdullah. €8,250.

Margins: HD, 1, 1. Odds: 3.60, 2.40, 2.30.

Also Ran: Alimnia (Fr), Shafia (Fr), Queendara (Fr), Lady Te (Ger).
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Edisa shaped with promise when third behind subsequent G2 Prix de Sandringham victress Obligate (GB) (Frankel {GB}) on debut at Saint-Cloud last November, but disappointed when a moderate eighth in her Apr. 14 seasonal return going one mile here before graduating over this trip at Maisons-Laffitte May 15. Racing in third for the most part, she was nudged along passing the quarter-mile marker and quickened smartly once offered an opening approaching the eighth pole to claim a career high at the expense of stablemate Golden Box. "Edisa ran a fine race on debut last year, but disappointed in her first run this year," said trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre. "I subsequently realised that Kitten's Joys need to be worked hard in the mornings and once we changed her exercise routine she has shown what she is capable of. It's now up to Group 3 level for her, which is the logical step, but I don't have a specific plans in mind. We'll see how she comes out of the race before making any decisions." Reflecting on the effort of runner-up Golden Box, he added, "Golden Fox also ran a very good race coming back down from 2,400 [metres], but was caught for speed. She will now go back up to 2,400 and, no doubt, has such a race in her." Edisa is the first foal and winner produced by G2 Prix de Royallieu victress Ebizya (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) and the homebred, who retains an entry in Sunday's G1 Prix de Diane, is a half-sister to 2-year-old filly Ebaiyra (Distorted Humor) and a yearling filly by More Than Ready. Ebizya, who was bred to Medaglia d'Oro last year, is a granddaughter of G1 Irish Oaks and G1 Prix Royal-Oak heroine Ebadiyla (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), whose offspring include stakes-winning G1 National S. third Eyshal (Ire) (Green Desert). Ebadiyla is herself kin to G1 Ascot Gold Cup-winning pair Estimate (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}) and Enzeli (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}) and to G1 Moyglare Stud S. victrix Edabiya (Ire) (Rainbow Quest).

Monday's Results:

PRIX VOLTERRA-Listed, €55,000, ParisLongchamp, 6-10, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:42.26, gd.

1--**SUPHALA (FR), 125, f, 3, by Frankel (GB)**

1st Dam: Sefroua (SW-Fr & GSP-US, \$141,957), by Kingmambo

2nd Dam: Sophisticat, by Storm Cat

3rd Dam: Serena's Song, by Rahy

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€650,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG). O-Lady Bamford; B-Haras d'Etream & Riviera Equine SARL (FR); T-Andre Fabre; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. €27,500. Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 6-3-1-0, €79,000. *1/2 to Sivoliere (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), SW & GSP-Fr, \$137,429.

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2--**Madeleine Must (Fr)**, 125, f, 3, Motivator (GB)--Danny's Choice (GB), by Compton Place (GB). (€1,500 RNA Wlg '16 ARQDEC). O-Guy Heald. €11,000.

3--**Waldblumchen (Ger)**, 125, f, 3, Sea the Moon (Ger)--Waldblume (Ger), by Halling. (€52,000 Ylg '17 BBAGS; €25,000 2yo '18 BBAGO). O-Sergio Bazzani, Alessandro Botti & Giuseppe Botti. €8,250.

Margins: 3/4, HF, NK. Odds: 1.40, 46.00, 11.00.

Also Ran: Simplicity (Fr), Aviatress (Ire), Hermiona, So Unique (Fr), Alzire (Fr), Mistress of Love, Lover's Knot (GB). **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Successful over a mile on two occasions at Chantilly in September, on the latter occasion beating TDN Rising Star and subsequent G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches runner-up Commes (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), Suphala went into winter quarters with expectations elevated. Second on her return in the G3 Prix Imprudence over seven furlongs at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 10, the chestnut was below-par when ninth in the Pouliches over this course and distance May 12 and needed some confidence restoring before plunging back into that kind of company.

Restrained early to race worse than mid-division, the €650,000 Arqana August graduate delivered a kick in the straight to gain the advantage 50 metres from the line and record a comfortable first black-type success. Suphala's dam is the Listed Prix de Lieurey scorer and GIII Noble Damsel H. third Sefroua (Kingmambo), who has already produced the Listed Criterium du Bequet winner and G3 Prix du Calvados third Sivoliere. The second dam is the G1 Coronation S. heroine Sophisticat (Storm Cat), a daughter of the multiple grade I-winning legend Serena's Song (Rahy) who beat the colts in the GI Haskell Invitational H. Next up from the dam is the unraced 2-year-old colt Sitoutvabien (Fr) (Golden Horn {GB}), followed by a yearling filly by Le Havre (Ire) and a 2019 filly by Almanzor (Fr).

4th-ParisLongchamp, €30,000, Mdn, 6-10, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:41.78, gd.

NOORAMUNGA (FR) (f, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--Turtle Bow {Fr} {MGSW-Fr & GISP-US, \$327,016}, by Turtle Island {Ire}), a May 23 debut third over course and distance, was restrained to race in a midfield after the initial strides of this one. Angled outside when inching closer approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 49-10 chance was ridden out once launching her challenge at the eighth pole to assert by 1 3/4 lengths from the re-opposing Dragoness (GB) (Frankel {GB}). The last known foal out of MGSW GI Flower Bowl Invitational second Turtle Bow (Fr) (Turtle Island {Ire}), she is a half-sister to Listed Grand Prix de Marseille victor Military Bowl (Mr. Greeley) and Listed Premio Gobierno Vasco third Brooklyn Bowl (Henrythenavigator).

Turtle Bow is a half-sister to G1 Prix Jean Prat-winning sire Turtle Bowl (Ire) (Dyhim Diamond {Ire}) and MG1SP G3 Lingfield Derby Trial victor Age of Aquarius (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Nooramunga's third dam Kamiya (Fr) (Kalamoun {GB}) is a half-sister to G3 Doncaster Cup and G3 Jockey Club Cup scorer Karadar (Ire) (Rheingold {GB}) and G3 Princess Royal S. victrix Karamita (Ire) (Shantung {Fr}), who in turn is the dam of G1 Prix Ganay and G1 Grosser Dallmayr-Preis heroine Kartajana (Ire) (Shernazar {Ire}). Sales history: €100,000 RNA Ylg '17 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €19,200. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Berend van Daltsen (FR); T-Mikel Delzangles.

1st-ParisLongchamp, €30,000, Mdn, 6-10, 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:41.81, gd.

AIR DANCE (FR) (c, 3, So You Think {NZ}--Spring Morning {Fr}, by Ashkalani {Ire}), a May 1 last-out third tackling this trip at Saint-Cloud, was steadied off the pace in fifth after an alert break from the inside box. Rowed along in early straight, the 6-5 pick moved into second entering the final furlong and found a late surge to deny Bleu Marine (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) by a short neck nearing the line. Ferid (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), a son of GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf and G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Flotilla (Fr) (Mizzen Mast), finished four lengths back in third. Air Dance is the latest foal and eighth scorer from as many runners produced by a dual-winning half to four black-type performers, headed by stakes-winning G3 Prix Cleopatre runner-up Zaydiya (Ire) (Shernazar {Ire}), and he is a half-brother to G1 Criterium International-winning sire French Fifteen (Fr) (Turtle Bowl {Ire}), Listed Derby du Midi victor Night Run (Fr) (Martaline {GB}) and Listed Prix de Saint-Patrick third Supermensch (Fr) (Canford Cliffs {Ire}). Sales history: €170,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, €25,100. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Ecurie Jean-Louis Bouchard; B-Aliette & Gilles Forien (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Athenee (GB), f, 3, **Le Havre (Ire)**--Assagie (Ire), by Dansili (GB). Savenay, 6-9, 13fT, time: n/a. B-Petra Bloodstock Agency Ltd & Ecurie de Meautry (GB).

Stormyza (Fr), f, 3, **Nathaniel (Ire)**--Stormyra (Fr) (SW & MGSP-Fr, \$152,147), by Stormy River (Fr). Aix-les-Bains, 6-9, 10fT, 2:03.20. B-Guy Pariente Holding.



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IRELAND

**Monday's Results:**

Roscommon, €20,000, Mdn, 6-10, 2yo, 7f 37yT, 1:37.37, sf.

SEA THE DAWN (IRE) (f, 2, Sea The Moon {Ger}--Heavens Peak {GB}, by Pivotal {GB}), 11th in a hot six-furlong Curragh maiden May 24, raced in mid-division early nestled against the rail.

Pulled out in the straight, the 10-1 shot hit the front a furlong out and stayed on despite looking green to score by six lengths from Glow Worm (Ire) (Epaulette {Aus}). The dam, who also has a yearling colt by Equiano (Fr), is a half to the G2 Great Voltigeur S.-winning sire Centennial (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}) from Charles Wacker's family of Taipan (Ire) (Last Tycoon {Ire}), Ali-Royal (Ire) (Royal Academy) and Sleepytime (Ire) (Royal Academy). Sales history: €3,000 Ylg '18 GOFSP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$13,965. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Joseph M Kelly & Peter Lawlor; B-Newtown Stud and T. J. Pabst (IRE); T-Adrian Keatley.

GERMANY

**Monday's Results:****GROSSER PREIS DER GENOSSENSCHAFTLICHEN**

FINANZGRUPPE-Listed, €25,000, Hannover, 6-10, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:23.32, gd.

1--**SHAFRAN MNM (IRE), 118, f, 3, Shamardal--Powdermill (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (40,000gns Ylg '17 TATOCT). O-Gunay Equestrian Invest GmbH; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Werner Haustein; J-Gokhan Kocakaya. €14,000. Lifetime Record: 5-5-0-0, €35,148.

2--**Joplin (Ger), 128, m, 5, Soldier Hollow (GB)--Jane (Ger), by Samum (Ger).** (€15,000 Ylg '15 BBAGS). O-Stall Captain's Friends. €6,500.

3--**Adelante (Fr), 118, f, 3, Zoffany (Ire)--Make Up (GB), by Kyllachy (GB).** (€38,000 Ylg '17 OSLATE; €48,000 2yo '18 OSABRE). O-Adams & Baker. €3,000.

Margins: NK, 1HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.50, 6.90, 8.40.

Also Ran: Cabarita (Ger), Clear For Take Off (GB), Be My Best (Ger), Caesara (GB), Armance (Fr), Power Zone (Ire), Rope A Dope (Ire), Skrei (Ire). **Click for the Racing Post result.**

GROSSER PREIS DER HANNOVERSCHEN VOLKSBANK-Listed, €25,000, Hannover, 6-10, 4yo/up, f/m, 10fT, 2:03.95, gd.

1--**ELENI (FR), 126, f, 4, Kendargent (Fr)--Encore Merci (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (€32,000 Ylg '16 AROCT; €24,000 RNA 3yo '18 ARQNOV). O-Stall Dipoli; B-Aleyrion Bloodstock Ltd (FR); T-Waldemar Hickst; J-Cyrille Stefan. €14,000. Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-2, €34,675. *1/2 to We Go (Fr) (No Nay Never), GSP-Fr.

2--**Edith (Ger), 126, m, 5, It's Gino (Ger)--Eliza Fong (Ger), by Dr Fong.** (€5,000 Ylg '15 BBAGO). O-Stall 5-Stars. €6,500.

3--**Akua'rella (Ger), 126, f, 4, Shamardal--Akua'ba (Ire), by Sadler's Wells.** O-Gestut Brummerhof. €3,000.

Margins: HF, 2 3/4, HD. Odds: 25.20, 8.80, 4.80.

Also Ran: Serena (Ger), Abadan (GB), Baccara Rose (Ger), Larea (GB), Wolwedans (Ger). **Click for the Racing Post result.**

SPARKASSE GUT FUR KOLN UND BONN-DERBY-Listed,

€25,000, Cologne, 6-10, 4yo/up, 15fT, 3:11.42, gd.

1--**LINE DES ONGRAIS (FR), 122, m, 8, Voix du Nord (Fr)--Kitzmaid (Ger), by Midyan. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Mme Philippe Chemin, Philippe Chemin & Christophe Herpin; B-Marc Trincot & Line Menard (FR); T-Philippe Chemin & Christophe Herpin; J-Morgan Delalande. €25,000. Lifetime Record: 29-8-3-2, €158,280. *1/2 to King of Boxmeer (Ger) (Platini {Ger}), MSW & GSP-Ger.

2--**Berghain (Ire), 126, h, 6, Medicean (GB)--Basilea Gold (Ger), by Monsun (Ger).** (€18,000 RNA Ylg '14 GOFSP). O-Capricorn Stud. €6,500.

3--**Adler (Ger), 128, h, 5, Adlerflug (Ger)--Azalee (Ger), by Lando (Ger).** (€28,000 RNA Ylg '15 BBAGS; €70,000 4yo '18 BBAGO). O-Gestut Gorldorf. €3,000.

Margins: 3/4, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 3.20, 12.50, 5.40.

Also Ran: Moonshiner (Ger), Ernesto (Ger), Enjoy Vijay (Ger), Rosinante (Ire).

1st-Hannover, €7,000, Mdn, 6-10, 3yo, 8fT, 1:39.44, gd.

WISHJOY (IRE) (f, 3, Excelebration {Ire}--Welcome {Ger}, by Monsun {Ger}), a Mar. 24 debut fourth trying seven furlongs at Dusseldorf last time, was steadied to track the leaders in fourth after an alert break. Taking closer order off the home turn, the 7-5 choice quickened into second with 300 metres remaining and was ridden out to deny Vallandros (Ger) (Lord of England {Ger}) by a half length nearing the line. Out of an unraced half to G1 Preis der Diana heroine Well Timed (Ger) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), the homebred is kin to the hitherto unraced 2-year-old colt Will Power (Ger) (Ruler of the World {Ire}), a yearling filly by Adlerflug (Ger) and a 2019 colt by Highland Reel (Ire). Her stakes-winning second dam Wells Present (Ger) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) is a granddaughter of storied producer Whakilyric (Miswaki). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €3,925. O-Gestut Schlenderhan; B-Stall Ullmann (IRE); T-J-P Carvalho.

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FIRST WINNER FOR SIRE

1st-Cologne, €5,100, Mdn, 6-10, 2yo, 6 1/2fT, 1:17.35, gd.
HAMARON (GER) (c, 2, Amaron {GB}--Hungry Heidi {GB}, by Kheleyf) shared first-runner honours--with eventual runner-up Ancona (Ire) (Amaron {GB})--for his Gestut Etzean-based freshman sire (by Shamardal), but dwelt at the break and was detached from his three opponents under a patient Adrie de Vries from the outset. Shaken up to close soon after turning for home, the 24-5 chance switched outside at the two pole and kept on powerfully for one crack of his rider's whip in the closing stages to prevail by 1 1/2 lengths. Hamaron, kin to a yearling filly by Isfahan (Ger), is the first foal produced by a winning daughter of Haiti Dancer (GB) (Josr Algarhoud {Ire}), herself a winning half-sister to Listed Garnet S. runner-up Park Charger (GB) (Tirol {Ire}). The latter is, in turn, the dam of G3 Ballycorus S. victrix Rum Charger (Ire) (Spectrum {Ire}), whose own leading performer is MGISW GI Turf Classic Invitational hero Winchester (Theatrcial). Park Charger's descendants also include G1 Prix de Diane heroine Star of Seville (GB) (Duke of Marmalade {Ire}). Sales history: €14,000 RNA Ylg '18 BBAGO. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €3,000.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Dr Hubertus Diers, et al (GER); T-Henk Grewe.

1st-Munich, €5,100, Mdn, 6-10, 2yo, 6fT, 1:20.81, gd.
ALSON (GER) (c, 2, Areion {Ger}--Assisi {Ger}, by Galileo {Ire}) was caught dozing as the stalls opened and trailed his two rivals through halfway in this debut. Green when asked for an effort soon after passing the quarter-mile pole, the 9-10 pick lugged left thereafter and kept on powerfully once finding the stands' side rail for company to deny Nona (Ger) (Pastorius {Ger}) by 1 1/2 lengths. Becoming the second scorer for dual winner Assisi (Ger) (Galileo {Ire}), the homebred bay is kin to last term's G2 German 2000 Guineas and G2 Oettingen-Rennen hero Ancient Spirit (Ger) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Guiliani (Ire). His G1 Preis der Diana-winning second dam Amarette (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) produced two stakes performers and is herself a full-sister to G1 Prix du Jockey Club third Arras (Ger) and a half to the stakes-winning dam of G1 Melbourne Cup and G1 H E Tancred S. hero Almandin (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and G2 Gerling-Preis victor Atempo (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €3,000.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Gestut Schlenderhan (GER); T-Jean-Pierre Carvalho.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

8th-Cologne, €5,100, Cond, 6-10, 3yo, 9f 55yT, 1:51.41, gd.
DATO (GB) (c, 3, Mount Nelson {GB}--Dear Lavinia {SW-Fr, \$102,830}, by Grand Slam) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €6,000. O-Stall Grafenberg; B-Newsells Park Stud Ltd (GB); T-Sascha Smrczek. *€49,000 Ylg '17 BBAGS.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Irida (Ger), f, 3, Areion (Ger)--Ircanda (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Nebos (Ger). Hannover, 6-10, 10fT, 2:06.47. B-Gestut Evershorst (GER). *Full to Irini (Ger), Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 9.5-11f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ity at 11-14f, GSW-Ity & SW-Ger, \$218,216; and Iraklion (Ger), Hwt. 3yo-Ger at 14f+, MSW-Ger & MSP-Fr, \$122,310.

Amiro (Ger), c, 3, Lord of England (Ger)--Amajara (GB), by Dalakhani (Ire). Munich, 6-10, 10fT, 2:15.04. B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GER). *€5,000 Wlg '16 ARQDEC; €14,000 RNA ylg '17 BBAGO.

Pietraia (Ger), f, 3, Soldier Hollow (GB)--Paradise Light (Ger), by Areion (Ger). Munich, 6-10, 8fT, 1:40.69. B-Gestut Park Wiedingen (GER). *€19,000 3yo '19 BBAGM.

WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES

IN JAPAN:

Fast Approach (Jpn), g, 4, Dawn Approach (Ire)--Jolie Jioconde (Ire) (GSP-Ire), by Marju (Ire). Tokyo, 6-8, Cond. (£255k/€286k), 8fT, 1:33. Lifetime Record: 13-3-3-0, \$611,369. O-Hidetoshi Yamamoto; B-Northern Farm; T-Kazuo Fujisawa. *GSP-Jpn. **\$25,000 Ylg '15 MMGCYS. **VIDEO**



IN SOUTH AFRICA:

Our Moon Shadow, g, 5, Pluck (USA)--Saigon Moonlight (NZ), by Stravinsky (USA). Flamingo Park, 6-10, Hcp., 1000m (sand). O-J D Dempers; B-John Stuart Investments Pty Ltd (Qld); T-Tienie Prinsloo. *1/2 to Monsieur Gustave (Al Maher), GSW-Aus, \$563,950.

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FLYING THE FLAG FOR WAR FRONT



War Front | Claiborne Farm

by John Berry

Hot on the heels of the announcement that last year's Cartier Horse of the Year Roaring Lion (USA) (Kitten's Joy {USA}) would be shuttling this season to Cambridge Stud, the ranks of the New Zealand shuttle-sires have been further augmented with the news that last year's G1 July Cup winner U S Navy Flag (USA) (War Front {USA}) will be heading from Coolmore in Ireland to Valachi Downs, near Matamata. This announcement could hardly be more topical not only with the War Front stallion Declaration Of War (USA) having just sired the G1 Queensland Oaks winner merely a week after the G3 Grand Prix S. at Doomben had been won by Fun Fact, a son of another War Front stallion, The Factor (USA); but also with War Front's sky-high international status having received yet another boost last month with the victory of the G1 Preakness S. victory of his son War Of Will (USA). To most people outside the USA, War Front was not a household name as a racehorse. However, within America he garnered plenty of respect when thriving during a busy 4-year-old campaign in 2006 when he featured in the quinella in six of the most competitive sprints in the country. He had been a stakes winner at three when taking the Princelet S. over 8.5 furlongs at Belmont Park, but at four the seed really burst into flower, racing over shorter distances.

The highlight of his year came when he landed the GII Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. over six furlongs at Saratoga, although one could say that his win came too soon: because of the high standard of its recent winners, that race was promoted to Grade I status in 2010 and has remained at that level ever since. His other excellent efforts that year included second placings behind Pomeroy (USA) (Boundary {USA}) in the GI Forego S. at Saratoga and behind Henny Hughes (USA) (Hennessy {USA}) in the GI Vosburgh S. at Belmont. Those performances, plus the fact that he was by Danzig from a family stuffed with stakes winners, were enough to see War Front retire to one of the best studs in the land, Claiborne.

War Front's first-season stud fee in 2007 was \$US12,500, and his meteoric rise to stardom can be gauged by its rapid ascent: up to \$US60,000 in 2012, to \$US80,000 in 2013, to \$US150,000 in 2014, to \$US200,000 in 2016. For the past three seasons he has stood for quarter of a million dollars, 20 times the fee he commanded at the outset. His tally of Group/Grade 1 winners has kept climbing. Four of his sons scored at the highest level in 2018, including not only the aforementioned U S Navy Flag, but also Homesman (USA) who became his sire's 19th individual Group/Grade 1 hero by taking the G1 Underwood S. at Caulfield in September. War Front's tally of individual Grade I winners advanced to 20 in April when Omaha Beach (USA) won the Arkansas Derby at Oaklawn Park, with subsequent GI Kentucky Derby winner Country House (USA) (Lookin At Lucky) nearly seven lengths adrift in third. Last month, War Front's total of individual Grade I winners increased to 21 when War Of Will (USA) gave the stallion his first win in a U.S. Triple Crown race by taking the GI Preakness S. at Pimlico. Two weeks after War Of Will's great victory, we were reminded of the potential of War Front as a sire of sires when Winning Ways (Aus) took the G1 Queensland Oaks at Doomben. She thus became the second Classic winner produced by Declaration Of War (himself winner of both the G1 Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot and the G1 Juddmonte International S. at York in 2013) following the victory of his first-crop son Olmedo (Fr) in the G1 Emirates Poule d'Essai des Poulains over 1600m in France last year.

One could put War Front in the same category as More Than Ready as a dirt horse adept at siring top-class runners on both dirt and turf, and thus perfectly placed to be the international stud successes which they have turned out to be. More Than Ready, of course, has a much higher profile within Australasia because of his years of high achievement as a shuttle-stallion at Vinery, whereas War Front has never shuttled.



U S Navy Flag | *Coolmore*

But the latter has shown himself to be capable of producing horses suitable for different racing conditions around the world, with plentiful Group/Grade 1 triumphs on both sides of the Atlantic as well as top-level success in both Hong Kong and Australia. There is every reason to believe that the War Front horses who shuttle will make up for the fact that their father has remained in Kentucky throughout his career.

Good a racehorse though Declaration Of War was, it is fair to say that U S Navy Flag will be the most talented son of War Front to have shuttled. It was not merely that he won the G1 July Cup last year; as a 2-year-old in 2017 he had become only the second horse in the modern era (following Diesis (GB) (Sharpen Up {USA}) in 1982) to complete the double of England's most prestigious juvenile races, the G1 Middle Park S. and the G1 Dewhurst S. He ranks as one of three triple Group 1 winners produced by War Front, alongside his full-sister to Roly Poly (USA) and Air Force Blue (USA), who also won the G1 Dewhurst S. (in 2015). War Front's effectiveness at instilling precocity into his stock is highlighted by his feat of siring two Dewhurst winners within three years, not to mention his numerous other notable juvenile triumphs including the quinella in the G1 Cheveley Park S. at Newmarket in 2016 when Brave Anna beat Roly Poly by a short head, the pair two lengths clear of the brilliant Lady Aurelia (USA) (Scat Daddy {USA}). Air Force Blue, of course, shuttled to Coolmore in New South Wales during his first year at stud (2017) but has obviously yet to have any runners. It is worth mentioning, incidentally, that U S Navy Flag should not be judged on his form in Australia last spring. Like many sons and daughters of War Front, he seemed well suited by fast ground, whereas he finished tailed off on his only start in Europe on a heavy track. However, he came to Sydney to run in the Everest so ran in it, despite the heavens having opened and the track being rated a heavy 9.

Understandably, he made no show in the race, and it seems likely that the run flattened him as he did not show his best form on his two subsequent starts down in Melbourne.

Australasian breeders also have access to two other interesting sons of War Front: The Brothers War and War Decree. The latter, who stood his first season at Inglewood Stud in New Zealand in 2018, was a very smart 2-year-old for Aidan O'Brien in 2016 when he won two of his three races, including the G2 Vintage S. at Goodwood, in which he beat subsequent G1 Dubai World Cup hero Thunder Snow (Ire) (Helmet). He followed these wins up with further good performances at both three and four, including taking the G3 Diamond S. at Dundalk in Ireland in September 2017, after which O'Brien sent him on a world tour which included challenges for the G1 Breeders' Cup Classic at Del Mar, the G1 Hong Kong Cup at Sha Tin and the G1 Dubai Turf at Meydan. The Brothers War, based at Koorungal Stud (NSW), was a stakes winner over 1200m in France as a 3-year-old in 2013 when trained by Jean-Claude Rouge



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